

## ANOTHER EPOCH

AFTER remaining at a selling price of sixpence for five years. 'The Ringing World' to-day makes its bow to the public as an eightpenny newspaper. The force of circumstances that necessitated this change has been fully explained to our readers. We hope that our subscribers, who now number over 5.700 a week. will accept the new price and continue to give their full support. This last year we have had the pleasure of increasing our circulation by 200. the biggest increase for some years. The reason we emphasise this is because the editor has in front of him a letter written by one who prides himself on having been a member of a Diocesan Conference, which reads:
'The Ringing World' is fast heading for extinction and eventual bankruptcy-as I for one have foreseen for several years. A new outlook is needed if not a new committee and a new editor; some no doubt will say 'and I agree'! I have ceased taking it for over a year for reasons similar to those aired by Mr. John Brain (page 693), but I still see it when a friend who does take it and myself walk into the same shop, he to buy his 'Ringing World' and myself to buy other journals.
Had this critic been a regular reader of *The Ringing World' he would have seen that the position is far from bankruptey. The capital account of the journal, as presented at Southport, showed a credit of $£ 4.522$. At the end of 1958 the Central Council had investments at cost of $£ 4,362$ and cash at bank and in hand of $£ 1.493$. When the present editor took office in 1946 there was a balance on the capital account of $£ 1.046$. In that year the total cost of producing the journal was $£ 1,395$; last year it was $£ 6,457$. The difference has not gone on the editor's salary, but in the continued rise in production costs.
If the Exercise shares the opinion of this critic there will be an opportunity at Folkestone next Whitsun to change the composition of the editorial committee and to instruct the new committee to appoint a new editor. The constitution of the Central Council is democratic; the great majority of its members are the elected representatives of the affiliated Guilds and Associations. It is for them to say how they wish the journal to be run; the committee is elected by them.
The whole of this additional cost of 2 d . a week is not being absorbed in production costs. The committee are giving the Exercise a larger journal. While the number of pages remains the same, the length of each page is being increased by one inch, and this is the equivalent of a page and a half reading matter each weck. On special occasions, such as the Central Council meeting the committee are prepared to increase the issue to 24 pages. This weekly addition will
be very valuable to the editor, and should provide space for feature articles, which he hopes that those with special knowledge will submit.
When an editor declares that his publication cannot be improved, then it is time for him to consider resigning his office. There is no question-as some of our correspondents have pointed out, that 'The Ringing World' can be improved. Taking advantage of the increased space available, with this issue we introduce the first of what we hope will be a long series of articles, 'Servants of the Exercise.' With the big influx of new readers with young recruits in our belfries, it is only right and proper that they should know something concerning the men and women who have not only brought change ringing to its present status but have by their influence and example added to the dignity of ringers as servants of the Church. Ringing, like cricket. is not restricted to one section of the community: people of all classes of society find a lifetime fellowship through service in the belfry.

Periodically the editor is accused of not taking an interest in the younger ringer. This week we give the first of our tips for beginners, written by a noted peal ringer, who has travelled extensively in the country and observed many of the prevailing faults of young and indifferent ringers. Don't dismiss them lightly: they are the secret of good handling, the basis of ringing.
Another important article introduced this week is 'Stedman for Beginners,' by Mr. Wilfrid G. Wilson. With the late Mr. Ernest Turner, Mr. Wilson in his younger days was a pupil of the late Mr. J. Armiger Trollope, the second editor of this journal. Both these pupils captured Mr. Trollope's enthusiasm for many sides of ringing. The late Mr. Turner completed certain of Mr. Trollope's revision of the Jasper Snowdon series of text books. Mr. Wilson's gift as a clear and simple writer has been dmonstrated in many ways. His roneod booklet for beginners met with an exceptional demand, and when the Central Council decided to revise "The Beginner's Handbook," they appointed him to the committee, and he provided much of the text. We feel certain that 'Stedman for Beginners' will make a strong appeal to young ringers and will also be read by others. To-day at meetings one comes in contact with young people priding themselves on ability to ring Surprise but floundering hopelessly with Stedman. which for bell music is some of the best, particularly in the estimation of the outside public.

To all our readers-critics and friends-we wish them a happy and prosperous New Year. Ringing in this country is in a good heart; we have some splendid and enthusiastic youngsters. who we are certain will carry forward the torch. May 1960 see good recruitment and better Sunday ringing throughout the land.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sat.. Dee. 19. 1959, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt 20 lb , in D .


WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sut., Dec 19, 1959, in 3 Hours and 58 Minules.
Ai the Cathedral Church of All. Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5280 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor $35 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt. in C sharp.
Thomas W. Strangeway.. Treble Gordon Benfield

Basil Jones
C. Kenneth L,ewis
W. Eric Critchley

Leslie W. G Morris
Arranged and Conducted by Lesilie W. G. Morris.
Firsi peal of New Cambridge Surprise Maximus on the bellu in the county, and by the Association.

## TEN BELL PEALS

CULLOMPTON DEVON.
TIE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
Un Suf.. Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes,
AI 1hi: Church of Sr. Andrew.
A PEAL OH 5007 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor $19 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


## NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

TIHE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Or Sar. Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,

AI the Caihfodral Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5055 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 37 cwt .3 gr . in $D$ flat.
 Composed hy C. Charge:. Conducled by Edmund P. Crowdy. First peal on ten bells. $\dagger 2001$ peal for the Association. First in the method as conductor.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.

EVERCREECH. SOMERSET
IHE BAIH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saf.. Dec. 19. 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, Al iht. Church of Si. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 21 cwt .17 lh . in E
 Henry J. Sanger Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE
SI. MARIINS GUILI) FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sas., Dec. 5. 1959, in 2 Homis and 32 Minules.

AI Ihe, Chiseh of Sí. Jampis-1 he-Great,
A PEAL OF 5088 BEIDF()RD) SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt . qr .1 lb .
Eibiar C. Shfpherd.. .. Treble John Pinfold Ruill M. Be!s म! Arihur V ivirion
Petra Borimer
. . . 4 Gigorge E. Fearn Tenor First peal is the method for the Guild, and by all.

## ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Mon.. Dec. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Roman Catholic Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund, A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .3 qr .16 lh . in F



AUDLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Dec. 12. 1959, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

Ar the Church of Si. James-ihe-Grleat.
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . 18 lh . in F sharp.

* $\ddagger$ Reg. A. Challinor ..Treble *iWalter Sherratif.. .. 5
* Norman Sherratt ... 2 *Charles S. Ryles.. .. 6
* Cifarles A. S. Webb . . 3 *Geoffrey Davies
*     + Phillip A. Mason .. 4 Frldk. E. Wilshaw Tehor Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Fredk. E. Wilshaw.

First peal in the method $\dagger$ Firse on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First peal.

BLECHINGLEY. SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959. in 3 Hours and 2 Minumes. Ar thie Church-of-St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part.
Edward G. L. Coward .. Treble
George Olliver
G. Frank Oakshotr.
reble

Alan Sireeter
Conducted by Frederick E. Cullins.
*First peal on eight bells.

BRISTOL.
IHE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saf.. Dec. 12. 1959. Ill 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.
at the Cathiddal Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt . in E flat.
Patrici J. Bird.. .. .. Treble Brynley A. Shackleton 5

| Herbert T. Ferris | . | .. | 2 | F. Cecil Mogford... | . |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Richard J. Buwden . . | . | 3 | Reginald G. Hoopr | .. | 7 | *D. John Hunt . . . . . Tehor Elisabi:th A. G. Bowdin 4 D. John Hunt .. . . . Tehor

Composed by J. Carier.
Conducted by D. John Hunr. Composed by J. Carier.

* First peal of Bob Major. First as conductor. First of Bob Major on the bells.

DRONFIELD. DERBYSIIIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Sus.. Dec. 12. 1959. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At ThE: Churcil of Sr. John-iht-Bapilisi.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .


* First peal of Major.


## KNEBWORTH. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Mimutes, At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

## - Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWt}$

Claudia A. Critchiey . . Treble John E. T. Wiseman G. William Critchle Frederick W. Ellis. ERIC EDMONDSON 4 Thomas J. Lock ... Tenor Composed by Arthur Craven. Conducled by G. William Critchley. - First peal in the method.

## KIRBY-LE-SOKEN. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules, At the Church of Si. Michall A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

## Sir A. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans: <br> Tenor 91 cwt

 * Bernard W. Fairhead .. Treble *Roy Duesbury. * H. Frank Pike.. - Maurice E. Downs Harry J. Millatts.

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Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 2
Evielyn R. M. Cansdale

* Urban W. Wildney


## Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin

* First peal of Stedman Triples. First of Stedman Triples in the District for 25 years.


## SPALDING. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat. Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

## At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas. <br> A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

 Tenor 16 cwt .Sianley E. Bennett .. Treble John G. Ames Geurgie Dawson Trebl 2 Albert W. Ames Maurice Bennett Ronald C. Noon Albert W. A. LegGeit.. EdWin T. Chapman ... 7 3
4
Norman V. Harding Tellor Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Edwin T. Chapman. * First peal in the method.

Rung as a thankoffering on the completion of work to beautily and improve the acoustics of the chancel.

## STANFORD-LE-HOPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Un Sat.. Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minuter. At the Church of Si. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
A. Henor 11 cwt I 4r. 5 lb .

Dennis A. Hewitr
. Treb!c Harry Turner Alfred J. House Alfred J. House ..... Charles E. Willmingion Frank V. Gant .. . . . Tehor Conducted by Harry Turner. "Valerie K. Hester. - Brian Downes Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. * First peal of Yorkshire Major.

Rung in memoriam Arthur C. Chaplin, a life member of the Essex Associastion.

> LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
> On Mon., Dec. 14, 1959, in 3 Hours,
> AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR
 I irst peal in the method by all the band.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE. <br> THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 15, 1959, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr .12 lb . in D

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.
*First Surprise peal, and first touch in the method.

## NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Dec. 16. 1959, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter. Mancrofi. A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part, seventh observation. Rung on the $D$ minor Stanley W. Gall.. octave, tenor 28 cwt .
Grall .. . . Treble| George P. Adams
Nolan Golden .... 2 Trevor N. J. Balley
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { H. William Barrett } & 3 & 3 & \text { F. Charles Goodman } \\ \text { eA. Spencer Brothers } & 4 & \text { Bert Gogle..... .. . Tehor }\end{array}$
*A. Spencer Brothers ... ${ }^{4}$ Bert Gogle..

* First peal of Triples.

Rung hatf-muffled in memoriam C. J. R. Coleman, organist at the church for many years.

## CHATHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 On Sat., Dec. 19. 1959, in 3 Hours. At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor 25 cwt .
Mrs. Francis J. Cheal .. Treble
Cyril J. Gould.. .. .. 2
Harry Springate
2
3
4
Francis J. Cheal.
*Charles E. J. Norris
+William A. J. Knight . . 7
Alan Wrigley .. .. .. 4 Ronald E. Norris .. . . Teilor
Conducted by William A. J. Knight.

* 175th peal. +40 th peal of Triples.

Rung as a sifver wedding compliment to Alhert and Dorothy Dunk. of Stockbury, both members of the Kent County Association; also for the 45 th wedding anniversary of the ringer of the sixth.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

DUNKERTON, NEAR BATH. SOMERSET.
IHE BAII AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Bath Branch.)
On Sat., Nov. 21, 1959, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents of Reverse Canterbury, 16 extents of Plain Boh and 20 extents of Grandsire.
Alan F. Lee Tenor 5 cwt .18 lh . in C.
Alan F. Lee
Brian Davis
-1)avid J. Barnett
Treble J. James Jeffeiries

2 Terence J. Milsum ..
Conducied by Alan F. LeE.

* First peal in three methods. The conductor has now completed the circie.

Rung to welcome David Lesley Parfrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Purlicy.

## EWELME. OXON. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> Oll Sat.. Dec. 5. 1959, in 3 Hours.

Ai ihe Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being four extents each of St. Simon's. St. Martin's, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place Bob. Reverse Canterbury, three each of St. Bar-
tholomew's, Place Boh. six of Pluin Bob and ter. of Grandsire.
Richard Baker
James Godman
Frank Guddln

Rung for the 72nd birthday of J. H. Wintield, who was unable to ring.

## WORFIELD. SHROPSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. Oll Sal.. Dec. 5. 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules,

At the Church of St. Peter-the-Apostle.
A PEAL OF 5040 WINCHENDON PLACE BOB DOLBLES Bcing 42 extents (four callings). Andrew J. Strathdee .. Treble barnabas G. Key ... .. 2 Michal w. Calley... . 4 Barnabas G. Key Clive M. Smith Michael W. Falrey

First peal in the method by all the band. on the bells, and for the Society.
Rung after meeting short for seven Minor methods.

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HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Dec. 9. 1959, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR Being seven extents.

Paul Catirrmole
Treble
*Alfred Mynott
*D. William Newman 3 Conducted by William J. Ridgman.
*First peal in the method.

COBHAM. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 12, 1959. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At ihe Collegiate Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Single Oxford. Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Ralph Bird
Colin F. McGill
JUHN R. COUPER
Treble
Ian H. Oram
Tenor 24 cwt .


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homas Cullingworth
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Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
I-irst pe;al in seven methods on the bells.

HOAR CROSS, STAFFORDSHIRE. 1HE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours and 12 Minules.
At the Church of Hoi.y Angeis.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 13 extents of Stedman, 8 each of Grandsire and St. Martin's, 7 of Plain Bob and 6 of Si. Simon's.
Tenor 28 cwt 1 qr .7 lb . in D tlat.
Giorge: L. Rooboitom .. Treble David W. Friend David W. Brunning .. 2 Derek P. Jones *John K. Smith. . . . . 3 Joseph W. Cotion

Tenor
Conducted by David W. Brunning.

* First peal of Doubles in five methods. The ringer of the tenor hats "circled the tower."


## IASTON. NORIOLK

IHI: NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIAIION.
()il Sat.. Dé. 12. 1959. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the: Church of St. Margarit.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob, and one extent each of Kent Treble Boh. Double Court and St. Clement's. Tenor 12 cwt .

| William H. Hotdom | Treble | Wilfred G. Saunders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John R. Smith | 2 | Frank C. J. Arnoid. |
| DFrICK W. Pardun | 3 | Chidric F. W. Phillippo | Conducted by Cedric F. W. Phillippo.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.
SI: MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., Dec. 12. 1959, in 2 Hours and 32 Mimues, Ar ille Church of Si. James-thi-Great,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 1.440) Plain Bob (four callings) and 3.600 Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt .1 qr .1 lb .

| + | Treble | corn D. ba |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| i Robirt E. D. Henfbury | 2 | +Judy Robinson |
|  | 3 | $V_{I}$ |

*James T. Clark .. .. 3 Vincent A. Hemming .. Tehor Conducted by Vincent A. Hemming.

- First peal. † First "inside. \#First in two methods.

STRATHFIELDSAYE, HAMPSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sulı., Dec. 13. 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents each of Stedman, St. Martin's and St. Simon's, and four extents of Clifford's Pleasure. Little Aston. Southrepps Pleasure. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, April Day. Seighford, Plain Bob, Kenningion and Grandsire.
Bryan C. Stirland. . . Treble †Ronald K. Russ
*Ronald F Diserens ? Frank W Lewis
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Gloffrey K. Dudo.

* First peal of Doubles. + First of Doubles in more than one method. First in 12 methods on the bells.


## THEBERTON, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sun.. Dec. 13. 1959. in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

## Kev. E. Bankes James arrangement. <br> Tenor 6 cwt .2 cr 9 lb.

James M. Balley . . . Treble

| Treble | William J. Buiton |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Walter Ruffles |

Alan R. Bridges
Walter W. Miller . . .. 3 , Lesle G. Breit .. . . Tenor
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Conducted by Leislie G. Breit.
Rung for Evensong. Also an 86th birthday compliment to Mr . Gcorge Wilson.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
SI. MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon.. Dec. 14, 1959, in 2 Hours and 21 Minules.

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& \text { A1 IU: ChURCH OF Sr. GinIS, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
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Consisting of two extents each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.
Richard G. Morris
Pamela M. Turner
Giforge E. Frarn
Treble
Conducted by Pr:it:r Bordik.

## BRISTOL

I!1t: UNIVI:RSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY () Ir Wed.. Dec'. 16. 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Mimule's.

As 1 hi: Churth of: St. Michaflan-ihf:-Mouni. Wifheut,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 14 methods: (1) Fulbeck Boh, Reverse Boh. Canterbury l'leasure Boh, Double Bob and Plain Boh: (2) Childwall Bob and St. Clement's Bob: (3) Thelwall Boh and Double Oxford Bob: (4) College Bob: (5) Wavertree College Bob: (6) Combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: (7) Cambridge Surprise: 91 changes of method. Tenor $14 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{cw}}$. in F
Michael J. Ausiin . . . Treble John C. Baldwin
Angela Grainger .. .. 2 Patrick J. Bird.
Royston Biackler .. .. 3 : David Heighion
Conducled hy Davii Heighion.
First peal in 14 methods as conductor. First in 14 methods by all except conductor. on the bells, and for the Society.

DEIEPING ST NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRL
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed.. Dec. 16. 1959 , in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
At IHF CHURCI OF St. Nrcholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being one 2.160 and four extents. Fred Brightman .. . . Treble
Frank Taylor
Frank Tayior ... ... 2
J. Martin Thorley

2
3 C. Harold Whir

Rung to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Arthur Knights.

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WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION Oll Wed., Dec. 16, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules.
at the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G sharp.
*Valerie M. Powell
Treble Martin D. Feilows.
Michael J. Fellows Jamis E. Pullon

Conducled by Paul Cattermole.
*First peal (ringing five months). Average age of hand 15 years 6 months. Youngest band to ring a peal on the bells. Ringers of treble, 3, 5 and 6 from Sunday service hand.
Rung to mark the 70th anniversary of the founding of the hells
COMPTON DANDO, SOMFRSET.
THE: BATH AND WFLLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Ol" Thurs., Dec. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 54 Mimutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in eight methods: Cambridge Surprise, Combined Kenı and Oxford Treble Boh. College Boh. Wavertree College Boh, St. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford Boh and Plain Boh. Tenor 16 cwt . *Reginald G. Hooper .. Treble *iD. John hunt.
*Brynley A. Shackleton 2 Patrick J. Bird ... .. 5
David Heighton .. .. 3 | †Francis C. Mogford .. Tenor Conducted hy David Heighton.
*First peal in eight methods. $\dagger$ First in eight Minor methods, also has now 'completed the circle.' First in eight methods on the hells.

HINTON-BLEWITT. SOMERSET.
THİ BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Dec. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Margaret.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Consisting of 42 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 9$\}$ cwt.
Frkedirick H. Andrews Treble tJacoueline A. Purneil... 3 †Sanilra Hunt

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Dennis Uphil } \\
& \text { Conducted by David J. Purneli. }
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*First peal away from tenor. * First peal. First as conductor. First peal on the hells by a Sunday service band Rung as a farewell to the conductor.

## HANDBELL PEALS

BIRSTALL, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Dec. 10, 1959, in 1 Hour amd 55 Minules, At 44. Beechfield Avenue.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor size 15 in C.
Derek M. Sawyer .. .. 1-2 John A. Acres.
Ernest Morris ..

* 200th peal.


## BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Syston District.)

On Fri.. Dec. 11, 1954, in 1 Hour and 43 Minures.
In 1 he biliriRy of in Church or Thi Hoir Tkinis.
A PFAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Tenor size 15 in (.
*J. Richard Prikins $\quad . \quad 1-2 \mid$ B. Sifdman Payne .. .. 3-4
jMalcolm D. Barsby .. 5-6
Conducted hy B. Stedman Paynf.

* First peal "in hand.' 广 First peal.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Tires., Dec. 15. 1959, in 1 Hour and 55 Minules,
In the ringing chamber of the Campanile of he Church of
St. Michael, and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. SIMON'S BOB DOUBLES
Tenor size 14 in D.
Terence G. Page
1-2| Trevor N. J. Balley.
3-4 E. Charles Balley .. .. 5-6 Conducted hy Trevor N. J. Bailey.
First peal in the method by all, in the county, and for the Guild.

## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Dec. 15, 1959, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes, At Thi Wayside. 150. Narborough Road Soluih.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C .
John A. Acres .. ... .. $1-2 \mid$ Alfred Ballard .. .. 5-6
Mrs. P. J. Staniforth .. 3-4 4 Peter J. Staniforth.. .. 7-8 Composed by C. Middieton. Conducted by Peter J. Staniforih. A birthday compliment to Christine Bensley, of Hinckley: also to the ringers of $5-6$ and 7-8.

## John Taylor \& Co.

# FIRST PEAL PERFORMANCES 

By F. T. BLAGROVE

(Contimued from Nov. 6th issue, page 651)
Farmen Imperial Bob Major.-5.184 at Farndon on January 2nd. 1954. hy the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 226 .

Cawston Little Bob Major- 5.040 at Saxlingham Nethergate on January 27th, 1954, by the Norwich Diocesan Association.

Handbridge Imperial Bob Major- 5.152 at 11 andbridge on February 13th. 1954, by the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 207.
Shrewstury Bob Major. $-5,056$ at Malpas on February 20th. 1954, by the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 25.

Hodnet Imperial Bob Major.-5.120 at Hodnet on April 24th. 1954 , by the Shropshire Association. C.C. No. 216.

Queen Imperial Bob Maior.-5,152 at Pulford on May 15 th, 1954, by the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 205.

Ellesmere Little Court Major.-5.040 at Ellesmere on May. 22nd, 1954, by the Shropshire Association. C.C. No. 82.

Regina Imperial Bob Major.- 5,040 at Witney on September 11th, 1954, by the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Beretun Bob Major:- 5.056 at Hemel Hempstead on December 2nd, 1954, by the Hertford County Association. C.C. No. 105.

St. Faith Little Bob Major- 5.040 at Saxlingham Nethergate on January 29th, 1955 , by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 198.

Canterbury Imperial Bob Major. - 5,088 at Bicester on November 5 th, 1955, by the Oxford Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 258, and is Reverse Bob with places in 5-6 at the half-lead.

Tunstead Little Imperial Bob Major.-5,040 at Hethersett on November 16th. 1955, by the at Hetherselt on November 16th

Dacorum Imperial Bob Major.-5,040 at Northchurch on January 14th, 1956, by the Hertford County Association. C.C. No. 236.
Hampton Imperial Bob Major. - 5.120 at Malpas on January 21 st , 1956, by the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 246.
Bishopsiale College Bob Major- 5,056 at Dorchester on February 5th, 1956, by the Oxford Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 305.
Wem Imperial Bob Major- 5,120 at Wem on May 19,h, 1956, by the Shropshire Association. C.C. No. 370.

Gadebridge Imperial Bob Major.-5,072 at Hemel Hempstead on July 21 st. 1956 . by the Hertford County Association. C.C. No. 240. Chester Imperial Bob Major.- 5,088 at Chester on August 4th, 1956, hy the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 252.
Hedingham Bob Muior.- 5,008 at Sible Hedingham on July 24th 1957, by the Essex Association. C.C. No. 228.

Single Mancroft Bob Major. - 5.120 at Hethersett on April 23rd. 1958, by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 29.

Single Coslany Court Maior.--5,184 at Loddon on May 14th, 1958. by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 28.
Upton Imperial Court Maior. - 5.184 at Gressenhall on July 30th. 1958 , by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 54.
Debenham Court Major- -5.184 at Gressenhall on Seplember 241h. 1958 , by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 50.
Goldhanger College Bob Major.-5.0018 at Goldhanger on November 13 th , 1958, by the Essex Association. C.C. No. 282.
Childwall College Bob Major.- 5,0108 at Loughborough on November 19th. 1958, by the Leicester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No 280, and is not the extension of Childwall Minor.
Taunton Court Major.-5.184 at Dereham on December 3rd. 1958. by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 52.

Eariham College Bob Major.-5,024 at Loddon on December 10th. 1958, by the Norwich Diocesan Association. C.C. No. 151.

Bentey Bob Major- -5.056 at Great Bentiey on February 7h, 1959, hy the Essex Association. C.C. No. 271.
Hackington Imperial Bob Major.-5. 1888 at Loughborough on February 23rd, 1959, by the Midland Counties Guild. C.C. No. 259.
Cheswardine Imperial Major.-5.188 at Cheswardine on May 2nd, 1959, by the Shropshire Association. C.C. No. 227.

Oxford Imperial Bob Major.-5.056 at Oxford on May 14th. 1959, by the Oxford Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 256.
Ercall Imperial Bob Major.- 5.152 at High Ercall on June 6th. 1959 , by the Shropshire A.sociation. C.C. No. 209.

Kinnerton Imperial Major.- 5,056 at Pulford on September 12th, 1959 , by the Chester Diocesan Guild. C.C. No. 229.
Highbury Bob Maior.- 5.088 at Pulham St. Mary on September 30th, 1959, by the Norwich Diocesan Association. Previously rung on handbells at Bushey on July 25th, 1941. C.C. No. 6.
The following can be added to the 10 -bell peals on page 202.
Spliced Caters and Royal. $-6,006$ Plain Bob, Grandsire, Kent T.B. Royal, Stedman and Grandsire Caters at Rotherham on, April 18th, 1881, by the Yorkshire Association.
Gainsborough Little Bob Royal.-5,184 at Isleworth on May 23rd. 1959, by the London County Association.

## SURPRISE METHODS

Details of first peal performances of regular Surprise methods are readily available in Corrigan's Collection and "Campanalogia." Also most of the leading composers have a complete list of performances and will supply any information required. Only a bare outline of its development of Surprise ringing will be given here.
Cambridge Surprise Major.-The original Society of London Youths rang a false peal of 5.088 at. St. Giles-in-the-Fields on January 30th, 1780. Due to arguments within the Society. the band joined the ancient College Youths, and rang a false peal of 5,152 , also at St. Giles', on February 23rd, 1783.
The next known peal was 6.048 at Sheffield on November 5th, 1787. J. W. Snowdon assumes that this peal was false. The method was then picked up by the Keighley Society. who rang 5.152 on February 23rd, 1810, but they after-

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wards found this peal to be false, and rang 5.376 on August $18 \mathrm{th}, 1811$, which they clained to be the first true peal in the method ever rung in the North of England. Snowdon assumes that this latter peal was false, but makes no mention of the first peal at Keighley.
The first peal in the method known to be true is 5,600 at Benington on February 11th. 1873, by the Benington Society.
Superlative Surprise Major- 5.152 at Huddersfield on November 5 th, 1821 . by the St . Peter's Company. It was rung after a peal of Treble Bob Triples; total time live hours and fifly-six minutes.

New Cambridge Surprise Major.-6.720 at Huddersfield on February 13th, 1822, by the St. Peter's Company. Rev. C. D. P. Davies incorrectly refers to this as a peal of Cambridge rung with singles, and gives the peal at Burton-on-Trent on April 20th, 1887, as the first peal in the method.

Cambridge Surprise Royal.-5,400 at Wakefield on October 26th, 1822 , by the Wakefield Society.
Superlative Surprise Royal.-Shipway's extension was rung at Wakefield on January 16 th. 1825 , but the peal was false. So the Wakefield Society rang another 5,400 on March 27th. 1826. Another extension, referred to as No. 2 version, was rung at Beddington on November 21 st , 1935, by the Surrey Association.

London Surprise Major.-Shipway states that London had been practised by the ancient College Youths in the $1780^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$. Presumably by the band which rang the false peals of Cambridge. The first peal was 5,280 at St. Andrew's, Norwich, on November 17th, 1835 , presumably by St. Peter's Company of Norwich Scholars.
Surprise Methods to 1920.-Up to 1880 there had only been 17 peals of Surprise. The $1880^{\circ}$ s saw the start of a rapid increase in Surprise ringing, with such bands as the St. Paul's Society. Burton-on-Trent, taking the lead. The Burton ringers rang their first peal of Superlative in 1884 , Cambridge. New Cambridge and London in 1887. In 1886 they rang the first peal of Burton Superlative S.M. In 1897 Gloucester S.M. was rung at Gloucester and the irregular Oxford S.M. at Brighton. Norfolk S.M. was rung at Brighton in 1898.

Bristol S.M. was rung at Brighton in 1901. and 1903 saw the first peals of Yorkshire S.M. at Ranmoor. Sheffield, and New Cambridge S.R. at St. Magnus', London. Peterborough S.M. was rung at Bolsover in 1904.

In 1907. Southgate S.M. was rung at Southgate. being then known as the Rochester Variation of Superlative, and the College Youths rang the first peal of a variation of London Surprise Royal.
The first peal of Cambridge S. Maximus was rung at Ipswich in 1908, an account of which can be found in the R.W. $\therefore$ page 245, 1958. In 1913. Brighton S.M. was rung at Waterloo Road, and Guildford S.M. at Guildford.
Surprise Methods. 1921 to 1950.-During this period a further 169 Major, 26 Royal and 19 Maximus methods were rung to peals.

Surprise Methods. 1951 to 1958. -In these eight years no less than 200 Major methods were rung to "first peals." Also 15 Royal and 9 Maximus methods.

This concludes, to the best of my knowledge. the schedule of first peal performances of methods on seven or more bells. It may be that someone has details of a performance in a method not listed above. or even an earlier performance. If so. I would be pleased 10 receive details, in order that the list of First Peal Performances may be made as complete and accurate as possible. The schedule is believed to be complete to September 30th. 1959, with the exception of regular Surprise methods. The schedule proper starts on page 699. 1958, and is continued on pages 767, 67, 202 and 651.

> [Concluded]

WIVELSFIELD, SUSSEX,-On Dec. 13ih. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: A. Millam 1. M. Plummer 2. E. Everest 3. J. Plummer (first 'inside ') 4. H. Brown 5. D. Smith 6. A birthday compliment to 3 .

ADDINGTON, SURREY.-On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Fletcher 1, R. Bird 2, R. Larkin 3, J. C. Perrin 4, C. F. McGill (cond.) 5, Minor: Miss R. Perrin-1, A. M. Macve (cond.) 2. R. Mird 3, 1. C. Perrin 4, J. D. Faircloth 5, C. F. MeGill 6. Also on Nov, 8th, 1.320 Plain Rob Minor: C. H. Macve (first anarter) 1. Miss R. Perrin (first

- inside ') 2. J. C. Perrin 3. C. F. McGill 4. R Bird 5. A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also on Dee. 6ih. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: R. Fletcher 1. J. C. Perrin 2. R. Larkin 3. P. J. Milton 4, A. M. Macve 5, C. F,
McGill (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 6ith. 1.296 Cambridge Surnrive Minor: R. Larkin 1. J. C. Perrin 2. P. J. Milton 3. C. F. McGill 4, R. Bird (cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6. First of Surprise 1 and 2. First of Surprise by the local hand.
ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At St. Peter s Cathedral, on Dec. 13th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. F. Cox 1, B. R. Cox 2. W. Mann 3. W. B. Pitcher 4. C. H. Bagol (cond.) 5. B. F. Goble 6. First quarier 3 and 6 . For Evensong, and as a farewell compliment to the third ringer.
BOLDMERE. WARWICKS.-On Nov. 8th. 1.300 Deubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): R. Harris (first quarter) 1. D. Reeves 2, R. D. Waiker 3. J. Laud 4. J. E. Neale (first as cond.) 5, P. G. Laud (first quarier) 6. For Remembrance Sunday. Also on
Nuv. 15th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Boh) : P. G. Laud 1, D. Reeves 2, M. N. Lawrence (cond.) 3. J. Laud 4. J. E. Neale 5. G. Fallon 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Canon E. W. Brown. former Vicar of the narish.
HRIGHTON, SUSSEX. - On Dec. 6ih, at St. Peter"s Church. 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Betty Stephenson 1. A. W. Bond 2. G. North 3. C. W. Riddleston 4. F. Cruttenden (first of Caters) 5. L. Stillwell 6. H. W. Woolven (cond.) 7. F. Page 8. W. A. Riddington 9.
F. Lewis 10. A farewell to the Vicar (Canon D. H. F. Lewis 10. A farewell to the Vicar (Canon D. H.
Booth). nrior to his installation as Archdeacon of Lewes on December 81h in Chichester Cathedral.
BUSHLEY, WORCS. On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Shipway's Place, St, Nicholas'. Winehendon Place,
St . Mart in's, St. Simon's, All. Saints'. Chasc, Plain Buh, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire) : A. Halling 1, Nadine Price 2. F. E. Wood 3. M. Hawkes (cond.) 4. P. D. Warren 5, R. Liddell (first cuarter) 6. First
methods by all the band except the conductor.
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA.-On Nov, 291h. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: O. Lamb 1, V. Shennard 2. W. Smith 3, L. Hewitt 4, R. Law (first as cond.) 5 . 1. Riley 6, J. Ernizen cover. First in method for
? and 4. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Governor-General of the Union.
DORKING, SURREY. On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Stedman (first of Triples) 1. E. G. L. Coward 2, Ethel Clear 3, C. Lloyd (first of Grandsire Triples) 4. B. Read 5. A. P. Cannon (cond.) 6. ELSTOW. BEDS.-On Dec. 14th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Marion Clarke (first quarter) 1. Kathleen Rivet (first quarter) 2, W. Rivet (first 'inside') 3. P. Payne 4, C. M. Payne (cond.) 5. P. A. Wakeman 6. A birthday compliment to Miss Marion Clarke, shire.
Shire.
EiNiNG. SUFFOLK.-On Dec. $13 \mathrm{hh}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Duubles: Aiss H. Cross 1, A, Benstead 2, J.
Gienleman 3, E. Jagoard 4, A. Miann (cond.) 5 . Genuleman 3. E. Jagoard 4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5 .
Rung as a 2isi birthday commlimeni to the cunductor. Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to the condustor.
GREASLEY. NOTTS.-On Dec. 5ih, 1.280 St . Clement's College Bub Majur: Miss S. Fizpatrick (firs euarter) 1. Mrs. M. I Pailing 2. F. Bradlev 3,
Mrs. M. Beach 4. Miss D. Armsirung 5. D. Beach 6. I. N. Pailing 7, F. A. Salter (cond.) 8. First in mathod by all. A birthday compliment so trehle ringer. GREAT BADDOW. ESSFX.-On Dee. 13th. 1.260 Grandvire Triples: Miss R. Millham 1. M. Harbond 2. if Eselestane 3, W. Glover 4, L. Ainger 5, P. Eves 6. 1)r. Snencer-Phillips (cond.) 7. H. Carter $\%$. For II. Moss, who is leaving the district.

GREAT YARMOUTH. NORFOLK.-At St. Nicholas Parish Church. on Dec. 61 h , 1,264 Plain
Buh Maior: W, B. Duncan 1, Miss N. B. Smedley 2. Rev. G. Galley 3. A. Wigmore 4. A. Fulcher 5 . S. G. Merry (cond.) \&. Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow 7. HORSEILL. SURREY,--On Dec. $61 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Drubles 2 Miss P. Drurt 3. J. Martin 4. D. Wright (cond) 5 hldidersfield. YORKs.-At St. Peiers Church. on Nov. 2 Rth . 1.360 Kent Treble Boh Royal : F. Richards 1, H. Armiage 2. F. Linfoot 3, W. Drans-
field 4. Miss S. Brown 5, A. Hinchelift 6. A. W. Bond 7. D. Smith 8. J. Pearson (cund.) 9. J. Newion 10. First of Royal for 5 and 8. Rung prior to the openlig of the new Church Huuse.

## QUARTER PEALS

ISLEWORTH. MIDDIX. On Dec. 13ih. 1.280 Plain Bob Major (yenor cavering) : L. C. Way (first of Boh Maior) 1. Mrs. K. Parr 2. Miss P. J. Holborn 3. C. H. Rogers 4. Mrs. O. L. Rogers 5. G. M. Harvey 6, W. G. Wilsun (cond.) 7. H. W. Rugers 8. Miss B. Humnhrey 9. For the visitation of the Lord Bishon of London and the farewell service to the Rev. E. H. Grimston. Vicar for 16 years.
JESMOND. NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE:- In DCC. 14th, 1.26t Stedman Triples: Mrs. N. 1. Lea 1.
Mrs. M. S. Ainsworth 2, J. E. Andersin 3, J. A. Mrs. M. S. Ainsworth 2, J. E. Andersun 3, J. A.
Ainsworih (cond.) 4. N. Errington 5, C. N. Lea 6, G. S. Deas 7. J. Hart 8.

LAMBETH. S.E.-On Dec. 6ih. at St. Mary's Church, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1. C. W: Ouley 2. Miss D. Deverell 3. L. Hatley 4, F. P. Mead 5. L. Bullock 6. W. D. Grainger (cond.) 7. J. Mudd 8. For Evensong.

LEICESTER.-At St. John-the-Divine's Church, on Nov, 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Townsend 1. Miss S. Chesterton 2, I. Fraser 3. P. Chillon 4. A. Grant 5, A. J. Poynor 6, S. Harrison (cond.) 7. A. Cooke 8. Rung half-multied in memory of Ronald Frederick Sharpe, ased 22, a former ringer of this church. Also on Dec. 5th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: K. Townsend 1, S. Harrison 2. P. Chilton Pratt 4. 1. Fraser 5. E. Morris (comp. and cond.) 6. M. Faulkes 7. B. Chapman 8, P. Johnson 9, A. Cooke 10. Rung half-muffied in affectionate remembrance of Ernest John Jelley, a loyal and faithful friend of this tower.
MAIDSTONE, KENT.-On Dcc. 19th. 1.313 Double Norwich Court Bub Caters: Miss J. Beresford 1. M. Marshall 2, A. J. House 3. T. Cullineworth 4. T. E. Sone 5, T. A. Cross 6, T. H. Francis (cond.) 7. D. A. Chapman 8, T. J. Lock 9. G. Pearson 10.

MANCETTER, WARWICKS.-On Nov. 29th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Keverse St. Bartholomew) : E. Jenkins (first ouarter) 1, J. Wilson 2, J. Parish 3. R. Burgess 4. R. Bacon (first as cond.) 5. For

MARSTON, OXON.-Un Nov. 1 thh, 1,380 Southrepns Pleasure Bob Doubles: N. Deam 1, A. Gammon (cond.) 2, M. Ryan 3, R. H. Jones 4, E, Vena First quarer in method. Rung after peal attempt failed for the llth birthday of Prince Charles.
MITCHAM, SURREY.-At Christ Church, on Dec. 19th, 1,440 Cambridge Surnrise Minor: Adrienne Gibson 1, Sylvia Marsh 2. D. G. Astridge 3, W. Parrott 4, F. Oakshott 5, E. G. L. Coward (cond.) 6. First of Surprise 1, 2 and 4. Rung after a peal attempt had failed through a broken rope.
OLD CLEEVE, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 14th. $1.26 i$ Grandsire Triples: D. Miller 1. B. Jean Stevens 2. H. Best (first on eight -inside') 3. Pamela M. Stevens 4. K. Prime 5, C. Stevens 6, R. Short (cond.) 7. C. Clarke 8. A welcome home from Christmas Island for D. Mitler.
OLD MARSTON, OXON.-On Dec. 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Kay Williams (first quarter) 1. A. Gammon 2, N. Deam (first 'inside') 3, R. H, Jones 4, C. Holloway (cond.) 5. For St. Nicholas' Day.
PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-On Nov. 21st. 1,441 Plain Beb Minor: Tessa P. Kemp 1. Ann Barr 2,
A. J. Collings (first inside ') 3, C. Catt 4. R. W: Pipe '(cond.) 5, P. W. Webh 6. By Birmingham University Society of Change Ringers.
PENARTH. GLAM,-On Nov. 29th, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh, Plain Bob. April Day and Grandsire): Yvonne Ansitis 1. E. J. R. Hartley 2. R. Havard 3. A. F. R. Hartley 4. A. M. Coombs (cond.) 5. R. England 6. For Evensong. Alsn on Dee. 13th, 1.260 Plain Beb Minne: R. Lee 1. W. J. Palmer 2, R. Havard 3. A. F. R. Hartiey 4. E. J. R. Hartley S. A. M. Conmbs (cond.) 6. For

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.-On Dee. 121h. at the Caihedral, 1.260 Plain Bub Royal : A. E. Hundless 1. F. W. Burnetr 2. A. Page 3. Mrs. M. Page 4.
E. K. Jordan 5. A. York-Bramhle 6. Miss E. W. Keys 7. Miss S. K. M. Knight 8. R. T. Junes J. 14. Hunt (first of Royal as cond.) 10 .

PRITTIEWELL, ESSEX.-On Dec. 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Bacon 1. Miss J. Rowe 2. W. A.
Smith 3. J. Belcham 4, D. Belcham 5, P. A. Sadler Smith 3. J. Belcham 4, D. Belcham 5, P. A. Sadler
(cond.) 6. P. Sloman tenor. For Advent carol service. RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.-On Dee. 14th, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples : D. M. Hibbert 1, Rosemary S. Hawkes 2, Susan J. Slade 3, D. C. Partholomew 4,
F. W. Elliotr 5, H. A. Bradhurv 6. M. Hatcheir (cond.) 7. J. R. Lloyd 8. First of Bioh Trinles by all. Rung half-muflied in memoriam Herbert Jones. for many years a ringer at shis church.

RAYLEIGII, ESSEX.-On-Dec. $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.525$ Grandsire Trinles (from Holt's Original): H. Worboys Miss E. Hatch 2, M. Hallett 3. G. Sandwell 4. J Blower 5, R. D. Tomlin (cond.) 6. W. Smith 7. W. Ward 8. For the dedication of the Christmas tree. Also on Dec, 13th, 1.280 Cambridue Surnrise Major: 11. Wurboys 1, R. D. Tomlin 2, W. Eliis 3. F. May 4. Miss V. Hester 5. G. Sandwell 6. M. Halle:l 7. . House 8. For Eveņion?.
ROMSEY, HANTS.-On Dec 191h, 1.260 Oxford Boh Triples: Miss C. White 1. C. Herbert 2. Miss A. J. Knipht 3. M. L. Nurthway (cond.) 4. H. J.
Page 5, K. J. Jacobs 6. C. M. White 7, 1). Greelllaw 8. First in the method for 1.2 and 6 . For Advent. Also on Dec. 20th. $1,26 \mathrm{fl}$ Grandsire Triples: Miss C. While 1. Miss P . A. Goulv 2. Miss A. 1. Knight 3. C. J. Redwoud 4. 1). Greenlaw 5, C. Herbert 6, L. F. Cobb (cond.) 7. II. J. Page \&. For morning service.

SAXILBY, LINCS.-On Now, 2kih, 1.410 Minar (Single Court and Kent): M. Keyworih 1. Pamela Cox 2, J. M. Blaikie 3. H. W. Cox 4. H. Dove 5. J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. Run!! following the induction of the Rev. H. J. Dight to this parish.
SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 6ith, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. D. Baugh (first of Minor) 1. Judy Robinson 2, R. E, D. Henebur: 3, V. A. Hemming (cond.) 4, R. E. Tallis (jun.) 5. M. C. Hughes 6, J. T. Clark (first of seven, covering) 7 .

SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Dec. 21th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal : Valerie Huby (first of Royal) 1. A. D. Rivers 2. Janet L. Adamson 3, Linda J. Kew 4. C. T. Blundell (first on 10) 5, Pamela M. Jervis 6. D. Ward (first on 10) 7, D. K. Walters 8, W. Birmingham (cond.) 9. J. C. Birt 10. Runz for mroeress.
STANTON, OXON.-On Nov. 291h. 1.261 Douhles (Clifford's Pleasure, Southrenns Pleasure, All Saints*. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh, Plain Beb and Grandsire): D. Jones 1, E. Venn (cond.) 2. J. G. Pusey 3, R. Stoddard 4, R. H. Jones 5. For Advent Sunday.

STEVENAGE, HERTS,-On Dec. 6 th. 1.260 Doubies (Plain Bob and Grandsire): J. Swain 1. D. Tanlin (first in two methods) 2, D. Gullick 3. W. Lawrence (cond.) 4, W. Brown 5, W. Munson 6. For the patronal festival of St. Nicholas.
STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-At St. Thomas' Churth, on Dec. 13 th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: F. B. Cookson (first in the method as cond.) 1. Mrs. R. Smith 2, W. H. Cooner 3, M. T. Sorackling 4, R. Smith 5, A. L. Dunn 6, D. H. Watson 7, P. W. Wehb 8. First in the method by all excent the conductor. Rung by the Sunday service band for Evensonk and as a welcome to the new Vicar (the Rev. B. H. T. Trevor-Morgan. B.A.). who was inducted on December 7th.
WALKERVILEE, SOLTH AUSTRALIA.-At St . Andrew's Church, on Nov. 30th. 1.260 Plain Bab Minor: W. B. Pitcher 1, B. R. Cox 2. Enid Roberis 3, R. A. Egoleton 4. A. R. Lamphee 5. C. H. Barot (cond.) 6. First of Minar for 1, 2 and 4. Rung on the eve of the patronal festival.
WARWICK.-At St. Nicholas Church. on Oct. 15 th . 1.280 Cambridge Surnrise Major: H. Folwell 1. E. Sibley 2, A. H. Beamish 3. F. W. Perrens 4. H. Summers, 5, H. Scar 6, C. Avlett 7. J. L. GarnerHayward (cond.) 8.
WEST RETFORD. NOTTS.-On Sent. 2?th. 1.296 Single Oxford Bub Minor: C. Scalt 1. Jill Easan 2. Valerie Waterfield 3. T. Randall 4. D. Mc.Neil 5. R. Hobbs (cond.) 6 . For harvest festival thanksgiving: also as a farewell to Richard Hobhs, ringing master of this tower and ringine master of the North Nouts District of the Southwell Diocesan Guild for 1959. Also on Nov. 1st. 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: Angela Womack 1, Valerie Warerfield 2. R. Hobhs (cond.) 3. C. Scont 4. D. McNeil 5. First of Doubies by all the band. For morning service on the festival of All Saints.
WFST WICKHAM. KENT. - (In Nov. 29th. 1.260 Plain Beb Minor: Hermione Hockey 1, R. Maddy (first 'inside') 2. L, W, G. Skinner 3, A. S. Richards J. Faircloth (first as cond.) 5, D. Holland 6.
WOLVERCOTE, OXON.-On Nov. 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Chamberlain (cond.) 1. Mrs, M. Godwin 2. M. Witcomh (first quarter) 3. J. Venn 4. E. Venn 5, Dorothy Smith (first auarter) 6. For Ringer's Sunday. Also on Dec. 10hh. 1.260) Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Gudwin 1. J. M. Gardner 2. M. Witcomb 3, B. Wakefield 4. E. Venn (cond.) 5. W. C. Godwin 6. Rung when only six ringers arrived on practice nisht.
WYCHBULD. WORCS.-On. Nov, 29th, 1,260 GrandDoubles: Valerie Powell (first cuarter) I, R. S. Smith 2, J. E. Pullon 3. A. D. Conk 4, P. Catiermole (cond.) 5. Heaiher M. Pulion 6. Rung by members of the Sunday service band for Evensong on St. Andrew's Eve.

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Mr. W. B. Kynaston has retired from the post of hon. secretary of the Swindon

## BELFRY

 Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, an appointment he has held with great efficiency for 27 years. His successor is Mr. R. Luten, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon.The Witney and Woodstock Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild have agreed that a standard charge of 10 s .6 d . a rope be made for wedding ringing.
The peal at Erith on November 13th (see page 751) was Mr. W. A. J. Knight's first peal of Surprise Major, and his first in the method.
Mr. J. R. Worrall. who was at Shafteshury School. Bisley. Surrey, until its closure. has now a teaching appointment in Germany at Prince Rupert School, Wilhelmshaven.
The influence of a new vicar at Bampton. Oxon. who came from a Devon parish with a good band of call change ringers, is being felt. Their striking under the leadership of Mr. Jack Hellinger is improving.

We hope to publish our annual feature of leading bell-ringers of 1959 at an early date. Will those who have rung 25 peals or more kindly submit details. showing number of peals rung on tower- and handbells and the number conducted

Mr. W. Mann, who learnt to ring at St James, Benwell. Newcastle, before the war has rung his first quarter in distant South Australia. While on duty for five months at the Weapons Research Station. he obtained some ringing at Adelaide-at St. Peter's Cathedral. His departure is much regretted by South ^ustralian ringing colleagues

Mr. D. Miller, of Old Cleeve. Somerset, just back from Christmas Island. took part in a welcome home quarter peal on December 14th.
The Sunday service band at St. Thomas' Church. Stourbridge, are making progress. They rang a quarter peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major on December 13 th as a welcome to the new Vicar.

## GOSSIP

 Encouraging news comes of Northleigh. In iwo years a band of 16 ringers has been established, starting from scratch. For quite a time they have an unbroken record of ringing twice on a Sunday. Their Christmas dinner at the Fleece Hotel was an excellent meal and afterwards the band provided their own entertainment in the form of songs, tunes on handbells and dancing.Owing to repairs to the spire, the bells of Christ Church, Swindon, are out of use.
Clanfield, Oxfordshire, ringers at their annual supper presented their captain, Mr. George Clarke. with a silver stand and house bell, as a mark of their appreciation of his services.
Ringers from Handsworth. Birminghamı, and elsewhere. who had a very pleasant time ringing at ten different Shropshire towers on December 12th, would like to thank Elizaheth Yardley for making all the arrangements.

Evidence of ringers taking an active part in church life-and there are many-comes from Burghill, Herefordshire. At the annual church bazaar the ringers had their own stall of cut flowers, pot and autumn bedding plants, which brought in $£ 7$. This will help towards the cost of the hire of a coach for their summer outing.

Mention was made in 'Belfry Gossip " on December 4 th of the augmentation of Belton. Lincs. bells from four to six. This refers to All Saints', Belton, Isle of Axholme. The other Lincolnshirz Belton is near Grantham and here the five bells are unringable. There is another Belton in Rutlandshire.
Members of the Theological College Ringing Guild at Salisbury were joined by two ringing friends from Salisbury towers in order to ring a farewell quarter peal to one of their brother students, Mr. Michael Lewis, of South Petherton, Somerset. Who was to be made deacon by the Lord Bishop of Taunton at Stogursey Priory on December 20th, to serve in that parish. Mr. Lewis learned to ring at Salishury through the activities of the Ringing Guild at the College. and is the first of the present "new recruits; there 10 ring a quarter peal.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## Malta's Cathedral Had Its Bell Carols

> The six bells at Malta Cathedral are hung dead for chiming. In the first week of December 'The Ringing World' received a request from C.ISgt. K.J. Reed. of 40 Commando, Royal Marines, to be supplied with carol and hymn tunes for six bells, so that they could be rutig for Christmas. It was essential that they should reach him by December 17 h .
> Thanks to the good services of Mr. Frederick Sharpe, president of the Centtral Council, and also Mr. S. G. Poniling and Miss Margaret Smith, of Milford (Surrey) C. of E. Junior School. two sets of tunes-one of ten tunes and the other of six-reached Malia on December 11th. In his letter of thanks, C./Sgl. Reed states: "The girls who chime the bells are so very thrilled, as I am. On Saturday they just couldn't get up to the tower fust enough. It is my ambition, of course, 10 get them imerested in the real art of change-ringing, so that on their refurn to U.K. they will have a true desire to learn. We now have enough tunes for all seasons of the Church year, which is wonderful!'

## SUNDAY SERVICE LEAFLET

A four-page leaflet summarising the Sunday Service Survey presented to the Central Council last Whitsun, in which an appeal is made for the sympathetic and active interest of the clergy in the ringing of church bells, has now been sent to bishops, archdeacons, etc., in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland, rural deans in England, all Scottish and Irish towers with rings of hells, and several other important people. In the addressing of envelopes, Mr. Norman Chaddock. the convener, had the ussistance of Messrs. Lufkin, Moreton and Gray. Guild officers can obtain copies from Mr. N. Chaddock, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham, Yorks, upon sending a stamped addressed envelope.

## Tips For Beginners

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Always ring with a tight rope, remembering you have a rope in your hands and not a stick. Adjusn the position of your hands on both sally and tail-end to give the longest pull possible.

## BALDOCK RINGERS' DINNER

## Baldock ringers and their friends met again

 for dinner at the Rose and Crown on December 12 th. After a good meal and the loyal toast, Canon Brenchley welcomed the visitors, in parlicular Mr. W. Ayre, who comes from Leverstock Green, where the Canon was once curate.Mr. E. Nichols replied on behalf of the visitors, saying that many people who heard St. Mary's bells and loved them never answered their call.

After the Verger's speech. Mr. Ayre proposed the toast of The St. Mary's Guild of Bell Ringers. He was deputising for the president of the Hertford County Association, Mr. G. W. Debenham, who was ill. Mr. Ayre reminded his listeners that Baldock had not always been at its present high level of attainment, and the reason why the Guild had achieved so much in recent years was because people gave of their hest continually.
In reply. Mr. E. G. Buck mentioned some of the highlights of the past year: 18 quarter peals rung for Sunday services: Miss K. P. Hutton's marriage to Mr. D. Salisbury: the Kimpton cup competition. in which Baldock entered two teams, the ' $A$ ' team being second by only four points. The real test would come when the tower repairs would make ringing impossible, but it would be an opportunity for the members to go out and help other towers during this time.

As was usual, handbel! ringing completed a most enjoyable evening.
J. S.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 1

We commence this series in the hope that new entrants to the Art of Ringing will be enabled to get to know more about those who are serving the Exercise through the Central Council and in other fields. The particulars given are by no means a full picture of their activities, but it is felt that, brief as they are, our newcomers will be glad to have them.


EDWIN HLGH LEWIS, M.A. (Cantab.)
HDWIN HUGH LEWIS was born on June 13th, 1881, and is the youngest son of the late Canon J. D. Lewis, Vicar of St. Ann's, Nottingham. He was educated at Charterhouse (winning a scholarship at the age of 12) and at Trinity College. Cambridge (Mechanical Sciences Exhibitioner, 1903).

In 1909 he married Miss A. J. T. Richardson, daughter of the Archdeacon of Nottingham. They had four sons and three daughters, of whom three sons and two daughters served in the Royal Navy, one son and one daughter being lost on active service.

Mr. Lewis has had a distinguished business career, commencing at the Liverpool Silver and Copper Company at Widnes, after having taken his degree in Engineering. After ten years' service with this company he joined the Glasgow Iron and Steel Co. Ltd. as under manager, becoming works manager in 1916. In 1927 he became general manager, controlling six collieries, an iron works, a cement works, an ammonia works, a limestone mine and an iron ore mine.

He was president of the West of Scotland Iron and Steel Institute, 1922-1926, and was one of the first Fellows of the Institute of Fuel. In 1929 he joined the board of directors of the Tunnel Portland Cement Company, and of Messrs. F. L. Smidth and Co. Lid. He retired in 1951, but still holds his seat on the Board.
In 1917 Mr . Lewis was elected as lay representative of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Wishaw to the Diocesan and Provincial Representative Church Council. He was made churchwarden in 1921 and elected lay elector in 1922, in which offices he served until leaving Scotland in 1929

## LEARNED TO RING 60 YEARS AGO

He learned to ring at Trowell, Notts, in 1900. and joined the Cambridge University Guild in 1901, acting as their representative on the Central Council from 1908 to 1936. He was elected president of the Central Council in 1930 and served in that office until three years ago. In

1951 he was made a life member. Those who had the privilege of serving on the Central Council will remember how admirably he presided over the meetings, how fair and discerning he was, and the highly efficient way he piloted the proceedings to satisfactory and amicable settlements.

Mr. Lewis was Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths in 1937, its tercentenary year, and presided at the 300th annual dinner over a company of over 400 , which included the Lord Mayor of London. the Duke of Argyll and the Bishops of London and Kensington.

Since 1912 he has been the leading member of the Council's Towers and Belfries Committee and has done invaluable work in advising on bell restorations. In 1914 he presented a survey of his investigations into the horizontal and vertical forces exerted on a tower by bells, disproving the previously accepted theories of the late Lord Grimthorpe. This work has been publicly acknowledged by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, the leading firms of bell-founders, and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.

Mr. Lewis has rung 270 peals, and taught bands of ringers at Widnes and also at Brasted, Kent.

JAFUS.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch

On December 5th the Eastern Branch licid its winter meeting at Gorleston-on-Sea, where despite the quite unjust reputation levelled at - the bleak East Coast ' regarding such gatherings at this time of the year. some three dozell members and friends attended.
The service was conducted by the Vicar and Rural Dean. Rev. E. L. Corbell, the Lesson heing read by Rev. Giles Galley. In a brief talk instead of a sermon the Vicar said it $\psi$ as the first meeting in his parish since there were again two towers in the borough with bells ran allusion to the new ring at St. Nicholas". Great Yarmouth) and he was happy to take the opportunity thus afforded him of Fublicly thanking those Yarmouth ringers who since the war had journeyed to and fro to supplement his own ringers Sunday by Sunday. and practice nights. He was further glad to say that a happy reciprocal arrangement exists. whereby ringing at both towers takes place at least once a Sunday.
A hot meat-pie tea followed, this being the climax of considerable effort by Miss Barbara Smedley and three young lady learners of the local band and was much appreciated by all.
Mr. Derek E. Carr. of Lowestoft. was reelected a ringing member and Loddon was the chosen venue for the Branch annual meeting on February 20th.
From the chair Mr. E. R. Goate mentioned the main event which had occurred in the Branch since the last meeting, namely the opening of the new ring at St. Nicholas'. Great Yarmouth. and he moved that the Branch's appreciation of the efforts of all concerned in the organisation of that opening be recorded in the minutes. This was seconded by Mr. G. Howlett and carried.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vicar. Mr. Mayland, and the organist. and Miss Smedley and her helpers.

## RINGERS IN HOSPITAL

We regret to learn that. as the result of an unfortunate accident. Mr. Bernard F. L. Groves, of Marple, Cheshire, is in Withington Hospital. His ringing friends at Brookfield Church. Gorton. wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him ringing again in a very short time.
Mr. J. R. Cooper, the Ashford District Ringing Master, was involved in an accident on his motor-cycle when returning from ringing a peal at Cobham. He suffered a fractured skull, and has spent Christmas in Ashford Hospital. He is, however. on the mend, and hopes to be out soon. Mr. Tom Cullingworth, the pillion rider, escaped with minor injuries.

## LETTERS TO

PEALS ON 'FOREIGN' TERRITORY
Dear Sir,-Regarding Mr. W. C. West's letter criticising a peal band for ringing a peal for the Oxford Diocesan Guild in a tower affiliated to the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, would he, or someone, please explain to me why this was rank bad manners'
If an organisation, such as Reading Football Club, take 11 of its members to Collingbourn Kingston and plays a game of football, it is still playing the game for Reading F.C. If six of them stay and ring a peal there they are stull ringing as members of Reading Football Club, or as members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. They should be just as welcome as members of the Oxford Guild to pursue their hobby of change-ringing among their hosts as to enjoy their other one of playing football. Surely they need not be compelled to join the local Football Association to play any Wiltshire teams? Why should they as ringers be obliged to join the local Association if they wish (or are invited) to ring a peal in another area?
Perhaps someone would tell us how this idiotic convention began, and why one cannot ring a peal among brother ringers of another locality without being branded as ill-mannered if it is not credited to them.

Surely it is time such a narrow interpretation of ringing 'freemasonry' was abolished, and visiting bands were welcomed to pursue their hobby with their own colleagues for their own Association if they so desire.
Territorial Associations were never meant to be divided from each other by "iron curtains." They only exist to make a workable organisation for the benefit of bell-ringers and bellringing, and such narrow and petty notions as are suggested in Mr . West's letter are quite out of place among real bell-ringers.-Yours truly.

Slough, Bucks.

## THE PEAL AT EVESHAM

Dear Sir, - I was surprised to see the report of a peal of Yorkshire Major rung at Evesham in 3 hours 13 minutes (page 751).

It would be impossible to strike this 35 cwt . at this fast speed. It is a pity that several young ringers try to ring heavy tenors faster than they are capable.-Yours, etc.,

## Dorking, Surrey.

EARL SHILTON HANDBELL RINGERS
Dear Sir.-I am sure readers would like to know a little of the activities of the Earl Shilton handbell ringers.
Ringers in Leicestershire will know that Billy Sturgess. Percy Coe and Ernest Chesterton. under their leader George Newton. have been together for about 30 years. They are all members of the Earl Shilton Farish Church tower.
As conductor of the Earl Snilton Male Voice Choir. I have been responsible for arranging concerts. both of a secular and sacred nature, for several years. throughout Leicestershire and Rutland. The handbell ringers have been included in many of these programmes, particularly this year. when we have given 18 concerts. Everywhere we go, tut particularly in the rural areas. the ringers are most enthusiastically welcomed.
Their most attentive audience was a 300 strong gathering at Leicester Prison on a recent Sunday, and the welcome they received would have done credit to Leicester City on a Saturday afternoon. None of the quartette were recognised by the warders :-Yours faithfully

THOMAS C. BELTON
Earl Shilton, Leics.

## PEALS AND PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT

Dear Sir.-The contents and financing of The Ringing World' are rightly receiving considerable attention in vour columns. Perhaps the following observations will cause the Editorial Committee some thought and possibly find other supporters.

My original reflection was that cult of round numbers.' for want of a better phrase. is becoming too prevalent in ringing. We have the parallel situation in sport where 100 wickets or 1.000 runs in a certain time is given much more prominence than 99 or 999 wickets. runs or what-have-you. You. sir. actively encourage this type of thing by asking for the - leading peal ringers " to declare their totals of 25 or over.
Let me state here that I am not against anyone ringing 25 . 50 or even 100 peals in a given time. provided that this does not constitute their major reason for wishing to ring them. However. I very much fear that. just about now. quite a few ringers up and down the country will have decided that. come 'hell or high water.' they need ' $n$ ' peals before December 31st in order to qualify for the 'league table. No doubt these required peals will be rung but will they be rung for the glory of God and his Church? I doubt it, although the Christmas spirit will be invoked

One could continue in this vein but if anyone's conscience is stirred I shall have made my point. It is ringing for the wrong motives if every performance completed or tower visited is simply another digit on the addition to a meaningless total. Whether the Rev. F. E. Robinson or George Williams were of this frame of mind or not in ringing 1.000 peals is beyond my knowledge but I suspect they were not.
The obvious remedy for this state of mind is to cease the publication of the list of - leaders. The information may still be conveyed by footnotes 10 peals and anyone interested can do their own totting up. I will await the cry of "sour grapes' from the outraged!

Improvement to our publication.- This subject was discussed locally recently and several interesting topics were mooted. I will leave aside the problem of payment for peal pub-lication-though why Mr. Robinson specifies his donation as covering the cost of printing his letter ${ }^{\text {" }}$ is beyond me. Most journals pay their contributors, not vice versa.

It was suggested that we. as a body of ringers. were remarkably ignorant of the lives of our fellows when not engaged in ringing. In fact the really interesting aspects of many ringers lives only appear in the obituary notices! Why not establish a series of P1ofiles * of the present leading personalities of the Exercise on the lines of those in. The New Scientist or "The Observer. etc? Cooperation of those involved is an essential part of this type of thing but it would add enormously to the human interest in the journal and this is the factor which influences sales figures.-Yours truly.

JOHN H. GIL.BERT.

## Bristol.

NOTE:- The story of humanity is built up by personal achievement-whether religious. social or sporting. There is nothing wrong in having a dedicated sport. The leading peal ringer of today has spent his life in the service of the Church. We shall continue to publish our table of leading peal ringers: it is associated with our art. stimulates interest and presents a valuable indication to those who come after of the place of change ringing in the social life of the country.-Ed.

## PEAL RINGERS AND FEES

Dear Sir,-II had no intention of writing again on the subject of finances of the 'R.W.' hut after reading Mr. Butler's letter 1 seem to have little alternative.

First, may I say that Mr. Butler seems not only to have missed the whole point of my letter, but he seems to have constructed another point which 1 certainly never attempted to make, i.e., that peal ringers and service ringers are " of a different breed," and I cannot imagine how this suggestion can have been read into my letter.
I do not know what Mr. Butler's "age of intolerance' may be, but 1 don't believe 1 have yet reached it, and I am certainly not an anti-peat-ringer, on the contrary; but the idea of something for nothing doesn 'i happen to appeal to me, and I do not understand how persistent peal ringers can expect hour after hour of pleasure from the use of equipment which someone else has paid for and then have the brazen effrontery to expect their efforts to be published. and all for nothing. Really, Mr. Editor, how mean can we get?

It has been argued that peals are rung to the 'glory of God,' and for the good of the Exercise, but I think few of us really believe that they are fung for any other reason than the pleasure and self-gratification of the ringers concerned.

Finally, sir, my letter was not intended to he an attacki on peal ringing, but rather a suggeslion to improve the financial position of the 'R.W.: ; and if any ringer wants to put any other construction to it, he must do so.-Yours fatithfully,

MONTAGUE J. SOPER
Potters Bar, Middlesex

## MUSIC IN COMPOSITIONS

Dear Sir,-I was surprised to see such an experienced ringer as Arthur Ramsbotton sending in to the valuable columns of your journal a composition for a peal of Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Surprise Maximus which contains two simultaneous bobs at the third and fifth part-ends with no matching single to turn the tenors back into course. It should be apparent to anyone with any sort of musical ear at all that the music of this method lies in the roll-ons at the course-ends, and this is entirely ignored in Mr. Ramsbottom's composition, as can he seen from the skeleton below:-

1234567890 ET
2143658709 TEX
241638507 T 9 E
42618305 T7E9 XXL (Winter)
4628103 I5E79
648201 T3E597
68402 T1E3 957
68402 T1E3957 X (Away)
From the position of the back bells throughout the peal it is quite plain that this is just another instance of peal ringing for the sake of it, without any appreciation of the music behind the composition. We should all. I think, remember that the true purpose of ringing is 10 call the faithful to worship and that. while for us the Exercise is both a hobby and a recreation, our prime duty lies in regular support of the work of our home tower, and especially in encouraging the youngsters to learn the nohle art. In this way there would he fewer silent towers up and down the country. - I remain. sir, yours faithfully,

ALFRED RAMSDEN.

## Beckingham. Kent

P.S.-A single at the seventh lead-end rollowed by two singles per part would bring up Tittums every 14 changes with Queens at least once per course. If any of your readers are interested in this composition (my own) I shall be pleased to give any help I can.-A. R

## KEEN CHURCHGOERS ESSENCE OF RECRUITING

Dear Sir.-I was greatly interested in your leading article. 'The Sampling of Youth.' concerning youth and bellringing, and noted the oft used phrase: 'You can't get the young ones to stick it nowadays.
Three years ago bellringing at March was at all extremely low level: only four or five adult ringers displayed an interest in Sunday service ringing, and on occasions we were not in a position to ring at all. Practices were quite out of the question.

Yet. for months I had endeavoured to train young people. male and female. in the art of ringing bells. but after a few weeks of progress they drified away and we were back where we started. It was most discouraging.
Nevertheless, we who were interested persevered. and at this present time after two years of struggle-and beginning from scratch is a struggle-there are now 20 keen ringers in our town. and recently I have had the unhappy task of turning would-be ringers away ?
During the past two years our six bells have been rung faithfully and consistently. twice on Sundays and for practice, and there no longer exists the possibility of the bells embarking upon a prolonged silence.
I have learned during the past few years that one must use one's discretion in forming a team of youthful ringers. Whereas at one time I accepted all and sundry. now I no longer do so.
Firsi and foremost. our youngsters are keen churchgoers, and that probably is the key to our success. I have found through experiena that it is us ally those who show litule or no interest in church affairs who inevitably discard any interest in bells. It would also appear beneficial. as in our case. where possihle to establish a nucleus of young people who have received. or are receiving refined education, for generally speaking they are more stable and possess more intiative than some who. for better of worse. are imbued with that wanderlust. come hither. go thither. quality. It is, I feel essential that would-be exponents of the art be chosen from the congregation.
I have tried recruits from all walks of life. and after a month's trial. or longer. I ask the pupil if he or she is interested in the art; usually I am aware long before if they are not. and, that being the case. politely inform them that their efforts and mine are a waste of time.
There are eight boys and seven young ladies at our tower. To increase their inlerest we have formed a club. and most of the youngsters pay in a small amount weekly. which logether with occasional remuneration in ringing the bells for weddings. is banked. and is later distributed to them on the occasion of our annual outing. or otherwise as they wish. We also keep an attendance registerand all attend regularly-and any late arrival is also noted with friendly interest.

We are now engaged in playing carols on the handbells. and the proceeds are to be used in repairs to these bells in the New Year. It is our ambition 10 raise the total amount required, and if possible to augnent the number of handbells in our possession. Our youngters are even considering holding a sale of work for that purpose.
I deem it important that our ringers visit and ring the bells at other churches whenever possible and to that end we have arranged a half-day's outing in the near future. fing a quarter peal during within sight-to ring a quarter peal during the New Year. Another eagerly-awaited event is the pealing oi the bells by six pupils of March Grammar

School on the occasion of that school's annual service at our church. This was achieved for the first time this year.
It is most satisfactory to see our young people mixing well with the remaining five old hands. Resentment is non-existent on borh sides when our ringing-gallery is invaded by a crowd of enthusiastic youngsters, the majority of whom are members of the Ely Association.

During this last spring and summer we have trained a team of ringers at a village church a few miles away, and this winter those bells are pealing out regularly on Sundays and Tuesdays, manned by youngsters-and the not so young-who are memhers of that church's congregation.
Looking back, 1 would say that young people-in any organisation-must be given the opportunity to feel they are really wanted. Give them something to do-even if it is winding the church clock-create a live atmosphere. not centred entirely around bells. and youth will not let you down.
It is essential, however, that they follow the example of senior ringers and join tha congregation in worship, and not walk away from the church after ringing the bells. Both habits, when practised, will stick, but the latter, as far as bellringing is concerned, is the heginning of the end. If young people truly understand the Church and all it stands for. then whatever may come: television. cinema. juke-boxes and courtship-they will rerely fail to be on time to ring the bells. and be proud of it .

And last but certainly not least, the greatest asset is to have a sympathetic and understanding clergyman. We have.-Yours sincerely.

TREVOR A. BEVIS
March. Cambs.

## NOT EXTENSIONS

Dear Sir.-The first part of Mr. Mayne's letter is correct. in that Lyme and Whitwick Surprise Royal do not conform to the C.C. report on method extension. The same applies to Gainsborough Surprise Royal. rung it Lichfield on December 29ih. 1956.
Unfortunately, more chaos might arise since the extensions given by Mr. Mayne also do not conform to the C.C. report. A brief glance will show that his extensions both violate rule 6 . which states that a front extension may not become effective before a sub-section containing continuous places in 12. Mr. Mayne's exing continuous places in 12. Mr. Mayne s exSurprise Royal is an extension of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Lyme and Whitwick do not extend to Royal in agreement with the C.C. report. but I do not think the C.C. would claim the right to rename the methods. It is only necessary to state that they are not extensions.- Yours sincerely.

## Windsor

## LADIES GUILD PFAL OF 1958

Dear Sir.-I have made a check and find that there is only one peal for the ahove Guild rung in 1958-the peal of Minor you mention, at Ash.
I must have nut down Plain Boh Major anstead of one method of Minor. - With apologies. Yours etc.. WAL.TER AYRE

Leverstock Green. Herts.

WHERE 1HE PROFESSOR SLIPPED UP?
Dear Sir.-I read with great interest the suggestions made by Professor Dodge to improve The Ringing World and whilst he makes some good points I fear that I must (with great trepidation) disagree about his proposed prize. $H$ his generous offer states I will name an irregular Minor method . . . and undertake to get a band to ring a PEAL of it. The opinion of the Professor on peats of Minor in UNE nethod is well known so I feel that a mistake has made when he made his offer.

Far too many peals of Minor in one method are rung loday, and the time has now come when a peal in seven methods should the the standard which all ringers. young and old. should attempt to reach. The Minor peal columns in The Ringing Worid present a very drab appearance for the academical standard is deteriorating rapidly.
Unhappily our good ringers are doing little to help for well-known names are seen each week in performances which are of little merit. e.g.. peals in one, two. three or four methods. A peal is occasionally printed showing iive crack ringers and one novice achieving 5.040 of Bob Minor-his or her first-but seldom do we see the same hand ringing a peal in seven methods !
In 1912 a Mr. McKell. of Gargrave. had placed on the agenda of a Yorkshire Association meeling a resolution stating. No peal of Minor in less than seven methods be recognised by the Association. but at the next meeting he withdrew his resolution, for what reason it is not known. A rather drastic resolution. but Mr. McKell probably detected a change in Minor peal ringing for although very few peals were rung in less than seven methods the rot was beginning to set in and today in Yorkshire less than ten per cent of the Minor peals are rung in seven or more methods. a deplorable decline in six hell ringing.

A peal rung at Cawthorne in 1932 in seven methods is recorded as having, four firsts. amongst the ringers. myself included: the question of a peal in under seven methods was not even considered in those days and many sheets of paper were covered to achicve success not forgetting the use of chalk on steel flag sheets down in the coal mines at snap time.: Be constructive is the adage of our mentor. Professor Dodge, so herewith are seven - regular' methods for those who prefer 10 ring within the pale: College Exercise, London Scholars: Sandai. Kingston. Kent. Oxford and Bob Minor. All these methods are without complications and will lead 10 others very similar in construction.
As full slow work methods such as Oxiorl are an advantage when novices are standing in a peal. I suggest Woodbine. New London, Duke of York. Oxford and Kent, Logether with London Scholars and Sandal. The first three are described by the purists as "irregular " but have full slow work and a knowledge of these methods will quickly leud to augmentation of the repertoire.

Although I feel strongly that Minor peals should be rung in seven or more methods I do not agree that a rule should he made to ensure this. as there are odd occasions when necessity demands a relaxation. such as an attempt by the local band. always a praiseworthy effore.
In conclusion. I look forward to 1960 when the Minor peal columns hegin to show PRO-GRESS.-Yours faithfully.
M. I: MOXON

Cawthorne. Barnsley.

## TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES
REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

# STEDMAN FOR BEGINNERS 

By WILFRID G. WILSON

## 1. THE METHOD.

In my booklet for beginners, since incorporated in the Central Council's 'Handbook for Beginners.' I dealt with Grandsire and Plain Bob-both based on the plain hunt and therefore fundamental to change-ringing. 1 did not attempt to deal with Stedman because. in spite of my present heading. Stedman is not a beginner's method. The last edition of 'Stednam." by J. Armiger Trollopz. in the Snowdon xerics (1938) has been out of print for some years. It is. I believe being rewritten, but publication today, with relatively small sales. is difficult and 1 know many young people have asked for a book 10 help them with the method. It may, therefore, be worth while to fill in the gap and 1 will try to do so on the simple lines adopted for the other mehods. :o far as this is possible.

I shall assume that as you, the beginner, hatve reached the stage of wanting to learn Stedman you will already have learnt to ring Grandsire and Plain Bob, so that you will not need an explanation of plain hunting, or dodg ing, or leading or lying, or the necessity for calling bobs and singles so that the order of the bells may be changed to enable more than a plain course to be rung.

The first thing helpful to know. however, is that there are two ways of plain 123 hunting. One is the forward hunting. which you learnt on three. four or five bells when you first started change-ringing.

And the other is called, by contrast. backward hunting. The only real difference hetween these two ways of hunt ing is that. in the second example. hecause the treble starts off by staying on the lead for the handstroke before hunting up (and the other bells have to fit it with this of course) the whole

213 pulls at lead come at hackstroke and handstroke instead of handstroke and backstroke. On paper and in theory the difference is slight but when carried out in the tower this difference seems considerable-as anyone first trying to ring London Surprise will find out

The whole theoretical basis of Stedman is founded on this difference. There is no bell doing a plain hunt all the time. as is the treble in Plain Boh. And there is no additional bell in the hunt as in Grandsire. In the plat course all the bells (be there 5. 7.9. or 11) do the same work.

## 2. STEDMAN DOUBLES

The basis of Stedman Doubles is that the three bells which happen to be in the front do a plain hunt for the whole possible six changes. While this is going on the two bells at the back dodge with each other in the 4-5 position. At the end of the six changes (which reasonably enough are called a six) one of the front three bells will change places with one of the back two. and then another six changes will be rung on the new front three (two already there and one new one), while the two hells at the back dodge with each other And so on. But the sixes (that is the sets of three-bell hunting on the front) must consist of alternate forward and backward hwnting. You may wonder why the method can't be made easy by having the sixes all of one kind of hunting or the other. When you have come to the end of this chapter and have learnt. I hope, how to write out Stedman Doubles, then you can experiment and will see why we must have the two kinds of hunting rung alternately. You will find that with all forward hunting sixes, you have a plain course of only 18 changes and some of the bells never leave the front work. So it does not make a mathematically regular method. With all backward hunting sixes your plain course will have thirty changes. but it will be another method Erin Doubles. Except that in Erin rounds is the last row of a six and not the fourth row as in Stedman.

So if we want to learn Stedman we must accept the harder way and put up with the alternation of the two kinds of hunting on the front. We can however, avoid the continued description of these sixes as either forward or backward hunting if we learn that a forward hunting six is called a Quick six and a backward hunting six is called a Slow six. You will see the reason for these names later but for the moment remember just that the sets of six changes on the front hells are alternately Quick and slow sixes

Stedman Doublef
Plain Course
12345
Q 21354
Now for another difficulty which you will think is contrived specially to confuse you. The plain course from rounds does not start with either a Quick six or a Slow six. It starts in the middle of a Quick six. That seems silly, but if you examine closcly the first twelve changes of the plain course you will see that the last six of these are the reverse of the first six -just the same as the second half of a lead of an ordinary method is the reverse of the first half. In other words the first twelve changes are in effect the first lead of the method. That is for the theorists, but there is one lucky chance that comes out of it. The first two changes in Stedman are exactly the same as the first two in Grandsire. So you will not need to ask - How do I start?

Now examine the plain course of Stedman Doubles. As we have just seen, it starts in the middle of a Quick six. with the first two changes as in Grandsire. This brings us to the row 23145 and from this row we will see how the method is constructed.

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\mathbf{S} & =\text { Slow six } \\
\mathbf{Q} & =\text { Quick six }
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32154
31245
13254
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12345
The row 23145 is the end of the Quick six. To get the first row of the next six we change the pairs of bells in the 1-2 and $3-4$ positions. This gives us 32415 and has the effect of putting a new bell ( 4 in this case) into the work of the front three and in its place, at the
back, putting the bell that left the front work (in this case the treble).
Now write out the six changes on the three bells we have left in the front. But this six is to be a Slow one. so we write out the six changes in the form of backward hunting. While this is going on the back two bells dodge with each other and at the end of the six we shall reach the row 34251 .
As before, to get the first row of the next six, we change the pairs of bells in the 1-2 and the $3-4$ positions. which gives us 43521 . This also has the effect of putting a new bell ( 5 in this case) into the work of the front three and. in its place at the back. putting the bell that left the front work (in this case 2). Now write out the six changes on the three bells in the front-but this six is to be a Quick one. so write out these six changes in the form of ordinary forward hunting. While this is going on the back two bells dodge together and at the end of the six we reach the row 34512.
If you continue to write out this alternate series of Slow and Quick sixes exactly as we have done the first of the series. you will find that you will get back to the row 23145 after four more pairs of sixes. Two changes before that you will have had rounds. just sixty changes from the start of the plain course
We have written out that plain course in a logical way, based on the theory of the method. Quite simple to do with pencil and paper and many of us think that if we had started our method ringing in the tower by using this same way, we should have found that we were less likely to make mistakes. We should certainly have found it easier to ring a pair of handbells to the method-and the experience of those experts who ring the higher methods doublehanded bears this out
But we nearly all learn our ringing by what has come to be known as the blue line method. That is by following the path made by one of the bells among the others. It may well be true that the interest and pleasure experienced in following this path among the other bells is one of those things which makes change ringing attractive
So let us look again at our plain course of Stedman Doubles and follow the work of one of the bells. Let us take No. 4 which, after a dodge in 4-5 down in the first two rows, enters the front work at the beginning of a Slow six. Here is the path it takes-the horizontal lines are drawn at the places where one six ends and the next begins. It starts its work as one of the front three bells with Thirds place. Then hunts to lead (two blows-back and handstroke, known as leading wrong); one blow in seconds place and leads a whole pull thand and back-known as leading right). This block of work is the First Whole Turn (lead wrong, one blow in seconds. lead right).
Then make thirds place. Then lead at handstroke only -known as First Half Turn. make thirds place. Lead at backsirake only-known as Last Half Turn.


Makes thirds place. Then lead a whole pull right. one blow in seconds, and lead a whole pull wrong. This work is known as Last Whole Turn. Then make thirds place and leave the front. having been there for five whole sixes.
All this work is collectively known as the Slow, and the bell doing it is said to go in Slow, 10 be in the Slow and to go out Slow. As we have seen, the work consists of first and last whole turns, with first and last half turns in between them. Thirds place is made at the start and finish of the Slow and in between each of the four parts of $i t$.

## Stedman For Beginners-Cont.

If we continue to follow the path of No. 4 , we find it dodges twice in 4-5 up. lies a whole pull in fifths. and dodges twice in 4-5 down. Then it enters the front work again. But this time it has come in at the beginning of a Quick six and hunts straight down to lead a whole pull and then hunts straight out again. This piece of work is known as Quick work and the bell doing it is said to go in Quick and go out Quick. Now we can see why the alternate sixes are known as Quick and Slow sixes.
After Quick work, the 4th now dodges twice in 4-5 up. lies a whole pull and dodges twice in $4-5$ down. This brings it back to the start and if the ringing continues it would go in Slow again.
So we have two kinds of work in the front -alternate Slow and Quick work. In between each of them come double dodges in 4-5 up and 4-5 down. There are five bells and each one has to do Slow work (five sixes). Quick work (one six) and dodging up and down (two sixes each time)-making ten sixes. 60 changes, in all.

You will have learnt already that there are 120 possible true changes on 5 bells. so we have to find a way of inaking an alteration somewhere in the 60 changes of the plain course so that we can add in the other 60 changes. In Grandsire Doubles the 120 changes are ohtained by use of bobs and singles. In Plain Bob Doubles they are obtained by the use of bobs alone. By contrast. in Stedman Doubles they can be obtained only by the use of singles.
Bobs are not used in Stedman Doubles. There is a very simple reason for this. though I have never seen it written down before. In Stedman on any number of bells. the bells in the front are never affected by calls. In Doubles this means that only the two hells at the back can be affected. And you will know by now that a boh always alters the position of three hells (it may affect more than three. but only alters the coursing order of three). A single alters the position of two bells. so singles it it must be.
If any pair of bells dodging at the back can he made to change places with each other. it will the possible to ring the other 60 changes and then change the same two bells back again to complete the 60 changes of the plain course. and thus obtain the extent of 120 changes. The single is made in the middle of any six (Quick or Slow) and the second single must te made in the middle of a six which is ten sixes ( 60 changes) away from the first single.
Here is the first six of the plain course. It happens to be a Slow six, but that doesn't matter for this purpose as it is the hack two bells that are to he changed. Making the single in the middle of the six we get the result shown here-that is, we have changed bells 1 and 5 over. treble which has just left the front and done one of its 4-5 up doiges. makes fourths place. does one dodge in
$4-5$ down and goes back into the front work again. Note that it goes in the same way as it has just come out. If it has just come out Quick it goes in Quick. If it has just come out Slow it goes back in Slow. That is because instead of staying behind for two whole sixes it goes back in front after one six only, thus upsetting its regular alternation of Quick and Slow.
The other bell at the back (the 5 th in the example) has already done its double dodge in $4-5 u p$ and has done one dodge in $4-5$ down when the single is called. It lies a whole pull (over the bell making fourths). does a single dodge in $4-5$ up. then lies a whole pull and during the next six dodges twice in 4-5 down before going into the front. Note that it also goes in the same way as it came out. This is because it has been at the back for three whole sixes. which similarly upsets the regular alternation of its Quick and Slow work.

At any one of the ten sixes of the plain course a single can be called and. so long as the second single is called ten sixes later (on the same pair of bells) the extent of 120 changes will be produced. Other 120's can be obtained by various combinations of four singles, each two of these four acting on the same pair of bells, but the ten diflerent extents with two singles in each will be enough for our present purpose.
(To be continued.)

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## South Forest Branch

Visitors from Chepstow, Bristol, Gloucester, Liss (Hants) and Kirk Ella (East Yorks) were among those who attended the annual meeting of the South Forest Branch held at Lydney on December 12th. The Rev. G. R. H. Smith. who conducted the service. also presided at the meeting

The secretary in his annual report said the branch had a paid-up membership of 56 . with more subscriptions to come in. A presentation of a handbag. wallet-purse and compact had been made to the past branch secretary. Mrs. Stafford. A peal was rung in honour of Mr. W. Beard completing 50 years as a ringer at Ruardean. The report and accounts were adopted.
Officers re-elected were: Chairman, the Rev. G. R. H. Smith : hon. sccretary. Mr. H. M. Coombe: Ringing Master. Mr. R. Thomas. Elceted junior members were Jane Harrison. Stewart Turner. Michael Hoult. and John Hoult, all of Lydney. The next ordinary meeting will he at Clearwell, followed by an evening meeting at Newland on January 23 rd.

The ladies who had served the cea. which included piping hot mince pies and sausage rolls, were called in and personally thanked by the chairman. Ringing continued until 9 p.m.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The joint meeting of the Mansfield and North Notts Districts at Cuckney. on Novemher 28th. Was attended by appioximately is ringers. Proceedings started with a prayer. ringers. Proceedings started wihn a prayer.

Mr. H. Denman announced that Babworth. near Retford. bells which had recently been augmented from three to six were to be dedicated on December 22nd. The annual meeting of the Mansfield District is to be held at Mansfield. on January 23 rd Thanks were expressed to the Vicar and the ladies who provided cups of tea. Ringing ranged from Stedman Doubles to London Surprise.

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## HARPENDEN BELLS AND RINGERS

## (Continued from last issue, page 777)

The resolution took effect, for in 1907 a peal was rung with seven local ringers and Mr. W. Newell from Berkhamsted taking part. Mr. Newell used to walk over from Berkhamsted to instruct the ringers.

Though peals were rung occasionally by visiting bands, it was not until 1913 that the first all-local peal was rung. The marble tablet commemorating this is in the belfry: Mr. A. Day and Mr. W. Hill were among those who participated, and are still active members. Unfortunately this peal is still the only ali-local peal to have been rung in Harpenden.

## LADIES IN THE BELFRY

After the outbreak of the war in 1914 the band began to go one by one to serve their country. In 1916, with members depleted, a rather new (and i suspect not too popular) event look place: several ladies started to learn. one being the step-daughter of the Rector (Rev. Kean M. Pitt). When the war was over, the ladies drifted away! One of the ringers did not return-Mr. O. Luxan. 10 whose memory a half-mullied quarter peal was rung. The returned ringers and their friends enjoyed a good meat lea in the Rector's room after ringing a quarler peal in celebration of the end of hostilities. Several of the ringers were married after the war, and each was presented with a bell-shaped inkwell in silver.

David Dellar, who for 28 years had served the ringers as secretary, was involved in an accident, which resulted in his death. A highlyesteemed member of the band, he was sadly missed: a stone tablet to his memory was placed in the belfry. In 1937 the death of "Ben" Jarman, who had been captain of the ringers for 30 years, deeply affected the band. Ben. had served on the committee of the Hertford County Association lor many years and was president in 1926. A half-muffled quarter peal was rung to the memory of "our beloved captain. Later the memorial screen was placed in the church and dedicited by the Rev. P. G. llandford.

## ST. PETER MANCROFT OUTING, 1959

St. Peter Mancroft ringers" band
A later outing this year planned,
To visit towers not known by all
Ely-Cambridge-Mildenhall.
Past churches homes and stately hall To Ely's great Cathedral.
From out the shadows oier the green
St. Mary's tower could be seen.
After Major, Grandsire. Cambridge. rounds.
A ninth and smaller bell was found
Hung in the lower: twas rung of old
To waken horsekcepers. we re told.
Then on to Cambridge, heavy ring of eight.
Tenor Iwo and thirty hundredweight.

- Church of Our Lady" spre and lower.

Rose window. clock that chimes the hour.
St. Andrew's the Great is our next cail.
Captain-Cook's monument on the wall.
A tower small. loul ring of eight
Sixteen sixty-seven one bell hears the dite.
After ringing as we planned.
To Great St. Mary's near at hand:
Twelve bells of 1769.
The tenor's tone is very fine.
She's said to be a maiden' bell.
Perfect from mould. C sharp as weli
Saint's bell. curfew. now silent chimes
Have rung for sad and happy times.
To Mildenhall then. and our last call-
Ten bells in a tower, stately and tall.
Grandsire. Stedman and Treble Ten-
Then we were bound for home again.
D. L. MOORE.

## Christmas Day Broadcast

Dear Sir.-Congratulations to all who look part in the Christmas morning ring ing, but why; oh why, coutdn's we have had well-struck rounds on that hecumiful sen at Blackburn instead of wery badly struck changes? I though all the other ringing was excellent-as weds the playing of the chime at Si. Andrews, Fite

The second ring brodutcast. described as that at Lady St. Marjs. Wareham Dorset, was certainly not the bells of that tower, I am sture! Instead, we heard some excellent Grandsire Doubles on light six, tenor. I would say: about 8 cw t in A. I wonaier what happened 10 Wareham bells, and I am wondering if allone could say just which bells we heard in their plase!-Yours sincerely PETER N. BOND.

## Tunbridge Wells.

MR. SAM JONES OF ECCLESTON
In spite of the fog which enveloped the Cheshire countryside several members of the Chester Diocesan Guild from various parts of the diozese managed to reach the village of Eceleston for the celebration ol Mr. Sam Jones binety-first birthday, on Saturday. December 12th.

A well-struck louch of 4,200 Boh Triples was brought round on the fine ring at St. Mary's Church before the party made its way to Mr Jones cottage. Here Sam, looking not a day older. and in high spirits. welcomed his guests and soon led the way to a table laden with good things. It can be truly said that full justice was done to this magnificent feast and the great moment came when Mr. Sam Jones jun., rase to propose the toast Many happy returns.'

This was duly honoured in a fitting manner with congratulations and good wishes from all present. after which chairs were drawn to the fire and a pleasant hour was spent in talking of peals and towers, bells and ringers. Such conversation there must always be when ringers are gathered together.
All too soon the time came to say farewell Coats were put on and with renewed good wishes the visitors reluctantly left the cosy room for the fog outside.

## Burghill, Herefordshire

For the sezond successive year. the ringers of St. Mary's Church. Burghill. Herefordshire, together with members of the choir, were entertilined to dinner by Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Hoddell on December 15th.

The socirl evening which followed was contributed to mainly by the chow, under the direction of the Viear (Rev. R. G. Benson) bui a sclection of popular Christmas hymns and carols was played on handbells by four of the ringers-Miss S. Beavan 1-2. Niss D. Chander 3-4. H. G. Chandler 5-6. B. Beavan 7-8-9.

## OBITUARY

## MR. F. A. YOUNGMAN

Leiston. Suffolk. lost by the death of Mr. Frederick A. Youngman. on November 17th at the age of 70 . a ringer who had given more than 50 years of fathful service to St. Margaret's Church. His death came after a long and painful illness which was borne with great fortitude.

Fred rang his first peal in 1909, but cramp It his hands prevented him from ringing more than a few. This did not prevent his faithful attendance at the belfry on Sundays and he only gave up ringing about five years ago through ill-health.
After the funcral on November 23nd a half-muffled quarter peal of 1.280 Kent Trehle Bob Major was rung al Si. Margaret's Church leivton. Wy I P. Baiky I. R. Peck I. A. R. Bridge, 3. I Pilgrim 4. E. S. Bailey S. A S.
Pipe $6 . \mathrm{M}$. Bailey (conductor) 7. P. S. Bedford $\$$.

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## ENGAGEMENTS

CHAPMAN-BEAMISH. - The engagement is announced between Thomas Chapman, of 68. Edward Avenue. Bishopstoke, Hampshire, and Margaret E. L. Beamish, of 21. Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton.

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VERDON - PANKHURST. - The engagement is announced between Colin E. Verdon and Daphne J. Pankhurst, both ringers at St Peter's, Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex.

## NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Members of ST. PETSR'S CATHEDRAL BAND. Adelaide. Australia, wish all ringers a year of happy ringing during 1960). 5489
Greetings for a happy and successful 1960 to all our ringing friends from George and Diana PIPE, Melbourne. Australia

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## MEETINGS

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Clement Danes', Strand, Saturday, Jan. 2nd. 2.15 to $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Scrvice 4.45 . Business 5.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.-Rogers, 53, The Grove, Isleworth. ISL 3921. 5441

ARCIIDI:ACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD. Gencral meeting. Saturday. Jan. 2nd. Hudersditld Parish. Bells available fron 3 to 5.30 pm . only. All ringers welcome to make best use of limited ringing time. 5467

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-Annual mecting at Bedford on Saturday. Jan. 2nd. St. Peter's bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. in St. Paul's Church Hall, St. Loyes Sireel. followed by business meeting and further ringing.-R. L. P.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Annual general mecting at Ely on Saturday. Jan. 2nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tca 5.-D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 5477

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Tonbridge District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent District).-Joint meeting, Sevenoaks, Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea p.m. Ladies, please note this will be the annual District meeting.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch. - Annual meeting, Gainsborough. Saturday. Jan. Ind. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday.-Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623.

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY. - Meeting, Bearsted, Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. -Pamelis J. Usborne, Sec. 5431
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Guilsborough Branch. - Annual general meeting. Guilshorough, Saturday, Jan. 2nd. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. - Annual meeting, Jan. 2nd. St. Martin's bells available 4.30 p.m. Mecting in tower $60^{\circ}$ clock.-G. E. Fearn. Hon. Sec.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Meeting, Sheffield, Saturday, Jan. 2nd. St. Marie's bells 3 to 5 p.m. Tea in Wosterholm Hall. Cathedral bells after tea.-J. Seager, Sec.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Noltingham District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 2nd, St. Mary's, Nottingham. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Business meeting 5.45 p.m. in the belfry. Own tea arrangements.S. Adams, Hon. Sec.

5414
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting. Warnham (8). Saturday. Jan. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. 5524

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Practice meeting. Si. Giles-in-the-Fields conc minute from Toltenham Court Road tube station). Monday, Jan. 4th. 7 p.m.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice. St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Wednesday, Jan. 6ch, 6.30 p.m. Annual general meeting. Saturday, Jan. 23 rd.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the - Rising Sun, Carter Lane. E.C.. on Saturday, Jan. 9th. at 6 p.m.-John Chilcott.

BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY. General meeting. Barnsley. Saturday, Jan 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea. Please notify E. Stainrod, 6. Ledbury Road. Smithics, Barnsley.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Frome Branch.-Annual meeting. Midsomer Norton. Saturday. Jan. 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Savage. 1. Hayes Road, Midsomer Norton.

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Bath Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Michael's. Broad Street. Saturday, lan. 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Abbey bells after tea. Names for tea to J. Hobbs, 21, Hill View Road. Larkhall. Bath.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District. - Annual meeting. Biggleswade. Saturday. Jan. 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Scrvice 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Single Oxford and Superlative. A very important meeting for all District members.-A Smith. Hon. Dis. Sec. 5515 BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting. Kirk Ella. Salurday, Jan. ${ }^{4}(\mathrm{~h}$. Ifalls ( 6 ) 20 p p.m. Sirvice 4.15 . I: Coldthorpe. 6. St Andrew's Mount. Kirk Ella, Hull.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Macclesfield Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 9 th. St. Michael's, Macelesfield (12). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 6th to 11. C. Lonyon, 8, Cardigan Close, Macclesticld, Cheshire.
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern District.-Meeting, Harbury, near Warwick. Saturday, Jan. 9 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea Social evening, 7 p.m. All welcome. Names for talent and tea to P. A. Oram, 15, Henley Road. Leamington Spa (8388). 5527
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Chesterield District.-Annual District meeting, Staveley. Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells 3 to 7 n.m. Tea 5 p.il. Names for tea to W. Dickenson. High Street, Brimington, Chesterfield.-A. B. Cooper.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District. - Bishpwearmouth, Saturday, Jan, 9 th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Jan. 6th to Mr. R. Bell, 22. Brinkburn Street, Sunderland. 5496 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Camhridge District.-Annual District meeting, Cambridge, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Ringing, St. Bene't's (6), 3 to 4 p.m.. St. Andrew's (8), 3.45 to 4.30 . Service 4.30 , and ringing after tea. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall.-E. W. Bullman, Dis. ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.W. District Annual general meeting. Saturday, Jan. 9th. Barking. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30^{\circ}$ p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please. to Mr. W. Beard, 159, Clement's Road, East Ham, F.6.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION-Swindon Branch.--Purton (6), Saturday. Jan. 9th. Names for tea to R. Luton, 169. Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 5492
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Maidstone District. - Quarterly meeting at Wrotham, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.-R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District-Meeting. New Romney, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. 11. S. Humphery. 29, The Churchlands, New Romney.-C. T. H
LADIES' GUUILD.-Sussex District.-Annual general meeting, Brighton. Saturday, Jan. 9th. S. Nicholas', 3 p.m. St. Peter's after tea. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please. 10 Mrs. Percy, 47, Oldfield Road. Willingdon, Easthourne, Ladies, please attend to helo appoint new secretary. Gentlemen cordially in-vited.-D. Lester. Hon. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION --Liverpool Branch.-Next Branch meeting will be held at Our Lady and St. Nicholas'. Pier Hend. Liverpool, on Saturday, Ian. 9th. Tower open 3 D.m. Names for tea by Jan. 6ith to Miss M. E. White. Mildway. Blackburn Place, Liverpool. 8. -T. E. Radcliffe. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting, Preston St. John (Branch annual meeting) Saturday, Jan. 9th. Names for tea, please, hy Wednesdiy, 6 th. to Mr. C. Crossthwaite, 45. Hershell Street. Preston.-L. Walmisley.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Rochdale LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale
Branch.-A.G.M. and annual party. Saturday. Branch.-A.G.M. and annual party. Saturday,
Jan. 9ih. at St Lukes, Heywood. Belis 2 pm . Service 4.30 . Business $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea by ticket (price 3s.) and party ticket (price 2s. 6d.) to be obtained from J. P. Partington. 21, York Street. Heywood. Please apply early: failure may mean no food.-Hudson. Sec. 5517 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Syston District.-Annual general meeting. Syston. Jin.
9th. Bells 2.30 pm . Evensong 4.15. Tea in Red Cruss Hall. ${ }^{\text {Pmapel Street, at 5. Please }}$ rend names for tea by Jan. 7th at the latest to E. F. Payne. 6. The Green. Will members please make an effort to attend. 5474

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 9th, St. Luke's. Chelsea, 3.30 p.m. Tea, own arrangements. Business and further ringing, St. Mary's, Battersea, 6 p.m.-Miss Powell.
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. Paul's. Burton, Saturday, Jan, 9th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. D. Brunning, 120 , Victoria Crescent, Burton-on-Trent, by Jan. 7 th. Business important. All welcome. - J. Cotton.

5476
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION N. and E. District.-Meeting at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 , followed by business meeting and further ringing until 8.5486
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Bloxham (8), on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and business 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. Sth to H. L. Roper, Adderbury, Banbury, Oxon.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-A day course of instrucion will be held at the Guild Hall. High Wycombe, on Saturday, Jan. 9th. at 10 a.m. Talks will be given on Bell Handling. Learning and Teaching Methods, Rope Splicing. Care and Maintenance of Bells. The cost. under 2 s . each. Please give us your support.-W. Butler, Hon. Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Northern Branch.-Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, Jan. 9th. St. Gcorge's (6). Colegate, Norwich, hells from 2.30 p.m. St. Peter Mancroft after the meeting. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to C. Bird, 27, Warwick Street, Norwich. NOR 48 F

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDKettering Branch.-Annual general meeting at Burton Latimer, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea essential by Tuesday. Sth. to Mr. B. Mutlow. Station House, Burton Latimer. No names, no tea. As usual, free to members.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-CaIne Branch.-Annual meeting, Calne, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to E. Buckeridge, Grip House. West Hill, Calne.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Notts District.-Annual District meeting. Retford. Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bahworth. new six, from 2 to 4 p.m.: East Retford from 2.30 . Service in East Retford Church, 4.30. Plenty of cafés for tea. Meeting in East Retford belfry at 6 p.m. West Retford (6) and East Retford again after meeting.-H. Denman.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-North Western Dis-trict.-Practice meeting, Elvedon (8), Saturday, Jan 9th. 6.30 to 9 p.m.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Westera Division.-A practice meeting will be held at Angmering ( 6 ) on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells available 3 oclock. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road. Fishbourne, Chichester, Sussex. 5497
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-Annual meeting. St. Mary's, Portsea, Saturday. Jan. 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Cathedral hells available 7 to $8 \mathrm{p.m}$. Names hy Jan. 5th to Mr. F. W. Rogers, 197, Chatsworth Avenue, Cosham, Portsmouth.

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Western District.Meeting, Saturday, Jan. 16 th, 2.30 p.m., at Benfieldside (St. Cuthbert's). Names to C. T. Lamb. 26, St. Mary's Crescent, Blackhill. 5513

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.- Northern District. -Annual meeting. Saturday, Jan. 16th. Earls Colne (8). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and husiness meeting. Names for tea to W. Arnold, Tey Road, Earls Colne.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Kington District.-Annual meeting, Presteigne, on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m. Business after. Names early, please.-J. Preece. Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow, Leominster, Herefords. 5509
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Daventry Branch.-Annual meeting, Daventry, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. H. Johnson. Greenford, Badby Road, West Daventry. -F. W. Hancock. 5521
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Dorchester Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Peter's. Dorchester. Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. at Wessex Restaurant. Names for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 13 th. to R. H. Duke, Morland, 46. Prince of Wales Road, Dorchester, Dorset.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newark District.-Annual meeting, Newark, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wednesday previous to me.-W. L. Exton, 60, Albert Street, Newark. Notts.

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SUFFOLK GUILD. - North East District the old Beccles. Halesworth and Saxmundham Districts).-Meeting at Leiston on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5. Please send names for tea by Jan. 13th. 10 Alan R. Bridges, Dis. Sec.. 28, Waterloo Avenue, Leiston.

SUFFOLK GUILD - South West District.Meeting, Lavenham (8), Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to F. S. Mortlock, 7, Church Street. Lavenham.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-Annual District meeting to he held at Redhill (8) on Saturday, Jan, 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.mm. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. A. Streeter, 4. Maple Road, Earlswood.

5505
SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD - Northern Section.-Annual meeting. St. David's. Brecon, Saturday, Jan. 16th, 2.30 p.m. 5499

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Southampton District.-Annual District meeting, Saturday, Jan. 16th. St. Mary's. Southampton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. St. Michael's after meeting, Names for tea to Mr. I. W. Faithfull, 31, High Road, Swaythling, Southampton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at St Peter's. South Croydon, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 . in St Peter's Hall. Bells after. Names by Wednesday previous to Miss V. Potter, 9. Waverley Road S.E.25.-W . Parrott, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Nex general meeting at Wakefield on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. General committee meet in Cathedral vestry at 3.15 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea (3s. per head) in Brook Street Schools. Names by 21 st to Mr. J. E. Kirby, 53. Pinderfields Road. Wakefield. General meeting immediately afterwards. Bells availahle: Sandal ( 6 ), 2.30 to 4 p.m. : Cathedral (12) immediately after meeting till 9 p.m.-L. W. G Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford, 9.35498

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## A PEAL RINGER LOOKS BACK ON 1959

AS we welcome 1960 and an enlarged 'Ringing World,' it is well to record some of the achievements of 1959. The usual number of new methods have been rung, with the Willesden band prominent, and old ones revived by different bands. Once again the Loughborough Bell Foundry was well to the fore as the most popular tower.

The first notable event was probably the four Surprise peals in a day rung by Cheshire men, and Basil Jones became the first one-armed ringer to accomplish more than two peals in a day.

This was closely followed by an enterprising band, under the leadership of Robin Leale, spending a week-end in the Channel Islands and ringing two peals on the sixes at Alderney and Vale Parish Church, Guernsey, for a Guild of their own choice - 'The International Ringing Association.' These peals set the sparks flying in the correspondence columns and for at least two months there was a steady flow of letters on the subject, mainly relating to Winchester and Portsmouth Guild peal fees owed by Mr. Leale's party for peals rung in 1958. A witty letter by Mr. Leale finally ended the dispute.
Of the peal tours, the three bands visiting Ireland in succeeding weeks, arranged respectively by Mr. A. P. Cannon, Mr. Wilfred Williams and Mr. J. W. Cotton, were conspicuous for a wealth of good peals. Mr. F. E. Dukes worked strenuously in making the local arrangements and the hospitality was on a scale for which the Irish are renowned.
The Universities were well to the fore with their weeks. From a peal point of view Cambridge had one of their best weeks in recent years. The Universities Association week had little to record in the way of peals, but, with their headquarters in a Durham castle, Mr. Dennis Bayles arranged a really thrilling ringing tour of Co. Durham and Northumberland. Manchester University Guild had a successful week-end peal ringing in the Lake District; Oxford University have appeared fairly regularly, Bristol are full of life and London have good peal ringers in their ranks.

We live in an age when youth is very much in the limelight for enterprising peal ringing. Youth all over the country have extended congratulations to Mr. Brian Woodruffe's touring party, whose average age was $17 \frac{1}{2}$ years. They toured Somerset, Dorset and Devon, and their peals included Bob Major on the heaviest eight at Sherborne Abbey and two peals of Spliced Surprise, one being on the beautiful bells at Chewton Mendip. Two companies had each 13 peals during their week-Mr. G. E. Fearn's in Devon and Mr. T. J. Lock's in Yorkshire. Mr. A. P. Cannon's went one better with 14 in Sussex.
their enthusiasm for attempting seven peals in a day. The Everest of long lengths - the 40,320 - is still attracting aspirants. Three different bands have made attempts at Loughborough Bell Foundry. The bands competing were organised by Mr. Stephen Ivin, Mr. Pat Chapman and finally, one of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, by Mr. Brian Woodruffe. Some 28,850 changes were reached by Mr. Ivin's band before the attempt was abandoned.

However, Mr. Robin Leale's band were successful in ringing a record length of Cambridge Surprise Major at Quex Park, although a later attempt to ring a record length of Bob Royal was not successful.
When the Peals Analysis Committee check up their totals, a feature of the year will probably be the increase in tenbell peals. London Surprise Royal has become very popular and peals in this method have been scored all over the country by many different bands, amongst them being several by the well-known Birmingham band, which was the first in the method in that city.

Outstanding among the dedications was the new ring of 12 at Great Yarmouth, which took place at the latter end of the year. The dedication ceremony was largely attended by ringers from all over the country, and the excellent arrangements for ringing and the beauty of the bells were the subject of many comments. By a coincidence, at the same time and on the same day the 10 bells at Carbis Bay, Cornwall, were rededicated. Both these churches have as their incumbents vicars who have done much to advance the Exercise-the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow and the Rev. A. S. Roberts. Surrey welcomes the recasting of Farnham bells.
It was Lancashire who were hosts to the Central Council for their 1959 meeting, and the gathering at Southport was one of the most successful in the annals of the Council. Members and their ladies were hospitably entertained to dinner. The meeting was a long one. 'Ringing World' finances, a regular topic in our correspondence columns, occupied much attention ana a peal levy was defeated. But 1959 will always be remembered for the presentation of the Survey on Sunday Ringing. One outcome that has been manifest since the presentation of this report has been the strong missionary spirit in different parts of the country in the attempt to reduce the number of silent towers. Those undertaking this work of training new bands rarely get a mention in our columns; many deny themselves the joys of peal ringing to fulfil this essential work. A glance at the quarter peals in any issue indicates that a steady stream of young men and maidens have essayed the first step on the path of change ringing progress. Yes, Southport will live in memory and may the spark there kindled never be quenched, because recruitment and proper training are essential for the progress of the Exercise and the fulfilment of the real purpose of our calling, that the

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

OXFORD.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 19. 1959, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of Christ,
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt .
William A. Theobald
Treble Patrick I. Chapman
*R. Roger Savory 7
8 Ronald F. Diserens Alan F. Thirst Tudor P. Edwards William T. Cook Bryan Pattisson
Composed by F. Dench.

* First peal of Surprise Maximus.


## TEN BELL PEALS

## BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 24, 1959, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 18 cwt .


LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Oll Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 24 cwt .1 qr. 5 lb . ins D .
John D. Rock . . .. .. Treble G. William Critchley
 Robin G. Leale John Hill $\qquad$
SON
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5 John R. Mayne
$\qquad$ Friderick R. Scott. . A. Patrick Cannon .. . Tenor Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Robin G. Leale. Mr. Cannon's 450 th different tenor turned in to a peal.

## NOTTINGHAM

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Sat.. Dec. 19. 1959. in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor $35 \mathrm{cwl}, 2$ qr. 23 lb . in C
Kaiharine Burchnall .. Treble Geoffrey R. Parker

Grace Burchnall
*Harold Stevenson
James W. Raithby
Walier Nichols
*Sydney Adams .. .. Tenor
Jack, L. Millhouse
William L. Exton
Composed by Chas. W. Roblris. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Caters.

SOUTHAMPTON
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 10 Mimutes.

At the Church op Si. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor $16 \frac{1}{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frank E. Gilbert . . . . Treble | Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 6
John H. Gilbert
Reginald W. Rex...
Adrian J. Tumber
Frank W. Lewis
Cyril E. Lewington. . . . 9
Robert C. Kippin
Ronald F. Diserens
Composed by William Pye.

Noel J. Diserens an Tenor Conducted by Noel J. Diserens.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Oll Sat., No1: 14. 1959, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .17 \mathrm{lb}$.
Barrie S. Shepperd
Patricia S. Walker F. Doroiht Francte Peier li.dsín
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Conducted by . . . . Tenur Rung tu faylor Fearnehough,

## GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., Nov. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition.
Eric Naylor
Treble George A. Naylor.
Edward C. Barton. . $\quad . \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad$ *Wilfrid S. Palin
*Kathleen M. Walsh..
Stanley B. Dobbie. . . 4 John Clark .. .. . . Tenor Conducted by Eric Naylor.

* First peal of Stedman.


## WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wed., Dec. 9, 1959, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Vicars'.
*George F. Nix

| . | Treble |
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Robert Warrilow 24 cwt 9 lb
John Pilkington
*Barrie S. Shepperd
*Ronald Johnson

* First peal of Triples.

Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Caters, Miss Margaret Ross kindly standing down.

## BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .1 qr. 10 lb .
Charlis McGuiness .. Treble| William A. Holmes .. 5
William E. Clarke .. .. 2 Horace Bennett .. ... 6
John E. Allen .. .. .. 3 J. Martin Thorley
George R. Butler
Composed by F. Bennett
Conducted by C. Harolo Whiter
Fastest peal on the bells
A sixth wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Whitton.

BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's (Grove's variation). Tenor 12 cwt 3 qr .13 lb . in F sharp.
George Coussins .. .. Treble Richard E. Dean
*Howard Oglesby .. .. 2 Robert Begrie
Miss M. R. Jaycock
George Gilbert
$\dagger$ John H. Blackmoor .. Tenor
Gordon W. Limmer .. 4 †onducted by George Gilbert.
Conducte
GAINSBOROUGH LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 3 Hours and 7 Afinutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR


* First peal on eight bells. † First of Treble Bob Major.

Rung in memory of the late Bishop Greaves.

## BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt .1 qr .18 lb .
*W. Arthur Crowder .. Treble †Philip G. K. Davies .. 5
George E. Feirn
*Jack Bray
2
3
*George W. Moody.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { *John Hall } \\ \text { Michael W. Crowder ... } & 7 \\ 7\end{array}$
Composed by W. Barton.
William A. Dowse .. Tenor

* First peal of Lincolnshire Surprise. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.

BIGGLESWADE. BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 3 Hours and 2, Minules.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr .18 lb.
Alan S. Smith . . .. .. Treble Bryan F. Sims
Leonard B. Scont
Jifi. Mayrs
LEWIS H. BxWaters

| Treble | Bryan F. Sims . . | $\ldots$ |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $\frac{2}{3}$ | Edwin G. Buck.. | $\ldots$ |
|  | Coilin A. S. Marwood |  | CoIm A. S. Marwood Jack S. Dear

Composed by N. J. Pitsiow
Conducted by COUN A S.
First, peal in the method as conductor.
Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in: 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Tenor 16 cwt 1 qr .4 lb . in $F$ sharp
 Composed by F. H. Dexter.

Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth

* First peal of Stedman.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. J. B. Forgham to Miss Pamela M. Over, daughter of the Ringing Master at this church and it local ringer.

## HUISH EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959. in 2 Hours and 58 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES


## HIGHCEERE HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sun.. Dec. 20, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Frank W. Lewis
Reginald W. Rex Tenor 11 cwt .27 lb.
Treble
Eqnest J. Munday

- Brian Mills

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4
Composed by J. W. Ẅashbruok.
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodi Court Bob. First of Double Norwich as conductor.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Dec. 22. 1959, in : Hours and 39 Minutes
At the Church of St. Vincent.

## PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-part Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr .8 lb .
John Walden .. .. .. Treble| Frank G. Bloomfield .. 5
Norah M. Bibby
Mrs. F. G. Bloumfield
†G. Leonard Thompsun.

| 2 | $G$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | FJa |
| 4 | R |

Giorge H. Randles
*Jatk L. Millhouse
Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse

* 75th peal logether. + First of Stedman

Rung as an 80th birthday compliment to Mr. John Cragg. local
Ringing Master and founder member of the Guild: also a 9 Ind birth-
day compliment to Mrs. J. Randles. mother of the sixth ringer.
NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Tues. Dec. 22, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48-Minutes.

## At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 gr .7 lb . in G .
George L. Roobotiom .. Treble Divid W. Brunning
Richard J. Clifion.
Asthur E. Rowley
John K. Smith
Composed by H. W. Wilde.
Rung for the Christmas Festival.

## BLEWBURY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs., Dec. 24, 1959, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.
James P. Blond
Harold W. Dunsden W. DUNSDEN .. 2 Frank R. T. Greenough 3 Frank E. Godden .. .. 4

Henry L. Bishop Claude Corderoy Robert B. Blond -... 7 Conducted by Robert B. Blond.
For Christmas.
DAGENHAM, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Dec. 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.
Michael C. Austin.. .. Treble *Alan Gargrave
A. Sr. John Boyack .. 2 *Desmond Mitchell ... 5

Brian P Downes 3 Erank V Gant
Frank V. Gant
Lionel. S. Woods Frank L. Gant $\quad . .$. Brian R. Downes Composed by David W. Beard. Conducted by Lionel, S. Woods.

* First peal of Bob Major.

Rung for the Christmas Festival. Also as a compliment to the conductor and Miss Vivien Pain on the occasion of their engagement.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 c cwt. in E flat.

| Robitri E. Lestir | Treble | Urban W. Wildney |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harry J. Millatt | 2 | *Howard W. Egalestone |
| Bernard W. Fairhead | 3 | †Edward E. Davey |

Bernard W. Fairhead ..
-Rosemary J. Seabrook ..
R tedward E. Davey.. .. 7
Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by Harry J. Millati.

* First peal of London Surprise Major. + First of London. HEXHAM. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules.

> AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.
> A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

John E. Anderson . . Treble
Eric N. Harrison
George S. Deas
2 Charles N. Lea
Charles N. Lea
*Frederick Ross .. .. 3 Kenneth Arthur .. ... 7
Kenneth W. Cheeseman 4 J. Alan Ainsworth. . . . Tenur Composed by J. Carter (No. 39). Conducted by Kenneth Arthur.

* First peal in the method.

Arranged is a thank-offering for the completion of the work on the tower as par: of the Hexham Abbey Restoration Appeal.

## LUTON. BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL DF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Comprising 2.560 London. 960 Bristol. 800 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 100 changes of method. Tenor 25 cwt 24 lb . in D. Avril Thackray -.. Treble| Alfred E. Rushton.
Jennifer M. Davies . 2 James R. Taylor
Brian Bladon .. .. .. 3 Derfik P. Jones. . Philip Mehew .. $. . . \quad . \quad 4$ Stephen Ivin .. .. .. . . Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Strephen Ivin.
Rung, after meeting short for Spliced Surprise Royal, to honour the wedding of Anne Amor and Derek Stainsby, which look place in Bedford earlier this day.

PENDLEBURY. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 26. 1959. in 3 Hours and 7 Minules,
At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $13 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}}$. in F sharp.
Norman Tompkins
Arthur Tomlinson
John P. Partington
Treble Gordon Rothwell

| 2 | Brian Tomlinson |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Peter | Crook |

Rung upon the Feast of St. Stephen. to celebrate the centenary of this parish. and to the memory of Henry Joy Fynes Clinton (priest). Rector of St. Magnus-the-Martyr. London Bridge. and a Guardian of the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham.

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ROTHERFIELD. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## at the Church of St. Denys.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 23 cwt 23 lb . in D .


## ROYSTON, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saı., Dec. 26. 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St . John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5088 ROYSTON SURPRISE MAJOK
Tenor 11 cwt .3 ur.
G. Wililam Critchley .. Treble Jack S. Dear
 Jill Mayes.. .. .. .. 4 John R. Mayne.. .. .. Tener Composed by W. Eric Critchley.
Conducted by G. William Critchley
Firs! peal in the method, which is not No. 269 in the Corrigan collection of Surprise Major methods.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTINGDONSIIIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5055 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 29 cwt .2 gr .14 lb . in D flat.

| hn G. Gipsion .. . Treble | George E. Thoday |
| :---: | :---: |
| RUih M. Burder $\ldots \ldots 2$ | Giles C. Galley |
| Eustace W. Buliman | Frank E. Haynes |
| direk E. Sibson | Petter Borde |
| omposed by C. H. Hatiersley | Conducted by |

First peal in the method by all except the ringers of treble and 3
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP. SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michafl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
Treble
Michael E. Turner
Raymond P. Selway
Fredi:rick Welch
2 Harry J. Gaylard

- Sidney W. White

Jack W. Drew
Composed by J. E. Burion
William E. Turner . Tenor

- First peal of Major.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. Pond on their diamond wedding anniversary.

## BARTON-ON-HUMBER. LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Tues.. Dec. 29. 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## At Ihf: Churth of Si. Peitr

A PEAL, OF 5088 KENT \& OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAIOR

Stephif Broompield .. Treble
Bariation.
*Jane K A Cook
Jane K. A. Cook ... .. 2
Arthur W. Hoodless ..
3
G. Leonard Thompson. . 4

Composed by F. Nolan Golden.
.mposed hy Fonducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Kent and Oxford Treble Boh Major.

ROYSTON SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 14 \times 56 \times 16 \times 12 \times 1258 \times 14 \times 5$
2 nds place l.c. 4263857.
F.c.e.'s $24365,32546,53624,65432.46253$.

## SIX BELL PEALS

## SAXTHORPE. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Oct. 16, 1959, in 2 Hours and 29 Minules. Ar IHI: ChURC'I! OF SI. ANIDRIW A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods, viz.: Four of Plain Boh and one rach of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and St. Clement's. Tenor $2 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cw}$ Bivan W. Willgress . . Treble Ray W. Balls firederick Boyce 2 Hurace Lumboci
Derek Pardon
2 Hurace Lubbock
.. .. Tenor Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew. WATH. NEAR RIPON, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 WATH IDELIGHT MINOR
Being seven extents (two callings).
Alan Evans
Mrs. J. R. Render
reble
Alan Sheppard
Conducted b
3
Ebwa T *John Potts
Kenneth B. Sissons . Tenor

* 25th peal together. First in the method by all the band. Believed to be the first peat on the bells and in the method for the Association

YAXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Dec. 5. 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in six methods: Two of Plain Bob, and one each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent. T.B. and Oxford T.B.

William Cluver .. . . Treble Thomas E. Spight
Tenor 12 cwt
Freda Greaves
2 Henry Tooke
Gleoffrey R. Drew .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Geofrrey R. Drew.
NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
Ai the: Churcil of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (tive callings).
Maicolm Newcombi: . . Treble Roberi Baies
reble Ernest Wilson
Condicted by Erneslie Floyd
First peal by all except the ringer of the fourth. First as conductor.
Rung as a farewell peal to Leslie Floyd. who is Jeaving the divtrict hortly.

## WICKWAR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE:

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN. On Sat.. Dec. 12, 1959. in 2 Hours and 58 Minules.

Ar the Church of The Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different 720's.
*Ronald Cox
Treble
Leonard Hewifi
f'ri-derick Robiris
Haruld Hobbs
William Richingis
Leslie Barry
Tentor
Conducted by Leslie Barry.

* First peal of Minor

Rung to the memory of Horace Robinson, 50 ycars a ringer at this lower.

SEALE, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Dec. 17. 1959, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In three methods, being two extents of Oxford T.B.. two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.

Ernest Gardner
Treble: Charles Poyntz
Edward J. Bragg .. ... 2 Dugald H. MacPherson.. 5
Sianley A. Ponting.. .. 3 Tom Page .. .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Tom Page.
SEEND, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs., Dec. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. Ar ihe Chureh of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Wiliiam C. West .. .. Treble
Herbert Heaton
Frederick Ross.
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .

Conducted by Charles F. Andrews.
BRAMPFORD SPEKE. DEVONSHIRE
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Fri., Dec. 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minules.
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 of Cambridge Surprise and two differently-arranged 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 2 yr. 10 lb.
Sibniy Skinnik......Treble Frank D. Mack...... 4
HIATHER Hoold .
Nurman Malil:II
Conducted by
John L. S. Gianviti.
F ener
Rung to celebrate the births of Mr. Glanvill's grandson and granddaughter.

CROXION KERRIAL. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 19. 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Court, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.. and four Plain Bob.
Alfred E. Hinman.. .. Treble
F. William Pinchbeck .. 3 James H. Musson
. Tenlor
Conducted by James H. Musson

- First peal of Minor in four methods. First on the bells since restoration.

> HOLYWOOD CO. DOWN.
> THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.
> On SAf., Dec. 19.1959 , in 3 Hours, At THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES.
> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Plain Bob, two each of Kent Treble Boh and Oxford Treble Bob; every 720 a change of method (seven callings). Tenor 13 cws .16 lb.
*Girald D. Brown (15) Treble †William A. Patterson.. 4 Jfan Stewari .. .. .. 2 *Jonathan S. N. Porter (16) 5 Harry Brown .. .. .. 3 John T. Dunwondy .. Tenor Conducted by John T. Dunwoony.

* First peal (first attempt). † First in three methods.

Birthday compliments to Mr. W. Pratt (president of the Association) and the ringer of the treble.

## KIDSGROVE, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minures,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR Being seven exients (C.C.C. Nos. 145 to 151). Tenor 11 cwt .4 lb. Fredk. E. Wilshaw ..Treble *Reginald A. Chalifinor 4 *Norman Sherratt .. . . 2 *Henry Windsor *Phillip A. Mason . . . 3 *Walitr Sherratt

Tenor Conducted by Fredrrick E. Wilshaw

* First neal in the method.

KIRKBY-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Mimules,
At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently.
*Gordon Richins .. . Treble Thomas F. Metcalfi

enor 9$\}$ cwt | *Giordon Richins ... . Treble | Thomas F. M |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James E. Dickinson | .. | 2 | John Bagnall | 4 *Harry Barnes .. .. .. 3 James E. Burles ... Tenor Conducted by James E. Burles.

* First peal in the method.

Rung for Christmas.
LYONSHALL. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minules,
At the Church or St. Michael and All. Angel.s,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents
*Bryan Giddings
Mrs E C. Chandier
. Treble
*Thomas Bounds .. .. 3 Fredr:rick R. Harris
enor 12 cwt .

Conducted by A. Bryan Ellsmore.

* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Kent Treble Bob. Cambridge Surprise and three different extents of Plain Boh.
David J. Tubbs .. .. Treble †E. John Wells

- Janer E. Cleeve .. .. 2 Peti:r G. Smari Staniey G. Ponting ... 3 Haroid A. May Tenor 8 cwt

Conducted by Harold A. May.

* First peal of Minor. +125 th peal.

TAXAL, DERBYSHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

* Anne P. Smith John Robinson Eileen M. Fearn

|  | Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 3 |

Tenor 11 cwt 23 lb . in $G$.

* First peal


## Peter Dale

 Frank Osbaldiston .. 5 Robert B. SmithTenor

Conducted by Robfrt B. Smith.

Tenor
Tenor $\square$
THE WEST WICKHAM, KENT
On Sat KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being an extent each of London, Beverley, Norwich, Ipswich. Cam. bridge. Kent and Oxford.
*John D. Faircloth
Treble
John W. Smith
Andrew M. Macve
Beverley, Norwich, Ipswich
Tenor 13
†Ian H. Oram ...
Arthur S. Richards
Rai.ph Bird
Ralph Bird. Conducted by Ralph Bird.

* First peal. + 150 th peal. WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 3 Hours. Ai the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMHRIDGE SURPRISE, MINOR
Being seven different extents. with $5-6$ the right way throughout.
Lawrence T. Pope .... Tenor 12 cwt .

*Rosemary E. Gowrr ... 3 Mark S. Lancefield .. Tenor Condicted by Mark S. Lancefifid.
*First peal of Surprise.
Rung, with the compaments of the rest of the Willeshorough band. ts celebrate the 21 st birthday of the twin ringers of 2 and 3.

SUCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Stun., Dec. 20, 1959, ilt 3 Hours and 4 Minules. A I THE CHURCH OF ST. JOhn-the-BAptist,

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- First

Being seven different extents.
*James Ranford
.Treble
Donal R Hinksman 2 Frederick Merrick
arthur F. Wall .. ... 3 Thomas Cooper
Conducted by Thomas Cooper.

* First peal of Minor.

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tites., Dec. 22, 1959, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
Ar ihe Church of All Salnis.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIIVGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 9is cwt.
George E. Thoday

| ay | Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .. | . | 2 |
| Con | .. | 3 |

Conducted by

LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Dec. 22, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being two $2,160^{\circ}$ s and one 720 composed of seven different extents (C.C.C. Nos. 83, 82, 81 ; 75, 80. 79; and 58).

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

* First peal of Surprise. + First of Cambridge Minor.

BAWTRY. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 24. 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven variations.

- Nancy Worsdal.L
W. Eric Critchley.

Fredk. J. Jackson

Tenor 14 cw .1 gr .
. Treble
3

Alec Wilson Harold Denman
Robin Worsdall
4
5
Tenor

* First peal.

SUTTON-ON-THE-HILL. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Edward H. Willows .. Treble Deborah Wilson .. .. 2 Noreen P. Wickham .. 3

Tenor 12 cwt .18 lh . in G. | tGarth Munton |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John F Murfin | .. | .. | 4 | David K. Walkiate .. Tehor david K. Walkiate.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First 'inside.

A birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

## ALDERTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret-df-Antioch,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.

| Gordon T. Brown | Treble | R. Roger Savory |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Martyn Hawkes | 2 | Geoffrey J. Hemming |
| Wilitam B. Pomeroy | - 3 | Gerald C. Hemmina |

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.
First peal of London Surprise Minor by all the band.

## BABWORTH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Dee. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Single Oxford and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt : gr .14 lb.

| Grace Burchnall | $\ldots$ | Treble | Harold Denman | .. | . | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Valerie Waterfield | $\ldots$ | 2 | Katharine Burchnall | .. | 5 |  |  |  |
| alec Wilson | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Richard Hobbs. | .. | .. | .. | Conducted by Richard Hobbs.

First peal on the bells. which were augmented from three to six and rehung by J. Taylor and Co. in November. 1959, and dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Southwell on December 22nd, 1959.

BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 17 methods: (1) Capel, Sandal, London Scholars*. Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob; (2) Double and Single Court: (3) St. Clement's and Doubie Oxford : (4) College Single and Wavertree: (5) Childwall and Thelwall; (6) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob: (7) Double Boh and Fulbeck.

Tenor 9 cwt .3 4r. 23 lh . in F sharp.
G. Leonard Thompson.. Treble

John F Pearson Louis Willders
*Peter Sharp .. .. .. 3 Ronald Applewhite .. Temor Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
*25th peal together.

## HANDBELL PEALS

BEVERLEY. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 12, 1959, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.
At 36. Eastgate,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR Being seven different extents.
*Frances Falrbank .. .. 1-2| Charles Barker .. .. 3-4
*Maicol.m Lincoln .. .. 5-6
Conducted by Charles Barker.

* First neal of Treble Bob.

HARROW, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri.. Dec. 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 27 Minures.

At 170, Headstone Lane,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE -SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor size 15 in D.

†Joan Beresford $\quad . . \quad$.. $3-4 \mid$ Christopher W. Woolley 7 - 8
Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by John R. Mayne.
*First peal of Surprise on handbells. $\dagger$ First in the method on handhells. First in the method on handbells for the Association.

## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

## LONG LENGTH

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE-On Dec. 12th. 4.200 Plain Bob Triples: J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 1, C. W. Lawton 2, Mrs. C. W. Lawton 3, H. Parker 4, C Raddon 5, S. Jones (iun.) 6, A. J. Martin 7, F. T. Parry 8. In honour of the 91 st birthday of Mr, S . Jones, of Eccleston. This was a peal attempt which had to be curlailed owing to indisposition of a member of the band.

## DATE TOUCH

CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.-O O DEC. $30 \mathrm{th}, 1,959$ Doubles in 17 methods ( 11 individual Plain courses) being 120 each of All Saints, Candlesby S.C., Union, Stedman, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford Pleasure, Southrepps, St. Columb, Plain Boi, April Day, Old, Kennington, St. Simun's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas and Winchendon Place and 39 Grandsire : Mary Powe, 1 1. D. Yeo 2, Monica Horseman 3, M. Horseman (cond.) 4, J. Brain 5, 3. Stallard 6. First in 17 methods by all.

ABBOTS LEIGH, SOMERSET. -On Dec. 7th, 1.2611 Plain Bob Minor: R. Williams 1. Monica Horseman 2, N. Cuombes 3, R. Gale 4, F. Neate 5, M. Hurseman (cond.) 6.
ASTON, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 27th. 1.266 Grandsire Doubles: A. S. Burbidge 1, D. T. Finnemore 2, A. Short 3. D. R. Ingram 4, R. C. Ingram (cond.) 5 , M. G. Ingram 6 . Fur Evensong.

BATHAMPTON, SOMERSET:-On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. M. White (first quarter) 1. A. Gooding 2, S. A. Read (cond.) 3, W. J. Prescott 4. F. Gooding 5, L. Laye 6 . Fot midnight service.
BAUGHURST, HANTS.-On Dec. 28th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. West 1, A. Atkias 2, S. Miles 3, D, Cane 4, J. Morley (cond.) 5, A. West 6. A
golden wedding comoliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. golden
Blake.
bilton, Warwicks.-On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. J. A. Tole 1, L. A. Whewall 2. P. C. Taylor 3, W. E. Burnell 4, J. C. Nichols 5, J. A. Tole (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss P.E. Wincott (a local ringer) and Mr. W. Spreadbury, and for the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tole. Also on Dec. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss L. M. Nichols (first quarter, aged 10) 1, L. A. Whewall 2.
Miss J. M. Rushall 3. P. C. Taylor 4, J. C. Nichols Miss J. M. Rushall 3, P. C
(cond.) 5, W. E. Burneli 6.
BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On Dec. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Dunsden 1, R. H. Mills 2, P. Corderoy (first 'inside ') 3, E. J. Grace 4, 1. P.
Blond 5, Claude Corderoy (cond.) 6. R. B. Blond 7 . Blond 5, Claude C
A. F. F. Samler 8.
BLOXWICH, STAFFS. On Nov. ${ }^{15 \mathrm{th}} 1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: G. Howlett 1. Jill Fisher 2, Margaret Pritchard 3, D. Wilkes (first - inside') 4. G. Hughes (cond.) 5, J. Eastwood 6. For Confirmation service, and as a compliment to Marlene Jones and Janet Barnett, members of the local band, who were among the candidates; also a 21 si birthday compliment to the former.
BLUNSDON, WILTS.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob): Miss S. A. Peake (first quarter, aged 12) 1. A. R. Peake (cond.) 2, Mrs. G. Swain 3. B. S. Shennard 4. B. Bladon 5, Miss 1. Hawes 6. Rung for the candlelight carol service. Also on Dec. 26th. 1,260 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss A. Porter (aged i1) 1. Mrs. G. Swain 2, J. West 3, B. S. Sheppard 4. A. R. Peake (cond.) G. Swain 6. First cuarter 1 and 6.

BOSBLRY, HFREFORDS.-On Dec. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Boh and Plain Bob): T. Couper 1. J. Clements 2, J. Ward 3, C. W. Nutt 4. F. anniversary of the wedding in this church of 3 .
BRADDEN. NORTHANTS. -On Nov. 28th. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): W. J. Chester C. Truman 2, W. A. Yates (cond.) 3, M. Saunders G. Shellard 5

BRAMPTON. HUNTS,-On Nov. $2151,1.260$ Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Lucy Allen (cond.) 1. Maureen Allen 2, R. Cooper 3, E. J. Whiting 4. J. W. Allen 5. Rung on the occasion of the Rodber.
BRISTOL-At the Church of Si . Ambrose. 1,280 Pudsey Surprise Major: R. Hooper (cond.) I. D. Cobb 2, Monica Horseman 3, M. Horseman 4. D.
Exell 5, J. Brain 6, J. Hunt 7, J. Gilbert 9. First of Pudsey by 2, 3, 4 and 6.
BROAD HINTON, WILTS, On Dec. 19rh, 1.440 Surprise Minor ( 720 Carlisle, Munden, Chester, 720 Alnwick and Newcastle): P. Wakefield 1. Miss L. Hawes 2, R. Wright 3. V. Grifinin 4, A. R. Peakie (cond.) 5, B. Bladon 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

BUSHLEY, WORCS.-On Oct, 16th, 1.260 Doubles ( 120 each of Shipway's Place. St. Nicholas, Winchen don Place, St. Martin's, St. Simon's. Chase, Al Saints. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob. Reverse St. Bartholomew and 60 Grandsire): A. Halling 1. Nadine Price 2, F. E. Wood 3. M. Hawkes (cond. 4, P. D. Warren 5, R. Liddell (first guarter) 6. First in 11 methods by all except the conductor
CHAPEL ALLERTUN. YORKS.-On Dec. 2ith. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. E. T. Clark 1, Susan R. Adams (first quatter) 2, Margaret A. Clark 3, Eileen B. Adams (first quarter) 4, J. S. Clark (first quarter) 5, J. D. Nixon (first as cond.) 6 . First cuarter by a local band. Rung for the ordination of the curate (the Rev. M. Trotter).
CLERKENWELL, E.C.-At St. James' Church, on Dec. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. Andrews 1 , A. Lewry 2, F. Corfield 3, G. Parsons 4, W. Prockson 5, E. Talbot 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7. E. Peett 8. For Matins.

COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 20ih. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bub and Grandsire): T. Feltham (first euarter, aoed 14) 1, A. J. Peters 2, Miss A. White 3, H. Hooner (cond.) 4, J. Brinson 5, J. Loxton 0. For children's gift

## service.

CROXTON KERRIAL, NOTTS.-On Dec. 5th. 1,440 Plain Boh Minor: S. Meredith 1. R. Blackshaw 2, F. Bradley 3, R. Mills 4, D. Armstronz (cond.) 5. M. Harrison 6. Rung on the occasion of the lucal Christmas bazaar in aid of church funds.
EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Dec, 28th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. Blackshaw 1. S. Hill 2. M. Harrison 3, J. Higgs 4. J. Meredith 5, B. Mills Conducted by J. Meredith and B. Mills. A compliment to Sidney Hill and Dureen Isaacs on their engagement.

EDMONTON, MIDDLX.-On Dec. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bacon (first cuarter) 1. Trudy Newcombe 2, D. Langdon 3, W. George 4, J. Weeks (cond.) 5, P. Haward 6. First quarter since rededication of beils. For carol service.
GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.-On Dee. 27th. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bub and Grandsire): G. Webb 1. I. Neal 2, F. Hall 3, R. H. Rogers 4, G. Atkins (cond.) 5. For service of nine lessons and carols.
HENBURY, BRISTOL.-On Dec. $12 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Brocklehurst 1, J. A. Bennelt 2, Miss A. Grainger 3, J. C. Baldwin 4, C. Richards 5 , G. Locke 6. A. W. T. Cleaver (cond.) 7, J. K. Laver 8. A farewell to the Rev. C. J. Vittle, who has been appointed Vicar of All Saints, Fishponds.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On Dec. 6ith. 1.440) Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): $S$. Meredith 1, D. Armstrong 2, R. Blackshaw 3. M. Harrison 4, A. Larkin 5, F. Bradley 6. Conducled by D. Armstrong and F. Bradley.

KERESLEY, WARWICKS. On Christmas Day. 1.320 Grandsire Doubles: W. H. Allport 1, H. Folwell 2, Miss T. I. Bowcutt 3, W. A. Stote (cond.) 4. R. D. Hart 5. For early Communion.

KIMPTON, HERTS.-On Dec. 13th, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob) : Miss S. Baxter (first quarter) 1. Miss S. Dyer 2, F. W. Ellis 3. D. C. Price 4. J. G. Cull (cond.) 5. Miss I. M. Lander 6. First quarter on the bells since restoration. For Evensong.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.-On Dec. 26th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: N. V. Harding 1, Freda P. Greaves 2, E. Howes 3, L. W. Houghton 4, J. V. Temple 5, I. Wilson (cond.) 6.
LANE END, BUCKS.-On Oct. 11h. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Faith Harris (first attemnt) 1, W. Avery 2, K. Seymour (cond.) 3, S. Smith 4. C. Hagger 5. R. Hazell 6. For harvest festival. Also on Christmas Day, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Cheryl Smith (first attemnt) 1. C. Hagger 2, K Seymour 3, R. Hazell (cond.)
avery 6. For morning service,
LONG BUCKBY, NORTHANTS.-On Christmas
Day, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: I Brown (first quarter) 1, M. F. Amos (cond.) 2, J. H. Williams 3, W. Lake 4, J. E. Goddard 5. For Matins.
MARLOW, BUCKS.-On Dec. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Trinles: P. R. Dean (12, first quarter) 1, Miss J. Cooke 2, J. Young 3, Mr. E. Mead 4, E. D. Poole 5, E. Sylvey 6, R. E. Dean (cond.) 7, L. Young 8. For service of nine lessons and carols.

MERROW, SURREY. - On Nov, 28th, 1,260 Doub'es (Grandsire, cond. by D. May, and Plain Bob, cond. by Jill Lane): Susan Bul! (first quarter) 1. Jill Lane 2. Valerie Bundy 3, D. A. R. May 4, R. 1. Vaughan 5, R. Warren 6.

NEWTON ST. CYRES, DEVON. On Dec 26th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Skinner 1, F. D. Mack 2, G. Luxton 3, G. Skinner 4, W. Stacey 5, G the festival of Christmas.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Dec. 24th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Horton 1, Ann Hancock 2 Wendy Buwak 3, L. Cordell (cond.) 4. M. McOtisian 5. S. King 6. For Sung Eucharisi.

PAISLEY, SCOTLAND.-At St. James Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. Sargeant 1. Miss L. Beever: 2. R. St. C. Wilson 3, E. Boumphrey 4. A. Scoll 5 , A. W. Lloyd 6, C. R. Raine (cond.) 7. A. Sharples 8.

PENDLEBURY, LANCS.-On Dec. 19h, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Jacks 1, R. Bagnall 2. N. Tompkins (cond.) 3, A. Lomas 4, B. Rothwell 5 C. Rothwell 6, C. Cooper 7, H. Gaskell 8. Rung by the local band to commence the church's centenary celebrations
ROCHESTER, KENT.-At the Cathedral, on Dec. 27ih: W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 1. Miss E, Wharton (first *inside') 2. R. E. Norns (first of Doubles) 3 C. I. Gould 4, C. E. J. Norris 5, D. Norris flirse of Doubles) 6. First quarter since the new frame was installed.
SHROTON, DORSET.-On Dec. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. N. Houghton 1, F. Hilliar 2, Ben Riduut (cond.) 3. Berı Ridout 4, G. W, Jennis 5 . M. Percy 6. A compliment to Wiliiam R. Tayior, who was ordained in Portsmouth Cathedral this day
SPAXTUN, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Furd 1, J. Ford 2, E. Ford (cond.) 3, S. Parish 4, W. Webber 5. First quatter for 1 and 5 ,

STONELEIGH, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 26th, 1,320 Piain Bob Doubles: Priscilla Parish I. T. J. Gray 2, Jean R. King 3, Gillian A. Williamson 4. P. K Williamson 5. First quarter 1 and 3. For the festival of Christmas.
STUDLEY, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubies: J. Russell 1, J. Crook 2, R Spray (cond.) 3, T. Griffiths 4. J. W. Perkins 5, H. Crouk 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 26th, 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss D. Cooke (first quarter) 1, J. Crook 2, R. Spray 3, T. Griffiths 4. J. W. Perkins (cond.) 5, K. Stone 6. A birthday compliment to the treble ringer
TEWKESBURY, GLOS.-On Dec. 23rd, 2,100 Grandsire Triples: Anne Broxton 1, M. Hawkes 2 . Nadine Price 3, A. Halling 4, F. Hawkes 5, E. Penn 6. M. Sprackling (cond.) 7, E. Leach 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Noel Sprackling.
TOPSHAM, DEVON. On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Bye 1, Miss M. Godfrey 2. Miss M. Browne 3. R. Berry 4, 1. T. Barrelt (cond.) 5, K. Wannell 6. For carol service.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 26th, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bub and Grandsire) : Barbara J. Clarke (first away from covering bell) 1, D. J. Bamett 2, A. F. Lee 3, J. J. Jefferies 4, T. J. Milsom (cond.) 5, D. F. Jefferies 6. Rung on St. Stephen's Day.
UPPER CLAPTON, E.-AI the Church of St. Matthew, on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. F. Neal 1. Mrs. D. Neal 2, J. M. Steele (first of Grandsire Triples 'inside') 3. Miss N. Hales 4. J. A. Hales 5, R. K. C. Wilkings 6, D. Neal (cond.) 7. C. F. Neal 8. For Midnight Mass

WEST BRIDGFORD. NOTTS. - On Dec. Bth, 1.260 Plain Bロb Minor: S. Meredith 1, R. Blackshaw 2, D. Armstrong 3. M. Harrison 4. R. W. Winstantey F. Bradiey 6. Conducted by D. Armstrong and F. Bradley.. A welcome to the Rev. W. Johnson, recently ordained curate to this church.

WEST RETFORD, NOTTS.-On Dec. 20ih, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: Valerie Waterfield 1. Jill Eason 2. R. Hobbs (cond.) 3. T. Randall 4. C. Scott 5. D. McNeil 6. For Evensong: also as a compliment to T. Randall and Miss J. Tibhenham upon their engagement.
WHITCHURCH, OXON.-On Dec. 24ih, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Carter (first in method) 1 , Veronica Naylor 2, Mrs. Pamela Cracknell 3, B. A. Cracknell (cond.) 4, J. F. Carter 5, A. Burt 6. For Midnight Communion.
WHITSTABLE, KENT.-On Dec. 24th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): K. Triplow 1. C. C. Dilnot 2, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 3, W. Gray 4, Haze! Palmer 5, D. Southam 6. For the first Eucharist of the Nativity of our Lord.
WOKING, SURREY.-At St. Peter's Church, on Christmas Day, 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: B. Turner F. Milne 2, J. Brackley (cond.) 3. W. Sione 4, D. Munday 5, A. Turner 6. For morning service.

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Following an accident on his motor-cycle, Mr. Michael W. Crowder, of Barrow-oncollarbone. Mr. Bernard F. L. Groves, whose accident on a push cycle was reported in our last issue, has a fractured pelvis and is unlikely to be back ringing for some time. We wish them both a speedy recovery.
A team of young ringers from St. Mathew's, Salford Priors, Warwickshire, raised the sumi of $£ 28$ during Christmas week by playing carols on handhells. This is being donated 10 the Children's Society.
Mr. C. W. Denyer, Master of the Guildford Diocesin Guild, has sent his New Year greetings to each tower in the Guild with a beautiful calendar containing a photograph of Scale Church.
Prees. Shropshire, hells are back after receiving attention at the Loughborough Foundry. The Bishop of Shrewsbury is attending a service of thanksgiving on January 24th. The church has been entirely repointed.
The band who rang in the Society of Cumberland Youths peal of Stedman Caters at Nottingham on Deeember 19th wish to convey their sincere felicitations to Michael Colton and Maisic Simmons, members of the local band, whose wedding took place that day.
Miss Linda M. Nichols, the 10 -year-old daughter of Mr. J. C. Nichols, rang her first quarter peal on December 20th at St. Mark's Church, Bitton, Warwicks. In this tower were rung two quarter peals for Evensong during Advent in conjunction with organ recitals for the World Refugee Year. There werc two first quarter peals and a first 'inside.'
Without a Vicar for $12 \frac{1}{2}$ years under a suspension order, St. John-the-Divine, Leicester, is to have its present priest-in-charge, the Rev. W. B. Williams, inducted to the living on January 14th. On the following Saturday a neal of Grandsire Caters will be attempted to commemorate the event. which, if successful, will be recorded on a lablet in the lower.

## GOSSIP

 Handhells play an im portant part in the teaching of music at Blaydon East Secondary Modern School, thanks to the enthusiasm of Miss Paxton and Miss Oliver. At the end of term carol service handbells opened the proccedings by rounds and Oucens, followed by 'Good King Wencuslas.' Later there was handbell accompaniment to the singing of 'While Shepherds Watched,' The First Noel' and 'Jingle Bells.'With the peal at Branston, Lincs, on Boxing Day, Mr. Ronald Applewhite has circled the tower.'
The new band at Dore, near Sheffield. started regular ringing this Christmas with the hells open.
Mr. Colin A. S. Harwood celebrated his 21st birthday by calling his first peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major, at Biggle.wade, on December 19th.
In a peal of Grandsire Doubles at St. Nicholas", Nuneaton. it was the first peal by five of the band. Mr. Ernest Wilson. who wals conducting, was also ringing his first peal.
'Happy birthday, twins,' was said by Willesborough ringers on December 19th to Rita and Rosernary Gower by a peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor. They are now 21, and rang their first peal of Surprise.
New South Wales ringers arranged for a ringers' pienic at the Royal National Park on December 13th especially for Ann Brown, who was due to leave Australia on December 28th for approximately five months overseas.
There is good news concerning Mr. Edgar Shepherd's visit to a specialist. Nothing was found wrong with his heart or circulation and he was able to ring for Christmas. He is waiting a little while before starting peal ringing again.
Miss Jean Sanderson has compiled a most interesting booklet on the Church of St. Nicholas, Norton, Hertfordshire, which adjoins Letchworth Garden City. The story of the bells is carefully traced back and we hope to deal with these at greater kength.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

Dear Sir, - This year's Christmas Day broadcast of bells, though not without its faults, gave a fair indication of what comes out of those of our towers which can muster a full team. It was pleasing that all towers had a fair length of time on the air. Listeners would notice the error in announcing cight bells in one case when only six were ringing. This indicates the casual way in which this programme is organised and there is much to be said for a properly vetted recorded programme in place of or to augment the live broadcast.
It was a joy to listen to St. Donard's, Belfast. Credit is due to the ringers for their excellent striking, the founders for a lovely ring of bells and the local sound engincers for so successfully reproducing the pleasant combination. Well done. Ireland. Thanks, also. on all the other ringers whose efforts produced all enjoyable programme for us.-Yours, etc.

## NORMAN CHADDOCK.

Rotherham, Yorks.

## TALGARTH HEARI TWICE

Dear Sir, - Your readers may have heen surprised to hear only six bells being rung at Warcham on the B.B.C. programme on Christmas morning.
In fact, Wareham bells were not broadcast at all, and Talgarth was on the air twice. We were ringing some very nice Grandsire Triples ind it was not until we stopped ringing at 9.30 a.m. that we discovered what had haopened.-Yours sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER T. BROWN
Wareham, Dorset.

Dear Sir,-I hope my beginners will not get a false impression of the standard required as a result of listening to some of the Christmas hroadcast.-Yours faithfully
D. P. JONES.

Castle Gresley, Staffs.

Tips For Beginners - 2
If you hare difficulty in hearing your bell amongst the others you can help to rrain yourself by noticing when a bell strikes in relation to your pull when ringing it singly. Persuade the captain to let you ring the five-minute bell to enable youl to practise this.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Swindon Branch was held at St. Mark's, Swindon. instead of Christ Church, where the bells are still out of use due to repairs to the spire.

After 27 years as secretary, Mr. W. B. Kvnaston retired and was warmly thanked for his services to the Branch. Although working away from Swindon for much of the time, the Branch hopes to see him often at the monthly meetings.
Officers elected were: Dr. H. Craig, chairman: Mr. R. Luten, secretary: Mr. V. Griffin, representative on Management Committee : and Mr. W. H. Trueman, Ringing Master.
During the next quarter, meetings will be held at Purton, Rodbourne Cheney and Siratton St. Margaret.
R. L.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Rochester District

Some 60 -odd members of the Rochester District attended a by-meeting at St. Mary's Pirish Church. Newington, on December 12th. A short ringers' service was held, conducted by the Rev. J. E. Holland. Vicar of Newington. Tea was partaken in the School, kindly given by the local ringers. There being no business, the Vicar welcomed the Association to Newirgton, and Mr. A. Dunk. on hehalf of all present, moved a vote of thanks in the Vicar, also to the local ringers and ladies of Newington for giving the tea and making the meeting a success.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 2



MR. F. SHARPE

## (President of the Central Council)

Mr. Frederick Sharpe is one of the greatest living authoritics on hells and in recognition of his abilities he was clected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in 1953. This unique distinction will undoubtedly strengthen his hands in the discharge of his duties as President of the Central Council, and, through him, the prestige of the Council will be enhanced.

He learned to ring at Launton under the supervision of Mr . Richard Castle and rang his first peal at Bicester in 1922. He struck up a friendship with Richard White, of Appleton, in 1925, and, from him, acquired a vast amount of practical knowledge of bells and bellhanging. He is not a prolific peal ringer, having rung about 30 peals ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Stedman Caters. He is adept at ringing two tower bells and has taken part in many quarter peals in this way, also at rising and falling double-ltanded.

## AS AN AUTHOR

He collaborated with the late H. B. Walters, the well-known author of many books on bells, and has since published several of his own, including 'The Church Bells of the Rural Deanery of Bicester,' 'Church Bells of Berkshire.' 'Church Bells of Radnorshire' and Church Bells of Oxfordshire:

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Chapel Allerton, Lceds, have rung their first quarter by a local band. It included three first quarters.

Will Mr. H. Jones, who sent Mr. Jeater a cheque for $£ 18 \mathrm{~s}$. drawn on the Midland Bank, Cleckheaton, please forward his address, as he failed to fill up the subscription form.
The date of the West Lindsey Branch meeting is January 16 th. To those who went to Gainsborough last Saturday the hon. secretary and 'The Ringing World 'tender apologies.

Where a handbell, wanted for an important concert in America, cracked just before the great day, the director of the choir sent the bell by air mail to the Whitechapel Foundry and had it back inside a week. reports ' Over tones,' the journal of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers.
Corrections.-The peal of Minor rung at East Woodhay, Hants, was on November 27 th and not November 20th, as printed. The Deal of Bob Major at Aldermaston was rung on October 24th and not September 24th. Will conductors please submit peals early to avoid errors in dates.

He has served the Oxford Diocesan Guild with distinction. Joining in 1920, he became a member of the committee in 1922, hon. secretary of the Bicester Deanery in 1928. and Deputy Master in 1951, which office he still holds.

He was elected an honorary member of the Central Council in 1939, and in 1946 was made a member of the Towers and Belfries Committee, becoming convener in 1952. He has visited, reported and advised on on hundreds of towers all over the country and his services as a lecturer on all branches of the art have been in great demand. In 1954 he was elected to the important office of honorary librarian to the Central Council, and relinquished this office on being elected President of the Council three years ago.

Mr. Sharpe is 54 years of age. He married, in 1935, Miss E. J. M. Evans, of Trenewydd, and has one daughter, Elizaheth. He is a builder by profession.

JAFUS.

## Won St. Paul's Bells By A Game Of Dice

The bells of old St. Paul's, London. were once put up as a prize in a game of dice. They were won by Sir Gerald Parfridge; but his success was hardly to be envied, for the loser was Henry VIII, and Sir Giles was executed a short time later-the penalty (it was said) for earning the monarch's displeasure.

- The Whitchurch Herald.'


## WOOLTON YOUNGSTERS IN

 THE NEWSMr. E. L. Humphriss has a very promising hand of teenage ringers at St. Peter's Church. Woolton. They provided a well-illustrated feature article for 'The Liverpool Echo and Evening Express. On Christmas Eve they made their traditional round of the district, ringing carols on handbells. "The Liverpool Weekly News, also had individual pictures of five of the band in action, headed: "These are people who really enjoy the art of camnanology.'

## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

Despite rainy weather, 20 members and visitors from Bushey, Southampion, Reading Newhury. Thatcham and Bucklebury attended the Andover quarterly mecting held at Woolton Hill, which tower has a light six, on December 19th. A special feature was the carol service during which the carol 'Ding, dong, merrily on high' was sung by the Andover quartet.

Mr. A. W. Alleston presided at the business meeting, when the branch annual meeting was fixed for Andover on January 23 rd, and the next quarterly meeting on April 2nd at Abbot's Ann, with Amport and Thraxton. In the evening ringing took place at Highclere. and included touches of Double Norwich Court Bob Major and Cambridge Surnrise Major.

## A RINGER'S RHYME

The Birmingham Post,' in its issue of Nov. 28 th , features an article by C. V. Hancock on - Ringers' Rhymes, and History in the Belfry. The article quotes a notice in the belfry of Salford Priors Church. Warwickshire, referring probably to the tenor:-

Oft as this Bell with Solemn Toll
Speaks the Departure of a Soul.
Nor would the thought Distressing be
If next it were to Toll for Me.
At the meeting of the South Forest Branch (page 13) Mr. L. H. Jones was re-elected Ringing Master and not Mr. R. Thomas as appeared in the report.

## LETTERS TO

THE FIRST PEAL IN AMERICA
Dear Sir, - In Mr. Ogden's interesting article on Lancashire handbell ringers of the mid-19th century, he quotes from Mr. Scott Parry's book, 'The Story of Handbells,' that Ringers remained in the States long enough, however, to ring the first successful peal in this country (U.S.A.) on Sunday, June 9th, 1850, on the ring of eight bells at Christ Church, Philadelphia.'
I have not yet read Mr. Parry's book and so am not sure whether he himself implies that the peal band was drawn from the party Barnum took from Lancashire in 1847, or whether it is Mr. Ogden who has assumed this to be so. In fact, the band was composed of five London ringers, three English residents of Philadelphia, 'an American being engaged to manipulate the tenor.' (The method was Grandsire Triples, Holt's Ten-Part, in 3 hours and 15 minutes.) In 'The History and Art of Change Ringing. Mr. Ernest Morris lists the band, showing two men on the tenor, and this is no doubt correct.
How the five London ringers came to be in America is related at some length in 'The Bell News of January 13th, 1900 , wherein appeared an article in support of an appeal on behalf of James Hewett, of Gosport, whose composition of the extent of Grandsire Caters, it may be remembered, was published in these columns a year ago. Briefly, the story is that in 1850 P. T. Barnum applicd to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank to supply him with a party of handbell ringers for a tour of the United States. The firm referred him to the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, who selected five men, the best known of whom was Henry W. Haley, who was subsequently to call the peal. (Like his contemporary and rival, John Cox, Haley was at other times a College Youth; it can fairly be said that one Society could not contain both at once.)
Their engagement was for 12 months, and after a successful time in New York they moved on to Philadelphia, where their stay was cut short by the arrival of the famous singer, Jenny Lind. Later the party visited 'most of the principal towns in the United states.'
To revert to the 'Lancashire Handbell Ringers,' their activities were not confined to America. In 'A Great Adventure,' his account of the tour of Australia in 1934-35, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith quoted some extracts from a manuscript notebook written by William Shenton, an Englishman who had settled in the 1850's. One of them is as follows:At that time, 1863, the American Civil War was raging, and all the cotton crops were destroyed. This caused a great amount of distress in the cotton spinning districts of Lancashire, and George Coppin brought out the "Lancashire Handbell Ringers" as a speculation. Among that band of eight men there were at least two capable change ringers and we had them among us occasionally; With their assistance we used to run through a six-score of Doubles easily. On September 11th. 1863. the following appeared in "The Age " newspaper:-
"Yesterday the Lancashire Handbell Ringers, assisted by the ringers of St. James' (then the Cathedral at Melbourne) rang on the bells of that church several peals in the Grandsire method in the art of change ringing, being the greatest achievement ever accomplished in any of the Australian Colonies. The ringers were: E Norman, treble; Wm. Christfield 2: J Whittaker 3; Peter Mills 4: Wm. Shenton 5 ; T. Davis, tenor. Conducted by Wm. Christfield."

## THE EDITOR

Probably those who went to Australia were a different band from the American party of 1844 and 1847 , but it is interesting to see that the name still survived 16 years later.-Yours sincerely,

Crayford, Kent.
E. A. BARNETT.

## 'SWISS BELL RINGERS ${ }^{*}$

Dear Sir.-I was most interested in the article by T. Ogden in your issue of December 11 th re 'Swiss Bell Ringers.'

Recently I read a book by Arthur Meeken - Far-away Music '). This tells about family life in America in the mid 19th century, and mentions a band of 'Swiss Bell Ringers; but does not state where they were ringing. At the time of reading this I thought that it might be a band using cow hells-I never even thought that they might be real handbell ringers!

As a matter of interest. we have, at Christ Church, Crewe, a set of 37 handbells. These have recently been reconditioned by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. (Loughborough), who have made a most excellent job of them. We are now trying to make up a good band of youngsters to ring tunes on these bells. and with some success. I am glad to say!-Yours faithfully.
E. T. HOLLOWAY

## Crewe.

## CALL CHANGF, RINGER'S REQUEST

Dear Sir,-I wonder if "The Ringing World could be made a little more interesting to service call change ringers. It would improve the sales, as it is not every ringer who can grasp method ringing. Except for two or three, we have never had in our tower in the last 50 years any ringers other than those who ring call changes and as far as I can see it will continue the same.

We have ten members in our band and I take "The Ringing World ' to the tower, but they are not interested. "Nothing for us, they say, and one lady member's comment was There is not even a children's corner.'
I first took "The Ringing World ' in 1913 but I have had breaks through the same thing For years now it has been in my door at ? a.m. every Friday and it would be nice to have a few more articles in common. 1 guess there are many more towers of the same mind.

Wishing you better luck in the New Year.Yours faithfully,

REG E. PELLETT.

## Woodchurch, <br> Nr. Ashford, Kent.

PRICE INCREASES-A POINTER
Dear Sir.-A lad who has just rung his first quarter peal and is a subscriber to "The Ringing World is conducting an active campaign in our belfry for more readers of . The Ringing World' and we hope shortly to have at least two more subscribers.

For my part I would like to point out to those who object to the price increase that before the war the magazine cost $4 d$. Prices generally have more than trebled. so that for 8d. we are still doing very nicely. Even national dailies with their vastly increased advertising revenue stand at $2 \frac{1}{2} d$. compared with 1d. pre-war.

WILIIAM PARROTT.

Epsom.
Dear Sir,-I have followed with interest the question of the increased price in the cost of our 'Ringing World.' particularly as I am one of those who, having retired from the business world, is obliged to live on a fixed income, which becomes relatively smaller as the price of commodities increases.
To me, the position is crystal clear, as it would indeed be hard to find another journal which could afford to devote approximately one-third of its available printing space to completely unremunerative matter, because that is, in fact, what it amounts to-six or seven pages filled with peals and quarters, which hring in, at the best, a few miserable shillings from the very few who bother to send in any contribution whatever, but which is. nevertheless. 'Gratefully Acknowledged.'
It would only be a matter of common sense, as well as fair play to the vast majority of vour readers. to impose a small charge on the publication of peals and quarters; and if this was done (as has already been urged) at the rate of 1 s , per rope for peals, and $6 d$. Der rope for quarters, it would probably solve the problem for years to come.

The leader in the recent issue makes the plea 'Think of something big, somebody,' and the above solution is, to me, and to the great majority of your readers, the only sensitle one, and is only fair play.-Yours. etc..

## R. A. BARTLAM.

## Ruddington. Nottingham

P.S.-The above suggestion applied to the current issue would produce $£ 26$ per week. or. say, $£ 1,200$ per annum.-R. A. B.

## FIRST HANDBELL PEAL FOR LINCOLN GUILD

Dear Sir, - I was interested in Mr. Lunn's letter in which he gave details of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung 'in hand, 50 years ago for the Lincoln Guild. It was not, however, the first handbell peal rung for the Lincoln Guild, as he states. But it was the first handbell peal rung in Lincolnshire. The first handbell peal for the Guild was rung at Bolsover. Derbyshire. The details are as follows:--

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, October 23rd, 1909. In 2 hours and $45 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes
At the residence of Mr. F. R. Kettleborough A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE

## MAJOR

## 5,088 changes

Harry Moss
Fred W. Kettleborough .. $3-4$
William Kceble
William Lambert
Composed by G. Lindoff.
Conducted by William Keeble.
First handbell peal for the Guild and the first Surprise Major peal. 200 th peal.
Yours sincerely, G. E. FEIRN.

## CAMBRIIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILDS PEALS FOR 1958

Dear Sir, I note from the Summary of Analysis of Peals for 1958. published in "The Ringing World' of December 11th, that only one peal of Major 'in hand' has been credited to the Cambridge University Guild. whercas at least two were rung-Plain Boh on May 16 th ( Ringing World. May 30 th) and 13 Spliced Plain methods on November 28th ("Ringing World.' December 19th).
Micht I suggest that the Guild librarian checks his records with those of the Peals Analysis Committee to correct this inistake.Yours faithfully.
A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALI.

Gainsborough, Lincs.

## FOR THE LAST WORD IN ROPE-HANDLING YOU MUST HAVE

NON-STRETCHING, NON-SPRINGY AND A UNIQUE SALLY

## CREDITING PEALS TO ASSOCIATIONS

Dear Sir,-I do not intend to comment directly on the Collingbourne Kingston incident, because I know nothing of the people or circumstances involved. Mr. West's letter does, however, raise a point which has appeared in various forms recently, upon which I hold strong views. with which I'm sure some will disagree but which are genuinely held, nevertheless.
It seems to me that there are several very good reasons why a peal should be credited to a Guild different from the one of which the local company usually become members. In my view the peal should attach itself to the Guild whose members rang it, not to the Guild in whose 'district' it is rung. If this were not so, no non-territorial Guild such as the Universities Association or Police Guild would ever be able to ring a peal, for, whereever they went, they would still be ringing in a tower in a locality where some other Guild normally practises. Similarly, the College Youths, Cumberlands and various University Guilds would be tied down to a mere handful of towers. But it goes further than this.

If 12 ringers who regularly, week by week, plied their art in Lancashire towers and were members of the Lancashire Association, were to ring, say. a peal of Plain Bob Maximus at St. Peter Mancroft, how in all conscience could the Norwich Diocesan Guild claim to have rung that peal, even if the 12 Lancastrians were 'out-county" members of that Guild? Not a solitary Norfolk man would have turned even a single bell! To claim the peal as a performance of the Norwich Diocesan Association would, to my mind, be a flagrant misuse of the systen of 'out-county' membership. which was surely designed to cover the case of the odd visitor who rang with a local company. (I hasten to add, in case of misunderstanding, that I am on very good terms with the Norfolk men. and use this purely as example.) There scems to have grown up a curious idea that we ring peals for Associations. Surely it has been pointed out by very many Masters at ringers' dinners to the point of cliché (and with apparent agreement) that we ring bells (and peals) to the greater glory of God for His Church, the bells are rung by Guilds.
Nor is this just an academic point with little practical importance. for this current practice has had unfortunate results. Many consider it courteous to credit peals rung in another Guild's territory to that Guild visited. but, in fact, it can turn out to be quite the reverse of courteous, though few local men would complain, if only to preserve the traditional hospitality to visitors. In not a few cases local men have been prevented from ringing the first peal of some method or other in their own Guild's annals because some visiting band has already done it for them. It may be that Guild $A$ is strong and has some quite advanced members, whilst their neighbours. Guild B. consider themselves fortunate if they can master one or two standard methods. If. then. a band of Guild A men take advantage fof their out-county membership of Guild B, and ring a peal of London Surprise Major on Guild B's territory and claim it as Guild B's first. the local men are for ever harred from ringing thei- own first peal of London. I could quote a number of concrete examples of this, kind of thing happening, but I won't. because i hold no antagonism to the bands concerned. nor do I wish to give any impression of inhospitality. I merely state that in my example it would be happier if the peal were credited to the visiting Association (Ouild A). Io difficulties but I mixed bands can give rise
be credited to the Guild which supplies the predominance of practical men on the ropes. In, however, the peal lours which have now become very much part of ringing activity, it must frequently happen that the band on the ropes possesses an impossible collection of allegiances. I don't think it is any solution to say that such a peal should be entered in the peal book of the local tower Guild. Would it not be much more sensible to call it a Non-Association peal? For that is exactly what it is no particular Guild can claim that its indigenous members bave rung it.
In the end each case must, of course, be decided on its own merits, because one always comes across a state of affairs that does not fit anybody's rigid ideas, but I think that if peals were claimed as the performance of any particular Guild in the manner I have tried to indicate. thes unhappy arguments about avoiding peal fees, or accusations of bad manners and so on. would disappear. Yours sincerely,

PHILIP J. H. HUDSON.
Rochdale. Lancs.

## THE PEAL AT COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON

Dear Sir,-In reply to Mr. W. C. West regarding a peal rung on a recent Sunday at Collingbourne Kingston, Wilts. by members of the Oxford Guild. Yes, we were all aware that this fine, good-going ring of six is in the Diocese of Salisbury, and the tower affiliated to that Guild. Personally, I think all neals should be rung for the Guild or Association to which the tower is affiliated. but there could be arguments against by visiting hands.

A few years ago I took part in a peal for the Salisbury Guild at a tower situated right in the cenire of Oxford. Probably more rank bad manners,' but nothing was said ahout this.
R. W. REX.

## Thatcham, Berks

## PRINCIPLE SHOULI) BE IDECIDED

Dear Sir ,-One can in some ways sympathise with Mr. W. C. West over the peal at Collingbourne Kingston. He gets very few Deals to write in his Guild's book (19 in 1958), and no doubt one of three Surprise Minor methods appeals to him.
However, is it not time the Exercise decided upon a principle for such peals? As far as I can see, and for five years I was resident in the same branch of the Salisbury Guild as Callingbourne. none of the members of the band are resident members of the Salisbury Guild. Therefore they had no reason to ring a peal for this Guild. and, being Oxford Guild members. decided to ring their neal for that Guild, irrespective of venue. Surely this is only common sense. and I can determine no bad manners whatsoever in their performance. Yours sincerely.
P. J. JOHNSTON.

## Headingley, Leeds.

## A LINCOLN GUILD PEAL

Dear Sir.-The peal of seven Minor methods rung at Owston Ferry on Octoher 24th. 1959 (Ringing World. November 13th). was rung for the West Lindsay Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.-Yours faithfully,
A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.

Gainsborough, Lincs.
Note-The title of the Guild was omitted from copy submitted.-Ed.

## THOUGHT PROVOKING

Dear Sir,-If my memory serves me well, on the last occasion I wrote to you I was in conflict with a member of the Council Council and you 'lost' my last letter; it was very short, I'll admit. He had the last word, iclling me that "if I wasn't there I had no right to criticise,' I have, of course. since then been there' and met many C.C. rineers, all jolly nice people. and I now know why the College of Campanology was not acceptable. I thought at the time how helpful it would be to people like myself, in interesting young people in their aim to ring well. Easily half the Central Council I met have need of the College. Their striking was, in say the best of it, just bad; their bell handling no better.
In the matter of "The Ringing World, it is undignified to see such squabbling over who should pay. I am not a peal ringer, hut peals must go in, though they waste an awful lot of space. I do not think peal ringers should pay extra; peal ringers are already milched in some towers, and where the hells are not so good. If 'not so good' covers one after another peal being 'stood up,' and if 'milched'. covers a few shillings 10 join an Association, and another few shillings for the privilege of ringing in that particular tower, peal ringers pay more than enough. in fact. if they will only get together and pay nothing to anybody. there would be more good peals rung and fewer 'stick it for the sake of sending it up' peals. I think ever so many peals are published because the ringers feel they must subscribe to these funds.
In the matter of 'The Ringing World. finance: The paper belongs to the Central Council. I fear that if they hang on to it, ringers will get what it is now expected the C.C. always gives ringers. Ringers in the past have been most generous. Why not the C.C.? Call for a board of governors or quarantors to subscribe a guinea or a couple of guineas. 500 or 1,000 ringers to guarantee their paper, not the Central Council's paper.
Some years ago I wrote to you re correspondenti, and within weeks the request to appoint correspondents was hefore the branch as coming from the secretary. I was sorry ahout that hecause the idea was spoiled. Correspondents should have been accepred by invitation, and assisted in what is interesting and what is not of general interest. For example, some people know how to raise money, that would interest all of us at some time or another, and reports on work done everywhere, honest reports. would help us to spend it wisely. Work in progress reports would be of interest. Tours and outings would interest only if they have a background of gencral interest. historical or geographical perhaps.

May I close, sir, by wishing you a very happy and prosperous New Year. and by wishing (that having now taken to heart that I should be there before criticising) many members of the Central Council will profit by reading somebody's handbook on how to handle bells. real bells, not tiddlers. With compliments.-Yours very faithfully,

## E. L. HUMPHRISS.

## Woolton, Liverpool.

ABSON. GLOS -On Dec. 28ih. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Reverse St. Bariholomew. Reverse Camerbuy. Plain Bob and Grandsire): Mura J. Wilkins 1. Sandra Lewis 2. Gloria M. Newion 3. A. F. Lee (cond.) 4. A. W. Gibbs 5. First in five methods of Doubles by all the band. A solden wedding compli-
ment to Mr. and Mrs. S. Smart and a birthday comnliment to Miss A. Lewis.

## LaUNTON HANDBELL RINGERS



FOUNDED by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, the Handbell Ringers of St. Mary's, Launton, are known to many ringers, as they have given recitals all over England and Wales. This Christmas season they have given 21. They have also given performances in the Cathedrals of Gloucester, Peterborough, St. Albans and Oxford during the past year.

Our photograph, taken outside of Derwen, Launton, Mr. Sharpe's residence, just before a B.B.C. recording on Wednesday week, shows, left to right: Hardiman Scolt (B.B.C. interviewer), Stephanie Gilpin, Fiona Sherwood, Evelyn Sayer, Elizabeth Sharpe, the Rev. C. P. Sherwood, Patricia Steeples, Peter Allen and Frederick Sharpe, with Mrs. Sharpe in the background.

The recording was broadcast in "The Eye Witness, programme of the B.B.C. on Saturday, December 19th. The first two minutes described how handbells were used, the team and its activities. The next three minutes wer occupied with an interview with Mr. Sharpe, in which he described the bells, their age, origin, founders and history. He mentioned that many had been horse and house bells in the 17 th and 181 h centuries. The interview ended with the team playing ' It came upon a midnight clear.

The recording was also used in all 'Overseas Newsreels during the Christmas season. Some five carols were recorded.

## OBITUARY

## MR. H. E. TAILOR

A founder member of the V.W.H. Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Mr. H. E. Taylor, of Gainsfield, Buckland, Berks, died after a long and painful illness on December 182h. aged 74. He was a member of the Faringdon band for very many years.

The funeral service at Littleworth Church was held on December 21 st , at which representatives of the .V.W.H. Branch acted as bearers. Handbells were rung at the graveside. Among those present were the Rev. L. Street (Branch chairman), Mr. R. F. J. Gilling (hon. secretary), Miss M. R. Cross (general secretary of the Guild).
A quarter peal of 1,260 Grandsire Doubles with $4.6,8$ covering was rung at Faringdon the same evening by J. Strawford (Faringdon) 1. M. Edney (Hinton Waldrist) 2. E. Caple (Marcham) 3, J. Hunt (Buckland) 4, F. Whipp (Faringdon) 5. D. Vincent (Faringdon) 6, C. I. J. Pearce (conductor, Faringdon) 7, C. Timms (Stanford) 8.

Another quarter peal to his memory was rung at Buckland on December 23 rd by C . Timms 1, M. Edney 2, J. Strawford 3, J. Hunt 4, C. I. J. Pearce (conductor) 5, J. Moore 6, D. Vincent 7, M. Willis 8.

## MR. J. E. PROCTER

Another of the band which made ringing history at Pudsey in the early part of this century has passed away in the person of John Ernest Procter, who was laid to rest on Christmas Eve. He was 76 years of age and a life member of the Yorkshire Association.
Ernest Procter was one of those who, under the leadership of the late Pratt Cordingley, determined to break away from the traditional Treble Bob of the West Riding, set their ambitions high. Those ambitions were realised when they had rung peals of Cambridge, Superlative and London Surprise Major.
Ernest was a sound, reliable ringer and an excellent striker, capable either at the light or heavy end, with a style that was a joy 10 watch. In his dress he was most immaculate; he always came into the belfry looking as if he had just stepped out of a bandbox, and his rope splicing was as neat as his appearance. He was by no means a prolifis peal ringer, in fact he rang only 19 peals, but that modest total includes London, Bristol. Superlative, Cambridge and Pudsey Surprise Major. After 57 years of prompt and regular service in the belfry his practical ringing came to an end two and a half years ago, but he retained his interest to the last by listening to the bells each Sunday.

And so another link with the past is broken. Another of the old band has gone. But the memory of Ernest Procter, a staunch and willing colleague, will remain. The bells of Pudsey Parish Church were rung fully mufiled as a token of the sadness which is felt at his passing.
W. B.

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## RINGING THE OLD YEAR OUT AND -

(College of Campanology Paper-No. 2/59)
Not every incumbent and band of ringers approve of muffled ringing before midnight on these occasions: but where this is in favour they have not always the necessary muffles. Again. quite often the lay-out of the bells in their frame is such that the removal of the mulfles from bells in the raised position would be uttended by risk of accident.
A suitable contrasting effect of before and after midnight ringing can be achieved otherwise. however, by 'selective rings, as indicated below. The notes of the bells in the rings are given in sol-fa notation. The bells selected for pre-midnight ringing provide the effect of music in a minor key, and are indicated by their sequence numbers below the sol-fa line. For comparison, the normal numbering of the full ring is given above the sol-fa line.

S-BELL TOWER Four ... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2 | 3 | 4 | $d$ |

6--BELL TOWER
Five
$\begin{array}{lllll}2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ s & f & m & r & d \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & -\end{array}$
8-BELL TOWER


10-BELL TOWER

Eight
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12-BELL TOWER
Eight
The principles observed in the selective rings for the pre-midnight ringing are
(a) The normal tenor is omitted, but the bell next above it is always included and is always rung as the tenor to cover: in other words it is not turned in.
(b) The selected bells are rung as slowly as is compatible with good striking.
(c) The changes are rung in whole pulls.

In five-bell towers, 'Singles, rung with 4th covering are advised. In six-bell towers Plain Bob Minimus with 5th covering. In eight-ten- and twelve-bell towers an odd-bell method, preferably Stedman, with the last bell covering. is advised.
For the after-midnight ringing the whols ring, or as many of the 'back' bells as can be manned, are employed and tapped rounc at their best pace.

This article was intended for publication in time for the recent New Year ringing. but missed the post. It is published as of possible use on future occasions.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On November 28th. after a period of 13 years. the Southern branch held a meeting at Quidenham. The rector. Rev. W. M. Harper-Mitchell. who warmly welcomed the Branch. conducted the service and gave an interesting address.
Dr. P. H. A. Jonason. Branch chairman. presided over the meeting, supported by the president. Mr. Nolan Golden, and the general secretary, Mr. W. Love. Among items the meeting discussed were the forthcoming increase in the price of "The Ringing World and the recent rehanging of Attleborough bells. where the circle is still said to be rather poor.

The annual meeting of the Branch will be at Diss on February 6th. where the special method will be Yorkshire Surprise Major. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Rector, Mr. Burrows (the organist) and the ladies who kindly served the tea.
C.F.W. P.

## STEDMAN FOR BEGINNERS

By WILFRID G. WILSON

## (Continued from page 12)

## 3. STEDMAN TRIPLES

In a plain course of Stedman Triples the only additional work to be learnt is that after the double dodge in $4-5$ up. you have to dodge twice in 6-7 up, lie a whole pull behind and then dodge twice in 6-7 down, before going on to dodge twice in $4-5$ down. You do this double dodging in 4-5 and 6-7 up and then in 6-7 and 4-5 down between your Quick and Slow work. and again between your Slow and Quick work.

So long as you only ring a plain course, therefore, the only difficulty you will find in progressing from Doubles to Triples is that of sceing the additional ropes and finding your way among them. If you have already reached the Grandsire Triples stage then this should be easy.

But if you want to ring more than a plain course you will have to cope with bobs and singles and, what is often a cause of difficulty, you must forget for the time being what you learnt about the single in Stedman Doubles.
In Triples, the calls are made at the changeover from one six to another and they are made by the back three bells. The four bells nearer the front, i.e: the one leaving the front work, the one entering it and the two that are remaining there, are completely unaffected. At a hob the bell which was dodging in 4-5 up makes fifths place at the six end and then dodges twice in 4.5 down before going in to the front work again. What it really does is to ring Stedman Doubles (i.e.. $4-5$ up twice, lie whole pull in fifths, 4-5 down twice and in the front the opposite way to which it came out).

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Bob 2314567
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4321576 out).
Because this bell-which is said to make the bob-makes fifths place. the bell which would have left 6-7 and gone into $4-5$ has perforce to stay in 6-7 for another whole six and it has three additional dodges with the bell which had just dodged twice in 6-7 up. If there is no call at the next six end. this bell proceeds from 6-7 down to 4-5 down and thence. after its double dodge. into the front work. But as it was delayed up at the back for one whole additional six it will reach the front a six later and will go into the front work the same way as it had previously come out. It will have been away from the front for an uneven number of sixes, and thus for it the regular alternation of Quick and Slow work will have been upset.
Similarly the bell which stayed in 6-7 up for an extra three dodges will make sevenths place at the six end. dodge twice in $6-7$ down and then proceed to $4-5$ and thence after its double dodge go into the front work. As it also was delayed a whole additional six at the back it too will go in to the front the same way as it had previously come out.
But as it is possible to call a bob at any of the six ends. it may well be that a bob will also be called at the next six end. This will cause the new bell which was in 4-5 up to make the bob (fifths place) then double-dodge in $4-5$ down and go in the front. as in a plain course of Stedman Doubles. The two bells which had just finished the three additional dodges entailed by the previous bob will do 4 three more before proceeding one of them to $4-5$ down and the other to lie behind and then dodge in 6-7 down. The result of these two consecutive bobs is that the two bells behind will each have been delayed for two additional sixes. This will not affect the regular alternation of the Quick and Slow work. and they will proceed to go in either Quick or Slow just as if no bobs had been called.

Very often touches and peals of Stedman are lost because the man ringing the bell coming down from the back to go into the front work does not know whether he should go in Quick or Slow. We must look further into this so as to get all the help we can. We ought
always to rely as much as possible on ourselves and not on what the other bells are doingthey may be themselves in doubt and relying on us. So it is most important to know ourselves, from our own work, which way we are to enter the front work. If we remember that we came out of the front work a Quick bell, then we know that if no bobs are called we shall enter the front work again a Slow belland vice versa. And if while we are in 6-7 any bobs are called we must count them. If there are an even number the regular alternation of Quick and Slow work is not affected, so out Quick is followed by in Slow-and vice versa. If. however, an odd number of bobs is called. then the regular alternation will be upset (so far as our work is concerned) and out Quick will be followed by in Quick, and out Slow by in Slow.
But we are all fallible people and cannot always trust our memories. There may well. in Triples. be four or six or even more bobs called while we are in the 6-7 up or down positions. nr both of them. and unless we are also conductors knowing the composition we can easily lose count. So we must look for other guides to rell us which way to go in.
If you are dodging in 6-7 down. glance at the bells in the front, and notice how they are leading. If their whole pulls on the lead are at hand and back stroke, then that is a Quick six. The next six. while you are in 4-5 down, will be a Slow six and you will then go in Quick. Conversely, if the whole pulls on the front are at back and hand stroke. then that is a Slow six and as you will enter the front work two sixes later you will go in Slow.
If you are unable while in 6-7 down to notice the method of leading, apply the same process while you are in 4-5 down. If the three bells on the front are ringing a Quick six (i.e. leading hand and back) then you go in Slow. And vice versa.
Another help is to keep an eye on the bell which was dodging 6-7 down with you when you were $6-7 \mathrm{up}$. It will do its $4-5$ down dodging while you are in 6-7 down. It will enter the front while you are in $4-5$ down. If your first blow in fourths at the beginning of the dodging is over that bell, then that bell is making its thirds place, having gone in Slow, so you will go in Quick. But if your last blow in fourths at the end of the dodging is over that bell it will have been Quick bell. and is on its way out again. You will pass it and go in Slow.

Another point you may find useful is that when you reach $4-5$ down you will dodge with the bell that has just left the front. If you saw that it had come out Quick. you will know that you will go in Quick. If you saw it making thirds place as it came out Slow you will, after the dodge. go in Slow.
(To be continued.)

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## THE EXTENT OF MAJOR

By J. SEGAR
The Central Council has made some rules about attempts for record lengths, as Mr. W. G. Wilson reminded us recently. One is that the composition must be published in 'The Ringing World.' If interested, we can prove it and consider if it would be our choice for a similar attempt.
Some readers may think a composition of 40.320 changes takes a long time to put together. We require 120 courses for the extent with the tenor together 13.440 changes, which is the basis for the extent with the tenors parted. If the peal is in 12 parts there will be ten courses in a part. A table with three noughts and two crosses in each row has ten rows. The noughts represent six changes in 234 and the crosses two changes in 56.

When using the table for Plain Bob the boh scales are W 52436. M 43652 and H 42356. The single scales are W 53426. M 63452 and H 24356. Fill in the column for bobs at $W$ and check for errors. 1 goes to 2, 2 goes to $X$ and $X$ goes back to 1 . Other sets of three are 475 and back to 4 and 698 . This accounts for nine rows and the odd one is 3 which remains 3 at a hoh. Other columns are tested in the same way.

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| 2 | OXOOX | X | 8 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 3 |
| 3 | OOXOX | 3 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 2 |
| 4 | XOOXO | 7 | X | 3 | 4 | X | 4 |
| 5 | OXOXO | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 6 |
| 6 | OOXXO | 9 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 5 |
| 7 | XXOOO | 5 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 9 |
| 8 | OXXOO | 6 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| 9 | XOXOO | 8 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 7 |
| OOOXX | 1 | 6 | X | 1 | 4 | X |  |

Here is a simple arrangement of the skelctons using calls at Wrong and Middle only.

W M It is true and complete and starts from and finishes with row $X$. The next step is to fill in the figures because the first part-end must not be rounds. In some cases, without disturbing the figures, we can choose between a bob or a single: in others between a plain and a singlc. Our first part-end must be one which will eventually bring up all the others, not necessarily in this order: 34265, 42356. 23465. 34256, 42365. 43256. 32465. 24355, 43265. $32456,24365,23456$.
A column for Befores is not included above because they cannot be used in an extent, but readers can add this column when composing or proving peals of normal length.
In 'The Ringing World.' November 6th. Mr. Shepherd's article has a twelve-part peal which can be proved by my table.
Here is a little homework. Suppose you have to conduct a peal which will take 20 hours to ring, giving plenty of time to forget how far you have got. What calls, within the limits imposed by the skeletons printed above, do you think are the easiest?
More homework. Find a similar set of skeictons for Double Norwich, with calls at 1 and 4 only.
(To be continued)

## 5,056 'REAL' CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

By ALBERT J. PITMAN
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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the 'Rising Sun, Carter Lane. E C.. on Saturday, Jan. 9th. at 6 p.m.-John Chiscott.
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Frome Branch.-Annual meeting, Midsomer Norton, Saturday, Jan 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business 5 p.m. 5512
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONBath Branch.-Annual meeting. St. Michael's, Broad Sireet. Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells 3 D.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.
Abbey bells after tea. Abbey bells after tea.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District. - Annual meeting. Biggleswade, Saturday. Jan. 9 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Single Oxford and Superlative. A very important meeting for all District members.-A Smith. Hon. Dis. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday, Jan. 9th. St. Michael's, Macclesfield (12). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. 5471

COVENTRY GUILD.-Southern District Meeting. Harbury, Saturday, Jan. 9th: rearranged imes: Tea 4.30 p.m. Service 5.30 . Social 7 o clock
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Chesterfield District.-Annual District meeting. Staveley. Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells 3 to 7 p.m. Tea
5 p.m.-A. B Cooper. 5 p.m.-A.B.COoper. ASSOCIATION.-Cam bridge District.-Annual District meeting. Cambridge, Salturday. Jan. 9th. Ringing. Si. Bene $10^{\circ}$ (6), 3 to 4 p.m.. Si Andrew' $(8), 3.45$ to 4.31 , Service 4.3 u , and ringing after lea. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall.-E. W. Bullman, Dis.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION, - S.W. District. Annual general meeting, Saturday, Jan. 9th, Barking. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-Meeting, New Romney, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. -C. T.H. GUILD.-Sussex District-A 5507
LADIES' GUILD.-Sussex District.-Annual general meeting, St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's. Brighton. Saturday. Jan. 9th. Owing to a football match, we have been unable to arrange iea. Will people please make their own arrange-ments.-D. Lester, Hon. Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 9th. St. Luke's, Chelsea, 3.30 p.m. Tea, own arrangements. Business and further ring ing, St. Mary's, Battersea, 6 p.m.-Miss Powell
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at St Paul's. Burton, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea $5 \mathrm{p.m}$
Business important. All welcome.-J. Cotton.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION N. and E. District.-Meeting at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 , followed by business meeting and further ringing until 8. 5486
OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-A day course of instruction will be held at the Guild Hall. High Wycombe, on Saturday, Jan, 9th, at 10 a.m. Talks will be given on Bell Handling, Learning and Teaching Methods, Rope Splicing. Care and Maintenance of Bells. The cost, under 2s. each Please give us your support.-W. Butler, Hon Sec. ern Division.-A practice meeting will be held at Angmering (6) on Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells available $3 o^{\circ}$ clock. Service 4.30 p.m. 5497
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-Annual meeting, St. Mary's, Portsea, Saturday, Jan. 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Cathedral bells available 7 to 8 p.m. 5506

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Dunster Branch.-Annual meeting. Dunster Saturday, Jan, 16th. Tea for number notified by 13 th.-A. R. Tudball, 3, West Close. Dunster.
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.Glaston Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday, Jan. 16th. St. Cuthbert's, Wells, bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Please notify for tea before Tuesday, 12th.-W. Marsh, Dovecotes, Street.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District.-Annual meeting. Dunstable, Saturday. Jan. 16 th. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea, followed by business, 5 p.m. Tea arranged for those who send names to Mr . A. G. Matthews, 57. Tring Road, Dunstable (phone 1461).-K. G. Spavins. Dis. Sec. 5532

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Crewe Branch.-Annual meeting, Crewe, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea must be received by Jan. 13th. -W. Kerr, 102. Moreton Road. Crewe. 5543
CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION and DURHAM and NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Southern District).-Joint meeting, Stockton. Saturday, Jan. 16th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, by Jan. 14 th to Mrs. E. P. Rock, Rosegarth. Yarm Road, Eaglescliffe, or 'phone Eaglescliffe 2451
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Quarterly meeting, Chilvers Coton. Saturday. Jan 16th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Names for tea important bv Thursday. Jan. 21 st. to Mrs. Beamish. 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton.-J. L. Garner-Hayward Hon. Sec.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.-Annual meeting. Saturday. Jan. 16th Bells: Godmanchester (8), 2.30 to 4 p.m:; Huntingdon All Saints" (6), 3.45 to 4.30 . Service, All Saints", 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in All Saints Parish Room, followed by business neeting. All Saints' and St. Mary's (8), Huntingdon available after tea.-M. J. Dver, Dis. Sec. 5568

ELY ASSOCIATION. - Wisbech Branch Annual meeting. St. Peter's, Wisbech, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Own arrangements for tea.-J. Fox, Dis. $\begin{gathered}\text { Sec. } \\ 5539\end{gathered}$
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Annual meeting. Saturday, Jan. 16th, Earls Colne (8). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to W. Arnold, Tey Road, Earls Colne.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Chippenham Branch.-Meeting. Sutton Benger (5). Saturday, Jan. 16th. Service 4.20 p.m. Names for tea to H. Heath. 89, London Road. Chippenham.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District.-Annual District meeting, Guildford, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Ringing, St. Nicolas 3 p.m. Service, St. Nicolas', 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting in St. Nicolas' Hall. Ringing at Holy Trinity and St. Mary's after meeting. A good attendance, please. Numbers for tea by previous Tuesday to Mr. E. J. Wells, 6 Hereford Close, Stoughton, Guildford. 5573
HAWKHURST GUILD.-Annual meeting. Hawkhurst, Saturday. Jan. 16th. Names for tea to A. M. Kemp, Lillesden Cottages, The Moor Hawkhurst.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.St. Albans District.-Annual District meeting, St. Albans, Saturdiy, Jan, 16th. Ringing, Si Peter's, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, Cavalier Hall. Evening ringing, St. Stephen's. Any further ringing arrangements will be made known in the afternoon.-S. Huckle, Dis. Sec. 5552
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District.-Quarterly meeting, Chatham, on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to C. E. J. Norris, 39, Dale Street, Chatham.

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LADIES' GUILD.-North Western District. -Annual meeting, Manchester Town Hall (jointly with Manchester Branch, Lancashire Association), Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Business meeting 4 p.m. Own arrangements for tea.-S. P. Wain, Dis. Sec. 5556
LADIES' GUILD.-South Wales District.Annual meeting, St. Woolos', Newport, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Trowbridge, 40 , Preston Avenue, Newport, Mon. - J. S King.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Rossendale Branch.-Meeting, Christ Church, Bacup. Saturday, Jan. 16th. Ringing 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 . Meeting in tower 6 p.m.-J. Porter Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Fylde Branch.-Meeting, St. Anne's Parish Church, St. Anne's-on-Sea, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Annual business meeting after tea.-J. F. Turner. 5541

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manches ter Branch. - Annual meeting, jointly with Ladies Guild. Saturday, Jan. 16th, at the Town Hall (13). Bells 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m.-G. D Fearnehough. Sec.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch. - Annual meeting, Gainsborough. Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday.-Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 16th. St. Mary-atte-Bow, Stratford East, 3.30 to 5 p.m. Tea-own arrangements. Business meeting in vestry 6.15 p.m.. and further ringing, Everyone welcome. A good attendance requested.-Bullock. Dis. Sec.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY,-The next meeting will be held at Bradford Cathedral (10) on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. Jan. 13th. to Mr. H. B. Schofield. 10, Laisterdyke Road. Bradford. No names. no tea.-D. Thorp.
I.FICFSTFR DIOCESAN GUILD-Melton Mowbray District.-Annual District meeting will be held at Melton Mowbray on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in the Colles Hall at

5 p.m. Visitors welcome. Names for tea, please, not later than Wednesday, Jan. 13th, to Mr. M. J. Staniforth, 5, Chapel Street, Melton Mowbray.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. and $W$ District,-A. G. M.. Saturday, Jan, 16th, St. Margaret's, Uxbridge. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.. followed by business meeting, election of officers, etc. Further ringing afterwards. Names for tea as soon as possible to H. W. Impey, 73, Parkfield Avenue, Hillingdon, Middx.-E. R. Gotham. Hon. Dis. Sec. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - 5549 Rutland Branch.-Annual meeting at Uppingham (bells 8), 3 p.m., Saturday, Jan, 16th. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Tuesday to W. C. A. Clark, Sec., Middle Street, Wing, Oakham.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Dorchester Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Peter's. Dorchester. Saturday, Jan, 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service. 4. Tea 5 p.m. at Wessex Restaurant. Names for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 13 th, to R. H. Duke, Morland, 46, Prince of Wales Road, Dorchester, Dorset
SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Annual general meeting. Selby Abbey, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells ( 10 ) 2.30 p.ın. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea (moderate charge). Names, please, on or before Jan. 14th to Mr. R. R. Warford, 10. Ehor Street, Selby.-L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD - Newark District.-Annual meeting, Newark. Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea .15 p.m. Names by Wednesday previous to me.-W. L. Exton, 60, Albert Street, Newark. Notts.

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SUFFOLK GUILD. - North East District the old Beccles. Halesworth and Saxmundham Districts).-Meeting at Leiston on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5. Please send names for tea by Jan. 13th. to Alan R. Bridges, Dis. Sec., 28, Waterloo Avenue, Leiston.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-South West District.Meeting. Lavenham (8), Saturday, Jan, 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to F. S. Mortlock, 7, Church Street. Lavenham. 5529
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-Annual District meeting to be held at Redhill (8) on Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. A. Streeter, 4, Maple Road. Earlswood.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting, Keymer (6), Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells 3 D.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify numbers by Tuesday. Jan. 12th.-Geo. North. 11. Richmond Terrace. Brighton. 5572
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Southampton District.-Annual District meeting. Saturday, Jan. 16th. St. Mary's, Southampton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. St. Michael's after meeting. Names for tea to Mr. J. W. Faithfull, 31, High Road, Swaythling, Southampton.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-Annual meeting. Fairfield, Buxton, on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 3 p.m. Cups of tea pro vided at 5 p.m., followed by meeting.-H. E.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.E. District.Annual District meeting. Colchester, St. Peter's. Saturday, Jan, 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , followed by tea and business meeting. St. Leonard's (6) also available. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, Jan, 20th, please, to Mr. H. J. Millatt. 301. Harwich Road, Colchester.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.W. District.The annual general meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford (10) on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea, please. to G. Blake. Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet. Harlow Essex
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester Branch. Annual general meeting. Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Upton St. Leonatds Bells 2.34 pm . Seivice 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 19th to Green, 30, Malvern Road, Gloucester.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District.-Annual District meeting, Farnham (8), Saturday, Jan. 23rd, from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. C. W. Denyer. 15, Crondall Lane, Farnham, Surrey.-C. J. Beadle. Hon. Dis. Sec.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's-in-Thanet (8), Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea ( 2 s . per person) 5 p.m. Names, together with cash, please, by Jan. 20th to Miss S. Davis, 54, Albion Road, St. Peter's, Broadstairs.-T. C. P.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-Quarterly meeting, St. John's, Deptford, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 20th, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley.

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LINCOLN GUILD - North Lindsey Branch. -Annual meeting, Barton-on-IIumber, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Tea 4.30. Meeting 5. Service 6 p.m. Names by Jan. 20th to Mr. Hoodless, 11, Holydyke, Barton-onHumber.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bicester and District Branch.-Quarterly meeting to be held at Stratton Audley (5) on Saturday. Jan. 23 rd . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 . Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by the previous Monday to C . Kinch, Causeway. Bicester.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Wellingborough Branch. - Annual meeting at Wellingborough, All Hallows', Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to John E. Skervitt, Conway, Villa Lane, Stanwick. Wellingborough. 5546 SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marlborough Branch.-Meeting, Chisledon, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer, 16. Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough. Wilts. 5559

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salisbury Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan 23rd. Salisbury Service at St. Thomas', 4.15 p.m. Tea at Church House 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Bells : St. Paul's, afternoon and evening; St, Thomas', 6.45 to 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Jan. 19th to Miss Eloie, 8, Albany Road, Salisbury.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting, Christ Church. Coseley, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m Names by Wednesday, Jan. 20th, to Mr. J. D. Holden, 22, Harding Street, Coseley, near Bilston.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Northern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's. South Croydon, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. Bells 3 0.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5, in St. Peter's Hall. Bells after. Names by Wednesday previous to Miss V. Potter, 9, Waverley Road. S.E.25.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 5490

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Next general meeting at Wakefield on Saturday, Jan. 23rd. General committee meet in Cathedral vestry at 3.15 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (3s. per head) in Brook Street Schools. Names by 21st to Mr. J. E. Kirby, 53, Pinderfields Road. Wakefield. General meeting immediately afterwards. Bells available: Sandal (6), 2.30 to 4 p.m.; Cathedral (12) immediately after meeting till 9 D.m.-L. W. G. Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford, 9.

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## RICKMANSWORTH. HERTS

BELL-RINGERS' ANNUAL DINNER
Saturday, January 30th, 1960 at 7 p.m. Price 12 s . 6 d
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Mr. J. R. Mayne and Mr. Frederick Sharpe (and his team of handbell ringers) Tickets alailable from
Hatchett. Vicarage Flat, Church Street. Rickmansworth.

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SOUTH WALES NOMADS.-Practice meeting will he held at Llanfrechfa, Mon. on Saturday, Jan 3 uh Bells (8) 3 p mi All ingers wel come. especially learners.-D. P., Hon. Sec.
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## DEDICATION

## BABWORTH, NOTTS

On St. Stephen's Day the first peal was rung on the new bells at Babworth, Notts. This ring of six by Taylor and Co. were dedicated only four days previously, on December 22nd, by the Lord Bishop of Southwell (Dr. Russell Barry).

The three original bells at Babworth, which were cast by Samuel Smith of York in 1691, had become unringable, and Mr. R. M. Wood, the people's warden, organised an appeal for the restoration of these bells. Three new bells were given by Mr. J. P. Ellis, the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and the Barron Bell Trust, while the original three bells have been taken down and recast. The six bells, now mounted in a metal frame, provide a delightful ring and further add to the ringing amenities of the borough of Retford.

Ringers in the town and surrounding district can now ring on four nights of the week, and Wednesday has been chosen for Babworth practice night. At the moment Babworth has only a small band, the members of which are already making good progress as they have been learning for the past six months at nearby West Retford

THE BELLS
The weights and inscriptions of the bells are as follows:-

Treble ( 3 cwt .).-John Taylor \& Co., Founders, Loughborough. Christian, thy call ring clear to serve our God, whence came with gladsome grace and voice Edith Pickwell Ellis. beloved wife of Percy. He hath put a new song in my mouth. 1959.
Second ( 3 cwt . 1 qr. 6 lb ).-John Taylor \& Co., Founders. Loughborough, 1959. To the glory of God and in memory of Richard Clyfton, 1586 1605. 'A grave and revered preacher ' (William Bradford).

Third (4 cwt. 6 lb .). -John Taylor \& Co. Founders, Loughborough. To the glory of God this bell was given by the Barron Bell Trust Emma Barron. Founder. H. W. Eldred, K. C Walrond. E. R. Pennell, Trustees. 1959.

Fourth ( 4 cwt 1 qr .6 lb .).-Venite Exvltemvs Domino 1691. SS Ebor (Taylor Shield). Recast 1959.

Fifth ( 6 cwt .23 lb .).-Gloria in altissimis Deo 1691. SS Ebor
Tenor (7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb .)- In ivcunditate soni sonabo tibi Domine 1691. SS Ehor.

## THE DEDICATION

During the dedication service the Babworth ringers were all singing in the choir and the bells were rung by representatives of the North Notts District from the towers of East and West Retford, Ordsall and North Wheatley.
In his address the Bishop expressed his admiration for the magnificent effort made by the parish in raising the money necessary to install the ring, and pointed out how fitting it was that the work should be completed just before the great festival of Christmas-a festival more associated with bells than any other. He recalled that it was exactly 14 years since he had dedicated a ring of six for the Rector's father at Ramoton, and it was therefore appropriate that the Rector's father was acting as his chaplain at the dedication of bells for his son's parish.
After the dedication ringers from various towers kept the bells ringing in a variety of methods until 9 p.m.
The first peal on the hells was rung oni Boxing Day. conducted hy Mr. Richard Hobbs. The bells will he available from 2 to 4 p.m. on January 9th-the day of the annual general meeting of the North Notts District.

## PEALS RUNG IN 1958

Revised list for Cambridge University :Cinques 1. Royal 1, Major 15 (2), Triples 1, Minor $\$$ (2). Totals 22 (4). No alteration in total.

PALIERSPCRY, NORTIIANTS.-On Dec. 2lst, 1.200 Plain Bob Minur - B). Burbage (first quarter) 1. W. A. Yates 2, R. Himion 3, R. Rosers 4, C. Truman (first as cond.) 5, J. Linnell 6.

5,056 BARKWAY SURPRISE
By W. ERIC CRITCHLEY
23456 B M W H

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First rung at Barkway, Herts, November 14th. 1959.

## QUARTER PEALS

EPPING, ESSEX.-On Dec. 5th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): J. Statham (cond.) 1. Miss B. McClelland 2, C. Moore 3. J. Aldridec 4. E. Freeman 5, A. Freeman 6, M. Lamb 7, D. Free$\operatorname{man} 8$.

SAWLEY, DERBYS.-On Dce. 18th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: J. Harvey (cond.) 1-2, Mrs. W. E. Simnson 3-4, W. E. Simpson 5-6. First quarter on handbells by all.
SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.-On Christmas Day. 1.260 Minor (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob) : Miss D. Honey 1, M. Jones 2, Miss J. Jones 3. J. Honey 4, W. G. Cudd 5. A. R. Pink (cond.) 6.

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## 200 YEARS ON

ON January 1st, at the Bull's Head Hotel, Shelthorpe, a dinner was given to the employees of John Taylor and Co., to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the baptism of the first of the long line of Taylors to cast bells. Robert Taylor, who was born in 1759 at Riseley. Bedfordshire. was the son of William Taylor, the village grocer. He was apprenticed to Edward Arnold, a bellfounder at St. Neots, and in 1784 was in charge of the foundry when Arnold went to Leicester. At the age of 27 he cast his first complete ring of five bells for Bletsoe Church, Bedfordshire. In 1821 he started a bell foundry at Oxford, and the tenor bell of the three at Foston, Lincs, has on it 'Taylor and Sons. Oxford and St. Neots.' He died and was buried at St. Ebbe's Churchyard, Oxford, in 1830.

His elder son William Taylor, born in 1785, at a very early age began to assist his father. The bells of Newton-in-the-Willows and Braybrooke have inscribed on them ' $W$. Taylor, 1806,' and one can picture the parental affection of a 11 -year-old boy helping to make the moulds and the proud father putting his name on! Significant, perhaps, is the inscription on the five bells at Calverton, Bucks, 'W. and J. Taylor, Oxford, church clock and chime makers.' William died in Oxford in 1854 while working on the chiming machine for Bowdon Church, Cheshire.

John Taylor, the youngest son of Robert, born in 1797, also went into the foundry, and from 1822 onwards bells were inscribed 'W. and J. Taylor. Oxford,' as well as 'R. Taylor and Sons.' He set up his own bell foundry at Buckland Brewer. Devon, in 1825, and there cast the heavy six for Hartland in Devon. He had a pride in his craft. The second of the ring of eight he cast for Penkridge, Staffs, had this inscription:

To speak with mellow tone but ne'er to swear,
John Taylor taught us with a father's care.
Clappers: screws: wheels: and all kept well in place.
Then for an age quite sound this tower we'll grace!'
An important date in the history of the firm is 1839 , for in that year John Taylor came to Loughborough to recast the parish church bells. In Pack Horse Lane he found a convenient centre for his trade, and decided to settle there. In 1842 he cast the first 'Taylor Ten' for Newark Parish Church. He died in 1858.
John William Taylor (1827-1906), the eldest son of John Taylor, at the age of 15 rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples on the third at Loughborough Parish Church. On the death of his father he and his brother Pryce Jemson Jones Taylor (1835-1862) carried on the business, and their bells were mostly inscribed 'John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.' In the year 1858 he began building his bell foundry in Freehold Street and Chapman Street.
There are on record a number of times when he disagreed with the Hon. Edmund Beckett Denison, who was
regarded as an eninent authority on bells. In particular.
of bells which was being planned for Worcester Cathedral, for on writing to the Rev. R. Cattley he says, 'I should dread the result at Worcester of such a peal to eclipse all others,' Denison got his own way, and Taylor had to cast the bells to his specification. The resultant ring of bells fully justified John William Taylor's forebodings, but it was left to his son, many years after, to remodel and recast the bells, resulting in the present noble ring.
John William Taylor II. (1853-1919) had the proud dis, tinction of going to London at the age of 25 to receive the order for the largest ring of bells in the world, the 12 bells for St. Paul's Cathedral. Three years later, father and son completed their work there by casting and installing 'Great Paul'- truly a masterpiece of bell founding.
His brother. Edmund Denison Taylor (1864-1947), after being apprenticed to an iron founder in Leicester, was in 1884 in the Loughborough foundry, and was soon busy superintending the casting of bells and bell frames. In 1894 the Rev. A. B. Simpson visited Loughborough and became a constant visitor. The problems of the 'trueharmonic' bell were solved, and in 1896 the first ring of tuned bells ever made was installed in Norton Church.

In 1906 John William Taylor I. died and the foundry was carried on by the two brothers, John William and Edmund Denison. 'Their fame and success increase as the years go by, and they enlarge their scope by turning their attention to the building of carillons. This opened up great possibilities, both in the Old World and the New, and Taylor carillons are to be found spread over the world just as are Taylor peals.'

The third and fourth sons of John William II. enter the scene as they become old enough, namely Pryce Taylor (1891-1927) and Arnold Bradley Taylor (1894-1916), the latter being killed in the Great War. Pryce rejoined his uncle (his father died in 1919), and the business was carried on by the two of them until 1927, when Pryce died while on a business trip to Canada. Mention should be made of Gwendoline Taylor (1894-1942), third daughter of John William II.. who, until her marriage to George Frederick Mears in 1923. assisted her brother and uncle in bell tuning, and the 47 bell war memorial carillon in Loughborough bears witness to her work.
The present head of John Taylor and Co., Paul Lea Taylor, was born in 1914. and started his career as a bellfounder under his uncle. It is to him that we are indebted for the information in this article, which is taken from his booklet, 'Two Hundred Years of History.' Under the heading of 'Paul Lea Taylor' appears this appreciation: 'It is with the wish to do honour to his forbears that he has written these few notes about them and to show that from somewhat small beginnings, where the family of Taylor took control, the business has continued to develop

## A WEEK IN SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE

(ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD) EDENHAM.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .
 Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted by C. Harold Whitton. * First peal.

Rung in honour of the wedding at Bedford this day of Derek Stainsby (of the local band) and Anne Amor.

BILLINGBOROUGH.
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church or St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $7 \frac{3}{8} \mathrm{cwt}$.

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| John Thorley | 2 | Bernard H. Dalion |
| Thomas F. Ca | 3 | John R. Ketreringh |
| J. Martin Thor | 4 | C. Harold Whi |
| b |  | ducted by C. Harold |

HORBLING.
On Tues., Dec. 29. 1959, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
Being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Daphne Brown
.. Treble
Robin Brown
.. 2
John R. Ketteringham
John Thopiey
John Thorley
J. Martin Thorley.. .. ${ }^{3}$ Conducted by J. Martin Thorley. Whion.. ... Telior
*First peal in four methods. The conductor's 300 th peal.
WIGTOFT.
On Wed.. Dec. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St Clement's and Kent Treble Bob. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor ${ }^{7 \frac{1}{4}} \mathrm{cwt}$. alan G. Payne

Treble Harold Barsley
Leslie H. Taylor
C. Harold Whitton

J Martin Thorley
Tenor
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob,
and five of Plain Bob. John Thorley..

Treble
*Alan G. Payne
C. Harold Whitton

Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
J. Martin Thorligyam

Conducted by J. Mariin Thorley
*First peal 'inside' in more than one method.
Rung half-muffled to mark the passing of the "fifties."

## TWO CONSECUTIVE PEALS

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Jan. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 451 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . 1 qr. 22 lb . in F .

Robert B. Smith
Basil Jones
Composed by T. B. Worsley.
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* 300 th peal.
brian J. Woodruffe Tenur
Conducted by Brian Harris.


## ALSO in 2 Huars and $45+$ Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE NAJOR
Philip G. K. Davies Treble

NLIL BENNETT
LisLIE BOUMPHREY
Brian J. Woodrupfe
Brian Harris
Conducted by Basil Joves.
*Robi:Rt B. Smith
Basil Jonfs
Composed by; C. II. Martis.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Michael
A PEAL OF 5280 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAXIMUS
William H. Dowse.. Tenor 26 cwit. 23 lb . in D . Phile G. K. Davies
Fred Dunkerley
Robert B. Smith
basil Jones .. .. .. 3 Edward Jenkins
Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 4 Leslie Boumphrey
C. Kenneth Lewis

John Worth
Brian Harris

First peal of Conducted by John Worth. on the bells and for the Guild. Mr. Edward Jenkins has now 'circled on the bell

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Muriel Yates and John Lomas at St. Michael's, Macclesfield.

## TEN BELL PEALS

MINEHEAD, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sut., Dec. 5, 1959, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Michael and Andrew. A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor $20 \mathrm{cwt}, 23 \mathrm{lb}$.
*F. A. Keith Prime.. .. Treble *David J. Purnell .. .. 6
*Howard Collings .. .. 2 *Cecil T. Clarke .. .. 7

Victor G. Roberts.. .. 5 Ronald D. Short .. .. Temot
Composed by Edgar Guise. Conducted by Gwilym Salmon.

* First peal on ten bells.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pugsley, of Minchead, who celebrated their diamond wedding on October 10th, 1959

WILLENHALL. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 16 cwt . 1 qr. 1 lb .
Christopher Wallater .. Treble Francis Brotherton.
Howard Howell .. .. 2 James S. Eastwood .
Barnabas G. Key .. .. 3 John K. Smith
$\underset{\text { Roger Hawksworth }}{\text { E. Mar }}$
David W. Friend
Roy K. Mowforth .. $\quad$. Tenor
Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.
GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 8 cwt .23 lb . in G .
*Roger L. K. Whititel.. Treble Clifford R. Loveit
leslie N. Melton..... 2 Frank A. Willis Betis,
Cectl W. Pipe ..
James Bennett
David H. Buxton .. ... 5 Percy May ... .. Tenor
Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd. Conducted by Roderick W Pipe.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters:

Rung fully-mumled for the passing of the old year.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959 , in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt 23 lb . in G .
James Benneit .. .. Treble *Andrew T. Beckwith
*Clifford R. Lovett Frank G. Bloomfield
*Peter L. Wood Frank G. Bloomfiel
Mrs. F. G. Bi.OOMFIELD
Composed by Joseph W. Parker. Conducted by Rovlifick W. Pipl.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 19. 1959, in 3 Hours and. 9 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .1 gr .11 lh .
Raymond P. Wood ... Treble
E. Jane Langion .. $\cdot .{ }^{2}$ Geoffrey R. Crisp.

Bernard E. Matthen: . 3 +Peter h. Langton
-Raymond A. Brown .. 4 W. Leslie Wraler.. .. Tenor
Composed by Cornelius Charge. Conducted by Peier H. Langron.

* First peal of Major. +50 th peal.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Tues., Dec. 22, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 8 cwt .3 lb . in A flat.

| *Clifford R. Lovett | Treble | Roderick W. Pipe |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leslie G. Brett | 2 | James Bennett |
| * David H. Buxton | 3 | Cecil W. Plpe |
| *Roger L. K. Whitie | 4 | *Leslie N. Melto |

*David H. Buxton
*Roger L. K. Whitiell

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor A birthday compliment to Leslie N. Melton.

> ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Dec. 23 , 1959 , in 3 Hours, At THE CHURCH of Sr. JAMEs.

A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR A Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| - John P. Partingion | Treble | Roger Leigh |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * John H. Fielden | 2 | * Peter Scholfielid |
| J. Barry Pickup | 3 | Norman Smith.. | *Victor J. C. Wood.. .. 4 Derek Ogden .. .. .. Temor Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

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

The composition contains 15 combination course-ends, no $82^{\prime}$ s or 83 s, with only 42 bohs.

## CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 24. 1959, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb . in E flat.

*Sandra E. Chesterton .. Treble |Marin C. Faulkes John R. Smith. . .... Ernest Morris Alan E. Hartley | 5 |
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| 7 | Brian G. Warwick... .. 4 Russell S. Morris ... .. Tehor Arranged and Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. * First peal.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 24.1959 , in 2 Hours and 49 Minules,

## A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt . in F . <br> Pairicia M. Clarke .. Treble William J. Button .. .. 5 <br> *Alice A. J. Lester.. .. 2 Walier Ruffles ... .. 6 <br> James Bennett, jun. . . 3 Walter W. Miller .. .. 7 <br> Robert E. Lester ...... 4 Lfelle G. Brett ...... Tenor Composed by Edgar Wighiman. Conducted by Leslie G. Breti. <br> Composed by Edgar Wighiman. <br> Birthday compliments to the ringers of the treble and tenor.

BRENCHLEY. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 26. 1959. in 2 Hours und 55 Minures. At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .
Olive D. Couchman .. Treble Stanley Jenner .. .. .. 5

Edward J. Jenner
Thomas E. Sone
Tentor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted hy Ernest j. Lado.
*First peal in the method "inside.

> GRUNDISBURGH. SUFFOLK
> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

## On Sat., Dec. 26. 1959, in 2 Hours arrd 39 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary. <br> A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MAJOR

Consisting of 3,600 Plain Bob and 1,440 of Cambridge Surprise, with

90 changes of method.
*George V. Buxton.
James Bennett. .
*Roger L. K. Whittell.
*David H. Buxton
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

* First peal of Spliced Major. of 'spliced' 'in these methods by First of 'spliced ' as conductor. First Guild. Tenor 8 cwt . 23 lb . in G . Cecil W'. Pipe Cecil W. Pipe ...
Roderick W. Pipe .
*Ronald W. Steward *Leslie N. Melton .. .. Tenor Conducted by Roderick W. PiPE. Guild.


## FARNWORTH, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sun., Dec. 27, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES John J. Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 12 f cwt . *John Robinson .. . . Treble | \#John Nelson

John Meadowcroft *John Rigby \begin{tabular}{c|c}
Treble \& John Nelson .. <br>
2 \& John H. Fielden

 

3 \& John H. Fielden <br>
4 \& John AshCroft <br>
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\end{tabular} John P. Parington ... 4 John B. Pickup .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John Ashcroft.
First peal in the method. First same name' peal for all.
Rung on the Feast of St. John-the-Evangelist.

## GRAVESEND, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
Ar St. George's Chapel of Unity.
A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt .1 gr .6 lb . in E.
$\begin{array}{cccccc}\text { * Alan E. Bagworth } & . . \text { Treble } & \text { Ian H. Oram ... } \\ \text { Ralph Bird } & . . & . . & . . & 2 & \text { Frederick R. Scott }\end{array}$
*William S. Deason .. 3 Brian D. Threlfall
*Alfred E Rushton 4 *Thomas Cullingwortil 7 Composed by Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

* First peat in the method. First in the method as conductor, and

100th peal for the Association.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 gr .13 lb . in C .
Ernest Morris ....Treble Alan E. Hartley

*Sandra E. Chesterton
*Brian Smith
Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
G. Ronald Edward
Russell S. Morris

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* First peal in the method. $\dagger 500$ th peal for the Guild.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE,
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
A PEAL OF THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND MICHAEL, 508 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}, 2$ qr. 22 lb . in G.
Harry F. Churchman .. Treble T. Reginald Dennis .. 5

Frank E. Haynes . . . 3 Derek E. Sibson .. .. 7 Glorge E. Crisp .. .. 4 Composed by N. J. Pisrow. George E. Thoday..... Tenor Conducted by Derek E. Sibson. * First peal of Surprise Major. First of Surprise Major as conductor. First in the method by all the band except the ringer of the third.

## WOMBOURN. STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Mon.. Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. At the Church of St. Benedict Biscop.
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb . Leslie W. Key .. . . Treble Richard J. Warrilow
 James S. Eastwood.
*E. Marion Key
Roblrt J. Warrilow $\cdots$
Tellur
$\qquad$ Conducled by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples on tower bells.


## CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Dec. 29. 1959. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In seven methods, comprising 1,280 Rutland. 960 London, 640 each of Bristol. Wembley and Yorkshire. 480 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 129 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt 2 qr .19 lb . in $F$. *Doris E. Colgate . . . Treble Ian H. Oram + Robert Collins

Ralph Bird Brian D. Threlfall
*Derek P. Jones
5
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*Arthur S Richirds ... 3
Composed by R. F. B. Sperd.

* First peal of seven-spliced.
* Philip A. Corby $\quad$. . Tenor Conducted by Philip A. Corby. of 'spliced' on the bells.

Ipspections \& Estimates Free

CLAYBROOKE. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Dec. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor $13 \lambda$ cwt. in E flat.
Ireble John A.
Martin Faulkes
juhn R. Smith
Brian G. Warwick
ernest W. Rawson
Composed by F. Dench.
. Treble John A. Acres..

* First peal in the method

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Dec. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At The Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, heing 1,440 Yorkshire, 1,280 Cambridge, 1,120 Rutland and 1,280 Lincolnshire, with all the work of every method for each bell: 69 changes of method.
john R. Kennetr .. .. Treble
*Fredi:rick Shallcross
Philtp G. K. Davies
Alex. Richardson
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Tenor 18 cmt .3 gr. 11 lb . in E .
Neil Bennett
Frank Osbaldiston
Brian J. Woodrupfe
Robert B. Smith
Tenor
Composed by Phili G. K. Davies. Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe. *First peal of Spliced.
The composition is now rung for the first time.
WHITLEY BAY. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Dec. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPPRISE MAJOR Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ki.nnith W. Cherseman Treble *George S. Deas .. .. 5 *Marion S. Ainsworth .. 2 Robin G. Turner Charies N. Lea Denis A. Bayies
Eric N. Harrison ... Tenor
Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.
Composed by S. Thomas.
peal as conductor.

* First peal in the method. 150th peal as cond

> TUNBRIDGE WELLS. KENT THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, On Wed., Dec. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Oive D Couchman Teno 14 cwt . 3 lb .
 bernard V. Collison .. 4 William Rogers .. .. Tenor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.

* 2 Sih peal together.

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON. DERBYSHIRE.
TIIE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On New Year's Lve, Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of Sti. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 LANSDOWNE LITTLE IMPERIAL
BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt 10 lb in F sharp.
 Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe
First peal in the method.
Method: X 18, 56, 14, 56. 18. X. Lead head=2nds - 6482735. Bob-4ths: Single - 234.
HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## On Thurs.. Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5120 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cw .

| Marion Arcilir | Treble | Dennis A. Chapman |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leonari) Guodari. | 2 | W. Eric Critchley |
| John J. L. Gilbirit. | 3 | H. David holland |
| Cyril Rusby | 4 | Ian M. Holland |

Composed by Giorge R. Pye. Conducted by Ian M. Holland. * First peal in the method.

A 2lat birthday compliment to the conductor.
HILMINGHAM. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFULK GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959. in 3 Hours, At hife Church of SI. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $19 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cWL}$ in E .
Pairicia M. Clarke.. .Treble Walter W. Miller
Muriel R. Page
Frank Ruffles
Robert E. Lesifr
Composed by C. 1 Si DGley (31)
Rung to mark the retirement of Conducted hy Leslie ©. Breti. lor 30 years.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor 12 cwt . 3 qr . in
C. E. Willmington

Treble
R. Smith
*L. Batley
2
3
4 B. R. DOWNES
H. Neill
A. J. N. Boyack
C. Hughes
F. V. Gant

Terror Conducted by H. Neill.

* First peal of Surprise.


## OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Dec. 31. 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At The Church of Sr. Ebbe,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
John B. Coggins Tenor 4 cwt 3 cs .19 lb .


Marie R. Cross
Bryan R. Whits:
Rung for the 89 th birthday of that grand old gentleman, William II. B. Wilkins.

## SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
at the Chiurci of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
F. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans' Four-part.

Tenor 14 cwt 1 gr .19 lb . in F
pairicia A. Wardle.. .. Treble Brian S. Chapman A. James Poynor ... 2 Russel. S. Morris Brian Smith .. .. .. 3 Brian G. Warwick Mrs. B. G. Warwick .. 4 Thomas O. Piercy ... .. Tenor Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

MAIDWELL. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE, THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., June 6, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, a peal At of 5040 Church of St, Mary, bob doubles
Four callings.
*Gi:urge Walki:k
Robin V. Baker
*Roy Keeves


Conducted by Robin V. Baker.

* First peal. + First 'inside.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Humphrey Clarke to Miss Betty Paybody.

BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nor. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Hflen.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 14 extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Plain Hob and Grandsire.
G. Colin Jackson ... .. Treble Witliam L. Exion ... ..
Clarince I:. Briggs..
Frederick Derry

## Frederick Derry .. .. 3 Philip C. Pilhiord <br> Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exion.
Rung half-mullied on the eve of Remembrance Sunday.

## ACLE, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Nov. 11, 1959, in 2 Hours artd 37 Minures.
Ar the Church of Sr. EDMUND.
A PEAL OF 5040 WARKWORTH SURPRISE MINOR Being seven different variations of extents. Tenor 9 cwt .47 lb . in G Kennerh L. Brown .. .. Treble Bevan W. Willgress ... 4 Nolan Golden ....$\quad$.. 2 h. William Barrett Doris E. Lidbit ter $\quad \ldots \quad{ }^{3} \quad{ }^{3}$ Berducted by Nolan Golde: .

Tenor Conducted by Nolian Goldin.
All 87th birthday compliment to Mr. Herbert $\mathbf{W}$. Lidbetter.
I-irst peal in the method by all, on the bells, and for the Association.
HISTON. CAMBRIDGESIHRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 30 Atinutes.
At ihe Chukch of Si. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
*Clive Gooding
Treble George E. Thoday
2 Gioffri y A. Lucas. Mansifle id Ginin
Henry C. Foster
Donald F. Murfet

## WEST RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 12, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michaill-the-Archangel,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt . in A flat

Valerie Waterfield .. Treble Harold Denman Malcolm Foster reble
2 Aleo Wilson
3 Richard Hobbs
Tenor
Conducted by Richard Hobbs.
The ringer of the second is the first person $10^{\circ}$ circle the tower.
BURGH. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 34 Mimules. AI the Church or SS. Botol.ph and Andrfw.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONIDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Ci:cill W. Pipe
*James Benneit. . . . . 2 *Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5 $\dagger$ Rogir L. K. Whittel.L. 3 †Leslie N. Meiton. . . Tehor Conducted hy Roderick W. Pife.

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

MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minties,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 6000 DOUBLES
Being 600 each of All Saints*, Old, Northrepps, Southrepps, Clifford Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, April Day. Plain Bob, Reverse Si. Bartholomew and Grandsire Doubles.
David C. Woodward . . Treble Malcolm Journeauy Tenor 6 cwt
Treble Malcolm Journeaux Aiec Gammon 2 Roy H. Jones Tenor
Conducted by Clive Holloway.
First peal in ten methods on the bells and by all the band BENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon., Dec. 21, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Cuthbfrt,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford and Kent Treble Boh, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
*Richard Ciiver Tenor 14 cwt .
+Norman Errington
Treble 4 Cwt. Kenneth W. Cheeseman. Christophfr T. Lamb 3 Denis A. Bayles Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

* First peal in seven methods. + First in seven methods "inside.

A farewell compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. E. H. Fenwick, who will be leaving in January for Lapworth, Warwickshire, after 21 years in this parish.

LONG STRATTON. NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents eacls of Double Court and St. Clement's and three of Plain Boh.
Charies H. Biake . . .. Treble
Betty Syrftt
reble
Wilfred G.
aunders 3 H. William Barreitr enor 96 cwt Frank C. J. Arnol.d
$\qquad$5 iucted by Cedrtc F. W. Phil.1.ippo. BLO-NORTON, NORFOLK.
TIIE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sar., Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules.
At the Cherch of St . Andrfw.
A PFAI, OF 5040 PLAIN BOR MINOR
Being seven different extents.

- Ray foreman
*Norman Warson
Walter G. Paul
* First peal. of the treble ringer.

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\begin{array}{lcc|l}
\therefore & . . & \text { Treble } & \text { Dora M. Refeve } \\
\cdots & . . & 2 & \text { Harry B. Fuitire } \\
\hdashline \text { Conducted by Jim W. Paul. }
\end{array}
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A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Foreman, parents
Tenor 8 cwt .

Tenor rer -

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If you require FREE advice regarding your

WIGMORE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 20 Mimutes, At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
 Leslie Evans .. .. .. 5 Reginald J. Herbert .. 3 Frederick R. Harris .. Tenor Conducted by Leslie Evans.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Frances. Williams and Mr. James Mackenzie, which took place at this church imınediately before the peal.

## WORLE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin.

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { DOUBLES }
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Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 13 cwt
*William Lovell .. .. Treble tRonald Ballam .. .. 4
+Dennis Hawkins .. .. 2 George Prescoit .. . 5 $\ddagger$ Martin Worrell . . . 3 ¡Wilfred Kingsbury .. Tenor Conducted by George Prescott.

* First peal away from tenor. + First in two methods. $\ddagger$ First peal. BRADFORD. YORKSHIRE.

> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Mon. Dec. 28, 1959 , in 2 Hours and 36 Minules, At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES. TONG,

Being one extent each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, two of Cambridge Surprise and three of Plain Boh. Tenor 12 cwt. in A. Rita M. Jowett .. .. Treble ! Peter Scholfield .. .. 4 B. Gillian Schofield .. 2 Harold B. Schofield . 5 John H. Fielden .. .. 3 Fredericik A. Munday . Tenor Conducted by Frederick A. Munday.
BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 3 Hours and 9 Minules,
At the Church of St. Helen,

Being an extent each of Kent Treble Boh. Oxford Treble Boh. Cambridge Surprise, Double Court. Plain Bob, Oxford Bob and Single Court. Tenor 23 cwt .2 qr. 26 lb . in E flat Peter A. Sharp .. .. Treble John F. Pearson G. Leonard Thompson .. 2 Ronald Applewhite $\quad . \quad$.. 5 Geoffrey R. Parker .. 3 Jack L. Millhouse .. . . Tenor Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## SOUTH CERNEY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

## At the Church of All Hallows, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in four methods: 12 extents of April Day, 8 of Reverse
Canterbury Pleasure, 12 of Plain Bob and 10 of Grandsire.
Tenor 11 cwt . in $\mathbf{G}$.
 Conducted by Bruce Wakefield.

* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor on being awarded an Open Scholarship in Physics at Pembroke College, Oxford; also as a welcome to the Vicar, the Rev. D. Paine.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

 THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Stin., Dec. 20, 1959, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes, In the School.
## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Kent Treble Bob and Double Bob, and five different extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor size 15 in C .
*Stanley Huckle .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Walter Ayre Gerald Penney .. .. .. 5-6
Conducted by Gerald Penney.

* First peal of three methods "in hand.

Rung for the Christmas Festival.

## MARPLE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Christmas Eve, Thurs., Dec. 24. 1959. in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes, At Whingarth, Ridge Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
In two methods: (1) and (2) Double Plain Bob. (3) and (4) Plain Bob and Double Plain Bob, (5) and (6) Plain Bob, (7) Double Plain Bob and Plain Bob: 30 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C . *Frank Osbaldiston .. $1-2 \mid$ Brian J. Woodruffe

Robert B. Smith $\because$.. 5-6
Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

* First of 2 Minor on handbells. 150th peal as conductor.


## John Taylor \& Co.

## DATE TOUCHES

PRIITIEWELL, FSSEX.-Un Jan. 3rd, 1,960 Grandcire Triples: Miss 1. Rowe 1, D. Belcham 2, Mrs. M. King 3. B. Sadier 4. J. Belcham 5. P. Sadler 6. P. King (cond.) 7, P. Sloman 8. Mr. and Mrs. King's farcwell touch on leaving for two vears in Nigeria.
SULLIX, GLAM.-On Dec. 31st. 1.960 Doubles (Retene Canterbury Pleasure Bub. Anril Day, Plain Bob and Grandvire): R. Lea 1. E. J. R. Harliev 2. R. Havard 3. A. F. R. Hartley 4, A. M. Coombs (cond.) Lungest number of changes rung on the bells. date turch welcome to the New Year.

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At St. Peter's Cathedral, on Dec. 29th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: H. Greenhalgh (first of Minor and first in Australia) 1, W. B. Pitcher 2, Enid Ruberts (cond.) 3. A. R. Lamphec 4, F, N. Smeaton 5, B. R. Cox 6.

ALDBOURNE, WILTS.-On Jan. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Cuss 1, M. Wheeler (first auarier) 2 , F. Read (cond.) 3, I. A. Palmer 4. G. Newman 5, D. Bowles (first quarter) 6. Rung to mark the wedding of W. Barnes (former ringer, servinz in the R.A.F.) and Miss B. Tucker; also for the engagement of D. Bowles and Miss A. Alder.
Alfriston. Susgex.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Burgess 1. Sybil Tonkin 2. Judith Funnell 3, F. Beeney 4, G. Beenes (cond.) 5, H. Pettitl 6. Rung on the Sorh anniversars of the urdination of the Rev. H. S. Mathias. Vicar of Alfriston, who is also an active ringer.

AMERSHAM. BUCKS.-On Nov 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minur: R. F. Peers 1. Rosalind Hicks 2. G. Orchard 3. D. C. Lawson 4, A. Fortin 5. J. E. Camn (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1, 2 and 4. For Matins.

ASMCOTT, SOMERSFT.-On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Bagz 1, K. Prime (cond.) 2. Freda Phillips 3, C. Norton 4, W. Cavill 5, M. Bags 6. A compliment to Mrs. Bage on her geth birthdas: atro wedding anniversary of her son (churchwarden) and engagement of ringers 2 and 3 .
AWRE, GLOS.-On Jan. 1st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. F. Sims 1, G. T. Horritl 2. H. N. Coombe (Erst inside') 3, D. A. Hoult 4. B. D. Sime (cond.) 5, N. K. Winspear (first cuarter) 6.
First cuater on the bells sunce rehanging. Rung in memoriam Sir Evan Gwynne-Evans.
BECKINGTON, SOMERSET.-On Jan. Ath, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. G. Randall 1. W. J. Phippen ${ }^{2 .}$ Teresa Jones 3, G. C. Grant 4, E. E. Bra: 5, P. R. Saunders 6 . Rung half-muflied in memory of Airon Fear, interred this day
BRADFORD-ON-A VON, WILTS. $-1,260$ Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss C. Lansley 1, B. Purnell (cond.) 2, P. Gaisford 3, G. Parsons 4, F. Bux 5, T. Wicks 6. First in three methods for 1 and 4. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Parsons on their 251 h weddino anniversary
BRIGHTON, SUSSEX. On Dec. 6th. al St. Peter s Church. 1.296 Grandsire Caters: Beitv Stephenson 1
A. W. Bond 2, G. North 3. C. W. T. Riddleston 4 A. W. Bond 2, G. North 3, C. W. T. Riddleston 4.
F. Cruttenden 5, L. Stilwell 6, H. W. Woolven (cond.) 7. F. Page 8, W. A. Riddington 9, F. Lewis 10. Rung as a farwell to the Vicar (Canon 1D. H. Bowth) prior to his instaliation as Archdeacen of Lewes en December 8th. Also on Nov. 29th, at St. Nicolas ${ }^{\circ}$ Chutch. 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: D. Snoswell (firsi of Grandsire Triples) 1. S. Armatreng 2. A. Humphtes 3. 1). Hunns (first of Grandsire 'inside') 4. J. Riddlesten 5. I. Smithies (first of Grandsise Triplen) 6. 11. Stalham (cond.) 7. F. Lewis 8.

ChiAl.FONT ST. PETER, BLCES.-On Dec. 3Ist, 1.2\% Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrr. E, G Swift 1. E. G. Swift 2. J. E. Camp 3. M. G. Swift 4. C.
Shenherd 5. R. Swift (cond.) 6. Shepherd 5. R. Swifl (cond.) 6.
CIIPPSTOW, NIO. -On Dec,
Cuepstow, Now.-On Dec, 10ih. 1.260 Grandare Triples: Miss J. Johnson I. Miss P. Jones 2.
Miso B. Sjotherg 3. Mrs. D. J. King 4. C. G. Bryant J. E. Morpan 6. D. J. King (cond.) 7. Rev. R. Halket 8. First quarter on the hells since rehanging. A weleome home from honpital to Mr. 1. Sims, inwer master at Chenstow
IMOER, KENT. - On Jan, 1at, 1,26t) Grandsire Triples: Miss L. Coveney (first guarter) 1. G. Ruck 2, Miss A. Banks 3, G. Gray 4, J. Walker 5, C. George (cond.) 6, D. Thomas 7. T. Ellender \&.
GREFNWICH. S.E.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Brenda Riches 1, Felicity Webber 2, Freda Cannon 3, D. James 4. M. Snrackline (cond.) S, J. Rowke 6. First quarier 1 and 2. Rura to commemurale the visit of the Chief Guide to the ist Greenwich Park Guide Comnany on their jubilee.
HECKINGTON, LINCS. On Dec. 24th, 1.264 Plain Roh Major: D. Brown 1. R. Trevitt 2, R. Asher 3. A. Bird 4, E. Cole 5, W. Weston 6, A. Dixon 7
R. Pocklington (cond.) 8. First of Major 1 and 4 .

## QUARTER PEALS

HELLINGLY, SUSSEX. - On Nov, 1st, 1.26n Grandsire Doubles: Diane Kenward 1. J. Sireeter 2. Sybil Tonkin 3, Judith Funnell 4, G. Beency (cond.) 5. T. Matthews 6. A 14th birthday compliment to treble tinger.
HEMRNGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.-On Christmas Day, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: P. E. Wells 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2, A. J. Davey 3, F. R. Nicholls 4. M. J. Dyer (cond.) 5, H. S. Pcacuck 6. For mornine service. Also on Jan. 3rd, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. J. Bver 1, J. R. G. Snicer 2, F. R Nicholls 3. Miss D. Robinson 4, A. 1. Davev (first of Cambridge "inside ; 5. H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6.
HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.-On Dec. 24ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Pentelow (first quarter) 1, W. Wilby 2, B. Whitworth 3. J. M. Clarke 4. A. L. Priestley 5. A. Wilson (cond.) 6. D. Deighton 7. H. Pentelow y. Rung prior to Midnight Mass.

HISTON, CAMBS.- On Dec, 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Harbidge 1, Angela Tolliday 2. H. Foster 3, C. Gooding 4. C. Muncey (cund.) 5, 1. Chandler 6. For Evensong.
HUNTINGDON.-At All Saints Church, on Nov. 29th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Howes 1, L. G. Cowley 2, J. R. G. Spicer 3, M. J. Dver 4. A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond) 6. For Advent Sunday. Also on Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bub Minor: J. A. Howes 1. J. R. G. Snicer 2. Miss D. Rohinson 3. M. J. Dyer 4, A. T. Howes 5. H. S. Peacuck (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled during the last hour of 1959. Also on Jan. 3rd. 1,260 Plain Bob Miner: J. A. Howes 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2. Miss D. Robinson 3, M. J. Dyer 4. A. T. Howes 5. H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.
IVER, BUCKS.-On Dec. 29ih, 1.260 Doubles (St. Martin's, St. Simon's. Reverse Canterburv. Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Foster 1, W. D. Ward 2, R. I. Shepherd 3, E. R. Gusham 4, W. Birmingham (cond.) 5, D. Rowlands 6. Rune as a token of respect to Mr. G. Stanley, captain of this tower, on completing 50 years' Sunday service ringing.
KIRK ELLA, YORKS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Hob, April Day, Clifford's Pleasure. St. Martin's and St. Simon's): I. N. Goldthorse 1. 1). Johnson 2. J. Perrett 3, K. Kirk 4. J. S. Rank (cond.) 5, K. Goldthorpe 6. For the service of nine lessons and carols.
KNOWLE, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 24ih, 1.44 n Plain Bob Minor: V. R. Tallis 1, Helen M. Thacker 2, Pamela M. Turner 3, M. Lawrence (first of Minor) 4. M. C. Hughes 5, R. E. Tallis, jun. (cond.) 6. Fur Christmas Eve.
LEYTUNSTONE, ESSEX.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: L. Batey 1, C. Willmineton 2 , F. Mills 3, C. Hughes 4, Miss V. Hester 5. R. Smith 6. E. Smith (cond.) 7. J. Eastwood 8. For carol

LTTILE STAUGHTON, BEDS.-On Dec. 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. A. A. Whitworth 1. A. L. Priestey 2. J. Milts Clifton 3, B. Whitworth 4. 1. M. Clarke (cond.) 5. Rune bv Rushden (Northants) band.

LONDON.-AI Southwark Cathedral, on Dec. 16th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Overingion (first quarter) 1. K. Cherrill 2, Christine Pullin 3. W. J. Rawlings 4. A. B. Peck 5. John Phillips (cond.) 6, F. E. Collins 7, D. Randall 8. A welcome to Mark, born 1)ecember 6 ith. first granden of A. C. Winn. Cathedral ringing master.
LUPPITT. DEVON-On Dec, 291h, 1,260 Grandsire Doukles: J. Middleton 1. F. J. Sase 2. A. Wright (lirat uuarter) 3. C. Churchill 4. J. Sage (first as cond.) 5. L. Marker 6.

## NEWINGTON-NEXT-HYTHE, KENT,-On Dec,

 24th. 1.320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Cirandsire): Misy M. L., Bryant 1, Miss E. Hough 2. R. J. Ilouqh 3 M. J. Mattin 4, A. Jackson (cond.)PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-On Christmas Day 1,440 Plain Bob Minur: V. R. Tallis 1. Pamela M Turner 2, C. Baugh 3. M, C. Hughes 4, R. E Tallis 5. R. E. Tallis. Jun. (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 27th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: V. R. Tallis 1. M. C. Hughes 2, Pamela M. Turner 3, C. J. A. Goy 4.
R. E. Tallis 5, R. E. Tallis, jun. (cond.) 6. For R. E. Tallis S. R. E. Tallis, jun. (cond.) 6. Fur
Matins. Also on Dec. 27th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor P. S. Bennell 1. Pamela M. Turner 2. Helen M Thacker 3. M. C. Hushes 4, R. C. Warburton 5 , on Jan. 1st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. C. Hughes . Pamela M. Turner 2, R. Q. Morris 3. P. Warren

PENARTH, GLAM.-()n Jan. 2nd, 1.344 Plain Bub Major: A. Smith 1, E. J. R. Harlev 2, R. Havard 3, W. Harford 4, B. Taylor 5, A. F, R. Hartlev 6. J. W. G. Goodfellow 7. A. M. Coombs (cond.) y. A birthday compliment to the Rev. G. H. A. Stephens,

PORTSMOUTH.-On Dec. 3 let, at St. Mary, Port sea, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. Joan Salmons 1 Mrs. Marion Page 2, A. Page 3, L. D. Duguid 4 F. W. Rorers 5. T. R. Tavior 6. E. F. Satmons (cond.) 7. H. T. Macey 8. For Watchnieht service.
SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 2tih, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. T. Clarke (first of Minor) 1, R. E. 1). Henebury 2, C. D. Baush (first of Minor) 3. Judy Robinson 4, G. Bailey 5, V. A. Hemmine (cond.) 6. For the eve of Christmas. Also on Dec. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. D. Baush (first of Tripies) 1. R. E. D. Henebury (first of Tribles) 2. Judy Rubinson (first 'inside' on eight) 3, R. E. Tallis (first 'inside ' on cight) 4, V. A. Hemming (cond.) 5, J. T. Gwilt 6. M. C. Hushes 7. J. T. Clarke (first on cight) 8. For Evensong.
SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles : Judy Dorling 1. Margaret Fenton 2, Anne Stephens 3, R. Fenton 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5. P. Wakefield 6. A compliment to the conductor on heing awarded an onen scholarship in physics at Pembroke College, Oxford. Also on Dee. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles : M. J. Cook 1. Marearet Fenton 2. Anne Stephens 3, B. Wakefield (cond.) 4. R. J Smith (first inside') 5, P. Wakefield 6. For the carol service.
STOLRERIDGE, WORCS.-At St. Thomas Church, on Jan. 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Trigles: M. J. Fellows (aged 12) 1, Mrs. R. Smith 2, F. V. Nicholis 3, A. D. Fellows (father) 4, R. Smith (cond.) 5. M. D. Fellows (ared 14) 6. D. H. Watson 7. Jill Tombs 8. Rung half-muffled for Evensons and in memoriam Elsie May Dunn, the wife of A. L. Dunn, a ringer at this church for 40 years.
SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS. On Dec. 3lst. 1.260) Grandsire Trinles:- Lavina Mumford 1. N Moxon 2. B. Hough 3, A. Wilson 4, Eleanor Rose 5, Katharine Burchnall 6, Grace Burchnall (cond.) 7 R. Mumford 8. Rung half-muffied to ring out the TENDRING, ESSEX.-On Oct. 14th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Brazier 1. Mrs. P. W. Mills 2. Miss Collier 3. Miss A. Pryke 4. E. E. Davev (cond.) 5. Mrs. A. Hales 6. For the induction of the Rev. L. Grifiths. Also on Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Brazier 1. Miss A. Collier 2. Miss A. Pryke 3, E. E. Davey (cond.) 4. Mrs. A. Hales 5, I. Cooper 6. For Mr. C. Marvens 55th anniversary as church clerk and ringer.
THATCHAM, BERKS. - On Dec. 23 rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Davis 1, Mrs. D. Pearce 2. E. Woolgrove (first of Grandsire Triples) 3, R, F Christonher 4, R. W. Rex 5. R. F. Crook 6, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 7, A. Christopher 8.
TWYNING, GLOS,-On Dec, 11 th, 1.260 Dhubles (Plain Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire): R. Liddell 1. M. Hawkes (cond.) 2. W. Williams 3. Arthur Halling 4, Albert Halling 5, D. Williams 6.
UXBRIDGE: MIDULX.-On Dec. 13th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): M. Shechan (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. R. Gotham 2. H. W. Impey (cond.) 3, E, R, Gotham 4, F, Bedford 5 , D. Rowiands (first euarier) 6. F. Carke 7. J. Ine 8 . Rung to mark the seventh anniversary of the rededication of the bells.
WARCOP, NOTTS,-On DEC. 25th, 1.260 Minor (Oxford Treble Buh and Plain Boh): M. Foster 1 Mise F. Robinsin 2, Mre, J. Crnsby 3. R. Lurea a H. J. Rooke (cond.) S, D. II. Rooke 6. For Parish Communion. Also on Dec. 27ih. 1,320 Minor (Oxford Treble Bob and Norwich Surnrise): F. Conke 1. C. Challans 2, J, T. Rooke 3. R. Lucas 4, F. Fint 5. H. J. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensono.

WESTBURYON-SEVERN. GIOS. On Dec. 19hh 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canierbury Pleasure. Reverse St. Barthoinmew. Plain Buh and Grandsire): C.
Phillips 1. R. G. Powell 2. E. W. Penn 3. A. Halling 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, F. J. Turner 6.
WISTASTON, CHESHIRE. On Jan. 2nd, 1,440 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob): D. W. Threlfall 1, J. D. Smith 2, J. E. Broush 3. F. R. Morton (cond.) 4, J. A. Adams 5, K. J. Collicr 6. Rung
father
WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 28th, 1.260 Minor (Double Court, Little Binh and Plain Bob): Helen M. Thacker 1. Pamela M. Turner 2. M. C. Hughes 3, R. C. Warburton 4, R. E. Tallis, un. (50th quarter peall 5. P. S. Bennetl (cond.) 6. First in three Minor methods by all.

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The Director of Religious Broadcasting (North Region) would like to be informed of special events in the North the hanging of a new ring of bells or the restoration of an old historic ring. Will ringers please communicate with Mr . Norman Chaddock, member of the Central Council Committee for Broadcasting and Television, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham.
The 'Johns' have done it again with a peal at Farnworth, Lancs, on December 27th.

Any claims for the first quarter in 1960? Packworth, Warwickshire, started theirs at $12.20 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on January 1st.
Mr. Brian G. Warwick has rung 500 peals for the Leicester Diocesan Guild.

The peal of Plain Bob Major rung at Sutterton on November 28th, 1959, was a Lincoln Diocesan Guild peal.
Correction to peal rung at Dronfield, Derbys. Page 2, January 1st: The name of the treble ringer is Michel H. Paulson, and not as printed.
The dinner that Rickmansworth ringers are holding on January 30th is arranged for a two-fold purpose-to promote greater fellowship and to provide money to rehang Rickmansworth's ring of 10 .
Roger Overington, son of the Dean's verger at St. Paul's Cathedral, has rung his first quarter peal-at Southwark Cathedral. We shall hear about this from the Provost of Southwark at the next College Youths' dinner.
At Sevenoaks on New Year's Day after the traditional 12 strokes at midnight on the tenor, the bells went off into a course of London Surprise Major. Was this the first course of London in 1960?
By the peal of Stedman Doubles at Wateringbury, Kent, on January 2nd, Arthur G. Mason, Trevor A. Cross, Thomas Cullingworth and George J. Butcher, complete the Stedman family-Doubles to Cinques-in peals. A previous attempt for this peal was lost owing to the treble rope breaking about 48 changes from the finish.

## The 720 of Oxford Treble

 Bob was specially included in the peal at St. James',GOSSIP Tong, in memory of George Bolland. This gentleman was quite famous in these parts as a six-bell ringer, and he left a sum of money in trust so that each year, on December 28th. a 720 of Oxford, his favourite method, should be rung. Even the most generous minded person could not describe Tong bells as good, either in tone or 'go,' but they were loved by the old band and over 50 peals have been rung on them.
The peal at Gillingham (see page 18) was rung in 2 hours and 46 minutes, and not as printed.

Mr. Ernest Weatherby, from Los Angeles, writes sending New Year Greetings to ringing friends, and states that he is in good health and is still working.
Melbourne Cathedral rang for New Year's Eve Stedman Caters, Grandsire Caters and Cinques and Double Norwich Court Bob Major, plus the usual methods.
We are sorry to learn that Mr. F. N. Golden, president of the Norwich Diocesan Association, is in Ward 7 of the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter King, of Prittlewell. Essex, are leaving on January 16th for two years in Nigeria. A farewell date touch was rung on Prittlewell bells on January 3rd. Bon Voyage and many happy experiences!
A peal attempt in honour of the wedding of Miss Margaret Pitstow. daughter of Mr. and Harold Pitstow, in Rhodesia. was lost at Banstead on Deccmber 12 th after nearly three hours' ringing.
The Rev. E. H. Fenwick is leaving Benfieldside, Co. Durham, this month, after holding the living for 21 years. In 1957 he was instrumental with his ringers in having the bells rehung. At Lapworth the five bells there will present him. with another challenge in that line. His daughter, Angela, has learned to ring and she will doubtless urge him on with the task. Ringers in Co. Durham wish him and his family well in their new home.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED



## A CELEBRATION DINNER

200th Anniversary of Baptism of First Taylor Bellfounder
On New Year's Day, 1760, Robert Taylor was bapised at Riseley, Bedfordshire. He was the first Taylor to become a bellfounder and to mark the 200th anniversary Mr. Paul L. Taylor, the fifth generation of hellfounders and the present head of John Taylor and Co.. gave a dinner to his employees and their ladies at the Bull's Head Hotel, Shelthorpe.

Present with Mr. and Mrs. Taylor on this memorable occasion were their three children, Sarah Margarct, Frances Edith and John William Taylor (IV.). Other members of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dickens (brother-in-law and sister of Mr. P. L. Taylor), Mr. G. F. Mears, Mr. and Mrs. L. Nohre, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Denison Taylor and Miss Rosemary Taylor.
After the toast of 'The Queen' a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by P. L. Taylor, C. Harrison, R. Edwards and H. Marcon. The toast of "The Taylor Family ' was proposed by Mr. John Eccleshall, to which Mr. Taylor replied.

Mr. John Fidler, the toastmaster, read out greetings, cables and telegrams that had been received, including one from the president of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers and also one from Mrs. Scott, sccretary of the Central Council for the Care of Churches.
Apart from the professional entertainment, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Colin Harrison provided tune ringing, four in hand. The accompanist was Mr. Fred Spicer, who is employed in the joiners' shop of the Foundry.
The appreciation of the guests to Mr. Taylor was ably expressed by Mr. Colin Harrison. The dinner was a great success and in the words of our correspondent, "We all enjoyed ourselves hugely.
A booklet giving notes concerning the various members of the family during the five generations, prepared by Mr. P. L. Taylor, was an appropriate souvenir of a happy occasion.

## Tips For Beginners - $\mathbf{3}$

As a further aid to hearing your bell. notice at first the sound of it when you are leading. later when you are in the last place, unsil presently you will find you can hear it all the time.

## NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION

Nearly 60 ringers attended the annual meeting of the North Staffordshire Association held at Stoke Parish Church on December 5th. The service was conducted by the Rector (Preb F. A. R. Chapman), who also kindly entertained the Association to tea in the Cinurch Institute
The business meeting was presided over by the Archdeacon of Stoke-on-Trent (the Ven. G. Youell). who welcomed the newly: elected treasurer and secretary and thanked the retiring officers for their services to the Association in the past. The meeting stood in remembrance of the Rev. J. B. Frith, one-time Rector of Swynnerton and member of the Association.
Eight ne N ringing members were elected and Mr. G. Hall. of Brown Edge, was elected hon. life member, having been in the Association for 50 years.
Ringing continued after tea until 9 p.m., ranging from reunds to London Surprise Major.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The Rev. C. Elliot Wigg took the chair at the annual mecting of the Society on Decemmade: Master. Mr. A. N. Stubbs (Hertford College) treasurer. Mr. N. Martin (St. Peter's Hall) : secretaries. Miss S. G. Cameren (Lady Margaret Hall) and Mr. D. ' . Darby (New College).

# SERVANTS OF THE <br> EXERCISE - No. 3 

Before the war it was a constant argument which was the largest parish church in the country, Coventry or Yarmouth. Well, St. Michael's, Coventry, has gone, to be replaced by a modern Cathedral-so Yarmouth must be left with the honours.

Mr. Thurlow is far too busy to have much time available for peal ringing-but, nevertheless, he has about 100 to his credit, which include London Surprise Major at Helmingham and Treble Bob Maximus at Bow. This latter was on the Croydon ring and was probably the only peal of Kent Treble Bob on them. He took part in a peal of Bob Major on handbells at Trinity College, Cambridge (his first peal) and the band included the present Astronomer Royal.

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REV. GILBERT THURLOW, M.A., F.S.A.
(Vice-President of Central Council)
There is no more energetic member of the Exercise than the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow. His dynamic and forthright personality inspires all who come into contact with him and it would be hard to imagine anyone more suitable to become a future president of the Central Council.

Mr. Thurlow was born in 1911 and was educated at Felixstowe, Felstead. Selwyn College (Cambridge) and Cuddesdon Theological College, Oxford. He was appointed assistant curate at All Saints', Wokingham, in 1934, and in 1939 became Precentor at Norwich Cathedral until 1958. He was Rector of St. Clement's and Vicar of St. George Colegate, where he converted an old ring of three into a ring of six in 1950.

From 1952 to 1955 he was also Vicar of St. Andrew's, Norwich. In 1955 he became Vicar of Great Yarmouth. and everyone knows how energetically he tackled the enormous job of restoring the famous church and its bells.

## Critic's Praise

'As one of "The Ringing World" critics in 1959, may I say that No. 1 of 1960 has left me agreeably surprised. If this issue reflects the shape of things to come, I think your circulation figures will rise, even at the increased price.

I congratulate you on the first of a series of "Servants of the Exercise." which is good and. strange to say, this was one of the very things which our local quarter ped baind were asking for in one of the many discussions about "The Ringing World." Good work. Keep it up.'-J. B., Bristol.

## Memorial To Cecil Ebberson

Friends and ringing colleagues of the late Cecil Ebberson propose placing a memorial plaque in the belfry of Dersingham Parisin Church. It is thought that some of his many friends in other Associations would like to be associated with the N.D.A. in perpetuating the memory of one who was loved and respected by all who knew him. Donations can be sent to : W. Love, General Secretary, Norwich Diocesan Association of Ringers, 52, Spencer Street, Norwich, Norfolk, NOR. 64P.

Miss Monica Collins, formerly of Guildford. is at the Bush Nursing Hospital, Bright, , iter and Mrs. George Pipe while they were on holiday in N.E. Victoria. Uunfortunately when they called she was the only nurse on duty.

It was London University Society and not the Universities Association that had the tour in Durham last year. The error in our last issue is regretied.

Mr. Roger Fry has entered the Faversham Ward of Salisbury General Infirmary for an operation. He expects to be in hospital for about three to four weeks and out of ringing for about six months.

Mr. Harry E. Good, of Ewell, is for the second time in nine weeks a patient in Epsom District Hospital. He underwent an operation at the beginning of November, but his recovery has not been as rapid as expected. He hopes to be able to return to ringing again fairly soon.

The retirement of the Rev. J. A. Burness as Rector of Heimingham, Suffolk, after 30 years in office, will he regretted hy many ringing friends. 'Not once,' writes our correspondent, 'did he refuse ringing at his tower.

On New Year's Eve at St. Ebbe's, Oxford, honour was done by a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major to the 89th birthday of Mr. W. H. B, Wilkins. He still attends St. Ebbe's whenever possible and would like to wish all his friends a happy New Year.

Mr. Dennis Jeanes, who is GOSSIP working in London, travelled down specially to Backwell. Somerset, on New Year's Eve to attend the annual ringers' supper and the ringing afterwards. He returned to London by the $4 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. train-fortified by feasting and ringing for any travelling unplcasantness.
The peal rung at Marston, Oxford, on December 19th was the 33rd peal on the bells. This is believed 10 he the greatest number of peals rung in a five-bell tower.

Congratulations to Mr . Bruce Wakefield on winning an open scholarship in physics to Pembroke College, Oxford. A peal in honour of the announcement was rung at South Cerney, Gloucestershire.

Mr. G. N. Sloan, secretary of the Christchurch, New Zealand. Cathedral Society of Bellringers sends Christmas and New Year greetings to all ringers on behalf of the Society.

The six youngest out of 11 ringers present were chosen to ring in the New Year at Alford, I incs. The band was Malcolm Smith (9). David Maulthy (12), R. Brailsford (14). Miss B. Willoughby (14). R. Willoughby (16), G. Willoughby (17). Average age $13 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

On the occasion of his 55th birthday Mr. L. G. Brett chose 5,008 Double Norwich b. Edgar Wightman, which had 55 courses and 55 calls. Mr. James Bennett, jun., is welcomed to the Helmingham band again.

## GOLDEN WEDDING FESTIVITIES AT DARLEY DALE

On December 28th the Darley Dale (Derbys) ringers and their wives were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smallwood, of Heather Brae, South Park Avenue, Darley Dale, to a dinner and social held at the Grouse Hotel, Darley Dale, on the occasion of their golden wedding. Members of their family were also present, including Mrs. Smallwood's sister, Mrs. Trow, who was hridesmaid at their wedding. Songs. handbells and ringers' yarns were part of the evening's entertainment.

Frank Smallwood came to live at Darley Dale some two years ago and in that time his valuable help to the band of St. Helen's Church is very much appreciated. His very dry wit and to all late-comers to the belfry who are 'found' has earned him the title of 'Uncle Frank.' He has also found time to take part in the activities of the Derbyshire Association and he is much in demand to stand in for peal attempts.

Although no special ringing was done by the locals, apart from the extra ringing for the Christmas season with Frank taking part. methods rung during the week were Bob Minor and Major, Kent Treble Bob Minor and Major, Cambridge Minor and Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples.

On New Year's Eve a new method, Little Stedman Triples, was rung, invented by Mr . H . E. Taylor, one of the local band. It consists of double dodging in 4-5 and 6-7, then Quick work only, treble and second making thirds round the Quick bell.

Best wishes and thank you, Frank, from all the Darley ringers.
G. H. P

Mr. Smallwood learned to ring at Bishop Ryder's Church, Birmingham, when a boy, and it was in this church that he married Miss Sarah Phyllis Gilbert. Apprenticed into the printing industry, among the appointments he has held are superintendent of the colour printing department at Bemrose and Sons, Ltd.. Derby, works manager at Bolton, Sir Isaac Pitman's at Bath and the Staple Press, London. After more than half-a-century of print, he retired over ten years ago. He has lived at Darley Dale for about two years.

A versatile ringer, he probably enjoys most Stedman Cinques, and his peals include the first at Exeter Cathedral and 5,019 Stedman Cinques at St. Paul s Cathedral. He also rang the tenor to the first peal on the ten bells at St. Andrew s Church, Derby, on August 2nd, 1924. One memorable occasion among many in his ringing career was ringing at Westminster Abbey for the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. and for this service he holds the Coronation medal.
A staunch and enthusiastic member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, he was Master in 1951. Since 1951 he hás been convener of 'The Ringing World Committee and has guided its destiny with consummate skill through a difficult period. He joined the Central Council in 1939, being elected an honorary member: since 1951 he has represented the Ancient Society of College Youths. It is perhaps natural that such a noted personality as Mr. Smallwood should have been in the national limelight. Three times he has appeared on T.V. and many times on radio.

Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood have two daughters Dene living in Edinburgh and the other in

## Universities' Association Annual Dinner

A GREY, damp day greeted the Association in Birmingham, but our welcome was, as usual. cordial as we made our way round the towers on the programme. We visited Selly Oak before lunch and, despite the secretary's gloomy circular, the ringing chamber seemed as full as usual. After lunch Harborne, with a smaller tower, seemed even more packed, though the tinging did not appear to suffer unduly. Howcver, the 12 bells at St. Philip's were a different proposition, and despite the reinforcements from a Central Council committee, whose members very inopportunely chose the same day to meet, the ringing was not of a high order. Few accepted the kind invitation of the St. Martin's Guild to visit their meeting at St . Martin's; those who did got some good ringing, but missed the service at St. Philip's.
Some 45 members sai down to an excellent dinner at the Imperial Hotel, under the chairmanship of the president. Mr. E. H. Lewis. Unfortunately, no guests were present owing to an organisational misunderstanding, and as a result the speeches were of limited extent. Mr. P. L. Taylor (vice-president) proposed the health of 'The Universities Association.' and the secretary, D. J. Roaf, replied with the customary iccount of the year's activities, which included the summer tour held last year at Pulborough. Sussex, and the ringing of four peals.

Mr. A. York-Bramble welcomed the visitors. and Mr. Albert Walker thanked him and exrended a hearty welcome to the Association on this their second visit to Birningham.

## A NEW PRESIDENT

At the business meeting the most important item was the triennial election of officers. Mr. Lewis restated his firm wish to retire, and thanked the Association warmly for their sup-
port during his term of office, which had lasted since the formation of the Association some 15 years ago. He commented that he had been somewhat unsure about the value of the Association on its formation, but after his experience as president he had no hesitation in saying that it had fulfilled a definite need, and he wished it well in the future. Mr. P. L. Taylor was elected to the presidency and, on assuming the chair, thanked those present for their kindness in electing him.
There were two candidates for the vice-presidency, and after a vote Mr. W. F. Moreton was declared elected. Notice was given of a proposition to amend the rules so as to allow of Mr. Lewis being elected an honorary vicepresident in recognition of his service to the Association.

No desire was shown to change the day-today management, and Mr. D. J. Roaf was reelected to serve as secretary-treasurer. Miss M. R. Cross agreed to serve as Central Council representative. subject to her home commitments.
There appeared to be some disagreement between the secretary and the auditor over the accounts, and they were not available for discussion: however, hoth seemed to agree that a profit had been made on the year, and it would only be necessary to decide on its magnitude.
This year's week, it was announced, would be in the hands of Miss P. J. Holborn and Mr. 1. Seager, and would he in the Sheffield/Derhyshire area from August 6th to 13 th. Next year's dinner we agreed to hold in London on Saturday, January 7th, and for the 1962 week the Shrewsbury area would be investigated.
Twenty-eight new members were elected, and after the close of the meeting the usual convivial period was enjoyed by all. B. D. T.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Tonbridge District
The Kent District of the Ladies' Guild have in recent years established a custom ot holding their meetings jointly with the various Districts of the Kent County Association.
On January 2 nd the New Year was given a good send-off when the ladies, many of whom are members of the Tonbridge District. anyway, turned up in good numbers to the District meeting at Sevenoaks.

Due to the absence of the Rector, the Rev. E. M. T. McLellan, it was not possible to hold a service, and at the end of the afternoon ringing a company of 40 sat down to tea in the Church Hall, which was followed by a business meeting presided over by Mr. E. A. Barnett, a vice-president of the Association. A comprehensive report of the November meeting of the general committee of the Association was given by Mr. B. V. Collison. This indicated that the strong feelings of the District, as expressed at earlier meetings, with regard to the lateness of last year's annual reports and the lateness in starting the arrangements in connection with the Central Council meeting at Folkestone in 1960 had been conveyed to the general committee. It had also been agreed that the annual dinner of the Association would be held at Aplin's Restaurant at Sevenoaks on either September 24th or October 29th.
Miss Janet Buss, of Sevenoaks, was elected a member of the Association, and Mr. Peter Bond. the Master of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, expressed the hope that many ringers would be able to attend the Society's annual dinner on February 6th.

After the usual votes of thanks the gentlemen returned to the tower and the ladies' meeting took place under the chairmanship of Mrs. F. M. Mitchell, vice-president. Meeting arrangements for the year were settled, the next being at Chelsfield on April 23rd. From the ringing point of view it was a
very good meeting, but for the District secvery good meeting, but for the District sec-
retary and organisers somewhat disappointing in that so few of the District members seem to have the time, or perhaps the inclination, to make the effort to come and join in an occasion that is intended primarily for them. Perhaps better District support may be hoped for at the meeting at Penshurst on April 2nd.

## RAMBLING RINGERS' 1959 TOUR

The tour began at Shrewsbury and ended at Pershore, Bristol being the southernmost point. In all, approximately 120 towers were visited. well over 50 ringers taking part. The ringing on the whole was good, and in the middle week it bordered on the excellent.
The annual meeting was held at the Ostrich at Bristol, with the Master in the chair, and the south-east was chosen as next year's tour area.
A pleasing facet of the tour was the influx of new members: this is a healthy sign and we hope that it may long continue.

METHODS RUNG
Maximus.-Kent. Plain and Little.
Cinques.-Stedman and Grandsire.
Royal.-Cambridge. Kent, Plain and Little. Caters-Siedman and Grandsire.
Major--Spliced 6. 5 and 4 Surprise. Cambridge. Bristol, London. Superlative. Yorkshirc. Rutland. Lincolnshire, Watford. Belgrave. Cornwall and Ealing Surprise, Double Oxford. Double Norwich. St. Clement's. Double and Plain Boh, Kent. Oxford and Original.
Triples.-St. Clement's. Plain. Stcdman and Grandsire.
Minor-About 50 methods.
Doubles.-The diary collection.
This briefly sums up an enjoyable tour, and one which will long be remembered by those taking part.
J.E.C.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

Dear Sir.-1 was interested in Mr. Peter Bond's letter, and would like to give my opinion of the ringing. It did not come to us in the order published in the 'Radio Times, but as follows.

Blackburn. - I agree, 'very badly-struck changes. I would add that it was a complete muddle. I could not confirm that ten bells were ringing. What a difference between these and the Evercreech ten (when they put on the 10 bell record) on Sunday mornings at seven minutes to 9 on the Light programme! It is then that I put my wireless set on loud and open my windows for the benefit of my neighbours in case they have forgotten!
Wareham.-Mr. Bond says that those broadcast were "certainly not the bells of that tower.' 1 agree. The announcer (Stuart Hibberd) gave out that we were to hear eight bells, then out rang six. I would describe the striking as very fair.

Belfast,-Good striking.
Beaconsfield.-Very good striking-the top of the programme. (By the way, what a pity we were given only those few rounds at the midnight service, Christmas Eve!!

## Elkstone.-Bad striking.

Fife (carillon). - Well played. Two nice tenors, down to D. I think. But I don't like tunes on tower hells. It's no good-it just can't be done: the harmonics and overtones just make my stomach swim, especially if the player attempts chords.

## Talgarih.-Good striking.

Bethiehem.-Well, they are just Bethlehem bells sounded in the way which is the custom there, apparently; but what a din!
So we began and finished by clashing. It is a pity because, this year, each tower was broadcast long enough for us to listen and study, whereas, as a rule, we are beginning to make up our minds what we are listening to and then comes the fade-out.
Some say that at Christmas time these broadcasts should be by the everyday bands at the towers fortunate enough to get into the list.
Although I appreciate that some ringers. especially the young ones, would want to be in t. I think that only good striking should be ailowed on such an occasion, and if a ringer in the usual band is not able to strike properly with certainty, he should be replaced by one who can. Further, that if the tower cannot fix up all good strikers, another tower should take its place for the occasion.
We should remember that the ringing is going into homes all over the British Isles, and deyond. and we want to please, not aggravate. While some people would not notice any dif. terence between the Blackburn and the Beaconslield broadcasts, many would: and there are people, some music lovers, who hate the sound of church bells. We don't want to increase therr number!
An hour's good ringing can be spoilt by hapwizard lowering of the bells afterwards. That's the last sound of that hour's ringing left in people's ears. What a finale!

I would further suggest that. if a tower is to is hroadcast at any lime. not only Chrisimas. and the ringers are not certain good strikers in quicthod, they would do better to stick to fairly quickly-called call-changes-even rounds, for I hell certain that the principal thing in tower hell ringing is this-WHAT DOES IT SOUND iIKE OUTSIDE?-Yours sincerely.

CLAUDE RUSH.

[^0]Dear Sir,-It is surprising that Mr. Peter Bond, who usually expresses himself so positively and with seeming authority on the musical qualities of bells, should not have recognised that the six bells introduced as those of Wareham, Dorset, in the Christmas Day broadcast. were identical to those later introduced as the six bells of St. Gwendoline's. Talgarth, Wales.
There was audible during both periods these bells were broadcast a background of noise which did not seem like the local echo of Talgarth bells. In this background there was detectable the note of $\mathbf{E}$ or $\mathbf{E}$ flat. As this corresponds to the note of Wareham tenor, it seems possible that Wareham bells were, in fact, being broadcast simultaneously with those of Talgarth, although, due to technical trouble, perhaps, most imperfectly.-Yours faithfully,

## Sheffield.

R. E. PRICE.

## RINGERS AS CHURCH OFFICIALS

Dear Sir, -In the ringing chamber of Yatton Parish Church, Somerset, during the ringing out the Old Year and ringing in the New, among the company present were: The Vicar (Preb. B. A. Bcechey) and Mrs. Beechey, the assistant priest and his wife, two churchwardens, two deputy churchwardens, a lay reader and threc servers. Of these, six are members of the band of ringers.

I believe this to he a wonderful representa. tion of the church's interest in the ringers and oh ! that it could be more general throughout the land.-Yours faithfully
H. A. PRICE.

Yatton.
FEELING AT HOME IN A NEW JOB
Dear Sir,-Ahout a month ago I was transferred to another offise at my employment. The first thing was to sec a bell about two cwt. sitting on the floor. My boss is an organist and said he was glad to welcome me with the bell after secing my ringing hadge on my coat.
My joh was 'Firms' and the first one I dealt with was for 'Cambridge,' the next was 'Salter,' the surname being the one of my Ringing Master. The following 'Steadman' and last "Lewin," who is the Ringing Master at Hucknall.

I began to wonder if they were trying to make me scttle in my new abode, or remind me of two minds and two thought. As long as they don't 'surprise' me and call be "Bob. I don't mind, because I am 'Single and ....-Yours faithfully,

West Bridgford, Notts. A. HENSON.

## A FALSE COMPOSITION

Dear Sir,-I wish to point out that the composition of Little Boh Major by John R Ketteringham on page 16 of The Ringing World " is false. The second lead of the 11th course of the first part repeats with the sixth lead of the fifth course of the second part. And, of course. likewise in all four parts. Also, the reduction of ' A ' to produce a 5.000 is false. The sixth lead of the fourth course of the reduced part repeats with the second lead of the 24 th course of the same part.-Yours sincercly,

NORMAN SMITH.
Burnley, Lancs.
Mr. John R. Ketteringham writes admitting the falseness of the composition and expressing his sincere regret to all concerned. Before submitting the composition 10 . The Ringing World' he had it checked by one who is regarded as an authority, hut apparently the error escaped him.

## Doctor's Verdict To 85-Year-Old Ringer

For 70 jears a ringer and for 56 years at Sheffield Carhedral. Mr. Sidney Palmer, How 85. when he caught a chill recemly was warned by his family and friends ' Betler retire.

The strain of two 45 -minule spells at the Cathedral each Sunday, they said. would be 100 much for hin.

But Mr. Putmer decided to take medtical advice firss. And. 10 his surprise, his family doctor advised him to comtinue.

The doctor thinks I'm fit enough to carry' on,' he told the 'Sheffield Star.' 'I was defighted to hear the verdict. I enjoy bell-ringing too much to want to give up after all these years.

So this life member of the Yorkshire Association. who has rung 271 peals for the Association, continues 10 set an example to the- Exercise in his Sunday service ringing.

## FIRST PEAL PERFORMANCES AND PEALS OF MINOR

Dear Sir,-For the sake of accuracy and in no sense of criticism, 1 would point out to Mr. Blagrove that the peal rung at Rotherham on April 18th, 1881, was not Spliced Caters and Royal in the present day accepted sense of the term. but was a collection of touches in the methods named, each touch starting and ending with rounds. The reason this performance is not included in the list of false compositions in the Yorkshire As sociation's annual reports is that it is felt that no one would repeat the performance under the impression that it is true.
In connection with Mr. Moxon's letter on page 11 of 'The Ringing World, part of which deals with the ringing of peals of Minor in less than seven methods, it is true that the resolation of 1912 stating "No peal in less than seven methods be recogoised by the (Yorkshire) Association stood in the name of the late Mr. John McKell, of Gargrave but the real power behind that resolution was the late Mr. George Bolland, of Tong ("King of Six-Bell Ringers, as he was often referred 10 ), who had very strong views on what a peal of Minor should be.

I remember, in my very early days as a member of the General Committee of the Yorkshire Association. being at a meeting of that committee when George Bolland made a very impassioned speech in which he sought to disqualify a peal of Minor rung in. I believe, three methods. Not only was Mr. Bolland against any peals of Minor with less than seven different methods, he even sug. gested that peals which consisted of a mixcure of Treble Boh methods and Plain methods should not be allowed. In his opinion they ought to be either one or the other, never both.
George, however. lost the day. There were too many on the committee who would have suffered a reduction in their peal totals if he had had his way.

Recognised standards were different in thow days and one wonders how Mr. Bolland would now have reconciled one of his cherished performanoes-a peal of 6,000 Trehle Boh Minor in 25 different methods, rung at Tony and conducted by him. That peal consisted of 25 touches of 240 . each method starting and ending with rounds, but then, it was rung way back in the 1880 's. before soliced ringing was even thought of.-Yours faithfully

Pudsey, Yorks.

WILLIAM BARTON.

## THE FAST PEAL AT EVESHAM

Dear Sir,-I must remind friend Cannon that we have 36 cwt . all but 8 lb . of tenor at Evesham. I must also remind him that if it is impossible to strike this bell properly in 3 hours and 13 minutes then it must be impossible to strike peals of Surprise Royal at Birmingham Cathedral in 3 hours, 8 , 10 and 11 minutes with a $31 \ddagger \mathrm{cwl}$. tenor, which is considered not an easy bell 10 turn in. It must also he impossible to strike Cambridge Royal at St. Martin's, Birmingham, with a 37 cwt. tenor.

As I have not taken part in a fast peal at the Cathedral I cannot give an opinion, but 1 did ring in the peal at St. Martin's in 3 hours and 17 minutes, and I can assure 'the Canon' that the tenor was never out of control. With $14 t$ stone and 6 ft . 3in. of 26-year-old Peter Border hanging on the
rope, if any of that band never ring a worse rope, if any of that band never ring a wo
peal than that one they will be fortunate.

Now, Pat, you must he fair in your criticism. After all, you hold the record for the fastest peal of Major at Pershore Abbey (Cambridge Major in 3 hours and 10 minutes). You know I heard the first hour of that peal as I was in the lower and the ringing was good. Before the start of that peal one of The ringers asked me which of two of the bells ran dry first: I told him he would know when it happened. One ringer told me that he heard the last part of the Pershore peal and the ringing had deteriorated and he got the impression that the band, or at least some of them, were getting tired. This. of course, was understandable at Pershore. as no doubt the two bells had run dry by then.

To return to Evesham. About a year ago George Fearn rang the tenor in Lincolrishire Major in 3 hours and 26 minutes. Like all wise ringers George gave himself time to find out what he could do with a strange bell before he applied the pressure, thereby losing time in the first part of the peal, otherwise the time would have been much less.
Stephen Ivin started off at a fast pace right from the rounds and all the others went with him and enjoyed the fun. and only one member of the band expressed displeasure at the end of the peal. As I do not profess to be a heavy-bell ringer myself. I am able to take a detached view, and credit must be given when it is due.
For my own part I am not too keen on this dirt track racing and much prefer a speed to match the weight of bells being rung, but I enjoyed myself by watching Stephen Ivin applying his 21 years of 14 stone to the job. so don't crilicise these youngsters. Pat, hut let them enjoy themselves in their youthful exuberance, and I can also tell you that I'll bet you have rung many a worse pcal than the one at Evesham. As you are on the waiting list for a peal on our back eight, we must get you fixed up as soon as possible. and if it is rung in less than 3 hours and 30 minutes it will have 10 be classed as an unnatural performance and must, therefore, not be published as a peal.
Anyway. Pat, hest wishes for 1960, with plenty of good, fast peals.- Yours. etc..
G. J. HEMMING.

## Evesham.

LEAVE THOSE WHO KNOW TO JUDGE
Dear Sir, - I was distressed to read my friend A. P. C.'s letter re the peal of Yorkshire at Evesham. This is a personal attack on Stephen Ivin-a very had start to 1960. Mr. Cannon. and I hope we shall see no more such childish comments this year. Mr. Cannon says, "It would be impossible to strike this 35 cwt . tenor at this fast speed. As an eye witness of Mr. Ivin's performance. I can say that it was struck, and well handled. I find it difficult to resist the temptation it being New Year's Day, and he content with telling anyone who doesn't know that Stephen Ivin is at least as canable as Pat Cannon, and leaving them to judge for themselves from the neal columns rather than rely on letters to the Editor.-Yours sincerely, PATRICK I. CHAPMAN.

Dear Sir,-With reference to Mr. A. P. Cannon's letter relating to the peal of Major rung at Evesham, it seems to me a great rung at Evesham. it seems 10 me a great offered, in his own peal-ringing efforts years ago.-Yours faithfully,

HERBERT G. ANDREWS.
Kingston-upon-Thames.
Dear Sir,-I cannot recall having rung with the tenor man under criticism, but I am sufficiently familiar with other members of the hand to be confident that the striking would be at least of acceptahle standard for them to continue for 3 hours and 13 minutes.

Mr. Cannon should know by now that age and ability are not synonymous. -. Yours faithfully,

## Kingsteignton.

## HANDBELL RINGERS RAISE £230 FOR

 THE BLINI)Dear Sir.-I am nol a bellringer, much as I should like to be one, but I take and enjoy your paper very much and I am wondering if it would be of interest for readers to know that here in Dulwich I have two teams of handbell ringers. We are attached to Emmanuel Congregational Church, and whilst we do not do change ringing we do a lot of tune ringing, and at Christmas we tour all the local streets collecting for the blind. We have just handed in a cheque for $£ 230$ collected this Christmas for the Greater London Fund for the Blind and, in all. have, during the last 13 years, raised nearly $£ 2.000$ for this fund.

Another matter: Has anyone any information as to whom the bellis of the Alexandra Ring. Tmperial Institute, Kensington. are used? Is it possible ever to hear these bells, and when were they last rung? Wishing you every suc-cess.-Yours very truly.

## ARTHUR H. COOMBS.

Emmanuel Handbell Ringers.

## Dulwich.

## METIODS SECONDARY TO RHYTHM

Dear Sir.-I was sorry to read Mr. Moxon's stilted views on numbers of methods in peals of Minor. His possible rule that seven should be the minimum number allowed is ridiculous: far more importint is how peals are rung, even if only in one method.
If more attention was paid to the striking of our ringing (which is what the puhlic have to listen to) rather than to the number and intricacy of the methods rung (in which the public are rot interested) then we should be getting somewhere.

A clash of two bells in a call change tower in the West Couniry will hring winces of nain and sharp words from the caller or captain. a state which is all hut ignored in many method-ringing areis, Rhythmical ringing will appeal to a rhythmical public and help the flow of recruits. apart from making a good impression on their attitude to the Church, the primary function of the bells. Yours faithfully.
Selhorne. Hants.

## A Lincoln Ring Restored

On November 28th the ring of six bells at Coningsby, Lincs, wa; heard ringing once more after being silent for 25 years. In the presence of a larec congregation the restored ring was rededicated by the Bishop of Grimsby. About 30 ringers took part in this service after having been ringing for service at their own churches. The work of rehanging has been carried cut by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and all expressed their delight at the 'go' and tone of the bells. Ringing took place for one hour after the service. Mr. S. Sharland represented the bellhangers.
$A$ grant of $f \in$ had been made from the Eastern Branch of the Lincoln Guild to this restoration.

## OBITUARY

MR. A. R. MILES
For nearly 70 years a ringer at St. Dunstan's, Mayfield, Sussex, and for 50 years captain of the tower, Mr. Arthur R. Miles died on September 28th, aged 88 years. Owing to a major operation in 1957 he had to give up active ringing, but his interest was maintained until the end of his life.
A lifelong member of the Sussex County Association, Mr. Miles served on the District Committee for 30 years. He was also a memiber of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. His peals numbered 34 and included all the standard methods and several of Surprise. At his request the bells were rung open at his funeral on January ist.

## MR. FRED STUBBS

The death occurred on December 23rd of Mr. Fred Stubbs. of Riunds, Northants, who dicd in Wellinghorough Park Hospital following an operation.

The funcral at Raunds was attended hy the local ringers, representatives from Raunds Conservative Club, of which he was a founder member, and of Messrs. John Horrel and Son, boot and shoe manufacturers, where previously Mr. Stubbs was a foreman. The Parish Church bells were rung half-muffled in the evening.
Joining the Central Northants Association in 1894, he rang his first peal (Bob Major, bv the Raunds St. Peter's Society, at Titchmarsh) in 1896 and it is believed he rang 100 peals. mostly in the standard Major methods. It was as a Sunday service ringer that he will he best remembered, and before the last war he was a familiar sight standing outside the rower on Sunday evenings finishing his pipe before entering the belfry. He was also a sidesman and parochial church councillor for many years.

In 1949 he resigned the office of treasurer of the Thrapston Branch of the Peterhorough Diocesan Guild and so ended a period of 35 years in office either as secretary, treasurer or committee member.

At the Thrapston Branch meeting on JanGary ${ }^{2}$.nd the Guild general secretary, Mr. G. W. Jeffs, paid a warm tribute to his memory, and the assembly, which included the Guild Master (Mr. P. I. Chapman). together with Messrs. P. Cannon, R. Leale and others stood in silence.
E. E. W.

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## STEDMAN FOR BEGINNERS

By WILFRID G. WILSON
(Continued from page 29)
Human nature being what it is, there will be times when you have failed to remember which way you should go in and have forgotten to use any of these guides. There is one last resource. which you can use rather than go wrong. But you should not rely on it. as so many ringers do. It is known as the A-B trick. As you enter the front work you will be striking over two other bells: Call them $\Lambda$ and B. You go over each in turn. If that hrings you into seconds place you are a Quick hell and will lead next. But if. having followed A and B you are still in thirds place. you are a Slow bell. You then strike over A again and then lead at back and hand strokes to start your first whole turn. This method not only puts you completely in the hands of the two bells we have called A and B-if they are hesitant you will get no help from them- but. certainly if you are ringing a heavy bell, the striking will be upset because you will not know beforehand whether you are hunting down or making thirds place. so will not be prepared with the correct pull.
You will see. therefore. that if you can't keep count of the bobs while you are at the back and so be sure. independently of the rest of the band. whether you will go in Quick or Slow. there are several ways of finding out in time. If you are one of those fortunate people who can hear what the other bells are doing on the front-instead of. or as well as. seeing how they are leading-you can find out by ear wheller the six being rung is a Quick or Slow one. But many of us find that ropesight is casier than relying entirely on the ear.
Now for ringing touches of Stedman Triples we must also learn how to make a Single. Like the bob. it comes in Triples at the changeover of the sixes and not where we learnt it did in Doubles. You will have found in Grandsire and Plain Bob that. whercas a Bob affects three bells. a single affects only two. This rule still applies. At the six end. when a single has been called the bells in the fifth. sixih and seventh positions lie still. that is make fifths. sixths and sevenths place respectively. At a plain six the bell in sevenths would have done a whole pull there. so that hell is unaffected. At a boh the bell dodging in 4.5 up would have made fifths and then dodged in 4-5 down-and at a single it does just that. The other bell at the back is the one which has just dodged in 6-7 down and would have gone into $4-5$ down. Instead at the change of the sixes it makes sixths place and dodges up twice with the bell which had just made sevenths. It then. if there are no more calls. makes sevenths and dodges twice in 6-7 down.
The bell which made fifths will have been auay from the front for two whole sixes and will therefore go in the opposite way to which il came out. The bell which lay behind was unaffected and so will have been away from the front the normal four sixes, and so it will also go in the opposite way to which it canne out. The bell which made the single (sixths nlace) will stay hehind for two additional sixes. making six in all away from the front. so will likewise go in the opposite way to which it came out.

## 4 THE SLOW WORK IN DETAIL.

When you have got as far as this in your ringing of Stedman. you will find that many touches and peals come to grief-often you or aother member of the hand will suddenly be 'lost. usually when in the front work. Or, when a hell is coming in to the front. either that one. or one of those already there. is not sure of his work. You will lind it useful to go tack to the beginning and study the Slow work carefully. Notice where the handstrokes and treckstrokes come and uhcre the change over hetween the sixes takes place in relation to the
Slow worl Slow work

## POINTS TO NOTICE

1. Your thirds place at the start of the Slow work is made at hand and backstroke.

After passing through seconds place vour lead at the stasting of the first whole turn will he wrong (back and hand).

3. One blow in seconds and complete the first whole turn with a lead right (hand and back). NOTE.-This lead is the start of a Quick six.
4. Thirds place will be at back and hand.
5. The first half turn will be one blow at handstroke. NOTE. -This is the start of a Slow six.
6. Thirds place will be at hand and backstroke.
7. Your last half turn will be one blow at backstroke. NOTE.-This blow completes the six which was started with the first half turn. During this six your work has heen 1st, 2nd. $3 \mathrm{rd}, 3 \mathrm{rd}$. 2nd. 1st. This is the exact reverse of the work of a Quick bell which is 3rd. 2nd. Ist, 1st. 2nd. 3rd. and is the difference between the backward and forwarding hunting dealt with at the beginning of these notes.
8. Thirds place will be at back and handstroke.
9. Your lead at the start of the last whole furn will be right thaind and back). NOTE.This lead is the end of a Quick six.
10. One blow in seconds, and the completion of the last whole furn with a load wrong (back and hand).
11. Thirds place will be at hand and back before leaving the front at the changeover between the sixes.
12. The thirds places have not only alternated with the other parts of the Slow work. they have also been alternately places right and places wrong
13. In the middle of the first whole turn you made one blow in seconds while a bell (call it X) led one stroke as it did its last half turn. When you led one stroke in your first half turn. bell X was the one doing its last whole turn. and leading before and after your blow on the lead.
14. When you led once to do your last half turn another bell (call it Y) was doing its first whole turn and led before and after your one hlow at lead. In the middle of your last whole turn. when you do one blow in seconds, that same bell. Y. will do its first half turn.
15. When you are a Quick bell your lead will be right (hand and back) in the middle of the six. Before you led the bell doing its first whole turn will have led right. and after you led the bell doing its last whole turn will lead right.

No one is expected 10 learn all these things at once but if you look for them and gradually learn them while you are ringing you will find not only that it will be easier to keep your own bell right, but also that you will know what the bells you work with are doing. You will also find when you are dodging at the back that a glance at the bells in the front will tell you when the six end is coming and therefore when you move to the next dodging position. This latter is especially useful when ringing Stedman double handed.
When you reach this stage you will be ready to start conducting Stedman and will realise that this is not so difficult as it once seemed. But by then you will no longer be a beginner so this must conclude my article. If there are any parts of these notes which remind readers of the Snowdon 'Stedman.' my excuses are that my copy is out on loan. but some similarity is not unlikely as I had a hand in writing it before the war
(Concluded)

## THE EXTENT OF MAJOR

By J. SEGAR

## (Continued from page 29)

In a previous issue a skeleton table for composing and proving twelve part peals was introduced. There was also the proof of a peal of Plain Bob. the figures of which were held over. My selected calls for these skeletons include one single only in a part. After the fourth Wrong the coursing order is 8765000 or 8756000 and this is the clo to omit the bob at Middle and call the Single at Wrong. The coursing order when there is an omit at Wrong is 8760500 or 8750600 .
$\begin{array}{cccccc}13.440 \text { Plain Boh } & 13.440 & \text { Double Norwich } \\ 23456 \mathrm{~W} & \mathrm{M} & 23456 & 1 & 4\end{array}$

| 42635 |  | - | 53426 | S |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 64523 | - | - | 62354 | - | - |
| 56342 | - | - | 45263 | - | - |
| 45362 | - |  | 36542 | - | - |
| 35246 | S | - | 24635 | - | - |
| 23654 | - | - | 54236 |  | - |
| 62435 | - | - | 63452 | - | - |
| 46523 | - | - | 25364 | - | - |
| 54362 |  |  | 46523 |  |  |
| 34265 |  | - | 32645 | - | - |

Both to be repeated eleven times calling Single in sixth and twelfth parts instead of the last bob.
Perhaps someone knows who composed these a few hundred years ago. When writing the skeletons of the Double Norwich peal use two crosses for 2.3 and three noughts for 4.5.6. The part-end skeleton is now number seven in the table.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> Blackburn Branch

This year the Blackburn Branch annual meeting was held at St. Peter's. Burnley: The ringing started with Surprise-for all in the ringing room and especially for the Ringing Master, who, on commencing to lead the eight up in peal, discovered that only the hack seven needed raising! An enjoyable afternoon's ringing followed, and visitors from many 'foreign' parts were welcomed. After an excellent tea. provided by the Burnley ringers, the business meeting opened with Mr. R. Leigh in the chair. The report and balance shcet caused no controversy. Mr. N. Smith was clected Ringing Master for the next two years. and the acting secretary. Mr. J. Pilkington, having failed to disguise himself successfully, was elected for the remaining year of office as secretary. The secretary and Mr. R. Leigh were appointed to serve on the Association Committee. A rota of towers for meetings during the year is to be worked unon hy the Branch officials. and a suh-committee was appointed to organise a menorial to the late Mr. Charles W. Blakey. More will be heard of this when negotiations on the form and place are completed.

More ringing followed the votes of thanks. methods ranging from Plain Bob and Grandsire to Superlative and Yorkshire Surprise. Unfortunately a touch of three Spliced Plain Major containing four Plain Major methods came to an untimely end.

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## ENGAGEMENTS

BLOW-KEELEY.-The engagement is an nounced between John, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Blow, of Spade Oak. Horley, Surrey and Rachel. younger daughter of Mr . and Mrs H. G. Keeley, of Knaps Lodge. Lyme Regis, Dorset.

LEYLAND-BROWN.-I he engagement is announced between Mr. John Douglas Brian Leyland, of Prestwich, Lancs, and Miss Jean Catherine Brown, of Bowdon, Cheshire. 5587
BROWN-JACKSON.-The engagement i announced hetween Mr. David Colin Brown, of Bowdon, Cheshire, and Miss Ann Jackson, of Altrincham, Cheshire.
MAGGS-LAWSON.-The engagement is announced between Nigel J. Maggs, of 95, Stoke Lanc, Westbury, Bristal, and Ida M Litwson. of 58, The Dell. Westbury. Bristol

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## DEATH

PROCKSON. - On Jan. 10th, 1960, peacefully at her home in Orpington, Kent, Mrs. Rosa E. Prockson, beloved mother of Mabel and Bill, aged 78 years. May she rest in peace. 5623

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. Ronald I. Shepherd is now Conifers, 17, Wheatsheal Lane, Staines Middlesex. Tel. Staines 55389.

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## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery. -Practice meeting. Publow (6). Saturday, Jan. 16 th. Bells 5 p.m.-D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec 5603
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunt District.-Annual mecting, Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells: Godmanchester (8), 2.30 to 4 p.m. Huntingdon All Saints' (6), 3.45 to 4.30 . Service, All Saints', 4.30. Teal 5 p.m. in All Saints' Parish Room, followed by business meeting. All Saints' and St. Mary's (8), Huntingdon, available after tea.-M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec.
ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch Annual meeting, St. Peter's, Wisbech, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Own arrangements for tea.-J. Fox, Dis. Sec

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District -Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 16th, Earls Colne (8). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and business meeting. 5523
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guild ford District.-Annual District meeting, Guildford, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Ringing. St. Nicolas' 3 p.m. Service, St. Nicolas". 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting in St. Nicolas' Hall. Ringing at Holy Trinity and St. Mary's after meeting. A good attendance, please.
HAWKHURST GUILD.-Annual meeting, Hawkhurst, Saturday, Jan. 16th. 5548
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District.-Annual District meeting. St. Albans, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Ringing, St. Peter's, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, Cavalier Hall, Evening ringing, St. Stephen's. Any further ringing arrangenents will be made known in the afternoon.-S. Huckle, Dis. Sec. $555^{2}$

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District.- Quarterly meeting, Chatham, on Saturday. Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.

LADIES` GUILD.-North Western District -Annual meeting. Manchester Town Hall (jointly with Manchester Branch. Lancashire Association). Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Business meeting 4 p.m. Own arrangements for tea.-S. P. Wain. Dis. Sec. 5556
LADIES' GUILD.-South Wales District.Annual meeting, St. Woolos'. Newport, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.-J. S. King.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furness and Lake District Branch.-Practice meeting. Bowness, Saturday, Jan. 16th, 2.30 p.m. Names to F. Wilson. Woodside Bank Road. Winder-mere.-N. M. Newby, Branch Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 16th. St. Mary-atte-Bow. Stratford East, 3.30 to 5 p.m. Tea-own arrangements. Business meeting in vestry 6.15 p.m.. and further ringing. Everyone welcome. A good attendance requested.-Bullock. Dis. Sec.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. and W. District--A. G. M., Saturday. Jan. 16 th , St. Margaret's, Uxbridge. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.. followed by business meeting, election of officers, etc. Further ringing afterwards.-F.. R. Gotham. Hon. Dis. Sec.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. -Ncw ark District.-Annual meeting, Newark, Saturday, Jan. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-South West District. Meeting, Lavenham (8), Saturday, Jan. 16th Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5529 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION -Southern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting. Keymer (6). Saturday, Jan. 16 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. St. Mary`s. Lambeth. Monday, Jan. 18 th. 7.30 p.m. Special methods: Yorkshire Surprise Major and Grandsire Triples. Annual general meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Southwark Cathe dral, 2.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea, business and handhell competition 6 p.m. St. George-the-Martyr, 8 p.m.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Annual meeting. Wedmore. Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Tea and meeting to follow.-David H. White.

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Cary Branch.-Annual meeting. Castle Cary Jan. 23rd. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting
J. Badman, 54, Brookleigh. Street

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Chester Branch.-The annual meeting of the Branch will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, at the Cathedral. Chester. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 oclock, followed by business meeting. All requiring tea please notify me by irst post Wednesday, Jan. 20th.-Henry 0 Baker, 63, Parkgate Road, Chester.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch.-Woodchurch. Saturday, Jan. 23rd Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Wednesday previous. Annual dinner dance (Coach and Horses Inn. Moreton), Saturday. Feb. 27th, 5.30 p.m. till midnight. Tickets ( 18 s . 6d.) now available.Alexander J. Martin, 19. Falcon Road, Birkenhead.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Derby and Ilkeston District.-Monthly meeting. Spondon Saturday. Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 to 7 p.m. Tea, own arrangements, 5 p.m.-W. A. Morley. Dis,
DONCASTER DISTRICT SOCIETY. Meeting, Bawtry, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at local café.-
G. A. Watson. Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.E. District.Annual District meeting. Colchester. St. Peter's, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. followed by tea and business meeting. St. Leonard's (6) also available. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 20th, please, to Mr. H. J. Millatt, 301, Harwich Road. Colchester.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.The annual general meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford (10) on Siturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea, please. to G. Blakc. Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet. Harlow. Essex.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIO. CESAN ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester Branch. - Annual general meeting. Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. Upton St. Leonards. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 19th to Green. 30, Malvern Road, Gloucester.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Rural Branch.-Monthly meeting at Pucklechurch (6). Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service, tea and meeting to follow. - $F$. Hussey, 39 Gordon Avenue. Bristol, 5.5617 GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA TION.-South Forest Branch.-Meeting. Clearwell, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (4) 3 p.m Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing. New land (6). Names for tea.-Coombe. Oaklands Farm. Newnham, Glos. 5597 GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farn ham District.-Annual District meeting, Farnham (8). Suturday, Jan. 23rd, from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea hy previous Wednesday to Mr. C. W. Denyer. 15 Crondall Lane, Farnham, Surrey.-C. J. Bcadle Hon. Dis. Sec.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canter bury District.-Quarterly meeting. St. Peter's-in-Thanet (8), Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Reils 2.30
p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names, together with cash, please, by Jan. 20th to Miss S. Davis, 54, Albion Road, St. Peter's. Broadstairs.-T. C. P.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-Quarterly meeting. St. John's, Deptford, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 20 th, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Hinckley District.-Annual general meeting. Burbage. Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea in Old Schools 5 p.m. Names by Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. F. K. Measures, 58, Lychgate Lane, Burbage, Leics. Tel. Burbage 516. A good attendance is re-quested.-M. Vernon, Sec.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Market Harborough District.-Annual District meeting, Kibworth, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., St. Wilfred Hall. Names for tea by Jan. 20th to A. Martin. 54. Fleckney Road. Kibworth.-L. W. Allen. 5599 LINCOLN GUILD. North Lindsey Branch. -Annual meeting, Barton-on-Humber, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Tea 430. Meeting 5. Service 6 p.m. Names by Jan. 20 th to Mr. Hoodless, 11 , Molydyke, Barton-onHumber?
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Monmouth Branch.-Annual meeting, Usk, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business.-J. S. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Bicester and District Branch.-Quarterly meeting to be held at Stratton Audley (5) on Saturday. Jan. 23 rd . Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4 . Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by the previous Monday to C . Kinch. Causeway, Bicester.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - South Oxon Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Wheatley (6). Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 20th to W. Sheldon. Church Road. Wheatley, Oxon. 5581 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Bransh.-Amersham (6), Saturday, Jan, $23 \mathrm{rd}, 3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting 10. The Avenue, Old Windsor. 5596

PFTERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Wellingborough Branch. - Annual meeting at Wellingborough. All Hallows'. Saturday, Jan. 23 rd . Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to John E. Skervitt, Conway
Villa Lane. Stanwick. Wellingborough. 5546 Villa Lane. Stanwick. Wellingborough.
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ulworth Branch.-Annual meeting, Sulgrave Culworth Branch.-Annual meeting. Sulgrave,
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Eydon. Rugby. Eydon. Rugby.
SALISBURY borough Brarch - Meeting GUILD.-Marlday, Jan. 23rd. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer. 16. Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough.
Wilts. Wilts.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salishury Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, Salisbury Service at St. Thomas', 4.15 p.nı. Tea at Church House 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Bells: St. Paul's. afternoon and evening : St. Thomas'. 6.45 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea, please, by Jan. 19th to Miss Eloie, 8, Albany Road. Salisbury.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wimborne Branch.-Annual meeting. Wimborne, on Saturday. Jan. 23rd. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea for those who notify by Jan. 20th J. Davis, 13, Sandbanks Road. Parkstone.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting. Christ Church. Coscley, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m Names by Wednesday, Jan. 20th. to Mr. J. D. Holden, 22, Harding Street, Coseley, Bilston.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTIIS.-Annual general meeting. St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells availahle from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. followed by meeting. Names for tea to A.W. J. Butler. Roderick Road. London. N. W. 3.

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD. Annual general meeting at St. Mary's. Prittlewell, on Saturday, Jan, 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Ser-
vice 4.30 . Tea 5 followed by A.G.M. 5624

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Mansfield Disirict.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, Mansfield (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at Grove House. Names for tea by Thursday, 21 st, to Mrs. Adcock, 14, Windsor Road, Mansfield.-D. H. Rooke, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.- Northern Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's. South Croydon, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5, in St. Peter's Hall. Bells after. Names by Wednesday previous to Miss V. Potter, 9, Waverley Road, S.E.25.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. Waveriey Road, 5490

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. -Please note change of venue. Practice meeting, Salehurst, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to F. Beeney, Sec., Hillbrae, Carters Corner Road, Hailsham.

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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Andover District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, Andover (8). Bells from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, own arrangements. Business meeting, Church Room. Ring. ing afterwards

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION, Northern Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Brierley Hill, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 3 p.m. Service in Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane.
Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Next general meeting at Wakefield on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. General committee meet in Cathedral vestry at 3.15 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (3s. per head) in Brook Street Schools. Names by 21st to Mr. J. E. Kirhy. 53. Pinderfields Road. Wakefield. General meeting immediately afterwards. Bells available: Sandal (6), 2.30 to 4 p.m. ; Cathedral (12) immediately after meeting till 9 p.m.-L. W. G Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Brad ford, 9.

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DEVON GUILD.-S.W. Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Andrew's, Plymouth. Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea- 5 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 25th.-T. G. Myers. 79 . Regent Street. Plymouth. 5618 GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Chertsey District.-Annual District meeting. Hersham 18), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Ringing $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. J. King, The Hut, Thrupps Lane, Hersham
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Western District.-Annual general meeting on Saturday, Jan. 30th, at Hemel Hempstead. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Names for tea by Tuesday, Jan. 26th. to Mrs. J. Good. 83. Leys Road, Hemel Hempstead. No name. no tea.-J. Good, Dis. Sec. 5586
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Southern Branch.-Annual meeting, Grantham, Saturday Jan. 30th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 25th, to me.-F. G. Vickers, Ermine Street, Ancaster, Grantham, Lincs. 5608

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PETERBOROUGH DIOEESAN GUILD.Towcester Branch.-Annual meeting, Towcester Saturday, Jan. 30th. Service 3.30 p.m. Easton Neston bells will be available from 2 to 3 p.m. only. Names for tea essential by Monday previous to W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford. Buckingham.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. Northampton Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan, 30th, at The Holy Sepulchre Church Northampton. Bells 3 p.m. Tea, followed by meeting, 4.15. Evensong 6 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Billings, 61, Melville Street, Northampton.

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## RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.

BELL-RINGERS' ANNUAL DINNER Saturday, January 30th, 1960 at 7 p.m. Price 12 s . 6 d .
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Mr. J. R. Mayne and Mr. Frederick Sharpe (and his team of handbell ringers) Tickets available from Hatchett, Vicarage Flat, Church Strcet, Rickmansworth. 5535

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A.G.M. Saturday. Jan. 30th. Shrewsbury. Ringing, St. Mary's (10), 2.30 to 4.25 p.m. Service. St. Mary's, 4.30. Tea $50^{\circ}$ clock, followed by busi ness meeting. Ringing in evening at St. Chad's (12) from 7 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to F. Cattell, 51, Richmond Drive, Copthorne, Shrewsbury.

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OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.-Annual dinner, Saturday, Feb. 6th. Founder's Library, New College, 8 p.m. Ringing arrangements and tickets (15s. 6d.) from D. T. Darby, New College.

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## A SUSSEX TOWER'S CAROLS

For some years past the Wadhurst, Sussex. bellringers have toured the streets during the Christmas period playing carols on handbells, the collection averaging about $£ 15$ each year. At first this was put in the ' Death Watch Beetle' Fund, but after the bells had been rehung a belfry fund was created and all sorts of things connected with the ringers have been purchased-a belfry clock, a carpet, a new flag for the tower.

Last year's collection was used for the tuning and overhauling of the handbells by Messrs. White, of Appleton, and the work in hand at the moment is the provision of lock-up cupboards for the bells and the printing of the tower peal records. This ycar; illness and the weather caused two 'blank' cvenings and the collection amounted to only $£ 95 \mathrm{~s}$., but those who did hear the bells all spoke of the great improvement in tone since their overhaul.
One of the features of this carol ringing is the hospitality shown by many people; at one house this year we found waiting for us hot coffec and a cake in the shape of a bell. while at another we were 'guinea pigs' for a Christmas present of home-made wine.

## QUARTER PEALS

QUEEN CHARLTON, SOMERSET,-On Vec. 121h. 1.260 Doubles ( 240 each of Reverse Canterbury. Si Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Stedman and 60 Grandsire): D. Miller 1. Mary Powell 2, R. Short (cond.) 3, D. Purnell 4, C. Clarke 5.
RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.-On Chrismas Day 1.260 Minur (Plain Bob and Single Oxford) : Miss H. Young 1. R. Thatcher 2. D. Hoare (cond.) 3, I). Eades 4, J. Holbrouk 5, F. Certer 6
RAMSRURY, WILTS-On Dec. 15th, 1.440 Herwick Surprise Minor: Miss C. Lansley 1, Miss M. Wrighs 2. R. F. G. Iutan 3. A. T. Collins 4, A. R. Pcake (cond.) 5. B. Bladon 6. First in metbod by all. A birthday compliment to Miss J. A. Peake

## QUARTER PEALS

BEIWFORD.-On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: G. Shellard 1, C. Truman 2, W. J. Chester 3, S. Ivin (cond.) 4, S. Foskett 5, J. Linnell 6. F. Vickers 7, W. A. Yates 8, G. E. Green 9, G. W. Holland 10. First on ten bells for 1, 2 and 6.
CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On Dec. 27th, 1,320 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas', St, Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Jillian Outhwaite 1, J. Parker 2, N. Martin 3, D. Parker 4, D. Merger (cond.) 5, A. Wilsborough (first quarter) 6. For festival of nine lessons and carols.

DOWNTON, WILTS.-On Dec. 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Edwards (tirst quarter) 1. Miss M. Coffin (first of Triples) 2, M. D. G. Northway 3, M. L. Northway 4, A. W. Fry 5, C. W. White 6, J. Hartiess (cond.) 7. L. Buchanan 8.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT. On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann George 1, G. Fry (cond.) 2, E. C. Leigh 3, E. Jenner 4, J. T. Medhurst 5. E. J. Ladd 6. S. Jenner 7, A. Richardson 8. Rung for the Rev. N. Graham's 21 st year as Vicar of Edenbridec.

HORBLING, LINCS.-On Dec, 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. T. Rolt 1, G. S. Collishaw 2, F. T. Carford 3, J. E. Brown 4, L. Wilson 5, B. Brown (cond.) 6.
JESMOND, NEWCASTLE.-()n Dec. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob): M. Charlton 1, J. Scott 2, D. Ellisdon 3, J. Thorlev 4, N. D. J. Webb (cond.) 5, K. Ward 6. First for the King's College Guild of Change Ringers in more tha: one method.
NORTH OCKENDON, ESSEX.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Bibby 1, F. G. Richardson 2, J. Carrote 3. A. Gargrave 4. A. J. Salisbury (cond.) 5, E. G. Bailey 6. For the festival of nine lessons and carols.
OVERTON, WILTS.-On Dec. 3rd, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: M. Stanley 1, Miss C. Lansley 2. Miss M. Wright 3, R. E. G. Luton 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, B. Bladon 6. First in method 2. 3. and 4.

PRESTWICH, LANCS. On Dee. 27th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: J. D. B. Leyland 1. Miss K. Bell 2. Miss J. Brown 3. A. E. Recves 4. G. A. Hell 5. P. Reeves 6, F. Reynolds (cond.) 7, A. Leighton 8. To celebrate the Christmas restival, also to mark the engagement of the ringers of 1 and 3 .
WEST HAM, E.-On Dec. 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal : F. G. Richardson 1. Miss J. Peacock 2. Mrs. P. Salisbury 3. S. Penfold 4, A. J. Salisbury 5. D. M. Salisbury 6, J. McPhail 7, A. Gargrave 8, T. East 9, F. V. Gant (cond.) 10.

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## ANNUS IRAE - 1. KIDLINGTON

AREADER, browsing through Volume 17 of ' The Bell News,' will inevitably light on a series of controversies that once startled the Exercise, awakened the apathetic, and caused grave concern to the more cultured and delicate-minded ringers of the time. The first squall came suddenly in the month of April, 1899, and the storm, gathering to itself a succession of ancillary cyclonic disturbances, lasted, with uneasy periods of quietude, until April of the following year. Into these twelve months were crowded some of the bitterest recriminations, hottempered accusations, and inelegant forms of attack that the ringing fraternity has ever seen.
On April 3rd, 1899. William Pye conducted at Erith a record length of 15,072 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. Just over a month later James W. Washbrook and his band rang at Kidlington 17,042 in the same method, and Mr. Pye visited the Oxford village to hear the attempt that was to surpass his own fine effort. In "The Bell News' of June 10th he made known his opinion of the performance in no niggardly terms. He condemned the ringing as bad, accused Washbrook of cutting out four courses of the composition, and called upon ringers to reject the peal as a record in the method.

Washbrook, of course, denied these serious allegations and took comfort in the congratulatory letters that appeared alongside Mr. Pye's indictment. The attack was renewed, and the catchment area of the correspondents widened to draw in temperate letters from people like C. E. Borrett and A. C. R. Freeborn, and a majestic, if tactless, interposition by William Willson, of Leicester, who attempted to state the opposing cases and to sum up in the manner of a judge. This earned him a severe snubbing from William Pye, together with some injudicious reflections on Mr. Willson's competence as a ringer. This delighted Mr. Willson, who always loved a rough and tumble, and the battle continued in a far from elegant fashion.

Mr. Willson stated in round terms that he needed no grooming from Mr. Pye in the art of ringing, and declared his motive to be an impartial establishment of truth. In his heart he greatly resented the reflections made on him
and in his mind he determined to seek opportunity for retaliation. This, as we may see later, he found, or thought he had found. The Kidlington contest was now taking on a pattern, and an anti-Washbrook school was fully engaged with an anti-Pye school. William Barber was responsible for a letter in mild defence of Pye, a letter that led Plain Speaker, the gossip columnist of 'The Bell News,' to hint that W.H. B.'s communication had been inspired in other quarters. Mr. A. Pye attempted to imitate Mr. Willson's magisterial presentation of the case, only to be snubbed in his turn by Plain Speaker. By this time private communications were being exchanged, each side jockeying for position, and Washbrook invoked the aid of Mr. Hounslow and the Rev. F. E. Robinson. An interposition by Gabriel Lindoff showed a mildly pro-Pye attitude.

On July 29th there came, as might have been expected, a declaration by the band that rang the peal, and in the same issue the Editor announced: 'We have received another long letter from Mr. W. Pye on the long peal at Kidlington. Perhaps he will call at our office in connection therewith.' Meanwhile, on July 22nd, the Editor, shaking his head sadly, had planted his tongue firmly in his cheek and, deeply deploring the tone of the correspondence, printed letter after letter, and in what he called a reluctant reference to the great topic of the day, was able to announce that the circulation of the paper had considerably increased.

With a final letter from Mr. Pye the correspondence closed, the Editor having yielded to pressure from influential sources. But the leader of August 5th provided tantalising hints of further disputed peals and of the possibility of other awful disclosures. These were indeed to come, and when they did so they were fully exploited. Kidlington was but a beginning.

And now what of these men? A year or two later Pye and Washbrook met in Ireland. Goldsmith. in a short but dramatic passage. has recorded his apprehension at the thought of the meeting, and his relief when these two great men greeted each other in friendly fashion and so proved once more the generous nature that was the true foundation of their characters. Willson was, a few years later, to be the instrument that made the Kidlington dispute meaningless, and he it was who, at the prompting of a generous admiration, uttered spontaneous praise of the handbell peal of London Surprise rung by the brothers Pye and William Keeble. These were magnificent ringers. men of stout heart and indomitable courage, and their great deeds live for ever. Shall we, with all our faults, judge their frailties harshly?
E. C. S.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

MANCHESTER
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Town Hall.
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 42 cwt .2 gr. 25 lb . in B .

sixth and ninth.

## TEN BELL PEALS

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield and District Society.)
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5208 SPLICED PLAIN AND LITTLE BOB
Consisting of 936 Little Bob, 4,272 Pl
method.
Patricia Walker
Mrs. N. Chaddock
Barry Holland.. Dennis Holland Herbi:rt O. Chaddock .. Composed by Nolan Golden.
First peal of Spliced Plain and Little Bob Royal by all, in the county, and for the Association.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Jan. 1. 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB ROYAL
Tenor 21 cwt .
Vernon Forshaw .. .. Treble John Bagnall
W. Thomas Turner.

2
Ketth Newby
William Wall
ER..
3
James E. Dickinson .. 5
Composed by G. E. Feirn.
Lawrence D. Clemeni
Alan Capstick
8
9

First peal in the method by all
Rung for the birth of a son 10 Mr . and Mrs. Wall, both ringers at this tower.

## GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUILD

Ois Sat., Jun. 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.

## Cecil W. Pipe

hilda G. Snowden

- Claudia A. Critchley .. 3
*Charles I. Sedgley $\cdots \frac{4}{4}$

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb . in G .
*G. William Critchley.. 6
*DAVid H. Buxion .. .. 7
*J. Richard Castledine. . 8
*Roderick W. Pipe . . . . 9
John R. Mayne . . . . Tenor

* First peal of London Surprise Royal

MAIDSTONE. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 32 cwt .21 lb . in C sharp.

Geoffrey Pearson
Ian H. Oram
Thomas E. Sone
Robin G. Leale
William S. Deason.
Composed by J. W. Parker.

Trevor A. Cross Ralph Bird
Frfderick R. Scom.
A. Patrick Cannon

Ralph G. Enwards..... Tenor
Conducted by Robin G

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SWINTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 15 Minules,
Af the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAFOR Tenor 22 cwt.
G. Barbara Cooke

Treble Alan Sharples
Sidney Hough, jun... .. 2 Trevor Taylor
Neil Bennett
Chris. M. P. Johnson
3 Derek Taylor
Composed by C. W. Roberts
100th peal as conductor.
Rung as a bir!hday compliment to the treble ringer.

## ASHFORD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 1.664 Superlative, 1.632 Cambridge, 992 London, 768
Bristol, with all the work of the four methods for each bell.
Tenor 23 cwt .
Mrs. T. Cullingworth .. Treble Ralph Bird ...... 5
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Fredk. G. Huckstepp } & . . & 2 & \text { Mark } & \text { W. Marshall } & . . & 6 \\ \text { Ian H. Oram } & . . & . . & . . & 3 & \text { Mark } & \text { S. Lancefield } & . . \\ 7\end{array}$
Albert J. Lancefield ... 4 Thomas Cullingworth ... Tenor
Composed by H. G. Cashmore. Conducted by Mark S. Lancefield.
Rung haif-muffled for the passing of the old year.
BURTON LATIMER, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Jan. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5008 dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Barrie Hendry Tenor 10 cwt 1 l q. 13 lb . in F.
*Barbara Manship
Treble Patrick I. Cuapman $\dagger$ David W. James 2 Arthur Gibbs. †David W. James. 3
4 ¡Alan J. Frost A. Patrick Cannon $\quad .$. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberis. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 50$ th peal. $\ddagger 100 \mathrm{th}$ peal.
HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUTLD
On Fri., Jan. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of all Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 BEDFORD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr. 3 lb . in A .
Juan Beresford ... . Treble ${ }^{*}{ }^{*} \mathrm{H}$. George hart
*Claudia A. Critchley.. 2 *G. William Critchley.
6
7
*Elsie K. Hart
*Joan M. Wilcockson .. 4 †John R. Mayne .. ... Tenor
*First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First of Major in the method. First in the method on the bells.
A 2 Ist birthday compliment to the ringer of the seventh.
TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Jan. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.
At Cumst Church.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 23 t cwt.
Rita M. Jowetr
Treble Roger Leigh
John H. Fielden .. .. 2 John B. Pickup
B. Gillian Schofield .. 3 Petter Scholfield
W. Eric Critchley.. .. 4 Cyril Crossthwaite .. Temor

Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.
BEDWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minures.

## At the Church of All Saints. <br> A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt .18 lb , in G .
Martin C. Faulkes .. Treble $\mid$ Frederick E. Wilshaw Margaret E. L. Beamish 2 Leonard Trevor J. Edward Cawser

3 Graham T. Ball. W. Ernest Rawson ... 4 Tom Chapman Tom Chapman

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A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S MAJOR
Transposed from a Bob Major peal by H. Hubbard. Tenor 10 cwt . James E. Dickinson William Wall Alan Capstick W. Thomas Turner.

Treble
2
3
4 Keith Newby John Bagnall Jwronce D … ... 6 Lawrence D. Clement ..
Nicholas M. Newby
7 Nicholas M. N

Rung for the 50th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. Canon 3. S. Rimmer, Rector of Ulverston and hon. life member of the Lancashire Association.

HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
at the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.
John F. Plarson. - Claire Dillamore

Jack L. Millhouse

- Jane K. A. Cook Tenor 12 cwt . in A .
* First peal of Surprise Major

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son. Peter, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Willders.

## HORSHAM SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 2. 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Leonard Stilwell....Treble|*Birnard E. Matruews *Robin J. Elliott .. .. 2 *Herbert W. Woolven Frank H Hicks Plier H. Langton *E. Winifred Keys Composed by N. J. Pirsiow. * First peal of New Cambridge.

## HE ANCIENT

SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, at the Church of St. Ann, Stamford Hill, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES'
Pistow's variation
Wilirifd Williams
Williams .. Treble Ernest J. Rowe
alan F. Thirst .. .. 2 Frank L. Blewer William T. Cook .. .. 3 John Phili.ips

1. Desmond Painter .. 4 William A. Theobaid ... Tenor Conducted by Wilfred Williams.
First peal of Triples on the bells.
OSWESTRY, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan, 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-part.

- Valerie Lee

Colin Smith
tGuy Pickavance
H. H. Hughes

Treble 2

Ann F. A. Ellis J. R. Thomas Michaei. Hart +W. A. Smith

Tenor
Conducted by J. R. Thomas,
*First peal. † First of Triples. First as conductor. First peal hy a locally-trained band since 1932.
Rung in honour of the Vicar (Preb. A. R. Vincent), who was recently installed as a Prebendary of Lichfield Cathedral, and has also been elected a Proctor of the Convocation of Canterbury.

> ROTHWELL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE,

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ont Sat., Jan. 2, 1959, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes. Ar the Church of The Holr Trinir.
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt .3 lb .
*J. Keith Ward
Treble Patrick 1. Chapman

| 2 | John D. Rock.. |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Barrie Hendry.. |

Frederick R. Scott
David W. James
4
Robin G. Leale
$\dagger$ A. Patrick Cannon $\quad \cdots$ Temor Conducted by Robin G. Leale. * First peal (aged 14). $\dagger 25$ th peal of Superlative, in 25 different lowers. 50th peal on the bells.
Rung to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the return of Fyodor Dostoyevski to St. Petersburg after ten years' exile in Siberia.

## TARPORLEY. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN bOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Roy Foster
©Christophir Jonis
Mas: LL Lolve
Reginald if. Worrali
Composed by J. R. Pritcharo
*First peal of Major "inside."

Douglas Lowe
Jomin Ryinir
Harold W'orrail
tharry W. Howard ... Tenor
Conducted hy Marotd Worrall. 300 th peal.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Jan. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middleton's.
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
David A. Mellor .. .. Treble
George H. Paulson .. 2 Patricia A. M. Halls
J. Frank Smallwood

4 Ronald H. Bullen

| .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- |
| . | Tenor |

A golden wedding peal for Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smallwood.
WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 7, 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 FOXEARTH SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A.

## C. Edward Lankester .. Treble | Alick Cutler

Thomas J. Lock
Terry Earle
G. William Critchley.. .7

Brian bladon .. $. . . \quad . \quad 3$
Alfred J. House .. ..
John R. Mayne. . . . Tenor
Conducted by John R. Mayne.
Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method, which is the 8ths place variation of Feering.

## BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Edburg,
A PEAL OF 5088 BICESTER SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .7 lh . in F


Composed by H. W. Wilde.
First peal in the method.
Rung for the Feast of the Epiphany.

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\text { Notation: }-36-14-58-16-12-58.16-16,78 . \\
\text { 2nds place. Lead-end } 5738264 \text {. Bob 4ths. } \\
\text { F.C.H.'s: } 24365,32465,43265 .
\end{gathered}
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## CRAYFORD. KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saf., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of Sr. Paulinus.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 1.728 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire and 1.632 Superlative, with 86 changes of method.

Edwin A. Barnett
Sidney J. Woodcock
Robert Collins
Stanley Jenner
cwt.
5
Doris E. Colgate
Arthur S. Richards ar 4 Phirip A. Corby
Arranged and Conducted by E. A. Barnert. .. Tenor

* First peal of Spliced Surprise. Except that the tenors do not ring one lead of Cambridge, this arrangement contains all the work of the threo methods.


## KNEBWORTH. HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Jan. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
Ai ihe Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Jack S. Dear Tenor $12 \star \mathrm{cWt}$.
.. Treble Colin A. S. Harwood
Claudia A. Critchley
G. William Critchley.. *Leonard B. Scoot
*Edwin G. Buck
J. Richard Castledine... 7 Leonard B. Scoot ..... 4 Thomas J. Lock .. .. Tenor Composed by E. A. Barnett. Conducted by Claudia A. Critchley.

* First peal in the method.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ruth Robinson. for many years devoted friend of St. Mary's Church, and until recently Enrolling Member of the Mothers' Union.

## LONG SUTTON. LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat, Jan. 9. 1960, in 3 Huurs,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SU: MPRISE MAJOR
Jack L. Millhouse Tenor 15 cwt. 2 lb . in Frele Edin T. Chapman
Margaret A. Swann
Stanlet I: Benneti
-Ronald C. Noon
Edinin T. Chapman
Aibirt W. A. L.fggF
Aibirr W. A. Lafggftt
Glomfreti R. Parker
. 4 TNORMAN V. HARDAng .. Tenor
Composed by Chas. W. Roberts. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse:

* First peal of Bristol Surprise. † First of Bristol Surprise "inside.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

KETTERINGHAM, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Aug. 16, 1959, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
Bcing one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. Tenor 8 cw .

| William Clover | Treble | Bevan W. Willgress |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Tooke | 2 | Thomas E. Spight |
|  | 3 | Geoffrey R. D | Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.

* First peal in seven methods 'inside.'

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sat., Nov. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt 3 qr .14 lb . in B flat. V. ROY Tallis ..

Pamela M. Turner
Treble
2
Robert E. Tallis
Richard G. Morris.
Maurice C. Hughes
Rooer E. Tallis

Condücted by Rogrr E . TALLIS.
First peal as conductor. First of Minor on the bells by an all-local band.
A birthday compliment to the ringers of 4 and 5 .
NEWENT. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 5. 1959. in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, Ai the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE IDOUBLES
Being 411 six-scores (ten callings) one 240 Pitman's arrangement.

Conducted by Reginald Powell.
*First peal. † First 'inside.

## LOCKING, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Dec. 23, 1959, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

> Ar THE CHURCH of Sr. AUGUSTINE, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of four extents of Stedman, 12 of St. Simon's, 12 of Plain Bob and 14 of Grandsire.

Beorge Prescott $\ldots \quad .$. T | Treble Harold Hooper |  |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | David White | Tenor 7 cwt . 3 qr .12 lb. George Pres

Sam White

Conducted by George Prescott
The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.
GRLAT BRINGTON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Dec. 24, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents of Spliced Plain Bob. Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury, 20 of Plain Bob, 10 of Reverse Canterbury and 10 of Grandsire.

Conducted by Edward M. Thresher.

* First peal.

Rung for Christmas.
BENEFIELD. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon. Dec. 28 . 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 SINGLE OXFORD BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents
Cilarles L. Page .. .. Treble
Richard A. Webster
David C. Urquhart ... 3

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G . $\frac{2}{3}$ Auybey B. Clarke Conducted by Roy W. Spencer.
First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the fourth. EDGWARE, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Mon.. Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. Ar the Church of St. Margaret-of-Antioch. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, with $5-6$ the right way throughout.

| Elsie K. Hart | Treble | H. George Hart |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Harold N. Tembey | 2 | Harold E. Clayton. |
| B. Clare Webster | 3 | John R. Maynf. |

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* First pear.

Mr. H. N. Tembey, who comes from Cleator Moor, Cumberland, is staying in the district. His grand-daughter was christened the previous dily,

## GRAVELEY, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minuies,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 ABBEYVILLE DELIGHT MINOR
Being four extents and a 2,160 (C.C.C. Nos. 28-31, 37, 39, 36).
June I. Dear

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\text { Tenor } 9 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

Jack S. Dear
.. Treble J. Richard Castledine
.. Tr 2
Conducted hy Derek P. Jones.
First peal in the method (C.C.C. 4D.3).

## HASKETON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Double Court Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford T.B.. St. Clement's Bob, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr . in A flat.
$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}\text { Ernest G. Pearce ... Treble } & \text { Roderick W. Pipe } & \text {.. } & . & 4 \\ \text { *Clifford R. Lovett } & \text {.. } & 2 & \text { Cecil W. Pipe } & \text {.. } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 5\end{array}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { *Clifford R. Lovett } \\ & \text { James Bennett }\end{aligned} . .$.
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

* First peal in seven methods.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. Block, the tower captain.
STOKE D'ABERNON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Dec. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 17 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 16 extents of Plain Bob and 26 of Grandsire.
Tenor 3 cwt 3 qr .11 lb . in E .
Edward G. L. Coward . . Treble *Nicholas D. J. Webb
A. Pairick Cannon .. .. 2 †Adrienne Gibson

Catherine M. Powell .. Tenor
Conducted by Catherine M. Powell.

* First peal of Doubles. $\dagger$ First peal.

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. and Mrs. C. Marshatl on the gift of a son (December 27th).

ACCRINGTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Tues.. Dec. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents

Roger Leigh
Gurdon Rothwell... ... 2 . $\quad$ John P. Partingtion .. .. .. 5
*Michael. D. Fishwick .. 3 J. Barry Pickup. . . . . . Tenor

* 25th peal for the Association.

The first extent was rung silent; the other six were each called by a different member of the band, in order from treble to tenor.

TWYFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Dec. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Brian G. Warwick .. . . Treble
Brian Smili
Pairicia A. Wardle... .. $\quad 3$
Geoffrey M. Brlwin David T. Darby Alan E. Hartley
Conducted by Geopfrey M. Brewin.

## ILLSTON-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Dec. 30, 1959. in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of St. Clement's Bob. Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.; called alternately with three different extents of Plain Bob. Patricia A. Wardle.

Treble
Ernfist Morris
David T. Darby
E. . Tenor 8 cwt 2 qr .11 lb . in A flat. Geoffrey M. Brewin Martin Faulkes Alan E. Hartley

Tenor
Conducted by Alan E. Hartley.
LODDON. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Dec. 30. 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the Church of The: Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of St. Clement's Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt . in G.

 Trenor Conducted hy H. Wilitam Barrett.

- Tirst peal of Minor and first "inside.


## THORINGTON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being extents of London Bob, Hereward. Double Court, Court, Reverse Boh. Double Bob and Plain Bob. Donald B. Munro Treble George N. Orman Arthur G. Button Alan R. Andrews
an R. Andrews.

Tenor H. Frank Pike 2

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDR.WS. HE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs.. Dec. 31. 1959. in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes, At the Church of Si. Mary-in-the-Elms.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Kent and Oxford T.B. comhined, Kent T.B. Oxford T.B. and Cainbridge Surprise, called alternately with three different extents of Plain Boh. Tenor 121 cwt . in G Brian Smith brian G. Warwick $\begin{array}{c:c}\text { Treble } & \text { Geofrery M. Bre } \\ 2 & \text { David T. Darby }\end{array}$ Ernest Morris

Conducted by David T. Darby
BURGH. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUII.D
On Fri.. Jan. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
At hile Church of SS. Bololph and andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Being seven extents.
Treble
*Roderick W. Pipe.
Leslie. N. Melton. Cectl W. Pipi.
Ernest G. Pearce
Treble
*Clifford R. Lovett
3

GORING-ON-THAMES, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising an extent each of Double Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Trehle Boh. St. Clement's, Single Oxford. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob

* Peter Hart

Treble
William Birmingham
Ernest J. Munday
Alan R. Pink
5
Susan J. Slade.
2
Alan R. Pink
Alan R. Pink.
Cond

- First peal of Minor.

Rung for the Patronal Festival (December 29th), after meeting short for Major.

## KIMPTON, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sut., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minules. At the Church of SS. Peiter and Palit, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in three methods: (1) and (2) Oxford Treble Bob. (3) and (4) Kent Treble Boh, (5), (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt 2 qr .15 lb.
*lris M. Landfr .. . Treble Hrien Y. Price
John G. Culi .. .. .. 2 Donaid C. Prict Walter Ayre .. .. .. 3 Brian M. Barker Conducted hy Walter Ayrr.

* First peal and first attempt. First on the bells since rehanging. Rung for the Festival of Christmas.


## LITLINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 2, 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Katherine, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor $7 \ddagger$ Cwt. in A flat.
Edwin G. Buck .. .. Treble Leonard B. Scoot .. .. 4
*une I. Dear ... ... 2 Jack S. Dear
*F. Peter G. Flack .. 3 Colin A. S. Harwood .. Tenor Conducted by Colin A. S. Harwood.

* First peal "inside.


## MAIDS MORETON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

NON-ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Edmund.
A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .20 lb.


Joan M. Wilcockson .. 3 *Ronald A. Wrighi .. Telor Conducted by Ronald A. Wrighi.

- First neal in the method. $\dagger$ First of Minor. $\ddagger$ First of Minor inside." First as conductor. First in the method on the bells.
Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to David J. Taylor.
RADSTOCK, SOMERSET
THI BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jall. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 BURNABY DELIGHT MINOR

Being seven extents.
Eric C. Wadman
Treble
George W. Massey.
Ronaid G. Beick
3
Conducted Gy Gwilym Salmon
First peal in the method hy all the band, and for the Association.
SELLINDGE, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise two of Kent Treble Boh and three of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 93 9 cwt. Petier Jarvis .. .. .. Treble David Staples Rita A. Gower... .. ... 2 Crawford T. Hillis
Rosemary E. Gower .. 3 Mark W. Marshall.. .. Tenor
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 gr. 26 lb.
victor G. Roberts
Eric Nayior
GRIC Nayi.or
GWILYM Sal.mon

Rung to celebrate the restoration of the beils.
Rung to celebrate the restoration of the beils.

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Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Donald Havergal (Vicar). Who is leaving for the united parishes of Morcott with South Luffenham,
Rutland. Also to commemorate the centenary of the death of Bishop Doane. hymn writer. Done. hy Als.


Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
rprise Minor.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

Being seven 720's: (1) London and Wells Surprise. (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Cambridge and lpswich Surprise, (4) Double Court Bob, (5 St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford and Thelwall Boh, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Boh, (7) Double and Plain Boh. Tenor 10 cwt
Alan R. Syder ... ..Treble Urban W. Wildney
Marion H. Mills .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin
Bernard W. Fairhead... ${ }^{3}$ Terry Earle
Tenor
Conducted by $F$
WESTON-UNDER-PENYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
At . M, Chu , in 2 Hows and 45 Mimires
PEAL OF OF ST. Lawrence
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Double Oxford and Thelwall Bob, (2) St. Clement's and Childwall Bob. (3) Oxford Bob. (4) Camhridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, and (7) Plain Bob.
Howard Scott
M. Jo Moreton

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sar., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours amid 43 Mimmes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Comprising six $120^{\circ}$ s each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon's, April Day, Old, Plain Boh and Grandsire.
Vicior A. Perry
. . Treble

George F. Roome Tenor 61 cwl

Jacqueline A. D wining. 2 PE Amos alan R. Jones $\because \quad \ddot{ } \quad$. Tenor

TAXAL DERBYSHIRF
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt .23 lb . in G . AnNe P. Smith
. Treble + Carol Fernley
*KEIIH R. Birkin $\quad .$. $\dagger$ Eil.ben M. Fearn .. .. 3 ŁBrian J. Woodruffe . Tenor Conducted by John R. Kennett.

* First peal "inside.' $\dagger 25$ th peal together. $\ddagger 100$ th peal for the Association and 100th of Minor. First of Plain Bob as conductor.


## WATERINGBURY, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Being 42 six-scores ( 15 callings).
Arthur G. Mason .. . . Treble
Trevor A. Cross .. .. 2
Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 3 Hubert H. Furminger . . Tellor
Conducted by George J. Butcher,
First peal of Stedman Doubles by all except the ringer of the third. WHISSENDINE, RUTLAND.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Kent T.B. and Oxford Bob, and three of
Plain Bob.
Friderick Watson .. .. Treble
Harold T. Bonshor..
J. Harry Cook ...

Conducted by Roland H. Cook.
First peal of Minor in three methods on the bells
WICKWAR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Herbert T. Ferris .. Treble
*Gillian M. Hussey . . 2
Brynley A. Shackleton 3 Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor


## HANDBELL PEALS

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 1 Hour and 43 Minules,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Difrek M. Sawyir..... 1 - 2 | Ernfist Morris... ... .3 . 4
*B. Stedman Payne. . . 5-6
Conducled by B. Stidman Payni:.

* 50th peal logether.

BEDFORD.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in I Hour and 57 Minutes.
In the belfry of the Church of St. Paul.,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor size 11 in B .
*Jennifer M. Davies .. $1-2 \mid$ James R. Taylor
Bryan Pattison .. .. 5-6
Conducted by Bryan Patiison.

* First peal 'in hand.'

SELBY, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Selhy and District Society.)
On Fri., Jan, 1. 1960, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes, Ar 15. Portholme Drive.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRF, DOUBLES
Being 4? extents.
Tenor size 8 in C sharp.
T. H. FOStER

Barbara Hall
R. R. WARFOKD.

Barbara Hall ... .. 5 - 6
Conducted by R. R. Warford.
First peal "in hand'by all. First as conductor.
BECCLES, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 7, 1960, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes, at 8. Lady's Meadow.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Tenor size 14 in $D$.
Tenor size 14 in D
*H. William Barrett .. $1-2 \mid$ Trevor N. J. Bailey .. 3-4
E. Charles Bailey .. . . 5-6

Conducted by Trevor N. J. Balley.

* First peal of Doubles on handbells.


## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

## half peal.

GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, NORTHANTS.-On Dec. 12th, 2.520 Plain Bob Douhles: T. Wooding 1. A. Jones 2, G. F. Roome 3. P. Amos 4. A. C Cuzens (cond.)
TAXAL DERBYS. -On Dec. 19th, 2.832 Trebie Bub Minor 1720 Morning Star. 720 College Exercise. Nurbury, Ockley. Duke of Norfolk and Morning Slar. 720 Oxford. 672 Canel. Sandal. London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston and Oxford): Mrs. A. Richardson 1. B. Schofield (first in 10 methods inside') 2. M. Jillian Brierley 3. S. Hough, jun.. 4. A. Richardson 5. D. Montershead (cond.) 6. Runㅡㅡ in memoriam Samuel Denledge, a ringer at this church for many years.
WORMINGFORD. ESSEX.-On Jan. $1 \mathrm{st}, 2.520$ Minor ( 720 St . Clement's Bob and 1.800 ) Plain Boh): D. J. Webber (first half neal) 1. Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 2. D. E. Culham 3. W. J. Brunt 4. A. E. Legretu 5. A. W. Cansdale (cond.) 6. Rune as a
21st birthday compliment to Miss Evelvn Cansdale.

ASFORDBY, LEICS. - On Dec. $31 \mathrm{st}, 720$ Plain Bot Minor: Miss C. Whecler 1. R. Smith 2. J. H. Cook 3. A. E. Hinman 4, H. T. Bunshor 5, R. H. Cook (cond) 6. Also 720 Doubles (Pla in Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire): R. Smith 1. R. H. Cook 2, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 3, A. E. Hinman 4, J. H. Cook S, J. L. Panter 6. Rung haltmuflied for Mr. J. W. Hazelwood, who died on Decemher 24 th, aged 78 , hell ringer, sidesman and for 30 years Rector's warden.
ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.-On Jan. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Smith 1, W. E. Sniers (first 'inside') 2. Joy Smith 3, C. Phillins 4. R. G. Powell (cond.) 5, M. Powell 6.
ALVECHURCH, WORCs. On Dec. 20th. 1.360 Plain Bob Major: Tonie J. Critchley 1. Linda M. Hughes 2, Mary Funnell 3, Veronica Miles 4. Alma M. Greaves 5, R. J. Gay 6, N. J. Goodman 7. B. J. Woodruffe (cond) 8 .
BANWELL. SOMERSET,-On Dec. 9h. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. Rice (first Quarter) 1. Mariorie Legr (cond.) 2, G. Prescott 3. R. Brice 4. S. Smith 5, H. Marshall 6. H. A. Price 7. J. Baker 8 .
BAWTRY, YORKS. On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Godley 1. Nancy Worsdall (firsi in side') 2, F. J. Jackson (cond.) 3, F. Watkinson 4. R. Worsdall 5, A. Wilson 6. First quatter by

## ocal hand in this tower.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.-On Jan. 3rd, at the Church of St. Peter. 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Betty Stephenson 1. Ruth How 2, A. W. Bond 3. G. North 4. S. E. Armstrong (cond.) 5, F. Page 6, H. Woolven 7 ,
F. Lewis 8 An 85 th hirthdav compliment to Mrs. F. Lewis 8. An 85th hirthdav comoliment to Mrs. A. L. Armstrong, mother of the conductor.

BRISTOL.-On Dec, 12 th , at Si. Michael's Church. 1.260 St. Clement's Boh Minor: Mary Powell 1. D. Milier 2, D. Yeo 3. C. Clarke 4, M. Horseman 5, R.
Short (cond.) 6. Also at the Cathedral, on Dec. 18th.
1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. N. Evans (first of Minor) 1. Gillian M. Hussey 2, J. R. Goodenough (firsi of Minor) 3, A. Hoare 4, C. J. Richards 5. D. J. Huni (cond.) 6. Also at the Church of St. John's-on-theWall, on Dec. 28th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob \& Grandsire) : I. Buckland (first quarter) 1, M. J. Hobbs (first in two methods) 2, A. W. Githbs 3, D. J. Hunt 4. R. G. Hooper 5. Conducied by 3, 4 and 5.

BURSTOW. SURREY.-On Jan. 4ih. 1.260 Plain Boh and Canterbury Minor: D. Wilson 1. T. Padhury (first of Minor in two methads) 2. 1. Penfold 3. G. Charlion 4. W. Slauohter 5. A. J. Rull (cond.) For Matins.
CAPF: TOWN. S. AFRICA.-On Jan. 3rd. $1.26 n$ Plain Boh Minor: V. Shepnard 1. J. Rilev 2, L. Hewitt 3. H. Pitstow 4. R. Law (icond.) 5. J. Ernsizen 6. W. Smith cover. For Evensong: A welcome to the Rev. Roland. new Rector
CARLJSLE, CUMBERIAND.-At the Cathedral, on Jan 3rd, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss J. Hodeson 1. Miss A. Callum 2. S. Hodrson 3. A. Hodgron 4. A. Farsyith 5.1. Ling (cond.) 6. 1. Houstead 7. For Evensong and as a farewell to the ringer of 3 . who ioining H.M. Forces.
DARIINGITON, CO. DURHAM.-AI St. Cuthheri's Church. on Dec. 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mra. L. Warrior 1, T. M. Cox 2, Miss B. Conke 3. Mrs. R. M. Cooke 4. E. Pannell 5, J. Roach 6. T.
Conke (cond.) 7, L. Duffield $\%$.
FAREMAM, HANTS.-On Dec. 24th. 1.280 Kent Trehle Boh Major: Mrs. M. Bray 1, Mrs. J. Hunt 2, D. Jones 3. Mrs. A. Sturgess 4. J. Ball 5. G. Miles 6 . A. Sturgess 7. J. Hunt (cond.) 8. First is the metimd on Christmas Day, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Miss S Smith 1, J. Hum 2, J. Ball 3, Mrs. A. Sturress 4. I). Jones S, J. Sievenson 6, A. Sturgess (cond.) 7. A.

## QUARTER PEALS

GLOUCESTER.-At St. Mary-de-Crynt, on Dec 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Blowen 1, W Jones 2, J. Whiting 3, L. Edwards 4. J. Smars 5 , P. Allen 6, L. Barry (cond.) 7. T. Whiting 8. For the 25 th wedding anniversary of Mr . and Mrs. J. Whiting and the 30 th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jones,

GREAT SALKELD, CUMBERLAND.-On Dec. 121h, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Callum 1. S. Hodeson 2, A. Forsyth 3, J. Page 4, A. Hodgson 5. J. Ling (cond.) 6.

GULVAL, CORNWALL_-On Jan. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Foot (first auarter) 1, G. W. Taysom 2. V. G. Wood (cond.) 3. P. Gav (first ouarter) 4. J. G. Werrell 5. J. Williams 6. A 60th weddinz anniversary to their captain (Mr. W. Wood) and Mrs. Wood.
HIGH WYCOMRE, BLCES.-On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Wendy Gladwin (first auarter) 1 , Sheila Wallace 2. Margaret Tilburv 3. J. L. Hilton 4. A. Clutton 5, G. Marrison 6. S. M. Baitey (cond.) 7. D. Knux 8. For Evensung.

KING'S NORTON, WARWICKS.-On Dec. 6th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Tonie J. Crizchley 1. Linda M. Hughes 2. Mary Funnell 3, Veronica Miles 4. Susan Funnell 5. Alma M. Greaves 6. R. J. Gav 7. B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. First of Major for all excent 3 and 8. For Evening service. Alsu on Dece 20th, 1,399 Grandsire Trintes (from Holt's Original): Ann E. Fellows 1, Susan Funnell 2, Veronica Miles 3. Tonie J. Critchley (first 'inside ') 4. Mary Funnell 5. Linda M. Hushes 6. B. I. Woodruffe (cond.) 7. A. Miles 8. Alma M. Greaves 9. R. J. Gav 10. First quarter 1 and 8. Rung with 9. 8. 10 covering. A compliment to the ringers of 5 and 10 on their enragement. For evening service and nine lessons and carol service.

KINGSWOOD. SURREY.-On Jan. 10th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. R. Balcomb 1. Judith A. Harding 2, W. Margaret Balcomb 3. R. G. W. Robertson (first as cond.) 4. A. G. Clark 5. D. Hawkins (first quarter) 6. First of Plain Boh Doubles for all. For Evensong.
LONDON, S.E.-At St. John's Church. Waterlon Road, on Nov, 8th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, T. H. Taffender 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3. 1J. Mudd 4. C. W. Ottey 5, L, J. Battev 6, W. D. Grainger (cond.) 7, C. M. Meyer 8. Also at Si, George-the-Martyr, Southwark, on Nov. 15th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1. T. H. Taffender 2. Miss D. A. Deverell 3, L. J. Batley 4, C. M. Meyer 5. L. W. Bullock 6, W. D. Graineer (cond.) 7. C. W. Ottley 8 .

MANCHESTER.-On Dec. 6ih, at the Cathedral. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: R. Longden 1, Mrs. M. Tonge 2. Miss M. Walshaw 3, F. Barraclourh 4. H. Reynolds 5. B. Walshaw 6. G. Pye 7. J. Nelson 8. D. Ogden (cond.) 9, H. Longden 10. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Barracloush and Mr. and Mrs, $\mathbf{H}$. Lonsden.
MARHAMCHURCH, CORNWALL.-On Jan. 6th 1.4411 Plain Bob Minor: Lesley Sherwin (first of Minor) 1. C. Sanewin 2, H. Slacey 3, H. Trewin 4, R. J. Hicks (first 'inside') 5, C. E. Taylor (cond.) 6. For the Feast of the Epinhany and a birthdav comsliment to the conductor.
Nallsea. SOMERSET.-On Jan. 5th, 1,320 Plain Borb Doubles: H. Hardwidge 1. Mrs, R. Ouint 2. 1. Gondencush (first of Bith Doubles) 3. L. Derrick it. C. J. Richards (first as cond. and first of Buth Doubles) Mrs. R. Kortright 6.
NORTH WEALD. ESSEX.-On Dec, 29th, 1.260 Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh Minor: M. McQuis1an 1. Ann Hancock 2. Wendv Bnwak 3. L. Cordell . J. Mephail 5, W. Wedlock (eond.) 6. Alkn on Jan. 3rd. 1.260 Kent Treble Boh and Plain Both Minor: H. King 1, Ann Hancock 2. L. Cordell 3.
M. McOuisian 4. J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlack (cond.) 6 .
PETERSFIELD, HANTS.-On Jan. 10th. 1.26 tl Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterhury. Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. Hushes 1, K.
Sansom 2, Mrs. R. T. Jones 3, K. Tinner 4, R, T. Sansom 2, Mrs, R. T. Jones 3, K. Tinner 4, R. T,
Jones (cond.) 5, R. Walker (first auarer) 6 . For Evensong.

PENRITH. CUMRERLAND.-On Dec. 12th. 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Hodeson 1, J. Line 2. Miss A. Callum
PURITON, SOMIPRSET.-On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Douhles: J. J. Ford 1. R. Ford 2. C. T. Clarke (cond.) 3, R. D. Short 4, D. Miller 5. E. J. Ford 6. A birthday compliment to Robin Ford.

PUTNEY, S.W.-On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Burch 1, D. Woodham 2, B. Coatsworth 3. 1. Allen (first of Triples) 4. C. Mew (first of Triples 'inside') 5, A. Clavton 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7, B. Bull 8. For Matins.
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX. On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Ellis 1, M. Halletı 2, F. May 3, G. Blower (first in method) 4, R. Tomlin 5. G. Sandwell 6. A. House (cond.) 7. E. Bluwer 8. For Evensong.

RUCMESTER, KENT.-At the Cathedral, on Jan. 9th, 1.260 Grandsite Triples: Miss E. Wharton ffirst of Trinles) 1, T. Beaumont 2, W. A. J. Knight (cond) 3. R. E. Norris 4. A. Wriplev 5. C. J. Gould 6. C. E. J. Norris 7. D. Norris 8.

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.-On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Minor (Canterbury and Plain Bob) : S. Hardy 1, F. Gorringe (cond.) 2, R. Beard 3. F. G. Wheller 4, P. Braund 5. B. Aldridge 6. Rung as a 34 th wedding anniversary and also a 72nd birthdav compliment to B. Aldridge.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.-On Jan, 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bub Major: V. A. Hemming 1, Miss J. Rohinson 2, Miss P. M. Turner (first of Major) 3, J. K. Font 4, R. E. Tallis (jun.) 5, R. C. Warburton 6, M. C. Hughes 7, P. S. Bennelt (comn, and cond) 8. First of Major 'inside' 2 and 7.
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Dec. 27ih. 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Valerie Hoby 1, C. T. Blundell 2, F. R. Scott 3, S. B. Dobbie 4, L. Stilwell 5. Pamela M. Jervis 6. J. K. Ward (first cuarter of Royal) 7 . W. D. Ward 8, W. Birmingham (cond.) 9. J. C. Birt 10. For the visit of L. Stilwell (Worthing) and S. Dohbie (Sittingbourne).

STEPNEY, E.-At St. Dunstan's and All Saints' Church, on Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Scotcher 1. L. Fox (cond.) 2. A. Lewry 3. Elizabeth Stevinson 4. H. Fieedon 5, I. Sheldrick 6. First attemnt for 1 and 6 . For Evensong.
STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Jan. 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Dovey 1, Mrs. J. Chacksfield 2, Jeffrey Charman (first 'inside') 3, Jean Horton 4, B. J. Farhall (cond.) 5, J. Chacksfield 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 3.
SWANMORE, HANTS.-On Jan. 7th. 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): T. W. Hargreaves (first quarter) 1. Miss B. J. Daysh 2, Miss D. G. Smith 3, Mrs. R. T. Jones 4. R. T. Jones (eand ) 5, R. Sherwood (first quarter) 6.
TEWIN, HERTS.-On Dec. 20hh, 1,260 Grandsire and Bob Douhtes: F. Garrod 1. D. Gambling 2, Mise A. M. Bailey (cond.) 3, H. Shire 4. P. Wooster 5. C. Geeves 6. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Mrs. M. Holmes, wife of a local ringer, who died on Decemher 13 th .
THAMES DITTON, SLRREY.-On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: D. Leach 1. Mrs. A. Smith 2, A. Smith 3, D. Lambert 4, R. Canom 5, F. E. Hawthome (cond.) 6. For patronal festival. Also on Dec. 20th, 1.260 Plain Rob Minor: Miss J. Hills 1. Mrs. A. Smith 2, R. Caporn 3, D. Lamberi 4. F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. For Confirmation service. Also on Dec. 31st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Ieach 1, Mrs. A. Smith 2, A. Smith 3. D. Lamhert 4. R. Caporn 5, F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffied for the nassing of 1959.

WATFORD, IERTS.-On Jan. 3rd. 1.2 ha Plain Bob Major: B. B. Hullah 1, P. E. Pratl 2, Rosemary S. Hawkes 3. R. G. Smith 4. S. F. Dolley S. R. G. Bell 6. D. Laud 7, G. W. Seaman (cond.) 8. First of Major for 1 and 3. For Evensong.
WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO. DURHAM.-On Jan. 9th. 1.260 Kent Treble Boh Major: W: Manehan 1. F. Hodgson 2. Margareı Machin 3. Mrs. T. Cooke 4. Ruth Anderson S. I. Wikidman 6. P. Draflan 7. T. Cooke 8. A comnliment to the Vicar (ihe Rev. II. Hancock) on his recent annointment as Honorary Canon of Durham Cathedral.

Whatley, somerset.-On jan. Int, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Pavne (first euarier) 1. S. J. llillard 2. Miss E. D. Overend (first as cond.) 3. R. Ahbert 4. N. Aher (first 'invide') 5, A. Pavne (irst quarter)
WHITRY, YORKS.-()n Dec, 31st, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: J. Lamerton 1. June Mallinson 2. J. Waller Coates (cond.) 4. Kathleen Mallinson 5 ,
6. A. Sykes 7, F. Lamerton 8. For Watch Night service.
WICKHAM ST. PAUL, ESSEX.-On Christmas Day, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubtes: S. T. Bird (first euarter) 1 . C. Corder 2. C. A. Weavers 3. A. Bird 4, T. Bird (cond.) 5
WOITON-UNDER-EDGE, GLOS.-On Jan. 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: B. Brown (first guarter) 1. E. Cooksley (first 'inside') 2. A. Gibhs 3, W. Richings 4. P. Allen 5, L. Barry (cond.) 6, F. Boreham 7. F. Blowen 8. For the 25 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Richings.

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Though not 'as weak as a robin' a ringer at Whatley, Somerset, was knocked down by a wren during the Christmas 11nging. Poor Jenny had crept into the room below the bells and must have flown into a moving rope. The sally dropped behind the unfortunate ringer, who was thrown into a corner, luckily with no damage beyond bruises.
The first quarter peal by a local band at Bawtry, Yorkshire, was rung on January 3rd. Congratulations, and many more.
The boys' paper 'Eagle' for Jan. 2nd had a full-page article on Ringing-in the New ' by Ernest Morris. It is illustrated by six nicelyproduced photos of hells and ringers.
The new hon. secretary of the North Stafiordshire Association is Mr. J. G. Burton, 71, Bagnall Road, Milton, Stoke-on-Trent. Mr. A. D. Steele is the new hon. treasurer.
Mr. Albert Lawton has retired from the captaincy of St. Peter's, Broughton. Staffs, His successor is Mr. H. Roberts. The Post Office, Wetwood, Eccleshall, to whom visiting bands should write.
Teams of handbell ringers from Rotherham Parish Church and High School by ringing carols in a market stall on December 19th collected $£ 22$ from the public for the Church Repair Fund. A further $£ 7$ was raised by other carol ringing.
The third peal at Little Shelford, Cambridge. on the bells will be the last before the bells are rehung. The ringers have raised sufficient money to provide a sixth bell. The church has nearly completed its share by raising money to have the bells rehung, the present frame being regarded as unsafe.

Putney ringers were set a task during a service of Nine Lessons and Carols. Before and after the carol, ' Ding, dong, merrily on high,' they had to ring twelve rounds and six rounds between each verse. Tension in the belfry was at breaking point. Would cach ringer 'Stand'?

## GOSSIP

The Christmas collection of Great Glen Handbell Ringers amounted to $£ 73$ 13s. 1d. This Society has been going since 1926 and this year donations have bcen sent to Dr. Bamardo's Homes $£ 25$, Wireless for the Blind 115 , Imperial Cancer Researcli £10, National Spastics Society $£ 10$, World Refugee Fund $£ 10$, Bell Repair Fund $£ 3$.

The new hon. secretary of the Kettering Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild is Mr. Marray A. Coleman, of 16, Greening Avenue, Rothwell.

Mr. D. Haynes, a former secretary of the Kettering Branch, has been recently ordained to serve in the Rochester Diocese.

A quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was arranged for Mr. H. Pitstow at Cape Town. He is sailing home on the 'Athlone Castle, after his eight weeks' stay in North and South Rhodesia.

At the annual ringing of the Northern Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association Mr. David Heighton was congratulated on heing awarded the degrees of M.B., Ch.B.. by Bristol University.

Visiting ringers from Dore, Harthill and Thrybergh helped to make Rotherham ringers ${ }^{\circ}$ party a huge success on January 6th. Thirtyeight ringers and friends attended. Pat Walker and her helpers prepared a sumptuous repast between games and dancing organised by Susan Chaddock and Raymond Woodward. Mr. Norman Chaddock acted as M.C.

The last time the local band at St. Osward's, Oswestry, scored a peal was in 1932 and now they have rung two in a week-end. Success came after repeated failures by the young band to honour their Vicar, Preb. A. R. Vincent, on his appointment as a Prebendary of Lichfield Cathedral and a Proctor of Convocation. Miss Valerie Lee rung the treble to her first peal on the Saturday and her "first inside" the following day-both faultess performances.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

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## Reason For A Peal

The outsider would gasp with astonishment that ringers from London and other places would journey to Rothwell in Northamptonshire, 10 ring a peal to commemorate the 100 th anniversary of the return of Fyodor Dostoyevski to St Petersburg after ten years' exile in Siberia. Dostoyevski visited England in 1862 and 1863. While the main theme of many of his novels was the problem of human liberty and of the justification of Ciod, to commemorate with a peal a man who died in 1881 and had little association with this country is strange. Only ringers can understand such action.
If the truth was admilled, we believe that the band met primarily to ring a good peal of Superlative, and the reason for the peal was an afterthought of one of the brainy members of the party. Young readers will find Dostoyevski's work hard going to reat, bit he is said (1) have influenced European literature more than any other single writer.

## O.B.E. FOR BOLTON RINGER

For his skill and management in the en gineering section of the Wynscale Atomic Station. Mr. Titus Barlow has been appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire. When his duties permit he is a ringer at St. Mary's Church. Deane. He has rung a number of peals in various methods but his peal ringing activities have had to be curtailed.
In memory of his father, Titus Barlow, who was a ringer at this church for over 50 years and a stalwart of the Lancashire Association. Mr. Barlow gave the tenor to the church when the bells were recast in 1957. His sister paid for the seventh in memory of her mother and the third bell was provided by other members of the family.

To honour Mr. Barlow's name appearmg in the New Year's Honours List a peal was rung on Deane bells this month. The hand and met them at the conclusion. The inger of the treble, Miss Elaine A. Richardon, comes from Lincolnshire and is a niece of the late Mr. Rupert Richardson. She is now in Bolton on a course for nursing.

## COURSES IN BELL-RINGING

Dear Sir,-At the last Central Council meet ing the Sunday Service Ringing Committee was asked to investigate the possibility of obtaining the co-operation of education authorities in the establishment of courses in bell-ringing. One week-end residential course, which will include two members of this committee amongst its tutors, has been arranged, and it is known that some progress is being made in the establishment of other similar courses at one or two centres during 1960. Information of any other courses arranged is sought so that overlapping may be avoided and as large an area as possihle catered for. Exchange of ideas between various organisers could also be most helpful.
I should be grateful to receive information ahout dates, location, syllabus, area catered for, charges. of any projected courses, either by letter to "The Ringing World ' or to me.
In order that an overall picture may be obtained of the extent to which local education authorities have provided evening classes in hell-ringing this winter. I shall be pleased if all concerned in such classes will send me information about them. Copies of suggestions for a syllabus for evening classes in bell-ringing are qvailable from me (stamped addressed envelope. please).
Though we will give all possible help as regards courses in hell-ringing, we feel that it rests with Associations to initiate action where desired. either by contacting their local education authority or seeking information from this Committee.-Yours, etc.

NORMAN CHADDOCK. Convener. Central Council Committee on Sunday Service 17. Herringthorpe Grove,

Broom, Rotherham.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No.



## MR. EDWIN A. BARNETT

## (Secretary of the Central Council)

Mr. E. A. Barnctt comes from a ringing family and married into a ringing family. His grandfather (termed Grandfather Barnett by those who knew him) rang at the famous tower of St. Paulinus', Crayford, for 43 years, and his father (Long Teddy) has rung af the same church for 65 years.
Young Teddy, who first saw the light in 1918 , began his ringing career at a very early age and rang his first peal in 1929, when he was 11 years old. When he was 12
he conducted a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. By the time he was 13 he had rung peals of Surprise Major in the four standard methods and had conducted a peal of Cambridge Major from a working bell. The peal was the last io which Grandfather Barnett took part. At 14 he was ringing peals of Spliced Surprise Major and Cambridge Royal. At 15 he was conducting peals of Yorkshire and Pudsey and at 17 he was calling peals of Bristol. He conducted the first peals ever rung of Painswick, College and Pulford Bob, Erith. Little Bob Royal and Canterbury Pleasure Triples.

On handbells he was equally brilliant and his peals include 6,240 and 13,664 Double Norwich-which is the record. In the field of composition he has distinguished himself by producing many fine compositions, and his knowledge of this subject is colossal.

During the last war he served in the R.A.F. and at its conclusion he was attached to the Air Ministry. He suffered a serious illness, which curtailed much of his peal ringing activity, but it is most pleasing to note that he takes part in an occasional peal. and up to date he has rung 615 peals, 449 of them on tower bells ( 181 at Crayford) rung in 100 towers. conducted 121; and 166 on handbells.
In 1942 he marricd Olive. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, and glanddaughter of thec late Frank Bennett. They have one daughter, Jean, who, of course, has learned to ring at Crayford.

Mr. Barnett was elected to the Central Council in 1945 as Kent County Assoctatıon representative, and served on the Biographies, Methods and Peals Collection Committees. In 1952 he was elected secretary of the Central Council and he has impressed everybody by his efficient handling of its affairs. He has produced (in conjunction with C. K. Lewis) the Central Council's Handbook-which has proved to be invaluable io all members of the Council. In 1957 the Kent County Association honoured him by electing him vicepresident.

JAFUS.

## Peterborough Diocesan Guild - Kettering Branch

The annual meeting of the Kettering Branch was held (for the first time for seven years) at Burton Latimer on January 9 th. There was an attendance of over 40, including several visitors. The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. R. W. Sharpley), the lesson being read and the Blessing given by Canon G. F. Turner, president of the Guild.

An excellent tea was served in the Conservative Club (' we never had it so good!') by friends and relations of the ringers, and this was followed by the lengthy business meeting. The president welcomed the visitors, who included the Guild Master, Mr. P. I. Chapman, and Major Sansome, who has recently joined the diocese as adviser on Christian Stewardship.

The president paid tribute to the life of Mr . M. A. Turner, whose death occurred recently in the U.S.A., and those present stood in silence as a token of their respect. Sympathy was expressed to his brother, Mr. R. F. Turner, of Kettering, who replied briefly.

The new peal certificates were on view, and Mr. Ginns. of Weldon, said that one of his band, who had gained one, was training for the Ministry.

Although it was decided not to hold midweek practices for the Branch during the winter months. there was a heated discussion on the lack of help heing given to isolated bands such as Rushton. Stoke Albany and Geddington. Mr. Austin agreed to get some information before the next quarterly meeting which, it is hoped, will be at Weekley on April 2nd. The next A.G.M. will be at Desborough on January 14ih, 1961.

The officers for 1960 will be changed in two respects from 1959. Mr. Austin, as Central Council representative, is now ex-officio on the general committee, and his place is taken by

Mr. A. Frost. The secretary-treasurer for the past three years, Miss S. R. Collins, resigned, as she may be leaving the district during the year, and was replaced by Mr. M. A. Coleman. Paying tribute to her work for the Branch. the president thanked the retiring secretary for her services and wished her success in the future.
Three new members from Burton Latimer were elected, and Thorpe Malsor tower became affiliated to the Guild.

Ringing took place on the bells of St. Mary's at speeds to suit all tastes: there is a divergence of opinion as to the, best speed for this 10 ewt . ring. Methods up to Bristol were rung, and it was encouraging to see the younger generation trying their hand at new methods.

## Tips For Beginners-4

If a bell is odd-struck it will be quick at one stroke and slow at the orher. A common fault is to correct the slowness at the one stroke but to forget to 'keep the bell off " at the other stroke.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Visitors from County Durham, Lancashire and Lincolnshire were among the company of 40 ringers at the winter meeting of the Eastern District, held at Hull on January 2nd. The Vicar (the Rev. R. Iliff) conducted the service and gave an address. Mr. H. Walker presided at the business meeting, when Pocklington was selected for the next meeting (possibly April 2nd). A collection for the Association's Bell Repair Fund realised $£ 1$ 2s. 3d.

## HOW TO BECOME THE 'COMPLEAT' RINGER

Or A Bucks Course On Bell-ringing ATHOUGH the weather-to say nothing of the lecture room!-was cold enough to chill the ardour of the most enthusiastic novice. or of any other grade of ringer for that matter, about 30 , later swelling to 40 , turned up for the one-day instructional course organised by the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. More would probably have been attracted to High Wycombe Guildhall on January 9th had they known in advance that the Central Council's prestdent and No. 1 lecturer, Mr. Frederick Sharpe, and its No. 1 adviser on beginners, Mr. Wilfrid Wilson, were to be chief speakers.
With the aid of a bellrope neatly wrapped round the lintel of a door, Mr. Arthur Barker, Oxford Guild treasurer, explained for the benefit of both beginners and local instructors how one should learn and teach bell handling. Later a practical demonstration was glven in Wycombe belfry.
Mr. Wilson's theme was the best approach to the hurdle of how to learo the rudiments of sclentific change ringing. He emphasised that one must not be dogmatic about thesc things and carefully developed his subject so as not to offend either the Plain Bob or the Grandsire schoois of teaching.
Success in launching a young ringer into plain hunting, he said, was assured by making things as difficult as possible for him. such as changing the method, or calling bobs, of starting off from anything but rounds. He then taught us 'Flying Dutchman,' a system of ringing for beginners which always kent the bells in a coursing order helpful to both ringer and conductor, and had the great merit that rounds could be brought up when required. apart from which they would never appear.
He insisted that, in teaching heginners, we must, to quote his own words. 'avoid , "using technical terms-words like "dodging," for example, He didn't lead us up the garden.' but took us upstairs one at a time, allowed us only two steps on the landing and then brought us straight down again. He even perpetrated the heresy of advising us to make, our young people into 'tower snatchers.' His justification was that a young ringer in a new tower among unknown ringers and on strange bells wil! do his utmost to put up. a good show for the sake of his own prestige and the reputation of his tower. Returning to his home tower he argues to himself, ${ }^{1}$ am used to these bells: I can do better here -and he always does. Therefore, all you possesslve instructors. don't keep your youngsters tied to your apron strings or accompany them everywhere they go.
Wilfrid next showed us how to play the game 'Beat the belfry clock.' He explained how. by switching from Plain Bob to Little Bob or Double Bob, we can alwavs beat the clock just in time for service. Conducting. too, was child's play. After completely filling a hoard with W's. B's. M's. H's and columns of abstruse mathematics. he reduced them all to algebra and converted abe to bea or cab. By anplying this elementary algebra to peals of Plain Bob, Kent, Double Norwich or Cambridge, they were reduced to two-a-penny. Unforturately he omitted to say what to do if we are no good at algebra.

## ABOUT BELLS

Mr. Fred Sharpe destroyed our spiritual complacency by confronting us with alt the things we had not done with our bells. Had we examined the crown staples to sce whether
at any moment a bell might fall in two halves. at any moment a bell might fall in two halves.
being split open by the expansion of the staple due to rusting? Had we looked lately to see
how much deeper was the dent in the bell where the clapper struck, or would we prefer to buy a new bell?
Had we attended to the rust on the rolled steel joists below the bell frame? Only recently one church had to have its girders renewed through such shameful dereliction of duty. The cast iron frame, apparently, was not such a load on our conscience, as this couldn't deteriorate quite as rapidly. That was about the only crumb of comfort Mr . Sharpe could feed us. Did we realise that such an apparent trifle as where the ropes fell might, or might not, bring the tower down on our heads?

Mr. Tim Glass, of Windsor, who has spliced more ropes for Her Majesty's telephone service than there are changes in a quarter peal. deftly demonstrated both the long and the short splice. PALUDIAN.

## Peal Ringers Of 1959

Will those ringers who rang 25 peals or more during 1959 please send details to the Editor as soon as possible.

To relax our poor overworked brains after so much concentrated listening and assimulation it was most gratifying, as well as amazing, how well they functioned when responding to the call for a half-course of Cambridge Royal.
We had all learned something, from the greatest to the least, and a great debt of gratitude is due to Tony and Doreen Cox for all the stuff work and publicity which made such a successful day. This was a splended 1s. 6d. worth. and if the next Oxford Guild course at Radley, from Friday evening, April 29th, to Sunday afternoon, May 1 st, is as good, we'll be there-even if we are lectured to in a refrigerated room. PALUDIAN.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Ashford District

Wintry weather kept the attendance down to about 30 ringers at the first quarterly meeting of the year at New Romney on January 9th. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. F. S. Martin). The Rev J. Green read the lesson and Mr. K. Tullett was at the organ. Afterwards tea was enjoyed in the warm and cosy atmosphere of the Victoria Arms. Five new members were elected. Mr. T. Collingworth acted as Ringing Master, but members had an "off day' as far as Major ringing was concerned.

## Another Tower Reclaimed - St. Peter's, Jarrow

MENTION of the town of Jarrow-on-Tyne conjures up in the minds of many people two very contrasting impressions. The first is of the Venerable Bede and the early Christian Church in this country, with its message of joy and hope. The second is of the depression of the early 1930's and its associated hunger marches-a story of sorrow and despair

These features of hope and despondency are not without relevance in present-day Jarrow, and especially so in the parish of St. Peter. The parish church, dating from 1881, is brick built with a slender south-east tower and spire, and is situated close to the banks of the River Tyne. The tower contains a ring of six bells (tenor 8 cwt.), cast by Warners in 1883, and ringing was regular from their earliest days to the outbreak of the last war. In that time 11 peals were rung on these bells, and the tower was a happy hunting ground in the 1920 's for that well-known character the late 'Uncle Joe" Sikes.
During the last war the spire became a casualty when the cable of a breakaway barrage balloon became entwined round the weathercock and tore off the lop portion. The spire has not been entirely restored and is now permanently truncated. In addition, with the termination of the war, Jarrow began a period of prosperity and renewed hope, and a great scheme of building development was begun, involving the demolition of great tracts of old property, much of which was situated around St. Peter's Church. so that where formerly the church was surrounded by dwelling houses it now stands in an almost desolate waste. As a consequence. the population of the parish has greatly diminished and the small but faithful congregation is now largely 'gathered.'

With all these vicissitudes in the church's life it is not surprising that the bells of St. Peter's have been silent for the past 20 years and the local ringers have dispersed. Until recently, there had been doubt as to whether the tower would still be strong enough to support further ringing and whether the bells themselves were in a fit state after such a spell of disuse. Following a private discussion between certain officials of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan

Association, Mr. C. N. Lea (vice-president of the Eastern District) made contact with the St. Peter's P.C.C. and offered to make a survey of the tower and bells with a view to restarting ringing and teaching a new local band. The P.C.C. showed themselves agreeable and extended a welcome to the proposed visit. Thus on a Saturday last July Mr. Lea, ably aided and abetted by the president and one or two Association members, made an exploratory visit to St. Peter's tower and found that apart from an accumulation of dirt, a few slack bolts and a lack of ropes. the individual bells were in a ringable condition. The tower and bell frame appeared to be quite sound and free from movement. A further visit with a working party was then arranged, and on November 2lst a party of volunteers, complete with spanners, lubricants and bell ropes, set to with a will to make up for a lack of over 20 years of maintenance on these bells. After two to three hours the work was completed, and the pleasing ring of six rang out for the first time since before 1939 with touches of Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise.

The success of this venture did not end here. however. for the enthusiasm of the visitors had proved contagious, and several of the parishsioners, including two former ringers at the church, came to see and hear the ringing. resulting in a request for still further visits from the Association both to ring and help train local ringers. The first of these took place on December 16 th, when three locals were given their first introduction to the wiles of a bellrope, and the instructors were enabled to ring a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor, the first quarter on these bells for over a guarter of a century, as follows: Mrs. C. N. Lea 1 J. E. Anderson 2. C. N. Lea 3. G. S. Deas 4. E. N. Harrison 5, J. A. Ainsworth (conductor) 6.

Further instructional visits and an Association District meeting are now planned, and these, it is hoped. will be mercly the forerunners of a revival of organised ringing at this tower. Thus one more "unringahle" ring has been rescued from the slough of despond, and in this aspect of its witness, at least, St. Peter's. Jarrow, can face the future with hope.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## STEDMAN DOUBLES

Dear Sir,-Isn't Mr. Wilson on rather shaky ground when he says, in his first article on Stedman, 'In Stedman on any number, the bells on the front are never affected by calls, and deduces from this that the single normally used is the onry call possible in Doubles? Isn't he just describing how people choose to ring Stedman?

He means, I suppose, that the front work is the characteristic feature of the method and so should be left intact-as it is, by the two accepted types of calls, for Doubles, and for higher numbers. But one could also say that the dodging, in blocks of six blows, was the feature to be kept-and this would require a different call for Doubles.

A better argument would be that all possible calls rearranging three bells lead almost inevitably to falsity, unless singles are also used. And singles would be needed anyway to bring in the out-of-course changes, and they produce 15 extents without any need at all for bobs. In Erin, on the other hand, a bob is needed: it brings up four blows in thirds, and needs singles immediately before and after it.

I remember seeing one old ringing book-I think it was Troyte's 'Campanologia'--describe the regular Stedman Doubles single as on the second and third, not the third and fourth blows of the six (and this is where it should be made. if the call is given. as it often is, at handstroke, on the first blow of the six). Does anyone still ring it this way and when was the modern hand-and-back single introduced?-Yours. etc

JOHN G. PUSEY.

## Cowleigh, Malvern. Worcs

DUPLICATIONS IN SURPRISE MAJOR
Dear Sir, - Whilst compiling a numerical place notation index of Surprise Major methods, I have come across the following apparent duplications:-
(a) I find that Cudham and Derwent, which both have seconds place at the lead end have the same place notation. viz
$\times 56 \times 4 \times 56 \times 36 \times 34 \times 5 \times 34 \times 7$
The eighth place version of this is Chelsfield
(b) Braunstone and Wye (also both seconds
at lead end) are denoted as:-
$\times 38 \times 4 \times 58 \times 16 \times 12 \times 3 \times 14.56 .7$
The eighths place version of Wye is Donisthorpe.
I think that Cudham and Derwent appear in A. J. Corrigan's Collection, but not Braunstone. If one of your readers could clarify me on these method names as to which is recognised I would be extremely grateful.

I would also like the figures of the following Surprisc Major methods: Apsley, Arnesby Evenlode, Hale, Lyminge, Northolt and Queslett.-Yours faithfully.

Bedford.

## BRYAN PATTISON.

## AUGMENTING HANDBELL RING

Dear Sir.-Thanks very much for the letter from Mr. Amos. I had hoped that my short note might bring some response. The little piece in the 'Belfry Gossip' didn't mention anything about the sort of bells.

I had three very small bells (top $C$ natural. F. sharp and $G$ sharp) recast and made from three of the type mentioned by Mr. Amos, 10 augment an octave of handbells. The cost of these was $£ 87 \mathrm{~s}$., which shows why I was astonished at the luck of Mr. Amos. No, am not a betting man and I am always willing to give what I can to good causes. I hoped that my letter would be written in the spirit in which it was written, i.e., wishing 10 know more,-Yours faithfully, A. BIGLEY. Irthlingborough.

## PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT WORTH PAYING FOR

Dear $\mathrm{Sir},-\mathrm{I}$ am taking advantage of the concession to postal subscribers because feel that, morally, the solution to the financial difficulties of "The Ringing World must ultimately lie in a charge per bell for all peals published in full-no charge when the details are published in the usual form, but omitting the names of the ringers.
I have been a service ringer for many years but except for a few handbell peals as a boy, I have not yet rung a tower bell peal-much to my shame.
Had I done so I am sure I should have derived pleasure and some satisfaction in seeing my achievement reported. Those ladies and gentlemen who ring peals and whose performances are recorded should pay $6 d$. per bell. Although most of these ringers are unknown personally to me, I follow their activities with some interest and marvel at their keenness, power of endurance and con-centration.-Yours faithfully.

CHARIES BRAGG.
Solihull, Warwicks.

## MORE NEWS FOR SERVICE RINGERS

## WANTED

Dear Sir,-I wish you to accept my best wishes for your heatth and happiness during 1960. also to accept enclosed cheque as a slight contribution to the finances of "The Ringing World, which. I trust, are improving.
I am one of those rather sceptical about the raising of the price to 8 d . per copy; it appears the willing horse is being whipped further. I am afraid it will not increase production.
As an old selvice ringer, 73 years' experience with only about 40 peals to my credit, I often wish there was just a little news published of interest to service ringers. whom I estimate number 80 per cent. of ringers of this country. Is this worth con-sideration?-In all sincerity
G. H. WILLIAMS.

## Heavitree, Exeter.

## LOYALLY SUPPORT COUNCIL'S POLICY

Dear Sir,-I am glad Mr. William C. Boughton found my recent humble contribution mildly amusing but I must protest vigorously when he describes it as a feeble red herring.
I was not, I repeat not, writing about the cost of 'The Ringing World' or the method of finaneing its future publication. Perlaps before Mr. Boughton favours us in future with his comments he will at least afford to your correspondents the courtesy of reading what they have written.
As a matter of academic interest only, I would also be glad to know how Mr. Boughton has been able to find out how much or how little I, or any other peal ringer, contribute to the funds of the churches at which I ring.
As to the financing of 'The Ringing World.' may I cmulate the pharisaical sup eriority of Mr. Boughton and say, with great virtue, that I shall loyally support any future financial policy that may be democratically decided upon.-Yours faithfully,
Sevenoaks. Kent
P. A. CORBY

## OBITUARY

We regret to record the deaths of Mr. Alfred Gear, of Redhill, on Jantary 6th, aged 75, and Mr. George M. Rashbrook. of Colchester, on December 30th, aged 85. Appreciation tributes will appear in our next issue.

## FINANCE

Dear Sir,-"But this I say, he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also hountifully. Every man according as ho purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver.
I have been made thoroughly sick and tired of the recent grumblings in "The Ringing World ' by certain people with regard as to whe should be responsible for the payment of the extra money required to maintain the publication of our journal. They all seem to have been in a similar vein, i.e., the extra money must come 'as long as we don't have to pay it.' If anybody considers that their ' Ringing World, isn't worth another 2 d . per week then I suggest that they haven't got the interests of ringing at heart, but purely 'How much pleasure can we get for how little expenditure.
Some years ago Mr. Southwood asked if he could come to Cheshire to ring two peals at his convenience, these being duly arranged and rung, at Norbury and Macclesfield respectively. From his letter it scems that h only rings peals when he feels like ringing one; rather a selfish attitude. I might also suggest that Mr. Southwood purchases the - Central Council Handbook, price 2s. Gd. in which he will read that it is a rule that all peals rung must be published in "The Ringing World.
Regarding the payment of 2 s . 6d. per rope for all peals rung, as suggested by Mr. Lee, in the same edition of "The Ringing World' (December 25th. 1959), it could be that there would be a large number of peals not published, or rung as Non-Association peals, in order to avoid paying this levy. Apart from this fact, it does not seem to be fair to me that one part of the ringing exercise should be responsible for the finance of The Ringing World.' If this were the case then the would have every right to call it the 'Peal Ringers' World,' then only subjects relevant to peal ringing would be published in it. As it is, only 28.125 per cent. of 'The Ringing World' of December 25th, 1959, was taken up with the peal columns, which, as stated, is cheaper to print than the remaining pages. Mr . Broughton said that everything was provided "free, gratis and for nothing.' On the face of it this appears to be true. but on the whole peal ringing can become more costly than the great majority of common soorts. e.g., football. cricket, cross-country. Travelling expenses, correspondence, etc., can run away with a very large percentage of one's money. This is particularly true for teenagers and university students, this being one of the reasons that we use youth hostels when on ringing tours.
The answer lies in what ringing means to each individual. Well, is it worth another 2d.? I think so. After all. what would you spend it on? A cigarette? Onc-seventh of a pint of best mild? A half-mile bus ride? Yours, etc. Morple, Cheshire. ROBERT B. SMITII
Marple, Cheshire.

## OLDEST BELL IN HERTFORDSHIRE

Dear Sir.-Whilst welecning the article on Harpenden hells ilnd ringers. I mist point out a misleading statement in the onening paragraph (page 777). The oldest bell in the county cannot be the 15 th century bell mentioned as several 14th century bells exist: e.g.. at Hexion. Westmill. Little Berkhamsted. Wyddial, etc. Full details can be found in 'Church Bells of Hertfordshire, by North and Stahlschmidt. The vast majority of ancient hells mentioned in this book are fortunately still intact.-Yours faithfully.
Castle Gresley.

# CHRISTMAS TIME IN ESSEX 



THREE BELLRINGERS OF BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.-The Misses Barbara Fisher, Lorna Doone and Sandra Airton bring out seasonable fare for their dinner and social held on December 5th. Ringers and friends from Ingrave and South Weald joined them for a very enjoyable evening.

## AMERICAN SCHOOLS RING TOGETHER

Kent School. Kent. Connecticut, were hosts to ten members of the Bell Ringers' Guild from Groton School. Massachusetts, lor the week-end of December Sth.

When Groton arrived the bells were muted so that the ringers would be able to get the feel of the bells without ringing open. Then the Kent band proceeded 10 demonstrate their skill on eight bells, ringing plain hunting and Grandsire Triples. The Groton hand also rang on Saturday night.
The two bands combined for Sunday ringing $t 0$ ring all of Kent's ten hells. This was the first time for over two years the ten hells had been rung.
These two schools are the only institutions in the United States to carry on change ringing.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

## West Lindsey Branch

So successful was the dinner and social evening which marked the inauguration of the West Lindsey Branch just over 12 months ago. that there was a keen demand for a similar event to be held this year. This took place on January 2 nd at Lea Institute and was attended by some 80 members and friends. The emphasis was on entertainment rather than formal speech-making, and the annual meeting had, therefore, been arranged as a separate occasion at a later date.

Following dinner the Haxey handbell ringers entertained the company with a selection of well-known tunes. The secretary (Mr. G. L. A. Lunn) then gave a light-hearted explanation of ringing terms, illustrated with amusing tableaux staged by memhers. Dancing took place later and a number of narty games, organised by Mr. D. G. Crosby. provided amtisment for everyone.

Conveniently close at hand, Lea bells were available during the afternoon for those who cared to ring.

## The Professor Would Like To

 Knowif the reason for the delayed publication of 6-bell methods is because the principal compiler is too busy ringing 8-, 10- and 12-bell peals.


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## DEDICATION

## KINGSBURY, WARWICKSHIRE

On December 12th another page was added to the history of the 11 th century church of SS. Peter and Paul, situated on a hilltop in the mining village of Kingsbury, near Tamworth. Deputising for the Archdeacon of Aston, who was indisposed, the Rev. J. W. Bennett (Vicar) dedicated a new treble bell. A large congregation, which included about 50 ringers, attended.

In bis address the Vicar said the inscription on the bell was a fitting recognition of the efforts of Mr. G. H. Lane, the tower captain, his family and fellow members of the band. For some years various efforts had been made to raise money to enable the ring in this ancient tower to be increased to six hells.
The opening touch of 108 Boh Minor was rung by the local band: J. Basford 1. S. Perry 2. I. Smith 3, D. K. Lane 4, W. G. Lane S. G. H. Lane (conductor) 6. After tea, kindly provided by Kingshury ringers and friends, the hells were at the disposal of visiting ringers til? $8.30 \mathrm{p.m}$.

John Taylor and Co., who cast the existing five bells in 1849 and rehung them on ballbearings in 1921, have supplied the new bell. Kingsbury now has a very good ring of six. with tenor 16 cwt . in E . The treble is 2 ft . $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. in diameter in C sharp, weighs $5 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{} \mathrm{cw}$. and shows an inscription, ' 1 Came By Many "Lanes": with the founder's name and the year.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

When the annual meeting of the Bath Branch was held at St. Michael's, Broad Street, Bath, on January 9 th, members stood in memory of the late secretary, Mr. Sealy Woodburn, and a vote of appreciation of his services as Branch secretary since 1939 was recorded in the minutes. Mr. Woodburn will be especially remembered for the way he encouraged young people with their ringing.

The Rev. E. Rowe was elected chairman and the Revs. Sargent (St. Michael's). L. White (Twerton) and F. Pollard (Freshford) vice-chairmen. Mr. Alan Lee is the new secretary and Mr. Terry Milsom succeeds Mr. T. Hayward, treasurer since 1952, who may be leaving Bath. Nineteen new members were admitted-iwo each from Twerton and Corston, three from St. Michael's, five from Keynsham and seven from Freshford.

The service at St. Michael's was conducted by the Rector, with the Rev. E. Rowe (Vicar of Weston) as preacher.

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The peal at Crayford on January 9th to mark the 83 rd anniversary of the dedication of the bells coincided to the day when, 65 vears ago, Mr. E. Barnett became a member of the lower. He succeeded his father in charge of the tower in 1932 and continued in office until three years ago, when his son, Mr. E. A. Barnett, took over.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.E. District. Antuat District meeting. Colchester, St. Peter's, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 n.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business inceting. St. Leonard's ( 6 ) also available. ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.The annual general meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford (10) on Suturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District.-Annual District meeting. Farnham (8). Saturday, Jan. 23rd. from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-C. J. Beadle. Hon. Dis. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-Quarterly meeting. Si. Peter's-in-Thanet (8), Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Teal (2s. per person) 5 p.m. -T. C. P.

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LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-IATION.- Monmouth Branch.-Annual meeting, Usk, Saturday. Jan. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business.-J. S. King.
OXIFORD DIOCFSAN G(III) - Soulth Osun Branch. Quarkerly mecting. Wheatlet (6). Saturday. Jan. 23id. Ikells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-Amersham (6), Saturday, Jan, 23 rd, 3.15 p.m. Committee meeting 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-W. Butler, 10 , The Avenue. Old Windsor.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Annual general meeting, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Saturday, Jan. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting.

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SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD Annual general meeting at St. Mary's, Prittlewell, on Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by A.G.M. 5624

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD - Mansfield District.-Annual meeling, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd, Mansfield (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at Grove House.-D. H. Rooke, Hon. Sec.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION,-Eastern Division. -Please note change of venue. Practice meeting, Salehurst, Saturday, Jan. 23 rd. Tea 5 p.m.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Andover District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, Andover (8). Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, own arrangements. Business meeting, Church Room. Ringing afterwards.

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WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Brierley Hill, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 3 p.m. Service in Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. -Bernard C. Ashford. Sec., 17, Ham Lane Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Grappenhall Branch.-A meeting will be held at Runcorn on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.- C. Raddon. 5647
CHESTER GUILD.-Stockport Branch.Annual meeting. St. George's, Stockport, on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. For tea please advise before Tuesday, Jan. 26th. Mr. C. Bell, 22, Winifred Road. Heaviley. Stockport.-C. K. Lewis. 5645
DEVON GUILD.-S.W. Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Andrew's, Plymouth, Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 25 th. -T G. Myers. 79, Regent Street, Plymouth. 5618

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSO-CIATION,-Next meeting, Saturday, Jan. 30th, Swanwick (recently augmented). Bells 3 p.m Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names by 28 th to Mr. Brighouse, Mostyn House, Derby Road, Swanwick, Derby-shire.-B. A. Sollis, Hon. Sec.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Cheltenham Branch.-Monthly meeting. Charlton Kings (8), Saturday, Jan. 30th, 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Jan. 25th.-Mary Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheitenham.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIO CESAN ASSOCIATION,-Wotton Branch Monthly meeting, Dursley, Saturday. Jan. 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tca 5 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 28th to Brian Cooper. 14, Coombe Road. Wotton. 5625
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD--Chertsey District.-Annual District mecting. Hersham (8), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Ringing 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. J. King, The Hut, Thrupps Lane. Hersham.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-A.G.M.. Hitchin, Saturday, Jan. 30 th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 4.45 p.m
Names by Wednesday Jan. 27 h . to C M Names by Wednesday, Jan. 27th. to C. M
Orme, 6. Bunyan Road. Hitchin.-E. Buck, Dis Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western District.-Annual general meeting on Saturday, Jan. 30th, at Hemel Hempstead. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Jan. 26th, to Mrs J. Good, 83, Leys Road, Hemel Hempstead. No name. no tea.-J. Good, Dis. Sec. 5586 LADIES GUILD.-Beds and Northants Branch.-Meeting. Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bromham. Bells (8) 3. p.m. Te:a 5 p.m. Names for tea by Weduesday, 27ih, 10 Misi K. Rivett, 117. Stagsden Road, Bromham. Beds.-Anne E.

LADIES' GUILD. - Central District.-Annual District meeting, Saturday, Jan. 30th. Ringing 2 to 3.45 p.m. at St. John's, Waterloo Road. Service 4.15 at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (nearest station Tottenham Court Road). Tea at Y.W.C.A., Great Russell Street, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting in St. Giles' vestry and further ringing in the evening. Gentlemen cordially invited.

LADIES' GUILD. - North Eastern District -Meeting, Whitley Bay, Saturday, Jan. 30th. Names for tea by Thursday, Jan. 28th, to Miss E. Murcott, Medina, 18, Monkseaton Drive Whitley Bay. All ringers welcome. 5648
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.-Annual meeting, Farnworth, Saturday. Jan. 30th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Business follows tea at 5 p.m. (moderate charge). Names for tea to Joseph Thornley, 50 Carlton Street, Farnworth.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.-Annual meeting, Grantham, Saturday, Branch.-Annual meeting, Grantham, Saturday,
Jan. 30 th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 25th, to me.-F. G. Vickers, Ermine Street, Ancaster, Grantham, Lincs.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch,-Quarterly meeting. Hampstead-Norris Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Tuesday, Jan. 26th, to Mr. J. Weaving, Church Road, Hampstead-Norris, Newbury, Berks.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Towcester Branch.-Annual meeting, Towcester, Saturday, Jan. 30th. Service 3.30 p.m. Easton Neston bells will be available from 2 to 3 p.m. only. Names for tea essential by Monday previous to W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford. Buckingham.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Oundle Branch.-Annual meeting. Oundle (8), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, previous to Mrs. Clarke, 7, Bassett Place, Oundle.

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## RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.

BELL-RINGERS' ANNUAL DINNER Saturday, January 30th, 1960 at 7 p.m. Price 12s. 6 d .
After-dinner speakers include
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Sharpe (and his team of handbell ringers) Tickets available from
Hatchett, Vicarage Flat, Church Street,
Rickmansworth.
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SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A.G.M., Saturday, Jan. 30th, Shrewsbury. Ringing, St Mary's (10), 2.30 to 4.25 p.m. Service. St. Mary's, 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Ringing in evening at St. Chad's (12) from 7 to 8.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to F. Cattell, 51, Richmond Drive, Copthorne, Shrewsbury. 5621
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS Annual meeting to be held at St. Mary's. Nottingham (10), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells 3 p.m Meeting in the belfry 6 p.m. Own tea arrange-menis...-Mrs. P. C. Clarke, Sce. 5600 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Annual District meeting, Saturday. Jan. 30th. Basingstoke. St. Michael's and All Saints hells available from 2.45 p.m. Service at St. Michael's, 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 26th.-J Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Le:therhead District.-Annual meeting. Leatherhead. Saturday, Feb. 6 th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.1m.. with business meeting in St. Nicolas' Hall. Further ringing after. Names for tea by previous Thursday to G. Marriner, 7. Poplar Avenue, Leatherhead.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Southern Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday Feb. 6th. at Diss. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Special method, Yorkshire tea bs Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, to Mr. A. © Marrison. 20, Chapel Street, Diss. Norfolk. C. F. Phillippo. Hon. Sec.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY,-Annual dinner, Saturday, Feb. 6th, Founder's Library, New College, 8 p.m. Ringing arrangements and tickets (15s. 6d.) from D. T. Darby, New College.
New College.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD- 5594
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2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. St. John's, Peterborough, bells available after tea. Names for tea, please, not later than Wednesday previous to G. S. Bush. 18, Princes Street, Peter-
borough. borough.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nottingham District.-Meeting, Aspley, Saturday, Feb, 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea not
later than Feb. 4th to Mr. H. Seagrave, 7, Mellater than Feb. 4th to Mr. H. Seagrave, 7, Mel-
bourne Road, Aspley, Nottingham.-S. Adams. Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.- Christchurch District.-Annual meeting, Saturday. Feb, 6th. Christchurch (12). Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Meeting follows; bells after. Names by Wednesday previous to W. T. Godfrey, Hon. Dis. Sec.. Pine Hurst. Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea,
Lymington, Hants. Lymington, Hants.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.-By-meeting at Mereworth on Saturday, Feb. 13 th. Bclls (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 at the Qucen's Head. Names,
please, to R. L. Sills, St. Vincent's Lane, Addington, West Malling.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - - Annual dinner, Saturday, Feb. 20th, at Civil Defence Hall, Kempston Manor, near Bedford. at 7 p.m. Tickets ( 11 s . 6d.) from District Secretaries. or J. M. Stephens, 33. Poplar Close, Leighion Buzzard. Early application essential as numbers limited to 75 . 5638

## DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The

 eighth annual aml Sir Arthur Heywood memorial dinner will be held in Derby at $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Saturday, February' 27 fh . at the Corporation Hotel. Tickets all sold. Ringing at Derby fowers 3 to 6 p.m.-G. A. Halls.ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (established 1755). - Annual Henry Johnson commemoration dinner. Imperial Hotel. Temple Street, 6 oclock. Saturday, Feh, 27th. Tickets 20s. Peals arranged for visitors. Several towers open for ringing. Details later-G. E. Fearn. 92. Etwall Road, Hall Green. Birmingham, 28. Phone SPR 1025.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -IMPORTANT NOTKE.- Owing to unforeseen circumstances the dinner, originally February 6th, will now be March 5th, at the Deacon's Restaurant. Waltrook.-F. J.
Matthews.

## Dorking Ringers' Annual Supper

For the ninth successive year the annual Supper of the Dorking ringers, held on New Year's Eve, was again very enjoyable. The
Vicar (Canon K. D. Evans) presided over a company of 40 . Welcome visitors were the Rev. C. Marshall, ringing curate at Leatherhead, and Mr. Frank Oakshott, of Epsom.
The catering arrangements were again ably
arried out by the Misses E. Clear and $\mathbf{B}$. carricd out by the Misses E. Clear and B.
Dowling, assisted by other ladies. After the supper the Rev. C. Munt, priest-in-charge at Ranmore. kindly showed a film strip. in colour, of scenes of local interest, including. of course, the ringers! This was followed hy tune playing on handhclls by six young members of the band. who, during Christmas week, collected $£ 10$ for the Church of England Children's Society. They also won the cup. for the second vear. at the Dorking Festival of Music and Drama.
It has been a successful year, under the captaincy of Mr. F.. G. I.. Coward. during which six quarter peals have been rung, including two of Stedman Triples, and eight bells have always been rung every Sunday

## ROVING RINGERS' LAKE DISTRICT TOUR

THE 1959 tour of the Society began on July 25th, when about 20 cyclists met at Heversham for ten days' ringing in the Lake District and Lancashire. We had expected the cycling to be harder than we had had in East Anglia in 1958, and soon found this to be so; the going was at times hard, particularly when protesting members of the weaker sex had to be goaded up seemingly endless hills! However, we all completed the 250 miles of the tour ; in fact we finished with more ringers than we started with. Our only mishaps were a buckled wheel and a dozen or so punctures, though our map readers were occasionally at fault, causing at least one tandem pair to pay a visit to the shores of Wastwater and another small party to tramp across the lesser-known parts of Wasdale. As is usual, we stayed in youth hostels, and it was evident that many experienced hostellers were in the party, particularly when jobs were being allocated!

Although, for some, it had been a day's journey to reach Heversham, we all arrived in time for the ringing, which started with a course of Cambridge by members from the "cider counties,' led by our Master, Michael Horseman. Our evening was spent in Kendal. though we were unable to ring here because the bells were receiving attention from the bell-hangers, We set off next morning to ring at Crosthwaite, where we were warmly welcomed at the Communion service by the Rector. As we had no ringing fixed for the afternoon, our attention was directed toward other pastimes-at least one party went out rowing on Lake Windermere in the rain, and someone else said they had been hill climbing! The magnificent ring at Ambleside had been put at our disposal by the local ringers for Evensong; but although we enjoyed our Stedman and Cambridge, we did not really do justice to these bells. Our evening gathering at Ambleside Hostel enabled the choir to have its first full session, though the male voice section were later to fall foul of the warden for singing after hours.

## FILMED IN 'RAIN HATS'

Monday morning's first tower was Bowness where, after some Bristol, our Master called some St. Clement's Triples. Our journey across the ferry lowards Hawkshead was marred by heavy showers; however, it gave our cameramen plenty of scope for filming us in our ' rain hats.' We were welcomed at Hawkshead by the Rector. who joined us in our ringing on the excellent eight, where methods rung included a good course of London. The earlier part of the afternoon was spent toiling upwards to the Cumberland horder-our progress being sufficiently slow to enjoy the scenery. Once over the border. we made use of the easier gradients down 10 Keswick, where carlier arrivals just missed heavy rain. It was still raining when we reached Crosthwaite Church, though it did not dampen our ringing, as Bristol and 4 -spliced went well on this ground flool ring. Our overnight stay at the riverside hostel at Keswick was a pleasant one; the walking club strolled down to Derwentwater during the evening, whilst the less energetic patronised the alehouses.
On our ride to Cockermouth next morning the seemingly fortunate gent who passed us in a truck had actually had his cycle wheel run over. We found Cockermouth bells to our liking and managed to ring Pudsey and 5 -spliced. After lunch we visited Bridekirk where, as was fitting, a wedding was about to take place, and we were able to "fire ' the bells after the ceremony. Ringing at Aspatria was not up 10 standard, perhaps due to the long draught: however, we made good use of the tall tower to gain a view of the Scottish coast. We then returned to Cockermouth where, after a few hardy souls had taken a dip in the river, we joined the local ringers for practice.
A cloudy sky threatened our morning ride to Arlecdon, hut the rain stayed away fortunately. and we enjoyed a good hour's ringing at this well-kept church. Our ringing on the
heavier bells at Cleator Moor suffered as a reheavier bells at Cleator Moor suffered as a re-
sult of an excellent lunch. though we made up for this by some good Stedman and 6 -spliced at Egremont. Our route now took us away from the industrial area towards the quiet coastal village of St . Bees, where, on the slow-
turning eight at the Priory, we included Oxford Bob Triples in our repertoire. Our journey to the hostel at Netherwasdale was truly one of contrasting scenes-from the giant atomic station at Windscale to the remote hillside farm that was our destination.

## HARDEST CYCLING

We greeted John Slater on Thursday morning with ' 21 Today" and other well-known songs; our Oxford member also celebrated his birthday, which he claimed to be a very doubtful 22 nd. The day proved to be our hardest for cycling and we failed to reach Broughton $m$ time despite a liberal time allowance. The long climb over Birker Fell, coupled with a series of punctures, caused one small party to arrive in the back of an Army lorry. We straggled into Barrow in twos and threes (though a few people had made use of British Railways), and we were grateful to two local ringers who made up the first band. We gathered ourselves together again for the short ride to the third "Furness tower-the ten at Dalton. where we rang Stedman and Cambridge. We were thankful for our enforced train ride across the estuaries to Arnside. This also gave one railway enthusiast a chance to ride on the footplate. An extra tower had been arranged for us in the evening by our friend from Heversham, and a large number crowded into his Land Rover for a visit to Silverdale.
As we had hooked for two nights at Arnside. Friday's trip was in the form of a circular tour (minus saddlebags!) over easier-going ground We visited the 6-bell towers of Beetham and Burton-in-Holme, where a local ringer joined us for some York Minor. At Kirkby Lonsdale. in the afternoon, two members-much to their discredit-had a lesson in tandem riding around the churchyard. Although the route to Hornby was straightforward, one party made a start towards Carlisle, but having realised the error of their ways rejoined us at this octagonal tower for ringing. Once again the Land Rover awaited us at the hostel, this time for a visit to Milnthorpe, which was much enjoyed.
We arrived in Lancaster on Saturday morning and met the first of the 'week-enders.' We did not find the bells at St. Mary's particularly easy to ring. After lunch we made our way through the busy traffic to our week-end headquarters at Preston, visiting three more towers on the way An attempt to ring Double Bob at Garstang fired out: however, we did better at Bilsborrow where London and a ladies' long touch of Grandsire Triples were rung. Our last tower was Broughton, where a good course of Norwich Minor was rung. After dinner at the Bull and Royal that evening a short business meeting took place, at which we voted Birmingham as the venue of our reunion in February. 1960

## TENOR CLAPPER FELL OUT

The tower of St. John's at Preston is very conveniently situated, enabling late risers to have a ring before morning service. Unfortunately the seventh was out of action, so ringing was restricted to Major and Caters with the tenor turned in. We were again unfortunate when, during the ringing at the Catholic Church at Bamber Bridge, the tenor clapper fell out: however, late arrivals had a short ring on the front six. We were greeted by the Vicar at Leyland, where we rang for Evensong, and our ringing here included Cambridge and Yorkshire Royal.

We rose fairly early on Bank Holiday Monday in preparation for our homeward journeys. Our final towers were the eight at Higher Walton, and Blackburn-the only cathedral of the tour. A number of local ringers met us here, and after an unsteady start settled down to some good ringing, which ended with three courses of Stedman and the ten bells lowered in peal.
In conclusion, we should like to thank all those who helped to make this a pleasant and successful tour. including all incumbents and tower captains: in particular, thanks to our friends from Heversham and Cockermouth who helped us on our way. A word of thanks also to our Master for keeping us in order, and to our secretaries who did a wonderful job, and can be said to have scored a success the first attempt!

## QUARTER PEALS

BANSTEAD, SURREY.-On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Buchan 1, Elizabeth Layton 2. A. J. Adams 3. G. P. Smerdon 4. N. Hobden 5 , R. Parsons 6, M. F. Layton (cond.) 7, A. E. Cheesman 8. A wedding compliment to Margaret Pitstow on her marriage in Rhodesia.
beaconsfield, bucks.-On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Dorothy Fletcher 2, Ann Shiels 3, J. Harrison 4, Kathicen Fletcher 5, M. Broadley (first " inside ') 6. A. Bridges 7, R. Bmadley 8. For the Midnight Communion service.
HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.-On Jan 2nd, 1.280 Yorkshire Surntise Major: A. P. Cannon 1, Barhara Manship (first Yorkshirc) 2, J. D. Rock 3 D. W. James 4, M. Coleman 5, B. Hendry 6. R. G Leale (cond.) 7, F. R. Scott 8.
hUrst, Rerks.-On Christmas Eve, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Castle 1, R. K. Rivers (cond.) 2, Mrs. E. Eele 3. R. Castle 4. Mrs. V. Castic 5, 1. Froume 6, B. Castle 7, W. Austin 8. For Midnight Communion.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK. - On Jan. 2nd, 1,288 Kent Treble Bob Maior: M. T. Symends (cond.) 1, S. Smith 2, A. R. Knight (first in method) 3, W. Faires 4. W. Jarvis 5, F. Boreham 6, F. F. Mortlock 7 L. Pryke 8.

LONDON.-At Wesiminster Abbey, on Dec. 28 th 1.260 Stedman Triples: G. W. Cecil 1. A. B. Peck 2, W. Rawlings 3, J. H. Crampion 4, M. P. Moreton 5, W. T. Cook 6. J. Phillins (cond.) 7, J. A. Waugh 8. For the Feast of the Holy Innocents

LONG STANTON, CAMRS.-On Dcc. 17th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. Muncey I 1). Murfet 2, G. Crisp 3. Hilary Muirhead 4, H. S Peacock 5, G. Thoday 6. G. A. Lucas 7. W. J. Ridgman (cond.) \&
NORTHENDEN, LANCS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: H. Barlow 1. A. Barratl 2. Enid Rowley 3, F. Gates 4, P. Banks 5, R. Benson (cond.) 6. A farewell compliment to the ringers of 1 and 2 on their retirement after 40 years' ringing service
THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. P. Mills 1, M. Mills 2. F. Harvey 3. E. E. Davey 4. P. W. Mills (cond.) 5 W. Downs 6. For Evensong, and as a birthday compliment to the conductor. Also on Dec. 20th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: Mrs. P. Mills 1, Mrs. D. Stutley 2 F. Harvey 3, E. E. Davey (cond.) 4, P. W. Mills 5 , M. Mills 6. For the service of nine lessons and carols

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## ANNUS IRAE - II. AFTERMATH

LOOKING back to the events of sixty years ago it is not difficult to perceive how the accusations and disclosures that followed the Kidlington dispute were the outcome, directly or indirectly, of that classic contest. William Pye did not forget Willson's intervention and William Willson did not forget Pye's contemptuous references to his ringing prowess. Neither could feel charitably inclined towards the other, and neither could restrain the wish that something could be found to discredit his opponent. It was Willson who led off on September 2 nd with a violent attack on a peal of Stedman Caters called by William Pye at Bermondsey. With what now seems a perverse desire to aggravate the situation, 'The Bell News ’ headed the letter, 'The bogus Bermondsey peal.' Again the storm burst, and this time with great bitterness and an absence of restraint, and the matter was complicated by Plain Speaker's mysterious reference to a letter from Tom Newman, of Caversham, which could not be printed because it would reopen the Kidlington wounds.

Once again it needed influential suggestion, and a letter from C. E. D. Boutflower deploring the tone of the correspondence, to bring the affair to an end. But more was to come. At the end of the year a peal of Stedman Cinques at Bristol, rung in just under three and a half hours, raised a controversy emanating from the Ipswich district, where 'W. R.' maintained that peals of Cinques could not be rung in the time given. Despite a widening of the discussion, the right of the matter scemed to be with the Bristol ringers, for whom the opinions of F. G. May carried great weight; and the most interesting and instructive part of this argument will be found to lie in George Daltry's letter of February 24th, 1900. This expresses some very thoughtful views on weights of bells and speeds of ringing.

The Bristol controversy was (in its setting) a mild interlude, and before it was settled the rumblings of a more dreadful storm were apprehended in Plain Speaker's columns, where there appeared rather more than a hint that the first peal of Treble Bob Royal to be rung in Ireland had proved not to be a peal at all. The peal, in which William Willson took part, had been conducted by Washbrook a year or two before, and rumours were now going round to the effect that the composition was false. Alas, it was so. The peal had, in its concluding stages, been called into the Plain Course by two bobs at Middle, and in the absence of a bob or bobs at Home to start the peal, this necessarily rendered the composition false. A letter from Gabriel Lindoff, published on March 24th, left no doubt about the matter, but two things turned what might
have been a genuine mistake into a minor scandal: the alleged placing of some irrelevant figures with the Association under whose auspices the peal was rung, and the fact that a considerable number of folk in England seemed to have been aware that there was something queer about this performance and yet had done nothing to bring the truth to light.

To Mr. Pye, of course, it seemed that the enemy was delivered into his hands; Washbrook and Willson were at his mercy. Willson was silent, and it was some weeks before Washbrook could be brought to offer any sort of explanation. Before he could do so, Tom Newman got his head into the open and chose this moment to cast a doubt on Washbrook's record length of London Surprise, rung in 1896. Newman asserted that during that peal T. Payne set his bell and someone else pulled it off for him. Subsequent correspondence showed that there was little evidence to support this accusation, and the Oxford folk, led by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, arose, as may be supposed, in a body to defend their reputation and their achievement. Washbrook was able to mitigate the Treble Ten embarrassment by a justifiable defence of the record London. Mr. Tom Newman's intervention was futile, and his case died; but there was yet one more burst of fury in this year of wrath, and it was directed against William Pye by Mr. T. H. Taffender, who attacked a peal of Treble Twelve rung at St. Michael's, Cornhill.

The exchanges that followed were crude and hardhitting, and it may here suffice to say that of one letter the Editor remarked: ' We have taken the trouble to tone this letter down a little., and of an epistle from the other protagonist: 'We have felt compelled to eliminate a sentence from this letter.' It was clearly time to call a halt, and a measured, considered appeal from Canon Papillon in 'The Bell News' of April 28th expressed what all rightthinking ringers had in mind. The columns of the paper were closed forthwith to this and all allied disputes. The great year of wrath was ended.
E. C. S.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 16. 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower, A PEAL OF 5016 LITTLE BOB MAXIMUS

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\text { Tenor } 32 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

| George E. Symonds | Treble | Herbert G. Jillings |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ronald Bugg | 2 | Gilbert R. Goodship | 8 |
| Roger K. Whittell. | 3 | Alan Andrews | 9 |
| Charles J. Sedgley | 4 | Ernest Pearce .. | 10 |
| James Moriey | 5 | Edward E. Davey | 11 |
| Harry D. Lister | 6 | Ernest V. Blake | Ten | Harry D. Lister . . . $\quad$ Ernest V. Blake .. .. Tenor Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by George E. Symonds. First peal of Little Bob Maximus by all except the ringers of 1, 7 and tenor.

Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Smallwood.

## TEN BELL PEALS

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thirs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 21 cwt .

| Jillian M. Hussey | Treble | Aiblirt M. Tylier |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * Brinley A. Shackleton | 2 | Fitisabfia A. Bowden |
| Francis C. Mogford | 3 | Reginald G. Hooper |
| $\dagger$ Molly P. Smith | 4 | Richard J. Bowden.. |
| Mary H. Hall | 5 | D. John Hunt .. .. |

Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal.

WORSLEY. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Jan. 4, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.
Tenor 24 cwt .
John P. Partington
$\begin{array}{lc} & \text { Treble } \\ \therefore & 2 \\ \therefore & 3\end{array}$

*Trevor Taylor
*Philip G. K. Davies
C. Kenneth Lewis
$\square$

4
*Denis Mottershifad . . Tenor Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

* First peal of London Royal.

Rung as an 81 st birthday compliment to Mr. Percy H. Derbyshire, steeple keeper at this church.

YEOVIL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. John*the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 40 cwt .2 qr .23 lb .

Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood. Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

* First peal of Stedman Caters.


## LONDON.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal., Jan. 16, 19k0. in 3 ffours and 9 Minules. At the: Church of St. Clfment Danes, Strand, A PEAL OF 5053 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 21 cwt 1 qr .17 lb . in E .

| Herbert E. Audsley . . Trehle | Edwin A. Barnett |
| :---: | :---: |
| Thomas H. Francts | Norman Bagworth . |
| Christophtir W. Wonliey | Joseph Marks |
| Arimur G. Mason .. .. 4 | Rruben Sandirs |
| F. O | Wilfrid G. Wil.son | Composed by Charles W. Robirts

Conducted by Thomas H. Francis.
Arranged for the 86th birthday of Reuben Sanders.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

MARTOCK, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter's No. 2 variation.
William E. Turner .. Treble Philip N. Tubbs Henry G. Keeley .. 2 Harry J. Gaylard Raymond P. Selway .- 3 Gordon Gaylard Joseph Barrett.. .. .. 4 Albert W. Dyer

Tenor 25 cwt .

Conducted by Gordon Gaylard.
First peal as conductor
Rung as a birthday compliment to the wife of the conductor
ST. PETER'S IN ISLE OF THANET, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Dec. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
*Mary Elsdon (16).. .. Treble *Robert G. Dadds
Mrs. N. Bridges .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 6
Sonia Davies ... . $\quad . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Thomas H. Holmes .. 7
*Christine Cobbold (17) 4 Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor

* First peal.

Conducled by Frank B. Lufkin.
A 17 th birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

## ADDERBURY, OXON

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Michael W. Coleman Tenor 24 cwt Treble Richard F. B. Speed | Marie R. Cross | . . . . | 2 | George W. Holland | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas J. Lock | . | .. | 3 | Michafl P. Moreton | 7 | William A. Yates. . .. 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton

Composed by W. E. Critchley. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreion. * First peal of Treble Bob. First of Bristol on the bells.

Rung for the Christmas Festival.
DARLING POINT, NEW SOUTH WALES.
THE NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
(St. Jude's Society, Randwick.)
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute. At the Church of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

| Parker"s Six-part peal. |
| :--- |
| "Mervyn J. Bray (R.N.) Treble John C. Sheehy 8 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. |

*Audrey, E. Peters .. .. 2 *David W. Kfrley (R.N.) $\dagger$ William D. Watson $\dagger$ John H. Fryer Thomas W. Goodyer
*James F. Hammond .. Tenor
Conducted by Thomas W. Goodyer.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First tower bell peal. First of Grandsire Triples on the bells.
Rung as a farewell to Miss Ann Brown, who left this day for a holiday in England.

## ROCHDALE. LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Dec. 26, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, At the Church of St. Chad.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .23 lb .
Harold Hamer .....Treble Michael D. Fishwich
Gordon Rothwell
$\frac{2}{3}$ Keith Abbot
*John P. Partington .. 3 Colin S. Taylor
†Barry Wild .. .. .. 4 IVan Kay .. .. .. .. Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
Conducted by Harold Hamer.

* 50 th peal. $\dagger$ First of Major.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Barnabas
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 1 gr .15 lb . in F .
Cilve M. Smith ... .. Treble | Michael Elson
Muriel Reay
Norman J. Goudman
2 Terry R. Hampton
John A. Anderson
John McDonald
Con A. Andirson .. .. 4 George E. Fearn
Tenor
Composed by George Baker. Conducted by Juhn McDonald.
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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Jan. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF 5120 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Leslie Boumphrey | Treble | Philip G. K. Davies | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Trevor Taylor | 2 | Neil Bennett | 6 |
| M. Jillian Brierley | 3 | Robert B. Smith | 7 |
| Denis Mottershead | 4 | Brian J. Woodruffe | Tenor |
| mposed by |  | ducted by Brian J | DDRUF |

SUTTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Jan. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5088 DERBY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt 1 gr .19 lb.


First peal in the method by all the band
BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Jan. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .

| Joseph Saxton | . | Treble | George L. Chambers | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Mrs. Bessie Holmes | $\ldots$ | 2 | Dennis A. Smedley | .- | 6 |
| Arthur B. Cooper.. | $\ldots$ | 3 | John R. Keiteringham | .. | 7 |
| *Kenneth Rutland . . | .. | 4 | Richard E. Price | Tenor |  | *Kenneth Rutland .... 4 Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor Composed and Conducted by John R. Keiteringham.

* First peal in the method.

DAVENTRY. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Jan. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of the, Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt .3 qr .9 lb . in E flat

* Mary J. Marshall ..Treble *David J. Marshall〒Gillian Tavener .. .. 2 *Hugh M. Johinson. $\ddagger$ Frances Johnson Hilary M. Johnson . 4 Patrick I. Chapman Patrick I. Chapman . . Tehor Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by Bryan Pattisun. * First peal on eight bells. + First of Plain Bob. $\ddagger$ First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment ta Hilary M. Johnson.

BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
Hubbard's.
*Keith C. Begrie
Tenor 12 cwt .3 gr .13 lb . in F sharp.
+Joan Bacon (14) ... .. Treble ${ }^{\text {TRobert H. Begrie. .- }}$
$\quad 5$
$\therefore \quad 6$
$\therefore \quad 7$ Howard Oglesby
George Coussins

| 2 | Gordon W. Limmer |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | George Gilbert | - Donald T. Young - Donald T. Y

eorge Gilbi:rt.

* First peal. + First "inside" other than Boh Doubles. $\ddagger$ First in the method.

DARESBURY. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jarr. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $16 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
John Ryder
. Treble Sidney Hough
John E. Bibby
Henry Parker Cecil Raddon . .. .. Harold Worrall. Harry W. Howard Walter Allman Composed by C. Middleton

W Walt:r A Rung for the 70th birthday of C. Raddon and the 14th birthday of $J$. Hayes.

EPSOM. SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (Leatherhead District.)
On Sat., Jan. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At Christ Church
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $11 \frac{1}{6} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Treble Martyn W. Harbotit
Frank Oakshoit
William Parrot
Syivia Marsh
Composed by I R Pritchard
Edward G. L. Coward Geoffrey Pratt
Albrirt Harmani
Conducted be Arberr I Tenor

- First peal of Major and first "inside.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Frank Oakshott. tower captain and District Master.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .6 lb . in F .
John R. Mayne
*Harry J. Millatt
Terry Earle Treble !
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Rung S Hilda G. Snowden Roderick Pipe Walter Arnold Joe E. G. Roast Umpire: Lewis W. WIfFen. Composed by S. J. Ivin. Rung Silent

- 100th peal for the Essex Association.

HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 BIRMINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .2 qr. 22 lb . in F .
Michafi, Eison .....Treble NORMAN J. Goodman .. 5
Muriel Reay . . . . . 2 Peter Border .. .. .. 6
Ruih M. Border .. .. 3 John A. Anderson .. ..
Aritur V. Pearson.. ... 4 George E. Fearn ... .. Tehor
Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Peter Burder.
First peal of Major in the method.
HOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt . 11 lb . in F
Jack Pilgrim
Raymond W. Pece
. . Treble James Bennett ..
Jhmes B. Morley
Composed by J. Reeves

* First peal of Kent T.B. Major

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat., Jan. 9* 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt .1 gr .6 lb . in E .
*Tonie J. Critchley .. Treble *Susan Funnell
*Linda M. Hughes .. .. 2 \#Alma M. Greaves.
†J. Mary Funnell .. .. 3 *Roger J. Gay .. .. .. 7
*Vfronica Mires .. .. 4 | Brian J. Woodruffe . . Tenor
Composed by Fredk. H. Dextir. Conducted hy Brian J. Woodruffe.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First of Major.


## PORTISHEAD. SOMERSET.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .

| Marcus P. Barton | Treble | J. Michael Lakin | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joan Gray | 2 | Roger Keeley | 6 |
| Howard Collings | 3 | John H. Gilbert | 7 |
| Michael R. Rose | 4 | Philip M. J. Gra | Tenor |
| Composed by P. G | IIES. | Conducted by Phil | J. Gray. |

## REPTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Oit Saf.. Jan. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes
At the Church of St. Wystan.
A PEAL OF 5152 REPTON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $17 \frac{1}{8}$ cwt. in E .
Sydney Jones .. .. .. Treble| Wm. Arnold Morley

Francis R. Lowe .. .. 3 Gordon A. Halls .. .. 7

Clive W. Walklare .. 4 Dinis R. Carlisle .. .. Tenor
Composed by Shirley Burton. Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.
First peal in the method.
Rung to welcome home from Australia Mr, and Mrs. D. G. Campbell. daughter and son-in-law of the local captain and treble ringer. Also a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. R. G. Harcombe.

WEST COKER. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes
At imi Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Michali. I Turnir. . . . Treble| Philip N. Tubbs
Arthur 11. Reed .. .. 2 Walter H. Poole
Raymond P. Selway -. 3 Albert W. Dyre
H. Dennis W. Bishop 4 Wirtiam E. Turner. . . Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritcliarls. Conducted by Wilifam F.. Tr'Rnfr.
RFPTON SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 56 \times 16 \times 34 \times 1458 \times 36 \times 78$
L.L. 18674523. 2nd place L.E. 4th place hobs.

WORCESTER
WORCESTER. On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


## FLETCHING. SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Ont Sun.. Jan. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AI THE: CHURCH OF SS. MARY-IHE-VIRGIN ANT ANDREW
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In two methods, being 2,336 Cambridge and 2,720 Superlative, with
W Parter's 91 changes of method
J. W. Parker's arrangement of Middleton's.

Tenor 10 cwt 9 lb .

Sianley G. Ponting .. Treble Alan E. Bagworih. William Rogers ..... 2 William ${ }^{\text {S. Deason.. .. }} 6$ | Ernest J. Munday .. .. | 3 | Robin G. Leale ... .. 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Barwell B. Dibben.. | . | 4 | Frederick R. Scoti. . | Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

BOLTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOC'IATION
On Monr., Jaur. 11, 1960, in 3 Hours amd 7 Minutes.
Ai ihf. Chitrch of Sr. Mary. Deani:

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Day's Six-part
Elaine A. Richardson
Treble John Froome Norman TOMPKins Joseph Thornley Thomas Bratby.

| 2 | Peter Crook |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Stanley Anderton | John W. Hamer.. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Rung Conducted by Pi:TRR Crook. (at ringer at this charch), in the New Year's honours.



## AYLESFORD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 16. 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt. in $F$.
Colin Fr. McGill
Crawford I. Hili is Andrew M. Macve Treble Ian H. Oram $\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { Thomas E. Soni: } \\ 3 & \text { Thomas Culdingworin }\end{array}$ 5 Peiler F. Burer...... 4 Trevor A. Cross ... Tenor Peiler F. Burer...... 4 Trevor A. Cross ... Tenor 7 Composed by J. S. Wilul (C.C.C. 10). Conducted' by Ian H. Oram. 25 ih peal as conductor.

## CHESTER

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
Ai the Church of Si. Mary-without-the-Walls,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR
In threc methods, comprising 2,016 Plain Bob, 2.016 Little Bob and 1.008 St. Clement's: 377 changes of method. Tenor 19 cwt .3 qr .12 lb Gi:orge F. Sperring .. Treble Percy Swindley .. .. 5 Juhn S. Dian .. .. ... 2 Dennis H. B. Millward.. 6 Ruger King $\quad$.. $\quad . . \quad .-\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ John W. Griffiths .. . . 7


## GREASLEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. <br> THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minules.

 At the Church of St. Mary,A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 143 cwt.
 *Donald J. Beach *Donald Meredith
*Shelagh Fitzpatrick
Mrs. M. I. Pailing
t.Mrs. Mary Bleach..

Frederick A. Salter
Compored by H. J. Tuckir.

* First ncal. † First of Major
F. Neville Pailing . Tenor Conducted by F. Neville Pailing First as conductor at first attempt.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

STANWELL, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIO. GUILD. On Wed., July 4, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

Ai the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
David G. Pickett
Cinisopner B. .. .. Treble
hristopher
B. Fynes ${ }_{3}^{2}$ Conducted by Ciristopher B. Fynes.
Rung to welcome the Rev. Mr. Withers-Lancashire as Precentor.

ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WADE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Dec. 4, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At ihe Church op St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 19 cwt.
Mrs. N. Bridges .. . . Treble *Mary Taylor
*Sonia Davies .. .. ...
*Pauline Fennell. ..... 3 Dennis A. Chapman ... Tenor

* First peal (all aged 16).

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 27 Minules,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents Single Oxford Bob and five of Plain Bob Minor. Tenor 9 cwt .
 Conducted by John Clements.

WILLINGTON. BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
a PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods: St. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Single Oxford Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob. Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob. Helen Nevin .. .. .. Treble

| .. | . | Treble | John B. Long | .. | .. | . | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | James R. Taylor | . | . | 5 |  |
| S | .. | 3 | Bryan Pattison. . | .. | .. | Tenor |  |

Conducted by Bryan Parison.
Jennifer M. Davies ...ied by Bryan Pan Pattison.. .. .. Tenor
Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Pattison, the conductor's parents.

WOOD GREEN. MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIO. GUILD On Sat.. Jan. 2. 1960, int 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 PRIMROSE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Pampla E. Jervis
Gilitian A. Neal Smith .
Mikaela Erik

* first peal of Surprise "inside, Dirst E. Sibson.
* first peal of Surprise "inside." First in the method by all the band. A 21st birthday compliment to Mikaela Erik.

ST. MARTIN. NEAR OSWESTRY
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## On Sun., Jan. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes. <br> At the Church oh St. Martin.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents
*Roger Powell
Guy Prckavance
$\dagger$ Valerie Lee

Treble
Treble
2
3

Tenor 10 cwt (approx.)

Conducted by Colin Smith.

* First peal. † First in the method and of Minor. First as conductor.

RAVENSTHORPE. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Jan. 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minules,
At ihe Chlrch of Si. Denys.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents of Grandsire and 20 each of Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.
*John Clues
*Mary J. Marshall...
Treble $\mid$ Richard J. Danby. John E. Goddari Conducled by Joun $\because$...Tenor
*First pcal. + First of Doubles. $\ddagger$ First inside. First as conductor. Average age 16. All are day school scholars.

WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRIE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Jan. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minties,
At the Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Being two 2,160's and an extent (C.C.C. 79 80, $81: 75,82,83:$ 59). Tenor 8 cwt .1 gr .25 lb . in A flat.
Robert E Day Treble Claudia A Critciley
*June I. Dear .. .. .. 2 †Edwin G. Buck
J. Richard Castiedine.. 3 Di:rek P. Jones

Conducted by J. Richard Castiedini

* First peal of Surprise inside.' † First of Minor in the method.

ODELL. BEDFORDSHIRE
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. Jan. S, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes

## Ai the Church of Ali, Saints

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 12 methods, viz.: (1) London Surprise, (2) Bedford Delight. (3) Single Court Bob and Double Court Boh. (4) St. Clement's Boh, Double Oxford Boh. Plain Boh and Double Boh, (5) Single Oxford Boh. Plain Boh and Douhle Bob, (6) Kent Trehle Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 12 cwt . Arihur Gibes .. .. .. Treble James H. Edwards Jennifer M. Davies .. 2 James R. Taylor
R Gordon Corby .. .. 3 Bryan Partison .. .. Tellor
First peal in 12 methods hy all the band, and on the bells.

WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE, AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,
On Tues., Jan. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G sharp.
(21 six-scores each).

Heather M. Pulion Michael J. Filllows James E. Pulion

3 †Peter J. Brown ... . Tellor ointly Conducted by Michael D. Fellows and Paul Catifrmole * Longest length as conductor. † First peal at first attempt.

Average age of band 15 years and 1 month. Believed to be the youngest band to ring a peal for the Association, on tower bells.
Rung on the eve of Epiphany as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

## DEFPING ST. NICHOLAS. L.INCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. Jan. 6, 1959, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At ihe Church of St. Nicholas.

## A PFAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in five methods: (1) and (2) St. Clement's. (3) Cimbiidge Surprise, (4) Oxford Treble Boh, (5) Kent Treble Boh, (6) and (7) Plain Bob.
Aitan G. Paynf:.
Join G. Amis
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text {.. Treble } & \text { J. Martin Thorlify } \\ \cdots & . . & 2 & \text { Frrid Brighiman } \\ \cdots & . . & 3 & \text { C. Harold Whisio }\end{array}$
Tenor $6 \frac{1}{1} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frank Ames

## Conducted by J. Maritin Thorley

An Epiphany peal.

HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDLESEX
MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed., Jan. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, Ai the Chlarch of St. Mary.
A PFAL OF 5040 IIINOR
In seven methods. being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Cambridge, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.
D. J. Neal Smith .. .. Treble | Robin G. Leale..

Dfrek E. Sibson .. .. 2 Barwell B. Dibben
Gilitan Neal Smith ... 3 A. Pafrick Cannon
Conducted by Robin G. Leale.
Rung for the Feast of Epiphany.

CADOXTON, NEAR NEATH.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Sat., Jant. 9, 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minules.
At the Church of St. Catwg.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 240 each of Stedman, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, Southrepps. April Day; 720 Plain Boh; seven 240 ss and ten $120{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$ Grandsire.

Hazel. Way .. .. .. 3 John Matthews .. .. Tenor

* First ceal.

Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.
LITTLE SHELFORD. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
IHE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jant. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mintues,
At the Cilurch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Aibfrt R. Hurst .. .. Treble! Haroid J. F. Muncey
E. John Sibson .. .. .. 2 Georce: E. Thoday .. . 4

Derek E. Sibson .. . Tenot
Conducted by Drerek E. Sibson.
A silver wedding compliment to the Rev. Canon and Mrs. E. H. Sibson.

NEWTOWN, MONTGOMERYSHIRE.
THE SHROPSIIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
A PEAL OF THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID. 5040 KENT TREBLE BOR MINOR
Being seven extents.
Being seven extents.
*Frederick H.
*Colin Smith
Colin Smirh .. .. .. 2 \#Roger W. Powell
John R. Thomas .. .. 3 F. Hector Benneti

* First peal of Conducted by F. Hector Bennetr.
* First peal of Treble Bob. First as conductor.

PACK WOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGFIAM.
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,
Being 42 extents : Ten each of Plain Boh. Grandsire, Reverse Canterhury Pleasure Bob and April Day. and one each of Stedman and Reverse St. Bartholomew. Tenor 6 cwt 3 ar. 14 lh . in $G$ flat. helen M. Thacker....Treble Peter S. Bifnett. Pameia M. Turner .. .. 2 Maturice C. Hughes Roger E. Tallis $\quad . \quad . \quad 3 \quad$ Victor H. Nash

Conducted by Roger E. Taliss.
First peat of Doubles as conductor. Fastest peal on the hells.
A birthday compliment to the trehle ringer.

## HANDBELL PEALS

SELBY YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selhy and District Society.)
On Sat.. Jant. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 5 Mimbtes.
AI 15. Wooldvillf. Trrrace.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in two callings.
Tenor size 8 in C sharp.
*A. Grundy
†Bitiy Martinson .. .. $5-6$
Conducted by R. R. WARFORI).
*First peal 'in hand.' † First peal.

## MARPLE., CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sull., Jan. 10. 1960, ill 2 Hours.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C .
Aian McFall

* First peal in bed.

ABERGAVENNY, MON.-On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Sjoberg 1, Miss P. Jones 2 , Mrs. D. J. King 3, D. J. King 4, G. Ward (cond.) 5, J. E. Morgan 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. D. J. King.

APPIETON, BERKS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: H. White 1, E. Drewitt 2, J. Drewitt 3, B. Coggins 4, F. Messenger 5, B. J. Coxgins (first of Caters) 6, H. C. White 7. F. White 8, F. A.
White (cond.) 9, F. Absolom 10. A 17th birthday compliment to Miss Margaret Cogpins.
BALDOCK, HERTS. On Dec. 27th, 1,280 Camhridge Surnrise Major: M. Honkins 1, June Dear 2, P. Flack 3, L. B. Scoot 4, L. Hushes 5, 1). Sutcliffe 6, J. S. Dear (cond.) 7. J. R. Castledine 8. First of Surprise for 1 and 2.
BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.-On Jan, 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Godwin 1. R. Perkins 2. B. S. Payne 3. F. K. Thomns
Lowe 5, J. Lowe 6. For Evensong.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.-On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Pob and Plain Bob): Elizabeth Cooper 1. Jeanette Winchester 2. Jean Lavender 3. F. E. Darby (cond.) 4. M. V. Chilcott 5, D. E. Parsons 6. First on six bells by 1 and 2.
BEDFORD.-At St. Paul's Church, on January 4th, 1.280 London Surprise Major: Helen Nevin 1, Jennifer M. Davies 2, J. B. Long (firsı of London) 3, K. Wakefield (first of London) 4, C. E. Jeffries 5, J. R. Taylor 6, B. Pattison (cond.) 7. S. Ivin 8.
RENHILTON, SURREY.-On Jan. 10 th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. C. Collins (first euarter) 1. Christine
S. Rowland 2, M. Anne Burton (first 'inside') 3. S. Rowland 2, M. Anne Burton (first 'inside') 3 ,
Emily Lane (first quarter) 4, P. W. S. Richardson (cond.) 5, Parricia Collins 6.
BLACKHILL, CO. DURHAM.-On Chrisimas Day, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: W. Tyson 1, K. Ather (first
quarter) 2. J. Vickery 3. N. Errington 4. C. T. quarter) 2, J. Vickery 3, N. Errington 4, C
Lamb (cond.) 5. R. Skelton 6, R. Oliver cover.
bootle, Lancs.-On Jan. 17th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: T. Knowles 1, Alice E. J. Lester 2, F. Ander-
ton 3. P. S. Bennett (cond.) 4. T. Fitzgerald 5. ton 3. P. S. Bennett (cond.) 4. T. Fitzaerald 5 .
F. H. Hayes 6 . Rung for the visit of the Bishnn of FiverDool.

BRADWELL, BUCKS.-On Dec. 23rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubies: J. E. Whitlock (cond.) 1. W. French 2. F. Mynard 3, A. May 4, K. Tompkins (first euar(er) 5. Also on Jan, $10 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Minor (Double Cours and Plain Bob): K. Tomnkins 1, W. French 2. J. E. Whitlock (cond.) 3, A. Mav 4, F. Mynard 5 , A. Coley 6 . An $86 t h$ birthday compliment to Mr . T.
Walsers, who is stijl a ringing member, at Bradwell. BRIDGEND, GLAM.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Edmunds (leading) 1, S. Henson 2 .
T. E.. Hiddins 3, W. T. Petty (cond) 4, H. Preece T. E. Hiddins 3, W. T. Petty (cond) 4, H. Preece
5, E. M. Smith 6, D. L. Hughes 8 . Also on Jan. loth. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. E. Hiddins 1. J. Hale 2, W. T. Perty (cend.) 3. H. Preece 4.
E. M. Smith 5, D. L. Hushes 6. A comnliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hughes in their 40 th wedding anniversary.
BRISTOL.-At St. Ambrose's Church, on Jan. 10th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. 3. Huskins (first on a working bell) 1. F. 1. Samnson 2. A. C. Haker 3.
Miss G. Hussey 4. B. A. Shackleton (first as cond.) 5. R. G. Hooper 6. F. Skidmore 7. F. R. Hussev 8. Also at the Church of St. Michact-on-theMount, on Nov. 22nd. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Jane Cuok 1. Beryl Abholt 2. I. Maycock 3. Angela Grainger 1. I. C. Baldwin (first of Minor as cund:) $5, R$.

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BURES. StFFOI.K.-On Jan, 3rd, 1.280 Yorkwhire Surprise Maior: C. Boner 1, Mrs. L. Mills 2. Miss J. Spursin 3. Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 4. A. W. Canadale 5, 1), L. Mills (cond.) 6, L. D. Mills 7. E. C. Hyward 8. A 21 st birthday compliment to the ringer of 4 .
EDMONTON, MIDDIX.-On Jan. 17th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Judith Burden (first quarier) W. George 2, Trudy Neweombe 3, D. Langdon
J. Weeks (cond.) 5. P. Haward 6.

ELTHAM, KENT, -On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Oeford Bob Triples: Celia Lawrance 1, K. Small 2, Mrs. E. J. Coode 3, N. Clarke 4, F. J. Hurrell 5. J. Sims 6. E. B. Crowder (cond.) 7. E, J. Coode 8. For candlelit festival of nine lessons and carols.
ESHER, SURREY;-On Dec. 26ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Drury 1. J. Mavbrev 2. J. Martin 3. Miss G. May 4, J. Mav 5, D. Wrinht (first of Grandsire Trinles as cond.) 6, C. Chinnery 7, B. Priestley (50th quarter) 8 .
FAIRFIELD. BUXTON, DERBYS,-On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Minor: S. Boundy 1. K. Ellison 2. E. Ellison 3, S. Ellison 4, B. J. Woodruffe 5, W. A. Smith (cond.) 6
evening service.

## QUARTER PEALS

FINEDON, NORTHANTS.-On Dec. 28th. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: E. Chapman 1, Miss B. Manshin 2, E. Billings 3, R. Wilson 4, D, W. James 5, A. Gibbs 6, G. F. Roome 7, 13. Hendry (cond.) 8. First of Surprise for $1,3,4$. A 77th birthday compliment 10 John R. Main.
GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.-On Jan. 17 lh , 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. Hall I. 3. Neal 2, F. Hall 3, G. Alkins 4. R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5. First quarter by a nurely Grafton band. For Sunday School prize-giving service.
HARROW WEALD, MIDDLX.-On Dec, 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss R. Fleming 1, Mrs, H. G. Hart 2, Miss B. C. Webster 3, Miss C. Whise 4, H. G. Hart 5. H. N. Tembey (first in the method) 6. J. R. Mayne (cond.) 7, Miss P. Page 8. Rung fo: the christening of a grand-daughter of the ringer of 6 . HENLOW, BEDS.-On Dec. 24ih, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Measures 1. P. Rogers 2. R. Fuller 3, M. Maior 4, L. H. Bywater (cond.) 5. P. Thompson 6. For Midnight Mass. Also on Chrisumas Day. 1,260 Grandsire Doubies: R. Measures 1, M. Major 2, A. Gente 3, R. Fuller 4, L. M. Buwater (cond.) 5, P. Thompson 6. For family service. Also on New Year's Eve, Iwo 1,260's of Plain But Minor: R. Measures 1, M. Major 2. A. Genile 3. P. Rogers 4. R. Fuller 5, 1. H. Bywater (cond.) 6.

HINTON BEEWITT, SOMFRSET.-On Jan. 7ih. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. H. Andrews 1. Miss S. Hunt 2, P. W. Gay (first quarter) 3. D. Unhill 4, R. J. Gay (first as cond.) 5 .

HUGHENDEN, RUCKS.-On Dec. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Beryl Smith (first attemnt) 1, R. Bizrs 2, A. Furall 3, J. D. Kane 4. N. Cornwall 5, A. Newton 6, D. Cornwall (cund.) 7. V. Evans and A. E. Cox 8 .

HUSBURNE CRAWLEY, BEDS,-On Jan. 101h, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. C. Hall 1, Angela Grainger (cond.) 2, A. Kershaw 3, O. 1. J. Rugers 4, K. C. Fleming 5, R. R. Churchill 6. For Evensong.
KING: S NORTON, WARWICKS. On Jan. 10th, 1.295 Grandsire Caters: Tonie J. Critchley 1, Linda M. Hughes 2, Mary Funnell 3, Susan Funned 4. Alma M. Greaves 5, Veronica Miles 6, Molly P. Barron 7. D. J. Purnell 8, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 9. R. J. Gay 10. First of Grandsire Caters for 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 10. For morning service.
KINGSTONE, HEREFORDS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Doubles (New Grandsirc, Plain Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire): M. Puwell 1, L. H. Colcombe 2, R. G. Powell (cond.) 3. C. Phillips 4. T. J. Gundy 5, A. Williams 6. Rung for the Nativity play by the Kilneck Plavers.
LONDON, W.C.-At St. Clement Danes' Church. on Jan. 174h, 1,280 Kent Trehle Bob Major: Mrs. E. M. Barworth 1, Miss A. Garnett 2. Mrs. F. E. Collins 3, N. S. Bagworth 4, A. E. Bagworth 5, R. W'. Hinde 6, I. H. Oram 7, F. E. Collins (cond.) B. For Evensong.
MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.-On Dec. 201h, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: T. White 1. H. F. White 2, W. H. Tyler 3, R. Hazeldine 4, T. Price 5, B. Madeley 6, A. M. Hickman 7, F. Price (cond.) 8. Rung for the visit of the Bishon of Shrewsbury, and as a farewell to the Vicar (the Rev. B. Stration).
MORTIMER COMMON, BERHS.-On Dec. 31st. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss W. Hale (16) 1. D. R. Eltior (20) 2, Miss G. Martin (16) 3, J. Hetherington (17, first 'inside ') 4, 1. F. Taylor (cond, 20) 5, W'. F. Saunders (13. first euarter) 6. Average age of band 17. Ringing ous the Old Year. OLD GILOSSOP. DFRBYS. On Jan. 2hh. 1.344 Double Norwich Court Boh Major: T. Taylor (cond) S. Hourh, jun.. 2. I). Moucrshead 3. P. Lallin 4. R. Kennett 5, S. W. J. Pennv A. G. D. Fearnehough 7. N. Bennetu 8.
ORSTON. NOTTS.-On Jan. 2nd. 1.260 Minur (Double Court, Single Court, Single Oxford and Plain Bub) : A. Foster 1, F. W. Pinchbeck 2. B. Mills 3. C. R. Burrill 4. D. A. Frith (cond.) 5, J. Meredith 6. OXFORD.-On Dec. 30th, at the Church of Si. Aldate, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles : P. R. Tocock (first quarter) 1, J. Venn 2. Diana P. Tocock (first quarter) 3. E. Venn 4, P. H. Tocock (cond.) 5, R. Allsworth 6. Rung as an 89th birthday compliment to Mr. W. H. B. Wilkins.
PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Helen M. Thacker 1. Pamela M. Turner 2, J. K. Foot 3, R. C. Warburton 4, M. C. Hughes 5, R. E. Tallis, jun. (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Abo on Jan. 10th, 1,320 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: V. R. Tallis 1, Pamela M. Turner 2, J. K. Foot 3, P. S. Bennett 4, M. C. Hughes 5, R. E. Tallis, iun. (cond.) 6. First of Oxford by all the band. For Evensong.

PARRAMATTA, N.S.W. AUSTRALIA. - On Dee. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Gates 1. M. J. Bray (R.N.)
Kerley (R.N.) 4. T. W. Goodyer 5. J. Turley (first Keriey (R. 6.
PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-On Jan. 14th, at Emmanuel Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. L. Blagg 1, J. P. Sims (cond.) 2, Sylvia Sims 3, F. R. Hocking 4, A. Weatherley 5, H. H. Thomas 6, F. Day 7, O. Thomas 8. Rung to mark renovation of bells and redecoration of belfry.
PRESTON, DORSFT.-On Jan. 17th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Dr. C. A. G. Ward 1, Sylvia Watson (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. A. J. Slade (cond.) 3, G. Cornick 4, A. J. Slade 5, H. T. Cornick 6. Rung for the dedication of the new choir stalls by the lord Bishop of Salisbury.
REDHILL, SURREY.-On Jan. $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Hankey (14, first quarter) 1. Miss F. Hankey 2. Miss B. Saggers 3. D. Mundy 4. G. West 5, E. G. L. Coward 6. A. Streeter (cond.) 7. H. Coomber 8. Rung half-muffled un the evening of the funeral of Mr. Alfred Gear.
RICHMOND, SURREY.-On Dec. 18th, 1.280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Maior: Margaret Wesscott 1, W. S. Deason 2, Jill Barron 3. B. B. Dithen 4. Gillian Neal Smith 5, J. D. Rock 6, R. G. Leale (cond.) 7. Dr. D. J. Neal Smith 8. For the 10th anniversary of the ordination of the Vicar (the Rcy. D. Landreth, M.A.).

ROMSEY, HANTS,-On Jan. 13th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. White 1. M. J. Pointer 2, Miss A. Knight 3. M. D. G. Northway 4. C. M. White 5. H. 1. Page 6. A. W. Fry (first of Grandsire Triples as cond.) 7, K. J. Jacobs 8. Rung for the wedding of Lady Pamela Mountbatten and Mr. David Hicks. Also on Jan. 17th, 1.260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss S. Edwards 1. Miss A. J. Knight 2. M. D. G. Norihway 3. M. L. Norihway 4. A. W. Fry (cond.) 5, D. Greenlaw 6, C. M. Whre 7, K. Jacobs 8. Rung to mark the weddins on January 15ih of Mr Jack Page, the tower captain, to Miss Eileen Howard.
ROSTHERNE, CHESHIRE-On Jan. 8th. $1.44 n$ Plain Bob Minor: W. H. Dowse 1. S. W. J. Penny 2. B. Schofield 3, J. R. Kennetl 4, D. Mottershead 5, N. Bennett (cond.) 6.

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX,-On Oct. 22nd, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: B. G. Brinkley 1, B. Boyer 2. A. Shadrack 3. H. A. Shadrack 4, E. W. Roast 5. P. W. SaltMary Shadrack, honorary member of the Essex Association.
STANWELL, MIDDLX,-On July 1st, 1.320 Stanwell Exercise Doubles as a welcome to the Rev. Withers-Lancashire. Precentor. Also on Dec. 61h. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor. for afternoon service. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,259 Plain Bob Doubles. for Midnight Mass. Also on May 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor, at St. Mary's. Staines; 1.260 Plain Bob Minor, at Chertsey; 1.260 Seven Doubles, at Shepperton; 1.260 Plain Bub Minor, at Stanwell: and 1,300 Plain Bob Doubles, at East Bedfont.
SWANSEA, GLAM.-At the Church of St. Mary on Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Wright (first quarter) 1, Miss H. Way 2. B. Cousins 3 I. Willis 4, J. A. Huare (cond.) 5. J. T. Williams 6 First of Doubles by 2 and 3 .
SYDNEY. N.S.W.. ALSTRALIA.-On Dec. 18th. at St. Mary's Basilica, 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: Ann Brown (first quarter) 1. Mrs. T. W. Goodyer 2, 1. C. Sheehy 3. M. I. Bray (H. M.S. 'Cemaur') 4. J. 1. Cummins 5. D. W. Kerley (H.M.S. Centaur') 6 T. W. Gondyer (cond) 7. J. F. Hammond 8 . For the carol fesival. Also at St. Mary's, on Jan. 10th. 1.260 (Minor (Little Boh and Plain Bob): Mrs. T. W Gondyer 1. Wendy A. Nichols (firsy of Minor : inside') 2. Audrey E. Peters (lirst of Minor 'inside ') ${ }^{\prime}$.
W. D. Watson 4. J. C. Sheehy 5. T. W. Goodyer (condi.) 6.
TEWIN, HERTS.-On Jan. 17th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: W. T. Holmes 1. Miss J. Gambling 2. Miss Bailey 3. D. M. Gambling 4. H. Shire 5 P. C. F. Wooster (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 4
and 6. For Evensong and to celebrate the birthdays of Audrey Bailey and Hilary Ford.

WIMBLLEDON, SURREY.-On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Jacobs 1. Caroline Carpenter 2. Anne Garnett 3. Elizabeth Carson 4. A. Bishop Susan Rawlinas (first as cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Carson (first of Triples) 1. Caroline Carpenter (first of Triples) M. Sinden (cond.) 3. A. S. Biston 4. Susen Rawlings

Anne Garnett 6, A. Bagworth 7. Susan Jacobs 8.
WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.-On Dec. 31st. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): M. Warnes (first quarter) 1, Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 2, D. Culham E. Legeeri (cond.) 4, A. Cansdale 5, F. Clarke 6.

## MR. FRED NEWCOMBE

Mr. Fred Newcombe, a member of St. Peter's Society of Change Ringers. Tiverton, for upwards of 50 years, and one of the oldest members of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, died on January 16th in Tiverton District Hospital, after a short illness very cheerfully borne, at the age of 87.

During his long service to St. Peter's Society he was steeple keeper for over 25 years and also conductor. As a peal ringer he only rang a few. but he was very proud of the ones he rang at St. Peter's, some of which he conducled. He gave up ringing shortly after his 80th birthday, but until then he was a regular service ringer.
The funeral at Tiverton Cemetery on January $20 t h$ was conducted by the Rector (Canon R. C. Worsley). The St. Peter's Society of Change Ringers and the Guild of Devonshire Ringers were represented by Mr. W. H. Ware. A wreath was sent by the local ringers in memory of a very good friend and ringer. The bells of St. Peter's, which he loved more than any others. were rung half-muffled to his memory by James D. Upion (captain) 1, G. W. Hollis 2, G. Court 3, Miss B. Hollis 4, T. Gill 5, G. Emmett 6, J. Rowsell 7. W. H. Ware 8. So passes another member of the Exercise who will be always remembered by his many friends.

May he rest in peace.
W. H. W.

## MR. GEORGE M. RASHBROOK

With the passing of Mr. George M. Rashbrook on December 30th, at the age of 85 years, one of the last links with ringing at St. Peter's, Colchester, at the end of the last century has gone, the only surviving member now left, to the writer's knowledge, heing Mr. R. W. Stannard, of Barking.

A faithful ringer there for 65 years, George probably learned to ring at St. Peter's at the end of the $1880^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$, and rang his first 720 Minor there in 1891, conducted by Mr. Stannard. His first peal, 5,050 Oxford Treble Bob Major.

## OBITUARY

was at Ardleigh, Essex, on April 22nd, 1893, conducted by Janes Motts, while his first 720 as conductor was on handbells on February $5 \mathrm{th}, 1894$.
A safe ringer and good striker on any number of tower- or handbells, his work as a master baker prevented him from taking part in many peals; however, he had rung about 60 including 14 of Superlative Surprise and the first peal of Bob Royal in Colchester on handbells in 1934, conducted by the late W. Keeble, with whom he rang many handbell peals. A peal of which he was especially proud was the grandfather peal of 5,088 Kent T.B. Major at Great Baddow, Essex, in 1935.
The writer had the privilege of conducting George's 80th birthday peal of Double Norwich at St. Peter's on March 13th, 1954, when he rang the third bell faultlessly. This was his last peal, as shortly afterwards failing eyesight and a broken wrist caused his retirement from active ringing, although he retained his interest in ringing matters, and was always ready to talk about bygone days. A member of the Essex Association for a great number of years, he was elected a life member several years ago, and was at one time tower secretary of the St. Peter's company. His wife predeceased him in 1958, as also did his only daughter some years previously. There are two sons left, one of whom lives in New Zealand; we extend our sympathy to them.
The cremation look place at Colchester on January 4th. Local ringers were represented by Mr. E. P. Duffiela, with whom George had rung many of his peals. A wreath was also sent from the Colchester ringers.
May he rest in peace.
H. J. M.

## MR. ALFRED GEAR

For well over 50 years a member of the Surrey Association, and a keen ringer at St. John's, Redhill, Mr. Alfred Gear died on

January 6th, aged 75 years. He had been an officer of the District for at least 30 years, and for the last 14 years treasurer.

At his funeral on January 12 th the Vicar (Rev, S. G. Dyer) praised him for his service to the Church, his Christian way of life, the many sacrifices he made for the benefit of others, and the high esteem in which he was held, both by his fellow churchmen and his business associates.

The mourners included ringers from Redhill, Reigate and Nutfield. A quarter peal of 1.260 Grandsire Triples was rung half-muflied in the evening.

## MR. ISAAC FARMER

The Bath and Wells Association, and especially the Dunster Branch, have lost an old and much-respected member through the unexpected death of Mr. Isaac Farmer on January 8 th.
'Ike' had been a life-long member of the Association and was for many years the principal conductor in Dunster Branch. He was most regular in attending Branch meetings and St. George's Church. Dunster, on Sundays.
The local band paid their tribute at his funeral. On January 11 th and before the annual meeting of the Dunster Branch on January 16 th , members of the B. and W. Association rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples with bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect. His death will be keenly felt by the local band as 'Ike' never missed.
A. R. T.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.-On Dec. 3 Ist. 1.280 Duube Nurwich Court Bob Major: G. Wuodruff 1. Doreen Fairhead (first in method) 2. R. Preston 3. W. J. Brunt 4, B. W. Fairhead 5. F. G. Oliver 6, E. P Duffield 7. H. J. Millatt (cond.) 8. For the passing of the old year.
KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.-On Dec. 31st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: T. Greenacre 1. Freda P. Greaves 2, S. Elsey 3, J. Wilson 4, E. H. Mastin 5, R. M. Reed 6, N. V. Harding (cond.) 7. L. Houghton 8. Rung half-muffled for the passing of the old year.

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Another non-conducted silent peal was rung at Halstead on January 9th. The

## BELFRY

 ringers again drew for places before the start The performance was an outstanding one as Messrs. Egglestone and Roast and Miss Snowden had not previously conducted a peal of London Surprise. The band was again indebted to Mr. Lewis Wiffen for umpiring in the cold belfry. Mr. Wiffen's unfailing enthusiasm at the age of 78 is a lesson to all. Why not put your name in the hat next time, Lewis?Congratulations to the well-known Worcester ringer. Mr. T. W. Lewis, on ringing his 500 th peal.
Another laggards" peal has been registeredone of Plain Boh Minor rung in bed at Marple, Cheshire, on January 10th.
Donations acknowledged this week include one for 7 s . 6 d . 'to reimburse for any loss through purchasing from a newsagent.' A thoughtful and much appreciated idea.
We are asked to state that the next meeting of the Kent District of the Ladies Guild will he at Lenham on March 12 th; the following one (mentioned in the ' R.W. 'last week) will he at Chelsfield on April 23rd.
Good progress by the Sunday service band at the Church of the Holy Cross, Daventry, is revealed hy the peal of Plain Bob Major on January 8th. The only outsider was the conductor, Mr. Bryan Pattison.
A new ring of six is to be shortly dedicated at Apsley, Nottingham, with a tenor of about If cwt . The frame is made for eight in this new church, which will be dedicated to St. Margaret.
At the opening-of-term service of Tudor Grange Grammar School for Boys, Solihull. the bells of the parish church were rung by hoys of the school in excellent style to Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles. Those taking part were Robert Henebury, James Clark, Roy Tallis, Iain Tingle. Maurice Hughes, Victor Nash and Roger Tallis. This is the first time that a Solihull school has provided its own hand of ringers for a school service.

## GOSSIP

For his age of 86 years it is doubtful if there is a fitter ringer than Mr. Reuben Sanders. He rang the seventh at St. Clement Danes' to a peal of Stedman Caters faultlessly in honour of his birthday, and at the end he was as fresh as when he started. reports the conductor. May he be spared for many more good peals, is the wish of his almost numberless friends.

Since his arrival in Plymouth in recent months, Mr. J. L. Blagg has taken up ringing again after a break of nearly 30 years.

We note that Mr. George Gilbert, of Burnham, is still shepherding first-pealers through. He added another two names to his list on January 9 th.

Some good work is being done at King's Norton. Five first peals, one first "inside " and another first of Major should please any conductor's heart.

Mr, F. Hector Bennett, of Shrewsbury, must be proud of his band who rang a peal of Kenz T.B. at Newton. It was the first of Treble Bob for the other five ringers.
Owing to numerous complaints, ringing at the London County Association meeting at St. Mary-atte-Bow on January 16th had ta be curtailed. The District Master expresses his apologies to any of the company who did not get a ring.
Choir members of St. Andrew's, Preston, Weymouth, rang a quarter peal on January 17th to mark the occasion of the dedication of their new choir stalls by the Bishop of Salisbury. The ringing was of a high standard, especially of two junior members - Gerald Cornick and Sylvia Watson.

On November 15 th a peal was rung at Droitwich Spa by a band of average age 15 years 2 months. This was believed to be the youngest band to ring a peal for the Worcestershire Association on tower bells. However, on January sth, five of the same band, with a different tenor man, making a band of average age 15 years 1 month, rang a peal of Grandsire at Wychbold in 2 hours 37 minutes.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## How Sydney Welcomes Visitors

## Serving on H.M.S. 'Centaur' are

 Meriyn J. Bray and David W. Kerley. and they did not know each other unnil they met at a practice at St. Mark's, Darling Point, on December 17th, the first day of a tell days' goodwill visit to Sydnes:The next night they were 'kidnapped for a quarter peal at Si. Mary's Basilica. On the following Sunday they rang at St. Mary's and St. Jude's, Randwick: Monday, St. Mary's; Wednesday, St. Jumes', Turramurra; Christmas Eve, St Jude's. Christ Church, St. Lawrence's and St. Benedict's, Broadway:
Christmas Day's programme was ringins at Christ Church and St. Mary's, and a picnic in the afternoon at the Blue Mountains.
Boxing Day, their first peal at St. Mark's, Darling Point.

Sunday, December 27th, ringing at Christ Church and St. Mary's, and in the afternoon they showed 12. Sydney ringers over H.M.S. 'Centaur.
When they sailed we feel certain they felt all the nice girls love a sailor.

## HAWKSHEAD BELLS

The January issue of 'Lancashire Life' conains an interesting account-well illustratedof Hawkshead tower and its ringers. The instructor at this tower is Mr. Nicholas Newby, who makes a round trip of 36 miles from his home at Ulverston every Monday to teach the band.
Captain of the tower is Mr. Robin Shuttleworth, who has been ringing here for 34 years. and Mr. Fred Coward, who joined the band in 1916, is still a ringer. The latest recruit is Mr. William Kenyon, a local hotel proprietor, and the youngest Christine Kirk, aged 12. A regnlar attender at the practices is the Vicar (Rev. Robert L.indsay), who enjoys his ringing.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

At the annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birminghan. the Master (Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd) reported a successful year of peal ringing. chiefly as the result of the resumption of ringing at the Cathedral. They had lost the very fine ring of eight at Bishop Ryders. where the church and tower are now in process of demolition, bul, on the other hand. they had gained a new cight at Bishop Latimer's Church, where hand of ringers is now heing trained.

The secretary and treasurer reported that due to the impending expense of a new peal book, a loss of $£ 20$ would be sustained. After several members had voiced their opinions concerning the recording of peals, it was decided that the present system (which dates from 1755) should be maintained and that a new peal book be purchased.
The following new members were elected: Miss Alma Greaves (King's Norton), Messrs, David J. Harrabin (Handsworth). Alan Burbidge and John C. Birt (Aston), C. D. Baugh, J. T Clarke, R. E. Henebury and Miss J. Shaw (Shirley) and Peter Bennett (Bearley). The following tower elections of life members were duly ratified: Miss Norah Bibby, Miss Margaret Swan. Mr. Gcorge H. Randles and Mr. John Walden. all of Lincoln.
The officers of the Guild were re-elected for the year 1960, viz: Master. Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd: Ringing Master, Mr. John Pinfold: trustees. Alderman Paddon Smith and Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd: auditors. Mr. Heary H. Fearn and Mr. Sidney O.C. Holloway: Central Council representatives, Mr. Frank E. Haynes and Mr. George E. Fearn: librarian. Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd: hon. secretary and treasurer. Mr. George E, Fearn.
It was unanimously decided to invite Mr. Rodney B. Meadows to occupy the chair at the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, which will be held on February 27th.
Solihull will be the venue of the next quarterly meeting, which will take place on April 2nd.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 5



## MR. FRANK W. PERRENS

## (Hon. Librarian to the Central Council)

Mr. F. W. Perrens succeeded Mr. F. Sharpe as librarian when the latter was elected president of the Central Council, and he now adorns that bench of 'sombre and dignified' persons who face the assembled members at mectings of the Council. Born at Bloxwich in 1891, he was educated at the Central Scpondary School, Birmingham, and St. John's College, Battersea. He took up teaching as a profession, working at Willenhall from 1911 to 1915 , which was interrupted by service in the R.A.F. He then went to Sutton Coldfield and continued teaching there until 1920. That year saw his appointment at Coventry Technical College, where he served until 1954. Then he was appointed housemaster at Woodiands Comprehensive

School, Coventry, from which he retired in 1956. He learned to ring at Willenhall in 1910 and. progressing rapidly, rang his first peal, Grandsire, at St. Paul's, Wood Green, in the same year. He soon commenced conducting and called his first peal, again Grandsire Triples, in the following year. On his removal to Sutton Coldfield he very soon took up association with St. Martin's Guild, where, at that time, handbell ringing was going strong.' His first handbell peal was Steaman Cinques, which was also the first such peal in the city of Birmingham. Whilst in that district he took part in the first peal of Bristol Surprise Major in Birmingham. When he moved to Coventry he joined the All Saints', Allesley, band, and was soon appointed Ringing Master. Under his able leadership that band made rapid progress and were soon ringing a variety of Surprise methods, and his band of Sunday service ringers were very proud when they accomplished a peal of Spliced Surprise Major in six methods.
Mr . Perrens is actively connected with the Warwickshire Guild (now Coventry Diocesan Guild), becoming its Ringing Master for a great number of years, and eventually its president, which office he now holds. He called the first peals ever rung of Lincolnshire, Warwickshire. York, Wigston and Stratford Surprise Major, and for the Warwickshire Guild the first peals of New Cambridge, Ipswich, Yorkshire, Staffordshire, Pudsey, Ashtead and Painswick Spliced Surprise Major, New Cambridge Royal and Duffield Major. He also called its first handbell peals of Stedman Caters and Cinques, and in addition to calling the Oxford Guild's first of Cambridge Maximus has taken part in the first peals in that method in many counties, including the first at Exeter Cathedral. In 1958 he took part in a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's Cathedral, London. His total now is 538 , conducted 215 .

On his retirement in 1956 Mr . Perrens and his charming wife, Elsie, made the journey to visit their eldest son, the Rev. Everard G. Perrens. M.A.. headmaster of a senior secondary school for Africans in Uganda. Their youngest son, Donald $F$. Permens. D.S.O., D.F.C., M.A., is head of the Science Department at Eastbourne College. JAFUS.

## Spliced Triples' by J. Segar

This new publication by Mr. Segar deals with the slicing of the eleven "legitimate" twin hunt Triple methods. A wide range of touches is given, ranging from some of a few leads to quarter peals and peals.
This publication should prove valuable to bands who can ring Triples proficiently and want to try something different without going outside the scope of orthodox methods.
Copies can be obtained (price 6d., post free) from Mr. Speed. (See back page.)

## Tips For Beginners-5

If. when learning to hum, you are able to find your way up bur have difficulty in finding jour way at the quicker pace necessury to come down again, remember that the bell you 'turn from the back' is your course bell, and you follow him down, leaving room for one bell between you until you get to second's place. If you follow the eyes of the ringer of your course bell you strike next after each bell he is striking after.

## London County Association

Holding its annual meeting at St. Mary-atteBow on January 16th. the Northern District members heard from the District Master (Mr. J. Bullock) that the District was in a healithy position, but asked for more support by members at District meetings.

Officers elected were: Master, Mr. J. Bullock: secretary, Mr. L. W. Bullock; steward, Mr. B. Weaver.
Ringing concluded at $6.50 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and methods rung ranged from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

A resolution in favour of a national memorial to the late Mr. A. H. Pulling will come before the annual meeting of the Guildford Diocesin Guild.

There is a departure this year from the first Saturday in March for the Henry Johnson dinner. It will be held on Saturday. February 27th. with Mr. Rodney B. Meadows as the chairman

Mr. Brian Threlfall, of Bromley has, with a peal at Stepney, rung 100 peals of Surprise Major, and to reach the century has taken him almost 11 years. He has yet to complete the alphabet to Surprise peals-letters $g, i, j$ and $x$ are still outstanding.

Mr. George H. Randles and Miss Norah M Bibby were married at Lincoln on December 30th last. Congratulations from the Lincoln ringers on the happy occasion was marked by a peal of Gresford Surprise Major at St. Giles: Lincoln. The name of this new method was aptly selected by the newly-weds.

Choristers at Wychbold, Worcs, rang a quarter peal on January 17th. Of the band of 16 . no fewer than nine are choristers, two servers, and the tower captain is secretary of the P.C.C. - It is pleasant to feel that a keen team can be maintained at a tower with such unmelodious bells," writes our correspondent.

St. Mary's, Sunbury-on-Thames, revived a pre-war custom on January 9 th when ringers, servers, adult choristers and junior church teachers were invited to 'some viands and cider' by the Vicar and churchwardens. The ringers' contingent. numbering 26 , contributed to a happy evening, handbell ringing of tunes and change-ringing.

## LETTERS TO

## THE FAST PEAL AT EVESHAM

Dear Sir,-No doubt many of your readers who have read the correspondence under this heading will immediately say "What right has Pat Cannon to criticise a peal which he didn't even hear? : But those who know Pat really well and have taken part in peals with him performing on the tenor will know that he has few equals, if any, on that score, and it is doubtful if there is anyone living at this present time who has a greater wealth of experience at 'turning in ' heavy tenors than Pat, and through such vast experience he knows only too well that it would require more than a super man to strike a bell of 36 cwt . to a peal of Surprise Major in so short a time as that taken recently at Evesham.

Most of us know that Pat's tenor ringing is immaculate, and he has rung many fast peals and slow ones too; but whatever speed he has to ring his bell is always 'on the dot.' This cannot, however, be said in the case of Stephen Ivin's most energetic performance at Evesham, which struck me that as we had met short for Royal, rather than go away without a peal an attempt for Major was made with a 'get it over as quickly as possible, attitude, and to make matters even worse, the band was not placed too well, with the net result a very poor peal was rung. But the tenor man must not take all the blame for this as he didn't exactly have a star-studded band for such an occasion. However. I've no doubt that in say 20 years' time Stephen wil! not be so proud of such a performance as he may be today, as I've known of a similar incident before.
'Comparisons are odious,' so Mr. Hemming's letter falls completely flat. How can you compare a peal of Royal with a peal of Major?, and he should know only too well that Birmingham ringers have a technique of their own in the art of fast ringing; but I do admit that they overdo it at times, but that is another argument.
To my mind this record time ringing has largely been brought about by the absurd footnotes you have rather foolishly allowed to go, into print, such as 'Quickest peal of the bells.' Young ringers of today simply lap it up, and shis Evesham peal is just but one result of this. -Yours faithfully,

RALPH G. EDWARDS.
Birmingham..

## FOR THE "CRITICS"

Dear Sir,-More than 11 column inches of precious space have been devoted to argument arising from an expressed opinion by one, not a witness, regarding the speed of a peal.

It is impossible to generalise, and the quality of such performances should be left judged by the ringers themselves or by witnesses and not allowed to become the excuse for correspondence which appears from time to time usually surrounding a small number of people who, it would appear, are not content with the notoriety they have achieved through the peal columns.

Such matter is not helpful, neither is it interesting to the great majority of your readers. - Yours faithfully,

Solihull, Warks.

## A THOUGHT AFTER EVESHAM

Some ringers rang a fast peal,
And Pat, who likes a joke,
Wrote a little letter,
Correspondence to invoke.
Well. I think this is the story,
'Cause I've heard our Pat before Drop a little "clanger
To make our tempers soar.

So I tell you not to worry At Patrick's little chaff,
For in reading this week's 'Ringing World I've had me quite a laugh.

BABBACOMBE BILL.'

## LITTLE BOB MAXIMUS

Dear Sir,-May I commend the following composition on account of its musical qualities and simplicity?

Musical 5,280 Little Bob Maximus 234567890 et 6ths 5ths H 7ths W 46792305 TE8 - S S S -
Repeat 59 times, single for bob half-way and end. Calls on the 11 th. $8,0, E, T$ course throughout. Contains no T-E's at backstroke.

True also as 15,840 Plain Bob Maximus, when bobs may be substituted for the singles at 7ths and 5ths.

For a quarter peal of 1,320 omit all singles at 5ths, giving course-end 46752309 Te8. Repeat 14 times.

Yours sincerely,

## Cambridge.

J. SCHOFIELD.

## PEALS, 'THE RINGING WORLD' AND ROPES

Dear Sir,-Much has been said and written of late about finances connected with the abovementioned items. Many advocate a charge for recording peals in "The Ringing World,' which would no doubt lead to peals not being recorded at all, for I am certain that although there are many ringers who attach far, far too much importance to having their names-and quite absurd, unnecessary particulars in some casesin print, I am equally convinced that there are many whe do not care one jot. Others advocate that the Associations and Guilds should help to finance 'The Ringing World,' but this would obviously lead to further increases in subscriptions, leading in turn to some loss of members, more particularly perhaps among younger ringers, which would be deplorable.

I would suggest to those who have the necessary authority-and I am sure this would include many ringers who have the welfare of the Exercise and 'The Ringing World ' at heart -to follow the principles we have adopted with success at Allesley. We charge each ringer of a peal two shillings: sixpence for the Guild peal booking fee. sixpence for the tower peal booking fee, sixpence for "The Ringing World and sixpence for the tower rope fund. Also, we always allocate at least 20 per cent. of any money we receive for ringing at weddings to our rope fund. with the result that we are able to purchase ropes when necessary without adding to normal church expenses.

The charge. I might add, applies to menbers of our own band as well as visitors, and no one seems to have the slightest objection to it, or if they have, they realise that their objection is so unreasonable that they have not the courage to voice it.

Of course, charges could vary according to local circumstances, but even if one half of our towers adopted the principle, it would prove a great help both to "The Ringing World 'and to local church expenses, without affecting ringing records or Guild membership.-Yours sincerely,
F. W. PERRENS.

Coventry.

## FALSE PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir,-I wish to withdraw the peal of Surprise Minor in 22 methods, rung at Chalfont St. Giles on December 15th, 1956, as it is false.

I have for a long time possessed a cutting from 'The Ringing World' of August 2nd, 1936, page 495, which gives the figures of a 32 -method peal rung at Lamberhurst on March 2nd, 1935. In the peal at Chalfont St. Giles I used some of these extents.
I have recently been given some old volumes of 'The Ringing World.' In the issue of October 2nd, 1936, page 647, over a year after the original figures were published, I came across a letter in which it is pointed out that one of the extents was wrongly printed. The truth of the Lamberhurst peal is not in question, since it was only the printing of the figures which was wrong.
My apologies to the band: we shall have to ring it again! It only goes to show what far-reaching effects such misprints can have. I append the corrected figures of the extent in question. - Yours faithfully,

JOHN R. MAYNE.

## Harrow.

| 23456 Rossendale | 35426 Lightfoot |
| :---: | :---: |
| 35264 Stamford | 26543 Wearmouth |
| 56423 Rossendale | 43652 Lightfoot |
| 62534 Stamford | 52364 Lightfoot |
| 23645 Stamford | - 26435 Netherseale |
| 34256 Rossendalo | 54326 Netherseale |
| 45362 Rossendale | 63254 Netherseale |
| 56234 Annable's | 42563 Netherseale |
| London | 35642 Netherseale |
| 34625 Annable's, | - 42635 Lightfoot |
| London | 23564 Lightfoot |
| 25463 Annable's | 64352 Rossendale |
| London | 45623 Stamford |
| 63542 Annable's, | 52436 Lightfoot |
| London | 36245 Lightfoot |
| 42356 Annable's | 64523 Lightfoot |
| London |  |
| 56342 Lightfoot | 23456 |
| 64235 Wearmouth |  |

## PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir.-I wish to withdraw the peal rung at Creswell on September 26th, 1959, owing to the falseness of the composition published on page 16 of 'The Ringing World' for January 1st, 1960.

I apologise to the members of the band, the Derbyshire Association and the Editorial Com-mittee.-Yours sincerely,

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.
WHAT WOLLD THE VICAR SAY?
Dear Sir--Being the hon. secretary of the Branch to which Collingbourne Kingston tower belongs, I have been a little intrigued by the ensuing correspondence following a recent peal rung there. To date. has anyone thought of the feelings of the Rev. C.D. G. Swinterton (Vicar of Collingbourne Kingston), who gave permission for the peal to be rung? Had he known of the storm to be set raging, would he not have thought twice about this?

Let me say naturally my loyalty is with the Guild to which I belong. but if I remember rightly, my first peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Hungerford; the majority of the band belonged 10 the Salisbury Guild, and it was duly credited with it. When a lad at school. we used to play a game called tit-for-tat: we also learnt a portion of scripture from the 13 th chapter of Corinthians.-Yours sincerely,
T. A. PALMER.

Aldbourne, Wilts.

## CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

Dear Sir.-I find myself in agreement with he general trend of the criticism of the Christmas Day broadcast, and whilst conceding that those who took part in it were probably doing their best, their efforts were not such as to give a favourable impression to the public.
When bells are broadcast, it is a public performance, and as such it is as liable to receive criticism as the broadcasting of an organ or an orchestra. We, as ringers, naturally desire that when bells are on the air they should be at their best, and everything that is possible should be done to ensure this.
It seems to me, however, that every time the B.B.C. has anything to do with bells it makes a mess of it, what with fumbling announcers, mixed up engineers, crossed lines, etc. Even with the remarkably good ringing from Evercreech on Sundays they start either too late to allow a proper finish, or, if they start on time they fade out before the bells come round. It is very rarely that when the Double Norwich record is used that we have the opportunity of hearing J. Dyke's home-made single at the end. The Central Council appointed a committee 10 act as liaison between ringers and the B.B.C. That committee has been strangely silent during the correspondence on this matter. May I ask whether the B.B.C. consulted them about the Christmas broadcast? I should be surprised if they did, and I see no reason to alter my views expressed at the Council's meeting two or three years ago. I said then, and I repeat now, that the B.B.C. appears to have a know all' attitude and will not welcome advice from the proper quarter.
I should like to see our Broadcasting Committee asserting itself more firmly and hammering away untit we get better results.-Yours faithfully,

## J. FRANK SMALLWOOD.

Matlock, Derbyshire.

## LIVE RINGING WANTED

Dear Sir.-It is not so long ago Mr. N. Chaddock went to war about 'canned' ringing (and anything but live ringing is 'canned' ringing). and now in his search for perfection suggests that we have it for Christmas.
Is the Christmas ringing being turned into a ringing contest. with certain people setting themselves up as judges?
Christmas ringing is intended as a live broadcast to the public (with facts as they are) on Christmas morning in the natural surroundings land distractions) of the home. and not as recorded precision ringing which will please the ears of expert ringers and stand up to repetition on a tape-recorder in privacy-a method which must have been used for some of the derailed judgment in past years.
Not every hand (especially some in country places) is even interested in precision ringing.rours sincercly,
Sheffield.
(Mrs.) E. D. KELLY.

## WANT TO BE ON THE AIR

Dear Sir.-For over 55 years I have been atlached to Friezland Church, where service ringing and good striking is the main object. In 1935 I contacled the B.B.C. with a view to broadcast of Friezland bells. Perhaps because we are a Minor band our chances are jeopardised. I appeal to the ringing fraternity Who know us for a little support. We have a recent recording of our bells, and if we could set our hells recorded on the air it would be sreatly appreciated.-Yours fraternally,
J. BURGESS.

Friezland.

Dear Sir.-Without wishing to prolong the correspondence on this subject, may I say how much I am in agreement with the observations made by Mr. Rush in his letter which appears in the current issue of 'The Ringing World.' One cannot but wonder what, or who, induces the B.B.C. to pick where it does for occasions which should produce nothing less than top flight, ringing, especially when there are so many goad towers from which to choose. Is there no one who can ensure, as far as possible, that only towers where good ringing can he expected are nominated for special broadcasts? You can imagine the reaction to the - rough stuff, put over the air at Christmas in this part of the country, where good striking is the only criterion!
Mr. Rush concludes by remarking that the principal thing is . What does it sound like outside? ? I would add that one has no need to go oursidle a tower to know what is bad or good ringing!-Yours faithfully,

> B. E. BARTLETT. Hon. Secretary.

South Devon Ringers' Association.
Torquay.
Dear Sir,-Mr. D. P. Jones would do well to clarify his remarks concerning the Christmas broadcast. Does he think the standard of ringing too high for his pupils to emulate, or is he writing with his 'tongue in his cheek ? If he feels the performances were poor he should tell his pupils. who will (if they have regard for his views) henefit accordingly.

1 congratulate him on his efforts at Castle Gresley. I know the peal recently rung there would be an object lesson to his local boys.Yours sincerely.

Gnosall, Staffs.
B. G. KEY.

Dear Sir.-Whilst we appreciate the comments on the Christmas Day broadcast, let's be truthful about the quality of the ringing. Our old friend Peter Bond considers the quality of the broadcast excellent.

There was, to my mind, only one band who could be congratulated on good ringing, and those of our neighbours in Ireland. If this is the sort of stuff we are trying to educate the general public with, we had far better not broadcast at all.-Yours, etc..

RON BULLEN.

## Darley Dale.

Dear Sir-This year's Christmas Day broadcast of bells was a decided improvement on previous broadcasts, and as all lowers were on the air for a little longer time than is usual we were able to appreciate the striking better.

While agreeing with the views of your correspondents in "The Ringing World.' I think that St. Mary's. Beaconsfield. should be placed first for striking-excellent in every change.Yours faithfully.
H. BADGER.

Headington. Oxford.
Dear Sir.-In reference the Christmas Day broadcast. I think it was quite the worst that has been put on the air for several years. The hest towers represented in that programme were St. Donard's, Belfast, and Beaconstield, Bucks. In a programme like this Christmas morning feature it is desirable that only the best of bells should be used to ring the greeting from each region. That, above all else, means that carillons and chimes are definitely out. Church bells were never intended to be chimed to any music whatever.-I am, Sir, yours truly,

PETER J. ROBERTS.
Barry, Glamorgan.

## YORKSHIRE 'CARTWHEELERS' AND

 RHYTHMDear Sir,-I fear R. J. Corke has dropped a rather large brick, for Mr. Moxon and his friends are real experts at unbroken rhythm. One does not hear so much of the Yorkshire Cartwheelers as the West Country Call-changers but in their love of good striking they are very much akin.

Moreover, Mr. Moxon did not suggest it should be a rule that peals of Minor should be in seven methods, but that 6 -bell experts should aim at doing so.

I well remember that in Angmering. Sussex, there was row upon row of peal cards on the tower walls-all seven method peals, and learner as I was, I longed to be able to ring that Primrose. Violet. Woodbine, etc. So you see, sir. that even in Mr. Corke's own part of the country and mine it was thought that peals of Minor ought to be in seven methods.

In case Mr. Corke. should think I too sound pretentious, I had better add that my only peal for the Sussex Association was treble to Grandsire Doubles at Lyminster.-Yours faithfully.

Sheffield, Yorks.

Dear Sir, - In reply to the letter by Mr. Corke. Methods Secondary to Rhythm.: i should like to point out that the last peal in which Mr. Moxon stood in, rung at Silkstone on November 12 th . was rung in contest style with approximately 40 faults per 720 . If that isn't rhythmical closed lead ringing I should like to know what is.

It may be that we, the 'Cartwheelers.' have more Minor methods on hand, as we do not rely on the Central Council's Collection of Minor Methods.

I ask you, sir. what do people get from a peal of Bob Minor? If a person can ring an extent of Bob Minor, and strike it, in 14 days he can ring six more methods; and good striking is like riding a cycle, if you learn right you do it suhconsciously.-Yours faithfully.
-ARTFUL DODGER
Huddersfield.
THE SPIRIT OF GEORGE BOLLAND
Dear Sir.-I thank Mr. William Barton for the details he gives of the great endeavour the late George Bolland made to ensure that peals of Minor be rung in not less than seven methods. His spirit must have listened with mixed feelings to the peal rung at Tong on December 28th in four methods, although his much-loved Oxford was included. Perhaps some uneasiness was felt by the ringers, secing that the peal was rushed through in 2 hours and 34 minutes; George and his team usually took: about 2 hours and 57 minutes.

I am sorry $t 0$ learn that the striking standard aimed at around Barnsley is not generally known in Hampshire, and I do assure Mr Corke that we do not ignore rhythm, even in seven method peals for the participants are aluays ringers who consistently lake part in striking contests. - Yours faithfully,
N. F. MOXON.

Cawthorne, Barnsley.

## PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir, - I wish to withdraw the peal of Spliced Surprise Minor rung at Lydiard Millicent on October 24th. 1959, as 1 understand the first extent to be false

My apologies to all concerned.-Yours faithfully.

Swindon

# RAVING RINGERS' REUNION 



Some of the party by St. Albans Cathedral bell frame. Left to right : Dennis Bowen, Peter Warren, Clare Chambers, Olga Critchlow, Christopher Clarke, Michael Ling and David Wood.

TwHE Raving Ringers made an energetic start to the New Year with their reunion tour in Hertfordshire during the week-end of January 2 nd- 3 rd.
Ravers from Gloucester and Cambridge assembled in Si. Albans on the Friday evening tut the main party, including representatives from Reading, Birmingham and Oxford did not meet until the first tower of the tour at Northehurch. Considerable difficulties were encountered in persuading certain Ravers 10 leave the M1, but when this was safely accomplished the programme of ringing commenced. Four eights were visited during the morning-Northchurch, Berkhamstead. Hemel Hempstead and King's Langley, and the touches included the Ravers' first successful unaided louch of Cambridge Major.

The party, which consisted of 13 Ravers. reassembled after lunch at Bishop's Hatfield and had their first attempt at ringing Royal and Caters. Touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire were successfully accomplished. Two sixes werc next on the programme-Essendon and the recently augmented ring at Hertingfordbury. After a good ring at SI. Andrew's, Hertford, the party parlook of an excellent tea, replenishing themselves for the heaviest bells on the tour, All Saints: Heriford. This tower was voted the best of the day. Ringing ended with a well-struck touch of Stedman on the light cight at Bengeo.

The reunion party followed at St. Albans. where the festivities lasted well into the early hours.
For morning service ringing we joined the Cathedral Socicty at the Cathedral. Our attempt at Stedman Cinques came to an abrupt and unfortunate end. but Grandsire Cinques was successfully brought round. After ringing, we inspected the bells and were photographed balancing precariously on the side of the bell frame.

Although the tower was not officially scheduled. we were grateful to be allowed a short ring on the six at St. Stephen's following a wedding in the afternoon. The last tower of the tour was St. Peter's, St. Albans. where we joined the local band for evening service ringing.

Our best thanks go to the people of St. Albans for their hospitality and to the incumbents and tower capiains of churches visited.

BICESTER. OXON.-On Dec. 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Alsworth (first quarter) 1. C. East (first of Triples) 2. H. Hatield 3. C. H. Kinch 4. W. Baggett 5. L. Busby 6, E. J. Smith (cond.) 7. E. G. Jones 8.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD

Memories of the past were revived at the annual meeting of the Midland Counties Guild held at Burton on January 9 th and attended by 50 ringers and friends. St. Paul's, with such names as the Rev. J. H. Fish, Messrs. J. Jagger, J. Austin, J. Griffen, A. Wakeley and W. C. Wakeley, were pioneers of Surprise ringing in the latter part of the last century. The 'Wednesday' band of the 1920's were also famous: they rang 230 different compositions of Stedman Triples, all conducted by Mr. M. Swinfield.

Tea. prepared by the ladies of St. Paul's Church, followed the service conducted by the Vicar. The president, the Ven. E. Aldington Hunt, presided at the business meeting. when four new members were elected.
The secretary (Mr, J. W. Cotton) reported that 35 peals had been rung in 13 towers with nine conductors, Mr. D. P. Jones heading the list with 20 peals. Leading peal ringers were Messrs. J. W. Cotton 31 , D. P. Jones 24. R. J. Clifion 13 and D. W. Bunning 11 .

Officers elected for 1960 were: President. the Ven. E. Aldington Hunt: chairman, Mr. R. A. Welion: Ringing Master. Mr. G. H. Lane: treasurer, Mr. J. H. Brittan: secretary and Central Council representative, Mr. J. W. Cotton: auditor. Mr. T. Price: committee Messrs. S. H. Jones. D. P. Jones. W. J. Leach and A. Foster.

Two rules were amended and the question of a Guild peal hooking fee was referred back 10 the commitlee. Meeting cards for 1960 were distributed and the vote of thanks to all concerned with the success of the meeting was proposed by Mr. W. H. Curson.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

The very adverse weather affected the attendance at the quarterly meeting of the newly-formed North Eas! District held at Leiston on January 16 th. Nevertheless, ringing in the afternoon was of a high standard. with touches brought round of Cambridge Surprise, Double Norwich. Oxford Treble Boh Plain Bob and Stedman Triples.
Mr. P. Bedford, District chairman, presided at the business meeting. when a Distrist outing was discussed. A questionnaire is to be sent to lowers for ideas and suggestions. The next quarterly meeting will be at Bungay on April 2nd, with a practice meeting at Wenhaston and Blythburgh on February 27th.
GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.-On Jan. 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Semken (first quarter) 1. A W. Cole 2, A. Semken (first of Minor) 3, J. Gould 4. T. Cole 5, F. Erith (cond.) 6.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Northern Branch

The annual meeting of the Northern Branch was held at St. George Colegate on January 9th: 36 members and friends sat down to tea. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. G. W. Paget) and the lesson was read by the chairman (Mr. A. G. Bason).

At the business meeting the following were clected to hold office for 1960: Chairman, Mr. A. G. Bason: Ringing Master. Mr. J. R. Smith: hon. secretary, Mr. C. Bird; Standing Committee. Messrs. W. Clover and G. Sayer: Branch Committee. Messrs. P. Adcock, R. W. Balls, H. F. Carter, F. C. Goodman and D. Pardon. Dites of meeting for the year: May 141 h (Cromer), July 23rd, October 15th. A.B.M., January 71h.

Members elected were: F. Parmenter (Norwich), Miss G. Lamonte, Miss C. Hastings and P. Purslow (Cromer). J. Knights (Norwich), probationary member.

It was decided to hold the annual Ringers' Day at Wymondham on July 16th.

The bells of St. Ceorge's and St. Miles' were rung in the afternoon, and St. Peter Mancroft in the evening. Methods ranged from Plain Minor to Yorkshire Maximus.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Devizes Branch

About 40 ringers, including visitors from Chippenham, Swindon and Newcastlc, attended the annual meeting of the Devizes Branch at St. John's Church. Devizes, on January 2nd. In his address at the service Canon P. Sexty. R.D., thanked the ringers for their work and said nothing made him more depressed than 10 know of a tower with eight or six bells having nobody to ring them.
Officers clected were: Mr. A. Weeks, chairman: Mr. S. Grant, vice-chairman: Mr. E. Hitchins, secretary: Mr. F. Slatford, assistant secretary: Mr. P. Harding and Mr. S. Grant. Ringing Masters: Mr. L. Hitchins, auditor. Ten new ringing members were elected.

The next annual meeting is 10 be held at Trowbridge, the February meeting at Scend. the March meeting at Potterne and the quarterly meeting at Westbury. Votes of thanks were passed to the ladies for providing tea. and for the use of the bells at St. John's, St. Mary's and St. James' Churches.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

The same team of officers was elected at the annual mecting of the Society, held at Barnsley on January 9 th, when 15 towers were represented. These are Mr. Noel F. Moxon. president: Mr. Harold Chant. treasurer: Mr. J. W. Buxton. secretary: Mr. H. Rusby and Mr. W. Womack, auditors. A suggestion was made that the annual outing be on July 2nd to North Lincolnshire. The next meeting will be at Earlsheaton, near Dewsbury, on February 13 th. Another suggestion was that when visiting a lower, a method with the name of the tower should be rung. Mr. Moxon asked for supnort for the ringers' course to be held at Grantley Hall, near Ripon, on April 2nd.
Canon A. P. Morley was thanked for conducting the services. and Mr. Eric Stainrod and the ladies for all arrangements.

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DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch. Quarterly meeting. Cotleigh. Saturday. Jan. 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Tea and business after.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Chertsey District.-Annual District meeting, Hersham (8), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Ringing 3.15 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-A.G.M.. Hitchin, Saturday, Jan. 30 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 4.45 p.m. -E. Buck. Dis. Sec.

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LADIES' GUILD. - Central District.-Annual District meeting, Saturday, Jan. 30th. Ringing 2 to 3.45 p.m. at St. John's, Waterloo Road. Service 4.15 at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (nearest station Tottenham Court Road). Tea at Y.W.C.A.. Great Russell Street, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting in St. Giles' vestry and further ringing in the evening. Gentlemen cordially invited. 5633
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Witney and Woodstock Branch.-Annual meeting at Eynsham (6), Saturday, Jan. 30th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Also Cassington (6) 2.15 and Stanton Harcourt (6) 7.30 p.m. Tea available. -D. Smith. Merryticld. Witney

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.Annual dinner at the Mitre Tavern. Chancery Lanc. Saturday, Jan. 30th. 6.30 p.m. Ringing at St. John's. Deptford, 2.30 p.m.; St. Marys. Lewisham. 4 p.m.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube sta(ion), Monday, Feb. Ist, 7 p.m.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice, St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, 6.30 p.m.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., Saturday, Feb. 6th, 6 p.m.-John Chilcott.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District- Meeting at Sharnbrook. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Feb. 3rd to Miss B. Parsons, 9, Glebe Rise, Sharnbrook. Bedford.
COVENTRY DIOGESAN GUILD--Southern District.-Meeting. 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 6th. Wellesbourne. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to P. A. Oram, 15. Henley Road, Leamington Spa. A. 5680
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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,-Elly District.-Meeting, Fordham, Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol City Branch -Saturday, Feb. 6th, St. Michael's (6), 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Please attend. $-\frac{A}{567}$ Bennett.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lea therhead District.-Annual meeting, Leatherhead. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m., with business meeting in St. Nicolas' Hall. Further ringing after. Names for tea by previous Thursday to G. Marriner, 7, Poplar Avenue, Leatherhead.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Bridgnorth District.-Annual meeting, Bridgnorth St. Mary's. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. St. Leonard's bells 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, to H. G. Thomas, 104, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth.-H. Edge, Dis. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Watford District.-Annual District meeting on Saturday, Feb. 6ih, Watford (10). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. Feb. 2nd, to Mr. R. G. Bell, 131, Hamper Mill Lane, Watford.-K. R. Dunstan, Dis. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Eastern District.-Annual meeting. Bengeo. on Saturday, Feb. 6th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. It is hoped that St. Andrew's. Hertford. will be available after business meeting. Names for tea, please, by Tuesday, Feb. 2nd.-T. J. Southam. 17. Upper Heath Road. St. Albans. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - Meeting, the Cathedral. Saturday Feb. Gith. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Cups of tea provided.-J. Pilkington, Sec .
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch.-Monthly meeting. Lancaster Priory, Saturday. Feb. 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30 to 7.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. E. Glen, 56 . Rydal Road, Lancaster. - P. Handley, Branch Sec. 5656 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Wigan Branch. - Meeting, St. James' (Poolstock). Wigan, Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr.
A. Parker. 39. Barnsley Street. Wizan.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leicester District.-Meeting. All Saints", Lecester. Saturday, Feh. 6th. Ringing 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.. Forum Cafe. Highcross Street. Names hy Thursday, Feb. 4ih. please, to Mr J. P. Kesterton. Dis. Sec., 30, Royal Road. Leicester.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Loughhorough District.-Meeting. Whitwick (8), on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-C. W Hall.

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Meeting, Tunstall, Saturday, Feb, 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Own tea arrangements-
cafe nearby.-J. G. Burton, Hon. Sec. 5629 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Southern Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Feb. 6th, at Diss. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5.p.m. Special method, Yorkshire Surprise. Suffolk ringers welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, to Mr. A. G. Harrison. 20, Chapel Street, Diss, Norfolk. C. F. Phillippo, Hon. Sec.

5631 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDPeterborough Branch.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Feb. 6th, Stanground, Peterborough. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Si. John's, Peterborough, bells available after tea. Names for tea, please, not later than Wednesday previous to G. S. Bush, 18, Princes Street, Peterhorough.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Guilshorough Branch.-Meeting, West Haddon, Saturday, Feb. 6th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Thresher, 22, Watson Road, Long Buckby. Rugby.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.- Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting, Seend, Saturday, Feb. fth. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins, 136. Bradley Road, Trowbridge. Wilts. 5654

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Mr. L. Smith, 3, Park Crescent, Ecclestield.J. Seager. Sec.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nottingham District.-Meeting, Aspley, Saturday, Feb. Gth. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Feb. 4th to Mr. H. Seagrave, 7, Melbourne Road, Aspley, Nottingham.-S. Adams, Hon. Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-South Eastern Dis-trict--Quarterly meeting, Saturday, Feb. 6th, Woodbridge (8), $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., obtainable at Deben Tea Rooms.C. R.Lovett, Dis. Sec.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting, West Hoathly ( 6 ), on Saturday, Feb, 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by previous Wednesday, please, to I. Butcher. 14. Withypitts, Turners Hill. 5687 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Christchurch District-Annual meeting, Saturday. Feb. 6th. Christchurch (12). Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Meeting follows: bells after. Names by Wednesday previous to W. T. Godfrey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Pine. Hurst. Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, Lymington, Hants.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Alton and Petersfield District.-Annual meeting, Saturday, Feh. 6th, Petersfield. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 . Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting. Numbers for tea by Fȩb. 3rd.C. E. Bassett. Warsash, Southampton.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Quarterly general meeting, Loughborough, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells available: Copt Oak (6), $1.45^{\circ}$ to 2.30; Woodhouse Eaves (6), 2.30 to 3.15 ; Woodhouse (Old) (6), 3.15 to 4 ; Loughborough All Saints' (10), 3 to 4.25 and ' 6.30 to 8 ; Bell Foundry (10), 6.30 to 8 p.m. Service, Loughborough All Saints', 4.30. Tea, Fearon Hall, 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Any notice of alteration to rules must be given by this meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. Stevens, 91. Parklands Drive, Loughborough, Leics. General committee meeting, Monday, Feb. 8th, 7.45 p.m. in the vestry of St. John-the-Divine's, Albion Street, Leicester.-B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDDaventry Branch.-Meeting. Newnham, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. P. Box, The Banks, Newnham, near Daventry.-F. W. Hancock. 5679

SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West Disrict. Practice meeting, Fornham St. Martin (6) Saturday, Feb. 13 th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Annual dinner, Saturday, Feb. 20th, at Civil Defence Hall, Kempston Manor, near Bedford, at 7 p.m. Tickets ( 11 s . 6d.) from District Secretaries, or J. M. Stephens, 33, Poplar Close, Leighton Buzzard. Early application essential as numbers limited to 75 .

5638
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (established 1755). -Annual Henry Johnson commemoration dinner. Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, 6 o'clock, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Chairman. Mr. Rodney B. Meadows. Tickets 20s. Peals arranged for visitors. Several towers open for ringing. Details later.-G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwall Road, Hall Green. Birmingham, 28. 'Phone SPR 1025.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -IMPORTANT NOTICE.- Owing to unforeseen circumstances the dinner, originally February 6th, will now be March 5th, at the Deacon's Restaurant, Walbrook.-F. J. Matthews.

## CITY OF BRISTOL

FESTIVAL OF RINGING Saturday, May 14 th
Ringing at all City towers, which will include one peal of 12 , three peals of 10 , six peals of 8 and six peals of 6 bells. Service at the Cathedral.
Lunch and social evening have been arranged.
Lunch tickets (8s. 6d. each) and programmes should be obtained as early as possible. Information regarding accommodation is available.-A. Bennett, 151. Kingsway, Bristol, 5.

THE LADIES' GUILD.-Preliminary notice. -Annual general meecing. Saturday, July 2nd, Bath. Please book the date. Details later. Ask your District Secretary or the General Secretary for list of suggested hotels.

5670
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Commemorative dinner to J. Armiger Trollope at Ealing Town Hall on Saturday, Oct. 1st.

## Emmanuel Church, Plymouth

Emmanuel Church, Plymouth, has now a new look! The sixth, seventh and tenor hells have heen fitted with new gudgcon pins hy Messes. John Taylor and new ropes hung. Members have scraped the frame and it has been given Iwo coats of paint by Mr. Bill Collier, the cost being defrayed by the ringers. The captain, Mr. J. Sims, devoted a few days of his holiday to help Mr. Collier to give the belfry a 'spring clean' and the walls a coat of emulsion paint. Mr. Hill, a member of the choir. has supervised the treating of several panels for woodworm.
The ringers expressed their appreciation to Mr. Collier for his work by presenting him with a pair of gloves and a scarf.

## TRIPLES FOR SUNDAY RINGING

## By W, E. CRITCHLEY

If a band is limited to simple Triples methods because of either the weight of the bells or the capabilities of the ringers, it might be worth trying a type of splicing which has proved very popular in my own tower. It consists of Grandsire spliced with St. Clement's Triples, and has the following advantages:-
(1) St. Clement's as a method does not differ greatly from Grandsire, and the lead-ends are the same as Grandsire, though appearing in the reverse order.
(2) The length of a touch of the two methods spliced together can vary from 28 changes to a quarter peal, or even a peal.
(3) Short touches can be so arranged that all the best music is selected, with hardly any 'intermediate' leads
The following examples will illustrate the last two points. If the short touch of two leads is wanted, all that is needed is to call one lead of each method, when the bells will run round. As examples of touches utilising some favourite music, the following might be of interest. It will be noticed that a bobbed lead-end of St. Clement's gives a "repeating' lead-end something like Kent, with the bells in 567 in the same position as the previous lead-end.


5 times repeated, S. half-way and end. It will be found that there are many other short and musical touches which can be discovered by a little paper work. and although some of them may prove to be false, I myself do not consider this factor important so far as short touches are concerned.

CHELTENHAM, GIOS-On Jan. $14 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Minor: I. Goulter 1. Miss M. Wall rfirst inside ') 2, J. Mudd 3, L. Sheasby 4, Miss S. Parsons 5, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 6
MLAIDON, ESSEX-On Jan, 17th, 1,44n Plain Boh Neinor: D. Shaw 1, A. Muhble 2, J. Clarke 3. r. White 4. 1. Towier 5, S. C. Easter (ond.) 6. For Evensone.

## QUARTER PEALS

ALVECHURCH, WORCS.-On Jan. 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Heather Pullon 1, M. J. Fellows 2, J. E. Pullon 3, M. D. Fellows 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, J. E. A. Pullon 6. Fur the octave of Epiphany.
BRENTFORD, MIDDLX.-On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Miner (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Susan Neal Smith' (12, first quarter) 1, Margaret Westcott 2, Jill Barron 3, R. Goodman 4, A. Grant 5, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith (cond.) 6.
BRISTOL-On Jan. 16th, at the Cathedral, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: R. J. Bowden 1, D. J. Hunt 2, Elisabeth Bowden 3, B. A. Shackleton 4, D. C. Exell 5, J. Brain 6, R. G. Houper 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8. First in the method for 1, 3, 4 and 5.
EUSTUN, SUFFOLK.-On Jan. 19th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: H. lvings 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, J. Y. Parker (first 'inside') 3. A. Higginbottom 4, J. E. lyings (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to the conductor. The treble ringer has now circled the tower ' to quarter peals.
GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET.-At the Church of St. Benedict, on Jan. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles : V. Voisey 1, J. Blackmore 2, H. Scull 3, G. Grinter 4, G. Stitch (cond.) 5, J. Dennis 6 . In honour of the Vicar's first-born, a daughter.
ST. PETER-IN-THANET, KENT. $-1,260$ Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 covering): Margaret Horne (first quarter) 1. Christine Cobbold (first *inside') 2, Sonia Davies 3. Mary Elsdon (first 'inside') 4. Pauline Fennell 5, Mary Taylor 6, M. Cubitt (cond.) 7. J. Webb 8. A compliment to Miss Bridget Sudbury, a former secretary of this band, and Mr. T. Coles.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Pitson 1. F. C. Case 2. C. Truman 3, 1. A. Smith 4, T. E. Roberts 5, J. Linnell 6, G. E. Green (cond.) 7, G. Foddy 8.
WOODFORD, ESSEX.-On Jan. 17th, 1,256 Little Bob Major: S. Penfold 1, A. J. Salisbury 2, J. Carrott 3, M. Bland 4, A. Gargrave 5. J. Fowler 6, T. East 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8.

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On Jan. 13h. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Valerie Powell 1. J. E. Pullon 2, Heather Pullon 3, P. Cattermole 4. A. D. Cook (cond.) 5 , J. E. A. Putton 6. Rung by Sunday service ringers. Also on Jan. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Valerie Powell 1, J. E. Pullon 2, Heather Pullon 3, P. Cattermole (cond.) 4, R. Skerratt 5, L. Gittins 6. Believed to be the first choristers' quarter peal at Wychbold.

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## CAMERA IN THE TOWER

INSTRUCTORS sometimes say that if only we could see ourselves ring we would benefit immensely. Some members of our Society were lucky enough to have this experience. A few weeks ago it was brought to the notice of the B.B.C. that the Bristol Cathedral School Guild of Ringers were to start ringing regularly for Sunday morning service at the Cathedral. Two cameramen came to a practice on Saturday, October 24th, and took sound recordings outside and film shots of the bells and of the ropes rising and falling. The next morning we came in at 9.15 . As soon as sufficient heavy-eyed ringers had arrived, the wheels (or spools) of the film unit went into action. The operations took rather longer this time, partly because there were two different cameras-one for the News and one for Children's Newsreel-and partly because no one (except the cameramen) was really wide awake. First we were 'taken' walking from the school across the green and into the cathedral. But there was more to it than that-we had to be talking amiably to our neighbours, with wide open smiles on our faces.
'Now,' said one of the cameramen to an unsuspecting ringer, who was rather smaller than most, 'we want you to be the tail-end Joey.' And the poor 'latecomer' had to run along behind us into the cathedral porch. There we all awaited further instructions. This time we had to ' march in purposefully' through the door and halfway up the stairs. When the last person had disappeared up them the cameraman was to shout and we were to back out again. Whoever heard of marching purposefully backwards down a spiral staircase? When we had achieved this the cameras were taken upstairs ahead of us. After a few minutes we heard a shout, 'Come up,' and did so. Halfway up, a film camera had been placed. We ignored it and walked straight on to the ringing chamber, where a second camera 'followed us in.' After prayers, said by John Hunt-an Old Boy of the school, who is now tower captain at the cathedral-the cameras seemed to be everywhere at once, and their operators seemed to have accomplished a tremendous amount by the time they left, three-quarters-of-an-hour later.

The next evening, about a minute of film was included in the West of England news bulletin, and a little more in 'Flashback' the following Saturday. The Thursday after that, 11 days after the filming, yet another version of it was seen on Children's Newsreel from London. This was much longer, but exaggerated the 'terrible dangers' of bell-ringing. We were told, much to our amazement, that one boy had been lifted four feet off the ground when a stay broke, and that the small mats on the floor act as "targets.'

All in all it was very enjoyable, and we should like to
thank the ringers of the Bristol and Gloucester Diocesan Association for their time, patience and encouragement. It is largely due to their efforts that we now ring Bristol Cathedral bells each Sunday.
M. F. S.

## SHEER FANTASY OF PLACE NAMES

WHEN I get my 'Ringing World,' I run quickly through the lists of peals and quarter peals to see where these feats have been performed. It isn't that I know many of the towers and hope to see news of ringing in surroundings familiar to me. It isn't that I have so wide an acquaintance among ringers that I expect to see an old friend among the successful bands.

It's just that there's an inarticulate poet inside me who shouts with joy at the loveliness, the strangeness-sometimes the sheer fantasy-of the names with which our ancestors added beauty to their habitations.

I try not to listen to the siren voices from Cornwall or Wales - names like St. Columb Major and St. Keverne would draw a man the length of England; and where but in Wales could one came across such a sesquipedalian jewel as Llangattock-juxta-Crickhowell?

Restricting myself to England proper, I rejoice in the polysyllabic euphony of Easton and Weston in Gordano, Compton Dando, Redmarley D'Abitot, Newington next Sittingbourne, Chewton Mendip and Marston Trussell, Burton on Stather and Deeping St. Nicholas, Chilvers Coton and Hoylandswaine.

Shakespeare himself might have named Hampton in Arden; there is a smooth, slipping-off-the-tongue prettiness in Silk Willoughby, a dignity in Queen Charlton, something a little faded and sad about Wistaston and, for an inland parish, a sound of the sea in that Mecca of Lincolnshire ringers, Surfleet.

Other names have about them an earthy rusticity, even a touch of the comic-Clowne, for instance, and Fobbing; and it is only proper that there should be bell-ropes in Pulham (St. Mary). Upham and Downham, Rougham and Lowdham, have their place in the list, and so do Ringmer and Rysper in Sussex.

Cogenhoe has in it the sound of an older England, and one wonders if Lydiard Millicent is at all related to Kirk Ella. Wanlip has a sad pallor about it, and Flookburgh, Gnosall. Berrynarbor and Bicker a touch of the unreal.

And Morpeth Watch Tower: are the peals rung there with a man standing at a northward-facing embrasure to watch for the border rovers sweeping down from the Cheviot? Sadly, no.
Blessed be our fathers who coined these delightful names, names which sound on the ear as native and sweet as the bells they ring there.
C. P.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Jan. 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D

| Muriel Reay | Treble | Michael Elson. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian J. Woodruffe | 2 | John McDonald |
| Bryan D. A. Woolley | 3 | Terry R. Hampton |
| Roderick W. Pipe | 4 | Ralph G. Edwards |
| Norman J. Goodman | 5 | John A. Anderson |
| George E. Fearn | 6 | Richard E. Price | Conducted by John McDonald.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## CLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSUCIATION, On Sat., Dec. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.
R. George Morris

Sidney T. Holt.
Reginald Woodyatt
Joseph D. Johnson
David Beacham
Composed by J. E. Groves
"First peal of Stedman Caters
"Fir

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Jan. 16,1960 , in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Divine, A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 21 cwt .
Keirh B. Townsend
Treble
Peter J. Chilton
Vernon F. J. Prati
Sandra E. Chesterton
Juhn M. Jelley
Composed by Albert J. Pirman Ian J. Fraser A. James Poyner Ernest Morris Sidney Harrison
Albert J. Cooke 9 Conducted by John M. Jelley.
Rung to commemorate the restoration of this church to its former parochial status by the repeal of the 12 years' suspension order: also as a welcome to the Rev. W. Basil Williams, as first Vicar of the restored church.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Atphege.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 21 cwt 1 qr .11 lb . in Eflat.
Anihony A. Upton.. .. Treble Norman J. Goodman
Eileen M. Fearn $\quad . . \quad . .2^{2}$ Brian J. Woodruffe
Ruth M. Border
Muriel Reay
Michael Elson.
Composed by William Pye.
bonn d. Woodrufre 7
John McDonald . . . 8
JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. 9
George E. Fearn $\quad$. Tenor
Conducted by George E. Fearn.
GRUNDISBURGH. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At ihe Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL Tenor 8 ewt. 23 lb . in G.
Ronald W. Steward . .Treble Cecil W. Pipe. . . . . 6
*Roger L. K. Whittell ..
*James B. Morley . . . . 3
James Bennett
*Margaret A. Ladd.
Composed by H. Dains.
Clifford R. Lovett
Frank A. Willis Beits..
*Lestie N Melton
*Ernest G. Pearce .. .. Tenor
Conducted by James B. Morley.

* First peal of Royal in the method.

A birthday compliment to Stanley Jenner, of Tunbridge Wells.

## LONDON.

MIDULESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Jan. 23. 1960, in 4 Hours and 7 Minutes.
At the Caihedral Church of St. Saviour. Southwark.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 48 cwt 9 lb . in B.


* 1 Micleari. 1 Palmer

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Jolin R. Maynie Tenur
Composed by George E. Simonos. Conducted by John R. Mayne. * First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. $\dagger 25$ th peal. Mr. T. J. Lock has now "circled the tower."

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Dec. 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt . 1 qr .22 lb , in F .
Carol Fernley
*Sheila Wallace
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Sheila Wallace } \\ & \text { John R. Gilden }\end{aligned} \cdot$.
Mrs. L. Boumphrey .
Composed by John Howes. cileen M. Fearn Leslie Buumphrey Basil Jones Conducted by Lesile Boun

* First peal

Rung by members of the Sunday service band.
HAMPTON, EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat., Jan. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.
*William Newman ... . Treble Robert W. Cole
$\dagger$ Wilfred J. Newman .. 2 Patrick Harris..
Ratph Hapris 3 Avthony J. Brauler
Colin $\quad . .{ }^{2}$ ANThon J. Brazier .. 7
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Harold E. Raxier.

* First peal of Major. ${ }^{+}$' Completes the circle' at this tower

A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Newman. FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Jan. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church or St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOK Tenor 12 cwt 1 qr .
John E. Bibby ... .. Treble Fred Jickson
Cynthia Bibby
Denis Madjock
*Ronald H. Dove
Cyril Valentine
Francis Bibby
Walter Allman
Midibleton 4
Conducted by John E. Bibby

* 300th peal.

A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Denis Maddock, who were
married at Runcorn Parish Church on December Sth, 1959.
PATTINGHAM, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Jan. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Thurstans' (Heywood's transposition).
*E. Marion Key .. .. Treble *Bryan J. Wylde
James S. Eastwood .. 2 David Friend .
Roger L. Hawksworth 3 Barnabas G. Key
Arthur J Allsop .. .. 7
Robfrt J. Warrilow .. 4 *Arthur J. Allsop
. . Tenor

* First peal of Stedman Triples.


## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., Jan. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minules.
At the Cathedrai. Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cWL .
John A. Anderson .. .. Treble Brian J. Woodruffe .. 5
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Bryan D. A. Woolley } & \text {. } & \mathbf{2} & \text { *Roderick W. Pipe } & \text {. } & \text {.. } & 6 \\ \text { Norman J. Goodman } & \text {. } & \mathbf{3} & \text { Michael Elson } & \text {.. } & \text {. } & 7\end{array}$
John MacDonald
. Tenar
Glorge E. Fearn Composed by C. J. Sedgley
Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

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

GRAPPENHALL. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Jan. 14. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules,
A PEAT OF CHURCH OF ST. WILRRED, 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $11 \mathrm{cwt}$.2 qr .6 lb .

## *Brian Lloyd

..Trehle JOHN RYDER
Frank Taylor
Treble John Ryder
2 tMichael Thompson
John C. Breeze
Roy Fosier .. $\quad$.
Composed by J. R. Prischari),
Conducted by Haroly Worrall.
Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to the ringer of the seventh BATLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \ddagger$ cwt. in G .
Joan M. Dawsun .. ..Treble †Lawrence Sheard -
*Shirley A. Mudd
2 John Rhodes
Ruth H. Appeeby
Wilfred Lfe
Composed by J. Barier.
$\begin{array}{ll}3 & \text { Peter M. Dawson } \\ 4 & \text { \&ROGFr J. Lumify }\end{array}$
*First peal in the method "inside. Conducted by JOHN Rirodis. of Major.

A birthday compliment to Wilfred Lee.

## CRESWELL. DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, Ai the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .4 lb . in $P$ sharp.
juhn R. Ketteringham .. Treble George L. Chambers malcolm P. Phipps .. .. 2 Dennis Cooper Harold Denman Dennis A. Smedley $\quad . \quad 4$ A. Benjamin Cooper .. Tenor Composed by James Fleming. Conducted by Juhn R. Ketieringham.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Jant. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, Ai the Church or SS. Mary and Thomas-a-Becket
A PEAL OF 5024 KELSHALL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{\mathrm{cw}}$ in G .

| Colin A. S. Harwood | . . Treble | Claudia A. Critchley |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jill Mayes | - 2 | Patricia M. Bourn |
| Join R. Mayne. | - 3 | Edwin G. Buck |
| William Critchiey | 4 | Jack S. Dear |

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne,
Firs peal in the method.
This method, No. 269 in Corrigan's Collectiun. is now renamed.

## L.ONDON

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Sat., Jun. 16, 1960. in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney,
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR enor $28 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{} \mathrm{cw}$.


TETTENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
Ai the Colleglate Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt 3 qr .25 lb . in F sharp.
Elizabeth M. Yardley. . Treble *Roderick J. Lees
Clifford Skidmore
richard J. Warrilow
Roderick Speake
*Harry Griffiths 5
*George w huctes
J. Dennis Holden 7
Composed by N. J. Pirsiow
*First peal in the method.

WICKEN. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes. Ai the Church of Sı. John-the-Evangelist,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
F. II. Dexter's No. 2.

George E. Green.
Thomas E. Roberis
Herbirt C. Edwards

- Charles Truman

Conducted by George E. Green.
*First peal of Stedman. † First on eight bells. First of Stedman and of Triples as conductor.

SHIRLEY. WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Wed.. Jan. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes, at the Chorch of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5088 BIRIINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cw . 1 gr. I lb. in B flat.
Johin A. Andi rson
Rumit M. Burder
Ruth M. Burdlr.
Norman J. Goudman

- Rodirick w pipe
Composed by S. I Ivin
Treble PEIER BORDER

Composed by S . Ivin
first peal of Major in the method. Conducted by Pliter Border.
Tenor 15 cWt .1 qr .20 lb .
*James Linnell Roger Keeley George W. Holland frederick C. Case

* Brian J. Woodruffe
*ubn McDonald

BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

> Аt the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .28 lb .

 Ronald Chafer.. .. ... 4 Composed by J. W. Washbrook Philip Barnes ... .. ... Tenor Conducted by Jack Bray. Rung to mark the completion of a new floor and the dedication of a new side altar and ornaments.

## THE OXFORD SOCIETY

On Thurs., Jan. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Ebbe,
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 4 cwt .3 qr .19 lb .
James H. Palling .. .. Treble *Brian R. White .. .. 5
Charles Coles .. .. 2 *David T. Darby ....
*nicholas J. Martin :. 3 *Francis A. White .. .. 7
*Andrew N. Siubbs .. 4 Edgar J. Smith .. .. Tenor
Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by James H. Pailing.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major


## WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs., Jan. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 NEWCASTLE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A .
Joan Berlisford ... ... Treble Alick Cutler .. .. .. 5
john R. Mayne. . .. ... 2 G. William Critchley ...
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 John Hill .. .. .. .. 7
Alfred J. House .. .. 4 Thomas J. Lock .. .. Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Johs R. Mayne.
First peal in the method by all the band. in the county, and for the Association. The 300th peal of Surprise Major on the bells.

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours.
at the Church of St. Paul.

## A PEAL OF 5008 dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Thomas Barker .. .. Treble $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Thomas barker .. .. Treble John h. Gartside
Frank Stead
John Jackson

Arthur Rigby. +Stanley Walmsle
*W. John Couperthwaite
3
4
Composed by frank Bennett.
Conducted by Cyril Crossinwaite,
First peal in the method. $\dagger 25$ th peal together.
Rung for the Patronal Festival, and also to mark the 75th anniversary of the church and the 25th anniversary of the installation of the bells.

COOKHAM. BERKSHIRE
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
at the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 14 cwt .

| Janet Taylor | .. |  | . | Treble | James Muller.. | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Eldridge | .. | .. | 2 | Thomas Tocock | .. | . | 6 | 6 |

Janet Adamson .. .. 3 Philip Tocock.. .. .. 7
*Doreen Hague .. .. 4 *John Norsworihy .. .. Tenor
Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Phlip Tocock.

- First peal.

Rung in memoriam Sir Stanley Spencer, C.B.E., R.A., who lived in and loved this village and its church.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours.
Ar the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt . in G .

| son | Treble | Robin G. Turner |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marion S. Ainsworih | 2 | *Denis A. Baylls |
| Charles N. Lea | 3 | Kennlit Lawson |
| George S. Deas | 4 | J. Alan Ainswo | George $\mathbb{S}$. Deas $\quad . . \quad .$.

Composed by Frederick H. Dexier.
Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworih.

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

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## SIX BELL PEALS

OLD RADNOR, RADNORSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Nov. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Sterien,
Being ten extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and 12 of Grandsire.
*Harold Evans.. .. .. Treble John Hope
Mrs. E. C. Chandler .. 2 A. Bryan Ellsmore .. 5
Robert Hatcher .. .. 3 †Michael Jones .. .. Tenor
Conducted by A. Bryan Ellsmore.

* First peal in four methods. $\dagger$ First peal.

Rung for the dedication of electric light and organ blower. Also an 80 ih birthday compliment to Mr. J. Preece, District secretary for 35 years.

## JSHAM, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBGROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Dec. 18. 1959, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peier.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents,

* Audrey M. Hales.

Shelagh R. Collins
Diana M. Lawless

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 yr. 4 lb .

* First peal of Conducted by Alan J. Frost.

Conducted
reble Bob.

## DUNKESWELL DEVON

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being $18240^{\circ}$ s and six $120^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$.

First peal as conductor. First on the bells since being rehung.
SANDON. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules, At thi Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Childwall and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .
Richard J. Harrison .. Treble Pairick W. Sarimarsh .. 4 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { *p. Anne Edwards } & . & . & 2 & \text { Dennis A. S. Symonds } \\ \text { \#John Crawley } & . . & . & 3 & \text { Perer J. Eves .. } & \text {.. } \\ \text {. . Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Peter J. Eves.

* First peal in seven methods.

Rung as a compliment to John and Betty Crawley, ringers of Chelmsford Cathedral, and as a welcome to their son, Brian David, born January 4th, 1960.

## PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon., Jan. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
 Veronica Miles
*Susan Funnell
.. 3 Brian J. Wuodrufi: Conducted by Brian J. WuudruFFe.

* First peal of Minor.

HARLESTONE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Allan R. Jones

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| . |  | Treble |
| . | . | 2 |
| . | . | 3 |

Tenor 20 cwt 9 lb . in Eflat. Timothy Wooding George F. Roome

## Eric Billings <br> Conducted by Allan R. Jones.

Percy Amos
First peal in the method by all except the conductor
To commemorate the 400th anniversary of the death of William Kethe, hymn writer.

## BOLDMERE. WARWICKSHIRE

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. Oll Sut.. Jan. 16, 1960. in 2 Hours and 49 Minules.

## At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt .3 qr .14 lb .

- Maurice G. Ingram .. Treble $\mid$ John E. Neale
†Donald T. Finnemore .. 2 † †Edric. J. Franklin ... ... 5
*David R. Ingram .. .. 3 Richard C. Ingram . . Tenor
Conducted by Richard C. Ingram.
${ }^{1}$ First peat + First of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

COLLIERS WOOD. SURREY
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., Jan, 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

## A PEAL OT Christ Church. 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London, York, Wells, Durham, Beverley. Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt. in $\mathbf{B}$ flat. \begin{tabular}{cccc|cccc}
E. Jane Langton \& . \& . Treble \& *Anthony V. Queen \& . \& 4 <br>

- Mikaela Erik. .. \& .. \& . \& 2 \& J. Michael Lakin .. \& . \& 5
\end{tabular} *Robin J. Trebilcork .. 3 Derek E. Sibson .. .. Tenor Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
* First peal in seven Surprise.

COMBE FLOREY. SOMERSET.
THE BATII AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIAIIUN.
On Sat., Jun. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours und 46 Minures.
At the Church or SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
rifth obvervation (five callings).
ienor 10 cwt . 1 yr. 4 lh . in $A$ llat.
Edward J. Cavill ...Treble
*Robin I. Ford..
Treble
Sianley E. Parish
Eric J. Ford
Henry J. Cavill $. . . \quad . \quad 3$ John J. Furd $\quad . . \quad . . \quad$. . Tehor
5

* First peal. First as conductor.

CROPTHORNE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being severs extents.
Wilfred J. Newman
Anthony J. Brazier ... Treble Robirt w. Cole
Mrs. J. Thomas .. .. 3 *Harol.d E. Raxier.
Conducted by Animony J. Brazier.

* 50th peal for the Association. First in the method by all the band.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRI:
THE IPETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
()n Sat., Jan. 16, 1960. in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

At shi: Church of Ali. Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 SINGLE OXFORD BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
George F. Rooml .. .. Treble Alian R. Jonis
Robert S. Roberts .. $\quad . .222_{\text {Percy Amos }}$
Victor A. Perry .. .. 3 *Derlik P. Junes
Tellor
Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* 450 th peal. First of Oxford Bob Minor by all the band.

Rung for the 150 th anniversary of the births of the hymn writers Dean Henry Alford (1810-1871) and Rev. Edward Hamilton Scars (1810-1876).

## GRIMLEY. WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents (in four variations of calling) of Plain Bob and 30 extents (in ten variations of calling) and Pitman's 240 of Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt .14 lb . in F sharp.

| Heather M. Pullon | Treble | Martin D. Fellows |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michael J. Fellows |  | Paul Catiermole |
| James E. Pullon | 3 | *James E. A. Pulion |

Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

* First peal. First peal in more than one method by all except the conductor.

Rung within the octave of the Feast of St. Wulfstan. Bishop.
NETHER STOWEY, SOMERSET.
IHE BAIH AND WELLS [DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Jan. 16, 1961, in 2 Mours and 40 Minutes,

At ihe Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being one extent each of R. Stedman, R. St. Simon's, R. St. Nicholas*. R. St. Martin's, R. Winchendon Place, Canterbury Pleasure, and two each of R. Plain Bob, St. Bartholomew's, New Doubles, Huntspill, New Antelope, New Grandsire. Stedman Slow Course, R. Grandsire, Antelope, Union, St. Nicholas'. Winchendon Place, R. Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon ${ }^{\circ}$, St. Martin's, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire. $\quad$ ( $R=$ Reverse.)
Harold Hooper
Marjorie Legg
Howard Collings
Treble $\quad$ F. A. Keith Prime
2 George Prescott
Sidoney Smith
Tenor
Conducted by George Prescott.
First peal in 24 methods by all the band.
SNODLAND, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Oit Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At 1He Church OF All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, namely: St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Petfr F. Borer. .. .. Treble Andrew M. Macve.. .. 4
Trevor A. Cross .. .. 2 | Crawford T. Hillis
Colin F. McGill
Conducled hy Thomas Cullingworrh.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

Ai the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAI, OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
R. George Morris. . . Treble

- Braryl M. Holm
- Mrs. J. E. Bowen

Treble
2
Derek Price
Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Mrs. J. E. Bowen
Cond
NEWBURN-ON-TYNE, NORTHUMBERLAND.
TIIE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Jan. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minures,
At the Church of Ss. Michael and All. Angrls,
A PEAI OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being 720 each of Beverley, London. Wells. Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise. Oxford and Kent Trehle Boh. Tenor 16 cwt . Joinn F.. Andirson .. . . Treble Bryan Patitison Cilorgil S. Dias ..... 2 Eric N. Harrison Kinnitih Arihur .. .. 3 J. Alan Ainsworill .. .. Tenor Conducled by I. AI.an Ainsworih.
50th peal as conductor.
ALGARKIRK. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., Jan. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
Ar tife Church of SS. Peifr and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in ten merhods: (1) Double and Single Court. (2) Thelwall and Childwall, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.



* First peal in ten methods.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Jan. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minures, At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 LANGLEYBURY SURPRISE MINOR Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt 13 lb . in A .
Joan M. Wilcockson .. Treble Frank C. Price.
Dinnis Laud
Raymond G. Smith. Kenneth R. Dunstan John R. Mayne
Conducted by Joun R. Mayne
First peal in the method.
LANGLEYBURY SURPRISE MINOR
34-36.14-12-1236-12-1. 6ths place. Lead-end 142635. BRENTFORD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE ST. MATTHIAS, RICHMOND, GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge, (2) and (3)
Si. Clement's and Plain Bob, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Double Oxford and
Plain Boh, (6) Plain Bob and (7) Kent T.B.
Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .11 lb . in G .
Margaret A. Westcotit Treble Reginald Goodman.
Giflian Neal Smith
-Itl Barron - conducted by Robin G. Leale.
2 Dr. D. J. Neal Smith Dr. D. J. Neal Smith
Robin G. Lealf.. 4
Tenor

- First peal in five Minor methods.

> DICKLEBURGH. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saf., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minures,
AT THE Church of All SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being scven different extents.
Ernest Whiting
Ilonard J. Minns
Cecil A. Thompson..

Treble
2
3

Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Anthony H. Robiris Charles R. Catchpole L. Edward Etheridge . . Tenor Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1980, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Petfer and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE. MINOR
Being one 2.160 and four extents. Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4}$ $\begin{array}{lllclllll}\text { Alan G. Payne.. } & \text {. } & \text {. Treble } & \text { C. Harold Whitton } & . . & 4 \\ \text { J. Martin Thorley } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 2 & \text { Frank Taylor } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & . & 5\end{array}$ John G. Ames .. Conducted by Harold Barsley .. .. Tenor Conducled by J. Martin Thorley.
Rung to mark the 25 th anniversary of the first peal of Surprise on the bells.

PREES, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Chad.
AI OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, differently called. BOBNOR MiNOR 12 cwt.. approx.
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Richard E. Morris ..Treble Frisderick G. Bi:didow... 4
 * First peal of Minor.

A compliment on the 86th birthday of the mother of F. Leech. Rung to mark the commencement of the thanksgiving celebrations for the restoration of the bells, the Bishop of Shrewshury being the preacher on the following day.

RUYTON-XI-TOWNS. SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minufes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

*Valerie Lee .. .. .. 2 *Guy Pickavance
*John R. Thomas .... 3 *Roger W. Powell... .. Tenor * First peal in the method. First on the bells.

## handbell peals

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sun.. Jan. 3. 1960, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes,
Ar 29. Forest Drive.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Tenor size 15 in C .
*Joe E. G. Roast
$1-\left.2\right|_{\dagger} ^{\text {S. SHoward }}$ W.

* First peal 'in hand.' + First peal on an 'inside ' pair.

> DONCASTER, YORKSHIRE.
> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
> On Sun. Jan. 17. 1960 in 2 Hours and 11 Minures,
> A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
> Tenor size 7 in C.
*T. David Spencer .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Howard Scott .. .. .. 5-6 W. Eric Critchley .. .. 3 - 4 Stanley Birdsall $\quad . . \quad . \quad . \quad 7-8$ Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
*First peal. The conductor has now rung 400 peals for the Yorkshire Association.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Jan. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 5 Minules.
At The Wayside., 150 , Narborough Road South,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor size 15 in C.
John A. Acres .... $1-2 \mid$ Alfred Ballard .. . . 5-6
*Mrs. P. J. Staniforth ... 3-4 Peter J. Staniforth.. .. . 7 - 8
Composed by II. N. Pitstow. Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth. * 375th peal.

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ASFORDBY, LEICS.-On Jan, 21st, 1.260 Doubles (Winchendon, St. Simon's, All Saints', Reverse Bartholomew, Plain Bob, Canterbury and Grandsire) T. Barlow 1, G. A. Bowcutt 2. H. T. Bonshor 3 A. E. Hinman 4. R. H. Cook (cond.) 5, J. L Panter 6. Rung for the engagement of Miss Christine Wheeler (Asfordby's first lady ringer) and Mr. Ron Woodcock, of Thorpe Arnold
AUGHTON. LANCS.-On Jan. 7:h, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. Lunt 1. 1. Marsh 2, W. Rimmçr 3. J. R. Lunham (cond.) 4, K. Rothwell 5, R. Larkey 6. A. L. Pearson 7. H. Moorcroft 8. In memoriam Mrs. Hobson, the wife of the Rev. J. P. Hobson, former Vicar. Also on January 18th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. Lunt 1, W. Rimmer 2, J. Dilworth 3, R. Larkey 4. A. L. Pearson 5, J. R. Lunham (cond.) 6. K. Rothwell 7, H. Muorcroft 8. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lunham on their 25 th wedding anniversary.
BAWTRY, YORKS.-On Jan. 16th, 1,320 Plain But Minor: Ann Godley 1, A. Wilson 2, A. Hulley 3. 3. Banks (first quarter) 4, F. Watkinson 5, F. J. Jackson (cond.) 6 . Rung after the induction of the Rev. Mr. White to the parish.
RENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.-On Jan, 24th 1.260 Plain Beb Minor: Miss A. Fenwicic 1, N.
Errington 2, H. Atchison 3, E. Hall 4, C. T. Lamb (cond.) 5, W. Tyson 6 . For Evensong, and as a farewell to the Rev. E. H. Fenwick, leaving for Laptorth, Warwickshure
BERRINGTON, SALOR.-On Jan. 12th. 1,260 Doubles (St. Simon's. Plain Bob and Grandsire) : A. Bywater 1. S. Roberts 2. P. Purslow 3. M. Challinor 4, W. Lloyd (cond.) 5. T. Roberts 6 First quatter 1, 2, 3 and 4. Rung in honour of the 2 lst birthday of Miss J. Lloyd, ringer in this tower,
BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.- 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire) : P. Gaisford 1. J. Lucas 2, F. Box 3, G. Parsons 4. R. Purnell (cond.) 5. T. Wicks 6. First in four methods for all except 2. An 18 th birthday compliment to P. Gaisford.

BRINDLE, LANCS.-On Jan. 16th, 1,240 Plain Bob Minor: F. McCarihy 1, T. Barker 2, J. Jackson 3. J. H. Gartside 4, S. Tuson 5, F. Stead (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Arthur Hatch, for many years a ringer at this church.
BUCKINGHAM-On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Townsend 1, W. Townsend 2, R. A Vickers 3. W. A. Yates 4, C. Gough 5, G.
Holland 6. R. Keeley (cond,) 7, W. H. Yates 8.
BURTON-IN-KENDAL, WESTMORLAND. - On Jan. 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. E. Braithwaite 1. Judy Moir 2, P. Handley 3, J. A. Wood (first quarter) 4, D. Lawson 5. W. G. Wilson (first as cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Andrew Ferguson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Eccles, of Morecambe.
CAERPHILLY, GLAM.-On Jan. 8th, 1,344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: B. Taylor 1. W. Harford (first in uethod inside') 2, T. Yeomans 3. M. Peterson 4. J. Goodfellow 5, D. Llewellyn 6. W. Dare 7. T. Lewis (cond.) 8.

CHARIVNCI, SOMERSET.-On Jan. 241h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1. M. Baker <first quarter) 2, W. Webber 3, R. Ford 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5
CHESHUNT. HERTS.-On Jan, 24th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Nicholls 1. Miss C. M. Farrington 2, E. Pickelt 3, W. J. Newnham 4, R. Durrant (cond.) 5. D. S. Billimore 6. For Evensong, and as a welcome to a daushter to Mr. and Mrs. Morris of the local band.
CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.-On Jan. 10th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Francis 1, R. Jarvis (cond.) 2. S. Pulker 3. I. Harris 4, J. Benfield 5, A. Leach 6. F. Perry 7, C. Tompkins 8. For Evensong. and the visit of the Archdeacon of Oxford.
DAGENHAM, ESSEX.-On Jan. 2Sth, 1.280 Plain Rob Major: A. J. Salishury 1. S. Penfold 2. J. Carrott 3, J. Fowler 4, A. Gargrave 5, W. Barker 6.
T. East 7. L. S. Woods (cond.) 8. For morning service.
Darling point, N.S.W., australla. - On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Wendy A. Nichols 1, Jean A. Brooks 2. Audrey E. Peters 3 ,
R. J. Klima 4, W. D. Watson 5. J. H. Fryer (first of Minor as cond.) 6. A farewell to Jean A. Brooks, of Syston, who is sailing for England on January 23 rd, DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS,-On Jan, 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Dimbleby 1. G. Wright 2. D. Loake 3. A. E. York 4. Miss S. Feakin 5. B. Yeomans 6. M. Coleman (cond.) 7, Mrs. Loake 8. DUNHOLME. IINCS.-On June 24th, quarter) 2. W. S. Smith (cond.) 3, T. R. Smith (first (inside') 4. J. Godfrey 5. P. Coddington (first quareef) 6. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

DUNSTER, SOMERSET.-On Jan. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. R. Tudhall (Dunster) I. A. H, Reed (Taunton) 2, R. Arscotl (Selworthy) 3, G. Mais ment (Dunster) 4. - Young (Waterow) 5, H. W Lloyd (Dunster) 6. W. Gigg (Taunton, cond.) 7. A Purchase (Chipstable) 8. Rung half-muflied in tributc u) Isaac Farmer.

EDMONTON, MIDDLX.-On Jan. 24th. $1,2 \mathrm{kt}$ Grandsire Triples: Iris Georse (firsi quarter) 1, 1) Langdon 2, Lesley Hawes 3, Trudy Newcombe 4, J Weeks (first of Triples) 5, T. Hawkins 6, F. Gilberi (cond.) 7, J. Hacon (first of Triples) 8.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Jan, 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L, F. Cox 1, G. W. Bishop 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, J. Napper 4, C. Garlick 5, M. Bishon (cond.) 6, A. H. Webb 7. E. G. Sawyer 8.
HARSTON, CAMBS.-On Jan, 14th, 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. W. Cook (cond.) 1. G Turner (first in method) 2, H. F. Mussey 3. D. F. Murfit 4, G. Thoday 5. G. A. Lucas 6. Rang after meeting late for peal attemp

HIGH WYCOMBF, BUCKS.-On Jan, 15th, 1.299 Stedman Caters: Mrs. A. E. Cox 1, A. Newton 2 Sheita Wallace 3, D. Knox 4, R. Hazell (first of Stedman Caters) 5, D. Cornwall 6. P. Newton 7, A. E. Cox 8, S. M. Baiiey (cond.) 9, G. Harrison 10. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Arthur Foxall, killed in a motor-cycle accident.
KIMPTON, HERTS.-On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Doubies (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss M. Arnold (firs? quarter) 1, Miss I. Lander 2, R. L. Arnold 3. D. C Price 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, Miss A. Carter 6. Rung for morning service and to mark the birth of a sun (Nigel) to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cull.
KING'S NORTON, WARWICKS.-On Jan. 17ih. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Veronica Miles 1. Tonie J Critchley (first of Major 'inside') 2, Marv Funnell 3. Linda M. Hughes 4, Susan Funnell 5, Alma M Greaves 6, R. J. Gay 7, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 8
KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.-On Jan. 24ih, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: D. Downing (12). 1, A. E
Morgan 2, Mrs. Margarct Layton 3, D. Layton 4 Morgan 2, Mrs. Margarct Layton 3, D. Layton 4
C. Peakman 5, F. E. Jukes 6, C. F. Jukes (cond.) 7 R. A. Peakman 8. For Evensong. also a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. D. Layton, who have joined the band of SL. Mary's.
LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Jan, 24th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. T. Symonds (cond.) 1, S. Smith 2, A. R. Knight 3, F. Hunt 4, S. H. Svmonds 5 , F. Boreham 6, F. F. Mortlock 7, L. Pryke 8. First in method for 3 and 4. For Evensong, and in memoriam A. Symonds, 1858-1938.

LLANFEIGAN, BRECONS.-On Jan. 3rd, 1,360 Plain Bob Major: G. Stickland 1, W. Harford 2. J. Goodfellow 3, M. Peterson 4, N. Lamping (first of Major) 5, D. Llewellyn 6, B. Taylor 7, T. Lewis (cond.) 8. Also on Jan. 3rd, 1,344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: W. Harford 1, B. Taylor 2 , D. Llewellyn 3, N. Lamning 4, W. Goodfellow 5, M. Peterson 6, G. Strickland 7, T. Lewis (first in method as cond.) 8. First in the method for all the band except conductor. Rung in honour of Lord Brecon being appointed a Privy Councillor.
LOUGHROROLGH, LEICS.-On Jan. 16ih, 1.260 Doubies (Winchendon Place Bob, St. Nicholas", St. Simon's Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob. Plain Bob and Grandsire): Warrington 1. J. B. Webb 2, A. J. Strathdee 3 E. W. Colley 4. M. W. Fairey (cond.) 5. P. Ellis 6. Rung after the failure of a peal attempr.
MANGOTSFIELD. GLOS.-On Jan. 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. G. Jefferies 1. M. Jefferies 2. F. Skidmore 3, C. Jefferies 4. W. Richings 5, J. Jefferies 6. A. L. Barry (cond.) 7. E. Cooksley 8. Runs to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W: Richings.
MARLOW, BUCKS.-On Jan. 19th. 1,266 Oxford Boh Triples: P. R. Dean 1. Heather Bonner 2. J Young 3, E. D. Poole 4. Mrs. Evelvn Mead 5. L. J. Young 6, R. E. Dean (first in methed as cond.) 7. E. Silvey 8. First in method for all except conductor NORTHIAM, SUSSEX.-On Jan. 24th, 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire) : J. Enps 1, Mrs. G. Reece 2, Joan V. Gamett 3, R. Seeley 4, W Button (cond.) 5, E. Polhill (first quarter) 6. First in three methods by $1,2,3$ and 4 . For evening service; also a 21 st birthday compliment to Janet. daughter of the conductor.
NORTH MYMMS, HERTS.-On Jan, 13th, 1,440 Plain Rob Minor: R. W. C. Papworth (first quarter) 1, Mise A. R. Humphrey (first quarter) 2, A. R Sherlack 3, R. F. Gristale 4, T. J. Lock 5, J. E. T. Wiseman (cond.) 6.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Jan. 19th. 1.440 Kent Treble Bob: M. McQuistan 1, Ann Hancock 2,
N. King 3, L. Cordell 4. J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlock N. King 3. L. Cordell 4, J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlack
(cond.) 6. A welcome to Clare, horn on January 16th, a second daughter to the Rev. and Mrs. Thorpe.
ODELL., BEIDS. - On Jan. 22nd, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: P. A. Wakeman 1. R. Grice 2. Misy K Rivert 3, W. Rivert 4, C. M. Payne (cond.) 5. C.
Lovell 6 . A wedding compliment to Colin Mann and Mary Tysoe.
OIDSWINFORD, WORCS. On Jan. 8th. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Brown 1. M. J. Fellows 2 Yvonne Edwards 3. J. Eisel 4. M. D. Fellows 5. P Cattermole (cond.) 6. Also 1.259 Doubles (Old. Norfolk, Anril Day, Plain Boh and Grandsire): M. J. Fellows 1. Yyonne Edwards 2. J. Eisel 3. M. D Fellows 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, P. J. Brown 6. First quarters on the bells since rehangine.
PUTNEY, S.W.-On Jan. 24th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A Martin (first marter) 1. L. Pearce-Higgins 2, L. Allen 3. S. Rvmer 4, C. Mew (first as cond.) 5, R. Dawe 6, A. Clavton 7. 13. Bull 8 Rung with 7, 6,8 covering. First in two methods for all except 4 . For Evensong.
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Jan. 24th, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: M. Ha:ch 1. W. Ellis 2 , R. Tomlin 3. F. May 4, Miss V. Hester 5, G. Sandwell 6. M. Hallett 7, A. House (cond.) 8, For Evensong.
REDHILL, SURREY.-On Jan. 12 th . 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Vera Hankey ( 14 , first ouarter) 1. Freda Hankey 2, Betty Saggers 3, D. Mundy 4. G. West 5 E. G. L. Coward 6. A. Streeter (cond.) 7. H. Comber 8. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Mr. Alfred Gear.
REDRUTH, CORNWALL. On Jan. 22nd. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: D. Martin 1, W. H. Seymour 2 , A. H. Ince (cond.) 3. P. Williams 4, E. S. Seymur 5, R. Curnow 6. Runz half-mufled in memoriam Richard George Clemens, a loyal ringer at this church for many years.
ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET,-On Oct. 4th 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Chick 1, A. Cook 2, A. Chapman 3, G. Hutchings 4, W. R. Trickey (cond.) 5, F. Taylor 6. Also on Dec. 31st, 1.260
Grandsire Doubles: E. Brice 1, W. R. Trickey (cond.) 2, A. Chapman 3, G. Hutchines 4, F. Taylor 5. T. Isaacs (first quarter) 6

SHAISTONE, BUCKS.-On Jan. 13th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Linnell 1. Mrs. W. A. Yates 2, W A. Yates (cond.) 3. C. Truman 4. R. Keeley 5.

STEEPLE ASHTON, WILTS.-On Jan. 11 th. 1.410 Plain Rob Minor: Mrs. E. Moore 1, Miss Brown 2 T. B. Holloway (cond.) 3, A. G. Moore 4, H. Gummer 5, F. Penn 6.
SYDNEY, N.S.W.. AUSTRALIA.-On Jan. 17ith, at St. Mary's (R.C.) Basilica, 1.260. Plain Bub Minor Wendy A. Nichols 1. J. C. Sheehy 2. W. D. Watson 3, J. F. Killick 4. R, J. Klima 5, J. H. Fryer (cond.) 6. TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.-On Jan. 24ih. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: A. Profitt 1. Mrs. F. A. Penn 2 G. H. Harding (cond.) 3. Miss E. Brown 4, P. W. J Harding 5, J. Lucas G, C. Butcher 7, F. A. Penn 8 E. 1. Hitchins 9, R. Burbidge 10. A farewe:l to Miss E. Brown, who is leaving for South Wales.
TUCKINGMILL, CORNWALL.-On Jan. 23rd. TUCKINGMILL CORNWALL--On Jan. 23rd.
. 260 Stedman Triples: H. C. Spencer (cond.) 1 .

Mary Mathews 2. Mrs. A. Carverh 3, R. A Southwood 4. A. F. Burley 5, A. Carverh 6. P. J Coles 7. Rev. A. S. Roberts 8. Rung half-mufled
to the memory of Richard George Clemens, Iate district secretary. Truro Diocesan Guild.
WALSALL, STAFFS.-On Dec. 13 h h, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Coyne (first euarter) 1. G. Hushes 2. Marie Hughes 3. Jill Fisher 4. A. Botierill (cond.) 5, A. T. Duton 6. Also on Dec. 241h, 1.260 Grand wire Doubles: P. Flint (first ouarter) I. G. Hughes 2 Marie Hughes 3. J. Eastwond 4. A. Bonterill (cond.)
WETHERBY, YORKS.-On Jan. 81h. 1.260 Plain Boh Minot: H. Mason 1, W. Scheerer 2, G.
Thackeray 3. J. Webh 4. P. B. Hodson 5. C. Maxfield (cond.)
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Jan. 12th, 1,4-40 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Pisson 1, D. Taylar 2 T. E. Roberts 3. C. Truman 4, G. E. Green (cond.) . J. Lmnell 6. First of Surnrise Minor by 1, 2
WICKHAM, HANTS.-On Jan. 14ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Rolphe 1, Miss D. G. Smith 2, Mrs. M. Bray 3. Miss B. I. Davsh 4. A. H. Surgess (cond.) 5, D. Tippett 6. First cuarter A and 6. A
95 th birthday compliment to Mr. G. E. Chappell. a ringer at St. Nicholas' Church for over 60 vears
WIMBLEDON. SURREY.-On Jan. 24th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: R. Hartley (first quarter) 1. Caroline Camenter 2. Anne Garnett 3. Susan Rawlings 4. A Bagworth 5, A. Bishop (cond.) 6.

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD DINNER

The annual dinner of the East Grinstead and District Guild was held at the Culverden Arms, Tunbridge Weils, on January 9th, when most of the 40 people present had a pull at St. Peters during the afternoon. Arthur Lewry's 'home-made' clock, the parts of which were beautifully made, was a great attraction.
After an excellent meal and the usual toasts the company were entertained by the younger members in a manner far more enjoyable 'than anything seen on stage or TV.' Songs and dueis by Ann Gcorge and Margaret Ladd, with Mrs. Ladd at the piano; some amusing contortions by John Warner with a guitar; miming to a rock ' $n$ ' roll record; a really fine Derformance by George Fry as a country yokel; and the final sketch in which the two husbands, Stanley Jenner and John Warner, complained that they had to stay at home sharpening tin openers.' Interval music was courses on the handbells. So once again the youngsters had shown how to do jt. Eric Brunger was in charge of the arrangements.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

Appropriately, the Leicester District held its annual meeting on January 2nd at St. John-theDivine's, Leicester, as the vicar designate (Rev. Basil Williams), who conducted the service, was to be inducted the following Thursday. In his address Mr. Williams said how thrilled he was at taking over the living of St. John's after the long fight had been won to save the church from demolition. Local ladies served an excellent tea to a company of 60 members and friends.

At the business meeting Mrs. P. J. Staniforth was unanimously re-elected District chairman. other officers being Mr. J. P. Kesterton, hon. secretary: Mr. S. Harrison, Ringing Master; Mr. J. Jelley, committee member.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Perhaps it was the snow on the roads or it could have been the ringers' wedding that took place about the same time as the Luton District's annual meeting at Dunstable on January 16 th; anyway, the attendance was not so good as it should have becn. Ringing varied up to Double Norwich until 4.30, when a short service was held.

During the business meeting the secretary said that the District's subscribers had gone up from 106 to 130 , and considering only 14 towers were affiliated, this was a very good effort, but the attendance at District meetings was lower than in the previous year. As there was a loss on tea at three meetings within six months, it was decided that in future it would have to be a case of no name no tea, and if a person failed to turn up after sending a name they would be asked to pay 2 s . towards the cost. This is to be put on trial for six months.

The District chairman, Mr. P. Newing, the secretary, Mr. K. G. Spavins, and the treasurer of the Belfry Repair Fund, Mr. R. Churchill, were re-elected. The new committee of four is: Mrs. J. Sinfield, Messrs. Newing, Rushton and Churchill. The 1961 annual meeting will be held at Woburn.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

A warm vote of thanks was passed to Miss D. Lester for her work as secretary of the Sussex District at the fifth annual meeting held at Brighton on January 9 th. Her successor is Miss L. M. Beeney, of St. George's Nursery, 7, Chelston Road, Tunbridge Wells. Mrs. B. Percy was re-elected vice-president and the committee consists of the Misses Apps, Everest, Downing and Stephens.

Ringing during the day at St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's ranged from rounds to Stedman Caters. There was an attendance of 35 and the service was held in St. Nicholas' Church.

## UP FROM ZUMMERZET

Ably arranged by Audrey Bailey, a small party from Bridgwater and North Somerset visited a good selection of London towers on January 9th. Ringing started at S . Clement Danes' and included a good course of Boh Royal. At St. Lawrence Jewry the party were welcomed by Mr. A. A. Hughes and were warned that the Vicar would be listening for bad striking. We hope our ringing pleased him. The tone and "go' of these bells are no excuse for poor ringing.

A variety of Doubles methods was rung on the pretty five at St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield. followed by a visit to St. James, Clerkenwell, where ringing included a course of Yorkshire. An excellent tea, arranged by Mr. Bailey, preceded ringing at Shoreditch, where rounds were rung on the 12 , and Stedman and Grandsire Caters on the back six. At the last tower, St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Mrs. E. Davis made us welcome, but the tower 'movement was not conducive to good striking.

Refreshments at an establishment recommended by our organiser concluded the visit. To Audrey and all who contributed to such an enjoyable day a sincere 'Thank you.'
M. J. H.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Meeting at the 5 -bell tower of Stratton Audley on January 23rd, the Bicester and District Branch had the pleasure of electing six memhers from the new band at Middleton Stoney. and learning that Middleton Stoney and Stratton Audley bells were now being rung for Sunday services.

The Branch president (Rev, J. H. B. Elkerton) conducted the service. which was attended by 35 members, and the address was given by the Rev. C. V. Bernard Haddelsey (Vicar). Miss W. M. E. Sharpe was the organist and the lesson was read by Mr. F. Sharpe. Mrs. Haddelsey provided tea at the Rectory.


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Mr. Harold Pitstow will be in charge of the ringing at Westminster Abbey to anthe birth of the royal baby. Other members of the band are Alfred Peck, John Crampion, William Rawlings, Richard Deal, George Cecil, Jack Waugh and John Phillips. If the royal birth occurs between 4 p.m. and 11 p.m. they will ring the bells from $9-10$ a.m., between 11 p.m, and 9 a.m. at noon; and between $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 4 p.m. at 6 p.m.

Will Mr. N. Dean of Marston, Oxford, please forward his address to the Editor,

Holme Pierrepont, Nottingham, band rang 21 quarter peals last year. All but three were for Sunday services.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Frank Morgan, of St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham, on January 24 th, aged 63 years.

Mr. Roger O. Fry has now left hospital and is convalescing at Bath. His operation was completely successful. He hopes to reply 10 the many ringing friends all over the country.
We live in an age of initials. Will correspondents when writing to the Editor give their surnames and not just initials. Much time is spent in searching references for some identities,

Useful spadework has been done on Saturday evenings in teaching a young band from scratch at Chaddesley Corbett by Mr. W. C. Boughton, of Clent, and his son. These bells have been practically silent for 20 years and it is hoped that the new band will be ringing changes by Easter.

Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis contributes to the January issue of 'The Ringers' Magazine, on Course Splicing in relation to composing Minor Extents. Of general interest is Miss J. Sanderson's article on "More Bells in Philately,' William Shepherd also contributes some of his reminiscences.

Tavistock Wolf Cub Pack Handbell Ringers have under the leadership of Mr. G. W. Grylls and his assistant, Mrs. Ford, been making a name for themselves. This Christmas season they have rung at 10 social functions for charitable purposes. They use a ring of 12 , size 19 ( F ), with three half-tones for tunes in ' $G$ ' and

## GOSSIP

Lecturers at the Grantley Hall Bell Ringing Course, Chaddock, Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton and Mr. Frederick Sharpe. The course is intended for both advanced ringers and complete beginners. Fees (Friday night to Sunday night) $£ 22 \mathrm{~s}$. for residents of the West Riding, others £3. Particulars from the Bursar, Adult College, Grantley Hall, near Ripon. An early application is advised.
Aldershot bells are being dismantled by John Taylor and Co. on February 8th.

The peal at Twyford, Leics (see page 52), was 5,040 Plain Bob Minor and not as printed.
Mr. Dennis Beresford has succeeded Mr. Peter N. Bond as Master of the Society of. Royal Cumberland Youths.
The disastrous fire at Bolsover Church on January 14 ih destroyed a large part of the church. The spire was untouched and the bells are being rung as usual.
Mr. Ivan Page, of St. Patrick's Cathedral Society of Bell Ringers, Melbourne, has left for London by air. We are sure he will be welcomed in any tower he visits.
Mr. Fred. Price, of Bournemouth, writes regretting an omission on his part in his advertisement in our last issue regarding Sunday meals in July and August. The correct terms are given in this issue.

Mr. Alan J. Frost, of Kettering, has completed his first 100 peals. His peals are on all numbers of bells and include two of special note, 14,560 Yorkshire Surprise and Scientific Triples.

The band who rang the peal of Bob Major at Batley on January 16th would also like to associate the peal with the recent examination success of Doctor David Atkins of Batley, and offer their congratulations to him.
Surgeon-Lieut. John Killick, of H.M.A.S. ' Gascoyne,' whose home tower is St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, rang his first quarter peal in Australia on January 17th. We understand that he is recruiting four of his best sailor splicers to attend to the ropes after a quarter peal was lost owing to a broken rope.

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## LEADING PEAL RINGERS OF 1959

MR. ERNEST MORRIS, of Leicester, heads the list of peal ringers for 1959 with a total of 90 . During the year he never missed ringing for three Sunday services and attended two of them, except during his fortnight's holiday, when he rang at Bournemouth. He has now passed the 1,850 mark for peals, and is leading living peal ringer.
Second on the list. and the ringer of most tower bell peals, is Mr. George E. Fearn, of Birmingham, with a total of 81 peals. He comes second in the list of living leading peal ringers, having passed the 1,600 mark.

The leading conductor is Mr. Peter Border, of Coventry, who conducted 53 of the 78 peals he rang. His wife, Mrs, Ruth M. Border, heads the list of women peal ringers of the year with a total of. 55. Miss Muriel Reay, of Birmingham, who rang her 500th peal during 1959, is second in the ladies' list with 30 peals.

Probably the youngest ringer in our list is Martin C. Faulkes, of Hinckley, who at the age of 15 has rung 27 peals. Dr. R. E. Price, of Sheffield, is just out of the list. One of his peals has this year been reported false. Our list includes six members of the Sunday service hand at Norbury, Hazel Grove.

A group of ringers in the 54 to 60 range have expressed a desire to keep their records private. We respect their wishes, but many of their ringing colleagues would as a matter of general interest like to know their totals.
Peals conducted are shown in brackets.

|  | Tower | Hand T | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Morris | 73 (4) | 17 (1) | 90 |
| George E. Fearn | 81 |  | 81 |
| Peter Border | 78 (53) |  | 78 |
| John A. Acres | 51 (2) | 22 (11) | ) 73 |
| Robert B. Smith | 70 (7) | 3 (1) | 73 |
| Joseph W. Cotton | 67 |  | 67 |
| A. Patrick Cannon | 65 (33) |  | 65 |
| Bernard F. L. Groves | 63 (8) | 2 (1) | 65 |
| John R. Mayne | 55 (46) | 9 (9) | 64 |
| Russell S. Morris | 63 (5) | 1 (1) | 64 |
| John A. Anderson | 63 |  | 63 |
| Brian G. Warwick | 60 (49) | 2 (1) | 62 |
| Brian J. Woodruffe | 57 (25) | 5 (5) | 62 |
| Brian Harris | 57 (7) | 1 | 58 |
| Ruth M. Border | 55 |  | 55 |
| Derek P. Jones | 54 (37) |  | 54 |
| H. William Barrett | 53 (4) |  | 53 |
| William H. Dowse | 52 (1) | 1 | 53 |
| Basi! Jones | 52 (7) |  | 52 |
| lan H. Oram | 50 (13) |  | 50 |
| Norman J. Goodman | 49 |  | 49 |
| Edwin T. Chapman | 48 (8) |  | 48 |
| Leslie Boumphrey | 47 (1) |  | 47 |
| Gordon A. Halls | 47 (10) |  | 47 |
| Richard J. Clifton. . | 45 |  | 45 |
| Alick Cutler | 44 |  | 44 |
| Kenneth R. Dunstan | 44 |  | 44 |
| Thomas J. Lock | 39 (5) | 4 | 43 |
| Frank Osbaldiston | 40 | 2 | 42 |
| Patricia A. M. Halls | 40 (2) |  | 40 |
| John P. Partington | 39 (1) |  | 39 |
| Philip G. K. Davis | 38 |  | 38 |
| Bryan Pattison | 37 (16) | 1 (1) | 38 |
| David W. Brunning | 35 (10) | 2 | 37 |
| Philip Mehew .. | 37 (1) |  | 37 |
| J. Alan Ainsworth | 36 (15) |  | 36 |
| B. Stedman Payne. | 18 (3) | 17 (10) | 35 |
| John R. Ketteringham | 34 (13) |  | 34 |
| Cyril A. Wratten | 32 (11) | 2 | 34 |
| Barrie Hendry | 32 (4) |  | 34 |
| Alan J. Frosi | 32 (4) |  | 32 |
| Eric N. Harrison | 32 (2) |  | 32 |
| R. Hobbs | 32 (23) |  | 32 |
| John Pinfold |  |  | 32 |
| Kenneth Arthur | 31 (11) |  | 31 |
| George S. Deas | 31 (1) |  | 31 |
| Trevor N. J. Bailey | 26 (2) | 4 (4) | 30 |
| Patrick 1. Chapman | 30 (1) |  | 30 |
| H. Denman .. | 30 (2) |  | 30 |
| Muriel Reay | 30 |  | 30 |
| Charles N. Lea | 29 (4) |  | 29 |
| Carol Fernley | 29 |  | 29 |
| Geoffrey J. Hemming | 29 (5) |  | 29 |
| Frank B. Lufkin . | 29 (25) |  | 29 |
| John McDonald | 29 |  | 29 |
| John R. Cooper | 28 |  | 28 |
| Gerald C. Hemming | 28 (10) |  | 28 |
| Reginald $\mathbf{W}$. Rex .. | 28 |  | 28 |
| Elisabeth A. G. Bowde | 27 (1) |  | 27 |
| Geoffrey R. Drew. | 27 (7) |  | 27 |

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 6



## MR. G. W. FLETCHER

## (Life Member of the Central Council)

Mr. G. W. Fletcher's ringing career has been closely connected with the Central Council, and he was secretary for no less than 21 years. An the time he was elected the Exercise had not yet warmed to the idea of such a body. and was cold and sceptical about its work. This coldness was not improved by the dog-fights which were a regular feature of the Council's meetings in the early days, and older ringers will remember the battles royal between the Rev. H. Law James, J. A. Trollope, C. T. Coles and others. One prominent ringer once described the Council as This classical example of complacent futility!

When G. W. Fletcher teamed up with E. H. Lewis this state of affairs was soon altered.

Thorny problems were thrashed out in committee and the Council meetings were more dignified. Fletcher's great knowledge of procedure and his grasp of essentials enabled the Council to get through a tremendous amount of work in one day.
He was born at Southgate in 1896, and learned to ring there. His education was commenced at the village school and completed at evening classes in London. He became an accountant and worked in London for a number of years. In 1928 he married Miss E. K. Parker. daughter of the famous James Parker, and they were actively connected with the Middlesex Association, George becoming vice-president, a position he held for nine years.

On being appointed as secretary and accountant to Messrs. E. Lacon and Co. Ltd., Great Yarmouth, he took u'p residence at Caister-onSea, and soon became active in the Norwich Association, was elected chairman and later vice-president of East Norfolk Branch. He has rung about 300 peals (tower and handbells).

George N . Fletcher is one of the four men who saved 'The Ringing World 'from extinction. He, together with E. H. Lewis, A. A. Hughes and the late Rupert Richardson, took over responsibility for it on the death of the late J. S. Goldsmith, and together they financed the purchase of the paper from the executors. To George, who was ably assisted by Edith, his wife, fell the task of sorting order out of chaos, and this turned out to be a colossal task, which lasted the best part of two years. All debts were collected and paid over to the executors, and the paper was placed on a sound business basis. There is no doubt that. but for the rising spiral of prices, the action taken by Fletcher and his committee would have proved to be a profitable venture for. after the first two years after taking over, the Council was able to reimburse the committee, and was also able to make some small recognition of the work of George and Edith. Later on in this series we hope to say something about Mrs. Fletcher's work, for, as at hushand and wife team, their work made a profound impression on the Exercise.

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## Tips For Beginners-6

When you ring Plain Bob you meet the bells in the same order each time until they have been disturbed by' a call, except that the treble intervenes between each pair in turn. The same thing occurs in Grandsire except that the intervention is by the treble and the bell-in-the-humt.

Congratulations to Miss Elizabeth Tutty on the way she rang her first quarter peal at Newark on Christmas Eve. She is the first of the baid of new recruits to ring a quarter peal in the tower and it is hoped the others will follow very shortly.

Newark Parish Church Society Ringers have elected the following officers for $1960:-$ Master. J. W. Raithby: deputy Master. D. Simpson : hon. secretary, F. W. Midwinter ; hon, treasurer, H Stevenson. An outing to the Cotswolds is to be held in June and the Gopher dinner on the usual Friday in November.

## ANONYMOUS GIFT OF £400 FOR REHANGING FUND

Only two days after the launching of an appeal for the rehanging of the eight bells at St. Mary's Church. Wotton-under-Edge, Glos, the tower captain (Mr. O. Mills) received a cheque for $£ 400$-four-fifths of the estimated expenditure.

This fine ring of eight, last rehung in 1902, was cast in 1756 by Abel Rudhall, of Gloucester. The treble and tenor were recast by Messrs. John Taylor and Company (who again have the contract) in 1902.
A further $£ 50$ has been added to the appeal fund through the efforts of the youthful band of ringers. For some time now they have collected waste paper, and at Christmas a band of them toured the town ringing handbells.

In years gone by Wotton-under-Edge was renowned for its highly competent team of ringers under the captaincy of Mr. Frederick Oakhill, now in his 80 's, a vice-president of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

Eighteen months ago the present captain was faced with a problem of finding enough ringers for the rare occasions on which the bells were rung. He set to and trained a group of schoolchildren, all under 15 years of age. And now there is a team of nine who turn up regularly for Tuesday practice and Sunday ringing

It is hoped that work will start on the bells immediately after Easter. They will be rehung on heavy duty ball bearings, and in addition Messrs. Taylor will install new clapper bearings, rope pulleys (on bearings), etc.
B. T. C.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## RINGING AND A COMPUTOR

Dear Sir,-I have lately been conducting a particular study in my spare time and would like to enquire, through the courtesy of your columns, if any of your readers have had thoughts in the same direction.
In the course of my work I prepare programmes for D.E.U.C.E., which is a general purpose electronic computor. This machine, in addition to its normal task of carrying out high speed calculations, can perform *stunts which are mainly used for demonstration purposes. These include playing noughts and crosses, playing tunes, and so on; in fact it can do anything, generally speaking, which involyes the use of logical processes. As change-ringing can be said to fall into this category, I have been looking into the question of making D.E.U.C.E. ring changes, and I would like to hear from anyone else who has considered this problem on this or any other computor.
I envisaged a scheme whereby the conductor selects the required method by depressing a numbered key, whereupon, after, one backstroke of rounds, the machine commences to ring the method. A bob or a single is called by pressing one of two appropriate keys, and as an aid to the conductor a warning light is automatically switched on on the backstroke preceding the lead-end. The machine stops when the changes come round and awaits the next method to be selected.
So far, Bob Major and Stedman Triples have heen programmed, and Double Norwich is in a state of preparation. but I foresee complications in some of the Treble Bob and Surprise methods.
The eight notes are produced by an adaptation of the D.E.U.C.E. music programme, which was very kindly lent to me for the purpose by its author. Mr. S. J. M. Denison, of English Electric Lid., Kidsgrove.

To those who (quite rightly) have a distrust of 'canned' bells, I would say this: Firstly, the sounds produced by D.E.U.C.E. are more reminiscent of a bass clarinet than of bells; secondly, the scheme is totally uneconomic for general use. The cost of the equipment is in the region of $£ 50,000$, and a fully-trained electronic engineer is required to be in constant attendance on the machine. Apart from that. the machine is far too versatile to use for this purpose alone.

This study is purely for personal interest, and I want to reassure ringers that there is no intention of trying to displace conventional bells and ringers.- Yours faithfully,
Lytham St. Anne's.
A. TOMLINSON

## FIRST PEAL PERFORMANCES

Dear Sir,-Will those interested please note an important correction on page 651, November 6th. 1959. Aldeburgh should read Alburgh Court Major. Also the correct spelling of Cholmondeley is as written here. and not as on page 651 or 711 .
With further reference to Mr. Griffiths' letter. it should be noted that the C.C. Plain Major Collection does not contain all regular Plain Major methods. These are the figures of the regular Plain Major not included in the Collection, but given in First Performances.
Hingham Little I.B.M.:-18, 56, 38; 56; 12. Cawston Little B.M. $\mathbf{C l} 36,18 ; 36 ; 12$.
Regina I.B.M.: $-18-18-1458,36 ; 78 ; 12$.
Tunstead Little I.B.M.: 38, 14, 56, 18 ; $56 ; 12$.
1 must thank Mr. Barton for the information about the 'Spliced, Caters. The performance consisted of 1,280 Grandsire. 1,260 Plain Bob. 1.040 Kent T.B. Royal, 1,149 Stedman and 1.277 Grandsire Caters; composed and conducted by C. H. Hattersley.-Yours sincerely, Windsor.
F. T. BLAGROVE.

## B.B.C. And Christmas Day Broadcast

Mr. Henry Riddell, of Ourside Broudcasts (Sormd). B.B.C., has written, to the Editur regarding the correspondence in the issue of January 8th about the Christmas bells broadcust. He writes:I was naturally interested as I arranged this broadcast. I apologise for the fact that Talgarth was heard iwice and Wareham not at all, which is quite true. This was due to a mistake, over which I had no control.

The main reason for writing is tw contest Mr. Chaddlock's contention that the proxramme is organised in a caskal way: This is not true. I enclose a script used for the broadcast. This shows with what care it is ar. ranged and also the large number of people involved. A simple mistake by any one of these can lead to disorder, if not disaster.'
The script indicates the many people involved in a broadcast fom points se widely apart. The general instructions were very implicit and great care was taken in the timing.

## LLANBETHIAN BELLS

Dear Sir,-For the past 14 years the six bells at Llanblethian. Glamorgan, have been sitent and ringers making inquiries about the bells have been put off by reports that the tower floors were unsafe.
Last July the key of the lower was procured and, on inspection, the bell frame and tower floors were found to be in good shape but the ropes were completely rolten. With the Vicar's permission, a very willing band of ringers from Cowbridge Grammar School cleared olit the tower floors and also the roof drains.
After oiling and greasing the bells were finally rung by the Cowbridge band, with borrowed ropes, in the second week in July. Perfect rounds could not be obtained owing to the odd-struck trebles, hut at last the bells were ringing.
The bells were not disturbed agatn till December 5th, when the South Wales Nomads held a meeting at Llanblethian. The hells were again inspected and, with the aid of more oil, the odd-swinging treble clappers were corrected, and when the bells were finally rung all present admitted that the bells had a remarkable 'go.'
A peal was attempted on the bells on Boxing Day but, unfortunately, it was lost. Since then the bells have remained silent and ropeless. The church authorities state that they cannot afford six new ropes, so a band cannot be formed at the tower.
I hope that in 1960 Llanblethian bells will be fitted with ropes and that soon the bells will ring out regularly on Sundavs. - Yours sincerely. R. J. LEE.
Chester.

## A TEACHING POINT

Dear Sir,-During the course of teaching four 16 -year-old boys to handle a hell, we kept up the great enthusiasm hy a "challenge ' as to who could set their bell the greatest number of consecutive times (both strokes), using hlackboard and chalk. This was so successful I am passing on the idea; but perhaps it is widely used already?-Yours sincerely
Black Torrington, MRS. JOHNSTONE
Devon.

## THE FAST PEAL AT EVESHAM

Dear Sir,-Mr. Geoff. Hemming's reply to my letter raises three points in his argumentpeals of Royal, weight of tenor ringer, and Pershore. We are not concerned with fast peals of Royal. but with one fast peal of Major with a 36 cwt . tenor, rung by one parlicular band. Most people know it is usual to ring Royal faster than Major, on the same weight of metal. The question of speed only enters in the argument in relation to how the peal was struck, and the experience of the tenor ringer. If tenor ringer ' $A$ ' likes to ring this tenor to Major, in say 3 hours 10 minutes. and competent witnesses say it was rung with clockwork precision. then I'll be the first to congratulate him, whoever he is.
My own preference for a peal of Major at Evesham would be from 3 hours 30 minutes to 3.40 to get the best out of these highly-tuned bells. and when Geolf. allows me to come. think he will agree that is about the right speed. Incidentally, I find that I've rung 11 differen $30-35 \mathrm{cwt}$. tenors to Major (no Plain Bob) at an average speed of 3 hours 33 minutes.
Geoff. also quotes a weight of 14 stone, as though it is an asset. With a few muscular exceptions, a heavyweight is often handicapped in fast ringing. Mr. Edward Jenkins, who has rung most of the tenors in the British Isles worth ringing, and many at a fast speed weighs only about $8 \frac{1}{2}$ stone! The secret of well-struck fast ringing is to have complete control of the rope at every stroke.

With regard to Geoff's. remark about Pershore. I would say that 3.10 is about the right time for these old style Rudhall bells. I wish he had stayed and heard the whole of the peal. These were a ring of bells where everyone had to work, and certainly the ringers in this band would not have allowed the striking to deteriorate.
However, in future, I have decided not to put the footnote 'Quickest peal on the bells. as although my fast peals have been rung on light tenors. it probably sets a bad example to some young ringers.-Yours etc..

## A. PATRICK CANNON.

Dorking. Surrey

## AN INSIDE INCIDENT

Dear Sir,-It is a pity that Mr. Edwards should choose to attack the band who rang the fast peal at Evesham in such strong terms.
As he was actually invited by the conductor to set his bell at one point I fail to see how he can find any cause to complain at all.Yours faithfully.

GEOFFREY M. BREWIN
Rothley. Leics

## PEAL RINGERS AND THEIR JOURNAL

Dear Sir.-If over the past five years a small donation (say 5 s .) had been forwarded with each peal report. I think it is safe to say that the 90 per cent. peal ringers journal nould not have been in financial difficulties, and this somewhat acrimonious correspondence been averted After all, it is normal practice for a service rendered to be paid for. Ever since its inception the 'Gratefully Acknowledged' column has week by week borne witness to one fact. and one fact alone. Surely there are some generous souls within the peal ringing fraternity who would be prepared to explain to their fellow peal ringers the difference hetween the terms meanness and dignity.
Donation enclosed to cover cost of inserting this letter,-Yours, etc.,
W. C. B.

Clent, Worcs.

OF COURSE EVERY BELFRY SHOULD HAVE A ROPE FUND 'POULARD' BELL ROPES
HAVE TO BE PAID FOR - BUT AREN'T THEY WORTH IT!

## CREDITING PEALS TO ASSOCIATIONS

Dear Sir,-If it is satisfactory to do something simply because it has been done hefore then there is a course of action open to Mr. W. C. West which has a precedent in the county from which Mr. P. J. Johnsion writes. Mr. West, on this basis, need not be put off by the publication in 'The Ringing World' under the name of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, of the peal at Collingbourn, and could go ahead and enter it also in the records of the Salisbury Guild. In 1947 the Yorkshire Association did that with. two peals published in The Ringing World. of September 19th. 1947, under the name of the Durhat and Newcastle Association, and they hear the numbers 4.599 and 4,600 in the Yorkshire records. The peals were rung at West Hartlepool and Shildon in County Durham, and I have recently seen a statement from Yorkshire that the former was claimed as a Yorkshire peal only!
Before Mr. West takes this course, however, I wish to make it clear that I do not accept the view that simply because something has been done before it is necessarily right to continue $t 0$ do it. and in this case I do not see how a peal can be credited to more than one Association, and I am pleased to note that in the current correspondence no one has suggested as a solution the publishing of peals rung by visiting bands for boih Associations.
This was a solution altempted by a Durhan and Newcastle band which visited Yorkshire and rang a peal there, publishing it under the heading of "The Yorks Association and the Durham and Newcastle Association' ('R.W.', 1959. page 326).

A peal in its recording resembles a goal scored in football or a run scored in cricket. The ringer. like those players, is at any one time representing one society or team, although he may well be a member of several. Runs scored by Peter May are credited to Surrey or England or The Gentlemen and not to all three. orherwise the total of runs recorded for May pur together would exceed the total that he had scored. So too with the peal, it is credited to one Society or another and not hoth, or an individual's totals for various Societies when combined would exceed the true figure for his peal total, and the combined totals of the various touches would exceed the total number of peals rung.
Support is found for this view in the Central Council Handbook, 1956. pp. 21 and 22 :shall decide beforehand to which Associa-
inote the singular] such peal shall be tion Inote the singular] such peal shall be
credited." I believe that the "Rules and Decisions, 1927, used words to the effect that in future peals should be published under the name of one Society only. Earlier, when points were awarded for peals and these might have been shared, such a course was not permitted.
This view seems to be almost universally accepted in that. although there must be many instances each week of peals rung by bands with complete membership of more than one Association, it is only very rarely nowadays that one finds a peal with altempted dual nationality.
The lask of a peal recorder, as I see it, is not simply to include the maximum number of peals in his Society's records but rather 10 compile accurate and reliable records. The Central Councit has a Peals Analysis Committee for the compilation of the 'central accounts, and Where a Society is affiliated to the Central Council., surely it should endeavour to keep its own individual records (the 'pass books') in the with those 'central accounts." Adopting these principles, the peal published under Yorks and D . and N . is credited to Yorkshire only IC.C. Handhook. 1956. page 22), and I did not include it in the $\mathbf{D}$. and N . list athough 1 men-
tioned it in the discussion of the peal report That is the position as it stands at present in the $D$. and $N$. annual report for 1958-1959 which was recently printed.
Needless 10 say, this position is not accepted unanimously in the D. and N. Association, and I have also heen informed of comments from outside which say, in effect. that the Peals Analysis Committee's records do not matter so far as an individual Association is concerned. If this is so, one may well ask. What is the purpose of the C.C. Peals Analysis? : These outside comments had already extended this matter beyond a purely domestic issue, and there is involved here a fundamental principle affecting the records of all Societies.
The Central Council is today the owner of 'The Ringing World. It can now instruct the Editor rather than express hopes about his actions, and I feel that it should instruct him to publish peals under one Association only, with any sub-division (e.g.. a District of that Association or a special combination of ringers) shown in brackets thereunder. This would not be sufficient to prevent action such as mentioned at the start of this letter, and affiliated Societies would have to be instructed to publish in their peal lists only those peals that were then credited to them in. The Ringing World. If this suggestion does not reflect the general feeling of the Exercise today, then the other logical step is to suggest the discontinuation of the Central Council Peals Analysis.
I await with interest the observations of others while considering a motion for one course or the other to the next C.C. meeting. -Yours, etc.,

DENIS A. BAYLES.
Chester-le-Street.

## PEALS OF CONVENIENCE

Dear Sir,-I would be grateful if you would permit me lo pen a few words in my defence, following a recent letter on 'Finance, by Mr. R. B. Smith.

Mr. Smith has stated that I asked for a couple of peal attempts in Cheshire some years ago. I would first state that it was not I hut a good friend who asked for these peals: and we shall always remember the cordial welcome given to us by the Cheshire men at Norbury and Macclesfield and the two excellent peals rung. Through their kindness and tolerance I was given the opportunity of ringing my first peal in a Surprise method, an opportunity seldom forthcoming in Cornwall. Need I mention that if any members of those peal bands should pay us a visit we will be only too pleased to offer them a similar welcome?

I notice, incidentally, Mr. Smith, that you took part in neither of these peals, but assume. nevertheless, that as I and my friend were on holiday at the time that we only ring peals at our convenience. This seems to me to be rather a narrow-minded attitude.
What your argument has to do with the one put forward by me I fail to see. I enjoy ringing peals and am prepared to pay for that pleasure. As for ringing for my own convenience.' I would state that $(a)$ I have taken part in, conducted and enjoyed. peals in which there have been one or two 'firsts. (b) spent many an hour teaching hell control, and (c) many a cold winter evening oiling bells and splicing ropes.
I hope we shall have the pleasure of welcoming you to Cornwall one day, Mr. Smith. Let us know when you are coming, and we shall he pleased to arrange a peal or two for your convenience. - Yours faithfully.

ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD.

Truro.

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## COMMEMORATING DOSTOYEVSKI

Dear Sir,-Your suggestion that only ringers understand the reason for the Dostoyevski peal is surely wrong-we don't understand it but we do tolerate it.
Your assumption that the member of the party who dreamed this up was brainy is also wrong-he isn't brainy, he's childish.

I diagnose here the "cult of personality, which in Dostoyevski's country today still leads to a trip to Siberia, but without a return ticket. -Yours sincerely.
A. WRIGLEY.

Chatham.
Dear Sir,-Surely the footnote to the peal rung at Rothwell on January 2nd reaches an all. time "low" in ridiculous footnotes?

Did the band honestly meet to celebrate the anniversary of this Russian writer's return from exile?
What was the incumbent's reaction when told that his bells were going to be used for this purpose? I'm sure the answers to these questions will prove most interesting.
Whilst church bells are rung for certain secular occasions, surely no right-thinking churchman would class this as such an occasion.

If ringers wish to celebrate such occasions 1 suggest they visit a secular tower for the purpose and in future keep their footnotes more in line with the original purpose of church hell ringing-to proclaim the glory of God.-Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY M. BREWIN.
Rothley, Leics.

## PEALS IN OTHERS' TERRITORY

Dear Sir,-Correspondence re peals in the territory of another Association reminds me that peals have been rung at Putney for Surrey Association. London County and North South wark Diocesan Association. Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, Devon Guild. Kent County Association, College Youths. Waterloo Society, London University Society. There may be others. At least three of them could have no territorial or other claim on Putney. - Yours faithfully,
A. CLAYTON.

Putney. S.W.

## STEDMAN DOUBLES

Dear Sir, - I thank Mr. Pusey for his interesting letter following my article, but I would point out that my subject was Stedman for Beginners," and in my first paragraph I wrote that I proposed to deal with the subject as simply as possible. Had I written 'Stedman for the Historian or 'for the Mathematician then Mr. Pusey"s points would have been relevant. but in 35 years I have not met them in any lower. so would not risk confusing beginners with them.

A secondary reason for writing articles for the • R.W: is to stimulate correspondence and further articles. However much we may complain about the contents of our paper (and its price) 1 am sure you. sir, will agree that those contents are almost entirely dependent upon our own efforts in supplying your copy. For that reason Mr. Pusey's letter is welcome, and to others who have written directly to me I have replied suggesting that they should address their comments to "The Editor.'

In view of Paludian's humorous account (page 58) of our activities at High Wycombe. I look forward with interest-and not a little apprehension-to further letters to you.-Yours faithfully.

WILFRID G. WILSON.

## SOMETHING FOR CALL CHANGE RINGERS

Dear Sir.-A call change ringer from Kent asks for a little more of interest to call change ringers.

Those front page articles by the Rev. J. M. Scott are always interesting. Of course, they have rising and falling reduced to a fine art in the South West, the bells all strike off in one tightly compressed round ( pitch,' I think they call it) and after a few blows they all start to double-clapper in the same round, and not gradually joining in, as we do. It is very effective.

It is over 50 years since I became interested in bells and ringing. and at that time every village band for miles around rang call changes, and the majority still do. Some rang from boards or cards with the changes on, the conductor calling 'Change' three or four times a minute, so it takes close on 20 minutes to get through the 120 . Here they have 60 changes of Grandsire Doubles painted on a board, and the conductor reads out the ligures - $1,2,3,5,4$, etc.

In calling, some men change one pair at a time (the usual way), though some change two pairs as in Doubles. The best change-caller of the present generation I have met is Mr. Fred Whittaker, of Hinstock. He changes one pair at every handstroke, so he must feel a little dry after half-an-hour of ringing.

1 expect nearly all 8 -bell men know that from rounds 'Queens' is called up in six changes, and changing the pairs in. the same way Tittums 'comes in another six. Then with a slight variation in the pairs changed Whittingtons comes in another six, then rounds in another six, making 24 changes or a "short service peal." I don't much like 10 hear the second striking immediately in front of the tenor (7ths place) round after round, and this does not occur in this 'peal.'

The late Will Weatherby (brother of Ernest) used to turn the tenor in and call up Reversed Queens' ( 86427531 ), but the same effect can be had with the tenor covering ( 64275318 ). At one 6-hell tower I sometimes visited in the early days the conductor used to call the bells up behind in turn. This would come round in 20 changes, but by changing 2 and 3 instead of the final round it runs to 40 -another short service peal,' though the changes in this are not specially musical.

I understand the West Country men sometimes ring the 'sixty on thirds ; perhaps Mr. Scolt will tell us what this is.

At one tower I visited as a 'teenager' the band was composed for the most part of elderly men. They had a different w:ty of calling from any I have met elsewhere. "Up" and 'down. meant the opposite of what method ringers mean. Up was going up the scale towards the treble, and down was going down the scale towards the tenor. Thus Rise 3rd, down 2nd, produced 132456, then 'Rise 5th, down 4th.' followed by 'Rise 5th, down 2nd,' produced 'Queens,' and so on.

The captain was rather a severe old man, hut I got on with him quite well, and many years atter his death, his son told me: 'You know, my father thought a lot of you'; which I thought was quite kind of the old boy.

He was an old volunteer of Queen Victoria's time, and also in his prime very handy with his fists. This landed him in trouble on more than one occasion. Once when there was a row in the pub the police constable was sent for, but Sammy threw him out into the street, for which he went to jail for a term to cool down. When he came out the ringers rang a peal to celebrate his release, and for that they were all dismissed, hut were subsequently reinstated.

Those were the days!-Yours sincerely,
E. V. RODENHURST.

Whitchurch, Salop.

## 100 PEALS NEXT YEAR:

We had made a resolution.
A hundred peals next year.
We had planned it all minutely.
No doubts, it all seemed clear.
Then we thought wed have a trial.
Four weeks to get just eight,
We only managed one of them.
And that was second-rate.
We thought before we started
That we'd better go for tell.
Now we're wiser. although saldder.
And we'll never try again.
Have you ever had nine inquests Within just thirty days?
We are none of us on speaking terms.
We hope it's a passing phase.
We weren't just raw heginners.
Not young and angry men.
But possessing all our senses,
Optimistic, eager-then.
Everything: lost keys. missed 'buses.
Broken ropes, no ropes. changed courses.
Fusing lights. ladies with flowers.
And the interested vicars,
Rattles, bumps. excessive thirst.
Organs. passers-by who cursed.
Until at last. filled with doubt.
The final one-just fired out!
That's all there is to tell.
You want a moral-well?
PEAL BORED.
(Who is not a leading peal ringer).

## ROYSTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir ,-I noticed in a recent issue of "The Ringing World: that a peal of Royston Surprise Major was rung at Royston on Boxing Dity. The footnote states that the method is not No. 269 in Corrigan's Collection which also hears the same name.

Could some more information as 10 the reasons he forthcoming, please? Has Corrigan's Royston been rung hefore or not? - Yours faithfully.

## BRYAN PATTISON.

Bede College,
Durham City.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION <br> Lewisham District

Thirty-three ringers and friends attended the quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District. held at St. John's, Deptiford, on January 23 rd. After the service the Vicar (the Rev. W. G. Lee) joined the company for tea, which had been prepared by ladies from Bexley and Crayford and was served in the church hall.

Mr. E. A. Barnett presided at the business meeting. Fourteen new members were elected and two ratifications were made. Members were reminded of the annual meeting in the District on Easter Monday and asked to give their full support. It was decided to hold the next meeting, which will be a joint one with the Kent Branch of the Ladies ${ }^{\circ}$ Guild, on April 30th at Chelsfield. It was. however. agreed that wherever possible quarterly meetings should be held on the fourth. as opposed to the last Saturday of the month. In conclusion. votes of thanks were proposed to the Vicar and all who had helped in the arrangements for the meeting.

Ringing during the afternoon and evening Has under the leadership of Mr. I. H. Oram. District Ringing Master.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## Guildford District

In the absence of the Rector through illness, the Guild Master (Mr. C. W. Denyer), assisted by Mr. A. C. Hazelden, with Mr. S. G. Ponting as organist, conducted the service at the annual meeting of the Guildford District at St. Nicolas Churen, Guildford, on January 16th.

The Guild Master also presided at the husiness meeting following tea at St. Nicolas Hall. Reporting on the past year, Mr. E. John Wells (District Ringing Master) referred to the losses to the District by the death of Mr. A. H. Pulling and departures of Mr. and Mrs. T. Mark White, Mr. D. Bentley, Miss Monica Collins and Mr. D. A. Kirk. Twelve peals had heen rung in the District during the past year and he congratulated Miss Janet Cleeve. Miss Margaret Smith and David Tubbs (all of Holy Trinity, Guildford) on ringing their first peals.
Mr. Hazelden, in a tribute to the late Mr. Pulling, said he first met him when he could just about ring the treble for Grandsire Triples. They rang some very fine peals together. A peal which was near perfect was one of London Surprise, the first for the Guild, and it took two years to learn. It was rung perfectly until the last lead, when the treble man missed his dodge in 5-6 down.

Officers elected were: District Ringing Master, Mr. E. J. Wells; Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. O. L. Warner; hon. secretary, Mr. S. G. Ponting; hon. auditor, Mr. J. Horsman. Mr. A. C. Hazelden was nominated as a vice-president of the Guild. Nine new members were elected.

## The Professor Would Like To Know

why ringers who persist in ringing Minor methods with ' single' changes as an integral part of the method don't resuscitate sonie of the methods rung when change-ringing was in its infancy, as they can then wallow in stagnation to their heart's content, speing that most of the methods proceed entirely by' single" changes?

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD <br> South-West District

The wintry weather and bad road conditions prevented many members from attending the meeting held at Lavenham on January 16 th , and even the chairman and secretary almost failed to get there, as their car skidded on the icy road and landed in a ditch. After several vain attempts to get it back on the road they were fortunate enough to have a furniture van come along. which duly towed them out, and so they arrived at the meeting a little late but undamaged.
It was gratifying to find that several other drivers had braved the weather, and altogether about 22 ringers finally arrived, and were able to ring these famous bells in methods up to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise. and including rounds and call changes for the learners.
A short service was conducted by the Rector (Canon H. W. S. Cotton), who, in his address. told us the history of a small bell believed to have been cast in 1350, which the church has recently purchased to hang in a turret for use as a service bell on weekdays.
At the business meeting the Ringing Master presented his report for 1959 and said that six peals had been rung in the District-a decrease of five.

The secretary reported an increase in menvhership, especially ringing membership. whicn had gone up from 63 to 73. Attendance at meetings had also improved and the amount subscribed to the Guild Bell Restoration Fund was a record so far.
It was decided to hold another supper and social at Lavenham this year, and October 15 th is the provisional date.

## COLLEGE YOUTHS \& CHALLIS F. WINNEY



ON Saturday, January 9th. a most pleasing ceremony was performed at the Church of St Clement Danes. Strand. when. in the presence of the chaplain-in-charge. officers of the Society and ringing friends. a memorial plaque to the late Challis F . Winney was unveiled by the Master, Mr. James G. A. Prior

Following Mr. Winney's death in 1940. it was proposed by Mr. E. Alexander Young that a suitable memorial should be erected, and many ringing friends subscribed towards the project. A plaque was designed incorporating a life-like relief of Mr. Winney and a tribute worded by Mr. Young. This design was then cast in bronze.

Owing to the destruction of St. Clement I)anes by enemy action in 1941. it was not possible to place the memorial in that tower as originally intended. and it was housed throughcut the war years at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. Recently Mr. A. A. Hughes brought the plaque to the attention of Mr. W. A. S. Lloyd, the architect responsible for the church. who welcomed a suggestion that it now be placed in the tower with which Mr. Winney was so closely associated.

So, on January 9 th, in a simple but dignified ceremony of which he would have thoroughly approved. the plaque was finally dedicated and now rests in its rightful home, as a worthy memorial to a splendid man and great London ringer.

JOHN CHILCOTT.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

The Southern District, at its annual mecting at Redhill on January 16th. clected a number of new officers. The 1960 team is: Ringing Master. Mr. A. Strecter: District secretary, Mr. G West: treasurer, Mr. A. P. Cannon: auditor, Mr. M. A. Northover: committee, Miss F. Hankey, Messrs. G. Olliver and G. Claik. The Rev. S. G. Dyer, who conducted the service, gave an interesting address on hells and their meaning to the Church. Ringsing reached London Surprice Major.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

## West Lindsey Branch

Most member lowers were represented among the 50 or so ringers who were present at the annual meeting of the West Lindsey Branch held at Gainsborough on January 16th. Ringing took place during the afternoon on the bells of the parish church and the service which followed was conducted by the Vicar (Canon J. E. Roberts). After tea in the Old Hall. the vice-president (Mr. C. H. Baker) took the chair for the business meeting. in the absence of the president (Canon J. E. Roberts).

In his report. the secretary (Mr. G. L. A. I.unn) said that 23 new members had joined during the year. making a total ringing memhership of 123. Presenting the balance shect. he said the finances of th: Branch were in a very healthy state. The Ringing Master (Mr. G E. Feirn) reported that seven peals had bcen rung during the year, two members having scored their first ocal.

The following officers were elected:-Canon J. E. Roherts (president). Mr. C. H. Baker (vice-president), Mr. G. L. A. Lunn (secretary and treasurer). Mr. G. E. Feirn (Ringing Master). Mr. J. M. Blaikie (Guild representative). Messrs. J. M. Blaikie and M. L. Mann (auditors). Mr. M. L. Mann ('Ringing World correspondent).

Meetings for the year were agreed to as follows: February 20th. Kirton Iindsey: May $21 s t$. Belton and Epworth: July 16th. Saxilhy: September 17th. Messingham: Novemher 19th. I ca.

After some discussion. Rutland was chosen as the venue for the Branch outing to be held on July 2nd. Votes of thanks concluded the meeting and further ringing followed.

NORTHMOOR, OXON:-On Jan. 19tn, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Leslie 1, F. Trinder (first 'insise') 2. D. Leslie 3, V. Clifton 4, M. Fdney (cond.) 5, A. Cantwell 6 . For the second rinner's hirthday.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

 Newark DistrictThe standard of striking at the 15 th annual meeting of the Newark District, held on January 16 th, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, was of the best heard at the annual meeting for many years.

Officers elected were : Chairman. F. W. Midwinter; hon. secretary, W. L. Exton: Ringing Master. P. W. White : committee, J. D. Clarke and C J. Copp. New members elected were Miss D. Wright and Miss C. Pratchett (Southwell), and C. Town (Newark): non-resident life member, Miss 1. Richardson. Mr. A. Dent, of East Bridglord, who has had to give up ringing duc to an accident, was recommended for honorary life membership.

Wanthorpe was zonfirmed for the March meeting and Barnby-in-the-Willows for May. The Vicar (Canon J. H. D. Grinter) was thanked for laking the service, and the lady members of Newark P'arish Church Sociely of Ringers for providing a most enjoyable tea.

## NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT

Ringers from Oakham, Humberstone, Rothley, Dronfield, Portsmouth. Desford, Matlock, Chellaston and Newark were welcomed at the annual meeting of the Notingham District on January 2nd. Mr. N. Pailing was elected Ringing Master for the ensuing year. He is probably the youngest member to fill this office. and he made a personal appeal to all members to give him their fullest support.

The February meeting will be held at St. Margarel's, Aspley (the new Taylor six), on the 6th instant.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

 St. Albans DistrictDespite the cheerless weather, about 40 memhers and visitors were present at the annual meeting of the Si. Albans District on January 16 th Ringing in the afternoon was on the ten at St. Peter's. followed by a short service conducted by the Vicar. Rev. A. M. Fergusson. Then all, except one unfortunate who was involved in a cycling accident but escaped serious injury, went to tea, which was in St. Stephen's Hall.

This was the first time the present young band at St. Stephen's has provided tea at a meeting, and the feast they prepared will long be remembered by the District.
At the business meeting, the president (Mr. G W. Debenham) was in the chair. Mr. R. W. Darvill of St. Peter's. St. Albans, was elected District Ringing Master in place of Mr. J. D. Painter. of Harpenden. who is shortly leaving the district. The Secretary, Mr. S. Huckle, of Hatfield. was re-clected, and the members of the committee were re-elected en thoc.
J. D.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION <br> Northern District

Some 50 members from 21 different towers attended the annual meeting of the Northern District at Earls Colne on January 16 th . and visitors were present from Bushey. Colchester. Great Tey, Kirby. Maldon and Thaxted. The service was conducted by the Rev. B. A. Whitford

Mr. H. A. Pratt, of Black Notley, was reelected Master at the business meeting. Mrs. M. E. Moore (Bocking) secretary, and after a ballat. Messrs. J. Elliott (Kelvedon) and J. Warner (Witham) committee members. Twelve peals had been rung during the year and five meetings held with an average attendance of 41. The District had now 201 members plus four elected at the meeting. Messis, J. Jennings (Great Bardfield) and C. Button (Kelvedon) were nominated for life members. Next meeting: Black Notley, on March 19th.

BLUNSDON, WILTS.-On Jan. 7th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Boh and Reverse Canterbury): Miss P. A. Hearne (12) 1. B. S. Shepherd 2. Mrs. G. Swain 3. J. E. Manners 4. A. R. Peake (cund.) 5, M. J. Hiell (14) h. First quarter 1 and 6 .

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## DEATH

SEAGER.-On January 27ih, 1960. suddenly at his home. 14. St. Luke's Crescent. Leeds, 11. Mr. Fred Seager, beloved husband of Mary and dear father of David and Robert. In God's garden may he rest in peace.

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## IN MEMORIAM

WOLSTENCROFT.-Ada (Dec. 21st, 1953) and Walter Wolstencroft (Feb. 9th, 1957). R.I.P.

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

HEIGHTON. - The address of Dr. David Heighton is now St. Martin's Hospital. Midford Road. Bath. Somerset. 5704
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## MISCELLANEOUS

ASH.-Surprise Minor practice the second Monday of each month, 7.30 to 9. Methods for February: Beverley, Bourne, London, Norwich. Surfleet. All who are interested are very welcome.

5723
COCKINGTON, TORQUAY. - Will the many ringers who will be visiting this lovely church this summer please note that as from this week practice night has been changed to Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Please alter your Doves now. 5734
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Motions for consideration at the general committee meeting must be received by the general secretary by Saturday, Feb. 6th. (See Rule 9.). M. R. Cross.

5690
WORCESTER,-All Saints' and St. John's Please note that the Wednesday evening practices have been cancelled until after Easter.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL
Secretaries of affiliated Societies are reminded that subscriptions (ten shillings per representative) became due on January 1st. E. A. BARNETT, Hon. Secretary,

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., Saturday, Feb. 6th. 6 p.m.-John Chilcott.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Ely District-Meeting, Fordham, Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec. 5681
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Annual meeting, Leatherhead. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m., with business meeting in St. Nicolas' Hall. Further ringing after.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Watford District.-Annual District meeting on Saturday, Feb. 6ih. Watford (10). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-K. R. Dunstan. Dis. Sec.

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- HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Eastern District.-Annual meeting. Bengeo, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea \& p.m. It is hoped that St. Andrew's. Hertford, will be available after business meeting.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. -Meeting. Ecclesticld. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells from 3 p.m.-J. Seager. Sec. 5689

SUFFOLK GUILD.-South Eastern Dis-trict.-Quarterly meeting, Saturday, Feb. 6th, Woodbridge (8), 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., obtainable at Deben Tea Rooms.C. R. Lovett, Dis. Sec.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting, West Hoathly (6), on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.

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WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD.
-Isle of Wight District. - Annual meeting, Newport, Feb. 6th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Mission Hall.-Anne M. Guy, Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD

- Winchester District. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Maurice's Hall, Colebrook Street, Winchester, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. Meeting 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m. (2s. 6d. per head). Service in Cathedral 5.15 p.m. Bells (8) 6 p.m.

BARNSLEY DISTRICT.-Meeting. Earlsheaton. near Dewsbury. Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea, please notify Mr. Hemingway Dransfield, Ellenroyd, 18, Commercial Street, Earlsheaton, Dewsbury. 5701

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District. - Meeting, Henlow. Bells (6) 3 p.m.. Saturday, Feb. 13 th. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Court and Norwich Surprise. Please note change of tower. - A.
Smith. Sec.

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Annual general meeting. Cottingham, Saturday, Annual general meeting. Cottingham, Saturday.
Feb. 13 th. Bells ( 8 ) 2 p.m. Service 4.30 . Teal 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, Feb. 11th, to Mr. K. Ornbo, 36. High Street, Hull. 5695
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northwich Branch.-Annual meeting. Davenham, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous to Mr. H. W. Howard, Beverley, Lime Avenue. Leftwich, Northwich.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Chesterfield District.-Monthly meeting, Clay Cross, Saturday, Feb. 131 h .3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. W. Price, 1, Bertrand Avenue, Clay Cross, Chesterfield
EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD-Edenbridge Saturday, Feh. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea in Church House 5 p.m. Names to E. C Leigh. Homesdale, Spital Cross. Edenbridge Annual, Colemans Hatch, Saturday, Mar. 19th Bells and Hall not available on 12th.-C. A Bassett.

5705
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-Meeting, Whittlesford. Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at The Brewery Tap 5 p.m. - E. W. Bullman. Dis. Sec.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Meeting, at Rodbourne Cheney (6), Saturday, Feb. 13th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to R. Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road. Swindon.

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-LCd. bury District.-Annual meeting, Bosbury. Saturday. Feb. 13th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea important to J. Ward. Woofields Farm. Coddington, Ledbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District.-By-meeting at Mereworth on Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 at the Queen's Head. Names, please, to R. L. Sills. St. Vincent's Lane, Addington, West Malling.
LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-Annual District meeting, Saturday, Feb. 13th, at Chiddingfold. Surrey. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Scrvice 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Thursday, Feb. lith, please, to Mrs. C. Harbott, 20, The Street. Ashicad. Witley (8) 6 to 8 p.m. Everyone welcome.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting, Chorley St. Mary's, Saturday, Feb. 13th. No tea arranged-cafes nearby Business in tower 5.30 p.m.-L. Walmsley
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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furness and Lake District Branch.-Meeting, Millom, Saturday, Feb. 13th, 2.30 p.m. Name to Mr. J. Ullock, 135, Albert Street, Millom, Cumber-land.-N. M. Newby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-Meeting, Emmanuel. Everton, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, Feb. 10th, 10 Mr . T. E. Radcliffe, 17. September Road, Liverpool, 6.T. E. Radcliffe.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-Meeting, Saturday, Feh. 13th. Shore (Littleborough). Bells 2.30 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Cups of tea -Hudson, Sec.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Quarterly general meeting, Loughborough, Saturday,
Feb. 13th. Bells available: Copt Oak (6), 1.45 to 2.30; Woodhouse Eaves (6), 2.30 to 3.15 ; Woodhouse (Old) (6), 3.15 to 4 ; Loughborough All Saints' $(10), 3$ to 4.25 and 6.30 to 8 ; Bell Foundry (10). 6.30 to 8 p.m. Service, Loughborough All Saints", 4.30. Tea, Fearon Hall, 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Any notice of alteration to rules must be given by this meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. Stevens, 91, Parklands Drive, Loughborough, Leics. General committee meeting, Monday, Feb. 8th. 7.45 p.m. in the vestry of St. John-the-Divine's, Albion Street, Leicester.-B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen, Sec. 5686 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern
Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Botolph's, Boston, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Monday, Feb. 8th, to W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street. Boston.
LONDON TRAINING COLLEGES' GUILD.-Meeting, Barnes, Saturday, Feb. 13 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names Cor tea by Tuesday previous.-Roger N. Clarke.
College of SS. Mark and John, Chelsea, S.W. 10 .
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N. and E. District.-Annual meeting. St. Mary's, Hendon (buscs 83 and 143 to Hendon L.T. Garage), on Saturday, Feb. 13 th . Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting and further ringing until 8.30 p.m. Ringing also at St. Mary's, Finchley, 2.30 to $4 \mathrm{p.m}$. Good attendance, please. - D. T. C. Smith,
Hon Dis Sec Hon. Dis. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.-Annual general meeting. Reading, on Saturday, Feb. 13th. St. Giles' (8), 3 to 4 p.m. ; St. Laurence's (12), 3.45 to 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Laurence's, followed by tea and meeting
in St. Mary's Church House St. Laurence's and St. Mary's (8) available after tea. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. A. Diserens. 18. Manchester Road. Reading. 5718 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Nots District.-Meeting, Gamston (6). Saturday. Feb, 13th. Please bring own food; cups of tea provided in School. Good bus service.
$\$ 722$ -H. Denman.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West Disrict.(6), SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-West ern Division. - Annual meeting, Chichester Cathedral, Saturday. Feh. 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock and in evening. Names for tea to E. W. Keys. Greystones. Salthill Road, Fish5716
bourne. Chichester.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Northern
Distict.-Mecting. Sharow (8), Ripon (10), on salurday. Feb. 13th. Sharow from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea. Cafc Victoria, Ripon. Names hy Thursday, 11 th, to me. Cathedral bells, 6 109 p.m. - Edward Hudson, Dis, Sec., Singleton
Cottage. Sharow. Ripon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Practice, Monday. Feb. 15th. 7.30 p.m.. St. Mary's, Lambeth Bridge. Special methods:
Bob Major. London Surprise Major. A.G.M. Saturday, Feb. 2uth. Southwark Cathedral, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. : St. John's. Waterloo Road, 2.30 to 4. Service, Cathedral. 5 p.m. Tea, business
and handbell competition, Chapter House, 6. St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark. 8 p.m. Names for tea, please.-Rogers, 53, The Grove, Isleworth. ISL 3921.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.-Meeting, Kirton Lindsey, on Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea for those who notify by Tuesday previous Mr. G. E. Feirn, Cleatham, Kirton Lindsey-Geo. L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,Eastern Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th, Loddon. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Feb. 17 th . certain, please, to Mr. H. W. Barrett, Fernhill, Bungay Road. Loddon. - $\mathbf{P}$. G. W. Newstead, Branch Hon. Sec. 5691

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. - The annual meeting at Henfield (8), Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells 3.15. Service 4.15. Tea at 5. Numbers for tea direct to Mr. F. Cruttenden, The Bakery, High Street, Henfield, by Thursday, Feb. 18th. - Geo. North, 11, Richmond Terrace, Brighton.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (established 1755). - Annual Henry Johnson commemoration dinner. Imperial Hotel. Temple Street, 6 o'clock, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Chairman, Mr. Rodney B. Meadows. Tickets 20s. Peals arranged for visitors. Several towers open for ringing. Details later.-G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwall Road, Hall Green. Birmingham, 28. 'Phone SPR 1025.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District. -Meeting, Saturday, Feh. 27th, Palgrave (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Norfolk ringers welcomed. Names for tea must be in by Feb. 23rd.-H. A. Mitson. Dis. Sec. 5702

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Preliminary notice. The festival and annual general meeting will be held at Wimborne on Saturday, May 14th. Details later.-W. C. West. Hon. Gen. Sec.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Frome Branch

With regret, the Frome Branch received the resignation of the Rev. N. Mitchell after three years in office as Branch chairman, at the anrual mecting at Midsomer Norton on January 9th. The Rev. A. G. Durstan, Rector of Hemington, a practical ringer, was elected his successor.

Other officers elected were: Mr. E. J. Chivers, hon. secretary and treasurer; Mr. R. G. Beck, Ringing Master; Mr. F. Savage, Assistant Ringing Master. Nominated for general secretary of the Association was Mr. Gwilym Salmon, of Wells, and as treasurer Mr. Eric Naylor, of Bath. Twenty-five new members were elected.
A report on the Central Council meeting last Whitsun was presented by Mr. H. J. Sanger, with particular reference to the increase in price of "The Ringing World ' and how to make it more attractive. A suggestion made from the meeting was a write-up of the bells and their history in every tower, with a photograph of the tower inserted in "The Ringing World ' in loose form, so that when completed they cculd be put into album form or bound as a book. (The suggestion is too costly; it would take more than six years to do Somerset towers, alone.-Ed.)

The service was conducted by the Rev. K. G. Scott. who was thanked, and also Mr. G. Stenner, the organist, Mr. Fred Savage for arrangements for tea, and the ladies who served it to the 65 members present.

SADDLEWORTH. YORKS.-On Jan. 23rd. 1.260 Minor (St. Clements's, Plain Bob) : Cythia M. Clayton 1. Christine B. Clavion 2, M. D Fishowick 3, G Rothwell 4. J. P. Pantington S. P. S. H. Hudson (cond.) 6.

## OBITUARY

## MR. R. GEORGE CLEMENS

The death took place on January 15th in the Camborne-Redruth Hospital, after an illiness of several weeks. of Mr. R. George Clemens, who had been living recently at Camborne. He had recently retired from farming.

George learnt to ring at Crowan on the original six there with the old call-change band, but after moving to Stithians joined the Redruth band and enthusiastically took up method ringing. He also became captain of the Stithjans tower when the six bells were installed there. He had rung several peals, mostly Doubles and Triples. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Truro Branch of the Diocesan Guild, and was present at the autumn meeting at Constantine. He was a Freemason. and was Steward of Druids Lodge, No. 589, Redruth.

The funeral took place at All Saints'. Tuckingmill, on January 191 h , the Rector of Redruth, the Rev. J. Ruscoe, officiating. There was a large attendance. Among the mourners were his father, Mr. R. Clemens (also representing the widow), and his two daughters, Mesdames $A$. and H. Martin. The Diocesan Guild was represented by the Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Roberts (Carbis Bay). Messrs. E. S. and W. H. Seymour (Redruth). W. J. Sanders (Tuckingmill). R. E. Bourdeaux and C.J. Roberts (Crowan), and Miss A. Hastings-Ince (Redruth).

On the following Saturday an attempt for a Feal of Oxford Bob Triples, half-mufiled, unfortunately failed at Tuckingmill close on halfway, through a miscall, but a quarter peal of Stedman Triples was rung.

## MR. A. W. FOXALL

With deepest regret we record the death of Mr. Arthur W. Foxall. a young Hughenden ringer. who was fatally injured when the motorcycle he was riding was involved in a collision with a stationary lorry near Caerwent on January 8th.

Arthur. aged 18 years, was the only son of Mr and Mrs. A. W. Foxall, who left South Wales to live in Buckinghamshire ten years ago. He was educated at Wycombe Grammar School and on leaving joined the staff at the Local Government Offices.

He commenced ringing in 1953 and was elected a member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild a year later. He could be counted upon to participate in all the local ringers activities. having a good attendance for service ringing as well as joining in outings and peal attempts arranged in the disirict. Arthur rang a total of 20 peals, ranging from Grandsire and Stedman to Surnrise Major. one of which-nonconducted Grandsire Triples-was the 300 th peal on Hughenden bells, and he circled the tower' last year.

Memorial services were held at Llangibhy and Hughenden. and the many wreaths included tributes from ringers of hoth churches. On January 13 th a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung half-muffled at Hughenden and on the following Saturday a quarter peal of Stedman Caters at High Wycombe.

## Swansea and Brecon Guild

Despite the wintry weather. 20 members attended the annual meeting held at St. David's, Brecon, on January 16th. After conducting the service the Vicar (Rev. D. R. Wilkinson) invited the ringers to tea in the Parish Hall

At the business meeting the officers were reelected. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Glasbury-on-Wye. It was proposed that' M1. Rees Price be elected an honorary life member for services to the Guild and tower. Mr. J. Williams moved the vote of thanks for the use of the bells.
G. P. D.

Ashby foiville, leics.-On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire), 7. 6, 8 coverins: Miss B. Smith 1. Miss R. Tyler 2. M. Riley A. E. Hinman 4, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 5, Miss K. Gee 6. D. Palmer 7. J. Thorpe 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. Mary Morton Whitworth. Jast of a generation of the Smith-Caringtons, whose fumily were responsible for the restoration of the chuureh and its ring of eight bells.

5,008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
BY NOLAN GOLDEN
Composer's 12 part. No. 16 in the method.

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|  | S |  | 3 | 32564 |
|  | - |  |  | 42365 |
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| - |  |  |  | 34256 |

Repeat the last three courses ten times, substituting single for the bob in the last course of the 4 th and last repetition.

Hethersett, October 21st, 1959.
5,120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

## (Four methods)

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## THE PRIMARIES

IThas often been remarked how much may be produced from so little. Three states of matter-solid. liquid and gas-seem to provide the total of all tangible things: the whole vast range of the world's writings are made from an insignificant number of letters; the seemingly endless variety of musical tunes and textures, some simple and some indescribably complex, are built from a small number of related notes; and the painted pageantry of the angry sunset is compounded by the Master Hand from the three primary colours-red, yellow and blue.

Change-ringing, too, we may perceive, has its primaries -a trio of simple phenomena which provide and permit all the accepted movements of bells in their courses. and which, in their seemingly endless combinations, create complexities that could not be comprehended by a separate contemplation of each of the three fundamentals. The three primaries of change-ringing are of course, hunting, dodging and place-making; and just as letters and notes are joined to form words and musical phrases, so hunting, dodging and place-making may be joined to form conventional movements; and as words and musical phrases may again be placed in combination to form sentences and musical themes, so our conventional movements may be linked up to build methods. And out of this expansion of primaries into groups, and groups into sentences, there comes at last-in literature, music, painting. or any other art, including change-ringing-a progression towards an art form.

In the very early stages of his instruction the beginner in the art of change-ringing will be aware of the three fundamentals, hunting, dodging and place-making, and will find them used in many different combinations in their simplest form. Grandsire, Plain Bob and Treble Bob will show him no more than the very elemental use of this material. When he comes to study Stedman he will strike an interesting and unusual combination called a Whole Turn, and he will gradually learn to think of this conventional duty not as 'lead, one in seconds, lead' but as a whole. so that the mere words ' Whole Turn' convey to him the picture of the complete manouvre. Later, if he progresses to the Surprise methods. he will find this fragment of so frequent occurrence that ringers of London, Bristol and other methods call it simply 'Stedman."

The elementary study of the method Stedman will also force upon the notice of the beginner the small piece of gymnastics that used to be known as a Snap and is frequently now referred to as a Spike. This stealing in to take one blow at lead and then making off again-a movement so well known in Stedman-will again show itself as soon as the learner rings Bristol. and the ringer of Surprise
methods soon becomes accustomed to a specialised form of speech used in reference to certain pieces of work. so that phrases such as 'spike fourths.' ' one-two-one. ' Stedman right,' or 'eight-seven-eight' become not only familiar, not only convenient, but actually indispensable if the learning and ringing of complex methods is to be facilitated.

Many ringers who have not proceeded beyond the four simple standard methods have never comprehended, or perhaps ever even thought to comprehend. that so much of the more complex methods is built only of the old familiar stuff, the dodging, place-making and hunting they know so well, combined and built into stereotyped 'phrases ' and used over and over again in endless different ways. Thus the famous Court places of Double Court become, by simple extension, the Double Norwich places, and the Double Norwich places, by a pleasing repetition, become the Cambridge places, and a half of the diagram of Cambridge places gives Yorkshire places. And these two latter. Cambridge places and Yorkshire places, carry their names with them into the innumerable methods in which they occur and of which they form the backbone.
There are among us many who have, for various reasons, never proceeded to the realm of advanced ringing: and to many of these it is clearly a matter for wonderment how certain practitioners can ever learn so many methods or assimilate matter of such complexity as that presented by the higher forms of ringing. The truth is. of course, that the material remains for the most part the same: it is the comprehending and learning of this familiar matter in new and varied form and the ringing of it with accuracy and confidence that mark the competent ringer of the higher methods. This competence is built on experience, and an important factor in growing experience is an appreciation and a utilisation of simple fundamentals.
E. C. S.

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## THREE PEALS IN A DAY

The following three peals were all rung on the same day at Loughborough Bell Foundry by the Midland Counties Guild, Messrs. Cotton. Brunning, Lane and Jones ringing in all three.

> LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat.. Jun. 30. 1961. in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 MONAGHAN SLRPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cWL .2 qr .13 lb . in C.
G. Ronald Edwards Tenor ${ }^{6}$ T Twl ${ }^{2}{ }^{2}$ Ernest Morris

Gordon H. Lane
Gordon A. Halls
Joseph W. Cotton. Derek P. Jones Derek P. Jones .... Temor
Conducted by Dereik P. Jones.

| PPatricia A. M. Hall.s .. 3 |
| :--- |
| -David W. Brunning |

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

* First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First in the method inside.


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sat..Jan. 30 , 1960 . in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb . in C.

Frederick E. Wilshaw .. Treble Derek P. Jones .. .. 5 | Gordon h. Lane |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John A. Underwoud | .. | 2 | 3 | David W. Brunning | . | 6 | Francis R. Lowe $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Joseph W. COIton.. } & \text {.. } & 7 \\ \text { John M. Jelley } & \text {.. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$

Composed hy C: H. hatiersley. Conducled by Derek P. Jones. *50th peal. First in the method for the Guild, and by all except the treble ringer.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 16 Minntes.
A PEAL OF 5184 PLDSEY SLIRPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr. 13 lb . in C.


John A. Underwood
Composed by Stephen ivin.

* First peal in the method.

Derek P. Jones in Temor Conducted by Dlrle P. Jonis.
is 200 th peal.
The composition contains 15 combination courses.

## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH LEICESTERSHIRF
IHE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Jan. 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
A PEAL OF SE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE 50 COAL ILLE SURPRISE ROYAL,
A PEAL OF 5040 COALVILLE SURPRIS

Composed by Charlis J. Si dgley (Circuit BT).
Conducted by Brion G. Warwick.
1 irst peal in the method. Rung without previous practice.

## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Jan. 25.1960 , in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
Ar the: Caihedral. Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE, SURPRISE RUYAL Tenor 25 cwt .

Groffrry M. Brewin $\quad$ Willam J. Root
Composed by Charles J. Sldgley. Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.
LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Jur. 25. 1960), in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Bi:ll. Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 MORECOMBELAKE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 gr .13 lb . in C

| Richard J. Clifion | Treble | Joseph W. Corion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian G. Wakwick. | 2 | John M. Jllley |
| Alan E. Hartley | 3 | Gordon A. Halls |
| Ernest Morris | 4 | Russell S. Morris | Ernest Morris

$\qquad$ Rusth A. Mols
*G. Ronald Edwards
Tenor
Composed by Charles J. Sedgley (Circuit DS).
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

- 100th peal together. First in the method. Rung without previous pructice.

[^2]WILLENHALL. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sal.. Jan. 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor $16 \not \mathrm{cwl}$. in $F$ sharp.
Howard Howell .. .. Treble William Davies
Christopher Wallater ... 2 Frederick G. Handiley
Barnabas G. Key .. .. 3 James S. Eastwood
E. Marion Key
james S. Eastwood
Francis Brotherton .. s *Ernest Stitch... .. . . Tenor
Composed by John Carter.
Conducted by Howard Howell.
*Twice completed the circle in this tower.
In memoriam Rt. Rev. R. L. Hodson. M.A., Bishop of Shrewsbury and a former Vicar of St. Giiles: Willenhall.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 26, 1959. in 2 Hourst and 50 Minules.
At the Church of St. Phier.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

## Tenor 15 cwt 1 cr .

*Elizabeth Robirts
Treble ; Charles A. S. Webb
$\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { *William Talbot } \\ 3 & \text { Eric Young .. }\end{array}$

- Harold Roberts
*Albert lawton
Geoffrey Davies
Composed by 3. E. Burton.
G. Arnold Moorle . 7
* First peal of Plain Bob Major.

To mark the retirement of Albert Lawton as captain of Broughton belfry.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Mon.. Jan. 4. 1960. in 2 Hours and 24 Minules.
Ar ihe Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5008 ST. CLEMENTS COLLEGE BOB MAJOK
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C .

* Brian G. Warwick ..Treble tJoseph W. Co

| *Richard J. Clifton | . | 2 | Alan E. Hartley... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Morris ... | . | 3 | *Russell S. Morris... | .. | 7 |

* Sandra E. Chestririon 4 G. Ronali) Edwards .. Tehor

Composed by Sir Arihur P. Ificywood.
Conducted by Brian G. Wakwick.

* First pcal in the method. +100 th peal together.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 16. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes. Ar the Church of Si. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5280 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cw}$.
John Worili
Treble |Basil Junes
William H. Dowse:

| Treble | Basil Junes |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | Lesile Boumphrey |
| 3 | Bran Harris |
| 4 | Peta | 5

Edward Jenkins 6
7
C. Kenne1h Lewis .. ... 4 Peter Laflin .. .. .. Tenur Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by JOhn WOrth.
Mr. P. Laflin's looth peal on these bells.

Mt. P. Laflin's l00th peal on these bells.

## RUNCORN, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. Jan. 20,1900 , in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## AI ihe Church of All Sainis. <br> A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation
John E. Bibby..

| Freditick Jackson |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .. | .. Treble | Fredliliam E. Allman |

Tenor $15 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}}$.
JOHN E. Bibby.
John Hayes
Denis Maddock
*Mrs. D. Lowe.

+ Douglas Lowe
Walter Allman
Conducted by Denis Maddork.


## * First peal of Surprise "inside.' † First of Surprise.

Rung to celehrate the silver wedding anniversary of the Vicar (Rev G. M. Davidson, A.K.C.) and his appointment as Rural Dean of Frodsham.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Jan. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At ihe Church of Sr. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OE 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Consisting of 1,216 New Cambridge. 1.376 Yorkshire and 2.496 Rutland, with 87 changes of method and all the work of each method for cach bell.
Herbert E. Audsley Treble|
Joan Beresford
Ralph Bird Tenor 15 cwl . in G .

ArIHLi G Macon
2
3
4
Fredrerick J. Cullum
hav H. Oram
6
Grorge J Butcier
7
Composed by JOhn L. Morris.

Philip A. Corby ... Tenor Conducted by Ralph Bird.

# ALMONDSBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. <br> THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY. <br> On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin <br> A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $22 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{c}} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat. <br> - Royston Blackler. Treble Palkicia M. Bourn <br> - Angela Grainger Ivor H. Trueman <br> David Heighion <br> Brian J. Wylde <br> Composed by C. H. Hattersley. <br> Frank D. Mack Tenor - First Conducted by David Heighion. for the Society. 

## EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sar.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minules.
Ai the Church of Si. Michael and All Angels
A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOK Tenor 15 cwt .3 gr. 25 lb .

Ronaly C. Noon
William Holmes
John E. Allen
Cecil Wadi
Treble *LEonard Blanchard
Edwin T. Chapman.
Albert W. A. Leggeit... 7
Clil Wadl: ... .. ...

- First peal of Surprise Major. First in the method by all except the conductor.


## LINCOLN

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules.
Ar the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5024 GRESFORD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .2 lb . in E .

4 Jack L. Millhousi: . . . Tehor Composed by W. Eric Crifichley. Conducted by Jack L. Millhousl. First peal in the method.
A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Randles.
LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes. At ihe Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOK Tenor 30 cwt 3 gr .23 lh . in D flat.
J. Anthony Bennett . . Treble

- Brynley A. Shackleion

2
2
D. John Hunt
*Eric J. Hitchens †Brian J. Woodruffe Reginald G. Hooper A. Patrick Cannon David Hoare 4
Si. $\ddot{p}$. $\quad$ Conducted by A Parrick . Tenor Pa rick Cannon. *First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob. +275 th peal.

## LYME REGIS. DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. Jan. 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 54 Minules. At the. Church of Sr. Michael-ihe-Archangel.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt . in $G$.
James E. Looker .. ...Treble Henry G. Kleley
Walter h. Poole

* Norman Malleti Harry I. Gaylard Ruger Keley Conducted by Roglk Keelly. Cuthberi W. H. Puwll
Mrs. C. W. H. Powell Composed by E. W. Tipler. * looth peal.


## LYMINGE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIAIIUN
Ont Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minute's.
At the Church of SS. Mary and Eadburg
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's
Colin F. McGill
Viulet F. Relf.
Trevor A. Cross
.....
reble
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Conducted by

Andrtw M. Macvi: Crawford T. Hitlis Raiph Bird
Thomas Cullingworth . . Terror
$58 \times 16 \times 12 \times$ SURPRISE MAJOR
econd place lead-end. 4ths place bob

ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Cuthbert,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 19 cwi .14 lb.

Fred Hodgson ... .. Treble Jack Roach
Rohilla M. Cooke.. .. 2 Peier Wishart

* Aubrey Crosby .. .. 3 Thomas Cooke

Thomas M. Cox ...... 4 Ralph Jackson .. .. ... Tenor

* First peal on eight bells.


## THORNBURY, GLOUCESTER

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSIIIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 22 cwt. in $E$ flat.
John A. Andersun . . . . Treble William T. Cook .. .. 5
$\begin{array}{lcccllllll}\text { Elisabeit A. G. Bowden } & 2 & \text { Philip Mehlw. .. } & . . & . & 6 \\ \text { Arihur H. Reed } & . . & . . & 3 & \text { Philip M. J. Gray } & \text {.. } & . & 7\end{array}$

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Johin H. Gilberi.

TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Jan. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minules,
At the Church of St. Peter. Walsden.
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .4 lb . in $G$.
Michael D. Fishwick .. Treble *Ronald W. Dennison
Philip J. H. Hudsun .. 2 *Geoffrey Cheetham
*F. John Nelson . . .. 3 *Ron J. Johnston
Peter Scholfield .. .. 4 John H. Fielden
. . Tenor
Composed by J. Thorp.
Conducted by John H. Fielden.
*irst peal in the method. First as conductor and 25 th peal First in the nuethod on the bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth.

## UCKFIELD. SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jant. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
Ai the. Church of the Holy Cross.

+ A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt 3 qr. 24 lb . in F sharp.
* Barry M. Cox .. .. Treble Alan E. Bagworth

Thomas E. Sone ... ... 2 William S. Dfason.
Ernest J. Munday. . .. 3 Robin G. Leale.
Robin G. Leale.
William Rogers
4 W
William Rogers
Conducted by Rubin G. Tenor

## Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat. Jun. 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 49 Minures. AI the Church of Sr. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANIDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor 10 cwt .2 yr. 21 lb . in F sharp.
E. Jane: Langion

Treble *Gboff. Pratt
*Mikaela Erik . . . . . 2 Anthony V. Queen
*Judith K. Essen .. .. 3 *Dertik E. Sibson
*Michael R. Rose ... 4 Alan G. Spreadbury .. Tenor

- First peal in the nethod.


## WARWICK

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sur.. Jun. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules. At 1he Church of Sr. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Ruih M. Burder .....Treble| John W. T. Taylor .. .. 5

| -Hubert Summers | .. | . | 2 | Percy Stone | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Peter Bordir | .. | .. | . | 3 | James L. Garner-Hayward | 7 |  |  |

Frank W. Pirrens.. .. 4 L. Michael Callow. . . Tenor
Composed by W. Barion.
Conducled by Peier Borulr.

* First peal in the method. The conductor's 600th peal.

Rung preceding Evensong, at which Canon H. A. Hayden (Vicar for 34 years and prior to that was curate for two years) preached his last sermon. He is taking up the combined living of Farnborough and Avon Dassett, both in the Coventry Diocese.

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BICKER, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Jan. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. Ar the Church of St. Swithin.

## A PEAL OF 5120 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .15 lb


MARSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Jan. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours und 55 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 8 cwl
 Composed by B. Annabie. Conducted by John R. Smith, as Rector of Marsham and Burgh on January 12th. Also a birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

## MEASHAM. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Thurs., Jan. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr .6 lb . in F sharp.

| Collon | Treble | Joseph W. Cotion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W. Gioffrey Hatr | 2 | John A. Underwoud |
| Richard J. Clifion | 3 | Derek P. Jones. |
| F. Grorgi: Balley | 4 | Plircival W. Grice | Composed by Bianamin Annable. Conducted by Derek P. Jones. CANTERBURY, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Ont Sat.. Jah. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Mimules,
At the Church of St. Stephen, Hackington
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. in A flat.


> Composed by Frederick H. Dexter Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman

Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman

* First peal of Major. 100th peal on the bells

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. A. R. Barnes, upon his retirement after being 24 years Rector of this parish

CLIFTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 48 Minules,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
 Claudia A. Critchley .. 4 J. Richard Castledine. .. Tenor Composed by Arihur Knighis. Conducted by G. William Critichley. * First peal in the method inside.

## COLERAINE, CO. LONDONDERRY.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Jun. 30, 1960. in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,
At the: Churth of St. Palkick.
A PEAL OH 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwI . cr .12 lb

| Girraid D. Brown | reble | Pilitip II. Whilaker |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harry Brown | 2 | Riv. Juhn J. Filliding |
| *Aubri:y Fifliding | 3 | Joun Campbisl. |
| Jian Siliwari | 4 | John T. Dunwoudy |
| Composed by H. H |  | Conducted by John T. |

omposed by h. hubbard.

Conducted by John T. Dunwouny
*irst peal of Major.
Rung as a kelcome to the new Rector. Canon S. P. Kew EVESHAM. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND IISTRICTS ASSOCIAIION.
On Sat.. Jan. 30. 1960. ir 3 IIoursi and 34 Minules. AI HL: BIIL TOWER.
A PEAL OF 5088 EVI:SHAM SLIRPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 35 cwt .3 qr .20 lb . in C sharp.

| *William B. Pomeroy .. Treble | Davio Beacham |
| :---: | :---: |
| †Gurdon T. Brown. . . | R. Roger Savory |
| Geoffrey J. Hemming . . 3 | Thomas W. Lewis |
| Di:rek Price .. .. .. 4 | Girraid C. Hemmin |
| Composed by Arihur Craven. C <br> * First peal on cight bells. | aducted hy Gloffri:y t of Surprise Major. practice. |

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## SIX BELL PEALS

## LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

## On Tues.. Dec. 22, 1959, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes,

At the Bell Founury Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Bcing four extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb . in C.


Rung on the conductor's birthday.

WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE,
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thes., Dec. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peier, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents Plain Bob and three of Kent T.B. Tenor 6 cwt . I qr. 17 lb . in A.
Fred Watson .. .. .. Treble Chris. L. Powdrill.
Sandra E. Chesierton . 2 Ernest Morris
Patricia A. Wardle. . . 3 A. James Poynor .. . . Tenor
Conducted by A. James Poynor
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Herbert Necdham, of the local band.

CROFI, LEICESTERSIIIRE,
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Dec. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 exients.
Being 42 extents.
George A. Charlion .. Treble Menor 6 cwt. 2 gr. Fred Watson
Brian Smith
A. James Poynor

Conducied by A. James Poynor.

* First peal.

A 40th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Wildber. A birthday compliment to Mrs. G. Charlton. 31st anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

## BUSHBURY. STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Jan. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIIGGE SURPRISE MINOR


Clive M. Smith ... Trenle John H. Allen
$\dagger$ Andrew J. Strathdee .. 3 John Macdonald .. .. Tenor
Conducted by John Macdonald.

- First peal of Surprise. IFirst of Surprise 'inside. $\ddagger 100$ th peal.

Rung for the Epiphany, and also as a birthday compliment to Richard E. Macdonald.

## WILMSLOW. CHESHIRE

TIIE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minules.
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In 25 methods: (I) Crowland, Combermere. Vale Royal, St. Werburgh and Abbeyville Delight: (2) Willesden. Newdigate, College Bob IV. Old Oxford and Marple Delight; (3) College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley, Duke of Norfolk and Morning Star Treble Bob: (4) Charlwood. Neasden, St. Alhıns and Braintree Delight: (5) Capel. Sandal. London Scholars: Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob: (6) Oxiord Trehle Bob: (7) Cambridge Surprise.

Carol. Fernley ... .. Treble Sioniy Hough, iun... .. 4
*Brian Schoiatild ..... 2 Alexanidr Richardsun .. 5 *John R. Kennet! . . . 3 Denis Moitrshlad . Tenor Conducted by Denis Moitershead.

- First peul in 25 methods.

Rung as an 88th birthday complinent to Mr. John Wheadon, oldest member of the local band.

## KING'S BROMLEY. STAFFORIDSHIRL

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Tinurs., Jan. 21. 1960, in 2 Hours amd 38 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Eric Euginion
Geurae 1 Rooroirom .. Treble
David W. Brunning $\quad . \quad 13$ John K. Smith.
Conducted by David W. Brunning.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Barbara Smith, of Sheffield. Also a first birthday compliment to Rosenary Ann, daughter of the Ringing Master at St. Paul's, Burton.

BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jam. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
Arime Church of St. Helen.
Being eight extents St. Martin's. six St. Nicholas', ten Plain Boh, eight Reverse St. Bartholomew and ten Grandsire. Tener 23 cwt . 2 qr .6 lb . in E.


- First peal of Doubles. $\dagger$ first in live Doubles. metheds.


## CLOWNE, DERBYSHIRE

TIIE DERRYSHIRE ASSOCIAITION
On Sar., Jan. 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes. At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 MINGR
Being two exteats each of Oxford Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt 2 qr .12 hb in B flat Frfderick A. Adams .. Treb'e †Dennis A. Smedley .. 4 Malcolm P. Phipps a 2 Le.shil: W. Bacon .... 5 *Phillip A. Richardson.. 3 John R. Kettiringham.. Tenor Conducted hy John R. Kertiringham.

* First peal in three methods. +50 h peal.

MUCH DEWCHURCH, I EREFORDSIIIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
at thp Church of St. David.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANIDSIRE DOUBLES
Being three 240 Morris's, three 240 Pitman's arrangement and 30 sixscores (ten callings). Tenor 9 cwt Joy Smith
-Wililam E. Spiers .. ... 2 Charles Phillips
Reginald G. Powell .. 3 Michafl V. Powell.. . Tenor Conducted by Reginald G. Powell.

- First peal • inside

Rung to mark 25 years' service of Mr. L. Smith as churchwarden at this church

## SALTWOOD. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and. 46 Minutes,
Ár the Church of SS. Peter and Paul
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, MINOR
Being seven extents with all 56's at hackstroke. M. Tenor 13 cwt
CRAWFORD T. HILIIS .. Treble †ANDREW M. MACVE 4

Ral.ph Bird
Conducted by Ralph Bird.
*First peal of Surprise. $\dagger$ First of Niinor in the method. $\ddagger 400$ th peal.

## SEDLESCOMBE, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jant. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
AI the Church of St. John-the-Baptisi.
a PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt . in G.
*Mrs. H. M. Downing.. Trehle Edward F. P. Bryant .. 4
John A. W. Downing .. 2 ¥Alan A. Price
†\#loan M. Downing $\because 3^{3}$ §Antony Jackson
Tenor

* First peal. † First of Plain Boh. $\ddagger$ First on six hells. § First of Plain Bob Minor.
Rung by members of Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, band as hirthday compliments to the ringers of the treble. fourth and tenor.

> STRFTTON CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sar., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
At rhe Church of St. Mathiew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Reing two extents of Kent and Oxford Treble Boh and three of Plain Bob.
*Koy Forster

| . | Treble | Cectl Raddon |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| . | . | 2 | Hexry Parker |
| .. | . | 3 | Harold Worrall | Tenor 91 cwt .

John Ryder Conducted by Henry Parker.

WILBY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
TIE: PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oil Sett.. Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Howrs and 33 Minties.

## At 7 he. Chlirch of St. Mary. at peal $\mathbf{O H} 5040$ Minor

Being two extents each of Kent Trehle Boh. Girandsire and St. Clement's, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cws 2 qr .12 lb . in B flat. Timothy Wooding .. .. Treble I Percy Amos Jacquelinf: A. Downing.. 2 George F. Roome
Victor A. Pirry .. .. 3 ; Allan R. Jones.. .. .. Temor Conducted hy allan R. Jonis.
Rung as an 80th birthday compliment to Mr. T. Jennings.
WYCHBOLD. WORCESTERSHIRE.
TIE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jan. 23, 19(n), in 2 Hours aml 40 Minues.
AI the Church of Si. Mary-de-Wyche.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven different extents: three of St. Clement's and four of Plain Boh.
*Michael. J. Felions .. Treble
Pall Catiermole.
Treble
Fredfrick G. Handify
*Martin D. Fellows tRoberi W. Coli
Conducied by pall Cattermole.

* First peal of Minor. † First in two Minor methods. $\ddagger$ Have rung peals of Minor from ono 10 seven methods.
Rung within the Octave of the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.


## BLYTUBURGH. SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed. Jan. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Oxford Boh, St. Clement's. Kent Treble Boh, Double Oxford. Oxford Treble Boh, plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 10 cwt 1 qr .10 lb . in G .
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { C. Jack Gibson } & \ldots & \text {. Treble } & \text { Peter S. Bedpord } & \text {.. } & . & 4 \\ \text { James M. Balley } & . & . & 2 & \text { Hillam Barreti } & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Jack Pilgrim } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { John W. Blythe } & \ldots & \text { Tehor }\end{array}$ Conducied by John W. Blythe,
Rung as a birthday compliment to Ernest S. Bailey. WHAPLODE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wedl., Janl. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { AT THE CHURCH OF ST MARY } \\
& \text { AT PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being one extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, SI. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plan Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt .
C. Harold Whitton

Treble
Frank Taylor
2 Thomas H. Charliton
J. Martin Thorley

Tenor
John G. Ames Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. W. H. Gibb. FLAMSTEAD. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat, Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules,
at the Church of St. Leonard.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being one Morris 240 and 40 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 13 cwt . qr .14 lb . in E .
Dismond Painter ... .. Treble Grorge Hawkins
Arthur Day .. .. .. 2 Frid C. Jackilin
Amy Coblirn .. $\quad . . \quad . \quad 3 \quad 3$ Alfrid E. Rushton
Conducted by Dismond Paintrir.
Arthur Day has now rung peals of Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques. A farewell peal for the conductor, who is shortly moving to London. HATHERN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On SaI., Jall. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes. At the Chitreh of SS. Pfifr and Paili.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOR MINOR
Being seven different extents.

* Valírie Lacty

Celia Cowley.
*John Tiekle

* First peal.


Conducted by Tom Harris Tenor 9 cwt . 2 gr . David Swift Tom Harris . . $\begin{array}{ll}9 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{gr} . \\ . . & . . \\ 4\end{array}$ om Harris.

Tenor

- First peal in three methods.
firt peal


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## LITTLE WALTHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sur., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes. At the Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Biriram G. Brinkify .. Treble
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Michatl J. Edwards } & \ldots & 2 \\ \text { Ann FDwards } & . . & . . & . . \\ \end{array}$

Tenor 12 cwi .
Richard J. Harrison .. 4 *James Towler.. .. ... 5 Martin Harrori) .. .. Tenor
Conducted hy Martin Harboris.
*First peal "inside."
NFATH. GLAMORGAN.
Oll Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of Sr . Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents each of Stedman. Reverse Canterbury, St. Simon's. Southrepps, Clifford Pleasure, Little Aston. Kennington. April Day, Seighford, Reverse St. Bartholomew, seven of Plain Bob and 15 of Grandsire.
*Michael. Larchfr
Trevor M. Rodericic .. Treble
Hazfl Way
2
Edmund J. Morris
Gwyn I. Lewis
*Davio Mathlin
Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

* First peal.

A birthday peal for Mr. Harry Boyce, and a compliment to the Rev. Edward Iskmael (Vicar of Cadoxton) and the Rev. Wm. Roach (Rector of Newton-Nottage), on their installation as Canons of Llandaff.

OLD BOLINGBROKE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Petfr and Paul,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Kent' and Oxford Treble Bob. (2) Double Court, (3) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (4) Single Court, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Oxford Bob. (7) Cambridge Surprise.

Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .23 lh . in F sharp.
 Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

HANDBELL PEALS
ST. ALBANS. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 30. 1959 in 2 Hours und 7 Minutes. Ar 17. Quefen Street.
A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAIOR Tenor size 11 in G.

## Grirald Penney <br> .. 1-2! Joyce Dodos <br> $5-6$ $7-8$ <br> Geofrriy Dodds <br> 3-4 *Christine V. Pulle.n <br> Composed and Conducted by Gloffrey Donds.

* First peal of Major.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of 5-6.

## LODDON, NORFOLK.

TIAE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Jan. 20, 1960, in 1 Hour and 52 Mimures,
At Fernhil. Bungay Road,
Bciñ 240 Grandsire, 2,400 Plain Bob and 2.400 SI. Simon's Boh.
Tenor size 12 in F.
*h. William Barrett .. 1-2 Trevor N. J. Bailey .. 3-4
E. Charles Bailey . ${ }^{\text {s }}$ - 6

Conducled by Trevor N. J. Balley.

* First peal in three .Doubles methods on handbells.

ST. ALBANS. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Wed., Jan. 20. 1960, in 1 Hour and 32 Minules,
At 17. Queen Street,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seve.. extents in four methods: (1) St. Clements. (2) Reverse Boh, (3) and (4) Double Boh, (5), (6) and (7) Plain Boh. Tenor size 11 in $G$.
Gerald Penney .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 3-4
Joyce Dodds .... ${ }^{\text {Conducted by Gerald }}$
Conducted by Geral.d Penney.
First peal of Minor in. four method: 'in hand by all the hand.
SHERBURN-IN-ELMET. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sal.. Jan. 23, 1960, in I Hour and 46 Minules.
in the Ringing Chamber of the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
John Ports
1-2| Alan Sheppard
Kennfith B. Sissons .. 5-6
Conducled by Kenneth. B. Sissons.

## John Taylor \& Co.

ABBOTSBLRY, DORSET.-On Jan. 17/h, 1.260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob, Grandsire) : B. W. F. Toms 1. M. W. Ford 2. J. H. Hayne 3. N. J. Hayne 4. H. J. Ford (cond.) 5. D. J. Wood 6. For Plough Sunday.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCS.-On Jan. Juth. 1.260) Stedman Trinles: Miss M. Ross 1, Miss C. Bibby 2, T. Taylor 3. R. J. Johnston (first of Stedman) 4, R. J. Warrilow 5, D. W. James 6, D. Ogden (cond.) 7, G. F. Nix 8. A 20th hirthday compliment from the Manchester Universily Guild to John Soanee, one of its members.
BALDOCK. HERTS. On Jan. 24ih, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: R. Haynes 1. M. Honkins (firss 'inside') 2. C. Harwond (cond.) 3, D. Surclifie 4. E. Buck 5, B. Scoot 6, P. Flack 7. R. Castledine 8.

BARCOMBE. SUSGEX.-On Jan. 25th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Reed (first quarter, aged 13) 1, P. Tomselt 2, M. Gearing (first inside') 3, M. Reed 4. B. Turner (cond.) 5. S. Brook 6.

BATHWICK, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 7ih. 1.261) Grandsire Doubles : L, C. Cooner 1. Mrs. D. Evans Prescoit (cond.) 5, P. R. Stubhs 6. For Confirmation. BELBROUGHTON, WORCS.-On Jan. 30th. 1.259 Doubles (April Day, Norfolk. Old, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Heather M. Pullon 1. M. J. Fellows 2, P. Cattermole (cond.) 3, M. D. Fellows 4, M. Sprackling 5, J. E. A. Pullon 6. An unsuccessful neal, called round.
RRENTFORD, MIDDLX. On Jan. 25th, 1,359 Doubles (Plain Boh and Grandsire) : Susan Neal Smith (first of Doubles) 1, Margaret Westcont (first of Doubles 'inside') 2, Iill Barron 3, R. Guodman 4. Dr. D. J. Neal Smith (cond.) 5.
BRISTOL.-At the Cathedral, on Jan 24th, 1,344 New Cambridge Surprise Major: P. E. Parry 1, F. D. Mack 2, B. J. Wylde 3, D. W. Friend 4. W. T.
Cook 5, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 6. P. Mehew 7 . Cook 5, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 6, P. Mchew 7.
J. A. Anderson 8. Also on Jan 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Buckland (first of Trinles) 1. P. J. Bird 2. M. 1. Hobbs (first of Trinles 'inside') 3, C J Richards 4, H. N. Evans (first of Trinles "inside ') 5 ,
P. E. Parry 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7. F. Carter (first of Triples) 8. First quarter by a local band.
BROOMFIELD. ESSEX.-On Jan 23 rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Groves (first euarter) 1, Ann Edwards 2. Margaret E. Panton 3, M. J. Edwards 4, J. L. Towler 5. I. R. Panton (cond.) 6

BLSHEY HEATH, HERTS.-On Jan. 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: I. Norris 1. Mrs. T. Norris 2, A Leeming (first 'inside') 3, H. Hodectus 4. E. Ashbv 5. C. Cook 6. T. Norris (cond.) 7, F. Morris 8. Runs half-muffled to the memory of the conductor's father who was cremaled on this day.
CAWTHORNE, YORKS.-On Jan. 24ih. 1.272 Treble Boh Minor (Kingston, Sandal. Duke of York, Merchants' Return, Oxford and Kent): M. Moxon 1. T. Tarbatt 2, F. Cowling 3. D. Stables 4. H. Rushy 5. N. Moxon (cond.) 6. In memory of Harry Roberis of Kirkburton, who died January 12th.
COVENTRY, WARWICKS. On Jan. 24ih, at SI Michael's Church. Stoke. 1.264 Plain Bob Major R. D. Hayne 1. W. Stote 2. R. Rebinsen 3. D. Ellender 4. R. Han 5. H. Folwell 6. N. Haille 7. E. Sibley (cond.) 8. For Evensong. and to celchrate the birh of a son 20 Mrs . Mart, wife of the 5th ringer
FPSOM, SURREY.-On Jan. 141h. at Christ Church. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: J. Munton 1. D. Herschell 2 .
Sylvia March Sylvia Marsh 3. Adrienne Gihsmn 4. W. Parrotı (first of Minor as cond.) 5. F. Oakshott 6. First of Minor 1 and 2. Rung for the cause of church unity
FARNHAM. SURREY.-On Christmas Eve. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Curtis 1. Miss A. Wells 2. Miss W. R. Hide 3. R. Norh 4. S. Meadows 5. Year's Eve (half-mufled): Miss S. Curtis 1. Mirs. D. Simes (first quarter) 2. Miss W. R. Hide 3. E. Bhox
4. S. Meadows 5, W. Marr 6, E. Wells (cond.) 4. S. Meadows 5, J. W. Marr 6. E. J. Wells (cond.)
7. R. North 8. Also on Jan. 10th, 1.344 Plain Bonh Mator: Miss S. Curtis 1, Miss A. Wells 2. Miss W. R. Hide 3. R. North 4. S. Meadows 5. J. W. Marr 6. E. Box 7. C. W. Denyer (cond.) 8. First in the meihod for 1, 2, 3 and 4. For Evensong.
FAWLEY, HANTS,-On Jan, 21st, 1.272 Kem Treble Bob Minor: G. T. Ball 1. Miss M Smith 2. L. Smith 3. M. Peters 4, C. Pain S. D. J. White (cond.) 6. First quarter 2 and 3. First quarter bv a lncal hand.

HANBURY, WORCS.-On Jan. 31s1. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Valerie Powell 1. J. E. Pullon 2. Heather Pulion 3. Margarei Eachus 4. P. Catiermole (cond.) 5. J. E. A. Pullon 6. All exceps 4 are members of the Wychbold band. Rung within the octave of the
Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.

## QUARTER PEALS

HEMINGFORD ARBOTS, HUNTS.-On Jan. I7ih 1.440 Kent Trehle Bob Minor: J. R. G. Snicer 1. R. King 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4. M. 1.
Dyer 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. First in method Dyer 5, H. S.
for 2,4 and 5 .
HORRINGER, SUFFOLK. On Jan. 3lst, $1,2 \mathrm{ht}$ Plain Boh Major: W. Stannard (cond.) 1. A. Rolfe 2, F. Cooper 3, H. Fuller 4. G. Jennings 5, W. Goodshin 6, F. Buckle 7. J. Banks 8. For morning

HORSELL. SURREY.-On Jan. 24th. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. Drury 1. G. Oliver 2, J. Martin 3. Miss B. Loveland 4. D. Wright (cond.) 5. Miss P. Drury 6. For Evensinu.
HUNTINGDON.-At All Saints Church, on Jan. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bot Minor: J. A. Howes I. J. R. G. Spicer 2, A. S. Davey 3. M. J. Dyer 4. A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung in welcome the Judge of Assize to Huntingdon.
JARROW-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.-On Jan. 27ih, at St. Peter's Church, 1,320 London Surprise Minor: C. N. Lea 1, B. Pattison 2. J. A. Ainsworth 3, G. S. Deas 4, K. Arthur (cond.) 5, E. N. Harrisom 6. Betieved to be the first in the methad on the bells.
KINGS NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Jan. 17th 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Veronica Miles 1. Tonic 1. Critchley (first of Major 'inside') 2, Mary Funnell 3. Linda M. Hughes 4, Susan Funnell 5, Alma M. Greaves 6, R. J. Gav 7, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. For Evensong.-Also on Jan. 241h, 1.344 Litile Botb Mujor: Ann E. Fellows (first of Major) 1, Susan Funnell 2. Mary Funnell 3:- Veronica Miles 4, Linda M. Hughes 5, Alma M. Greaves 6, R. J. Gay 7. B. I. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. First in method for all excent the conductor. In memoriam Bunty Funnell.Also on Jan. 31st, 1.260 Plain Bob Roval: Tonic J. Critchley 1. Linda M. Hughes 2. Mary Funnel1 3. Susan Funnell 4. Alma M. Greaves 5. Veronica Miles 6. Molly P. Barron 7. R. J. Gav 8. D. J. Purnell 9, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 10. First euarter of Royal

## for all except 7 and 10

KINGSTHORPE. NORTHANTS.-On Jan. 31st. 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: F. Benfield (first of Minor) 1. Miss 1. I. Frost (first of Minor) 2, D. Benfield 3. S. F. Earl 4, J. Payne 5, J. W. Felce (first as cond.) 6.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS - On Jan. 24th, 1.261) Grandsire Triples: J. 1. Dear 1, C. A. Critchiey 2. A. Bailey 3, J. S. Dear 4, B. L. Marks 5. E. Edmondson (cond.) 6. G. W. Critchley 7. F. J. Bailey 8. Rung half-muffed before memorial service for Ruth Robinson.
LINTON, KENT. On July 4th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Batchelor 1, C. Bridger 2. F. Leeson 3. A. Lamb 4. T. Grice 5, W. Manser 6. L. Head (comp. and cond.) 7, P. Town 8. First of Trinles 1, 2 and 4. Rung as a compliment 10 Janes Bridger and Michael Gibson. married this day at Boushton Monchelsea. where both are ringers and choristers. Alsu on Oct. 31st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: P. Town (first of Triples) 1, T. Grice 2, F. Leeson 3. R. Rich 4. W. Manser 5, F. Macey 6, L. Head (cond.) 7. F.

## Swaites 8.

ION1DON,-At St. Mary's Church. Rotherhithe, un Jan. 31st. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Richmond 1. E. Janc Laneton 2. Judith A. Harding 3. 1.

Temple 4. R. G. W. Robertson (Eirst of Triples as cond.) 5. R. Blackler 6. D. E. Sibson 7. M. Taylor (first quarter) 8. For Holy Eucharist.
MEREWORTH. KENT.-On Jan. 23rd. 1,36u Doubles (Plain Bnb and Grandsire): F. Ann Gilbert 1. Marjorie I. E. Clarke 2, S. N. Seoll 3. J. T. Mannering (cond.) 4. M. W, Gilbert 5. For the Maidstone Grammar School's Suciety.
MONKEN HADLEY. MDDIX. -On Jan. 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Pearl 1. C. King 2. M. Soner 3. R. Fraser 4. C. Ward 5, W. J. Bradbrook 6. T. Phk 7. W. Langley 8. Rung at Evensong 10 commemorate the retirement of the Rector (Preh. Claude C. Harland.
OCKHAM, SURREY,-On Jan, 10th, 1.2ht) Grandsire Drubles: V. Neil 1. Miss P. Drurv 2. 1. Martin 3. E. R. Tyndale Biscoe 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5.
For Evensong.
OTTERSHAW, SURREY.-On Jan. 31 st. 1.260 Reverse Centerbury Pleasure Boh Doubles: Miss J.
Drury 1. Miss B. Loveland 2. Miss P. Drury 3. J Martin 4. D. Wright (cond) 5. B. Priestlev 6. For Martin 4,
Evensong.
PRESTON, DORSET.-On Jan. 23rd. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. A. J. Slade 1. Sylvia Watson (first of Minor) 2, Betry J. Marsh 3. G. C. Cornick (first of Minor) 4. A. J. Slade 5. H. J. Ford (cond.) 6.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Jan, 3 Ist. 1.260 St . Clement's Triples: P. Avey 1, R. D. Tomlin (cond.) 2. G. S. Sandwell 3, F. C. May 4. E. J. Blower 5. M. F. Hatch 6, M. Halleti 7, W. F. Ward 8. For Evensnng.
RUISHTON, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 9 th. $1.26 t$ Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Lowman (lirst quarter) 1. J. Lowman 2. M. Long (cond.) 3. A. Williams 4, D. Baker 5, F. Matravers 6. A farewell to M. Long. whe is leaving the district.
SLOUCiF, RUCKS. On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Valerie Hoby 1, J. C. Birt 2, D. K. Walters 3, Pamela M. Jervis (first as conduetor) 4. Janet 1. Adamson 5, W. D. Ward 6. W. Birmineham 7. I). Livingston 8. A 95th hirthday tribute to Mr. Frank V. H. Sinkins. (Grove Hospital. Tooting). for mans years a memher of Slough band.
SHEFFIELD.-At the Cathedral, on Jan. 31st, 1.2601 Plain Bob Rnyal: R. Birch 1. F. Ward 2. S. Philbrick 3, D. Armsirung 4. J. Rank 5. R. S. Ling 6. J. Scager 7. B. Holland 8. G. K. Chaddock 9. H. (). Chaddack (cond.) 10. Rune half multied prior 10 Evensong to the memory of Jesse Fearn, who died Jan. 24th, after serving 10 years as churchwarden.
SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.-On dan 3 lst , $1.2(\mathrm{rl}$ Grandsire Triples: F. R. Underhill 1. Wendy R. Austen 2, J. Grensted 3, G. Eastman 4. G. Kenward 5. G. A. Naylor (cond.) 6. B. Dobbic 7. J. Clark 8. First quarter 1 and 2. Rung half-mulled for Evensong in memory of Mr. S. B. Stagg, people's warden.
STOKE POGES, BUCKS.-On Nov. 25th. 1.280 Cambridge Surnrise Major: D. Wight 1. Miss S. E. Alkins 2, A. D. Barker (cond.) 3. Mrs. A. D. Barker 4. W. G. Wilson 5. F. Scott 6. R. Hartlev 7. F. Price 8. First of Surnrise by 1, 2 and 7
STRENSHAM. WORCS, On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Hawkes 1. M. Hawkes (cond.) 2. W. Williams 3, J. Firkins 4. K. Bronkes (first quarter) 5. D. Williams 6. First guarter neal on the bells for over 30 years.

SWANSEA, GLAM.-At the Church of St Mary. on Jan. 281h, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. Wright 1. H. Way 2. B. Couzens 3. J T. William 4, J. A. Hoare (cond.) 5, P. Willis (first

## quarter) 6.

THORPE BAY. ESSEX. -On Jan 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: H. R. Wilson (first quarter) 1. B. C. Sadler 2, Mrs. M. Mawbey 3, W. A. Smilh 4. P A. Sadler 5. J. M. Hallett 6. D. E. Belcham (cond.) 7. M. Mawhey 8. For children's service.

THRYBERGH, YORKS.-On Ian. 27th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Hargreaves 1. Miss R. Snell 2. D. Pearsun 3, J. Clarke 4, J. S. Rank 5. K. Abbott (cond.) 6. First quarter by University of Sheffeld Guild.

TWYNING. GLOS.-On Jan. 15th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Halling (first quarter) 1. M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, J. Firkins 3, W. Williams 4, K. Brookes 5. D. Williams 6. An 83rd birthday compliment to Mr. George Boulton

WEST WICKHAM. KENT,-On Jan. 31st, 1.26t Plain Bob Minor: Hermione Hockey 1. R. Maddy 2. L. W. G. Skinner 3. A. S. Richards 4, J. Faircloth (cond.) 5, Derek Holland 6.
WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On Jan. 3।st, 1.336 Minor (Oxford Treble Boh, Cambridge Surprise): Caroline Carnenter 1. Susan Rawlings 2. Darothy Robinson 3, Anne Gamett 4. Alan Bagworth 5. M. Sinden (cond.) 6 . For Evensone. and for Robin Hartley and Susan Jacobs, who have won scholarships to Oxford: also Barbara Johnson. whe has wir extibition to Cambridge; all member of the band.
WINDSOR. BFRRS.- On Jan. 27th, at the Parivh Church. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Mary Adamson (first of Major) 1. A. J. Glass 2. G. Jenkin 3. K. Buckin!ham 4. A. Crose 5. D. Ward (first of Major 'insitle') 6. W. Birmingham 7. lanct L. Adamsen (first of
Major as cond.) 8. Rung as a birthday compliment in Miss J. L. Adamson and Mr. D. Livinesion, of Slough.

## Andover District Outing

Berkshire was the venue for the Andover District outing on November 14th. Ringing started on the popular six at Peasemore, followed hy Childrey and the heavy six at Stanford-in-theVale. Other towers visited were the good eight at Shrivenham and the unusual five at Great Coxwell. The outing was voted the best trip yet.

We regret to learn that Mr. C. W. R. Grimwood, of Hersham. a regular ringer at All Saints; Kingston-on-Thames. suffered a stroke on January 244 h . He is confined to his hed and not able to receive visitors. 'Old Bob, as he is familiarly known, will be 85 on March 1st.

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Under the heading of 'Fifty Years Ago," the "Clevedon Mercury, recatls from its issue of January 29th. 1910, the presentation of an illuminated certificate, framed in oak to Miss Nellie Gillingham, at Porlishead, recording a peal of Grandsire Triples (J. J. Parker's Sixpart) which she conducted. The certificate adds that Miss Gillingham was the first lady known to have conducted a peal.
We have reccived a correction to the peal rung at Deeping St. Nicholat (see page 69), it heing rung in 1960 and not 1959 ats printed.
Mr. G. Sayer, the well-known Norwich ringer is entering Waylands Hospital. Attleborough, on February 23rd for an operation. We all wish him well
The 95th birthday of Mr. Frank V. H. Sinkins, now in Grove llospital. Tooting, was remembered by friends at his former lower at Slough by a quarter peal of Cirandsire Triples; on January 3lst.
The band that rang the peal at Neath on Junuary 30hth to mark the installation of the Vicar of Cadoxton and Rector of NewtonNotiage as Canons of Llandaft Cathedral was drawn mainly for the two parishes.

There is to be a Freemasons gathering in London on Siturday, May 21 st, during which a visit has been arranged to the Library, Freemasons" Hall, Great Queen Street. Sor the party to see the peal book
Chelsfield, Kent, band were televised on January 26 th by a camera team from an agency under contract with the B.B.C. Individual members of the band were also interviewed. It is understood that the tele-recording is primarity for use on Commonwealth television services.
Well-known ringers around Bedford, Mr. Colin Mann, of Flitwick, and Miss Mary Tysoe, of Bromham, were married at Bromham Parish Church on January 16th. After the reception a band of their ringing friends attempted a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples on Bromham's fine octave, but this came to grief after half-anhour's good ringing. Mr. and Mrs. Mann's future home will be King's Road, Flitwick.

## GOSSIP

A peal attempt to the Harry Lofthouse, at Holy Trinity Church. Idle, on January 30th, came to grief when almost half way. Three of the local band-Michael. Sheila and Peter Bruce, all under 17 -stood in at short notice and made a good attempt. This was their second attempt at peal ringing.

One quarter a week is the rule at King's Norton, Birmingham. It is a tine contribution to the band's progress.

In the quarter peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Esher, Surrey, on December 26th (page 70), the ringer of the fifth was J. King and not J. May.

Those attending the Southern District Ladies Guild meeling next Sitturday should note that Witley bells are available in the evening from 6.30108 , and not as stated in The Ringing World of last week.

Featured in "The Guardian * of January 22nd was an article. well illustrated, re the Loughhorough Bell Foundry, written by Gcoffrey Moorhouse, entitled "Making the mouths of bawling brass.

For those who say "The Ringing World contains nothing for the Sunday service ringer. read what Willeshorough (Kent) and Lyncham (Wilts) are doing . . . two ends of the scale but both imbued with the same spirit.

The band who rang the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal at Leicester Cathedral wish to associate the names of Miss Doreen D. Dutton and Mr. Peter J. Staniforth, who had to withdraw because of illness. In consequence, Royal had to be rung instead of Maximus.

The London County Association's handbell contest for the Dawe cup (presented to the Association by Mr. Francis E. Dawe in 1933) will be held at Southwark Cathedral on February $20 t \mathrm{~h}$. The contest is open to teams of four ringing members from any tower in the area of the Association. The requirement is to ring at least a full course of not less than 70 changes of any method on eight bells.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS <br> New Master Appointed

ITHE Society's annual meeting took plate at St.-Martin-in-the-Fields on January 23 rd . Ringing during the afternoon was followed by in excellent tea in the St Martin's canteen under the supervision of the lady helpers. about $5(1$ ringers being present.
The business meeting followed in the Fellowship HaH and. in the absence of the Master. Mr. P. N. Bond. who had only recently lelt hospital after an operation for the removal of his tonsils, the chair was taken by Mr. F. J. Cullum. a former Master. Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. P. N. Bond (who sent best wishes to the new Master and thanked member; for their support during his term of office). H. Audsley. I. Oram. N. G. Stecre and R. Newman.

In his report. the secretary (Mr. A. W. J Butler) said that four peals had been recorded for the Society during the year: Stedman Cinques at Shrewsbury (conducted by Mr. I 11. Irancis). Stedman Triples at Swanscombe (by Mr. G. Butcher). Bristol Surprise Major at Aylesford lhy Mr. F.J Cullum) and Stedman Caters at Nottingham (by Mr. J. L. Millhouse). He hoped that the Society would improve on this during the large number of members who do ring peals regularly for their local associations.
Meetings had been held at Shoreditch and Hackney - jointly with the London County Association-Barnet. Chislehurst and the very popular joint one with the Middlesex County Association at St. Martin-in-the-Fields with ringing also at St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. Margaret's. Westminster. The secretary added that he thought members should try and attend these mectings in rather larger numbers than was the case in some instances.
Practices at St. Martin's had been well attended. Twenty-eight new members had been elected during the year, one more than the previous year

## LOSSES BY DEATH

The Society had lost by death some old and valued members: Messrs. R. Brown, A. C Chapman. C. J. Mathews, A. Miles and A H. Pulling. Sympathy was also extended to Miss Mabel Prockson on the recent death of her mother. Mr. Matthews had been a great stalwart of the Society in the past and at St. Martin's; Mr. Pulling. a member for nearly sn years. would be always remembered for his long peal of Stedman Caters on handbells which still remains the record length: Mr. Reg. Brown was a member of the secretary's home town band. St. Mary's. Southampton, and took nart in his first peal there. Grandsire Caters The meeting stood in silence to their memory
The (reasurer (Mr. F. E. Hawthorne) in his report said the slight drop in the Society's halance was due almost wholly to a deficit on the dinner: otherwise the finances were in a healthy condition

A discussion on the report raised the matter of increased subscriptions, which were still at the pre-war level. and it was thought that at any rate steepleage could he raised from 3 d . to fil. It was proposed that this be submitted ip the next annual meeting. Meantime. the question is to be put 10 members at the quaricrly meetings and their reactions sought.

## NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were elected Messrs. M. Elson and J. B. Webb (Lichfield). F W. Grocott (Sale). Miss Shirley M. Parsons (Cheltenham). Miss Margaret A. Swann (Lincoln). Messrs. H. Stevens (Newark). S. Adams (Nottingham). Miss Dorothy Borer (Sirood). Messrs. H. H. Furminger (Northfleet), and K Williamson (Sittingbourne).

The election of officers followed and Mr Dennis Beresford was elected Master of the Society. He thanked the members for their trust and said he would endeavour to carry out his duties to the best of his abilities. The Society had some very good talent among its members and it could look to the future with great hopes. The new Master then took the chair and the election of the other officers took place as follows: Hon. secretary. Mr. A. W. J. Butler: hon. treasurer. Mr. F. E. Hawthorne: senior steward. Mr. N. G. Steere; junior

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No.



Rev. Canon C. CAREW COX, M.A., A.K.C. (Master, Salishury Dincesan Guild)
Canon Cox. Through his earnest and sincere Easter and Chrismala messages, which have so frequently appeared in this journal, will be well known to most of nur readers. He is a very capable and enthusiastic ringer, and has successfully stimulated interest in our art in a part of the country which is anything but casy.

He was horn at Croxley Green. Hertfordshire, in 1882 , and was educated at St. Paul's Schoal. King's College. London (where he passed with honours in Theology), and graduated at University College. Durham, in 1908. He was ordained deacon at St. Paul's Cathedrat.

London. in 1909. and priest at Coventry Cathe dral in 1910

His first curacy was at St.atford-on-Avon and during his four years there he became actively connected with the then newly-formed Warwickshire Guild, serving as its secretary He took part in most of the first performances of the Guild and conducted the first peals of Treble Bob Major at Bedworth and Stedman Caters at Solihull.

In 1914 he moved to Dorset, where he ministered at Symondsbury and Milton Abbas, and afterwards for ten years at West Moors, and was Vicar of Lyme Regis for 26 years until his retirement in 1953. During his incumbency here he founded a change-ringing band which became capable of ringing Surprise methods. He was also responsible for recasting the bells into a musical eight. He conducted the last peal (Yorkshire) on the old hells and the first (Stedman) on the new.

He was elected chairman of the Wimbornc Branch. Salisbury Guild (1921-1959), and Master of the Salishury Diocesan Guild in $19+0$. He is also president of the Clerical Guild, in whose first peal of Stedman Caters af Warwick he took part, along with the late Canon Coleridge and other famous clerical ringers, in 1910.

Canon Cox first learned 10 ring at Stockland, Devon, being taught by his cousin, E. V. (now Prebendary) Cox, and rang his first peal at Hammersmith in 1904, which was a College Youths peal of Grandsire Triples. His first peal as conductor was Holt's Original, rung at Chiswick in 1907. He was frequently to be seen at practices it London lawers, and when he was at Durham rang peals at Gateshead with that great ringer W, H. Barber and the Gofton brothers.

He has rung 137 peals, conducted 55
Canon Cox married in 1917 Miss Margaret E. Robinson, of Kensington. In 1951 he was appointed Hon. Canon of Salisbury Cathedral. We hope he will continue to inspire us all for a long time with his messages at church festivals.

JAFUS.

## Tips For Beginners - 7

When your ring Treble Bob you meet the same bells in the same places each lead, except that the treble takes the place of the bell doing the slow-work. Thus if bobs are called at consecutive leads you are sure of the bell to dodge with at the second bob since is will be the same bell you dodged with at the first bob

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUII.D

## Chertsey District

An increase of 22 members. bringing the number to 111, was reported by Mr. R. Collins (District Ringing Master) at the annual meeting of the Chertsey District at Hersham on January 30th. 'A good year' was his comment. hut he was convinced that with hard work a lot of progress could be made in 1960.

Ail the officers were re-elected, namely: Mr. R. Collins, Ringing Master; Mr. J. King, assistant R.M.: Miss E. Loveland, hon, secretary, Mr. T. Maybrey replaces Mr. G. Talbot as third committee member. It was unanimously agreed to make a collection at each District meeting for the New Cathedral Bell Fund.

Mr. W. Shepherd thanked the Vicar (Rev. G. Williams) for conducting the service. the ladies who prepared tea, and the organist. Ringing continued till 9 p.m. in methods up to Cambridge.

PEAL RINGERS OF 1959
Peals conducted are shown in parentheses.

|  |  | Tower | Hand | Total |
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| John M. Jelley .. | .. | $47(22)$ | 1 | 48 |
| A. James Poynor | $\ldots$ | 33 | $(6)$ | - |

## LETTERS TO

THE BEAUTY OF PLACE NAMES
Dear Sir,- The delightful monograph on the beauty of place names, read today from a sick hed. has done me more good than all my doctor's pills, although I was surprised to know that someone else scans through the peal lists that someon else scans through the peal lists
for what I have always thought was my own private joy.
Pride of place in my stored up memory of names goes to a village in Dorset; it probably has but one bell, as ' Dove' does not know it, and while I have collected guide books for years I have never seen it mentioned. It is Ryme Intrinseca, and the only entry I know comes in the Sarum Diocesan Directory which gives it as follows: 'Yetminster, with Chetnole and Ryme Intrinseca' - Yours faithfully.
Clevedon. Som.
EDWARD G. CAPIE

## UNHELPFUL EFFECT OF INDIFFERENT BROADCAST

Dear Sir,-I did not wish to enter further into the correspondence concerning the Christmas broadcast but, as requested, I must point out that I was sincere in my brief remark about its effeet on the training of learners. I would add that it was the longest period of hells I lave heard over the radio, and some of it (which was good and which bad has already heen pointed out) was the second worst I have heard, the worst being when a leading Surprise tower fired-out during a broadcast one Sunday evening before the war. I was at much the same age and stage of accomplishment then as some of the learners at the tower whose training I am required 10 supervise now, and the circumstances were similar. I had been advised by my instructor to listen to this performance "for my good, and was suitably appalled by the clashing: it might be excusable at a practice to try experiments and get in a langle, but never for broadcasts and special occasions, or Sundays for that matter. If there is a risk of bad striking if more than rounds are attempted, then even St. Paul's Cathedral ought to ring rounds! The learners at Elkstone at Christmas would have given a fair performance if they had only remembered this.

I duly advised the learners at Church Gresley to listen to the Christmas broadcast to further their interest, and was not surprised to receive adverse comments on my return, for even at their stage they know they ought to aim at precision ringing-the bells "going like pistons,' as I have heard it put. In our tower, where the bells are at present very loud for the ringers, anything else can be very painful to the ear. and I do not need to comment on the striking. they would not hear me if I did: Another striking advantage is that with only five bells the learner can quickly recognise his bell in the general rhythm. This may not he easy on higher numbers in a quiet tower.
I have digressed. however, and in conclusion reaffirm that yet another unhelpful aspect of bad broadcast ringing is that it sets a bad example to the learners: and goodness knows. we have enough trouble to prodace decent ringers without sahotaging the effort from within our own ranks.-Yours faithfully.
D. P. JONES.

## Castle Gresley.

## NO CRITICISM INTENDED

Dear Sir,-I fear that my letter on page 44 has been interpreted as a personal criticism of the ringing standards of Mr. Moxon. I wish in assure him and any others that this was not in any way intended, and reflects bad writing on my part.-Yours faithfully.
R. J. CORKE.

Alton, Hants.

THE EDITOR
LACK OF GUILD INTEREST ALLEGED
Dear Sir,-It should not be necessary to comment on manners, particularly in ringing circles, but I feel that when a blatant example of bad manners is met with, for the good of the Exercise it should not go unnoticed.

On January 16th I visited St. Peter's, St. Albans, for the annual District meeting. After standing in the ringing chamber for half-anhour I was finally asked if I could ring, and during the time I spent in the tower no officer of the Guild took sufficient interest to enquire from which tower I came. It is certainly fortunate that I did not have to travel a long distance to attend this meeting, for in that case I should be more indignant than I am now.
We at Rickmansworth have been trying, during the last three years, to build up a 10 -bell band. This we are doing, but with little or no help from the Hertford Guild, apart from the kind friendship and generous help received from our neighbouring tower of St Mary's. Watford.

We consider that the function of a Guild is mainly to promote the art of change-ringing. and social intercourse, amongst change-tingers within the Guild. We feel that the Hertford Guild in no way has fulfilled this function.
In the last three years individual ringers from our tower have rung 45 peals: of these, 28 were for the Oxford Diocesan Guild, 9 for the Middlesex Guild and 8 for the Hertford County Association. Each of the peals for the Hertford County Association was conducted by a non-resident member. If it was not for the kindness of Mr. J. R. Mayne, of Harrow Weald. Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and W. Butler, of Windsor, Mr. W. Birmingham, of Slough. and Mr. A. R. Pink, of Oxford, we at Rickmansworth would still be ringing badly-struck Grandsire Triples and Doubles. To those mentioned above and to the many others who have in many ways helped we, as a tower, tender our most grateful thanks: and to the officers of the Hertford County Association I say pull your socks up!-Yours, etc.
M. HATCHETT,

St. Mary's, Rickmansworth.

## EXTENSIONS OF WHITWICK ANI) LYME

Dear Sir.-I am afraid that Mr. Blagrove has misread Rule 6. If he looks again, as I understand it, he will find that the part he has quoted applies only to 'Expanding' and 'Double' extensions. Those which I gave were static ones. I am perfectly aware that these methods are related to Whitwick and Lyme Surprise Major in the same way as Yorkshire Surprise Royal is 10 Cambridge Surprise Major. I think I made it clear in my last letter that I do not regard them as satisfactory extensions, and this is precisely the objection which I have to them. Nevertheless, the report on method extension allows them.

The last part of Mr. Blagrove's letter is concerned with the methods already rung as Whitwick and Lyme Surprise Royal, which was the original point of this correspondence. I did not intend to imply that the Council should do the renaming itself. I think that the band should choose fresh names, a course which will be forced upon them if the Council merely states that these methods are not extensions. This, I presume, is also Mr. Blagrove's view.-Yours faithfully.

Harrow

## BEG TO DIFFER

Dear Sir.- The opinions of such prominent ringers as Mr. J. F. Smallwood and Mr. F. W Perrens merit our careful consideration. but find myself at variance with them as expressed in the correspondence columns of our journal on two widely different subjects.

Firstly, I hope the Exercise will not endorse Mr . Smallwood's scathing criticism of the B.B.C. The Corporation could easily attain near perfection in their broadcasts through the medium of "B.B.C. Recording' and, may I remind members that this footnote appears heneath most of the items in the Christmas Day and Boxing Day programmes, the chief exception being the bells and the church services.

Are not the B.B.C. possibly proving wiser than we who criticise? They wish to broad cast Christmas Bells, surely the critic who described Bethlehem Bells as just a din missed the romanticism of it all. Incidentally, I wonder how many members of the B.B.C. staff out on location, would welcome 'canned bells on Christmas morning !
Secondly, Mr. Perrens observes that if the Guilds and Associations were to assist the finances of 'The Ringing World' (as has been suggested). it would necessitate further increases in annual subscriptions resulting in loss of membership. particularly among the younger ringers. Why should this be so? I must say that I have found chief opposition to any increase of the subscription to my Guild to come from the older ringers.
The annual ringing member's subscriptions to the two local Guilds (Salisbury and Winchester and Portsmouth) are 2 s .6 d . and 3 s . respectively. i.e., about 1s. per year more than pre-war. Costs are more than trebled today, thereforc an annual subscription of 7 s . 6 d . or even 10 s . per year would not be outrageous. Perhaps if it cost us more we should value our membership more and also be able to support our important journal as suggested. without distress to our Guild funds.- Yours faithfully. ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

## Bournemouth.

## ANNUS IRAE,

Dear Sir,-As a postscript to E.C.S.'s two articles on 'Annus Irae,' and the part played by William Willson in controversies of that year, it may be of interest to recall that in later years he wrote in this journal that he would occasionally receive a letter from the Editor of 'The Bell News' - 'Dear Friend. The circulation is not so good. Can you kick up a row in the next issue? Any subject you like, only make it hot and strong. Mr. Willson added that he would duly oblige, the circulation would go up, and he would incur a certain amount of dislike. In view of Harvey Reeves comment on the circulation after the Kidlington controversy, this was perhaps one of the occasions. - Yours sincerely,
E. A. BARNETT

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

About 70 ringers, including visitors from the Bath and Wells Association, attended the annual meeting of the North East Branch at Tiverton on January 9 th. Membership was reported to be about the same, but the finances are very sound, with $t 513 \mathrm{~s}$. in the instruction account and $£ 55$ in the Branch general fund. Officers elected for 1960 were: Chairman. the Rev. E. E. Hughes: Ringing Master, Mr. A. G. Selley; secretary and treasurer. Mr. G. W. Hollis, of Roseneath. The Avenue. Tiverton. The retiring secretary and reasurer (Mr. W. H. Ware) was thanked for his seven years of service by the chairman and the Rev. Preb. E. V. Cox. president of the Guild. In the ringing the striking of many of the touches was well
W. H. W.

## LETTERS-Continued

IRELAND WAS CONSULTED
Dear Sir. - As the recent correspondence bout the Christmas Day hroadcast has now inquired ahout the position of the Central Council Committee on Broadcasting and Television I feel that, as a member of that committee. I must say a few words on the subject. 1 was consulted by the programme organiser from the Northern Ireland Region of the B.B.C about the choice of tower for this year's broad cast. and I nominated St. Donard's, Belfast. I therefore accept the full responsibility for the choics and the standard of ringing, as 1 ellsure beforehand that the tower chosen each year will reach the high standard of striking required. Now, critics, what was wrong with St. Donard's ringing on Christmas Day? Some have said in the correspondence that it was good. others made no mention. while others condemned the whole programme as bad. My view is that St. Donard's striking was excellent.
I am rather surprised that our friend of the black border. in previous years has no joined the fray this year. but maybe he has this time under his own name in view of the criticism at last year's Council meeting.

Some years ago, the B.B.C. asked the Television and Broadcasting Committee for a list of towers in each region whose striking was regarded as qualifying for broadcasting. I refused 10 give any towers for Northern Ireland as I felt that it was wrong to do so as it is well known that standards change from year to year: a tower may be good this year and had next year. through changes in membership. and that therefore the B.B.C should consult the representative for the area before any tower was broadcast to ensure that a high standard of ringing was maintained. This arrangement of consultation with the B.B.C has now worked exceptionally well over the years. and at the present my relations with the B.B.C. are excellent, with an understanding on hoth sides of each other's difficulties.
Recently all the Northern Ireland towers took part in a programme on bells on Christmas Eve. and the striking throughout the programme was good. We have endeavoured over the past ten years to raise our standards of striking by holding cup competitions. and although some of the experts may be opposed to such competitions there is no doubt that the standards of striking and ringing have been raised to a very high level as a result of the competitions. and this applies to the whole of Ireland as well.
Turning again to the question of general liaison with the B.B.C.. I have always felt that to get the matter put on a proper footing. the Commitiee should seek a discussion with the person responsible in B.B.C. Headquarters in London, as always one hears in the regions that while they agree with our views the: unity must consult London. I have always said that I have been willing to attend such it mecting in London and would suggest opportunity should be taken this Whitsun to arrange a meeting on our way back from Folkestone. Yours faithfully. JOHN T. DUNWOODY. Holywood. Northern Ireland.

## THE KIDLINGTON $\mathbf{1 7 , 0 4 2}$

Dear Sir.-I did not hear the above peal in 1899. but I was not impressed with the correspondence which followed, and sincerely hoped i would remain a forgotien affair for all time: set for years afterwards 1 listened for many hours 10 Jim Washbrook and Bill Pye, two great friends of mine. in whose homes I spent many happy hours. Several times the Kidlington peal became a topic of conversation, and regret always seemed to me a matter of great regret that these two famous men should hecome bad friends over a peal of Double Norwich and 100 many people rushing into print.-Yours faithfully.
Addlestone. WILLIAM SHEPHERD

## A REPLY TO MR. RALPH EDWARDS

Dear Sir,-The lines by Babbacombe Bill aptly sum up the correspondence re the Evesham peal (bad lad, Pat, to drop a clanger like that!). It was with some regret, however, that read the letter on the subject from Mr. Edwards. Yes. I am aware of the Birmingham ringers' technique, and I've managed to apply myself 10 it on numerous occasions-with credit or discredit I leave others to decide.

It is unnecessary for Mr. Edwards to tell us that Pat Cannon is one of the best heavy-bell ringers in the business. The foornotes 10 his peals tell us that. Some of Mr. Edwards" remarks on the Evesham peal were in bad taste, as he was the only disgruntled member of the band. He had the chance to set up-why didn't he? He says the hand was not exactly star-studded. Well, he did not reach the heights of stardom himself. He lacked ream spirit and said he could not care less, then he accused the rest of the band of putting up a poor show
He says the band was not too well placed seeing that he is a first-class heavy-bell ringer himself, why didn't he condescend 10 ring at the back end and try to keep things together? Perhaps if he had been on the tenor box instead of Siephen Ivin all would have been well. a good peal rung and all the hand would have heen stars
One does not expect Mr. Edwards to enjoy a peal at Evesham as he openly admits that he is unable to hear the bells owing to so much hum in the place. His criticisms have been voiced often and strongly of Evesham hells. Inside the tower acoustical experiments have heen carried out with a view to helping his indifferent hearing. Other suggestions he has made I shall carry out as soon as possible. In the meantime, any opinion or criticism he voices on ringing he takes part in at Evesham must be treated with reserve. I write this letter with sincere apologies to my brother, Mr. A. V. Hemming. - Yours faithfully.
G. J. HEMMING

## Evesham。

Dear Sir.-One of the most valued functions of "The Ringing World" is 10 provide 3 medium for the freer exchange of views and ideas between ringers, and in this connection 1. like many others. would like to thank you for publishing the correspondence inspired by the Evesham peal.
Every reader must be interested in this correspondence, and some perhaps amused, elated. infuriated or. like my good friend Pat Chapman, distressed.
I. personally, was far from distressed to read the opening instalment, contributed by A. P. C. in fact I nearly laughed my head off, and so. I should think, did Stephen Ivin. Nor do I share Mr. Chapman's view that A. P. C.'s letter was badly timed. for after all. this is the season of pantomise!

My sympathy, however. is with Mr. Cannon in this matter, as having built up a reputation for fast peals it must be particularly galling to he beaten at his own game. and worse is probably to come!

But seriously, sir. how I wish that more ringers had the enthusiasm of either of the leading characters in this argument!-Yours sincerely.

## Luton. Beds

A. E. RUSHTON.

SOUTHWELL. NOTTS, -On Jan. 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia Wright (first quarer) 1. G. E Foster 2, F. L. Hemstock 3. F. Pickard 4, J. R Pratchett (first as cond.) 5. N. L. Brown (first quar(er) 6. A weddine compliment to Miss Pauline Mary Pratchett. sister of the conductor and a ringer at the Minster, and Mr. Alee J. S. Atkin.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD <br> Macclesfield Branch

The Ven. T. Clarke (president of the Guild) conducted the service at the annual meeting of the Macclesfield and District Branch, held at Macclestield Parish Church on January 9th.
In his address, the president lamented the number of silent towers in the diocese of Chester, and said how incongruous it was to hear from small country church towers distorted elecric recordings of the bells of St. Margaret's. Westminster. Only true ringing by virile men and women was worthy of the Church. Apart from rendering a great service they were engaging in a captivating craft, and they needed more volunteers who would be given the friendly, expert advice and training which the Guild was prepared to provide.
Tea was served after the service, and this was followed by the annual meeting, with Archdeacon Clarke in the chair. Mr. John Worth was unanimously re-elected as Branch chairman and Ringing Master. Mr. Harold Lonyon was appointed hon. secretary and treasurer, and Messrs. C. W. Lawton, E. Pimblott and M. Mottershead as representatives to the Diocesan General Committee
Ringing at the Parish Church, containing the only 12 in Cheshire. following the meeting.

## Crewe Branch

It was a welcome change for the Crewe Branch to be favoured with a fine day for their annual meeting on January 16ih. The attendance of 87 members, representing 20 lowers. had the pleasure of welcoming the Guild Master (Mr. J. W. Clarke) and the general secretary (Mr, H. O. Baker).

After the Guild Office and a thoughtful address from the Vicar (Rev. F. G. Gentry), the P.C.C. Kindly entertained the meeting to tea, which was served by the wives of Christ Church ringers, under the direction of Mrs. R. D. Langford.

The Vicar previded at the business meeting. In his report, the Branch secretary (Mr. W Kerr) stated that ringing meetings were continuing to receive good support, and that more peals had been rung than in previous years. It was regretted that four towers in the Branch were still not in union with the Guild, but it is intended to make an effort to remedy this unfortunate state of affairs. The total membership of the Branch showed a decrease, hut this was attributable to the fact that several memhers had failed to pay their subscriptions. This was also reflected by a less favourable balance in the Branch accounts, which were presented by the secretary in the absence of the treasurer Mr. W. F. Stenson).
The only alterations which resulted from the election of officers were that Mr. W. Kerr comhined the duties of secretary and treasurer and Mr. B. J. Ongley succeeded to the position of Ringing World " representative.

## A JANUARY OUTING

Ringers from Andover and Reading areas were pleased to accept an invitation by Bruce Granger on Jamuary 2nd for a day-s ringing in Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire
Some interesting bells were encountered These included the steel bells of Waddesion (6), Wing (6), with a long draught and 28 cwt . tenor, the ten at Leighton Buzzard, and finally the majestic eight at Wohurn. where the day's ringing ended with a course of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Mr. and Mrs. Granger kindly entertained the party to tea. and there was the well-known dish of "Bedfordshire Changes." which was served with all the traditional ceremony. Sincere thanks to Bruce and his parents.

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## A YOUNG LANCASHIRE BAND



YOUNG LANCASHIRE RINGERS. - Twelve months ago the belfry register at Westhoughton Parish Church, Bolton, contained the name of only one junior member. Today there are nine and cight of them have formed a team to ring for evening service, the first time being on November 22nd. Their ages range from 12 to 15 vears with an average of $15 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

They claim to be one of the youngest ringing teams in the country. The hand stood: Carol Knight (13) 1. Joan Farrimond (13) 2. Mary Hilton (12) 3. Anita Hilton (14) 4. Brenda Mort (15) 5, Brian Meadows (15) 6. Jeffrey Sawyer (13) 7, Ian Hunter (15) venor. The ninth ringer is Frank Taylor (12), a recent recruit.

Their regularity in attendance for Sunday service ringing and the Tuesday practices encourages their instructor, Mr. Albert Greenhalgh, the well-known Lancashire ringer, to anticipate that Westhoughton juniors will add lustre to the Exercise. A peal attempt is being arranged for March 19th. which will he Carol Knight's tirst attempt
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## GULLD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The annual meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch at Dartmouth on January 7th was attended by many ringers from South Devon. Ringing was under the direction of Mr. W Simmonds at St. Petrock's, Townstal. and St. Saviour's. The service at Townstal was conducted by the Rev. R. T. Urwin and the address given hy the Rev. N. 1: 1). Coleridge.
At the business imecting. Mrs. H. Hood. Branch chairman. presided, and the oflicers were re-elected. Mi. 1). J. Roherls (Branch secretary) reported an increase of membership by 16 to 69. A new hand of ingers had been tormed at Si. Saviour's. Torquay, under Mr. W J. Harvey

Guild certificales were presented to the Rev. Anthony de Guingand ind Cabriel Arnold (Buckfast Abbcy). and Philippa Russell, Ian llay. Danny McCollough and Andrew McKenzie (Teignmouth).

## AROUND CANTERBURY

Organised by Peter Newing. F.S.A.. eight ringers in three cars visited towers around Canterbury on January 6ih. At Bekesbourne (6). with John Baldwin as Ringing Master, Cambridge wals rung. For Littlehourne (6). Nicholas Davies wis Ringing Master and Elizaheth Rogers ins self-appointed deputy. Unfortunately, at Wichhambreaux the striking did not match up to the immaculate ringing chamber, although Sid Wialters, the Ringing Miaster, was on home ground.

At te: at lithlehourne a tape-recorder was introduced, and after listening to some halfmufled Spliced Surprise Major from Ashford it was agreed that there was room for improvement in the party's finging at Wickhambreaux. Mary and Pauline were joint Ringing Mistresses at Goodnestone. The day's ringing ended at Barham. Over coffee at Canterbury it was decided to hold a similar outing at Easter if possible.

## Thank You, Australia

Meryyn J. Bray. of H.M.S. ' Centaur.' writes expressing the sincere thanks of David W. Kerley and himself for the friendship and hospirality gilen to them by the ringers of Sydney and Melbourne.
1 hope if anty of them ever come to England I shall have the opportunity of meeting them again and helping 10 make them feel as weloome in our coumby as they made us in theirs, he concludes.

Their happenings in Sydnes were reported on page" 73. They arrived at Melbourne on New Year's Eive and made rapid combact with Mr. Roper to impuire about New Year's ringing. As a restulf they were ringing at Si. Paul's Cathedral from $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. $101 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The ringing ranged from rounds and call-changes to Grandsire Cinques, passing Stedman Doubles, Triples and Plain Bob Major: Just after midhight a course of Siedman Caters was rung.

As they were only staying two days a special practice was arranged for the foltowing eventing at St. Patrick's Cathe.Iral.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## E. Berks and S. Bucks 'Branch

## Over 60 ringers attended the East Berks and

 South Bucks Branch meeting at Amersham on January 23 rd, when ringing ranged from rounds to London Surprise Minor. A course of Hull Surprise and one of Kingston T.B. were rung. but the temptation was resisted to splice them and ring Kingston-upon-Hull!The Branch chairman (Rev. Eric Perkins) presided at the committee meeting, at which a minute's silence was observed in memory of Arthur Foxall. a promising young ringer of Hughenden, who was killed in a road accident.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Salisbury Branch

The Salisbury Branch held their annual meeting on January 23rd. when Canon P. J. Hayes welcomed nearly 50 members and visiting ringers 10 Sarum St. Thomas', and after the service joined the company for tea at the Church House.

The chairman (H. A. Roles) also welcomed the Rev. W. Uphill, for 17 years Branch seerctary fo: North Dorset, now retired and living in Salisbury, who his just undertaken the work of Guild librarian. The lapsing of Donhead St. Mary, Berwick St. John, Codford St. Peter and Woodford during the year (mostly due to the increasing age of the ringers and the difficulty of getting recruits in small villages) was offset hy the reaffiliation of Broadchalke, Coombe Bisselt and Tisbury, where there are new and keen young bands. In the case of the two tirst-named this is Imgely due to the encouragement of new vicars, themselves ahlo to ring. and a special tribule was Daid to Arthur Haines and the Wilton ringers. who have given a good deal of help in teaching the clements of change-ringing.

Seven quarterly or practice meetings kad been held during the year, visiting 15 towers, and a new venture had been a half-day Branch outing into Hampshire: it is hoped to run another, visiting North Wilts, this year. The Branch officers were all re-elected, and the following meetings are proposed, subject to confirmation: March 5th. Dinton (practice): April 23 rd . Tishury (quarterly): May 28 th or 21 st . Britford-with-Downton (p.) : July 16th, Enford-with-Netheravon (q.): September 10th. Woodford (p.): October 22nd, Amesbury-with-Durrington (q.); November 26ith. Broadchalke (p.): January 2lst, 1961, annual meeting in Salishury.

Ringing continued to suit all standards at both St. Thomas" and St. Paul's.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD North Lindsey Branch

A very successful annual meeting of the North Lindscy Branch was held at Barton-onHumber on January 23rd. Owing to unexpected difficulties at Grimsty. the place of the mecting had to be changed, and all are very grateful to Barton for making such excellent arrangements at short notice. There were 42 for tea, and several more came later on.
Canon H. Thackray presided at the meeting. The accounts showed a small surplus on the year and a balance in hand of $£ 2317 \mathrm{~s}$. Mr. W. Bramwell reported on the hell repair fund account.
Officers elected for 1960 were: President. Canon 1H. Thackray: secretary and treasurer, G. W. Moody: Ringing Master. J. Bray: Guild representative, IF Lord: Branch commiltee, A. Crowder, H. Hall and S. Neave: auditors, M. Walker and G. Dohbs. Five Branch meetings are to he held in 1960, and the next annual meeting will be at Scunthorpe.

Batton has two rings of eight, and there was ringing on the eight it St. Peter's in the afternoon. Alter Evensong at St. Mary's, conducted by the Rev. G. Sylvester (Vicar), there was further ringing on the heavier eight at this church.

## JOINT MEETING AT STOCKTON

The joint meeting held hy the Southern District of the Durham and Newcastle Association and the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association at Stockton Parish Church on January 16th attracted a good attendance of members from both Associations, and there was enjoyable ringing during the afternoon and evening on this pleasant-sounding ten. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters, Boh Major and Royal, and Double Norwich Major were the chief methods rung.
At tea the Vicar of Stockton (Rev, C. N. Wardle-llarpur) joined the ringers. IIe was thanked for the use of the bells hy Mr. W. Etherington and Miss D. M. Killingley, who also thanked the ladies who had provided the

Mr. Wardle-Harpur, replying, paid a tribute to the Stockton band for their diligence as ringers and their work as churchmen.

Mr. F. W. Cooke, vice-president of the Southern District, presided at the tea.

## OBITUARY

## MR. HARRY LOFTHOUSE

The death on January 26 th , at the age of 60 . of Harry Lofthouse was a great loss to ath who knew him.
He was a member of the band at etrist Church, Armley, Leeds, where he had been in his time church councillor and churchwarden, and was interested in many of the organisations at that church.
He had been a member of the Yurkshire Association since 1923, and for the past seven years been on the committee of the Western District. His peal total was a modest nine, hut he had done much work for learners both in his own and neighbouring towers.
He will be chiefly remembered by ringers in this area for his work with the Leeds and District Society, which remains today as a monu ment to his work and devotion to duty. He was its secretary for 30 years. resigning in 1953 since then he had served a term as president and also as vice-president.
He was cremated on IFcbruary 1st, and ringers from many neighbouring towers (even as far afield as Bradford and Sheffield) joined with relatives and other church workers in paying their respects to an old friend who was young in heart.
I. S.

## AN APPRECIATION

It was with great sadness that I heard of the passing of Harry Lofthouse at his home in Armley. Leeds. on January 26th, at the age o 60 . Although he had not heen well for a few years. and his ringing activitics had therefore been curtailed. he nevertheless maintained his interest in all ringing matters, throughout. Harry Lofthouse and the Leeds and District Society of Change Ringers were synonymous. as he was its mainspring for almost 40 yearsas secretary and later as vice-president and president. and saw the Society grow from ia very small organisation to its present wellknown state. He was particularly proud of the fact that throughout this time the Society's subscription had not been allered from od. per member per year.
I first met Harry when I came to Yorkshire some 34 years ago- 1 was a little stranger in a strange land. and upon making inquiries as to the whereabouts of a certain Leeds and District meeting which had been advertised. I was given the necessary instructions and told to ask for Harry Lofthousc. as he would sec that I got a ring. However. I had no need to ask. for Harry noticing a strange face made me very welcome. I little thought at the time I would later work with him and know him more intimately. Thus a few years later 1 settled down in Armley and was privileged to work with Harry in various ringing activities and came :o appreciate his sterling character
He was a churchman through and through. and had been connected with Christ Church all his life-as a Sunday School te teher, sidesman. churehuarden and bell-ringer : in fact he could re found actively engaged on praclically every organisalion of the church. activities for his church. he somehow found lime to take a very active interest in numerous other organisations of the parish-youth club. football club. the photographic society and many others: as when 1 knew him it was aluays taken for granted that Harry had meetitge. conmmittees or some activities on practicilly every night of the week-yet he alway managed to find time to give a helping hand Wherever needed.
Men of the character of Harry Lofthouse are very rare indeed. Though not an ambitious peal ringer in the sense of the word. tie would always stiand in when he thought the occasion worthy. and it would be difficult to find a more loyal member of a church or tower. He will be greatly missed. but I am glad that I had the privilege of knowing and working with him. Countless others will feel as I do. that 1 have lost a most sincere friend.

## MR. THOMAS TROLLOPE

The death of Mr. T. Trollope on January 15th, from pneumonia which developed after a serious fall, removes from our midst the oldest member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, in his 97 th year. He had been a member of the Guild since 1896
Thomas Trollope learnt his ringing at Middleton Stoney. in Oxfordshire, where, as a young man. he was head gardener at ' the big house: Later he settled in Oxford, and for many years was employed by the Education Authority as advisory gardening instructor for he schools in the district.
It was then that 1 first came to know him, for when I was quite at small boy Mr. Trollope often visited my father, who was headmaster of St. Frideswide's School in Oxford. I rememher that I felt a great respect, and no small degree of awe, in the presence of this dignified. bearded gentleman, who always held himself so rect.
Thomas Trallope never made much progress in the advanced branches of ringing, but his devotion to the art and his unswerving loyalty and service to the Oxford Diocesat Guild caned him the deepest respect and affection in the diocese. His influence at the general committee meetings the was a member of the committee for very many years and never missed a meeting) was always on the side of good sense. kindness and tolerance. He was a greal peace maker. and I believed he never said an unkind word to anyone. In the Oxford Guild we shall greatly miss Thomas Trollope, but we snall rementher with thankfulness his life and example.

ELLIOT WIGG

## MR. R. E. SMITH, EASINGVOLD

The death has taken place at Bank House, Fasingwold. Yorks, at the age of 90 . of Mr Reginald Ernest Smith. a ringer for well over 60 years at the Parish Church. and for the greater part of that time lower keeper and leader of the ringers. Lintil the last war he maintained a band of such strength that the bells were rung for two services every Sunday.

He began to ring when he left the choir, and during his lifetime taught many others to ring Keenly interested in hells. he kept everything in connection with the bells and fittines in irst-class order. Perhaps his greatest ambition was realised in 1950. when the bells were rewang and augmented from six to eight by the addition of two trebles.

He held the office of churchwarden for 40 years and took an active interest in the town's affairs. He was a playing member of the town hand. and was manager of the local branch of the Midland Bank. until his retirement in 936.

The funeral service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev, R. S. Hawkins, R.D.), assisted by Canon F. Richardson. vicar of Pocklington and former Vicar of Easingwold. The cight hells were rung half-mullied immediately before the funeral.

## MR. FRANK MORGAN

The ringing band at St . Chad's Cathedral. Birmingham. has sustained a heavy loss in the passine on Imasy 24th in Summerfield Hospital. Birmingham, of Mr. Frank Morgan. aged 6.3 years.

Apart from service in the First World War. Frank's early life was passed in South Wales. where he learned to ring. his work bringing him to Birminghim, a few years prior to the last war. He then joined the band at St. Chad's
Of a quiet, unassuming temperament. coupled with a kindly and generous nature. he was well liked by all with whom he came into contact. Although he had rune some peals in his vounger days, his main interest was in the Sunday service ringing at St. Chad's, where his regularity of attendance and punctuality were proverbial. even when stricken with the painful illness that. in a few weeks, was to cause his death. He last rang on Sunday evening. November 29!h. for the visit of the Cardinal Archhishod of Westminster, although it was evident how ill he was.

He was interred at Witton Cemetery, Birmingham, on January 28th

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

A membership of 255 -an increase of onewas reported at the annual meeting of the Northern District, held at St. Peter's, Croydon, on January 23 rd. Quarter peals totalled 84 compared with 104, and peals dropped from 29 to 21. In the peals, 81 ringers took part, of whom 50 were resident ringing members Only four lowers entered for the striking competition and the standard was lower on the much more difficult bells at Esher. Collections at meetings for the Belfry Repatir Fund amounted to $£ 84 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 d .
Regarding the Sundiy Service Survey, we in Surrey are certainly no worse than the average state deseribed. Yet the state of ringing in the county is not what it ought to be or what it could be: we must not be bullied into it sense hat we can sit back and relax. On the other hand, ringing is not is dying art. as some would have us believe. The gencral state of affairs hats probably not altered much over the last 50 or 100 years.
The committee suggested creating a panel of volunteers (at least 12) to visit towers requiring help for a period of six weeks on their practice night, when a pirticular method would be pracised. This wats adopted, and tower captains are invited to discuss the schente.

Mr. F. E. Collini succeeds Mr. G. Peters as District Ringing Mister, and Messrs. F. W. Oatway and N . Steere join the committee in place of the Rev. C. Marshall and Mr. C. Champion

The Rev. R. W. Mowbrily conducted Evensong. and local ringers served a first-class meal.

## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD

## Andover District

As an incentive for a membership drive. the Andover District at their annual meeting at Andover were offered a six months subscription to *The Ringing World to the tower that could produce mosi new members from the date of the meeting.

The Rev. P. K. Venner presided at the meeting. and a!l the ollizers were re-elected for a period of three years. The next annual meeting will be held at Whitzhurch, and it was decided to have a District outing to Salisbury in October The service was conducted by the Viear Rev. Dr. J. Machin).

## MR. FRED SEAGER <br> AN APPRECIATION

The sudden death of Mr. Frederick Scager has brought to an end a very long friendslin of over 40 years-as I had just returned from the Fores-after the 1914-18 war. when Fred came to Shipley in 1919. We both rang at St. Patul's. Shipley. and soon lermed a very ciox friendship. which lasted until the last boh had been called

Fred was a grand ringer. especially at the leavy end and one had only 10 sec his cffortless styfe to realise his immense reserves of energy. He wals one of the safest neal ringers one could meet-ringing his first p-al for the Yorkshire Assuciation on Tuesday. liviruary 17th. 1920. this being conducted by the late I. B Kendall. of Shipley

After marrving and seltling down in the district. Mrs. Seager took up ringing and also joined the Shipley Company, heing a very welcome member of the Sunday service band. I had the pleasure of calling her first peal on May Ist. 1926. Liter. Fred's work look him to the Leeds District, where he was readily welcomed at the 1 eeds Parish Church. and continued until his death. Since his retirement just over 12 months ago he was able to devote a great deal more time to ringing, and enjoyed every minute of it.

With his passing. I have lost an old and valued friend. and my wife and 1 would like to express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Scager and her sons David and Robert.

May he rest in peace.
E. H. S.

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E. A. BARNETT

Hon. Secretary

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Chesterficld District.-Monthly meeting, Clay Cross Saturday. Feh. 13th, 3 p.m.

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EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Edenbridge. Saturday, Feh. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Teu in Church House 5 p.m. Names to E. C Leigh. Homesdale, Spital Cross. Edenbridge Annual. Colemans Hatch, Saturday, Mar. 19th. Bells ind Hill not available on 12th.-C. A. Bassett. DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-Meeting, Whittlesford, Saturday, Feb. 13 h. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Teal at The Brewery Tap 5 p.m. - E. W Bullman. Dis. Sec.
LADIES GUILD.-Southern District.-An nual District meeting. Saturday, Feb. 13 th, at Chiddingfold, Surrey, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea \$ p.m. Everyone welcome. $\$ 666$

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.-Annual meeting, St. Botolph's, Bos ton, Saturday, Feb. 13th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.

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LONDON TRAINING COLLEGES GUILD.-Meeting, Barnes, Saturday, Feb 13th. Ringing $3 \mathrm{D} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. 5721

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N , and E.
District.-Annual meeting. St. Mary's, Hendon (buses 83 and 143 to Hendon L.T. Garage), on Saturday, Feb. 13 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . followed by business meet ing and further ringing until 8.30 p.m. Ringing also at St. Mary's, Finchley, 2.30 to 4 p.m Good attendance, please. - D. T. C. Smith Hon. Dis. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.-Annual general meeting, Reading on Saturday, Feb. 13th. St. Giles' (8), 3 to 4 p.m. : St. Laurence's (12), 3.45 to 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Laurence's, followed by tea and meeting in St. Mary's Church House. St. Laurence's and St. Mary's (8) available after tea. 5718

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. - Annual meeting, Chichester Cathedral. Saturday. Feb. 13th. Bells available from 3 oclock and in evening.

5716
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Narthern District.-Meeting. Sharow (8). Ripon (10), on Saturday, Feb, 13th. Sharow from 2.30 p.m Service 4.15. Tea, Cafe Victoria, Ripon. 5727

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION Practice. Monday, Feh. 15th. 7.30 p.m.. St Mary's. Lambeth Bridge. Special methods: Bob Major, London Surprise Major. A.G.M. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Southwark Cathedral, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. ; St. John's, Waterloo Road, 2.30 to 4. Service, Cathedral. 5 p.m. Tea, business and handbell competition. Chapter House. 6 St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark. 8 p.m Names for tea. please.-Rogers, 53, The Grove. Isleworth. ISL 3921

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION, Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting. Tickenham (6), Saturday, Feb. 20ih. Bells 5 p.m.-D. G Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Crewe Branch.-Holmes Chapel. Saturday. Feb. 20th Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea must be received by Feb. 17th.-W. Kerr. 102. Moreton Road, Crewe.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirral Branch.-Annual meeting. Wallasey St. Hilary's. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea provided free for those notifying by Wednesday previous.-Alexander 5. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead

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CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting. St. Oswald's. West Hartlepool, Saturday. Feb. 20th. 3 p.m.-P. W B. Semmens. Hon. Sec.

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ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch.Meeting. Wisbech St. Mary. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Teit p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec. 5762

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Mceting. Buckden, (5) Saturday Feb. 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service after ea.-M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5750
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wollon Branch. Monthly meeting. Stone (6). Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells 3 D.m. Service and ter. Names bv Feb. 18th to Brian Cooper. 14. Coombe Road. Wotton.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Cheltenham Branch.-Monthly mecting. Leckhampton (8). Saturday. Feb. 20th. 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by February 16th. - Mary Bliss, Beech Pike. Cheltenham.

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HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting. Benenden. Saturday. Feb. 20th. No tea if no name to J. Brown. Moat Cottage. Benenden. Kent.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Hereford District. -Annual meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Service, All Saints $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea to follow. Bells: Cathedral (10), 3 p.m.: All Saints ( 8 ) and St. Nicholas (6), after meeting. Names for tea to T. E.. Wood, 75. Rethill Flats Ifereford 5756

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-LCo minster District.-Annual meeting, Leominster, Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea after service
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District.-Meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th, Kimpton (6). 3 p.m. First meeting since restoration. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to J. G. Cull. 5, The Green. Kimpton. Hitchin. Herts. No name, no tea. Special request. Norwich Surprise.-S. Huckle. Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,Ashford District.-By-meeting. High Halden, Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday 10 Mr. J. Burden, 23. The Chennels, High Halden, near Ashford.-C. T. H.

LADIES GUILD.-Midland District-An nual meeting Saturday, Feb. 20th. All Saints Leicester (8). Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 lea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Friday, 19th, 10 Mrs. B. A. Bennett, 28, Warwick Road. Little thorpe, near Narborough. Leics. Tel. Nar 2539.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manchester Branch.-Ringing meeting. Saturday, Feb. $20 t h$ St. Michael s, flixton. Bells (8) a vailable 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Cups of tea provided. G. D. Fearnehough. Sec

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Rossendale Branch.-Mecting at St. Saviour's, Bacup. on Saturday, Feb. 201n. Ringing at 3. Cups of tea at 5.-J. Porter, Branch Sce
LEICESIER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Syston District-Meeting, Rothley. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall 5 p.m. Names by the previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. G. Brewin. 5, Cosington Lane. Roinley.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Mceting. Astordby, Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting in Parish Rooms 5 p.m. Please send names for ea by Feb. 17 th at the latest to Mr. H. J. Cook. 18. New Street. Asfordby,-T. Templeon, Hon. Dis. Sec. Harborough District.-Meeting. Saturday, Feb 20th. Lubenham. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m.-L. W. Allen. 5765
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.-Meeting, Kirton Lindsey, on Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea for those who notify by Tuesday previous Mr. G. E. Feirn, Cleatham, Kirton Lindsey.-Geo. L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. and W. District.-Meeting. Heston. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Ringing 3.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Further ringing afterwards. - E. R. Gotham. Hon. Dis. Sec.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Eastern Branch.-Annual meeting. Salurday, Feb. 20th, Loddon. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Feb. 17th, certain, please, to Mr. H. W. Barrett, Fernhill, Bungay Road, Loddon. - P. G. W. Newstcad, Branch Hon. Sec. 5691

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL. - Reopening of bells after rehanging at Evensong. 3.15 p.m.. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Tea (3s.) for those who notify me by Thursday, 18th.-T. Beaumont. 7, Prospect Avenue, Frindsbury. Rochester. All welcome.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. - Annual mecting, Wokingham. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Service in St. Paul's Church. 4 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Room. 5 p.m. Ringing: St. Paul's, 3 and 7 p.m.: All Saints'. 7 p.m. Notify for tea by Feb. I6th to B. C. Castle. The Briars, Westield Road, Winnersh. Wokingham.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Marlborough Branch.-Meeting. Ramsbury. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Names for iea to T. A. Palmer. 16. Oxford Sireet. Aldbourne, Wilts.

SALISBURY GUILD.-West Dorset Branch. -Meeting. Burton Bradstock. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tca only for those who notify by February 16th. Barretl. Gerrards Green. Beaminster. 5742
SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION. - Edinburgh meeting on Saturday. Feh. 20th. at four towers. beginning at St. James at noon. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Regnvald Wilson. 15. Durham Road. Edinburgh. $15 . \quad 5769$


#### Abstract

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Monthly meeting. Sherburn-in-Elmel. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea (moderate change) 5 p.m. Names, please. on or before 18 th , to Mr. J. Potts, North Sweenings Farm. Lennerton. S. Milford, near Leeds.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec. SHEFFIELD AND LEEDS UNIVERSITY soCIETIES.-Joint meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th. Ringing at Pontefract (All Saints' (8)). 2.30 to 4.30 p.m... and Wragby (6). 6 to 8.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. All visitors welcome. 5741 SUFFOLK GUILD-East Central District. QQuarterly meeting. Saturday, Feb. 20th, Eari Soham (6), 3 p.m.: Framlingham (8), Tea, Crown and Anchor. 5 p.m Bells 6 to 8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Hall, 16, Castle Road. Framlingham SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. - The annual meeting at Henfield (8), Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells 3.15. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 . Numbers for tea direct to Mr. $F$. Cruttenden. The Bakery, High Street, Henfield, by Thursday, Feb. 18 th . Geo . North, 11, by Thursday, Feb. 18 th . - Gco. North, ${ }_{5730} 11$, Richmond Terracc, Brighton.


CLAWTON OPEN RINGING DAY:-On our gift day, Saturday. Feb. 27th, all ringers will be welcome from 11 a.m. onwards. Buffel lunch and tea. Service 2 p.m. Sale and skittles competition in afternoon. A388, three miles S . Holsworthy. Proceeds for tower. 5774
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Northern District.-Meeting, Shilton. Saturday. Feb. 27ih (not 20th). Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea at the Vicarage, 5 p.m. 5753
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Hinckley District.-Annual dinner and social. Saturdiy, Feb. 27th, St. Mary's Parish Hall. Hinckley. Bells available $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Dinner $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. prompt. Tickets 8s. each. Names. please, before Wednesday, Feb. 24th, to Mr. F. K. Measures, 58. Lychgate Lane. Burbage, Leics. Phone Burbage 516 .-M. Vernon. Dis. Sec

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Annual meeting, Spalding, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday previous to Mr. M. Bennett. 171. Bourne Road, Spalding, Lincs.

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LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Llandaff Branch.-Annual meeting. Bridgend. Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business 10 follow.-R. E. Coles.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONWestern Branch.-Annual general mecting on Suturday. Feb. 27th. Fakenham. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, 25th, to G. Cooke. 24, Back Strcet, Fakenham. - C. Tovell, Branch Hon. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - V.W.H. Branch.-Annual meeting, Faringdon. Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea. please, by Wednesday, Feb. 24ih, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham. Faringdon, Berks.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (established 1755). -Annual Henry Johnson commemoration dinner. Imperial Hotel. Temple Street, 6 o'clock. Saturday, Feb. 27th. Chairman, Mr. Rodney B. Meadows. Tickets 20s. Peals arranged for visitors. Several towers open for ringing. Details later.-G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwall Road. Hall Green. Birmingham. 28. 'Pione SPR 1025.
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.Mecting. St. Lawrence se Heanor. Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by 24 th .-Miss A. Henson. Sec., 23.
Scymour Road, West Bridgford. Scymour Road. West Bridgford.
SUFFOLK GUILD - West Central District. - Meeting. Saturday. Feb. 27ih. Palgrave (8). p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Norfolk ringers welcomed. Names for tea must be in by Feb. 23rd-H. A. Mitson. Dis. Sec. 5702 SUFFOLK GUILD - North East District Practice meeting. Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells: Wenhaston, 2.30 p.m. ; Blythburgh. 6.30 . Tea ${ }_{1}$ p.m. Names for tea, please. to C. J. Gibson. 1. Heath Road. W'enhaston, Halesworth.-A. R
Bridges. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION - S.E. District Meeting. Goldhanger. Saturday. March 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30^{\circ}$ p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 5745 NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Special committee meeting to discuss the findings of the Central Council Survey on Sunday Service Ringing. Saturday. March 5th. 3 p.m.. in the vestry of Hanley Parish Church. 5700

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District. Dinner and social, Village Hall. Danbury, on Saturday, March 12 th . 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (5s, 6d.), before March 5th, from P. W. Saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. S.A.E.. please.

## SERVICE RINGERS' NEWS One Million Changes At Willesborough

At their annual meeting the ringers of St . Mary-the-Virgin's. Willesborough, announced that in addition to ringing three peals, including the 50th on the bells. they had again topped the hundred thousand changes for service ringing in 1959. Their total of 116.053 brings the service ringing total since the beginning of 1955 to 593.885 . and the total since the beginning of 1949 to 1.035 .451 ! Since all of the ringers are resident within the parish. they are jusilly proud of this record.

During the year the following methods were rung: Plain Bob. Double Bob. Reverse Bob. Canterbury Pleasure Bob. St. Clement's College Bob. College Bob. Oxford Bob. Double Oxford Bob. Double Court Bob. Hereward Bob. London Bob. Horsmonden Bob. Cumberland Bob. Brentford Bob. Childwall Bob. Thelwall Bob. Lytham Bob. Wavertree Bob. Kent Treble Bob. Ovford Treble Bob. Kent and Oxford T.B. spliced. Kentish Delight. Oswald Delight. Old Oxford Delight. Cambridge Surprise. Ipswich Surprise and London Surprise Minor. Plain Roh, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob. New Bob. Huntspill Bob. St. Simon's. Si. Martin's. St. Nicholas'. Winchendon Place Boh. St. Bartholomew's. Reverse All Saints. Union Bob. St. Faith's Slow Course, Reverse St. Simon's. Reverse St. Martin's and Grandsire Doubles. Total: 26 Minor and 15 Doubles.
Apart from a couple of Sundays when the weather was particularly bad Mr. Edward S. Ruck, in his 93 rd year, took part in the ringing each Sunday

## LYNEHAM

At Lyncham. Wilts, the number of ringers capable of handling a bell for rounds is 25 , of whom two-thirds are teenagers. The six hells are rung twice on Sundays and on other festivals. Practices are held on Wednesdays
Call-changes were our only repertoire until recently. Now we have a band capable of ringing a plain course of Bob Minimus and Grandsire Doubles. We thank Mr. Goodwin, our captain, for all his encouragement. G. P.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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## SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR TWO METHODS

## BY P. G. K. DAVIES

Spliced Surprise is increasingly popular and it seems likely that this trend will continue. Indeed we have heard quite a lot recently about Spliced Surprise and in particular compositions of two Spliced. Spliced Surprise provides a vast field for the composer, and a difficult one, expecially where all the work is concerned. for the falseness and complications involved are extensive.
Two Spliced usually means Cambridge mixed with either Yorkshire or Superlative, the latter being commoner, probably because compositions have been more readily available. The 1950 Central Council Collection does not treat Yorkshire in its section on Spliced.

SUPERLATIVE AND CAMBRIDGE
No doubt it is now generally known that the arrangement given in the 1950 Collection for all courses called alike is false. As has been pointed out, provided that compositions of Yorkshire or Superlative with no reversals in 5-6 arc used (e.g., those compositions given on pages 24-30 of that Collection)-SCSXSCS runs true where $X$ can be either $C$ or $S$. In this Collection two peals are given which have all the work of these methods.

YORKSHIRE AND CAMBRIDGE
Firstly, those compositions with all courses called alike. Provided Middleton's or the reductions thereof are used, YXXXXXY runs true where X is either Cambridge or Yorkshire. Examples could be YCYCYCY or YYCCYCY. In these arrangements the calling must bc chosen at the beginning and the same onc maintained throughout. Short courses will be called as the ist, 2nd. 6th and 7th leads of the full course. The short course for YCYCYCY will be YCCY: the short course for YYCCYCY will be YYCY. All these callings apply only to Middleton's and the same arrangement must be used throuphout the peal.
There are several peals which contain all the work of these two methods. Mr. C. K. Lewis has arranged Middleton's thus:-

|  | M | W | H |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 43652 | - |  |  | CCYYYYY |
| 56234 | - | - |  | CCCCYCY |
| 23564 |  | - | - | YYCYCCY |
| 52364 |  |  | - | YYYYCYC |
| 35264 |  |  |  | $Y Y Y C C C$ |

## Four times repeated.

This is reduced to 5,056 by calling before and home (CCCY) in place of the first three courses of one part only and it then contains 2,720 Yorkshire and 2,336 Cambridge.
A recent arrangement of the extension of Middleton's by Mr. Mark Lancefield can be found in the issue of this naper for December 20th. 1957.

All the work deals with full combinations and no 82 's can be obtaincd in three parts. An example is this, by myself:-


Twice repeated and contains 2.496 Camhridge and 2.592 Yorkshire with 77 changes of method.

Other methods have been rung to two Spliced but these are the most common and I hope some of this information will be of use to ringers interested.

ChELSFIELD. KENT.-On Jan. 3rd, 1.440 Doubles in eight methods (Antelope. Grandsirc. Winchendon Place. St. Nicholas'. St. Simon's. St. Martin's. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob): Jillian Outhwaite 1. J. Parker 2, D. Manger (cond.) 3. D. Parker 4. N. Martin 5. A. Winsborough 6. For Evensons.

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(No. 11)
2314567890 E
*31456278 E90

|  | 19 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 412563 | 3 |
| 213564 | - 3 |
| 315264 | - 2 |
| 514263 | - 3 |
| 513264 | 3 |
| 314265 | - 3 |
| 412365 | - 2 |
| 213465 | - 3 |
| †312564 | 70 |
| 315462 | 2 |
| 512463 | - 3 |
| 214563 | 2 |
| 413562 | - 3 |
| 412563 | S 3 |
| 214365 |  |

* 1, 2, 6, 7, 12, 15, S17, 31, 32, 34 $+13,17,31$
First rung on Monday. November 23rd. 1959, at Leicester Cathedral, Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.

ST. PETER-IN-THANET, KENT. -1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Margarct Horne (first quarter) 1. Christine Cobbold (first - inside') 2. Sunia Davies 3. Mary Elsdon 4, Pauline Fennell 5, Mary Tavior 6, Martin Cubitt (cond.) 7, J. Webb 8. 6-8 covering. Rung as a compliment to Miss Brideci Sudbury, a former secretary of this band. and Mr. T. Coles, on their engagement.

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## CALLING THE CHANGES

$\mathrm{M}^{2}$R. RODENHURST's letter of February 5 th raises a matter which has often been in my mind. Most change-ringers bother very little with call-changes, and only ring them out of stark necessity either because they are visiting a call-change tower or because they have a band of learners and constant rounds are driving them mad. But call-changes properly used are based on principles as clear-cut and orderly as those governing scientific methods, and the instructor with a band of roundringers can give the listening public some good music and himself a lot of simple pleasure if he chooses to put his mind to it.

Readers will have to bear with me if this seems a little verbose and complex, but there is no technical terminology of call-change composition, so I've had to make up some and borrow the rest.
There would seem to be three basic operations in the composition of call-changes, which, for want of anything better, I will call the 'Hunt,' the 'Sequence' and the 'Dovetail.'
The Hunt is what it implies-the calling of one bell from front to back or from back to front. It is the basic (and only) ingredient in the simplest of all peals-the Plain Changes, in which the bell on the lead is called up to tho back until rounds is reached again. But by working two hunts in together you can achieve much longer and more interesting results. A very popular sixty is made by ringing the plain changes on the middle four bells of a six while the treble hunts up and down through them, i.e., treble to the back, change 2 and 3 , treble to the front. change 2 and 4 , and so on. If you call the bells into thirds ( 135246 ) before you start the sixty, Mr. Rodenhurst, you get ' sixty on thirds."

The Sequence is best illustrated by the most useful one, which is, on eight bells, rounds-Queens-Tittums-rounds. This is achieved, basically, like this:-

$$
\begin{array}{r}
12345678 \\
13254768 \\
1 \times X 468 \\
13527468 \\
13572468 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

In other words, changing the pairs from the sides to the middle, with treble (and tenor, of course) not affected.
Reverse the operation, and you get the sequence in reverse. This is the principle of many compositions from the six-single 168 of Grand sire the principle of many compositions itom the six-singere
Triples upwards. On six bells it produces a four-part sequence-123456

135246 (Thirds)
154326
14536
123456
The useful thing about this sequence is that it's packed with good music which is therefore available on a regular mathematical system. Combined with a Hunt. in the form of the Plain Changes, it produces The Queen's Peal, which is calling into Queens, ringing the plain changes from there back to Queens. and then reversing the sequence to take you sraight back to rounds. You could. of coursc, if you had the time, continue the sequence, and ring the Plain Changes on Tittums as well. On six bells, this combines with a Hunt to produce an excellent peal of 60 changes, which is known as the Cornish Sixties. The trehle is hunted up and down through the other four, and as in the abovementioned sixty one pair is changed when the treble is leading and one when she is lying, but in this case the inner pairs are changed in the Sequence. As generally called, the peal starts with the change $4 / 5$ :
treble to the back; $2 / 3$; treble to the front $; 2 / 5$, gives thirds. The
idea of starting like this is that it brings the treble to the front for thirds and Tittums and to the back for the back-change, and improves the music, but this sixty can be called with any bell in the hunt and will always come round. But beware of being too clever, and getting rounds after only four or five minutes, which may happen if you call it from a starting-point other than rounds.

The Dovetail may have some other name, but as far as I'm concerned is my own invention. It is most useful on more than six bells and consists, really, of the operation which brings rounds into Tittums, i.e., the dovetailing of the front four and the back four bells-
${ }^{1234}{ }_{5678}$ becomes 12344
The working of this process can be seen thus:1234567
1526374
5671234
5674321
4536271
4321567
4321765
4736251
7654321
7651234
1726354
1234765

> Dovetail into Tittums, ( 6 changes)
> Bring front bells* right through to the back. (6)
> Turn front bells round. ( 6 )
> Dovetail again. (6)
> Front bells to the front. ( $(6)$
> Turn back bells round. (3)
> Dovetail. (6).
> Front bells to the back. (6)
> Turn front bells round. (6)
> Dovetail. (6)
> Front bells to the front. (6)
> Turn back bells round. (3)

## 'Front bells' are 1234; 'Back bells' 567.

There, in 72 changes, you have some consistently good 8 -bell music, and a caller can go on ad-libbing on that theme for quite a long time without repeating himself.
There are, in fact, very few known "peals ' of call-changes in the West Country, and although those that there are are constructed on principley as clear-cut and regular as those of Plain Bob or Grandsire the Cornish Sixties is, in fact, very closely allied with Plain Bob Doubles), they are generally called not by system but from memory; I think that most people, for instance, calling 'Sixty on Thirds ' call the treble work by system but the inner work from memory, and I know callers of long experience who, making a false call in a peal of changes, cannot get the bells into rounds again.
It would be nice to be able to say that there are young call-change ringers in Devon and Cornwall composing new peals of changes, but if there are I have not heard about it. and the usual repertoire is generally sadly limited-partly because of the inffexible conservatisn of the competition-ringing fraternity, whose almost fundamentalist adherence to Sixty on Thirds and The Queen's Peal results in superlative striking but stultifies any progress in composing and ringing new and different peals.
I hasten to add that in most ways the competition-ringing organisations are not by any means behind the times or anti-progressive; but in this they certainly are, and it has resulted in a rather one-sided situation, in which many bands have been trained into superlative bellhandlers within the limits of their customary practice, and can do wenders not only on their bells but on other, different and often awkward bells, but their bellmanship stops dead at that. with no idea of the fun to be had, and the music to be made, in departing from the two or three peals of changes which they know.

I have met one or two young ringers who can call good peals of changes out of their heads, making then up als they go along, hut only very few, and many others who have the athility and the right temperament but just have never thought of trying or never dared to suggest it to their local bands. If any such, reading this, should take his courage in both hands and ask the ringers one practice night to let him have a try at calling a peal of his own, I shall be richly rewarded.
J. G. M. S.

## TEN BELL PEALS

STRADBROKE, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minules, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5060 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 20 cwt .1 qr .10 lb , in E flat.
Ronald W. Steward
Roger L. K. Whittell .. 2
James B. Morley
Ernest G. Pearce
Peter M. Adcock
Composed and Condu

* First peal of Royal.


## BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb . in D .
William J. Leach .. . . Treble Gordon Harrison

David W. Brunning
Alan G. Foster
Brian Dawson
Juhn K. Smith
Composed by H. J. Tucker Arthur Pritchard Richard J. Warrilow Brian J. Wylde.
David W. Friend David W. Brunning Rung for the Patronal Festival; also for the eighth anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty the Queen. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth.

RICKMANSWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL Tenor 20 cwt .20 lb . in D.
*Doug. C. Bartholomew Treble Walter Lee
*Susan J. Slade
†Michael Hatchett.
2
J. Howard Frceborn
*Herbirt A. Bradbury
$\dagger$ Philip H. Tocock
Alan R. Pink Conducted by Alan R Tenor H. George Hart

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

* First peal on ten bells. † First of Royal in the method.

Rung for the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BUCKLEBURY, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt


LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Dec. 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
Ar the Churcih of All Saints.
A PEAL UF 5056 SOUTHWFLL SURPRISE MAJOR
Johnson's Variation.
Tenor 71 cwt .
Ilarold J. Muncey
Treble
Dunald E. R. Knighis
2
Dunald F. Murfet .
Deri:k E. Sibson

Derek E. Latchford George E. Thoday

Tenor

Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.
NEWTON ST. CYRES, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Tues., Dec. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Cyre and Julietta.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part
Reginald J. Bray
Frank Wills
Gturge Luxton
Norman Malleti

Treble Arihur T. Truman Tenor 15 cwt .

2
3
4 George Skinner Fri:derick Wreford Sidni:y Skinntir. Conducled by Frederick Wrefurd.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Oil Sat., Jan. I6. 1960, in 2 Hours antl 43 Mimutes, At ihi Chitreh of Si. Remigitus.
A PEAI, OF 5024 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .74 lb . in G .

* A. William Bird
* Doris E. Lidbliter

Williait Ciover
*Brvan W. Willuriss
Composed by 4
*Choffri:Y R. Drew *Thomas E. Spight H. Whlliam Barrftt HENRY TOOKK:

Conducted by Henry . Tenur
Condhod as conducior. Tooke.

LONG SUITON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .2 lb . in F
*Alan G. Payne

| Treble | George R. G. Butler |
| :---: | :---: |
| IOHN G Ames |  | JOHN G. Ames

Freda P. Greaves
J. Martin Thorley
C. Harold Whitton . Tenor

John W. Carter Composed by F. Bennetr. Conducted by C. Harold Whitton.

* First peal of Major.

A farewell peal to the Rev. Cuthbert Powell, Vicar of Long Sutton.
HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7if cwt.
Rev. Roberi Lindsay . Treble James E. Dickinson
Robin Shuttleworth .. 2 Lawrence D. Clement. .
James E. Burles
Klith Newby
Composed by

* 75th peal. +100 th neal.

Rung for Epiphany; also in honour of Christian missionaries, and to welcome the return on furlough of Dorothy Pilkington, C.S.I. medical missionary.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Jan. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Thomas of Canterbury.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor $25 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in D
William Clover
A. William Bird

Treble †Geoffrey R. Drew
Henry Tooke
Bert Gogle
5
6
Thomas E. Spight

* Peter Adcock

Conducled hy William Clover.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' † First of Triples.

ARDLEIGH, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Peier Brand
Treble George W. Barnes
Felix H. Erith
*Adrian Semken
Frank B. Lufkin
2 Roy Duesbury
3
4
Composed by J. A. Trollope.
Urban W. Wildney
Bernard W. Fairhead

* First peal.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
Onl Sat.. Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules.
At the Church of St. Alkmund.
A PEAL, OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr .11 lb . in E
*Dlborair Wilson .. . . Treble *Peter Davies
Ered W. Stone
John Murfin
Michael Blore:
Wm. Arnold Morley
David Gebbett
$\frac{2}{3}$
Wichat Blore
Tenor
Composed by J. E. Burion. Conducted by Wm. Arnold Morley. * First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal.

Rung as a compliment to Fred W. Stone, 50 years a ringer.
EBBW VALE. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saf., Jan. 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE, SURPRISE MAIOR
Tenor 25 cwt 2 qr .11 lb . in D.
Brian R. Kingston Trebl
W. Gwyn Thomas

David J. Liewellyn
Composed by R. F. B. Speed.
DAVid J. King
George Davis
Selwyn H. Dearden
Neil Bennett
$\qquad$ Conducted by Neil Bennet

HORSHAM. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sut., Jan, 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $21 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Rryian (. Burrough .. Treble Dennis R. Mitcheli,
Glorge, I'rancis
Juni: M. Clements
Leonard Stit.weli.
2
3 Beirnaris E. Mathi:ws
Composed and Conducted hy Grorge Francis.

* First peal of Major

A welcome to Susan Jill, daughter of (ieorge and Vivian Francis. and to Zoe Ann. daughter of Clive and Margaret Green, both born on January 24th. All four parents are ringers at Warnham.

KINGSWINFORD, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jan. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minttes.

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt .3 qr. 1 lb . in F sharp.
-Tessa P. Kemp
Linda M. Hughes
Treble
Hughes 2 Roger Guy
Mary Funnell
veronita Miles
Composed by Fredk H. Dex First peal.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., Jant. 30, 1960, in 2 Ilours and 59 Minnte's.
At the Church of St. Piter.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .2 ur. 22 lb .

| d Carilidge | Treble | Walter Shirratt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Denis Heapy |  | * Roy Worrall |
| *Victor Stonier | 3 | Barry Corbishley |
| Norman Sherrati | 4 | Trfvor Taylur |
| Composed by J. R. | Hard. | Conducted by Barry |

Composed by J. R. Priichard *First peal on eight bells

MARK. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

At the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.
F. Ben. COMER

Marjorie Legri
*Pat M. Popham
Juhn Burrough


$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Gwilym G. Salmon. } \\
& \text { Victor G. Roberts } \\
& \text { George Prescott }
\end{aligned}
$$ Sydney G. Smith nor 19 cwt

Conducted by George Prescoit.

- First peal of Triples.

NEW ALRESFORD. HAMPSHIRE
TIIL WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Church of Sr. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .3 qr .18 lb.
David J. Forder .. .. Treble Raymond A. Brown
*llelen B. Nevin
Dfrek C. Jackson
thiristopher C. Pain
2 Geoffrey R. Crisp A. Keith G. Jones 6
4 Adrian J. Tumber ... Tenor by Frank Bennett Conducted by David J. Forder * First peal on eight bells. + First of Major.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to the conductor.

NUNEATON. WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 30. 19(0), in 2 Hours aitd 46 Minutes,
Ar 7hl: Church or: St. Nicholas
A PEAI, OH 5040 GRANDSIRE, TRIPLES
F'arher's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor $14_{2}^{1 /} \mathrm{cwt}$,
Thumas E. Wilson .. Treble Giukcie A. Bill..
*Kathlelen Bell.
Arihur H. Blamisif
Jimis Draycuil Bhtitp G. K. Davits Leunard Trevor Tenor

* First peal on conducted by Llonarij Tri vor.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the fifth, also to the conduc tor's mother.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthew.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . 14 lb . in F .
William J. Newman .. Treble| Frederick Hawkes
Ralph Harris
Martyn Hawkes
Waliter H. Raxter

| 2 | Patrick Harris.. |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Harold E. Raxter |
| 4 | Joseph E. Newman |

Joseph E. Newman .. . Tenor
Composed by George Livis.
Conducted by Harold E. Raxtcr.
The ringers of 2,4,5 and 8 are the fathers of the ringers of $6,7,3$ and treble respectively.
This is believed to be the first 'father and son' peal for the Association.

## SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKSHIRE <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> (Selby and District Society.) <br> On Sar., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints <br> A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## J. J. Parker's Twelve-part.

G. Frederick Terry

Mrs. J. Render.
Alan Evans
Treble
2
Edward M. Bradley
Wilitam Storer
E. M. Bradley has now circled the tower.'

STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saf., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church or Sr. Miehabl,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, TRIPLES
Bruerton's Twelve-part.
*hrisiine Glover .. . . Treble
Willis Backley
Mrs. Glenda Rowley
†Sheila Hodson
Conducted by

* First peal. + First 'inside

Rung for the induction of the Rev. C. A. Harris as Rector, and a farewell to the curate (Rev. W. A. Humphreys), who is appointed Vicar of Fazeley.

## WHITCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minufe,

At the Church of All Hallows,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt
*David E. House

* Brian Mills

Rfginald W. Rex
Treble Tom Chapman

Margaret Beamish
Composed by H. Dains.
*Arthur Sayers
Robert C. Kippin
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First of Treble Bob as conductor.

WOKINGHAM. BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jant. 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minues,
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5184 STRATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt .27 lb.
A. James Glass . . . Treble James H. Pailing .. ..

Mrs. Patricia Lewington 2 Michael J. Palmer .. .. 6
Anthony E. Cox
David A. Cornwall
William Biamingham $\quad . .7$
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.
Alan R. Pink .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Alan R. Pink.
First peal in the method by all the band. and for the Guild.
Rung for the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. Also a compli ment to F. V. H. Sinkins, on his 95th birthday.

WOOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Howrs and 16 Minutes.
At lhe: Church or St. PYter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

## Llsitir L. Gray

 Tenor 19 cwt .2 elr. 12 lb.
Alice E. J. Lesier. . . . 2 tFrank Anderion
*Geuferf.y 11. Pullin
2 tFrank Anderion
+Fret) H. Hayes .. .. 4
Composed hy John Caritr.
tPertr S. Brnneit
Edwin C. Birkeit
Edwin C. Birkeit . . . Termor
Conducted hy peter S. Benneti.
*First peal. †First of Major. $\ddagger$ Has now "circled the tower.
Rung to celebrate the birthdays of Mrs. R. E. Lester, of Needham Markel, and Miss Wendy Kenyon, of Woolton.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.
At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Thomas of Canierbury, A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor $25 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt. in D.

C. Frank W. Phillippo. 3 \#Gegffriy R. Dri:w

Henry Tuokf:
Composed by N. J. Pisisiow. Conducted by Henky Tooke. *First peal of Surprise Major. First in the method as conductor.
Rung in honour of the enthronement of Dr. Launcelot Fleming as Lord Bishop of Norwich on January 28th.

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WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRI
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Jan. 31, 1960, in 3 Hours und 5 Minutes. At ithe Church of Sr. Bar rholumlew.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .3 qr .1 lb . in F


EAST ILSLEY. BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues.. Feb. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes

## At ine Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 8 cwt . 2 qr .23 lb

Rung for the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary

> HELMINGHAM. SUFFOLK.
> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
> On Wed. Feb. 3, 1960 , in 3 Hours, Ar TH: ChURCH OF ST. MARY

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Middleton's.

William J. Button Muriel R. Page Frank Ruffles. Walter Ruffles

Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E Charles W. Beecrofi James Bennett. jun. Waltier W. Miller
Leslif G. Brett
Leslif G. Bre

Rung half-mufled as a last tribute to Mr. William Weedon, a service ringer here for many years, interred here this day, aged 89 .

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN, \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs., Feb. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 SHOREDITCH SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A.

| Edward Lankester | Treble | John R. Mayne. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Thomas J. Lock | 2 | G. William Critchley |
| Dennis Knox | 3 | Alfred J. House |
| Curi | 4 | Richard F. B. Sp |

Alick Cutler .. .. .. 4 Richard F. B. Speed .. Teno Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* 300th peal for the Association. First in the method. Mr. A Cutler has now rung peals in 150 different Surprise Major methods.


## ERITH. KENT

THE RENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Feb, 5. 1960. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At The Church of St. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGF, SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . in G .
Ralpi Bird

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| :---: | :---: |
|  |  | an HI. Oram *Hubert h. Furminger George J. Burcher 6

7
Hirgirt E. Audsley
Freiderick J. Cullum
Philip A. Corby Tenor
Composed by T, B. Worsley (C.C.C. 11). Conducted by Ian H. Oram - First peal of Major.

## BECKENHAM, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At thi: Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SLRPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .2 gr .18 lb . in F

Pircy J. Spice:
Maxwell F. Oaksheit
Richard W. Stephens
Denis G. Brown IAN H. ORAM John W. Smilh R. Thomas Newman6
7

Composed by J. W. Parkier (C.C.C. 6).
Conducted hy Percival W. Cave.
IIANDSWORTH. SHEFFIELD
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
OF: Sat.. Fel. 6. 19(n). in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## Af hil Chlirch of St. Mary

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE, MAJOR
In four methods. heing 1.280 London, 1.312 Bristol. 1.568 Cambridge and 992 Superlative, with 106 changes of method and all the work of euch method for every bell.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John J. L. Gilbert | 2 | ian M. Holland |
| Howard Scolt | 3 | J. Henry Fielden |
| Leslie W. G. Morris | 4 | Wilfrid F. Moreton | Leslie W. G. Morris 4 Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Tenor Conducted hy W. Eric Critchiey, Rung on the occasion of the marriage of II. David Holland and Pauline Eyre, hoth ringers nt this tower

## ROLVENDEN. KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
ar the Church of Si. Mary-ihe-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOH MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt . in F sharp.
Olive D. Couchman Treble Colin A. Tester 2 Crawiord T. Hillis Ralph Bird *aioler Rlile Macie Trevor A. Cross -. $\quad 4$ Composed by A P Hevwoore Conducted by A. Patrick Cinnon.
*First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob.
STONEY STANTON LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes
At ine Church of St. Michali,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwl . in F .
Alfrid Ballard .. .. Treble Frldirick E. Wilshaw *Beryl E. Cawistr .. .. 2 Robtri B. Smith
J. Edward Cawsiz E. Alan Jacrueis
 Composed hy Arthur Cra

* First peal of Surprise.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT. NOTIINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb, 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minures.
Ar the Churchi of All saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 12 cwt . qr .11 lb . in G .
Kalharine Burchnall . Treble James W. Raibhby
Grace Burchnall.... 2 George H. Randles

- Claire Dillamore .. .. 3 Jack L. Millhuuse

Norah M. Randies .. 4 Willam L. Exton... Tehor
*First peal of Sonducted by Jack L. Millhouse. SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules,
at the Church of SS. Pieter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Bruerton's Twelve-part.
*Christine A Smith
Christine A. Smith
Ernest F. Payne
Ernest Morris
Derek M. Sawyer

| rH | $\ldots$ | Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
|  |  |  | B. Stedman Payne .. 15 cwt. 275 hugh Matthewman Royston Wilmore

- james Mitchell .. .. Tenor
* First peal.

A birthday compliment to James Mitchell.
WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, heing 1.408 each of Cambridge and Superlative, 1,152
Bristol and 1.120 London, with 117 changes of method. Tenor 24 cwt .1 qr .16 lb . in D.


Composed by Ai.biri J. Priman. Co
\# First peal of 4 -Spliced Surprise Major

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

HOLYWELL. HUNTINGDONSHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jun. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
Ar IIIF ChURCH OF Sr. JUHN-IHE-BAPIISr,
A PEAL OF 50.40 SCRPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of London, Wells, York. Durham. Ipswich. Norwich and Cambridge.
*Aiberr J. Davey .. .. Treble *George E. Thoday Harold S. Pracock .. 2 Gromprey A. Lucas Manshield Ginn

Tenor
Conducted by Mansfirid Ginn.
*First peal in seven Surprise.
ACCRINGTON LANCASHIIRE
THE LANCASIIIRL ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Jan. 29. 1960 , in 2 Hour.s and 56 Minutes.
AI ThE ChURLH SN: Si. JAMLS.
Being one extent eatch of Oxford T.B.. Douhle Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's College Bob, Kent T.B, and two extents of Plain Bob.
Norman Smith .
Treble
Pamela Blakeley
2
3
juhn P. Partingion.
John H. Fielden
Roger Leigh
Tenor
Conducted hy Norman Smith.
Rung half-mufficed in memory of Canon W. :i. Cunliffe, former Vicar and a ringers' fricnd.

BARKING, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 MIINOR
Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and six different extents of Plain Boh
Wal.trir S. Bailey
Hubirit A. Mitson
. Treble Tenor 11 cwt 1 qr .7 lb . in G
*Joitn E. Ivingis
Tenor
Conducied hy Robert E: Lefistr.

* Jirst peal in two methods "inside.

Rung ats an 8oth birthday compliment to Joseph Prentice, former sexton. Also a birthdity compliment to the Rector (Catmon S. H1. de la Here) and Mrs. R. E. Lester.

BFLTON. LINCOI NSHIRE
THF LPNCOLN DIOCFSAN GUII.I)
(West Lindsey Branch.)
(In Sut.. Jent. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 4.5 Mimules
Af the Chitirch of Ail Sainis
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Oxiord, single Oxford, St. Clement's Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Trehle Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh.

| te | M. Btalkit: |
| :---: | :---: |
| Jamies Thorlify .. .. .. 2 | A. Reain Hrpplens |
| 11. Bantr . . .. 3 | Gitorcil: E. Feir | Conducted by Gioree E Firs

First peal on the bells, which were recently increased from four to six, CHENIES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jarr. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minures,
At thi: Church of Sir. Michal:.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MIINOR
Being one extent each of Kingston, London Scholars Pleasure, Sandal Capel, Oxford and Kent, and one of Kent and Oxford Tenor 9 cwt 1 qr .21 lb . in B flat.


Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First of Treble Bob.

Rung in connection with the Rickmansworth ringers' annual dinner. DROITWICH SPA. WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICT'S ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Jan. 30. 1960. in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

> AI TH: CHURCH OF ST. PIIIR-DI:-WITION.

A PEAL OF 5160 GRANDSIRE DOLBI.ES
Being 33 extents (ten callings) and five $240^{\circ}$ s (four callings)

James E. Pulion
*Ann E. Frilows
$\dagger$ Tonie J. Critchley

Tenor $9 t$ cwt. in $G$.
$\begin{array}{cccccc}\text { Treble } & \text { Aima M. Grfaves .. } & \text {. } & 4 \\ \text {. } & 2 & \text { Bran J. Woodruffe } & \text {. } & 5 \\ \ldots & 3 & \text { Paul Catremmoie } & \text {.. } & \text {. Teno }\end{array}$ Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

* First peal. * First of Grandsire Doubles. DYRIIAM. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sar., Jar. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules,

At ihe Chlerch of St. Peifr.
A PEAL OF 5040 PIAIN ROH IIINOR
being seven extents, each called differently, 5-h right way tiroughout. Tenor 11 cwt., approx.
Eric Sution o. .
*Citrford J. Richards Treble: Pinila I: Parry

Jamis W. Sprules
Charifis G. Jonis
Conducted by Victor Griffin.

* First peal. First of Minor on the hells.

GAMSTON. NOTTINGHAMSIHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Jan. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
Af the Church of Si. Peirer.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents
Mrs. R. Mumford
Anne Rifad
Grace: Burchnall.

Treble
2
Harold Dinman
4

Conducted by Harold Denman.

GREAT GLEN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the: Church of St. Cuthbert.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB NINOR

Being seven extents. Patricia A. Wardif. Brian G. Warwick Brian G. Warwick ... .
Sanidri E. Chestfrton $\frac{2}{3}$ Conducted by $A$

Tenor 9 cwt 26 lb

## HOPE, FLINTSHIRE

TIE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Olf Sat., Jan. 31, 196t, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Chlikcli of St. Cynfarch,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Kent Trehle Boh and Single Oxford Boh, and ihree of Plain Boh.
Gforgr F. Spirking *Robin J. Lfe. Groffrey Parting

Trehle | Pfracy Swinidity |
| :---: | :--- | Tenor 111 cw

Conducted by John S. Dian.

* First neal of Minor and tirst *inside.

> YOXFORD. SUFFOLK.

THE SUIFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., Feb. 1, 1950, in 2 Ifours and 41 Minutes, At tir Church of St. Petier.

## A PEAI. OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of Oxford Boh, Double Oxford. Kent Treble Boh. St Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob. Plain Boh and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 11 cwt .

Rung as a birthday compliment to James M. Bailey.

## KIRBY MUXLOE, LEICESTERSHIRF.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Feh. 2. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 25 Minules,
At the Chilirch of St. Bartholomi:w,
A PEAL OF: 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents: 11 each of St. Simon's Boh and St. Martin's Boh,
and ten each of Plain Boh and Grandsire
Tenor 7 cwt . 1 gr .5 lb . in A חat.

* Curisime Bfasiey . Treble Ian J. Fraser

Joinn M. Jelliy .. .. 2 A. James Poynor $\quad .$.
Russmit. S. Morris. .. .. Temor Conducted hy A. James Poynor.

* First peal.

Rung as :1 21st hirthday compliment to Mrs. Joyce Winkless, sister of the conductor and ringer at this church.

CROWLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Feb. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of SS. Bariholomew. Guihlac and Mary. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Douhle Boh, Double Coust, Douhle Oxford. St. Clement`. Cambridge Surprise. Kent Trehle IBoh and Plain Boh.
Whilam A. Holmes
Tenor 9 cwi 2 cjr .8 lb.
Willam A. Holmes . Treble John G. Ames.
Sitanify E. Binneit. . . $\quad \frac{2}{3}$ *C. Haroid Whition ... 5
J. Maritin Thorley . . . $\quad 3 \quad$ Frank Tayior .. .. .. Temor

## * 100tl peal.

Conducted by J. Mariin Thorley.
BLAKESLEY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Feh. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minuies. At the Cilurch of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. HLAISE DOLIBLES
Being 42 extents (different callings). Tenor 10 cwt . in F sharp.
Timothy A. Wonding .. Treble ! Victor A. Perry
Percy amos
Giorge. F. Roome
Allan R. Jones
Conducted hy Grorge F. Roomr.
First peal in the method. Rung for the Festival of St. Blaise.

The Accumulated Experience of Four Generations is behind all our Clocks

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Fieb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Margarft,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two 720's each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.. and one 720 of Plain Bob.

John H. Sitch. . . . . Treble
Hirmon J. Oitiver .. .. 2
Syivia A. Hayward .. 3 Larlrence H. Tilenre . .
Conducted by Harry Turner.

* First peal (aged 15). † First of Minor in four methods.


## MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE. <br> THE OXFORD SOCIETY.

On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

> At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Comprising two extents Reverse Canterhury Pleasure Bob, 20 of Grandsire and 20 Plain Bob.
Ci.ive Holloway

Tenor 5 cwt. in $C$.
Roy H. Jones

> Treble
> *David Jones
> EDward Venn alec Gammon
> Conducted by Edward Vinn.

* First peal.

Rung for the eighth anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the Throne.

## NASSINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

 On Sat.. Feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All, Saints,
## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of St. Simon, St. Albans, St. Martin. St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, St. Nicholas, St. Giles. St. Thomas, St. Andrew, St. Miles, St. John and St. Luke. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 gr. 16 lb. Victor A. Perry .. .. Treble | Robert S. Roberts .. .. 3
 Allan R. Jones.. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Allan R. Jones.
First peal of 'all-saint' methods for the hand. and for the Guild.
Rung for the eighth anniversary of the accession of Queen Elizabeth 11.

## handblll PEALS

## SOUTHAMPTON.

TIIE SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wed., Jan. 27, 1900, in 1 llour and 47 Minures,
In Room A.29, South Sinni ham Housf, Swaythiling, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven exients (iwo callings). Tenor size 12 in F . Geoffriz R. Crisp.... $1-2 \mid$ \#Raymond A. Brown .. $3-4$ †DAVID J. Forder .. .. 5-6 Conducted by David J. Forder.

* First peal "in hand." † First of Minor "in hand.' First peal as conductor. First handbell peal for the Guild.


## SELBY, YORKSHIRE. <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> (Selhy and District Society.)

On Sat., Jan. 30. 1960. in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes,
In the Ringing Chambir of the Abbi:y (SS. Mary and Grimanus).
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in three methods: Six extents of Plain Boh and 18 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.
Aian Grundy
Bfitiy Martinson .. .. 5—6
Conducted by Ronald R. Warford.
First peal in three methods by all.
LEVERSTOCK GREEN, IIERTFORDSHIRE. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sun., Jan. 31, 1960, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes,

In the School.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods: (1) St. Clement's, (2) Kent Trehle Boh, (3) Double Bob, (4), (5), (6) and (7) Plain Boh.
Gerald Penney..
Tenor siza 15 in C .
*Stanley Huckle .. .. 5-6
Conducted by Gerat.d Penney.

* First peal of Minor in four methods 'in hand.'

Rung to welcome Christine Mary Ayre, grand-daughter of Mr. Watter Ayre.

## John Taylor \& Co.

AYLESTONE, LEICESTER.-On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Patricia A. Wardle 1, Sandra E. Chesterton 2, Christine Wakefield 3, Rev. Peter Black man 4. Russell S. Morris 5, Terence 1. Roper 6, A James Poynor (first as conductor in meihod) 7, Paul Martin 8. For Evensong.
EATII, SOMERSET. - On Jan. 10th, at the Abbey 1.2401 Cambridge Surprise Major: D). Evans 1, W. J. Prescoll 2, S. A. Read 3, G. Hawkins 4, W. Hurford 5. C. Taylor 6, P. Weeks 7, R. O. Frv 8. First quarter of Major on the bells. Rung for ordination service.
BEENHAM, BERKS.-On Jan. 11th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Wallace 1. Hazel White 2. R. W. Bob Minor: E. Wallace 1. Hazel White 2. R. W.
Rex (cond.) 3. G. K. Dodd 4. E. Woolgrove 5, R. F. Crook 6.

BRFIDFIELD, SUFFOLK.-On Jan. 22nd, 1,320 Minor (Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's and Chuldwall. Reverse, Double, Piain and Littie Bobs) E. G. Pearce 1. J. Pilgrim 2, R. L. K. Whittell 3, P. S. Bedford 4, J. B. Moriey 5, L. N. Melton (cond.) 6. First quarter in eight methods by all. Also 1,320 Surprise Minor (Ipswich and Cambridge): R. L. K Whitell 1, 1. Pilgrim 2, I. B. Morley (cond.) 3 L. N. Melton 4. P. S. Bedford S, E. G. Pearce 6.
First in two Surnrisc methods by $1,3,4$ and 6. First in two Surnrise methods by 1, 3, 4 and 6. A parish.
BRIGHTON. SUSSEX. - At the Church of Se. Peter, on Feb. 7th, 1.264 Grandsire Triples: B. North 1, Betty Stephenson 2, L. Batting 3, H. W. Wonlven (cond.) 4, G. North 5. A. W. Bond 6, W. A. Riddington 7. C. W. T, Riddlesion 8. For Evensong. BRISTOL. On Jan. 24th, at the Lord Mayor's Chanel (St. Mark's). 1.260 Stedman Duubles: Mrs. P. Lewington 1, P. Bourne 2. B. Shackletbn 3, P Hird 4, T. Edwards 5, W. Hibbert 6. Conducted jointly by 2 and 5.-Also on Jan. 26ih, at Chriat Church with St. Ewen, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Monica Horseman 1, Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2, D J. Hunt 3, Joan Grav 4. R. J. Bowden 5, J. H Sullard 6, D. E. Cobb 7, M. J. Hurseman (first of Royal as cond.) 8, D. C. Exon 9, J. Brain 10. First of Plain Royal for 1, 7, 8, 9 and 10 . Rung for St Paul's Day.-Also at St. Michacl"s Church, on Jan 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Angela Grainger 1 Beryl Abbott 2, M. Austin 3, M. Rothwell 4, Jane Cook (first of Minor as cond.) 5, J. Baldwin 6. For Evensong by the U.B.S.C.R
IURTON-UPON-TRENT, STAFFS, On Feb, 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Daubles ( $7,6,8$ covering) : Margare Squires 1. G. Harrison 2, T. Pryce 3. Jill Cochrane 4. J. H. Britean (cond.) 5, R. A. Welton 6, H. H. Britan \%, W. A. Cortin (hrst quarter) 8. Rung as a compliment to the conductor, whe, 50 years ago (3anuary 29h), was elected a member of the old Midland Counties Association.
CAYTHORPE, LINCS.-On Feb. 6th, 1,260 Grand sire Triples: J. Bennett 1, G. Scott 2, S. Proctor (cond.) 3, F. Pinchbeck 4, H. Seuires 5, L. Squires A. 1. Crage 7, W. Dale 8. An 82 nd birthlay compliment to George Scott (Fulbeck).
DONCASTER, YORKS. - On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Ayres 1, Miss M. Battram 2. E. Dalingwater 3, H. Wagstaff 4. C. Toyne 5. L. Webb 6. W. E. Critchley (cond.) 7, S. Boyes 8 . To ceicbrate the birth of a son, David Michael, to the ringer of the flfth.
EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.-On Jan. 30th, 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: Mary Powell 1. T Worner 2, V. James 3. M. J. Horseman (cond.) 4 J. C. Baldwin 5, J. Brain 6. First quarter 2 and 3. EDNONTON. NIDDLESEX. - 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Iris George 1. D. Langdon 2. W: George (Arst 'inside ') 3. Trudy Ncwcombe 4. 3. Weeks 5 T. Hawkins 6. F. Gitbert (cond.) 7. J. Bacon 8 . Rung for the christening of Stephen James, son of ringer of the fifth.
HEAVTRREE, EXETER. - On Feb, 7th, 1.260 Grandeire Triples: N. Mallett (eond.) 1, C. Yote 2.
F. Wills 3. R. Truman 4. A. Truman 5. G. Skinner Ff. Wreford 7, G. Webb 8. Rune on the occasion of the eighth anniversary of Her Majesty's Accession to the Throne.
HOIME PIERREPONT, NOTTS. On Dec 31 sI , 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Sue Meredith 1, Dorcen Armatrong 2. Ruth Blackshaw 3. M. Hamson 4. A
Larken 5. F. Bradley (cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 3rd 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Sue Meredith 1. Doreen Arm srone 2. Rulh Blackshaw 3, M. Hamson 4. A. Larken 3. F. Bradley 6. Conducted by F. Pradley and Doreen Armatrong. For evening service.
KELVEDON, ESSEX. On Feb. 3rd. 1.320 Oxford Trehle Boh Minor: I. Pabworth 1. F. Whiterod 2 Miss W. Elliost 3, H. Gardner 4. C. Burson 5, A. R. Elliont (coml.) 6. Rune half-mufled in memory of who was interred this dey.

## QUARTER PEALS

KNOWLE, BRISTOL-On Feb, 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Seager 1, R. J. Bowden 2. J. H Stallard 3, Monica Horseman 4, J. Brain 5, D. J. Hunt 6, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 7, E. J. Hillier 8. Rung half-munted as a tribute to the life and work of Canun G. W. L. Wynne, Vicar of this church 1927 1958, and of Clifford, Herefordshire, 1958-1964).
LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS. (On Jan. 24th. 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Reverse St. Hartholomew. St. Simon's Bub, Plain Boh and Grandsire): R. Paxton (first quarter) 1. A. J. Sirathdee 2. M. W. Fairey (cond.) 3, E. W. Collev 4, J. B. Dinenage 5. P. Ellis 6. For the Conversion of St Paut.
MALDON, ESSEX.-On Feb. 7ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss C. Towler ( 12 years. first quarter) 1 A. Hubble 2, F. White 3. J. Clarke 4. J. Towler 5 S. C. Easter (cond.) 6. For Evensong and a birthday compliment to J. Clarke.
MARCH, CAMBS. ( $)$ n Feb. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Richard Lee (14) 1. Malcolm Jones (16) 2 , David Feek (16) 3. June Peel 4, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5. John Payne (16), 6. First euarter for all the band exeent conductor. For Moming Prayer.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On Fcb, 9h. $1,260 \mathrm{St}$. Clement's Bub Minor: P. Blake 1. Mary Powell 2. C. Richards 3, J. C. Baldwin 4. J. Brain 5, C Kortright (first in method as cond.) 6. First in method 'inside' for 2, 3, 4. A birthdav compliment to the ringer of the second
NORTHAMPTON.-At the Church of the Holy Scpulchre, un Jan. 24th, 1,260) Plain Bub Minor (tenor covering): Miss G. H. Burman 1, R. S. Roberts 2 Miss J. A. Downing 3, Miss D. M. Miller 4, T Jenninas 5, G. F. Roome (cond.) 6, Miss A. Shakeshaft (first quarter) 7. An 8 mh binhday compliment to Mr. T. Jennings.
NORTON, HERTS.-On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bub Minor (tenor covering): Miss C. Wills 1, Miss J. Sanderson 2, I. Werrett 3, A. E. Pound 4, R. Day 5, W. Hitch (cond.) 6, Miss R. George 7. For Holy Communion.
OLD MARSTON, OXFORD.-On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Doubles, comprising 360 each Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob and 540 Grandsire Doubles: Kav Willkins 1. Aloc Gammon 2. Christine M. Woodward 3, Clive Holloway 4. Roy M. Jones (first as cond. in three methods) 5. For Evensong.

## PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.-At St. Mary's

 Church, on Feb. 7th, 240 Grandsire, 1.020 Bob Doubles: B. Branston (first on a working bell) 1 . Mrs. M. Parker 2, L. Brighton (first 'inside') 3, M. Parker (cond.) 4. G. Cowlin 5, G. Davis 6. Fo morning service.RONEVEY, HANTS.-On Feb, 7th, 1.26 x Siedman Trinles: C. M. White 1. M. D. G. Northway 2 , Miss D. J. Knight 3. M. L. Northway 4. H. J. Page 5. D. Greenlaw 6. A. W. Frv (cond.) 7, K. I. Jacobs 8. First of Sicdman Triples for all except 2 and 4. First in methed by a local band. Rung for Evensung and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Audrey Knight.
ROUGHAM, StFFOLK. - On Jan. 31st. 1.260 Minor (Kent Treble Bob and Plain Both: M. Rosi (first quarter) 1. Miss A. Graves (first 'inside') 2. L. Nice 3, H. Mitsen 4. R. Rose (cond.) \$. E. Nice 6. SADDLEWORTH. IORKS.-On Feb, 6th, 1.26a Grandsire Doubles: B. Cole (first away from cover) 1. Christine B. Clayton 2. R. Maher 3. M. 1). Fish wick 4. J. P. Partington (cond.) 5. G. Rothwell 6. SOLTHGATE, LONDON.-At Christ Church. on Feb. 7th. 1.260 Devubles ( 480 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob, 300 Stedman): S. G. Peek 1. Pam Miller 2 W. Wainwright (first of 1 houbles $\mathcal{B}$ inside ${ }^{\circ}$ ) 3. 11. Miller 4. C. Aldridge (cond.) 5. L. G. Gates (first of Inubles) 6. For the Parish Communion.
STANWELL, MIDDLESEX,-On Feb. 3rd, 1.260 Plain Bot and Grandsire Dnubles: R. Medway 1 Monica Blagrove 2. C. B. Fynea 3. D. Pickett 4 F. T. Blaktove 5, D. J. Evans 6. First quarter for
I and 6.
STEPNEY, LONDON.-On Jan. $24 \mathrm{ch}, 1.260$ GrandSTEPNEY, LONDON.-On Jan 24ch, 1.260 Grand-
ire Doubles (10 callings): P. Tarling (first away from tenor) 1. Elizaheth Stevinson 2. J. Sheldrick (firat - inside ") 3, A. Lewry 4, L. J. Fox (cond,) 5. J.

## Scotcher 6. For Evensong.

STOKE BISHOP. BRISTOL.-On Feh, 71h, I,26k Plain Boh Minor: M. A. Hill 1. N. C. Buckland 2 Edith Brocklehurst 3. P. M. J. Gray 4. R. J. Brockilehursi (cond.) 5, J. K. Laver 6.

SUNNINGWELL, BERKS. - On Feb. 7th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Picasure, Clifford Pleasure, Southrenns Pleasure, Plain Bob. Aprit Day and Kennington): Miss D. Honey 1. M. lones 2, Miss J. Jones 3, 1. Honey 4. A. R. Pink (cond.) 5. Rung half-mumed as a last tribute 10 Guy Wildman Burnett and Joseph Higgins, former churchwardens of this narish.
TAMWORTH. STAFFS. - On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Beryl E. Cawser 1. Eileen Willsun (first 'inside') 2 E. Elton 3, N. W. Attaway 4, H. J Dakin 5, L. Hodgetts 6. G. H. Peers, sen, (cond.) 7, R. Farrant 8.

THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Feb. $7 \mathrm{th}, 1.272$ Oxford Treble Bob Minor: E. E. Davey (cond.) 1, Mrs. P. Mills 2, Mrs. D. Stuteley 3, F. Harvev 4, P. W. Mills 5, W. Downs 6. For Evensong and as a compliment on the birth of a grand-daushter to the ringer of the tenor.
WANTAGE, BERKS.-On FCb. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. White 1, Ian Stoter (first inside ') 2, H. V. Booker 3, K. Leach (cond.) 4. A. E. Fullbrook 5, D. Stoter 6, A. R. Wood 7, H. White 8. For Sung Eucharist on the occasion of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Oxford.
WHITBY. YORKS. - On Feb. 4ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Lamerton 1. A. V. Coates 2. J. Waller 3. G. White 4. H. Waters 5, J. Hodgsin 6. S. R. Elwick (cond.) 7, F. Lamerton 8. Rung as a comoliment to Mr, and Mrs. Douglas Elwick on the birth of a daughter, the first grandchild of the conductor.
WIMRLEDON, SURIREY. - On Feb, 7th. 1.276 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1 Alan Bagworth 2. Susan Rawlings 3. Anne Garnett 4. George Gondman 5, Anthony S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
WOLLATON, NOTTS.-On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Moore 1, P. W. Hawcock 2. R. Preston 3, G. Stroud 4, P. J. Hawcock (cond.) 5, R. Stroud 6. First euarter for $1,2,4$ and 6 . Rung for Evensong.

## SUNDAY SERVICE NEWS <br> ST. JOHN'S, HILLINGDON

St. John's Guild, Hillingdon, recently held their annual meeting, with the Vicar (Rev. F. C. Tyler) in the chair. F. W. Goodfellow (cap tain), A. R. G. Iwinn (treasurer) and F. C Price (steeple keeper) were all re-elected, but T. G. Bannister. who was unable to serve, was replaced by M. J. Palmer as secretary. Mr Bannister was thanked for carrying out his duties so conscientiously for six years.
In view of the importance of the Family Communion service at $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on Sundays. it was decided to ring for this service instead of Matins on the first and third Sundays in the month. On the suggestion of the captain, it was agreed that the Guild would take Cor porate Communion once a quarter.
Four peal attempts were arranged in 1960, including one in September to celebrate the completion by Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow of 411 years' membership as a ringer of the St. John's Guild. Perhaps this is unusual for a woman ringer, especially as Mrs. Goodfellow still rings in the tower in which she was taught to ring Can readers give similar examples?

## ST. PETER'S, DORCHESTER

St. Peter's Society. Dorchester, at their dinner and annual meeting on January 30 h , at the Wessex Restaurant, presented the Rector. who is shortly going to his new parish at Motcombe. with a musical cigarette hox in appreciation of the interest shown in the ringers during his incumbency. The presentation was made by the lower captain (Mr. R. H. Duke). The Rector expressed his thanks for the gift and his appreciation of the part played by Mr. Duke and the ringers in the life of the church during his incumbency

Officers elected were: Master, the Rev. P. I Heaton; deputy Master (captain), Mr. R. H. Duke; vice-captain and treasurer, Miss B. J. Dyke: correspondent. Mr. G. R. Churchill Seven new members were elected-Messrs. P Slade, D. Shorto, F, Stoneham. N. Tucker, 1 Porter. J. D. L. Richards and D. Hide. Entertainment was provided by Mr. W. Crocker and the evening ended with a course of Grandsire rung on handbells by Mr. R. H. Duke, Miss B. J. Dyke and Miss W. S. Bongard.

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Stone, Staffordshire, ringers made local history on January 30th by ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples. The only outsider was Mr. G. Arnold Moore of Newcastle-under-Lyme, the conductor. Congratulations go to two first-pealers-Christine Glover (15) and A. E. Purslow. The only all-local peal at Stone was in 1925. Mr. W. Buckley rang in both peals.

Bristol University Society have applied for affiliation to the Central Council.

Could anyone clarify the weight of the tenor at Dyrham. Glos? It seems lighter than $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., writes Mr. V. Griffin, of Swindon. There is no weight or founder's name in the belfry.
A "father and son 'peal was rung at Salford Priors, Warwicks, on January 30th, helieved to he the first for the Worcestershire and Districts Association.

Mr. F. B. Lufkin rang the fourth bell at Ardleigh, Essex. to a peal on Jantary 30th. This bell is inscribed 'Thomas Lufkin, C. W.' and dated 1675. Is there any possible connection?

The peal of St. Clement's Major at Brough-ton-in-Furness (see page 51) was the first in the method by all the hand. It was in this lower that Mr. Nicholas M. Newby (the conductor) rang his first peal in July, 1927.

Correction.-In the peal rung at Kettering. ham, Norfolk, on August 16th, for the Norwich Diocesan Association, the hand stood as follows: William Clover 1, Miss Mary Maddison 2, Bevan W. Willgress 3, Henry Tooke 4, Thomas E. Spight 5, Geoffrey R. Drew 6. and not as printed on page 52 of "The Ringing World.'
Resulting from the retirement of the Vicar of Dean Prior, Devon, last year, the Church Commissioners are asking for an Order to unite the parish with Buckfastleigh. Dean Prior has an excellent ring of six bells, rung every Sunday at $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. by ringers from two neighbouring parishes, under the direction of Mr. A. L. Bennett, of Buckfasileigh, who has heen in charge of the tower since the living became vacant.

## GOSSIP

Romsey Abbey ringers have achieved their principal aim for some time past in ringing a quarter peal of Stedman Triples. They are indebted to friends from Southampton-the Kippin family and Roger Savory in particular - whose monthly visits to practices have enabled them to learn the method.
The peal at Woolton, Lancs, on January 30th, was the lirst of Major on the bells, for 30 years.
Encouraging news comes from March, Cambs, where a quarter peal containing all ' firsts; except the conductor was rung on February 7th.

Mr. William Shepherd, of Addlestone, writes that he has taken 'The Ringing World from the first number in 1911, and The Bell New's since the early '90's.
Ringing at the annual meeting of the Northern District of the Hertford County Association at Hitchin was curtailed by the breaking of the clapper of the seventh.

The new band at Dore, near Sheffield, is improving rapidly since its formation last Seplemher, and ringing lakes place twice on Sundays. Several new members have joined since Christmas, hut all are sorry to lose one of the most competent memhers, who sailed for Australia on Fehruary 5th.
Carols on handhells, four-in-hand, were rung hy Cubs of the 102 nd Aylestone Cub Pack last Christmas, and the sum of $£ 142 \mathrm{~s}$. was collected in four hours. This was donated to the Refugee Year through Inter-Church Aid. Twenty handhells were used and the band were trained by their Cubmaster, Mrs. W. M. Warwick.

Chelmorton, Derbyshire, where the church is 1.209 feet above sea level, hopes to have the highest bells in the county on which a peal can be rung. The present four are at the Loughborough Foundry-three to be retuned and the tenor recast. A fifth hell will be added to the ring-recast from a bell formerly in Derwent Woodlands Church, which is now submerged under the Ladyhower Reservoir. A new frame is also to he provided, the work io be completed by June $26 t \mathrm{~h}$.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Limitation Of Service Of Ringing Master

Members of the Shropshire Association met for their A.G.M. in Shrewsbury on January 30th. Ringing at St. Mary's and St. Chad's ranged from rounds to Cambridge Royal and Stedman Cinques, and visitors were welcomed from Staffordshire, Herefordshire, Birmingham and elsewhere.

The retiring Ringing Master (Mr. Arthur Pritchard) reviewed the activities of the Association over the past year. The peal total was a modest one, but included Imperial Bob methods rung for the first time at Clun, High Ereall and Cheswardine. The first peal was rung on the new six at St. Martin's, near Oswestry, in July, and the six at Prees have been rehung by Taylor's. The meetings and Saturday evening practice meetings have been, on the whole, successful. The treasurer (Mr. F. Hector Bennetl) reported :ln increase of t15 in the halance in hand, and urged members to pay their subscriptions promptly.
A motion to limit the consecutive years of office of the Ringing Master to threc years was passed unanimously. The officers were then elected for 1960. Ringing Master and Central Council representative, Harry Poyner; deputy Ringing Master, Reginald H. Newton; secretary, Frederick A. H. Cattell : treasurer, F. Hector Bennett; auditor, Frederick H. Bennett. The newly-appointed Bishop of Shrewsbury (Ri. Rev. W. A. Parker) had previously agreed to become president, and was formally welcomed at the meeting.

After a lively discussion on the relative merits of a peal book (which, for safety, would have to stay in one place) and of printed reports (which members threw away or left lying to gather the dust). it was decided to buy a peal hook, to commence in 1960, and also to duplicate a report, in book form, for the years 1957 to 1959. Reports will be printed in future as offen as finances allow
Fighteen new members were elected. including 14 from Whitchurch. In recognition of his help and encouragement to them over many years, the band of St. Alkmund's. Whitchurch, have elected Mr. Edward V. Rodenhurst their have clected Mr.
life vice-president.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 8



ALBERT A. HUGHES, J.P.
(Hon. Treasurer of "The Ringing World")
Probably no one connected with ringing is better known than Albert Arthur Hughes, for his work has taken him to many parts of the world. He was born in July, 1885, and was the eldest son of Arthur Hughes, bell-founder, of Whitechapel, London. After serving three years in the City, he joined his father at the Foundry in 1904. In 1910 he married Annie Lillian, only daughter of W. D. Smith, of Hackney (the Maister). Those who have not heard this lady's wonderlul musical performances on handhells will have missed one of the most delightful experiences possible.
Mr. Hughes took full control of the bell foundry on the death of his father in 1916, and

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AT WAKEFIELD

## Central Council Representation

 TUIE winter meeting of the Association was held at Wakefield on January 23rd, heing well attended by members and friends from each of the Districts. Good use was made of the musical ring of six at St. Helen's, Sandal Magna, during the afternoon, and following the meeting the fine modern ring of 12 at the Cathedral was at the disposal of members.The committee meeting was held during the afternoon. after which a brief service took place in the Cathedral, conducted by the Provost. Following tea, the business meeting was held in Brook Sireet Schools. the chair being taken by the president (Archdeacon C. O. Ellison), supported by the Provost (Very Rev. Noel T. Hopkins), the Bishop of Pontefract (Rt. Rev. G. W. Rins), the Bishop of Ponter ract (Rt. Rev. G. W.
Clarkson) the general secretary (Mr. L. W. G. Morris), the hon. treasurer (Mr. G. Benfield) and the hon. peal secretary (Mr. W. E. Critchley).

Mr. N. F. Moxon moved a vote of thanks to the Provost. also to the Vicar and churchwardens of Sandal, for placing their respective bells at the disposal of members. This was seconded by the president, who referred to the warm welcome the Association always received at Wakefield. The motion was carried with applause, and in acknowledgment the Provost of Wakefield said he regarded it as both a privilege and pleasure to welcome so large a gathering. Mr. J. W. Moxon replied on behalf of the Vicar and churchwardens of Sandal. A similar vote of thanks to the local companies for their excellent co-operation, and to the ladies who had so efficiently served tea. was moved by Mr. 1. Slack, seconded by Mr. V. Bottomley, and carried with acclamation.

On the motion of Mr. P. Birkett, seconded hy Mr. A. Smith. it was unanimously agreed to accept an invitation from Sheffield to hold the next meeting there on April 30th. The following new members were clected: Gordon Brook, Brian Carter. Roger Cronack. Richard Harker and John Sykes (Pontefract), Robert Young and John Cirson (Rotherhanm), Donald Murray (Scarborough), Authony Baxter (Pudsey), Dr. T. David Spencer (Doncaster) and, as a nonresident member, Peter J. Came, of Danbury, Essex.
The president reported that the committee had that afternoon considered in part the report of the rules sub-committee, but had deferred laking a decision in the matter of replacing Association badges until the next meeting, at which the peal secretary had promised to display his collection. In place of the former emblem the committee recommended the issue 10 new members of a booklet containing a copy of the rules plus a certificate of membership.

The committee also recommended the introduction of a rule governing the election of representatives to the Central Council in the following terms: 'Nominations shall be received at the September general meeting, and the election shall take place at the January meeting prior to the first meeting of a new Council.' The president explained that this could not operate this year, as quite obviously nominations would have had to be received at the September meeting last, but, subject to the approval of the meeting, it would become effective following the triennial period of the new Council due to be elected this year. Until then. representatives would be elected by the general committee as in the past. This was agreed.
(Continued next column)
at the present time is still in control of its activities, assisted by William and Douglas, his two brilliant sons. Possessing a flair for civic matters, he was admitted to the Livery of the Worshipful Company of Skinners in 1917, and in 1958 was presented with the honorary freedom of the Founders Company. He is chairman of the Board of Governors of Sir John Cass College, in the City of London, and is also chairman of the 17 th century Davenant Grammar School. Whitechapet. He is a lay magistrate in the Tower Division, London, and General Commissioner of Income Tax for the same division. For many years he has been warden of the Corporation Church (St. Lawrence Jewry, by the Guildhall) and churchwarden of St. Botolph's, Aldgate.
He learned to ring at St. Matthew's. Bethnal Green, under the late Matt. Wood (whose last peal he conducted) in 1909. Joining the College Youths in 1903, he was clected Master in 1914, and served during the war years until 1918 in that capacity. He was elected as College Youths representative to the Central Council, and later became an honorary member. He served the Ancient Society as treasurer for 40 years, hut resigned in 1956 on account of pressure of work in many capacities. In 1927 he formed and taught a band at St. Lawrence Jewry, where the heavy bells were rung every Sunday until the war broke out in 1939.
In his younger days his enthusiasm knew no bounds, for on one occasion he pulled up single-handed all the bells at Bow. Cheapside, which included the 52 cwt . tenor, prior to ringing that bell to a peal. He also rang the tenors to peals at Cornhill, Southwark, Wrington and Stepney, and in those days bells did not 'go "so well as they do today. He has no complete record of his peals, but they number about 200.
Mention must be made of his services in connection with this journal. When J. Goldsmith died he was one of a committee who took over the responsibility for the continuance of the paper, and shared the financial commitments to that end. He now serves as treasurer, and is always in evidence at meetings of 'The Ringing World ' Comnittec.

JAFUS.

## Tips For Beginners-8

If you are ringing Plain Bob and are not sure where to dodge, you can save a trip by watching the other bells. The one following the treble down is due to dodge $3 / 4$ down, the next $5 / 6$ down. and so on. If. for instance, you meet in $5 / 6$ the bell which is due to dodge $5 / 6$ down, you must obviously be due to dodge 5/6 up. The same system works in Grandsire, and on the higher mumbers of bells this is a more reliable way of kecping right than trying to remember the 'blue line.'

## Yorkshire Association-Cont.

Mr. N. Chaddock next moved that Central Council representation be brought up to full permitted strength by filling the existing vacancy, and submitted a nomination. The president pointed out that it would not be in order to accept nominations at this meeting. but he would welcome the guidance of the meetings as to policy in the matter of appointing a fourth representative. In seconding the first part of the motion, Mr. H. Walker said he felt that an Association of this size should be fully represented as a matter of prestige. Considerable discussion ensued, and on being put to the vote the motion was carried by a large majority.

Mr. N. Chaddock reminded members of the course in bell-ringing arranged to take place on April 23 rd $/ 24$ th at Grantley Hall Adult College. near Ripon. The fee to resident members of the Association would be two guineas, and all applications should be addressed to the Bursar at the College. This concluded the business. following which further ringing was enjoyed.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## COMRADE DOSTOYEVSKI

Dear Sir -In view of the comments which appeared in your correspondence columns on February 5th, I feel bound to make it known that the favourable notices which comrade Dostoyevsk1 received in connection with the peal which I called at Rothwell on January 2nd were originated neither by myself nor by Mr. A. P. Cannon, who submitted the peal for publication.

As a loyal member of the Conservative and Unionist Association I can only condemn what appear to be the first signs of subversive Bolshevik infiltration into the columns of 'The Ringing World,' and hope that none of your more impressionable readers will take this as a signal for the beginning of a fair shares for al! : movement in ringing circles. A friend of mine whose life-long moto has been You want the best tenors- ring them!" is already becoming apprehensive.

However, every cloud has its silver lining. and I am sure that many towerkeepers will be interested to hear that the leatherbound omnibus edition of the late lamented comrade's complete works. if firmly secured to the lower end of a new tenor rope after Sunday evening ringing, is guaranteed by the publishers to take all the stretch out of it by pratcice night ; also the 1892 edition, printed on rice-paper. tastes delicious.-Yours sincerely,

## Surbiton.

ROBIN G. LEALE.
The peal was not submitted for publication by Mr. A. P. Cannon.-Ed.

## APOLOGY TO VICAR SUGGESTED

Dear Sir,-The band that rang the peal, apart from attributing it to some ridiculous anniversary, did not have the courtesy to invite any of the local band to ring in it, as is customary in this area when it is known that members of the local band are capable of ringing the method. In addition, they have caused the incumbent. who incidentally is the president of the Peterborough Guild of Church Bell Ringers, a certain amount of embarrassment, as the report appeared in the local evening paper with the usual and ohvious free licence of the democratic press.

The net result of this incident is that the Vicar of Rothwell being once bitten will be ewice shy in allowing peals in future unless under special circumstances. which seems a pity as only four peal attempts are at present allowed annually on this very fine octave.

Perhaps a letter of apology from the organiser to the Vicar of Rothwell might help to make an amicable conclusion to this incident. which with more adult thought and less adole:cent indiscipline at the time could have been avoided.-Yours faithfully.

BRIAN AUSTIN.
Ringing Master. Kettering District.

A PROMISING YOUNG CONDUCTOR
Dear Sir.-Great credit is due to F. Neville Pailing on conducting his first peal at the first attempt on January 16th (see 'R.W. January 29(h), especially as there were two firsts and two firsts of Major in the band, Neville is a month under 15 years of age. The way he handled the 141 cwt . tenor was something to be admired and the striking was everything to be desired throughout.-Yours faithfully,

FREDERICK A. SALTER.
Nottingham.

## RINGING AND COMPUTORS

Dear Sir, -I was most interested to read Mr. A. Tomlinson's letter on page 90, as 1 have been investigating the use of high speed digital computors as an aid to proving peals. The machine in my case is an I.B.M. 704, which is considerably larger than the D.E.U.C.E. and employs a different method of internal storage.

Much difficulty has been found in programming the streamlined methods of finding false course-ends, and 1 have had to fall back on to the system in 'Surprise Methods ' in the Jasper Snowdon series of books. A degree of success has been met here as the logic is very straightforward, but progress is slow in general because I cannot spend very much ime in programming and especially in running programmes due to high cost of machine time of the order of 30 shillings per minute - which is always at a premium.

Since the I.B.M. 704 has no sound unit, it is not possible to play the changes, and the prohibitive cost, I think. will prevent a mechanisation of peal proving. I can endorse Mr. Tomlinson's remarks with regard to allaying ringers' fears of automation in ringing and emphasise that these "dabblings " are just healthy interest of keen ringers fortunate to have access to 'giant brains,' which might bring to light some inreresting facts.-Yours, etc.,

## GRAEME A. HUGHES.

Warrington, Lancs.

Dear Sir,-I don't think the idea of ringing by electronics with push buttons and flashing lights will appeal to many of us, but 1 am glad to hear of someone acquainted with both change-ringing and computors.
Can Mr. Tomlinson please tell us if D.E.U.C.E. or any other computor could be persuaded to ring through a composition, preferably in silence and faster than even A. P. C. or Stephen Ivin at Evesham, and grind to a halt with a very rude noise if any change comes up twice?

A new or old composition in any method. old or new, which can be programmed could be proved, change by change, once and for all, with no possibility of any falseness being overlooked. It would put an end to all those unhappy false peal withdrawal notices and could possibly prove useful in composition.

If a specialised computor, limited to the proving of peals and touches, could be designed and huilt, presumahly for a fraction of the cost of D.E.U.C.E. ( $£ 50,000$ ), would the Central Council be able to afford to operate one without putting up the price of "The Ringing World again? It would have to be impressed upon the operat or that Treble Chance is not a standard method, irrespective of the number of ' homes,' 'X's,' etc.-Yours faithfully,

## West Wycombe. <br> Bucks.

Dear Sir-l was interested to read Mr. A. Tomlinson's account of his application of a computor to change-ringing, and I shall be glad lo know whether he could devise a programme for proving peal compositions at high speed. No doubt there are many conductors who would welcome an assurance of this kind against withdrawal of a complex peal due to hidden falseness, always assuming that access to a suitable computor is available.-Yours, etc.,

Winchester.

## EXTENSIONS DO NOT CONFORM WITH

 RULESDear Sir, - The Methods Committee has investigated the points raised by Messrs. J. R. Mayne and $F$. T. Blagrave concerning Lyme. Whitwick and Gainsborough Surprise Royals and finds they are quite correct in saying that these extensions from the Major do not conform with the rules for extension adopted by the Central Council in 1953.
Consequently, it is the unanimous opinton of the Committee that these names should be changed and it asks the bands that rang them to rename them accordingly.

It will be noted that, again by Central Council resolution, unanimous decisions of the Methods Committee should at once be published and submitted to the next Council meeting for confirmation. This will be done in this case.-Yours faithfully,

## K. W. H. FELSTEAD. <br> Convener C.C. Methods Committee. Souihampton.

## A PRORLEM IN STEDMAN

Dear Sir, - Your readers may be interested in the following problem which I concocted, arising indirectly out of dealing with the K's of Stedman Triples composition.

Cut out thigty squares of card. of equal sizes, and by drawing the diagonals on each, divide them into four triangles. Colour the four triangles of each square with four different colours, chosen from five. There are thirty distinct ways of doing this, so colour each square differently with one of the thirty ways. Calling the colours $1.2,3,4,5$, and naming the four colours. say, clockwise, the thirty ways are

| 1234, | 1235, | 1243, | 1245, | 1253, | 1254. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1324. | 1325. | 1342, | 1345, | 1352, | 1354, |
| 1423, | 1425, | 1432, | 1435, | 1452, | 1453. |
| 1523, | 1524. | 1532, | 1534, | 1542, | 1543, |
| 2345, | 2354, | 2435, | 2453, | 2534, | 2543. |

The problem is to place them in a rectangle or oblong. five squares by six. so that the colours match where any two squares meet on an edge. and moreover each side of the rectangle is to be of one colour. It is possible. The enthusiast may then try the minety squares using six different colours, placing them in a rectangle nine by ten! This puzzle is curiously like composing a peal. though it has no direct significance.

BRIAN D. PRICE.

## Bognor Regis.

## A TEACHING POINT AT SOLTH WIGSTON

Dear Sir.-May 1, through your columns. reply to Mrs. Johnstone's letter on 'A Teaching Point.
We at South Wigston teach recruits by means of a wall chart showing progress. This provides competition and enthusiasm and is very successful. Down the left-hand side the recruits names are listed. Across the top are set the standards required: (1) Handle bell, (2) Rase hell. (3) Fall bell. (4) Set bell when required. (5) Ring rounds, (6) Plain hunt treble. (7) 'Inside Plain Bob. (8) Treble Bob. (9) Call rouch. (10) Conduct quarter peal, (11) Stedman, (12) Conduct peal.

This system has proved successful with school age recruits. At least three, but not more than six, is enough to work with. depending on the number of more experienced ringers to help.-. Yours sincerely,
(Mrs.) WINIFRED M. WARWICK. Glen Hills,
Leicester.

IT IS WHAT THE RINGER SAYS THAT COUNTS!

## A PLEA FOR EVEN BELL METHODS

Dear Sir.-I am only 100 painfully aware that 1 ant going to revive old issues in writing this letter. and possibly raise again a spectre that has not hatunted us for some time (except for a brief appearance three or four years ago) My excuse is that I have recently given some thought to two problems that must affect all ringers, that of helping the learners and of making our ringing - especially that of be ginners-a little more interesting.

I have for a long time strongly condemned the teaching of Grandsire to learners, and I would go so far as to say that more learners are lost to change-ringing in their early stages (and therefore to the Exercise) through trying to learn Grandsire than from almost any other cause. If this contention is correct-and I will try 10 show the reasons-then captains who teach Grandsire in their lowers as a first method are doing a disservice to their ringers and to the world of change-ringing at large.
Why then do I (and many others) feel so strongly about this? 1 am sure all the reasons must be well known although I have never seen them in print. Firstly, the beginner's earliest attempt at change-ringing will be 10 hunt the treble. He will generaliy learn this on five hetls as Doubles is the usual choice Now when he starts hunting "up he has only four pulls to make before reaching 5ths place thardly time to accustom him to the extra lifting of the bell necessary) and then his whole pull in Sths place is wrong, and I believe this is one of the major difficulties in odd-bell hunting (of course it occurs in other Doubles methods as well as in Grandsire). Secondly, he will find he meets the bells in a most peculiar order, even in the plain course. If he does understand that there is a second bell which is in the hunt, he will find it is constantly changing in a touch and confuses rather than guides. A wise teacher would put the learner on the second in a plain course. but the stme difficulties apply in the whole puil hehind. and the course is very limited in duration. Now even if the learner negotiates this first hurdle. he has to face the second and much more difficult one-that of ringing Grandsire 'inside.' The plain course is bad enough with odd place dodging. but in a touch no bell rings more than two leads and often only one: every hell except the treble and the bell hefore is affected in an unfamiliar fashion at a bob (and worse, every bell except the treble at a single): in fact it is mot Grandsire at all which is rung, and very unlike what the unfortunate ringer has learnt from the "blue line." The diticulties are no less when Triples is rung. and 1 would even dare to say that in most louches of Grandsire Triples the method is not tung at all. The complications of conducting Grandsire are also greater than in many other simple methods. and often the aspiring conductor's first attempts are on Grandsire-a lask from which he may well shrink after a few abortive attempls

Now I am fully aware that people will take me to task for this lengthy decrying of Grand-sire-they will point out the superiority of the music and other attributes. 1 am not disputing these. especially the former. about which i shall have more to say in a moment. But i am Irying to emphasise that it is not a method for the heginner. I am also well aware that it will never be ousted from the heginners" repertory talthough I have some learners familiar with Cambridge who cannot ring Grandsire) and it is 100 steeped in tradition. Perhaps then we can make use of it. and this will come litter
My piea to instructors is to make their heginners plain hunt on cven numbers (even Minimus with a covering bell is belter than Doubles). If the spectre of no hell to lead off is to be avoided it is better done by not
having one in the first place. Secondly, it is better to start on another bell but the treble (e.g.. the second in the plain course of Grandsire Minor) and having ant experienced ringer on the treble. Next let Plain Boh be the fundamental meihod-it can be rung from four hells, upwards, extends naturally, and calls are the same on alt numbers-let learners be taught the plain course and the starts of the 2nd. 3rd and 4 th so that they know not only what to do next after a call but also why thow many of us were taught that in our early ringing days?). Then the old cry of "only a plain course, please," will disappear from our belfries.
There will remain a hard-core of Grandsire fans." and to them I suggest (and to experienced ringers also as a matter of interest) that they should try ringing Grandsire on even numbers. Oh yes. I know all about the four blows behind in the plan course, and a six at a call but, in honesty, how many of us (let alone thase listening outside) would worry in the slightest about this if the theoreticians had not made such a fuss? I have noticed time and again when Grandsire Minor ol Major has been suggested. all those ohjecting have admitted they have never rung it or heard it rung. It was good enough for Troyte. so why not for us? I am certain that if Siedman had invented it it would be rung in every tower today
It was after thinking on these lines that I asked the organiser on a recent ringing tour if we could ring Grandsire Minor. Major and and Royal during the day. Being an enlightened and unprejudiced man. and although an experienced Surprise ringer and conductor, he readily agreed. The resulting ringing was interesting to everyone, and there were no protests.
I mentioned Grandsire Minor above, and experience has shown me that it is useful to put heginners on the second and teach them to plain hunt from there. rather than on the treble (on which other bells depend and if wrong will upset them). Of course yout can get the same effect by calling three bobs in succession in Bob Minor. but the calls confuse and only three leads are available.

Grandsire Major 10 my mind is a most musical method. There is odd place dodging which even I (a confirmed even-bell ringer) will admit is most musical. The dodging which occurs when the tenor is behind provides a point of repose in the music which is emphasised when there is a call at home (i.e.. six hlows for the tenor)-a cadence at the end of a musical phrase from which the tenor once again leaves to take part in the changes. This cadential effect is more marked in Grandsire Major than in any other method I have rung. In Royal the eflects are even more marked, and the opportunity for composers 10 experiment with such combinations as 9980 . 4680, and 7960 at course ends with calls at home are endless. I have never heard or rung Grandsire Maximus-perhaps some enterprising 12bell band will ring it one day and not dismiss it without trial.
If the public is to he made interested in ringing it is the sound of it with which they are going to be mostly concerned. If we can make our ringing musical we are well on the way 10 winning some of them over II assume. of course. that striking is impeccable).

Grandsire-only bands have plenty of opportunity of increasing their scope and interest by ringing the method on even numbers, and it may even make them want to learn other orihodox even-hell methods. Other bands may find interest in trying the variation and still others find it useful for leaching. There are plenty of simple touches which can be exlended from those for Doubles or Triples.

Peals of Grandsire Minor, Major and Royal have all been rung in the last few years-if we cannot all manage more complex methods can 1 appeal for enterprise in the use of simple ones? And, please. no prejudice on highly controversial theoretical grounds.
I have taken up much of your space, and I hope what I have said will be thought about seriously. I awalt the comments and criticism of your readers. - Yours sincerely.
D. J. NEAL SMITH.

## Twickenham

## LLANBIETHIAN BELLS

Dear Sir,-As makers of 'Poulard' bell ropes my firm has good reason for wishing that Mr . Lee s hope that Llanblethian will soon have its bells regularly on Sundays again will not pass unheeded.

It should not he beyond the ability of Cow. bridge to raise the necessary $i 2210 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 buy six "Poulard" bell ropes. May we start the hall rolling by offering the first $i 210 \mathrm{~s}$.? -Yours faithfully.
A. W. BRYANT
(Josfer Bryant Limiffo).
P.O Box 111,

Bristol, 2.

## REISSUE OF FAMOUS RECORD

Dear Sir,-About 1937 a gramophone record was made of a louch of Spliced London, Bristol. Cambridge. Superlative and Ealing Surprise Major, rung on handbells by the famous band at Bushey (Messrs. H. Hodgetts, C. W. Woolley, H. G. Cashmore and F. W. Brinklow), who created so much ringing history in the six or seven years before the last war
The original pressing has long since been sold out but, thanks to the co-operation of the recording engineer and to some good fortune. I have been able to arrange for a reissue. This will be not in shellac but in what is called filled vinyl standard, which is a new plastic medium very much thinner and more durable than the old type. The price is expected to be between 15 s . 6d. and 18 s . (plus postage), according to the number ordered, and for this reason I ask those interested to write to me as soon as possible so that I can form some estimate of requirements.

Despite the speed of ringing. the touch is entirely free of trips, apart from one trifling mistake on the second side, while the standard of striking is one that few bands could hope to equal. let alone surpass, as all who have heard it will surely agree. This, therefore, is an opportunity not to be missed. I need hardly add that the members of the hand have no financial interest in the reissue.-Yours faithfully.
E. A. BARNETT. Hon. Secretary,

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

## 5,008 DOUBLE NORWICH COLRT

 BOB MA.JORDear Sir, - The 5.008 of Double Norwich Major, by Mr. N. Golden, should read as follows :-
Single for bob in the last course of the 4 th and 10th parts, not the last
43265 s 4th part
34265 s 10th part
23456 - 111 h part
Yours, et
F. C. GOBEY
likeston. Derhys
NEWARK. NOTTS. On Dec. 2dih. 1.297 Grandsire Caters: Elizabeth Tully (first elaater) 1. D. Simpson 2, W. L. Fxton (cond.) 3, A. F. Chitton 4. C. F. Brisqe S. F. C. Hoanger h. II. Sevenson 7. .... Tavior N. J. W. Raithhy
. Midwinter 10. Joor Christma, Eve

## BRISTOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY REUNION



An after-dinner snap at the Bristol University Society of Change Ringers. Left to right: Mr. Roy Blackler (Master), Miss Jane Cook (secretary), Mr. Paul L. Taylor (principal guest) and Mr. A. York-Bramble.

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RISTOL. welcomed its guests for this year's reunion and dinner of the University Society on January 23 rd in a manner not uncommon to the West Country-with rain, and plenty of it. Nevertheless, more visitors than ever hefore were attracted there from all parts of the country.

The day began early for the peal hand, who were successful in an attempt for Yorkshire Major at Almondsbury. with David Heighton conducting. For the visitors and members not included in the peal was ringing at several of the city churches, namely. Stoke Bishop. Christ Church and SS. Philip and Jacob's in the morning. followed by the Cathedral and St. Mary Redcliffe after lunch. By the end of the afternoon so many people were present that even the spacious belfry at Redeliffe looked crowded.

For an hour before the service the six hells at St. Michacl's were rung. linishing with a yood touch of Stedmin. Highlights of the day's ringing, hesides the peal. were such methods as Bristol and Cambridge Major Grandsire Caters and Cinques, and London Minor. Owing to the sudden indisposition of the Rector (Rev. F. C. Vyvyan-Jones), the president of the Society (Prof. R. J. Brocklehurst) conducted a shortened form of service. The organ was played hy Dr. David Heighton and the lesson read by Mr. Ian Maycock. Various members sang in the choir.

The venue for the dinner was the senior common room of the University Refectory (by kind invitation of the president). where 94 guests sat down to an excellent meal. After proposing the loyal toast and that of "The Church.' Prof. Brocklehurst welcomed the company. He was specially pleased to see so many loyal old members and regretted the absence of the Rector of St. Michael's.

## - GRFAT GEORGE • INTERRUPTS

## Miss Jane Cook (secretary), who proposed

 'The Visitors, welcomed Mr. Piul Taylor, from Loughborough, and the Masters of Camhridge, Oxford and London University Socicties. She also had a special greeting for the Master of the G. and B., Mr. Frank Skidmore. Owing to another engagement the Bishop of Bristol (who has recently been made an honorary member of the Society) was unfortunately unable to be present. Mr. Paul Taylor rose to reply with an inceresting and witty speech,timely interrupted by "Great George ( (one of his own masterpieces) striking 9 p.m.

The toast of "The Society was proposed by Mr. Peter Langton (Master of the Cambridge University Guild), and he spent a short while in analysing the role of a University Society if it were to contribute fully to the Exercise.

The Master (Mr. Royston Blackler) replied, summing up the activities of the Society over the previous year. Ringing at St. Michael's had been maintained with faithful regularity, and quarter peals attempted there each Sunday evening. Assistance had also been given to St. Stephen's and early ringing at Redcliffe. In addition, the Society had manned the Cathedral bells for University services. As to the standard, it certainly was reasonable on six bells. but more practice wis needed on higher numhers. For this reason special 8 -hell practices had heen arranged as in the previous year. and members were encouraged io attend city practices.
Outings had been held twice a term. those hy coach being especially successful. In this respect, together with the marriage of Pauline Sprackling to Alan Smith, the Corthcoming weddings of David Meighton and Brian Wylde and the engagement of Brenda Riches to Michael Sprackling-to them all go the Society's con-gratulamons-it seemed that Cupid's arrows were well on target leven to the point of backfiring!!. Someone has even suggested that Cupid's activities be advertised in the Personal columns of *The Ringing World.

The official summer tour, held in the Chel-tenham-Cirencester region and blessed with good weather, had proved most enjoyable. Two unofficial tours were also held during the summer vacation, one being based on a puh near Shafteshury

The Master made the announcement that affiliation to the Central Council had been applied for.

## FIRST PEAL OF CINQUES

Concerning peal ringing, ten had been successful since the last dinner, of which the most notable was that of Grandsire Cinques (first of Cinques for the Society) at Reading. Under the conductorship of David Heighton, the Society bad continued in the field of multiMinor methods, with peals in 3, 6 and 14 methods during last term.
(Continued in next column)

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Dorchester Branch

Thirteen lowers were represented at the annual meeting of the Dorchester Branch, held at Dorchester on January 1fith. The eight bells of St. Peter's were available hefore the Guild service. which was conducted by the vice-chairman (the Rev. E. B. Brooks) in the absence of the chairmatn. (the Rev. P. J. Heaton) who was unavoidahly absent owing the illness of Mrs. Heaton. Mr. Brooks spoke of bells with boatilul designs and inseriptions but reminded his hearers that. however fine the design. the bell was no use without a clapper, and Christians were no use without being good inside.
About sixty members sat down to tea at the Wessex Restaurant and Mr. Brooks look the chair at the meeting which followed. He mentioned that he nad a message of good wishes from Canon A. Helps. it former Vicar of l’uddletown. and well known among the older ringers.

The hon. secretary, Mr. R. H. Duke, said the membership now stood at 144. He expressed the sympathy of the members in the Rev. K. P. Farrow, whose wife had died recently. and waclcomed on behalf of the Branch the Rev. and Mrs. C. İ. C. Brinkworth. Who had recently moved to Cattistock, hoth of whom are ringers
It was hoped. said Mr. Duke. to augment the bells of Charminster from six to eight and great efforts were being made to raise the necessary funds. The cower repair fund at Si. Peter's. Darchester, now stood at $£ 1.000$ about half the sum needed.
Officers of the Branch were elected as fol-lows:-Chairman, the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth: vice-chairman. Rev. E. B. Brooks; hon. sec, and treasurer. Mr. R. H. Duke: assistant hon. sec.. Miss P. M. Boalch: Ringing Master. Mr. H. J. Ford; depuly Ringing Masters, Mr. A. J. Slade and Mr. J. W. Rose Twenty new nembers were elected from six different lowers. Meetings for 1960 were provisionally suggested for Preston in April. Bere Regis in Juns. and Lition Cheney in September. Forinightly branch practices were arranged. subject to confirmation. at Abbotshury. Upwey. Wyke Regis. Piddlehinton. Dorchester (Si. Peter's), and Maiden Newton. starting on January 30 th.
The Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth regretted that permission for peal ringing at Cattistock could not be granted until the existing louvres had heen altered. in order to control the sound of the bells more.
The votes of thanks were proposed by Mr L. G. N. Williams.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

Personal.-F. T. Lloyd 2i.. D. I.dwards $5 \mathrm{~s} .$. Anon. Is.. W. Malleit 3s.. For the great privilege and pleasure of having known Ired Seager '-T.B. 10s.. Rochester Cathedral 4s.. Christ Church. Southgate $\ddagger 3$.

Peals.-Dyrlam 3s.. Hawkshead 4s., Nuneaton 4s.. Selhy 3s.. Burton-on-Trent 5s.. Beckenham. Kent 8s. Gd.. Longstanton 4s.

Quarter Peals. Easton-in-Gorda Knowle 4s.. Edmonton 3s.. Burton-on-Trent 4 s Stoke Bishop 5s.. Wantage 4s.. Brighton 2s, fd Pcterborough 3s.. Romsey. Hants 5s.. Tamworth 4s.. Thotpe-le-Soken 2s. Gd.. Wimbledon Is. (xd.. Heston 3s. 6d., Nailsea 3s.. Whithy Is.. Wollaton 3 s .

## Bristol University-Cont.

A large number of learners had presented a problem this year in providing a satisfactory practice for everyone in an hour-and-a-half per week. However, their keenness was surprising and very satisfactory progress had been made.

In conclusion, Mr. Blackler assured everyone that, as the leading article in .The Ringing World" a few weeks previously had staled. Bristol was indeed 'full of life' and would continue to be so.
The company then retired to the lounge for the remainder of the evening. In a lighter vein. old friendships were rencwed and memorics revived to the pleasant background of handbell ringing, thus bringing to a successful conclusion the 12 th annual reunion of the Society. Special thanks are expressed to Miss Jane Cook for the excellent organisation.
J.C. B.

## GLAMORGAN WANDERERS' WEST COUNTRY TOUR

Among the many cycling vouth hostel tours of 1959 was that of the Glamorgan Wanderers. not to be confused with the famous rugby club of that name. Their tour was through Somerset and Devon, the party consisting of Brinley Taylor, Jimmy Goodfellow. Tony Coombs, Geoffrey Sirickland. David Llewellyn, Robert Hughes, Adrian Hartley, Roger Havard and Alan Smith.

The tour started from Penarth on July 20th. by paddle-steamer to Weston-super-Mare. The roule taken the first day was via Bridgwater. North IPctherton. Norton Fitzwarren, Wiveliscombe to Bampton Youth Hostel in a converted malt house

Tuesday's journey in the hot sun 10 Exeter included a visit to the Tiverton tower, where the party were amwed at the heautiful tone and go of the bells, and Cullompton where, with the help of a local ringer, call-changes were rung on the ten. At Exeter the parly were very much at home on the light bells of St. Martin's.
The direction on Wednesday was via Honicon where, with the help of two visiting ringers. Stednaan Triples went very well, Yarconibe and Chard, to Ilminster, where the party were greeted by Mrs. Grabham and her two children. After ringing at Ilminster we made our way to Mrs. Grabham's farm: her hospitality was much appreciated. That evening. Staple Fitzpaine practice was ittended.
Fortified by a terrific farm breakfast, there was a 15 -mile ride to the first tower on Thursday at Somerton. Towers visited were Butleigh. Street. Glastonbury, West Pennard. Shepton Mallet and Radstock (where it was a great pleasure to meet Mr. David Hoare). It was a lired party that reached Bath, but not too tired to ring after supper at Si. Mark's Church.
Progress in ringing was indicated on Friday by Spliced London and Cambridge Surprise Minor at Marksbury, and Double Norwich C.B. Major at Chewton Mendin. Later came St. Cuthbert's. Wells. and Westbury-sub-Mendip. Resting place for the night was Cheddar Youth Hostel. and after supper the local ringers were joined in their practice.

The Saturday programme included Churchill and Congresbury, and it was at Yatton, after ringing some very good Kent T.B.. Plain Bob and Sicdman Triples, that the band split up.

The tour covered a distance of 280 miles and 38 towers were visited. The average age of the band was 17.4 years. The organisation of Mr. Tony Coombs was excellent, and to him, incumbents, ringers who met the party, and Mrs. Grabham, the party express their thanks.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

An attendance of over 100 ringers and friends at the annual meeting of the Farnham District on January 23 rd heard Major E.J. Bragg (Ringing Master) in his annual report state that the bells in all the towers in the District were manned on Sundays. Not every bell was rung, but a joyful noise was made from every tower. He appealed for an interchange of help between towers, which already existed between Hawley and Yorktown, and Aldershot and Seale

Mr. C. J. Beadle. the hon. secretary, said niembership stood at 186, and he looked forward to reaching the 200 mark.
District officers elected were: Major E. J. Brage (Rincing Master). Mr. W. H. Viggers (assistant Ringing Master). Dr. W. W. Wright (secretary). Mr. R. H. Mills (assistant secretary and (reasurer). Mr. J. Preston ('The Ringing World correspondent) and Mr. C. J. Beadle (auditor). Mrs. M. A. Welion and Mrs. T Page were elected members of the executive committec.
Mr. C. W. Denyer, the Guild Master, on behalf of the District, presented a cut-glass vase to Mr. R. H. Mills (District treasurer) as a silver wedding gift from the District.

A great altraction of the meeting was ringing and hearing the recently recast bells of farnham Parish Church, and Mr. P. L. Eldridge. of Winchester, commented that the transformation of the church and bells was wonderful. The Rector (Rev. H. R. Wilds) conducted the service, at which a collection for Farnham Church Restoration fund amounted in $£$ ? 10 Ns .

## EXERCISES IN RINGING TUITION

## OBITUARY <br> MR. FREDERICK SEAGER

Dear Sir, - Replying to Mrs. Johnstone's query (issue of February Sth) as to whether their idea of competitive bell-sctting is used elsewhere in the leaching of ringing, she and cthers may be interested to know that sonicthing rather like it is in use by tutors of the College of Campanology, and others in sympathy, as one of the 60 exercises described in The Ringers" Manual of Reference-Part I' (which details material for usc in planned training in bell handling and control in the clements of change ringing). And the results are surprisingly satisfying.

I have said •something rather like • because there are two important differences from her bell-selting competitioll. The first is in the exercise itself. In this the learner is required not to set tice bell. hut to hold it on the balance hetween the strokes. And he is put on to this exercise. with the bell still silenced of course. as soon as he is considered safe to handle the rope alone: in other words he is not thell allowed to go on just pulling at the rope to "get more used to ii " Instead he now concentrates on this bell-balancing excrcise until he is at least 80 per cent. proficient. (Say. a minimum of 8 balances in 5 whol:pulls.) Then. and not before, he is taught correct bell-selting. the instructor having always taken over previously to set the bell except of course when the bell has set accidentally. In this the learner is reqzired to stop the bell on the balance. pause. and then gently case it over on to the stay. He is taught that this is the way to set the bell at all times: in contradistinction to what must be admitted as a frequently-noied fault. i.c.. lelting the bell drop 'over the balance on to the stay.
Mrs. Johnstone speaks of a 'challenge.' but is not what she refers to rather in the nature of a learners' competition in maximum consecutive bell-settings? In the bell-balancing exercise. however. the learner accepts a real challenge to himself. that of at least 80 per cent. achicvement in hell-control. And this brings us to the second difference.
It is in the application of the exercise in so far as the learner is never permitted to ring. or attempt to ring, with others (no. not even in rounds!) until he has mastered this exercise. Rivalry of learners to pass this stage can tecome very keen indeed: and the difference in the improvement in the initial striking generally produced when they come on to ringing open ' with others is remarkable.
However. some of this improvement may be duc. in our cases. to another exercise which precedes rounds-ringing. i.e.. learning 'bellpatuse.' This is the recognition of the interval. varying of course from hell to bell. between the point of pull-off from the balance. (or 'top of the rise ') and the strike of the clapper. This is the first 'open or bell-sounding exercise the pupil gets. It evolves with another exercise- - bell-tone recugnition - and so on. But enough has been said to show that the maximum good of any such exercises lies in their proper integration. There is as much a science in ringing training, as in any other technique.
Mrs. Johnstone may he assured that her idea. though in modified form, has proved for some time past to be invaluable in any sound scheme of ringing training.-Yours very truly.
A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

College of Campanology

## Aspley, Notts

The new hells of Aspley. Notts. were dedicated on November 1st. 1959, by the Lord Bishon of Southwell and not as staied in .The Ringing World' of January 29th. The bells were rung in rounds by the young band being trained by Mr. H. Seagrave. The opening touch of 360 Kent T.B. Minor was rung by H. Seagrave 1. Kenneth Wagstaff 2. R. Carlisle 3, F. A. Salier 4. W. Nichols 5. D. Carlisle (conductor) 6 .

Fred Seager was a countryman, born in the village of libenham in Norfolk, and despite over forty years" exile in the West Riding he had lost neither his accent nor his love of his native country, to which he returned on every nossible occasion. the last quite recently to attend the opening of Great Yarmouth bells.

It is left for those better able than me to write of nis early years of ringing. for Fred was not one to boast of his achievements nor did he keep a record of his peals.
ilis peal of Surprise Major on Mancroft tenor when he was only twenty years old is still remembered and that his abifity was not diminished forty years on is horne out by his ringing the same hell in the Coronation peal of Little Bob Maximus in 1953.
A safe ringer and a splendid heavy-end man -and in this respect he had [ew peers-he wlll be sorely missed in roakshire and especially at Leeds Parish Church.
His death on January; 27th, barely iwentyfour hours after he had rung at Wakefield Cathedral practice. was tragic in its swiftness. and. as the told us quitc recently that he first fundled a bell at the age of eight. it brought to a close a ringing carcer of nearly sixty years.

Coming to Yorkshire after his wal service. he rang at Shipley from 1918 till 1938, when lie moved to Keighlcy. finally coming to Leeds in 1940.

All his working life until his retirement a year or so ago was spent on the railway, and his work as a guarl often prevented him from standing in peals, although he had 103 to his cicdit for the Yorksilire Association and he was a keen supporter of the Railwaymen's Guild.

Many towers were represented at his funcral al Leeds Palish Church on February ist when the bells were rung half-mulited. many of the company having to leave immediately to bisl farewell to another old friend. Harry Lofthouse, whose funeral at Armley almost coincided with Fred's.

In a the evening a memorial peal at Leeds was lost through a broken rope but a second nttempt three days later was successful. It was perhaps fitting that the hand included some who had rung with Fred at Wakefield and Bradford this favourite tower. I think) on the two successive evenings before his death.
Restrictions in ringing times coupled with a rather late start necessitated a quick p:al. bu* as one who enjoyed brisk ringing and coul:1 push a heavy bell along himself. I feel sure Fred would have approved what was probably the 'quickest peal on the bells.

At his own request his ashes were sciltered on the railway embankment clost to the Parish Church. within sound of the bells he rang so well and so often and near also to the permanent way over which he must often have ridden in his brake.
R. H. D

## MR. C. W. R. (BOB) GRIMWOOD AN APPRECIATION

The death of Mr. Bob Grimwood of Hersham. Surrey. on February 8 th. brought to an end a long period of faithful service and sincere friendship both in and outside the belfry. He was a safe and reliable ringer, a good striker and one who always enjoyed the company of ringers in London and its surrounds.
His striking attracted the attention of William Pye and in later years Alfred Pulling, and Bob would often recall to me some of his experiences in peals on eight and ten bells with these and other conductors. He enjoyed listening to handhells and would often take a pair for a short touch either in private or in public.
We had missed Boh from our meetings fately hecause of failing health, but he will be remembered with gratitude as one who knew what was required of him, putting into his task the best that was nossible. Truly it can be said of him in simple word: " He was a good and faithful ringer.
W. SHEPMIERD.

HESTUN. MDDLESEX. - On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Turner 1. G. Golding 2. Miss G. Harbour 3. Miss P. Ravner 4. P. Bettridge 5. J. Sansom (cond.) 6, R. Sumner 7. C. Chase 8. For Fivensong.

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## BIRTH

BEARD.-On February 14ih, 1960, at 28, Lumhertubs Risc. Boothville. Northampton, 10 Sally thee Barker) and David. a daughter, Julie Mary.

## DEATH

GRIMWOOD.-On Monday, February sith. 1960, C. W. R. (Bob) Grimwood, of 19, EndsIcigh Gardens. Hersham, for many years a ringer at All Saints', Kingston-on-Thames

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## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mrs. F. Seager and family wish to express their sincere thanks to friends. the Norwich Association and the Railwaymen's Guild of Bell Ringers for kind expressions of thought and sympathy received during their sad hereavement.

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The bells of Christ Church. SWINDON Wilts, will be heard again on and after Sunday, February 21st, after being out of commission for six months because of extensive repairs to the steeple.

Will all interested please note that the annual general meeting of the COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD will be held in Coventry on April 23 rd and not April 16th as in the Diary Full details later

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OTTERSHAW. Surrcy. - From I chruary Ind is weekly practiee will he held on Tuexdays at 8 p.m. Visitors welcome.

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THE CENIRAI COUNCIL
Secretaries of affiliated Societics aro ieninded that subscriptions (ten shillings ner iepresenlative) trecame due on January lst.

1. A. BARNETT Hon. Secretary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committec meeting will be held at the Clarendon Press Institutc. Walton Sireet, Oxford, at 2.30 p.m.. on Saturday, March 19th. Names for tea before Wednesday. March 16th. to Mr. P. Walker, 66, Fairacres Road, Oxford. -M. R. Cross.

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## MEETINGS

ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wishech Branch.Meeting, Wishech St. Mary, Saturday, Feh. 20th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec. 5762
HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting. Benenden, Saturday, Feb. 20th. 5754

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford District.-Annual meeting. Saturday. Feb. 20th. Service, All Saints', 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow, Bells: Cathedral (10), 3 p.m.: All Saints' (8) and St. Nicholas' (6), after meeting.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.St. Albans District.-Meeting, Saturday, Feb. 20th. Kimpton (6), 3 p.m. First meeting since restoration. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Special request, Norwich Surprise.-S. Huckle, Dis. Sec.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,-Ashford District-By-meeting. High Halden, Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.-C. T. H.

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LADIES GUILD.-Midland District-Annual meeting, Saturday. Feb. 2nth. All Sainis: Leicester (8). Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. 5764

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 A.G.M.. Saturday. Feh. Zuth, Southwark Cathedral, 2.31) to 4.31 n.m.: St. John's, Waterloo Road. 2.30 to 4. Service. Cathedral, 5 p.m. Tea, husinens and handbell competition. Chapter House. 6. St. Gcorge-the-Martyr, Southwark, 8 p.m.5709
MIDULESEX ASSUCIATION.-S. and W District.-Mecting, IIcston. Saturdiy, Feb. $2(1 \mathrm{~h}$. Ringing 3.45 p.m. Scrvice 4.30 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Further ringing afterwards. - E. R. Gotham. Hon. Dis. Sec

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ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL. - Rcopening of bells after rehanging at Evensong, 3.15 p.m. Saturday, Feb, 20th. All welcome. 5763
SALISBURY GUILD.-West Dorset Branch -Meeting. Burton Bradstock. Saturday, Feb 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. 5742
SHEFFIELD AND LEEDS UNIVERSITY SOCIETIES.-Joint meeting, Saturday, Feb 20th. Ringing at Pontefract (All Saints' (8)) 2.30 to 4.30 p p.m... and Wraghy (6), 6 to 8.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. All visitors welcome.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-iast Comeral District. -Quarterly meeting, Saturday, Feh. 2lihh, Earl Soham (6), 3 p.m: Framlingham (8). Tcs, crown and Anchor, sp.m Bellsh to 8.30 p.m. 57 fth

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. - The annual meeting at Henfield (8), Saturday, Feb. 20th. Bells 3.15. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m.-Geo. North, 11. Richmond Ter cace. Brizhtist.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY Practice meeting, Saturday, Feb. 20th: Si. George's. Camberwell (8), 2 to 3: St. Giles' Camberwell (10), 3.15 to 4.30; St. John's, Deptford (8), 6 to 7 p.m. $\qquad$

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Practice meeting. Saturday, Feh, 27th. Axbridge. Bells (6) 5 p.m.-David H. White.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Dunster Branch.-Practice at Wiveliscombe on Saturday. Feb. 271 h, 7 p.m.-A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Mceting, Westoning, Siturday, Feh. 27th. Bells $(6)$ 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names by 25 th to Mr . B. Deacon. 10 , Flitwick Road. Westoning. No name. no tea-sorry.-K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec.

CLAWTON OPEN RINGING DAY -On our gift day. Saturday, Feb. 27th, all ringers will be welcome from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. onwards. Buffet lunch and tea. Service 2 p.m. Sale and skittles competition in afternoon. A388, three miles $S$. Holsworthy. Proceeds for tower.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Annual general meeting, Saturday. Feb. 27th, St. George's Parish Church (8). Doncaster. Hells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome.-G. Watson.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. -Chippenham Branch.- Mecting, Lacock, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service and tea. Names 10 H. Heath. 89. London Road. Chippenhans.

LANCASIIIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.-Meeting. The Saviour, Bolton. Saturday, Feb. 27ih. Bells 2.30 p.m. Business follows tea. Cups of tea provided.-Thornley, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting at Drighlington. Saturday. Fcb. 27 th . Bells (8) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea not later than first post Friday, Feb. 26th, to Mr. S. H. Barron, 40, West Strect. Drighlington

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hinckley District.-Annual dinner and social, Saturday, Feb. 27th. St. Mary's Parish Hall. Hinckley. Bells available $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Dinner $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. prompt. Tickets 8 s . each. Names, olease, bcfore Wednesday, Feb. 24th, to Mr. F. K Mcasures, 58. Lvchgate Lane, Burhage. Leics. Phone Burbage 516.-M. Vernon, Dis. Sec

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I.INCOLN IOIOCISAN GUII.I). - Elloc Deancries Branch.-Annual meeting, Spalding. Saturday. fech. 27ih. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Siervice 4.15 . Tea 5 p.ri. Names for tea not later than Wednesdity previous 10 Mr . M. Hennett. 171. Buurne Road, Spalding, Lincs. 5748

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Lłandaff Branch.- Annual mecting. Bridgend, Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells (8) 2.30) p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow.-R. E. Coles.

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.-Meeting. Gresley. Saturday, Feb. 27th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names. please. by 25th inst., to Mrs. Upton. The Vicarage, Linton. Burton-on-Trent. All welcome.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Western Branch.-Annual general meeting on Saturday, Feb. 27th, Fakenham. Hells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea hy Thursday, 25 th. to G. Cooke. 24, Back Street, Fakenham. - C. Tovell, Branch Hon. Sec.

OXIORD DIOCH:SAN GUHLD - 1 : Berk and S. Bucks Branch.- Monthly practice. Iver (8). Saturday. Fech, 27ih. 3.15 p.m. No tea lean he ohtained in Uxhridge).-W. Butler, Ilon Sec. 9790
()XFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. ... V.W.II Branch. Anmual mecting, Faringdon. Saturday reb. 27th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.rm Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, Feb. ath, to R. F. J. Gilling. Branch Sec.. Fernham Farington, Betks.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Northampton Branch.-Annual social. Saturday, Feb. 27th, Racecourse Pavilion, 7.30 p.m. Tickets (2s., C.W.O.) from E. Billings, 61, Melville Street, Northampton. Bells: St. Giles' (10), 6 to 7.15 p.m.
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ST: MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM Ringing arrangements for Johnson dinner (Feb 27(h): Friday-Bishop Latimer's (8), 7.30 p.m.; Erdington Abbey (8), 7.30 p.m. Saturday-St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral (8), 1.30 to 2.30: Aston (12), 2.45 io 3.45 ; St. Martin's (12), 3 to 4 p.m.: Cathedral (12), 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. 5795 SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS Meeting. St. Lawrence's, Heanor. Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by 24 th .-Miss A. Henson. Sec., 23. Seymour Road, West Bridgford.
SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILDFirst ringing meeting of the year at St. Mary's. South Benfleet. Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-North East DistrictPractice meeting, Saturday. Feb. 27th. Bells: Wenhaston, 2.30 p.m. ; Blythburgh. 6.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to C. J. Gibson, 1. Heath Road, Wenhaston, Halesworth.-A. R. Bridges, Dis. Sec.
SUFFOLK GUILD - West Central District. -Meeting. Saturday, Feb. 27th, Palgrave (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Norfolk ringers welcomed. Names for tea must be in by Feb. 23rd.-H. A. Mitson, Dis. Sec.. Buxhall. Stowmarket.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. - Annual meeting. St. Mary's. Eastbourne. Saturday, Feb. 27 th. Tea will not be guaranteed for those who fail to notify R. W. Pankhurst. 11. Salehurst Road, Eastbourne.-F. Beeney. Sec.

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WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SO-CIETY.-Meering. Aldenham (8), Saturday. Feb. 27th. Names for tea by Wednesday, please, to Mr. A. Hickson, 28, Valley Walk, Croxley

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DEVON GUILD. - Aylesbeare Branch. Mecting. Lympstone, Saturday, Mar. Sth. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea hy March 1 st 10 Mr. R. T. Perry. Redeliff. Lympsione. 5794

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District Meeting, Goldhanger, Saturday. March 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Danbury.
LADIES' GUILD.-West Midlands District. - Annual meeting, Saturday, March 5th. All Saints', Allesley. Warwickshire. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 to 6 . Ringing from 6 to 8 p.m. Pleaso notify for tea not later than first post on March 2nd to Miss R. Russell. 78. War Lane, Harborne. Birmingham. 17.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Maids Moreton (6). Saturday. March 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea not later than March 2nd to G. W. Holland, 1. The Leys, Maids Moreton. Buckingham. - F.
Vickers.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salisbury Branch.-Practice meeting, Dinton, March
Sth. Bells from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify by March 1st Miss Eloie. 8, Albany Road, Salisbury.

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## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD-Not-

 tingham District.-Radiclifte-on-Trent, Saturday, Mirch Sth. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Bring own food. Cups of tea only.-S. Adams. Dis. Sec. 4806 SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Quarterly meeting. Gorseinon, Saturday, March 5th. Prells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. followed by lea and meeting.--J. I. Williams. Dis. Sec.5778

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION Western Branch,-Meeting, Claines, Saturday, March 5th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Practice method, Double Norwich C.B. Major Names for tea by Tuesday. March 1st, to F Hyde. 6. Winchester Avenue, St. John's. Worcester

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District. Dinner and social, Village Hall, Danbury, on Saturday. March $12 \mathrm{th}, 6.15$ for 6.45 P.m. Tickets ( 5 s .6 d .), before March 5 th. from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. S.A.E. please.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, Canterbury District.-By-meeting, Hernhill (8), Saturday, March 12 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea (2s. per person) $5 \mathrm{p.m}$. Names, logether with cash. please, by Tuesday, March 8 th, to T. C. Phillimore, 47. St. Peter's Grove, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Commitree meeting. Liverpool, Saturday, March 12th, $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Refectory of the Parish Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas. Our Lady and St. Nicholas bells available from 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. in the School Room at 25 . 6d, per person. Names to be sent to Miss M. White, Mildmay Club. Blackburn Place, Liverpool, 8.

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## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

## Towcester Branch

The annual meeting of the Towcester Branch was held on January 30th at Towcester, ringing taking place at Easton Neston and Towcester. The service was conducted by the Rev. R. G. Richards (president) and the address given by the Rev. D. H. Curtis (Vicar of Towcester), who spoke of the fellowship among bell-ringers.

About 70 members attended the business meeting, and a record number of 27 new memhers was elected. The officers were re-elected. A vote of thanks was given to the president. secretary and auditor.

Among the visitors was the Master of the Guild (Mr. P. Chapman), who stated that he was very impressed with the enthusiasm of the Branch.

Quarterly meetings and practices were arranged, and the 1961 annual meeting will he held at Gireen's Norton. Methods rung included Cambridge, London and Beverley.

## Culworth Branch

The Culworth Branch held their annual meeting at Sulgrave on January 2?rd. The service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. T. James), who also quave the address. The organist was Mr. Eric Walker. secretary of the Culworth Branch. At the business meeting, several new members were elected. Mr. P. Chapman (Master of the Guild) proposed the vote of thanks, and Mrs. A. T. James (wife of the Vicar! replied.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

## South-West Branch

Many young ringers had the thrill of ringing on ten bells for the first time at the annual meeting of the S.W. Branch, held at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, on January 30th. Ringing was in charge of the tower captain and District Ringing Master, Mr. T. G. Myers. The Guild service. conducied by the Rev. Mr. Warren, was followed by an excellent tea, provided by Mrs. Chaffe and her helpers, the profit going to the World Refugee Fund.
At the business meeting, officers were reelected as follows: Chairman and press officer, Mr. H. H. Thomas; Ringing Master, hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. T. G. Myers; auditor. Mr. Owen Thomas; general committee, Messrs. H. Milford, J. P. Sims and F. Day. Guild certificates were presented to Mr. Horace Hicks (Launceston), Miss Virginia Drake (Emmanuel), Mr. Stuart Hodge and Miss Pauline Brooker (Plympton St. Maurice). Six new performing members were admitted-Miss T. Peacock. Mr. A. Gulley, Miss L. Crabb and Mr. Peter Crabb (Plympton St. Maurice), and Messrs. J. L. Blagg and David Baldry (Emmanuel). The Rev. Peter Young (Vicar of Emmanuel) was elected an honorary member.
Votes of thanks concluded the meeting, and ringing was resumed at St. Andrew's Church until 8.15 p.m.

## East Devon Branch

About 50 ringers attended a quarterly meeting of the East Devon Branch, held at Cotieigh on January 30th. The service was conducted by Preb. E. V. Cox, president of the Guild.
At the meeting which followed, Mr. G. C. Woodley took the chair. Three new bands of ringers were elected to the Guild-Dunkeswell. Stockland and Feniton, and a total of 39 new nembers were elected.
Proficiency certificates were presented by the president to E. Broom, R. Broom and T. Thorne (Luppiti), K. Stevens (Shute) and L. Harris (Cotleigh). Methods rung were Grandsire, Boh Doubles, Stedman, Reverse St. Bartholonew, Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire Minor. Oxford T.B., Double Court and Cambridge Minor.

## THE LADIES' GUILD Central District

At the annual meeting of the Central District, held on January 30 th in the vestry of St. Giles-in-the-Ficlds". Mrs. Lock was elected vice-president and Mrs. Bullock re-elected secretary. A goodly number of members and friends enjoyed ringing at Si. John's, Watertoo Road. in the afternoon and at St. Giles-in-the-Fields in the evening.

## NORMAN MALLETMS 100 PEALS

By ringing Yorkshire Surprise Major at Lyme Regis on January 23rd. Mr. Norman Mallett. of Heavitree. Exeter, has completed 100 peals. A member of the Heavitree and Exeter Cathedral bands, he has rung in over 500 towers in 38 countics and is a member of 13 Guilds and Associations.

His peals are as follows
Doubles.-Grandsire 1.
Minor.-Plain Bob 2.2 methods 1, 3 methods 1. 4 methods 3. 5 methods 3.7 methods 1 : Treble Bob: 4 methods 1.3 methods 1.

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Surprise Major.-Cambridge 7 (1), New Cambridge 1. Yorkshire 6. Superlative 4. Lyme 2, Lincolnshire 1. Pudsey 2, Watford 1, London 1. Bristol 1

Caters.-Grandsire 1. Stedman 1.
Royal.-Cambridge Surprise 2, Yorkshire Surprise 1.

The peal at Neath, Glamorgan (see page 10\%). was rung for the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association.

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## FIVE FARTHINGS

## BRISTOL - YOUR HOST

0N May 14th this year Bristol is holding a novel ringing festivala festival both for ringers and those for whom they ring. There

' ORANGES and lemons,' said the bells of St. Clement's, but 'You owe me five farthings,' said the bells of St. Martin's. Whereas the St. Clement's bells must have had rather a high pitch with a sustained ring in the first three bells of the change (124356?), the St. Martin's bells, by the same token, must have been rather more slow going, of a deeper tone and a less sustained ring. Say it over and one will perceive that the three bells making 'oranges' merge into one another, whilst 'and km - ons' stand clearly apart. 'You owe me five farthings' has a totally different ring about it and just could not have been inspired by anything like the same ring of bells.

That these rhymes of our childhood were really inspired by actual bells is hardly to be doubted. The rhyme first appears in print in 1744, and in that edition the Bow Bells said: ' I'm sure I don't know,' which calls to mind a heavy ring of five bells. A later cdition, appearing in 1760 , exactly 200 years ago, reduced that line to 'I do not know.' That was the line we used in our children's games. The music was the same except that the original fourth was left out. What a wealth of history that thought conjures up. Could it be that the fourth of the ring of five had cracked or otherwise become unserviceable?

Another curious alteration appears in the 1760 edition. Whereas the 1744 rhyme used the bells of St. Martin's to say 'You owe me five farthings,' in 1760 that couplet had heen changed to 'You owe me ten shillings,' said the bells of St. Helen's. Whether or not the bells of St. Martin's had fallen into disuse or whether the writer of the latter version was better acquainted with the St. Helen's hells and could not reconcile the music of the St. Helen's bells with the couplet ascribed to the St. Martin's bells is not known. One fact stands out very clearly. and that is that the two couplets describe two totally different rings of bells. In passing, it is of interest to point out that the Shoreditch bells seem to have the defective fourth just as did the Bow bells in 1760, but the Old Bailey bells seem to have been a very sweet-going ring in cyery way. It is not without interest to go through the whole story of this game in an idle moment and ponder on the music of all the various rings used in the various couplets.

As it was with the bells in the 18th century, so it is today. There is one ring of six which shall be nameless at the present-a delightful ring of well-tuned, easy-going bells, except that the tenor is exceedingly noisy. Laying behind, covering Doubles methods, it sounds very well and its dominant voice sets a rhythm and leads to good ringing. When it is 'turned in' to Minor methods it is altogether terrible and quite ruins the music: moreover, the dominant note, coming up at irregular intervals, upsets the striking of the other bells in some curious way. Possibly it could be turned in better by a deaf band. The simple fact is that Minor methods should not be rung on these bells.

No matter how bells are cast and hung, each individual ring has its own peculiarity, and what is unpleasant on one ring may be quite good on another. Equally, what is easy to ring in one tower may not 'go' so well elsewhere. The people who have to listen to the bells rather than ring them may be greatly affected by the idiosyncrasies of various performances without in the least being aware of the cause of their enjoyment or irritation. It is the duty of those who ring the bells to see to it that the bells are asked to perform only that which they can perform delightfully. Alas, it is a duty often sadly neglected. There is a real danger today of ringing the method and quite forgetting the bells. The first duty is to Ring the Bells.

HENRY ALLEN.
are a great many people, besides ringers, who hear our ringing. There are the many people who rarely enter our churches but who like to hear the sound of the bells; there are the members of our congregations; and most especially, there are our clergy. We are inviting all the clergy of the Bristol Archdeaconry, whether they are from churches with bells or not, to come and see what sort of people ringers arc. what they do and how they do it. We hope to see many non-ringing visitors in our belfries on that day: but we are also looking forward to receiving visitors from towers all over the country, and we invite them to ring with us, to lunch with us and our Lord Mayor, to worship in our Cathedral with our Bishop, and join us in a social evening.
To the visitor, Bristol has much to offer and delight. What other British city can offer the sight of ships tied up in the city centre, or so majestic a view as the Avon Gorge with the supremely graceful suspension bridge spanning it like a spider's web? Where else can one, see such magnificent ecclesiastical architecture within five minutes' walk as the Norman Chapter House of the Cathedral, the Lord Mayor's Chapel. St. Stephen's and St. Mary Redcliffe? What other city of comparable size can offer such glorious country as that of Somerset within two miles of the centre? If you have never seen Bristol, you have a pleasure yet to come; if you have been before yous will surely want to come again.
And what of the bells? We have something for all tastes. Preeminent is the majesty of Redclife's 12 , and for 10 -bell ringers there are St. Stephen's, St. James' and Christ Church, all within earshot of each other. The eight at the Cathedral, hung only in December, 1958. is a delight to hear and a fine example of modern bell-hanging. Then there is the finc eight at St. Philip's, where almost every belfry fitting has been expertly made by the captain, Mr. Jack Brown, and the heavier eight at St. Thomas'. The light eight in the modern church at Knowle, the eight at Emmanuel in Clifton, and the heavy eight at Kingsdown are all within a short bus ride of the city centre. For the 6 -bell ringer there is the Lord Mayor's Chapel (one of the few rings of bells owned by a Corporation), the six at St. John-on-the-Wall (Bristol's ringing school), where you can ring with traffic passing beneath you, and the six at St. Michael's-on-the-Mount Without (where the flourishing University Society rings, and from which a magnificent view of the city can be obtained). A little way out of the city, you can try the six at Stoke Bishop (or stand outside and watch the bells through the glass louvres), ring the magnificent heavy Rudhall six at Westbury-on-Trym, or visit the lighter sixes at Brislington and Abbots Leigh.
The ringers in all these towers, which together raake up the City Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, are looking forward to seeing yout on May 14th.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Tues., Feb. 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 37 cwt . in C.

Composed by C. J. Seugley.

| Ralph G. Edwards |
| :--- |
| John Pinfold.. |
| John McDonald |
| Mer |
| Perer Border |$..$.

John Pinfold .. $\quad .$. John McDonald ... .. 9 Peiter Border .. .. .. 10 Conducted by Peitr Border.

## CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Veb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minules.
AI ihe Meikopolitan and Cathedral. Church of Christ,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 32 cwt .6 lb . in C .
Dennis A. Chapman .. Treble | Robert Collins .. .. 7

Philip A. Corby
Arihur S. Richards
*Mark S. Lanctefield
$\dagger$ Sheila M. Dobbie

- Duris E. Colgate Beriram J. Luck George J. Butcher . 9 Thomas Cultingworty .. 10 Thomas Cullingworth . . Tenor
Walter H. Dobbie.. . Te Conducted by George J. Butcher. * First peal of Stedman Cinques. † First 12-bell peal. First 12-bell peal as conductor.
Rung in honour of the eighth anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty the Queen.


## LINCOLN

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes.
In Si. Hugh's Tower ar the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
A PEAL OF 5280 PUIDSEY SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 23 cwt 3 qr. 23 lb . in D .
Juhn Walden ... ... .. Treble Herbert Lowman .. .. 7

Norah M. Randles.
Margaret A. Swann
John Freeman
Sydney A. Chambers
Peter A. Sharp.
2 George H. Randles Geoffrey R. Parker
*Walter Tomlinson Jack L. Millhouse Raymond F. Smith. Raymond F. S
L. Millhouse.
Conducied by Jack L. Millhouse.

* 150 th peal. First of Pudsey Surprise Maximus by all the band, and for the Guild.


## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Feb. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours ard 44 Minules, At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C
*Brian G. Warwick.. . Treble Joseph W. Cotion $\dagger$ Richard J. Clifton
Alan E. Hartley
Ernest Morris
\#Alan R. Bridges
Joseph W. Cotton
John M. Jelley John A. Acres Russell S. Morris G. Ronald Edwards
tes J. Stedgley (No. 12). Composed by Charles J. Stucted by Brian G. Warwick.

* 300th tower-bell peal as conductor. † First of Cambridge Royal "inside." $\ddagger$ First of Royal.


MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 6. 1960 , in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, At Choist Curiorh

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt .2 qr .23 lb .
Edward F. Potis
Fred Dunkerley
Basil Jones
Alan A. Potits
C. Kenneth Lewis

Composed and Conducted Edward Jenkins
Brian Harris
Leslie Boumphrey
Peter Laflin
Edward Jenkins
Lewis
The composition had seven courses in the Tittums, two courses " 790 and five courses backstroke home.

SOUTHAMPTON
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

> AI THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 16 cwt I 4 cr .15 lb . in $F$.
*David E. House .. .. Treble 1 *Michaei. J. Thomas
†Tom Chapman.. . . . 2 Maurice J. Butler .. 7
Margarei E. L. Beamish 3 †Adrian J. Tumber .. .. 8
†John R. Faithfull 4
JJohn R. Farthfull
 Composed by R. Roger Savory. Conducted by Roberi C. Kippin.

* First peal of Royal. † First of Plain Bob Royal.

A birthday compliment to Hilary N. Kippin, David E. House and R. Roger Savory.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Thurs.. Feb. 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,

Ar the Cathedral Church of St. Philip
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .
Diana J. Perrins .. .. Treble Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 6
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Philip G. K. Davies } & . & 2 & \text { Brian J. Woodruffe } & \text {. } & 7 \\ \text { Roderick W. Pipe ... } & \mathbf{7} & 3 & \text { Norman J. Goodman } & . & 8\end{array}$
George, E. Fearn
Michael Elson.
John McDonald
Ralph G. Edwards . $\quad . \quad$ Tenor
Composed by WM. PYE. BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, ROYAL
Tenor 18 cwt . 1 qr. in E flat.
*Jean L. Lavender .. .. Treble + R. James Cook
Kathleen E. Chilcott .. 21 David E. Parsons
Joan Beresford
Robert W. Hinde
Alan F. Thirst
Composed by W. Pye.
Frank E. Darby
Stewart F. Kimber
Frank C. Price
Conducted by Frank E. Darby
tower bells. $\quad$ First of Surprise Royal and of Royal on

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Tues.. Jan. 5, 1960), in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
A PEAL Of the Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

- Donald Finnemore Treble Michafl Elson
Ruth M. Bordi: .. .. 2 Peter Border
Norman J. Goodman $\cdot \cdots \quad 3$ John MCDonald
John McDonald
John A. Anderson
George E. Fearn .. .. 4 John A. Anderson .. . . Tenor
Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by Peter Border.
* First peal.


## TWICKENHAM. MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sar. Jan. 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minures.

A? the Church of All Hallows.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr .23 lb.
Margaret A. Westcott Treble †A. J. Muir
Dr. D. J. Neal Smith . . 2 Ernest J. Munday.
*Reginald T. Goodman . . 3 *D. Hill Brown *D. Hill Brown.
tAnn Muir ... ... 4 Frederick E. Collins 7
Composed by J. R. Prirchard. Conducted by Frederick E. Collins

* First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal.

A wedding compliment to Richard Downing and Dulcie Smith. married earlier in the day at Twickenham.

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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Feb. 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt .4 lb in F .

| barrie Dove | Treble | Arnold Cole |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ronald H. Dove | 2 | Geoffrey Townend |
| Harold B. Schofield | 3 | Derek Taylor |
| David Cubitt | 4 | Wilfrid F. Moreton | David Cubitt .. .. .. 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton ... Tellor Composed by J. R. Pritichard. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton. Rung half-muffled in memory of Frederick Seager, a member of the local company for 20 years.

## HARWELL, BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sar., Fieb. 6, 1460 , in 3 Hours and 5 Minules.
Al ihe Church of Sr. Maithew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt .1 yr. 26 lb . in E.


Arranged by Reginali) W. Rex
Conducted by Gloffrey K. Dodd
First peal on eight bells.
Rung to commemorate the eighth anniversary of the accession of the Queen.

## SOUTH WIGSTON. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, at the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
F. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans' Four-part Tenor 14 cwt .1 gr .19 lb . in F .
Brian G. Wakwick... . Treble Brian M. Smith
Pairicia A. Wardle..... 2 John A. Acres.
Mrs. B. G. Warwick .. 3 A. James Poynor Frederick Waisun Russeli. S. Morris .. . 4 Tenor Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
Rung for the 67th anniversary of the dedication of the church (Febrasery 2nd): also birthday compliments to David Andrew Warwick and Miss Barbara Tysoe, of Croft.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sul.. Feb. 6, $19(0)$, in 2 Hours and 54 Minures,
Aa the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}, 9 \mathrm{lb}$
-J. Mariin Thurley

| Treble | Frank Taylor.. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | William E. Clarke | Harold Barsley *C. Harold Whition ...Tel George. R. G. Butler John G. Ames Composed by F. Bewnett.

- 25th peal together.

In memoriam Rev. H. Law James and Rupert Richardson, past Masters of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

WEM, SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 TILSTOCK IMPERIAL MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt
Culin Smith
Juhn W. Griffilis
I. Hicior Benniti
? EDWARD V. Rovilnhurs Edward V. Rodinhursi Gedfrrey parting 6
7
*oms S. Dean
4 Percy Swindley Tenor
Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted hy Joun W. Griffiths. * 50th peal. First in the method (C.C.C. 219).

HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Mon.. Feb. 8. 1960. in 3 Hours.
Af the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwL .26 lb in E
Jack Pilgrim
Jamis M. Bailey
Frnesi Whiling
Ltonard J. Minns
Treble C. Jack Gibson.. C. Jack Gibson..
Peter S. Bfdford John W. Blythe H. William barreit ... Temor Composed by J. R. Pritichard. Conducted by II. Willuas Barretr. A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Gibson.

CHEADLE. CHESHIRE
THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wed.. Feb. 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules.
AI inl Church of St. Mary
A IPEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE: SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $13 t \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Ronald J. Johnsto:
Treble |Trevor Taylor M. Eilzabeth Ross Robrri J. Warrilow

2 Basil Jones Robrrt J. Warrilow

4
Briay Ogdey Briay Harris 7 Composed by Richard F. B. Speen. Conducted by Barrie Hendry. * First peal of Surprise. First in the method as conductor

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Feb. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## peal at the Bell foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

## Johnson's variation.

Sandra E. Chesterton .. Treble
Richard J. Clifton..
A. James Poyner

JOSEPH W. COITON

Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr . John M. Jelley.. John A. Acres Russell S. Morris.
G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenor Conducted by John M. Jelley.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Feb. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minures,

## At the Waich Tower,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Tenor 10 cwt .26 lb . in G .


Composed by A. J. Corrigan
Conducted by J. Al.an Ainsworih.

## ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
()n Thurs., Feb. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minules,

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .
Fikank W. Perrens. . . . Treble Hubert G. Summers .. 5

| *Dawn V. Elson | .. | . | 2 | Pfrcy Stone | .. | . | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ruih M. Border | .. | . | 3 | John W. T. Taylor. | . | 7 |  |  |

Peier Border .. .. .. 4 L. Michael Callow . . Tenor
Composed by F. Dench.

* First peal of London Surprise.

Conducted by Peter Border.

## COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE. <br> THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Oll Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minties.
At the Church or The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Leo Evans.
Treble Edward V. Rodenhurst
Harry Eidge
Robert Evans
2 John W. Griffiths

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by John W. Griffiths. Especially arranged and rung as a(2lst birthday compliment to Miss Rosaline A. Farlow, a regular Sunday service ringer at this church since 1952.
Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Caters, due to illness.
FENHAM, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. James and Basil,
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt .10 lb . in F .

* Mary Prophet .. .. Treble| George S. Dras

Edmund P. Crowdy $\quad \cdots \quad 2$ W. Norman Park
Roland Park
Kenneth Arimur
3. Alan Ainsworih.

Eric N. Harrison ... .. Tenor
Composed by Joseph W. Parker. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

* First peal with a treble bob hunt. First of Surprise on the bells.

LITTLEPORT. ISLE OF ELY.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
At the Church of St. George.
A PEAL OF 5440 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr .14 lb . in E .
Peter Langion (Trinity). . Treble David Kirby (Selwyn)
Frances Secker (Girton). $2 \frac{2}{}$ Stan Hood (Trin. Hall)
Dfrmot Roaf (Trinity)
Terry Page (Downing)
5
6
John Schofieid (King's). . 7
Composed by D. N. Layron. Conducted hy Peier Langion.

MORECAMBE. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sal.. Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.
At the Churrh of Thr Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAIOR
Tenor 10 cwt .

* Anne Batir

William Gi.rrard
*Judy Moir

- Donald Lawson

Comoosed by E. Hopwood. Conducted by George E. Braithwalte.
Treble Witliam Wilson

| 2 | Lawrinct. D. Clement | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

3 Rolanu F. Eccles
4 George E. Braithwaite .. Tenor

* First peal of Major.

Rung half-muffled in memorian Dr. W. H. Baddeley. Bishop of Blackburn.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

> At the Church of St. Thomas.

A PEAL OF 5120 STOCKPORT SURPRISE MAJOR
 February 9 th, 1957.

PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 13. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJJOR


STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat. Feb. 13. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

Ar the Chlirer of Si. John-The-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Heywood's transposition of Thurstans Four-part. Tenor 12 cwt . 19 lb . in G.


TWERTON-ON-AVON. BATH.
THL BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sut., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Mimutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 13 cwt . 1 qr. 7 lb . in F sharp.

| John R | Treble | George J. Hawkins. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Gloria M. Newton | , | Harolin l. Parerey |
| ndra Lewis | 3 | Alan F. Lee |
|  |  |  | Conducted by Aian F. Lef:

* First peal on cight. † First of Triples. First as conductor on cight bells.


## UTTOXFTER, STAFFORIDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5120 UTHE UTOXETER SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt 3 ar .1 lb . in E flat.

| Barnabas G. Key | Treble | brian J. Wylde |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur Pritchard | 2 | Richard J. Warrilow |
| David W. Brunn | 3 | David W. Friend |

Charles A. S. Webb $\quad . \quad 4$ Derek P. Jones.. ... ... Tenor
Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Derek P. Jones.
First peal in the method.

## SIX BELL PEALS

## LEIRE. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jant. 30, 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peier.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
*H. Dove .. .. .. .. Treble *Marcus G. Stevens Cecil E. Carr.
N. W. Price

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* First peal. First Conducted by Girizald Johnson.

First peai. First as conductor. First on the bells.
Bells augmented from four to six in 1958.
PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Thurs., Fibb. 4, 1961: in $\frac{2}{}$ Hours and 33 Minutes,
Ar the Church of The Holy Rood.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Davil) Eames (14) .. .. Treble Joseph W. Corion Derek P. Jones .... 2 Pircival W. Grice William F. Wooidward 3 Richard J. Clifton .. ... Tenor Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal on six hells.

Rung as a compliment on her 89th birthday to Mrs. Eleanor Jones, of Hitchin. Herts, surviving grandparent of the conductor; also a birthday compliment to his sister. Mrs. Elizabeth Henning, and to Ian Measures, of Church Gresley ringers.

ACOMB, YORKSHIRE.
TIIE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIUN.
(Selby and District Socicty.)
On Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
AT MHE CHURCH OF: ST. STEPH:N,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt . Iris Lemare
Mrs. J. Render
Alan Evans
Treble
2 Kean Sheppard.
Conducted by John Potis
3
Rung for the eighth anniversary of the Queen's accession to the throne, and for the christening of Terence Brian, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Sissons.

BRENT KNOLL, SOMERSET.
THL: BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
At THE ChURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent cach of Cambridge. Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Boh and Plain Boh. Tenor 21 cwt.
*Howard Cullingis.. .. Treble +Victor G. Robiris .. 4
Marjorie LegG .. .. 2 Giorge Priscuit
*F. A. Kehe Primi:.. .. 3 Gwilym Salmon
Tenur
Conducted by Grorge Priscoti.
*First peal of Minor in seven methods. † 50th peal. First on the bells in seven methods.

NETTLEHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sut., Feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

Af the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Trebie Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clemen's. Single Oxford and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 111 cwt.

Charles V. Cade ... .. 3 Gioffri:y R. Parkir .. Tenor
*First peal.
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Parki:r.

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## POLSTEAD, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Kent Treble Boh, two of Oxford Treble Boh, two of Si. Clement's and two of Plain Boh

Tenor 9 cwt


A birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth.
WELLINGORE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Felf. 6, 1961), in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

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& \text { AI THE CHEC OF AIL SANTS, } 5040 \text { DOUBLES } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF }
\end{aligned}
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Being one 720 each of Reverse Canterhury, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Plain Boh, April Day and three of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt 3 gr .5 lb G. Colin Jackson.. .. Treble *Edgar A. Cole .. .. 4 Frederick Dfrry .. .. 2 James h. Musson .. .. 5 - J. Edward Brown..... 3 John F. Wright .. .. Tehor Conducted hy Jamis H. Musson.

* First peal in five Doubles methods.

WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCFSTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
Olf Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, it 2 Hours and 37 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF $\mathbf{5 0 4 0}$ IOOUBLES
Being two extents each of Rev. St. Bartholomew, Seighford, April Day, Old and Norfolk: 12 of Plain Boh and ten extents and five 240's of Grandsire.
*Healher M. Pulion . Treble
*Jame.s E:. Pullon (12) .
$\dagger$ Paul Catiermole

- Michael D. Fellows

Michael. T. Spracki.ing.

* James E. A. Pullon

Tenor
Conducted by Paul Cattermole.
Most methods rung to a peal. $\dagger 25$ th peal on six bells.
To commemorate the eighth anniversary of the accession of H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth 11.

## CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> (Barnsley and District Society) <br> On Mon., Feh. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules, <br> At the: Church of All Saints, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Heing one extent each of Violet. Arnold's Victory. New London Pleasure, College Pleasure, London Scholars'. Duke of York and Oxford.
 Fred Cowling .. .. .. 3 Noel F. Moxon

Terror
Conducted hy Noel F. Moxon.
Rung to commemorate a peal in the same methods rung at Cawthorne on February 4th, 1860 , by the Silkstone ringers.

## LONG STRATTON. NORFOLK. <br> TiIE NORWICH DIOCFSAN ASSOCIATION

On Wed., Feb. 10, 1960, in 2 Ilours and 50 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PFAL, OF 5040 PIAIN BOB MINOR
 of Norwich.

WENTWORTH, YORKSIHIRE
UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD.
On Wed.. Feb. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of Thb Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 PIAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Terence. W. Hargrfaves Treble Rachel. M. Snell.

* Dfenis G. Prarson

Conducted by $K$
fohn M. Clarke John S. Rank

Tenor 10 cwt .
Tenor 10 cW
Kfish Abbort
Tenor * First peal. First for the Guild

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Thurs.. Feb. 11. 1959, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.
At the Chinch of St. Peier.
Being 720 each of St. Clement©s. Kent Treble Boh and Oxford Treble Bob. and four 720's of Plain Boh.
Bob. and our 7eos of Plain Boh.
Alan R. Bridges
2
3
C. Jucr Gins

Tenor 12 cwt .6 lh

Jack Pilgrim
Conducted hy John W. Blythy
Rung for the marriage of Mr. T. G. White and Miss E. A. Stanshy at this church earlier in the day.

## BARMING, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In nine methods: (1) Double Court. (2) Double Boh and Single Oxford, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Kent Treble Boh, (5) Oxford Treble Boh. (6) Cambridge Surprise and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{CwI}$. John R. Cooper .. .. Treble Ian H. Oram *Andrew M. Macve .. 2 A. Patrick Cannon ... .. 5 Crawford T. Millis ... 3 Trivor A. Cross .. ... Tenor Conducted by lan H. Oram.

* 25 h h peal

A 28 th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minnser.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh. three of Cambridge Surprise and two of Plain Boh.
Alan G. Payne .. .. .. Treble | Giorge R. G. Buture
C. Harold Whition. $\quad 2$ William A. Holmes ... 5

John G. Amps .. .. .. 3 Frank Tayior .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Frank Taylor.
GREAT EASTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the: Church of SS. John ani) Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Beverley Surprise, Surfleet Surprise, Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Margaret E. Panton .. Treble
Mary Roast .. .. .. 2
Joseph Saunders .. .. 3 Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 5
Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.
A birthday compliment to Mr. E. W. Roast, of Danbury.
SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Hinckley District.)
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven 720 's.
-Lawrence Warkins
Jennierer Siratford
Sratrord -.. Treble
Mrs. M. E. Brown .. 3 Michall E. Brown .. .. Tenor

* First peal (aged 12 years).

Rung by the local band to welcome the Rev. D. R. Rogerson. B.A., inducied as Rector the evening previous.

## SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents of Reverse Canterbury and eight each of Reverse St. Birtholomew, Plain Boh, April Day and Grandsire.
John F. Wright Tenor 8 cwt 3 gr .18 lh.
John F. Wright
 Frederick Dfrry .. .. 3 G. Colin Jackson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.
A birthday compliment to the conductor's son, Desmond.
WEST DEEPING. LINCOLNSHIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Mimules,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
a PFAL OF 5040 Minor
Being three extents of Plain Boh, two of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Kent Treble Bob, in same order.
Willitam Marsh ..... Treble
Cecti Wade
Glorge: Bush
Treble
Conducted by Cecil Wade
The tenor ringer has now' circled the tower.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. H. C. C. Tinsley. for many years churchwarden at this church.

## HANDBELL PEAL

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Feb. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
A PFAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor size 15 in $\mathbf{C}$.

| Giorge E. Feirn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1-2$ | A. Robin Heppenstall. | .. | $5-6$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Lord | . | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | Jack Bray | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| $7-8$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Frank Lord . . C. Aubrfy Harrison ... 9 - in

BALDOCK, HERTS.-On Feb. 14th, 1.280 Bristo Surprise Major: Miss J. Dear 1, D. Sutcliffe 2, Mrs I). Salisbury 3, D. Salisbury (first of Bristol) 4. R Casıledine (cond.) 5, C. Harwood 6. E. Buck 7, J Dear 8.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY,-On Feb, 7th, 1.200 Plain Boh Minor: Elizabeth Cooper 1, L. A. Reece 2. Jean Lavender 3, F. Jennings 4, D. Parsons (cond.) 5 , S. Kimber 6. For Evensong.

BLACKBURN. LANCS.-On Feh. 14ih, at the Cathedral, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: K. Read 1. T. Wilkinson 2, G. Wipnall 3, A Tomlinson (cond) 4.
A. Swindlehurst 5, B. A. Tomlinson 6, M. J. Halliweli 7. H. Anderion 8. Rung before Evensong half-muffied as a last token of respect to the Rt . Rev. Walter Baddeley, the Lord Bishop of Blackburn, natron of the Lancashire Association, who died on February 11 h.
BRISTOL (HENBURY)-On Feb. 1 st. 1.344 Ashtcad Surprise Maior: C. J. Richards 1. D. E. Cobh 2. Joan M. Gray 3. P. E. Parry 4. D. C. Exell 5. D J. Hunt 6, P. J. Bird 7.
in the method by all.
CANNOCK, STAFFS.-On Feb. 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Misg P. Sedgwick 1, Miss S. Y. Morgan 2. A. Scout 3, J. B. Webb 4, B, S. Townsend 5 C. M. Smith 6. E. Malin (cond.) 7. E, W. Colley 8.
First quarter for 1 and 2. Rung after a neal failure by members and friends of Lichfield Cathedral Sunday service band.
CHEW MAGNA, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 174h, 1.344 London Surnrise Major: R. J. Bowden 1, Elisabeth Bowden 2, Joan Gray 3, D. E. Cobb 4, D. C. Exell 5. D. J. Hunt 6, P. J. Bird 7. J. H. Gilbert (first of London as cond.) 8. First in the method for 5, 6 and 7.
COVENTRY, WARWICKS.- On Feb. 141 h, at St Michael's Church, Stoke, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: E, Simpson 1, R. D. Haync 2, W. A. Stote (comp, and cond.) 3, D. Ellender 4, R. Robinson 5. H. Folwell 6, R. Hart 7, E. Sibley 8. For Evensons
CROWCOMBE, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Cavill (first quarter) 1. M. Baker 2. R. Ford 3, J. Ford 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5 W. F. Chidey 6.

CROYDON, SURREY- Al St . John-the-Bantist Church, on Feb. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Braun 1. Miss H. Talbot 2, H. Humphries 3, C.
Parks 4, N. Brown 5, H. Pratt 6, N. G. T. Sieere Parks 4, N. Brown 5, H. Pratt 6, N. G. T. Steer
(cond.) 7, E. Razzell 8. Rung on the light-eight. EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Feb. 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob: Sue Meredith 1. Ruth Blackshaw 2, Doreen Armstrong (cond.) 3, M. Hamson 4. F. Bradley 5, J. Higes 6. Rung half-muffled in respect of Mrs. A. V. Dent, buried this day
EPSOM, SURREY.-At Chrisi Church, on Feh. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Sally Hewert 1, Sylvia Marsh 2, W. Parrott 3, Adrienne Gibson (first as cond.) 4. F. Oakshot 5, D. Herschell 6. Runs to welcome the Vicar back to duty after 11 weeks on the sick list.
ERDINGTON. WARWICKS.-On Jan. 31 st . 1.2 th Plain Boh Douhles: J. Beech 1. A. Bragingion 2. G. J. Taylor 3. Mrs. I. M. Atherley 4. C. M. Smith (cond.) 5. R. Tippins 6. First cuarter 3 and 6. First away from senor 1 and 2. For Evensons.
EXNING, SUFFOLK. -On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Douhles (Crandsire and Plain Bob): Miss H. Cross 1. J. Genteman 2. N. R. Waite (first inside') 3. R. J, Palmer 4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5. First in two methods by all the band. For Evenseng.
GOODNFSTONE, KENT.-On Feb. $131 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doutles: H. Stringer 1. H. R. French 2. S. White (first of Doubles) 3. S. Walter 4, B. J. Luck (cond.) 5. J. Bretl 6. Rung in honour of the golden weddinat of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stringer.
GRFAT YARHOITH, NORFOLK,-On Feh, Jh at St. Nicholas Church. 1.28n Kent Trehle Boh
Major: W. B. Duncan (cond.) 1. Rev. G. C. Galley Major: W. B. Duncan (cond.) 1. Rev. G. C. Galley
2. Miss N. B. Smedley 3. A. Wigmore 4. A. W. 2. Miss N. B. Smedley 3. A. Wigmore 4. A. W
Fulcher 5. S. J. Mersy 6. A. J. Moy 7. A. W. Bird HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN. WARWICKS. On Feh. 9 th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. C. Hugheq 1.
Miss H. Burrill 2, C. J. A. Goy 3, W. B. Ellender (cond.) 4. C. Pettifer 5, R. Jones 6.
HARIINGTON, MIDDIX.-On Feb, 14th, 1.26 m Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Wooders (first quarier) 1, Miss W. Smith 2, A. Corran 3. R. 11. Smith (first inside ') 4, D. C. Morgan (first of Grandsire Doubles and first as cond.) 5, L. Grice 6 . For morning service.
Vice.
HERSHAM. SURREY:-On Feb. 13 hh .1 .260 Grandsire Triples: D. George (first of Trinles away from tenor) 1. Mrs. P. Bird 2. H. Colcolmhe 3. J. Maybrey 4, C. N. Chinnery 5, Miss G. May 6. J. Kins (cond.) 7. S. Davies 8. Rung half-mufled so the memory of C. W. R. Grimwond. Who was laid to rest at Hersham the previous day.

## QUARTER PEALS

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.-On Feb. 71h. 1.261 Grandsire Triples: Marearet Tilhury 1. A. Clutton (cond.) 2. Sheila Wallace 3, A. Edwards (first inside 4. I). Francis 5, D. Knox 6, G. Harrison 7. S. M. Railey 8. For Evensong.
HINXWORTH, HERTS.-On Fcb, 6th, 1.440 Minor (Double Court and Double Oxford): M. Honkins (first of Minor) 1, J. Dear 2, 1. Scuot 3. P. Flack + R. Castledine 5, C. Harwond (cond.) 6.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On Jan, 3rd, 720 Single Oxford and 540 Plain Bcib: Sue Meredith 1 Doreen Armsirong 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3. M. Hamson 4. A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley (cond.) 6. For evening service. Also on Feb. 7th, 1.320 Doubles (Plain Buh and Grandsire): Ruth Blackshaw 1, Doreen Armstrong 2, M. Hamson 3, A. Larkin 4, F. Bradley 5. Conducted by 2, 3, 4 and 5. For evening service.
KETTERING. NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 7th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: B. Sinring (first quarter) 1. Audrey M. Hales 2. Diana M. Lawless 3, Shelagh R. Collins (first of Major as cond.) 4. A. J. Frosi S. R. F. Tumer 6. A. H. Idle 7. P. 1. Chapman 8. Rung before Evensong to welcome the Rev. John Dennis. M.A., to the narish.

LICHFIELD. STAFFS.-On Feb. 14ih. at St. Mary's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Sedgwick 1. Miss J. Morgan 2, Mrs. B. G. Key 3. L. Key 4. B. G. Key (cond.) 5, F. A. Sedwick 6, J. B. Webb 7. D. Friend 8. For Evensong.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.-On Feb. 14th. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew. Reverse Canterbury, St. Simon's and Plain Hob): J. Paxton (first quarter) 1, E. W. Colley 2, J. B. Dinenage 3 A. J. Strathdee 4, M. W. Fairey (cond.) 5. K. Warrington 6. For St. Valentine's Day
ILANDAFF, GLAM, - At the Cathedral, un Feb. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. W. Smith (first of Minor) 1, G. R. Marchant 2, R. V. Hughes (first of Minor - inside ') 3, N. A. James (first of Minor) 4 . B. Taylor 5. W. J. Gondfellow (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Rung on the back six to mark the bictit of a son to Mr. and Mrs. N. A. James, hoth members of the Cathedral Guild.

## 10WDHAM, NOTTS.-On Jan. 16ih, 1,680 Plain

 Bob Doubles: Rurh Blackshaw and F. Bradley 1. R. Miils 2. M. Hamsan 3, Doreen Armstrong (cond.) 4. I. Higgs 5. Rung for the wedding this day of Jean Isaacs and Michae! HobbsLYME REGIS, DORSET.-On Feh. 14th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. H. Davies (first quarter) 1 . E. L. Taylor 2, H. G. Kecley 3, S. Brixton (first 'inside') 4, Mrs. C. W. Powell 5. C. W. Powell 6. G. S. Morris (cond.) 7, H. Smith (first quarter) 8.

## For Evensong.

MAGDALEN. NORFOIK.-On Feh. 7th. 3ht Plain Bob Minor: V. Bowen 1. A. H. Bridges 2. W. W Cousins (cond.) 3. P. Gagen 4. C. Cousins (jun.) 5. C. Cousins 6. Rung after quarter neal attempt for Matins, and a farewell to the Vicar (the Rev. S. Revell).
MLILDON. FSSEE.-On Feb. 14th, 1.280 Plain Bub Major: D. Shaw 1. A. Hubble 2. G. Rouse 3, F. White 4. J. Clarke 5, 11. Stebbinss 6. J. Towler 7. S. C. Easter (first of Bub Major as cond.) 8. First uf Bub Major for 1, 5, 6 and 7. For Evensong.
MARKET DRAYTON. SAIOP.-On Jan. 2\%h. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: A. Hazeldine 1. T. White (first 'inside') 2. W. H. Tyler (ennd.) 3. E. Roberis 4. T. Price 5. H. White 6. A. M. Hickman 7. F. Price 8. Runs to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mrs. R. Hazeldine, wire of a local ringer
MOULTON. VORTHANTS,-On Feb. 7il2. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Cirandsire): Miss M. Simons 1. R. Eady 2. W. Care (liryt inside ') 3. T. Deacnn 4. J. Inns (first as cond.) S. R. Sunons (first quarier) 6. A farewell compliment in the Rev. I. Paton
Ifunter on leaving this parish for Danehill. Sussex.

OXENDON, NORTHANTS.-On Fcb. 141h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss 1. Brown (first quarter) 1,
A. Millward 2, F. Lanc 3. W. Cropley 4. 1). Grifin A. Millward 2. F. Lanc 3.
(cond.) 5. For Evensong.

PORTISHEAD. SOMFRSET.-On Fch. 4th, 1.664 Plain Bob Major: M. J. Horseman 1. Mary Powell 2. R. Gale 3. Monica E. Ilorseman 4. D. C. Excll 5 , J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6, J. Brain 7. D. J. Hunt 8. First of Major 'inside " for 2 and 3.
PUTNEY, S.W.-On Feh, 14th. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bub and Grandsire) : B. Coalsworth 1. A. Clayton 2, S. Rymer 3, L. Allen 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5, B. Bull 6. First in three methods for ail except 3. For Evensong.

ROCHDALE, LANCS.-AI All Sainis Church Hamer, on Feb. 14th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Sylvia Lord 1, Margaret A. Buckley 2. Mariorie Hanson 3 G. Dysun 4. K. Abboli 5. J. Taylor (cond.) 6. Rung for the hirth of Rosemary Sarah. dauphicr of the Rev. A. Herbert and Mrs. Herbert, horn February th 1960.

ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET:-On Feb. 2nd 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Chick 1. A. Chapman 2, E. Brice (lirst inside') 3, W. R. Trickey (cond.) 4. F. Taylor 5, K. Thorne 6. Also on Feb 6th. 1.2 k 0 Grandsire Doubles: Mise R. Chick 1. A. Cooke 2, W. R. Trickey (cond.) 3. G. Hutchines 4 F. Taylur 5. K. Thorne 6. For Miss W. Sloman's wedding.
SAXTHORPE, NORFOLK.-On Feb, 13th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: J. K. Smith (cond.) 1, P. S. Stcarman 2. D. W. Pardon 3, R. E. Cullingion 4. N Wright 5, N. I. A. Pumphrey 6. First quarter by 2 and 5 (lucal ringers).
TEITENHALL, SYAFFS.-On Feb. IOth. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Harris 1. Miss C. Slater 2 R. Humbhries 3, E. Soulhwick 4. A. G. Newman (cond.) 5, S. Lucket 6. Rung half-mufled in memne:am 3. C. James, churchwarden.

TICHBORNE, HANTS.-On Feh, 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. D. G. Northway 1. M. J. Pointer (first of Doubles) 2, M. L. Northway 3. P. Dickinson (first inside') 4. C. M. White (cond.) 5, R. H. Colis (first quarter) 6.
TRURO. CORNWALL - At the Cathedral on Feb. 9 th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. R. Southwood 1 Rev. W. E. Miners 2. Mary Carveth 3. A. Carvelh (cond.) 4. A. J. Davidson (fires inside') 5, G. D Carter (first quarter) 6.
UPPER CLAPTON. En-At the Church of St. Matthew. On Feb, 7th, 1.264 Plain Bolv Major: Miss $N$ Hales 1, Mrs. D. Neal 2. J. M. Steele 3. W. F.
Jarvis 4, J. A. Hales 5. R. K. C. Wilkings 6. D. W. Gray 7. D. Neal (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment 10 treble ringer.

WAKEFIELD, YORKS,-On Feb, 2nd, 1,320 Grandsire Cinques: J. White 1, F. Munday 2. Miss G Schofield 3, H. Scott 4, H. Schofield 5. W. F. Moreten (cond.) G. P. Woodward 7. D. Cuhity 8. K. Park 9. G. Townsend 10, J. Kirby 11, H. Naylor 12. First of Grandsire Cinques for 1,2,3 and 5. Run? in memory of Fred Seager. Also on Feb. 9ih, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Mrs, D. Whittaker 1. Mrs. J. Moreton 2, J. White (first inside ') 3, W. F. Moreton 4. P. Woodward (cond.) 5. D. Cubill 6. K. Park 7. G. Townend 8, J. Kirby 9. D. Barker 10. Rung halfmufled in memory of Canon H. W. Arsill and the Rev. N. Murray-Smith.
WAITHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Feb. 14ih. 1.296 Plain Boh and Little Bob Royal: P. D. Chapman I A. 1. N. Boyack 2. H. Rumens 3. F. C. Maynard is D. A. Hewitt 5, E. E. Holman 6. F. W. Sykes 7 B. R. Duwnes (cond.) 8. T. Hawkings 9. C. Willminzton 10. First of Plain Bitb and Little Boh Royal by all. For Evensong.
WFMBDON, SOMERSET.-On Feh. 14th, $1.26 n$ Doubles (Reverse Camerbury, Plain Boht and Grandsirc) : C. Sweet 1. C. Clarke 2. R. D. Short 3. M. J. Stone 4. F. W. Sweet (cond.) S. F. Phillips 6. Rums half-muffled after Evensong in memoriam Mrs. B. Rown. for many years a church worker.
WILINGHAM. CAMBS.-On Feh. 14th, 1.410 Netherseale Surprise Minor: K. Elsom 1. G. Crisp 2.
D. Murfer 3. G. Thaday 4. G. Lucas 5. M. Ginn (cand.) 6. For Matins.
WIMBIPDON. SL'RREY,-On Feh. 14th. 1.250 Grandsire Triples: A. Bishon 1. Carnline Carpenter 2. Susan Rawlines 3. Derothy Robinson 4. M. Sinden (cond.) 5. Anne Garnett 6. A. Bagworth 7. Mary Price 8. Rung half-muffied for the death of Mr. C. W. R. Grimword, of Hersham

WOLLATON. NOTTS.-On Jan. 31st, 1260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Monre 1. R. W. Ilawenck 2, R. Preston 3. G. Stroud 4. P. J. Hawcock (first as cond.) 5. R. Strond 6. First euarier 1, 2, 4 and 6. For Fivensong.
WOLIATON. NOTTS.-On Fib, 7ih, 1.260 Douhles (Grandsire and Plain Boh): P. Hawenck 1. M. Popplesion (first quarter) 2, G. Siraud 3, R. Previon 4. P. Hawcock (cond.) 5, I. Findon (first euarier) 6. Fur Evensong.
WVCHBOLD, WORCS.-On Dec. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Douhles: Heather Pullon 1. M. J. Fellows 2. J. E. Pullon 3. P. Catrermole (cond.) 4, M. D. Feltows 5. J. E. A. Pullon 6. For mractice. Also on Dec. 20ih, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Heather Pullon 1. P. Cattermole (cond.) 2. J. E. Pullon 3. A. D. Conk 4. R. S. Smith 5. J. E. A. Pullon 6. For carol ser-
vice. Also an Dec. 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles Heather Pullon 1. Sheila MeDougall 2, J. E. Pullon 3. V. Neale 1. A. D. Conke (cond.) 5. L. Gittias Girss quarter) 6. For Evensops.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

## Stockport Branch

The magnificent ring of ten bells was made full use of during the annual meeting of the Stockport Branch at St. George's Church, Stock port, on January 30th, attended by about 80 members and friends. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon Wilfrid Garlick), known to a much wider circle for his broadcasts and articles. In accordance with custom, the service was held in the choir, which accommodates over 60 , and every seat was taken. Local ringers ${ }^{\text {a }}$ wives excelled themselves in the tea, which left even the most eloquent speechless.

The business meeting which followed received the secretary's report, which made a special note that over 25 per cent of the membership consists of young people under the age of 18 . He appealed to these youngsters not to stand still or be satisfied with anything less than the best at all times, and said that if they did so then the Exercise would offer them pleasure and profit for the rest of their lives.

Forty-three peals had been rung in the territory covered by the Branch, and the membership and financial affairs showed increases. The officers for the ensuing year were elected and the retiring officers thanked for their services during the past year.

Further ringing was enjoyed after the meeting until 9 p.m.., touches in various methods being rung to suit all tastes.
C. K.

## AN APPEAL TO R.A.F. RINGERS

At a dinner given to the Yatesbury, Wilts, ringers, a fund was started for the replacement of the third bell, which is cracked and needs recasting. Many who have served at Yatesbury in the R.A.F. and enjoyed ringing the bells would. we are sure, like to give a donation. Gifts, which would be much appreciated, should be sent 10 Mr . L. Lee. The Manor, Yatesbury, Calne. Wilts.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A nembership of 100 ringing members, meetings better attended, more young people coming along. Sunday service ringing maintained in most churches, were encouraging items for the annual report of the Northern District presented at the annual meeting at Hitchin. Mr. G. W. Debenham (president of the Association) presided.

The report also mentioned that Royston and Barkway had given their names to two Surprise methods rung for the first time in their respective towers. Twenty-one peals were rung, fewer than in 1958, but quarter peals were nearly double. Congratulations were expressed to Mr. Tom Scott, a member of the local band, for many years, and still parish clerk of Hitchin, on his 80 th birthday.

Elections: District secretary and treasurer, Mr. E. W. Buck; 'Ringing World' and Press representative, Miss J. Sanderson; general committee, Messrs. B. Scoot and R. Agg; District committee, Messrs. W. Brown, G. W. Critchley. B. L. Marks, M. Orme and Miss J. Sanderson; trustees, Messrs. A. C. Harris and J. S. Dear. Miss Elizabeth Willis, of Norton, was elected a ringing member. Mr. C. A. S. Harwood was elected District Ringing Master for the next three months. A number of amendments to rules were carried. The service was conducted by the Rev. C. N. O. Walsh.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Taking the service and presiding at the business meeting on January 15 th was the Rev. D. L. Haynes, of St. John's, Chatham, another able ringing parson in the Rochester District but without bells at his present church.

Three new members were elected and Mr. A. Dunk gave a full account of the K.C.A. committee meeting, where the District's motion to place a levy on peals was defeated.

Good news was received from Mr. T. Beaumont that Rochester Cathedral bells will be dedicated on February 20th. Despite the heavy fall of snow, 40 members were present.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

## Mansfield District

Visitors from as far afield as Loughborough. Oakham, Howden and Sheffield were among the 65 ringers present at the annual meeting of the Mansfield District at Mansfield on January 23rd.

Mr. S. W. Fossey (District chairman) presided at the business meeting which followed ar short service and tea, served by local ladies. New ringing members elected were J. C. Brown. A. Dennett, B. Jones and A. Munks (Mansfield Woodhouse), G. Gibson, K. Marriott and Miss M. Turner (Hucknall), R. Horner and T. Bethell (Pleasley) were elected non-resident life members.
Officers elected for the year were: Chairman. S. W. Fossey: secretary, D. H. Rooke: Ringing Master, H. T. Rooke: committee, A. Brown and D. J. Beach. Mr. D. H. Rooke was nominated as Central Council representative for the District.

A resolution requesting the general committee to circularise the Districts with a view to holding District cup contests next year with winners competing in a final in September was carried unanimously.

Ringing ranged from rounds and call-changes to Yorkshire Surprise and Oswald Delight. Next meeting, Selston, March 26th.

The band who rang the coming-of-age peal of Plain Bob Major at Coalbrookdale for Miss Rosaline A. Farlow would like to express their sincere thanks to Mrs. Farlow and family for their kind hospitality after the peal.

Harlington, Middlesex, which just over a year ago was a call-change tower, records a quarter peal, conducted by 17 -year-old Dennis Morgan (his first).
Mr. Nolan Golden is still in hospital and does not expect to be free for some weeks. However, he is being allowed home this week for a time, prior to a further operation. He thanks all who have written to him and hopes to return the compliment soon.

## John Taylor \& Co.

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Arrangements were made to ring the memorial peal for Mr. Wilter W. Wolstencroft on Fehruary 13 ih at his old tower, St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, but on arrival there the hand were unable to ohtain the keys and so proceeded to Norhury. In the peal of Stockport Surprise Major rung there the band wish to associate the name of Mr. F. Dunkerley. He turned up at Ashton but, due to another engagement in the evening, could not stand in at Norhury. In his place Mr. B. F. L. Groves returned to peat-ringing after his recent accident.
Congratulations to the University of Sheffield Guild for making their first entry in our peal columns.

Mr. Donald Salishury had his lirst introduction to Bristol by ringing a quarter of the method at Baldock on February 14ih. He hatd not previously struck a hlow.

Miss Adrienne Gibson, of Epsom, who learned to handle a hell two years ago, called her lirst quarter at Christ Church. Epsom, on Fehruary 14th, on her 17 th birthday.

Ringers at Stradhroke. Suffolk, led by Mr. J. Clarke and Mr. A. Thompson, raised 112 19s. on a handbell-ringing tour of the village for the Parish Church repair fund.

A peal of Stedman Cinques has been rung at Canterbury Cathedral by a hand of resident members of the Kent County Association. Arranged in honour of the anniversary of the Queen's accession, it was also on the birthday of Mr. Bert Luck, the popular leader of the local ringers and until recently for many years secretary of the Canterbury District of the Association.

At the annual meeting of the Southern Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association, Dr. Paul Jonason, of East Harling, made a strong appeal to the ringers to ring for the arrival of the royal baby. Difficulties of getting conductors and enough ringers at short notice to ring were announced from a number of towers. It was, however, hoped to ring guar. ter peals al Diss, Pulham and Bunwell.

## GOSSIP

 February llih, was rung by members of the local band as a farewell to two of their members, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Carpenter, who have been ringing at Allesley for the past nine years and are now taking up residence at Ewell, Surrey.Kettering ringers are delighted to have as one of their priests the Rev. John Dennis, who has been ringing previously at Merton.

The Maidstone District are organising a District party for March 26 th at the 'Len, Canteen, Maidstone.

Mr. Sam Jones, of Handbridge, has succeeded Mr. A. E. Richards, of Farndon, as chairman of the Chester Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

The East Anglian "Daily Times, has puhlished a review of the Central Council's leatlet to clergy on the Survey of Sunday Service Ringing.

Nottingham area has been producing a numher of first quarters. At Wollaton on January 31st there were four firsts and one first as conductor. Keep it up!

The peal of Tilstock Imperial Major, rung for the first time at Wem. Shropshire, is Peal No. 4, C.C.C. Plain Major methods for group - L' methods.

Regarding the peal of 5,040 Doubles rung at Nassington (sec page 118), there were 14 different extents rung. We regret that All Saints Doubles, the first to be rung, was omitted in making a correction.
Mr. Robert C. H. Sibley, formerly of Hardingstone, Northants, has taken over from Mr. H. O. Baker as secretary of the Chester Branch. Mr. Baker is now secretary of the Chester Diocesan Guild. Both are members of St. Mary-within-the-Walls tower at Chester.

Police Sgt. Henry Girt, who has served for more than 28 years in the Suffolk Constabulary, the last 11 years as divisional clerk at Eye, is retiring and is going to live at Hellesdon, Norwich. He and his son, Mr. John Girt, are ringers at Eye.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## HE RANG IN WASHBROOK'S RECORD PEAL OF 1896

Prompled by the articles 'Annus Irae. Mr C. H. Exon, who will be 83 next month and is now in Watlington Cottage Hospital, tells the story of the record peal of 11,000 -odd of London Surprise Major at Depyton in 1896. He was then $19 \frac{1}{2}$ years of age, and to participate he went to work at Oxford previous to the peal at $3 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. He is the only survivor of the peal.

We commenced about $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. after the Rev. F. E. Robinson had said a prayer. We rang for a quarter-of-an-hour and then Washbrook called "Stop," as two bells had changed course. We started again and kept going until the finish; the striking was very good. Occasionally Washbrook reminded us to keep the leads open.

Once half way through I found a post or pillar behind me and leaned back to ease an ache in my back. Washbrook came half way across the tower; he thought I was going to give up. I think, so I stood straight up again and we carried on. I believe if it were needed he would have rung my bell as well as his own!

We went on until about 10.30 , and every bell set up when "Stand " was called. Everyone was smiling, but how quiet it sounded. We soon had the bells down, and the Rev. Robinson invited us to supper and told us we could go home in the morning.

Then someone said if we hurried we could catch the last train from Abingdon, which was two miles away. There was a scramble for collars and ties, and also shoes as some of us rang in our socks. I was the last out of the lower. It was pitch black outside and raining hard. I could hear footsteps and went after them, but it was the wrong way and I had to turn back. I tried to run and catch up with the others, but with the rain in my face 1 didn't arrive at the station until three minutes after the train had left.

There was nothing else to do but to walk the five miles to Oxford; the rain had then stopped. I had just reached Christ Church when "Old Tom" boomed out one. I nearly " jumped out of my skin." When in bed 1 was asleep at once, and got up at six the next morning to start the day's work, namely, bread making. The previous day it was $3 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

There was a dinner shorlly after to celebrate the peal, and a lot of nice things were said of us and we felt on top of the world. Now, in 1960 , I am the only one left of those who took part in the peal. In those days we only practised London, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, but now there seem to be 20 or more Surprise methods rung regularly, and to ring a peal of London is as ordinary as Stedman used to be. Those were happy days!'

His brother, the late Mr. F. S. Exon, also rang in the record peal. His son, Mr. Douglas Exon, of Dorchester-on-Thames, writes that his father did not come to Oxford until he was 15 , and previously had not done any ringing, but at the age of $19 \frac{1}{2}$ he was able to ring a record peal to the satisfaction of Washbrook.

## HELMINGHAM RECTOR RETIRES

Helmingham, Suffolk, ringers presented the Rev. J. A. Burness. R.D., with a shooting stick on his retirement as a mark of their appreciation of his friendliness during the 30 years of his incumbency.

Making the presentation on February 9th in the belfry, in the presence of 11 service ringers, Mr. L. G. Brett (captain) recalled that at the time of the arriva! of Mr. Burness as incumbent it was bells, bells and more bells at Helmingham. Within five years the band had created a record by ringing 30 different Surprise peals and became front page news in "The Ringing World: By 1938 thy had rung 46 Surprise peals. Had it not been for the co-operation of the Rector this could never have been accomplished. The Rectory was close to the church, and he had a family of small children, but not once did he refuse the bells. Afted the war-time ban a new band was formed, and more methods and Spliced Surprise were rung for the first time.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 9



## MRS. G. W. FLETCHER

## (Life Member of the Central Council)

During the past 50 years, many ladies have taken up the art of ringing, and have shown varying degrees of brilliance, but Mrs. G. W Fletcher has demonstrated such a degree of proficiency in ringing and conducting that places her right in the forefront. She is the daughter of James Parker, the conductor of the famous Crawley band, who rang the record length of

Superlative Surprise in 1894, which stood for 14 years. Now in his advanced $90^{\prime}$ 's, he is still quite alert and interested in ringing matters.

Mrs. Fletcher was born in Crawley, Sussex, in 1891, and learned to ring at Edmonton in 1908. In 1910 she rang her first peal, which was Superlative Surprise, and before very long was conducting peals in all the standard Surprise methods, in addition to conducting her first peal of Stedman Cinques at Birmingham in 1912. She is one of the very few persons alive who have rung a peal of London Surprise Major on handbells. This was in 1939.

FOUNDED THE LADIES' GUILD
In 1912 she founded the Ladies' Guild and served as secretary for 35 years. She then became its president, and held that office with great distinction for nine years. She served also as its representative on the Central Council from 1914 to 1952, when she was elected a life member. She holds the record for attendance, never having missed a single meeting since she became a member in 1914.

In 1928 she married George W. Fletcher, who was secretary of the Council for 21 years, and they proved to be an ideal husband and wife team in running the Council's business, proving themselves to have such a complete grasp of its affairs that roused the admiration of all who saw them in action.

She has served on the Council's Peals Collection, Analysis, and Biographies Committees, and is now convener of the Records Committec. Her peals total to date is 375 on tower- and handbells, of which she has conducted 126. She was never afraid of tackling a heavy bell for she rang the tenor to a peal at Chew-Magna, Somerset ( 32 cwt .), and the tenor at Lincoln Cathedral ( 24 cwt .) to a peal of Siedman Cinques in 1932, and made a tip-top job of each performance. The Exercise will always remember with gratitude her sharing of the work with George in sorting order out of the chaos which wats found when The Ringing World was taken over on the death of J. S Goldsnith.

JAFUS.

## SHEFFIELD RINGERS WEDDING

Members of the local company at St. Mary's Handsworth, Sheffield, were prominent at the wedding of Mr. H. David Holland and Miss Pauline Eyre, which took place there on Fehruary 6 th. In addition to the bride and bridegroom, bridesmaid Miss Marion Archer and groomsman Mr. Ian Holland are also members of the local company. The remainder of the company turned up in full strength, and despite the absence of these four there were two ringers spare in the belfry. These two spent their time attempting to shower confetti through the belfry window on to the bridal party being photographed below, but their efforts were frustrated by an unco-operative photographer.

The bride wore a gown of ballerina-length white lace with net flounce embroidered with matching lace fleur-de-lys, a pearl coronet with white lace petals and circular veil, and carried cream roses and lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss. Marion Archer and Mrs Pauline Staniforth, who wore lilac nylon bal-lerina-length dresses flocked with white flowers and whlte accessories, and carried white carnations.
The best man was Mr. Derek Holland, the groomsmen Messrs. Ian Holland and Colin Cain, and the ceremony was performed by the Rector, Canon H. Ferraby.

After a reception at the Norton Country Club the couple left for a honeymoon in London, and their departure coincided with the commencement of a peal of Spliced Surprise in their honour, which was brought to a successful conclusion. The bridegroom is in business in Manchester, and their future address is 7 Hollins Grove. Barkers Lane, Sale, Cheshire.

## Tips For Beginners - 9

Rhythm is indispensable to good ringing. Make sure the number of notes laps through your head as each change is rung, even if at first you cammot hear your own bell. This is the first thing to concentrate upon when you go to a higher number of bells than you hawe previously rung ont. Failure to appreciate this point is the chief reason why some people never can acquire the art of 12-bell ringing.

## FIRE AT EWELL TOWER

The interior of the 12 th century tower of the old St. Mary's, Ewell, Surrey, which stands some distance from the present church, was damaged by fire early on the morning of Feb. 7th, two timber floors being almost burnt away. A picturesque landmark of Ewell, the tower. built of cut flint and Reigate stone, with a Jater parapet of red brick. remained impervious to wartime bombing, though it did receive a glancing blow on its buttress.

The rest of the church was pulled down in 1852 against strong opposition; as a compromise, the tower was fitted out as a mortuary, but has been disused for many years.

The materials of the chancel and nave were used in the building of some cottages and many walls in the village, white the Communion table. font, screen, mural memorials and brasses were removed to the new church when it was built in 1848. The clock, bearing the name of John Thwait, Clerkenwell, London, 1799, is still in good working order.
The tower contained six bells, the oldest dated 1767, which now hang in the present church. Two trebles were added and the seventh and tenor recast in 1890 as a memorial of Queen Victoria's jubilee. All the bells were cast at Whitechapel.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## EVESHAM BELLS

Dear Sir.-Whilst I would like to thank Mr Hemming for his efforts to aid my indifferent hearing, what most ringers would appreciate far more would be the lifting of the rule that exists at Evesham: "No Hemming-no peal. Such a condition is not only childish but very selfish. and if this could be knocked on the head we may have a chance of hearing Evesham bells to some greater advantage.-Yours faithfully,
Birmingham. $\quad$ R. G. EDWARDS.
B.

## LIVERPOOL, UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Dear Sir,-I would like to take advantage of your columns to announce the formation of the Liverpool University Society of Change Ringers. For many years now. attempts have been made 10 form such a Society, with varying degrees of success. Now. at last, one has been formed, and Liverpool can take its place alongside all the other English universities, with its own Sociely. No longer may ringing students be deterred from entering this rapidly-expanding university, for lack of facilities.

At present our numbers are rather low, but membership is open to all past members of the University who would care to join, and who may do so (on payment of two shillings membership fee) by contacting the secretary at the Students Union, 2, Bedford Street North, Liverpool, 7.-Yours faithfully,
F. ANDERTON, Hon. Sec.,
Liverpool University Society of

Change Ringers.

## CALL CHANGES IN THE <br> WEST COUNTRY

Dear Sir. In reply to Mr. Rodenhurst's letter. I wish I could claim that West Country call-change ringers can make their bells all begin to double-clapper on the same round in a rise. but it isn't so. They all chime together in the 'pitch'. but begin to speak at the handstroke in turn-how quickly depends on the bells. But-and here is the main difference between this and 'up-country' rising in peal -when the treble gets her tongue at handstroke she should be so placed that it comes in its place after the tenor's backstroke; the other bells come in with their handstrokes in the same way, after the treble.
In a lower, where the "go" of the bells permits it, it is possible so to pull the bells in that they all 'lose their double' within a round or two of the tenor. This depends on (a) the tenor-man's being able to keep his hell double-clappering until the sally is in hand, and (b) some degree of telepathy which enables the rest of the band to know when the treble-man is going to 'pull in.' Properly done, this is delightful to watch and hearthe tenor-man nursing his bell down without ever a jerk or a snatch (and any of the other ringers can ruin this) and the sudden transition from the very light. quick double-clappering rounds to the emphatic slower chiming rounds as the belis are pulled in
In the West Country the calls are always (I think) made in the form 'Four to Five or Fourth to Fifth -to get 123546 from rounds. Many callers add the word . Lead. after the call when the changing pair is at the front. The tenor is very seldom turned in, as with a closed handstroke lead there is no point: you can get the same effect without. and it only makes things confusing. Good callers sometimes change pults is the general rule, and nothing is worse than somebody rattling out changes when the striking is bad and never giving anyone time to settle down. Some towers have cards. but almost always for the caller's use only.-Yours. JOHN G. M. SCOTT
Clawton Vicarage, Devon.

## INVITATION TO MR. WEST

Dear Sir,-I have read with interest the number of letters relating to the peal of Surprise Minor rung at Collingbourne Kingston, and have noticed that all have been in favour of the band's decision 10 ring the peal for their own Guild rather than the one to which the fower belongs.

The latest letter on the subject, from Mr. J. A. Palmer, the local District secretary and an old friend of mine, puts the matter in a different perspective-that of the Vicar's feelings about it, and for that matter those of the local band.

As the organiser of this peal, 1 had fully intended sitting back and letting the whole thing die a natural death. I feel, however, that 1 must assure Mr. Palmer, the Vicar and his ringers that when applying for permission to bring a hand of ringers from Reading and district for this peal I certainly had not anticipated Mr. West's letter, accusing us of had manners.
Some years ago I organised a similar peal on the live bells at Shalbourne. Wilts, this tower also being in the Salisbury Guild's area. This peal was recorded for the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, but as it was only Grandsire Doubles it was not deserving of a letter from Mr. West.

Our eight bells at Highclere have had a good many peals rung on them, several for the Oxford Diocesan Guild and one for the Royal Society of Cumberland Youths. We have not yet had a Salisbury Guild peal, but if Mr. West. cares to bring a band we shall be delighted for him to ring one.
This correspondence, unlike so many other controversies, has proved of some use to the Exercise, if only to show that the old-fashioned ideas held by some people are no longer held by the younger generation of ringers. Times change, Mr. West

Incidentally. I strongly disagree with Mr. Vincent Hemming on his contribution to the Evesham dispute. These letters do make interesting reading to the majority of ringers, as I am sure they did in 1900 , when William Pye and James Washbrook were exchanging views. and do much to improve the value of our paper.-Yours sincerely,

> Highclere, Hants.

## LEST WE FORGET

Dear Sir.-I thank Mr. Southwood for making clear his true attitude regarding peal ringing, which was not evident from his original letter. I also thank him for offering to arrange some ringing in Cornwall for me. I hope I have the opportunity to accept some day.

However, the object of my letter was that the persons who objected to the extra cost of ' The Ringing World should hang cheir heads in shame. One must not be overcome by all this - smooth' talk hy such people, when they get their backs to the wall.-Yours faithfully.

## Loughborough.

PLACE NAMES - RYME INTRINSECA
Dear Sir-Mr. E. G. Caple. of Clevedon, in his letter published on February 12th mentions Ryme Intrinseca, and suggests that the church has only one hell: in fact, it has three.

My wife was horn there, and the hells were rung at intervals all day on her 21st hirthday. beginning at $6 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. (A small barrel of cider was also consumed.) One of the ringers, who was also verger, is still alive and living at Ryme. -Yours faithfully.

## CHRISTMAS BROADCAST

Dear Sir,-One would indeed be an optimist to expect our old friend A. V. Davis to agree with anything or anyone. He reminds me of the story of the Irishman who went abroad. and on arrival asked: ' Is there a Government here'?'. On being assured that there was, he said: "Well, I'm agin it!". His defence of the B.B.C. is almost pathetic. The fact is that the B.B.C. have not done any good to ringing with the broadcast under consideration. Mr. Dunwoody's letter emphasises my point that when the Broadcasting Committee is consulted the results are much happier. I am glad that he, at least, carried out the duties for which he was elected by the Council.
How do the rest of the Broadcasting Committee on this side stand? They do not break their silence-or is it they are saving their powder until Whitsuntide, so that they can blow up anyone who dares to utter a word of criticism?

We need more people on this committee who. like Mr. Dunwoody, are not afraid to stand up to the B.B.C. We want no more of this shoddy ringing at Christmas or any other time : and, if in order to get better results it is necessary 10 ' can it,' then by all means do so.

I find no fault with the 'canned' ringing we get on Sunday mornings on the Light programme. What I do complain about is that the B.B.C. must demonstrate their cleverness' by messing even that about.

Mr. Derek Jones is quite right in his remarks about the effect of bad broadcast ringing on learners, and his word 'sabotage ' is putting it mildly.-Yours faithfully,

## J. FRANK SMALLWOOD

Darley Dale. Derbys.

## A Ringer's Duty

The ringer's first duty is to aftend and be willing and keen to learn. A ringer also needs 10 integrate himself into The Exercise" by mixing with ringers from other towers; by ringing elsewhere at meetings, on outings, in combined practices, on holidays; by reading "The Ringing World " and "The Belfry":' From 'The Belfry,' the Maidstone District quarterl:.

PEAL AT ST. MARY'S, TORQUAY
Dear Sir.-On May 30th. 1887, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells of St. Mary's Church. Torquay, by the following band: James Moss Ireble, Edwin Shepherd 2. Alfred Shepherd 3. William Munday 4, Ferris Shepherd (conductor) 5. William Gifford 6. Frederick Batchelor 7. Thomas Lake tenor.
For some time now I have been trying to find knowledge of the members of this band and reports of the above peal. There is no mention of it in any of the books obtainable in the Torquay Library, and I wondered if any of your readers could supply any relevant facts. William Gifford's name appears frequently in 'Among the Bells,' by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. and that is all I have been able to find out.
The bells of the above tower have been silent for 21 years now. and though a native of Torquay I have never heard them ring. I would therefore welcome some opinions of your readers who have rung and heard these bells.-

FRANCIS POLLARD. Rector and tower master. Yours faithfully,

84, Westhill Road, Torquay.

## DONALD ROBERTS

Freshford, Bath.

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## Hertfordshire Association Face Up To Allegations

Dear $\mathrm{Sir},-I$ was sorry to read the letter from Mr. Hatchell. of Rickmansworth, in your issue of February 12 h , in which he alleges rudeness and lack of interest on the part of officers of the Herford County Association.

1 am not in a position to comment on the conduct of the Association's affairs in the Watford District, but as the officer in charge of the ringing at St. Peter's, St. Albans, on the day of the St. Albans annual District meeting, I should like to offer Mr. Hatchett my sincere apologies for any neglect he may have suffered. It is not always easy, in a crowded lower where there is a lot of coming and going, to ensure that everyone is being looked alter, and if Mr. Hatchett or anyone else at St. Albans was overlooked, it was entirely unintentional.
1 have always found the Hertford County Association 10 be a very friendly body, and as far as my own knowledge goes its officers have afways taken an interest in and been prepared to help young ringers and towers trying to build up a band: some, indeed, have given a great deal of time and energy in personal efforts to this end. I am sorry that this has not been Mr. Hatchett's experience, but he may be assured of a welcome any time he cares to visit my own tower.-Yours, etc.,

DESMOND PAINTER

## Harpenden.

Dear Sir. -The indictment of the Hertford
County Association in your issue dated February 12th calls for comment.

The aims of this Association have been ably misrepresented. Rule I when quoted more fully slates that an object of the Association is the promotion of changing ringing, and of social intercourse amongst change ringers. by means of the various Annual and District Meetings." This, I submit, is as far as any Association can reasonably go. By holding meetings, the Association provides an opportunity, which might otherwise not exist, for ringers to meet socially and to improve their ringing. If ringers are not prepared to take advantage of such opportunity, I do not see that it is open to them to complain.
Your correspondent readily acknowledges the help of several well known ringers as well as that from the Watford band. It is at first sight difficult to see what exira facilities the Heriford County Association is expected 10 provide. If any tower wants to make further progress and requests outside help for this purpose. its members must be prepared to help themselves by getling out 10 other centres of ringing. Parochialism is the surest bar to progress.
If support is sought from an Association. then there is primary reciprocal obligation to support that Association. I should expect that your correspondent is a member of the Heriford County Association. if qualified for this. and regularly attends District meetings. be should hope also that in the future we may be spared from the irritating habit of addressing the Association by anything but its proper tule

It is tiresome to find a general condemnaion propounded on the hasis of a single experience. Notwithstanding my earlicr
remarks. the allegation that members remarks. the allegation that members
of the Hertford County Association to not assist struggling towers is easily will discover. if and when he realises that will discover, if and when he realises that Ase responsibilities of the Hertford County Association cover a wider area than that Within a three mile radius of Rickmansworth. - rours faithfully.

## Baldock

Dear Sir.-I am instructed by the general committee of the Hertford County Association to invite Mr. Hatchett (and his band) to altend the next annual general mecting of this Association, which will be held it Watford on Saturday, April 23rd, when we shall be delighted to discuss his grievances.
We would also remind him that we have no record of any subscriptions paid by him as a resident ringing member since he came to reside in this county, and request him to rectify this matter. which apparently he has over-looked.-Yours faithfully,

> H. V. FROST, Hon. Gen. Sec..
> Hertford County Association.

Dear Sir-I feel that some answer is called for in reply to Mr. Hatchett's letter regarding bad manners in ringing circles (page 106).

While agreeing with him that bad manners should not exist in our circles, he is surely wrong to suggest this was so at St. Albans.
If he is foolish enough to stand in any belfry for half-an-hour without making an effort to ring, then this is his own fault.

Mr. Hatchett is more capable a ringer than I. but I would not have stood for such a time without a ring. I would mention that even in the Oxford Guild the Ringing Master does not 'canvass' everyone present to ring the touch he is putting on. No, he calls the method and those capable take hold. If every ringer waited for the Ringing Master to invite them to ring, many 'vacant ' half-hours would pass, resulting in little or no ringing taking place.

While being a service ringer at a tower in the Oxford Guild, I expect to be unknown to many at local meetings; I would expect this at St. Albans, too. Be honest with yourself, Mr. Hatchett. If little effort is put in by attending your local meetings, how can you expect to be known at the odd one or Iwo you do go to? from your local tower.

I would point out to Mr. Hatchett that the title of the county in which he rings is the Hertford County Association not the Hertford Guild: does it take more than three years for him to find this out?
In conclusion, I would suggest that Mr . Hatchett's criticism of the Association is unfounded; furthermore, if he changed 'we to 'I' he would be more to the point. -Yours faithfully,

DONALD R. BARTHOLOMEW.
Watford. Herts.

## "Altar AND PEW"

Dear Sir,-Recently I canse across a small hook which may interest ringers throughout the country. It is a collection of poems, edited by John Betjeman, many of which have direct or indirect references to hells and ringers. lts
title is "Altar and Pew, and it is published by title is "Altar and Pew," and it is published by E. Hulton and Company, Lid., Hulton House. Fleet Street, London, E.C. 4 ( 2 s . 6d. net).
References to Christmas bells on pp. 14-15. to some Dorset bells on pp. 38-39 and to bells in general on page 45 make this, to campanologists, an interesting collection-even if not noetically inclined.

Another value of this small book is the insight into the secret life of prayer of another servant of God in the Church's life and ministry -the vicar. It is ohvious that for a prayerless - vicar. as for a prayerless ringer, their ministry -and ours-hecomes just a man doing a joh, instead of God and man logether doing His work and calling to lif worship. - Yours sincerely.

Luton, Beds.

## CUT PEAL REPORTS

Dear Sir.-What with all the controversial correspondence, not to mention the first fout parges, in :The Ringing World: I sometimes leel that it should be more coirectly referred to as the journal of the scientific peat ringers. It no longer seems to apply 10 church bell ringers as such.
It is not mecessary for peals to be published. thus occupying nearly half the paper; the fact that they are printed is only to satisfy the vanity of a very small minority of ringers who take part in this pastime. Those who make a habit of peali ringing no doubt keep a record of their activities and the same peals are printed in the annual reports of the Associations concerned. If they must have them published, 1 would suggest they they be charged at the same rates is the notices on the back page. This would no doubl go at least some of the way to aid the financial side of The Ringing World: Quarter peals could have a fixed rate.

In case some of' the 'regulars " hasten 10 say that they are paying too much already for their peals, 1 would only add that their expenses are high only because they seem to insist on travelling such a long way from home to ring them. If they rang their peals in their own vicinity the money charged by the local towers would amount to a mere pittance.
I write this letter because I honestly think that if some sort of control could be had on the amount of space allocated to peal ringers a lot more room would be left for the lype of reading matter that would interest the overwhelming majority of readers who are not peal ringers. This in turn would not only make the paper more interesting but would no doubt help to increase the sales.-Yours sincerely.
K. G. SPAVINS.

Wohurn, Beds.

## COLLEGE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Dear Sir.-The College of Campanology would like to share with your interested readers and with all its members the pleasure afforded to the governors and officers by the expressions of commendation being received for its work generally in the Exercise, and particularly for the recently issued second revised edition of Part I of the Ringers* Manual of Reference.
It is a source of much encouragement that ringers, often quite unknown to us. should express their appreciation of what they are experiencing. by sending small donations to help with this voluntary work: which includes the collection and dissemination of latest knowledge of the art and science of changeringing, and particularly, at the moment, in respect of instruction.

That the College, while supporting the acgis of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. is able to function not in competition with, but complementary to. the territorial and "occupational societies-as now confirmed in the successive annual reports after more than three years working - is perhaps its greatest satisfaction. College membership implies full support of "The Ringing World: and we certainly advise every ringer to take the paper regularly: for this will lay a firm foundation for moulding the paper into what may satisfy the Exercise as a whole.
We would add that the general invitationput out when the College was heing founded$t 0$ all ringers (and especially those experienced in one or more branches of our art) to add their contribution in helping with the work -remains as always open. with cordial welcome. Information (siamped envelope) will be gladly furnished by the Registrar, 40. Parkstone Avenuc. Southsca.-Yours faithfully,

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(Press and Public Relations Officer.)
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## DOWN UNDER IN 1959

## By GEORGE W. PIPE

Our circle of friends in Britain increases month by month; new ringers come to Australia's sunny coast, others make the trip back 'home. And so. as the year goes by, with more and more contacts in the Ringing Isle. we feel that 12.000 miles is not quite as far as it was. say, in 1934. So here's Australian Review. 1959. and greetings to all ringers everywhere.

SOUTII AUSTRALIA
South Australia has two towers, a six and an eight. for an area of over four times that of Great Britain! One caln imagine the limited opportunities of these ringers but undaunted both St. Peter's Cathedral. Adelaide. and St. Andrew's. Walkerville. have made great strides over the past 12 months. The enthusiasm of these two bands is unbelievable: from almost scratch St. Peter's now manages up to Stedman and Grandsire Triples (on an octave with a tenor of 41 cwt .) and Kent Minor is rung regularly on the front six and also at St . Andrew's.

The Cathedral recorded three quarters and Walkerville one, seven people scoring a first And here we congratulate C. Hervey Bagot on whom the main leadership in Adelaide falls, for immense keenness, and ability to pass on what he himself has picked up. Delight has been expressed at Miss Enid Roberts university appointment after a long sojourn in the bush. some 60 miles away. This will strengthen the growing company. Mention must be made of secretary Bill Pitcher's good work and his example of continually asking questions on ringing matters and adding literature to the helfries' libraries.
Membership of these towers stands at 11 for St. Andrew's and 14 at St. Peter's Cathedral and one of their aims for 1960 is particularly pleasing: the establishment and maintenance of consistently good striking whatever we ring.

## NEW SOUTH WALES

Now on to New South Wales where the bellfounder (or the donor) has heen a little more generous! A feature of this State is its monthly publication for which Editor John Cummins is responsible. This valuable paper does much to unite Australian ringers.
It is said (forgetting Sydney's Harbour Bridge and Melbourne's River) that the latter gets the ringers whilst the former get the bells! Overlooking Melbourne's two lady ringers from abroad in the past two months Sydney have done it again with a new Taylor eight for St. Paul's. Burwood (a suburb), and the possibility of an eight or a ten at St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral. Congratulations to all concerned: no doubi Melbourne will be asked to register Burwood's first peal but. in all fairness. should the method be Double Norwich we feel we should reserve the tenor for an acquaintance in Dorking and ask that A. P. Heywood supply the composition!

The Sydney towers. too, have made progress, specially through their young ringers under the capable guidance of Tom
Goodyer. Twenty-seven quarters from Doubles to Major and two peals of Triples were scored resulting in ten firsts and three new conductors. Methods practised over the year included Cambridge and London Minor. Kent and Oxford Major and Erin and Stedman Triples. Besides travelling inter-State themselves the Sydney ringers were hosts to a Melbourne party and two other very welcome visitors were Messrs. Bray and Kerley from H.M.S. Centaur who scored their first peal whilst on leave.
The two outposts of N.S.W.. Yass and Maitland. continue to keep the flag flying, Sunday services being a priority

## TASMANIA

Across now to the Isle of Mountains. beautiful Tasmania and down south to Hobart Town. Here the two octaves of St. David's Cathedral and Holy Trinity sound out over the picturesque harbour. These bands, who have been unfortunate in having very few 'imports, make a valiant effort to ring Sunday by Sunday. Three Melbournians visited them last January and several Doubles methods and courses of Bob Triples were enjoyed. Their
visit was repaid later in the year by Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Smith when Sid scored his first quarter of Triples. In traditional style the New Year was rung in at Holy Trinity. the scene of two peals some 25 years ago during the Great Adventure.

## QUEENSLAND

AND WESTERN AUSTRAL.IA
The octave at Maryborough in Queensland (an outpost some 600 miles N.E. of Sydney) is rung regularly to call changes and St. George 's Cathedral. Perth. where the tower is reputed unsafe, chime the Warner cight Sunday by Sunday.

## VICTORIA

Finally, to Australia's smallest mainland State. Victoria. At Ballaarat things are fairly quict. due to the sad lack of an experienced ringer. The fine eight at the City Hall are seldom rung whilst at St. Peter's the recast trehle is awaited for the light six. However. at a joint meeting there in June when Adelaide and Melbourne ringers joined the locals some good change ringing was enjoyed and Alex Herrman proved an admirable host
In the old gold-mining city of Bendigo hatrgs what must be the roughest eight in the world. No offence will be taken at this utterance for Warne Wilson. the tower captain, and his band who ring them, and well. too, twice a week, have every confidence that within a year or two their ring will rank with the best in Australia. High up in a very slender and tall brick tower there is much work to be done but things are on the move and if the writer may take this liberty may he appeal to all British ringers to support the Bendigo appeal when it is launched; these ringers deserve it.

And so to Melbourne (whose relative merits compared to Sydney's may be heard leaning against any old bar in either city!) possessor of the South's only twelve.
A year of contrasts for St. Paul's Cathedral ; bursts of enthusiasm and then troughs of very average striking and the "daily-round." Nevertheless. a year of many cvents and enjoyable mectings. Our range of methods has included Double Norwich and Cambridge Major. Stedman Caters. Grandsire Cinques and Bob Maximus and Plain and Kent Royal. One of Melbourne's weaknesses is its striking. which must be improved in 1960 , although a


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genuine excuse for part of this fault is the 'go' of the bells which have deteriorated in the past three years. Moves are afoot for a complete restoration and the Chapter, with much prodding from the belfry. are aware of its necessity

Four peals were recorded, a drop on last ycar, bui of higher standard. Kent and Bob Major were rung on tower bells and Kent Minor was scored on the six of St. Clement's. Yass. when a party made the journey to N.S.W. in November. Quarters included two of Bob Major with new conductors-Graeme Heyes and Hervey Bagot (Adelaide).

Our first 'event' was one of great value and pleasure-the visit of nine ringers from Adelaide in June. Journeying some 500 miles our friends gave themselves and us one of the best weck-ends ever with ringing at the iwo Ballatarat towers and the two in Melbourne.

## THE PIONEERS OF 1934

Then. to mark the 25th anniversary of the Great Adventure, we were able to arrange a meeting of the three States. N.S.W.. S.A.. and Victoria, in Melhournc. A very large gathering paid tribute to the pioneers of 1934 and touches not previously attempted in Australia broke new ground. The highlights were a quarter peal of Bob Maximus at the first attempt with ten firsts and a handbell peal of Bob Major. A quarter of the same was also scored and a peal attempt of Bob Royal cane to grief after an hour and a half.

Graeme Heyes, the vice-captain at St. Paul's. carns thanks for his teaching beginners and if membership is any pointer then 1960 should be very successful.
At St. Patrick's R.C. Cathedral (Peter Richards now reclining at his Dartford, Kent. home after sterling work here) the new hand are making good headway. Miss Barbara Beeson has taken over and with help from St. Paul's useful material is coming forward. This second eight when renovated will be of great value, for lack of competition has encouraged complacency in the past
So that's the round for 1959: just one small point though! We are still hoping that Great Adventure II will eventually materialise and we can promise you all somethin good-fair dinkum!

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

The Society held its winter meeting in the heart of the 'Black Country' at Coseley on January 23rd. Once again adverse weather was encountered but in spite of this more than 60 ringers and friends made their way to this Midland town to enjoy the hospitality of the local ringers.
The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. D. Starkey) who welcomed the Society to Coseley after an absence of nearly ten years. After the service the members retired to the nearby church school where a bountiful tea had been provided. Our grateful thanks must go to the local band. their wises and friends who worked so hard to make this meeting such a success.
D. J. T.

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## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

There was a good attendance at the annual District meeting of the Christchurch District, which was held at Christchurch on February oth. The Guild service was held in the Priory Church and was conducted by the Vicar (Canon R. P. Price). The preacher was the Rev, R. R. folliott Powell, assistant priest at Milford-onSea,

At the commencement of the annual meeting the District chairman (Rear-Admiral D. H. Everetl) welcomed visitors from Southampton and Abingdon. He then invited Canon Price to take the chair
In his annual report the District chairman (Rear-Admiral Everett) stressed the importance of members visiting oiher towers on practice nights. in order to assist those needing help and also to advance their own ringing ability. The secretary (Mr. W. T. Godfrey), in his annual report, stated that membership was now 113. 13 more than in 1958 and the highest number since 1948. In November, Breamore, a new tower with four bells, was welcomed into the District. Breamore has a very enthusiastic band, under the captaincy of Mr. Jack. Mussell. Reports from cight out of the 13 affiliated iowers showed that steady progress was being maintained in most towers but, most important of all, regular Sunday service ringing was being carried out in all towers except one.
During the course of the mecting. 25 new ringing members were clected. Among those elected were the Rev. R. R. folliott Powell, who has recently moved to Milford from Dorset, where he was the Rector of Evershot. the Rev. F. O. Brackley (Rector of Breanore) and the Rev. Mr. Flather, curate at Fordingbridge.
District officers elected for the next three years were: Chairman, Mr. F. Price; vicechairman, Rear-Admiral D. If. Everett: secretary and treasurer. Mr. W. T. Godfrey : secretary's proxy. Mr. L. Cobb: joint Ringing Masters. Mr. W. Cheater and Mr. R. Marlow: representative to the central committee. Mrs. I. Marshallsay: auditor, Mr. R. Hurst. The following meetings for 1960 were proposed, subject to confirmation: Quarterly meet-
ings-June 4th. Sopley and Ringwood: September 3rd. Fordingbridge and Breamore ; December 3rd, St. Peter's. Bournemouth. Practice meetings-March 5th. Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst: May 7ih. Bournemouth: July 2nd, Hordle and Milford-on-Sea; November 5th, Lymington.
The new District chairman (Mr. Fred Price) proposed an omnibus vote of thanks, on hehalf of all members, to everyone who had helped to make the meeting a success.
W. T. G.

## SUNDAY SERVICE NEWS RAINHAM, KENT

St. Margaret's, Rainham, report that of their 29 ringers. 17 are teenagers between 13 and 17 Wears. Their ringing, twice on Sundays and at Wednesday practices, consists of plain courses of Grandsire Triples and Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor, in which many of the young ringers take part. Practices are held regularly on Wednesdays, and the band would like to acknowledge the patient and conscientious work of the captain, Mr. F. J. Cheal.

## ST. PETER'S. BOURNEMOUTH

Mr. Colin Conway (captain) reported at the annual meeting of St. Peter's. Bomrnemouth, on Fehruary 4 th. that the bells had been rung three times every Sunday during 1959, also for special services and 12 weddings. The annual outing in Seplember was to Romsey Abbey. Petworth and Chichever, and a happy week-end had been spent with friends at Selly Oak. Birmingham. Handbell ringers on Christmas Eve collected $£ 138$ s. for the Church of England Children's Society. A broadcast service, two jumble sales and a peal of Yorkshire Surprise tere other events of the year. The treasurer's report showed that a halance in hand of 1113 s .8 d . had been increased $10 £ 35 \mathrm{ibs}$. Id. Colin Conway was re-clected captain, Eric Booth vice-captain and Doreen Dykes hon. treasurer. It was proposed to redecorate the belfry in 1960 and provide new linoleum for the floor. The annual outing was lixed for May 14th, the lile of Wight heing a possible destination.

## OBITUARY

MR. FREDERICK SEAGER A TRIBUTE FROM HIS NATIVE COUNTY
The greatest contribution to Minor ringing in Norfolk took place in the remote village of Tibenham, in the south of the county, during the first 13 years of this century. Fired by the enthusiasm of the Manser and Snelling families, a company of young men rose to great proficiency to become the most accomplished band of Minor ringers in the country.

One of these young men was Frederick Seager, who began to ring at the age of eight and was still a schoolboy when he rang the treble to his first peal on April 18th, 1906. In November, 1908, he rang his first peal "inside ${ }^{\circ}$ at Long Stratton and, a fortnight later, Tibenham tenor to a peal, the first of many occasions on which he was to ring this bell, generally considered to weigh a lon. In 1910 the local band accomplished a peal in 14 inethods which was composed of half-extents, the idea of splicing into true extents being then acceptable only to a rew advanced minds. A peal in seven Surprise methods was rung on January 18th. 1912, to be followed in March by one in 21 plain and Treble Bob methods, each method being represented by 240 changes. The local men were now also gaining proficiency on eight bells during their visits to Pulham. This band was also making great progress. and previously to ringing the first peal on the augmented eight at Salle. it band equally divided between the two towers scored a peal of Trehle Boh Royal at Aylsham. Peals of Double Norwich, Oxford Treble Bob and one of Norfolk Surprise - the first hy a resident band-were accomplished. A peal of 7.200 in ten Surprise Minor methods at Tihenham rounded off a memorable year.

But 1913 was to prove to he a year of great achievement, the year when the Norwich Association rang 291 peals (a record still unbeaten). On January 23 rd a peal in 14 Surprise Minor in seven true extents was rung and claimed to be the first of its kind. Then followed at Pulham a peal of London Surprise, the first of six during the year. This was the first in the county by a resident band since the 1835 peal at St. Andrew's. Norwich. Then followed the first of Bristol in the county of Suffolk at Palgrave. More peals of seven Surprise Minor were rung, together with peals of New Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major.

After the first world war Mr. Seager went to Yorkshire to work and, marrying, made his permanent home there. But he often returned for a few days to his native county and was present at the recent opening of Great Yarmouth bells. Of his 111 peals for the Norwich Association. 53 were of Minor and 53 of Major. Of the peals of Minor, 40 were in seven methods. chiefly of Surprise, with a like number on Tibenham bells. The peals of Major were in 11 methods, while Mr. Seager rang also three
peals of Royal and Mancroft tenor to a peal of Little Bob Maximus.

Mr. Seager's skill as a ringer was of a very high order. as the above sketch indicates, for he was ringing peals of Surprise Minor, London and Bristol Surprise Major when their performance was something of a rarity. He was always unperturbed, no matter how difficult the method. He was a natural tenor ringer and handled any weight with consummate ease. As a man he was a delight to know. He possessed a rich sense of humour, with never an unkind word for anyone. Above all, he had the great virtue of humility and was happy with beginner and expert alike. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Seager and her sons, for we know how much we shall miss him. He surely rests in peace.
N. G.

## MR. C. W. R. GRIMWOOI) AN APPRECIATION

A twinkle, a pipe and a stick.
That is how we shall remember Bob.
For the last 15 years he had been a most regular nember of the Kingston-on-Thames band, and although he had to make a considerable journey, Bob was always there, despite fog. ice, snow and rain. Even a serious accident 18 months ago only incapacitated him temporarily. An injury which might have crippled him permanently was overcome hy his determination to get hack to his beloved bells.

Others can write with more authority of his feats in the past-he scarcely ever mentioned them to us. IIe wils always ready to stand in for any efementary methot for the sake of a learner.

We shall miss him sadly. We remember his words when we askel him if he would be there at the next ringing line: "All being well.'

Alas, all was not well. and Boh died on Fehruary 8th after a short illness. God rest his soul. G.C.G.

## An Augmentation Appeal From Kent

First mooted in 1954. a plan to restore the four old bells of St. Margaret's Church, Addington. Kent. and add two new ones had to be postponed owing to urgent restoration work on the fabric of the church. The bell fund now stands at $£ 325$. An appeal for $£ 1.500$ has been launched by this village of 500 souls: Cheques, payable to 'Addington Bell Fund: should be sent to the Appeal Secretary, Miss Janet Lander. The Old Oast House. Aldon Farm, Addingion. West Malling. Kent.

A North Eastern band met with poor luck in recent Grandsire Triples peal attempts, but success crowned their efforts at Morpeth Watch Tower on February 10th, thus enabling George S. Deas. the popular secretary of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild, to circle the tower.

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E. A. BARNETT,

Hon. Secretary,

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at the Clarendon Press Institute. Walton Street, Oxford, at 2.30 p.m.. on Saturday, March 19th. Names for tea before Wednesday. March 16th, to Mr. P. Walker, 66, Fairacres Road, Oxford -M. R. Cross.

5800
SUFFOLK GUILD.-Committee meeting, St. Mary-le-Tower Belfry, Saturday. March 5th, 3 p.m. Business: Redrafung of rules.-J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec.

UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION - Summer lour, Whitlow Grange, Sheffield, August 6th to 13th (send 5 s, by June 30th). Dinner. London, January 7th. 1961. Members without the recent circular with provisional programme should write to D. J. Roaf. Trinity College. Cambridge.

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## MEETINGS

CLAWTON OPEN RINGING DAY.-On our gift day, Saturday, Feb. 27 th, all ringers will be welcome from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. onwards. Buffet lunch and tea. Service 2 p.m. Sale and skittles competition in afternoon. A 388 , three miles S Holsworthy. Proceeds for lower.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Annual dinner, Saturday, Feh. 27th. Ringing arrangements: St. Alkmund's (8), 2.30-3.30: Derby Cathedral (10), 3.30-5.30 p.m.-W. A. Morley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch,-Monthly practice. Iver (8), Saturday, Feb. 27th, 3.15 p.m. No tea (can be obtained in Uxbridge).-W. Butler, Hon. Sec. MARTIN'S GUILD BIRMINGH 5790 ST. MARTINS GUILD, BIRMINGHAM Ringing arrangements for Johnson dinner (Feb. 27th): Friday-Bishop Latimer's (8), 7.30 p.m. : Erdington Abbey (8). $7.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Saturday-St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral (8), 1.30 to 2.30 ; Aston (12), 2.45 to 3.45 ; St. Martin's (12), 3 to 4 p.m.; Cathedral (12), 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. 5795 SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD First ringing meeting of the year at St. Mary's, South Benfleet, Saturday, Feb, 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. 5808

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Wednesday, March 2nd, 6.30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

ANCIENT SOCII:TY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting, The Rising Sun. Cirter Lane. E.C., Saturday, March 5th, 6 p.m. -John Chilcott. Sec.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUIID -Meeting, Brighouse (8), Saturday, March 5th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Teas for all, 5.15 p.m. (mod. charge). Remainder of annual business, accounts, election of officers. Bells again during evening. AND WEILS ASSOCIATION 5819

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.-IIchester Deanery Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Somerton (6). Saturday, March 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please.-R. J. Fox. 109. Middle Sireet. Yeovil.
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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-Meeting. Kempston, Saturday, March 5ih. Bells (8) 3 p.im. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to me for tea, please.-R. L. Piron. Dis. Sec.. 8, Bowhill. Bedford. (Tel. 61835.) 4817

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD Annual dinner, Selwyn College. 8 p.m.. Satur-
day, March Sth. Ringing: St. Beneits, 2103 p.m.: St. Mary"s, 3 to 4: St. Andrew's, 4 to 5: Catholic, 4.30 to 5.30 p.m.-J. R. Taylor. Sec.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chester Branch.-Mceting, Waverton. Saturday, March 5 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Number for tea hefore Tuesday, March 1st, please, 10 Mr . T. L. Jones, Aston House. please, 10 Mr. T. L. Jones, Aston House.
Waverton.-R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec. 5821

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern District.-Meeting, Saturday, March Sth. Wootten Wawen. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, organised by ringers, 5 p.m. Names to P. A. Oram, 15, Henley Road, Leamington Spa. All welcome
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS AS-SOCIATION.-Next meeting, Saturday, March 5th. Heath. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Yeomans, Hillman. Mansfield Road, Heath, Chesterfield. Derbyshire.

5834
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Mecting, Sutton: Saturday, March 5 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec.

5824
ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District Meeting, Goldhanger, Saturday, March 5ih. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury

5746
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.-A mecting will be held at Harlow Common on Saturday. March 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea 10 G . Blake, Hamlet House. Roydon Hamlet. Harlow. Essex.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-South Forest Branch.-Mecting. Littledean. Saturday, March 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Coombe, Oaklands Farm, Newnham. Glos.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting at Great Wymondley. Saturday. March 5th. 5.30 p.m.E. Buck, Dis. Sce.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Watford District.-Meeting. Saturday, March 5th. Bushey (8). 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m.-G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec
LADIES' GUILD.-West Midlands District. -Annual meeting. Saturday, March 5th. All Saints'. Allesley, Warwickshire. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 to 6 . Ringing from 6 to 8 p.m. Please notify for tea not later than first post on March 2nd to Miss R. Russell, 78, War Lane, Harborne, Birminghams. 17.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-Meeting on Saturday. March 5th, at Church Kirk. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Buses from Accrington 'on the hour.' or frequent service 10 Church.-John Pilkington. Sec.

5813
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Fyide Branch.-Meeting. St. John's, Blackpool, Saturday. March 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided.-J. F. Turner.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Lancaster Branch.-Half-yearly meeting. Hornby. Saturday, March 5th. Ringing 2.30 to $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Mr. T. Fisher, 18. Main Strect. Hornby. Mecting after ica.-P. Handley. Branch Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Wigan Branch.-Meeting. Christ Church, Southport. Saturday, March 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Please make your own arrangements for tea. 585?

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Annual general meeting. Saturday. March 5th Ranmoor. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea available. Names not necessary.-I. Seager, Sec. 5849 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leicester District.-Joint meeting with Syston Disirict, Saturday. March 5 th. at Evington and Thurnby. Ringing (Evington $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.) Thurnby: Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall. rollowed by mecting and ringing. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 2nd, please, to Mr. H. L. Wykes. 81. Main Strect. Bushby, near
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Lecester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Bucks Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Maids Morcton (6). Siturday. March 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea not later than March 2 nd to G. W. Holland, 1. The Leys, Maids Moreton. Buckingham, Vickers.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDGuilsborough Branch.-Meeting. Ravensthorpc, Saturday, March 5th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Thresher, 22. Watson Road. Long Buckby. Rughy.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salisbury Branch.-Practice meeting. Dinton. March 5 th . Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 . Tea 4.30 p.m. for those who notify by March 1st Miss Eloie, 8. Albany Road, Salisbury.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Dorset Branch-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. March 5th, Shillingstone. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Visitors welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 2nd to Richard Longridge. Bourton Vicarage. Gillingham.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting. Potterne, Saturday, March 5 th. Bells (6) 5.30 p.m. Service 6 p.m No tea,-E. J. Hitchins, 136, Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wilts.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Annual dinner, Saturday. March 5th. Ringing arrangements will be announced next week.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nottingham District.-Radcliffe-on-Trent, Saturday. March 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Bring own food Cups of tea only-S. Adams, Dis, Sec. 4806
SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Quarlerly meeting. Gorseinon, Saturday, March 5th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.-J. T. Williams, Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Christchurch District. - Practice meeting. Brockenhurst ( 6 ) and Lyndhurst (8), Saturday. March 5th. Bells available: Brockenhurst. 2.30 p.m.; Lyndhurst, 6 . Tea 5 p.m Names for tea hy Wednesday previous to W. T. Godfrey. Pine Hurst, Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, Lymington. Hants.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch-Meeting, Claines, Saturday, March 5 th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Practice method. Double Norwich C.B. Major. Names for tea by Tuesday, March 1st, to F. Hyde, 6, Winchester Avenue, St. John's. Worcester.

5798
ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District. Dinner and social, Village Hall. Danbury, on Saturday, March 12th. 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (5s. 6d.), before March 5th. from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. S.A.E., please.

5745
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-The annual general meeting will take place at Guildford on Saturday. March 12th. Full details next week.-S. T. A. Russell. Hon. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western District.-Meeting at Northchurch on Saturday, March 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, March 8th. to Mr. R. Ashby, 110, High Street, Northchurch.-J. Good. Dis. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION --Canterbury District.-By-meeting. Hernhill (8), Saturday, March 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names, together with cash, please, by Tuesday, March 8th, to T. C. Phillimore, 47. St. Peter's Grove. Canterbury.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District.-By-meeting at Bobbing, Saturday March 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday. please. to B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, near Sittingbourne.

5839
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Maidstone District.-Quarterly meeting, Lenham, on Saturday. March 12 th. combined with the Ladies Guild. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m. Names. please. to J. Manktelow. The Square, Lenham.-R. L. Sills, Dec. Sec.

5835
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Daventry Branch.-Meeting. Welton. Saturday, March 12th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. V. Kitchener, 18. Ashby Road. Welton. Daventry.-F. W. Hancock. 5840 SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District.Meeting, Saturday, March 121h, Rougham (6), 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by March 9th to Mr. R. Rose, 3. Smithy Close, Rougham, Bury St. Edmunds.-A. T. Ballam, Dis. Sec

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Syston District.-Annual dinner and social, Saturday, March 26th. Humberstone Church Hall, 6 p.m. Bells 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. Tickets 5 s . each from Mr. E. Bagworth, 36, Averil Road, Leicester. All spare tickets and cash must be sent in by March 21st.

5851

## Record Length Attempt Notice

Dear Sir--This is to give notice that another attempt will be made to ring 40.320 Plain Bob Major at the Loughborough Bell Foundry, by kind permission of Mr. P. L. Taylor, on Saturday, March 12th, starting at 7 a.m.

The composition to be attempted will be the same as used for the previous attempt, and the organiser is Mr. P. I. Chapman.-Yours faithfully,

## STEPHEN IVIN.

Houghton Conquest, Beds.

## 100 PEALS OF SURPRISE MAJOR

Ringing his first peal of Surprise Major on January 4th. 1949, Mr. Brian D. Threlfall rang his 100 th on January 16 th this year. In all he has rung 213 peals. The list is as follows
Bristol 16, London 12. Yorkshire 9, Cambridge 7 (conducted 2), Cornwall 4. Rutland 3 (1), Lincolnshire 2. Superlative 2, New Cambridge 2 (1).
One peal of the following first in the method: Byfleet. Derby. Edgware. Felstead. Hanbury, Harlesden. Kenninghall, Olney, Springfield. Twickenham. Ufford, Ventnor, Whitchurch, Wirral and Zennor,

One peal of Ashtead. Berkshire. Ealing. Kendal, New Gloucester, Norfolk. Premier, Pudsey (1). Queensland. Staffordshire (1), Sudbury, Verulam, Wembley and Whitwick.

Spliced: 2 methods 2. 4 methods 5, 5 methods 1, 6 methods 4.7 methods 2 .

## LATE NEWS

Mr. W. C. Lampard, captain of the Cathedral ringers. Winchester, died in hospital on Sunday, aged 85 . He met with an accident at his home at 2. Highcliffe Road. Winchester, on February 14th.

Another attempt at the 40,320 Plain Bob Major will take place at the Loughborough Bell Foundry on Saturday, March 12th. starting at $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Mr. Stephen Ivin will conduct and the band will be the same as in the previous attempt last November.

Captain of the ringers at Hambledon. Hants, Mr. John Edward Turner died on February 7th. aged 58 .

## 5,024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

By STEPHEN IVIN

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## LETTERS-Continued

- BITTERNESS A GIGANTIC BLUFF!’

Dear Sir, - In 1913, when I went to live in Leicester, by what i had read and heard thought I was entering a campanological battlefield. Living in the shadow of St. John-the Divine's I naturally made my parish church my first choice. At that time three towers had regular bands-St. John's. St. Martin's and St. Margaret's. Roving members of these bands met at other towers for practice-SI. Mark's, St. Mary's and St. Saviour's. I never met any bitterness but a good deal of merriment.
I never heard of any bloodshed. W. W.'s ideas had a lot of the alpha and omega about them. If roused to battle, whoever got in his sights had a blast. Maurice Atkins was a frequent visitor to our tower, but when the Cambridge mob produced Little Bob, Billy's friendship was sadly strained.
As regards W. Pye, before and after the 1914 war W. W. fixed his party up for towers. This led to some comment as $W$.W. managed to stand in several first Surprise peals on the bells I recall that once they arrived in the strangest of vehicles-a bacon box on wheels. Severa nights in the ensuing week all hands were called out to fetch them home.
After the war we only rang on alternate Sunday nights, except for special occasions. On the intervening Sunday W. W. gave a 'grandstand ' performance of hymns and tunes. This led some residents to ask when we were ringing, What were we kicking up that rattle for?
One night I ventured up St. Martin's, expect ing to be devoured. Instead I found some friends whom I shall never forget. When the ladies joined us in ringing peals all was quiet on the Leicester front. W. W. had a tough time in early life, and he hoped to improve the outlook for his family. He had his wish, and he then did not forget St. John-the-Divine s by giving two trebles to make the ten. That was he crowning moment of his life. Some nights after we were having half a pint together and I asked him why he did not now go into battle. His reply was: "Well. Tom, when you get older you get mellower.' Had I said he had turned a good eight into an average te, he would have had his sword out.-Yours, etc.
A. FLAT

## SURPRISE MAJOR MFTHODS

Dear Sir.-This is in reply to Mr. Pattison.
(I) Cudham and Derwent appear in Corrigan's Collection (the first edition, at any rate) and are, as Mr. Pattison says. duplicates of the same method. The correct name for the method is Derwent: it has not been rung to a peal and so could be renamed. Derwent with out 2nds is Chelsfield.
(2) Braunstone and Wye are different methods.

They are as follows, using Corrigan's notation of letters for the lead-heads.

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\text { Braunstone : } b-38-4-58-16-12-3.56 .14 .56 .7
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Wye: $\quad b-38-4-58-16-12-3-14.56 .7$
For completeness-
Biddenden: b-38-4 58-16-12-3.56.14-7
The eighths place versions of these are:-Braunstone-Frolesworth. Wye-Donisthorpe. Biddenden-Edmondthorpe.
(3) The other methods asked for are:-

Apslep: $\quad b-58-6-58-36-14-3-34-7$
Arnesby: New Cambridge without 2nds
Evenlode: d 56-4-56-38-14-5-36-7.
Hale: This method is Belvedcre; sec R.W.' of November 26th, 1948.

Lyminge: $\quad \mathrm{c}-36-4-56-38-34-5-36-1$.
Northolt:
Queslett:
f-58-6-12.58.36-12-5-36-7.
There is a misprint in the notation of this method where it appears in the 'R.W.' of July 29th. 1955.

If Mr. Pattison would like any more information he has only to write to my home address. Yours faithfuily.

JOHN R. MAYNE.
170, Headstone Lane
Harrow, Middx

5,120 TOTTENHAM SURPRISE MAJQR
By DENNIS KNOX 23456 M B W H

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First rung August 27th. 1959, at Willesden, Middx, conducted by the composer.

5,088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
By I. M. HOLLAND
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## THE NATION'S FELICITATIONS

THE safe deliverance of Her Majesty the Queen of a second son on Friday, February 19th, was expressed, as it should be, by the ringing of church bells throughout the length and breadth of the country. The bells gave tonal beauty to the expression of the nation's felicitations, and also indicated the warmth and affection with which Her Majesty and her family are held.

This issue is an indication of the manner in which the ringers of Great Britain gladly fulfilled their duty in conveying the news. The record we publish is splendid, but in no sense complete; probably another two weeks will elapse before the true picture can be presented. So heavy have been the post bags arriving at 'The Ringing World' office that the performances recorded in this issue relate practically to reports received in the first three days and are confined to peals and quarter peals.

Most of the ringing recorded was by Sunday service bands. Three new methods were added to the long list, and two of them were very appropriately named-Edinburgh Delight and Sandringham Surprise Major. The third was Aspenden Surprise Major, named after the village in Hertfordshire where this method was rung for the first time.

There has been an exceptionally good press for the ringers. 'The Times' on the following day gave a picture of St. Paul's Cathedral bells being raised prior to ringing on Friday evening, and the bells of Westminster Abbey were mentioned in almost every national newspaper. Notoriety came to the little Wiltshire village of Broadchalke. They were ringing within three minutes 15 seconds of the wireless announcement. According to our records, the first peal for the baby prince was rung by Oxford University Society; they started within half an hour of the news being broadcast. The peal was rung on the heavy bells of the University Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin and took three hours and 32 minutes to accomplish. In view of the time taken there might be other peals that finished earlier.

The centuries old tradition of ringing bells for a royal occasion has. in our opinion, been fully maintained. The art of our forefathers is still practised with diligence and enthusiasm, and on such occasions as this gladly accepted by the populace at large.

This special occasion in the annals of British ringing has been marked by the publication of our first 24 -page issuc, and will serve as a memento for generations to come. Such a publication has only been possible through the generosity of the many bands who sent donations with their performances.

## SOME BELLS OF ABERDEENSHIRE

MANY of our readers do not conline their interests to the practical side of bell-ringing. In most lowers will be found one or two members with strong antiquarian interests: there is a celebrity who walked miles for the pleasure of measuring the tenor and duly recording the same. As regards the counties of England, the records of hells are almost completely covered, although most of these require revising to incorporate the constant recasting and additions to rings of bells to enable them to fulfil their mission to the community.

Much of Scotland, however, can be regarded as virgin (erritory. Mr. Ranald W. M. Clouston has with diligence surveyed and recorded the bells of Renfrewshire, Dumbartonshire and Stirlingshire. The late Dr. F. C. Eeles had collected a considerable amount of data on Scottish church bells which had not been published. The field work for this was undertaken between 1890 and 1913. The county where the survey was most near completion was Aberdeenshire. Mr. Clouston has steeped into the breach, checked wherever possible the date and provided missing links. The Society of Antiquaries of Scotland published this record in their Proceedings in 1956-57: these have been reprinted and the first part is now published by Mr. Clouston (price 3s. 6d. from the author, 1, Canons Close, Radlett, Herts).

Frequently in the news is Crathie Parish Church, because of its associations with the Royal Fanily. Here there is a chime of four bells, cast in Munich in 1894; they are hung. 'dead' and are sounded by clock hammers. Dr. Eeles' comment is that the bells are very foreign in character. long in the waist, thin and angular, with four large canons each. There is an error in the inscription on the tenor:-

> " We praise thee o Lord.

Presendet by Beatrice Princess Henry of Battenberg."
Crathie Parish Church. however, has an example from an English foundry in a disused bell, thought to have been recast by Richard Phelps, of the Whitechapel Foundry, in 1736.

At Balmoral Castle there are three bells with a total weight of about $14 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt., cdst by John Warner and Sons in 1856. They are used for quarter chimes with the largest as an hour bell, which was made from the pattern for the fourth quarter bell with Big Ben in the Palace of Westminster, and exactly half the size. It is an octave above the Westminster bell, note $B$, and weighs $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

There is a good sprinkling of Dutch bells in the survey and, as so frequently, a reported case of vandalism. At Dyce, the church now demolished contained a bell which came from an older church and was cast by Michael Burgerhuys, of Middleburg. Holland, in 1642. During the last war the bell was perforated by a riffe shot, and after the war the roofless building was acquired by the County Council so that an existing soundpit could be enlarged. At this time the bell was still in place, and it was considered too expensive to remove before demolition was commenced. The hell was completely lost when the fabric was blown up. This action is justly condemned by the author, but we have douhts if it will ever be conveyed to the official who perpetrated ihis outrage.
In the birdcage belfry at Daviot is a bell originally cast by John Mowat, the Aberdeen founder, in 1753, and recast hy Warner's in 1924. The original hell was a gift to St. Coim's Church, Daviot, by Gco. Paul. and tradition says that the donor made it a condition of his gift that the bell should be tolled, free of all expense other than the rineer's fee, at the funerals of all persons bearing the name of Paul and born within the parish; and to this the following rhyme refers:-

For Paul's name
And Paul's bairns
And a' that lie
In Paul's arm.
In these days, when so many new churches are anxious lor bells, it is noted that the chime of eight bells in the central tower of Dunecht House, the residence of Lord Cowdray, is now disused. This octave, with a tenor of about 12 cwt ., was cast by John Warner and Sons in 1911 in commemoration of the coronation of George $V$.

# Peals in Celebration of the Birth of a Seromd Son to Her Majesty the Queem 

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Feb. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minules, At rhe Cathedral Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 25 cw .


## TEN BELL PEALS

## DERBY

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Feb. 19. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes. At the, Cathedral Church of all Saints. A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 19 cw .1 lb . in D flat.

| Als Pat M |  | Clive W. Walklati: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mrs. Par A. M. Hal | 2 | Harold Ta |  |
| Alberi E. Thompson | 3 | Roy Stephenson |  |
| Charles W. Walklate. |  | Denis R. Carlisla |  |
| - michalil R. Blore | 5 | Sampson Walikate | enor |
| Composed by G. Freebre |  | Conducted by Ha | aylor. |

## *25th peal

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minules,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D

| Harry Boswell | Treble | George E. Fearn |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Muriel Reay | ? | Arthur V. Pearson. |
| Ruit M. Border | 3 | Norman J. Goodman |
| John Pinfold | 4 | Brian J. Woodruffe |
| Michael Elso |  | Peter Border |

## Conducted by Peier Border.

MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minures.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version.
Bernard F. L. Groves .. Treble
Fred Dunkfrley
2


William H. Duwse
C. Kenneth Lewis

Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.
This composition, which contains $24567890^{\circ}$ 's and $15657890^{\prime}$ 's. is now rung for the first lime.

SLOUGH. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., Feb. 20, 1960. in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
*Pamela M. Jervis
Frederick R. Scoif
*Linda J. Kew
Jeffery C. Birt
†Janet L. Adamson
Tenor $17 \frac{1}{6}$ cwl. in E . Composed by Cornelius Charge. Conducted by William Birmingham. *First peal of Plain Bob Royal. † First of Royal. $\ddagger$ First peal. WORCESTER
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1961), in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary, A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE. CATERS

Tenor 49 cwt 2 cr . in B.

Susan Jackson

* John J. Sianier
†Ifor Goulter.
r. George Morris.

Abirin Mur.ins
Composed by Charles 4 . Robbris

* First neal of Grandsire Caters.

Reginald Woodyait .. 6
David Beacham
John A. Andersun
Thomas W Lewis
Grorge E. Evenden...... Tenor Conducted by David Beacham. 50th peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
Oir Fri.. Feb. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minules,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Percy Stone
Treble
L. Michael Callow

Frank W. Pitrlens
John W. T. Taylor
George: Gardner
*Harry V. Sear.
Peier Burder ... .. 7
RUIH M. BURDER .. .. 4
Composed by A. Craven.

* First peal in the method.

Conducted by Frank. iw Tenur BOURNEMOUTH. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Fri., Feb, 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minures,

At the Church of St. Pefer.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 20$\} \mathrm{cwt}$, in E Herbieri A. Mirchell . Treble Colin Conway
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay.. 2 I-rank L. Harris
Danili. T. Maikin .. .. 3 Michali. 1. E. Br:st.. .. 7
Kathleien E. Fletcher .. 4 Frfid Price .. .. .. Temor
Conducted by Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay.
The conductor's folloth peal.
DARESBURY, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On firi., Ficb. 19, 1960), in 2 Hours and 56 Minuthes.
A PEAL OF 5056 Churchi of All. Saints.

Juhn Ryder
John E. Bibby
Harold Worrail
William E. Allman.
Composed by C Mio
HARROW WEALD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri, Feb. 19, 1960), in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5120 WARWICKSHIRE SHERPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cWt . 3 yr. 3 lb . in A .
*Rosemary Fleming ..Treble if. George Hart .. .. 5
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 2 Alick Cutler .. .. .. 6
telsie K. Hari
\#G. William Criichley.
6
7
†Joan M. Wilcocksun .. 4 †John R. Mayne ... . Tehur
Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducied hy John R. Mayni.
*First peal. + First in the method. $\ddagger$ First of Major in the method. ROMFORD. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Feb. 19, 1966), in 2 Hours and 54 Mintules.
At the Church of St. Enward the Confessor.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Lewis J. Batley .. .. Treble Lionel S. Woods .. .. 5 Aidan Si. J. Boyaci

Harky Turner
*Dennis A. Hewill.
2
3
4
John Armsirong
Composed by C. Woolley.

* First peal in the method.
Charles E. Willminaton
Alfred 1. House
Tenar Conducted by Harry Turner.

SPALDING. LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri. Feb. 19. 19(x), in 3 Hours and 3 Minures.
AI ihe Church of SS. Mary and Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5120 SANDRINGHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
John G. Ames .. .. .. Treble Alberi W. A. Leggeit ..
Charles McGuiness .. 2 Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 6
John E, Allen
Sianley E. Benneit

| Edwin T. Chapman .. |
| :--- |
| Cyril R. Burrell |

Romald C. Noon ... .. Temor
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.
Conducted by Ronalo C. Noun.
First peal in the method by all.

WEST HARTLEPOUL. CO DURHAM
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Feh. 19. 1 (6), in 3 Hours.
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .3 qr .
*John Piaduys (14).. .. Treble *Ruit Andirson (17)
*Janet Payne (19) ..... 2 Phillip Draffan
*Margaret Machin (15).. 3
Robert Websiter
Composed by I. R Pritchard.

* First peal. † First of Major
+John Woodman
Wililiam Matigha
Conducted by Willam Mabghan.ROYAL PEALS-ContinuedWINDSOR. BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,
At fhe Curfew Tower. Windsor Castle
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES


Conducled by Frank T. Blagrove.
ASPENDEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.
TIIE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sut. Feb. 20, 1960. in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 ASPENDEN SURPRISE MAJOR
Aiddleton's. Tenor 9 cwl 3 qr .7 lb.
A. Critchley . . Treble Leonard B. Scoot
 Fredtrick W. Ellis. . . 3 Colin A. S. Harwood . . 7 Gtorgle A. Splencer

4 Jack S. Dear
Jack S. Dear
adia A. Critchley
First peal in the method.

CLEATOR MOOR. CUMBERLAND
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION On Sut.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute. At The Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.
Haruld N. Tembiy
Giburfrey Tembey
Vera C. Beli
Harold Wilson
C
.. .. 4
Conducted b

* First peal on eight bells.

CRADLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, itl 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part.
Florence L. Smith
Albert G. Hall
Llewellyn R. Hall.

## Treble

2
3
4 Harold Tenor 10 Ernest Stitch Molly Tromans Haroid J. Shuck
Raymond Smith
Conducted by ERnest Stitch
Mr. II. J. Shuck has now circled the tower.
ECCLESFIELD. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours und 10 Minules.
At the Church of St Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PIAAIN ROR MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt 3 qr .16 lb .

| Barry Holland. | .. | .. Treble | \#Strinart Bould | .. | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wit.itam Holland | .. | . | 2 | Ronald Birch .. | . | . | 6 |
| Leslie E. Smith | .. | . | 3 | Diennis Holland | . | . | 7 |

James Dunn
Tom W. Senior
Tenor
Composed by Barry Holland.
*First peal. First as conductor.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.
A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Heywood's

Norman Tompkins.
Roger Leigh
Joserph Thornley
*Alan Capstick

Treble 2
$\square$ 4 Tenor 12 t cwt . in $\mathbf{G}$.

Conducted by Arthur Tomlinson.

* 75th peal for the Lancashire Association.

ASPENDEN SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 14 \times 58 \times 16 \times 12 \times 58 \times 12 \times 1$
2nds place. L.ee. $5738264 . \quad$ F.C.E.'s 32546. 46253.

GORING-ON-THAMES. OXON
THE OXFORD DIDCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes. At the Church of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 21 lb . in $\mathbf{A}$.
Arthur Sayers Treble $\ddagger$ Geoffrey K. Dodd
Reginald W. Rex $\quad . \quad$.. 22 Frank W. Lewis .
Ronald F. Diserens fA. Patrick Cannon.
Brian Mills
4
Ronald K. Russ Conducted by Ronald F, Diserens. Composed by C. Middleion. * First peal of Surprise. $\dagger$ First of Major. $\ddagger 50$ th peal together.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 23 cw .
Maurice T. Symonds ...Treble Frederick A. Poulson .. 5


Richard Chambers
Alan R. Knight
Composed by J. Howes.

* First peal in the method.

Conducted by Maurice T. Symonds.

## LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist. A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .
 Charles A. Hughes .. 4 Charles E. Willmingion Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Lionel. S. Woods.

* First peal.

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960. in 3 Hours. At the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5056 BERKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cWI .2 lb . in E.

Peter A. Sharp
Claire Dillamore
Norah M. Randles
Treble : George H. Randees
${ }_{2}$ Louls Willders Geoffrey R. Parker $\quad . \quad 6$
Margaret A. Swann. .
Composed by S. H. Wood.
First peal in the method
ack L. Millhouse .. .. Tellur

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

MICKLETON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . 3 qr. 16 lb . in E.

* Jacqueline A. Roberts Treble iWilliam B. Pomeroy .. 5

Michael G Selby . 3 Gerald C. Hemming
\#Gordon T. Brown.. .. 4 Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Tenor
Composed by Chas. Middleton. Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

* First peal on eight bells. i First of Surprise Major 'inside.'
*First of Cambridge Surprise Major.


## NORTHFLEET, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Botol.ph,

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

 Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

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## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE. STAFFORDSIIIRE,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation).
Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .20 lb , in F sharp.
*Alfred E. Greening .. Treble ; john K. Smith
 David W. Bkunningi Percival W. Grici: Josepil W. Cohion Tenor
Conducted hy Davin W. Brunning.
*First peal in the method. † First peal. First in the method as conductor.

TAMWORTH. STAFFORIDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SIAFFORD On Sat., Feb. 20. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, Ar the Church of Sr. Editha.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOH MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb . in E flit.

| Eilben Willson | Treble | J. Edward Cawsir |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beryl E. Cawser | 2 | Paul W. Webb |
| Ann Barr |  | Norman W. Ai |

Alfred A. Rackham .. 4 George h. Pelirs, jun. .. Tenor
Composed by C. W. Woolley. Conducted by J. Euward Cawser.

## WESTBURY, WILTSHIRE

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 56 Minules.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5152 SPIICED SURPRISE: MAIOR

In four mellhods, being 1,312 Bristol, and 1,280 each of London. Superlative and Cambridge, with 113 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of each method. Victor Griffin Robin G. Leale Frank L. Harris .. .. 3 Treble Brian Bladon | 2 |
| :--- |
| 3 |
| 4 |

Composed by Albert J. littman


ROCHDALE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Feb. 21. 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minules, At the Church of St. Chad.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .23 lb.
Michael D. Fishwick . . Treble | *Barry Wild .. .. .. 5
John P. Partington.. .. 2 Ivan Kay .
Harold Hamer
Gordon Rothwell .. .. 4
Composed by G. Lindoff.
*Colin S. Taylor ... Tenor

* First peal in the method.

Conducted by Harold Hamer.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER. LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
()n Mon., Feb. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt 2 qr .

| James Crowder | Treble | Stephen Bromfield |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jack Bray | 2 | Septimus Neeve | 6 |
| Arthur W. Hoodless | 3 | George W. Moody | 7 |
| Arthur Crowder | 4 | Michael Crowder | en |
| Composed by J. R. Pr <br> *First peal and first | empi. | Conducted by Micha rst as conductor. |  |

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Feb. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 HINTON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .


Composed by C. J. Sedgley.
First peal in the method by all.

## GUILDFORD. SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Feb. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 23 cwl .3 cr .8 lh . in D.
Anne C. Garnett .. .. Treble tDavid J. Tubbs

* Pamela A. Warren
*Janet E. Cleeve
Staniey C. Ponting
Composed by A. Knighis.
Conducted by Haroid A. May method as conductor

NORIBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Feb. 22, 1960, ir 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwt} 1 \mathrm{gr} .22 \mathrm{lh} .$. in F .
*Stephin G. Williamson Treble
Sheila Wallace
John R. Gilden
Mrs. L. Boumphrty .. 4
Composed by J. R. Prifichard.
ileen fearn
Carol Fernley
Basil Jones
Leslie Boumphrity . Tentor
Conducted by Basil Jones.

* First peal

Rung by the Sunday service bind.
BOLSOVER. DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. Feb. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minures.
Ai lhe Church of SS. Mary ani) Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN ROB MA.JOR

## Tenor 14 ${ }_{3}^{\frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }}$

Cyril Wright..
*Michael J. Cooper
Mrs. B. Holmes
Mrs. G. Ashley
Composed by Jun $\because \quad$ • 4
*First peal.

Josephi Saxion
Dennis Coopler
Harold Wagsial:bi. ... ... $\quad 6$
Arthur B. CoOper ... Fenor Conducled by Cyril Wright.

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Feb. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minules,
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 21 cwt 1 lb . Albert M. Tyler .. .. Treble *Donald E. Cobb John H, Gilbert . . .. 2 Sidney G. Riches 5

7 | *Gillian M. Hussey | $\ldots$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | +D. John Hunt |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Clifford J. Richards | . | 4 | F. Cecil Mogifu | F. Cecil Mogford

Tentor Conducted by D. John Hunt.
*First peal of Triples. † First of Grandsire Triples.
BURTON-ON-STATHER. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Feb. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .28 lb .

| * Harry Baldwin | Treble | Jack Bray | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C. Aubrey Harrison | 2 | Michael Crowder | 6 |
| Ronald Chafer | 3 | Arthur Crowder | 7 |
| Stephen Bromfield | 4 | George W. Moody | Tenor | Stephen Bromfield ..

Composed by A. Knights.

George W. Moody .. . . Tenor Conducted by Jack Bray.

EALING, MIDDLESEX
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. \& N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD. On Tues., Feb. 23. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

At the Church of Christ the Saviour,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation).
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwl}$.
Jean Scrutton .. .. . . Treble Squire Croft
Wilfrid G. Wilson. . . . 2 Harold W. Rogers ..
James Tomsett .. $\quad . . \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Leslie E. Everest
$\stackrel{7}{7}$

Conducted by Wilfrid G. Wilson.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

APSLEY END. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Feb. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Netherseale. Bourne, Primrose, Ipswich. Cambridge and Norwich. Tenor 14j cws Gladys Manchip ... Treble Augustin V. Good
Joye: A. Good
Wal,ter Ayrl:
2 Keilh B. Good..
Conducted by Walier Ayri:
BUCKNALL. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents (two callings).
K. Pitier Jones.. .. .. Treble | Philip S. Mason

Norman Sherratt ... .. 2 Walter Sherratt
Charles A. S. Webb $\quad . \quad 3$ Geoffrey Davies
Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.
First peal in the method by all the band. First of Surprise as conductor.

## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

DARLINGTON. CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minules.
Ar the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of Surfeet, Beverley. Cambridge, York. Durham, Wells and London. Roland Park
.Treble Tenor 6 cwt 3 gr .9 lb . in B flat. Thomas Cooke
Doris M. Killingley
2 Kenneth Lawson Richard Busby

$$
3 \text { W. Norman Park }
$$

Conducted by W. Norman Park.
The 100it peal on the bells.

## LUPPITT, DEVON

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes. Ai ihe Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .21 lb.
 Conducted by C . Churchill.

* First peal at first attempl. † First peal. First as conductor. First peal by Luppitt band.

NASEBY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGII DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At 7 He Church of All Saints:
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 six-scores of Grandsire.
Tenor $12 \frac{\mathrm{c}}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$.

* Frank Lani .. .. .. Treble I William C. Brown
$\dagger$ William C. Croplisy .. 2 | Derek E. Griffin
4
Artilit J. Miliward .. Tehor
Conducted by Arimur J. Millward.
* First peal. † first 'inside.


## OXFORD.

IHE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
(In Fri.. Feb. 19. 1980, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.
AI ihe Universiry Church of Si. Mary-tht-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR Being five extents of London and two of Cambridge. Tenor 27 cwt in D .


Conducted by James H. Pailing.
POTTERSPURY. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Mimutes.
Ar ihe Chuych of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Tenor 13 cw t. approx.
Rubin H. Rugers .....Treble
\#Charles Truman *Charles Truman James Linnell George E. Green 4 * First Conducted by William A. Yates.

* First peal in the method.

BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOLESAN GUTCO And
THE ST. MATTHIAS, RICHMOND, GUILD
Oll Sat.. feb. 20, 1960. in 2 Hours and 49 Minules.
AI 1he Churcei of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in three merhods, viz: (1) Plin Boh, (2) Kent Treble Boh, (3) Plain Boh. (4) St. Clement's and Plain Boh. (5) Plain Bob, (6) St. Clement's and Plain Boh and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor II cwt. 2 yr. II lb. in G.
Margartit A. Wesicoti. Treble Christopher M. Bluomir Jill Barron ...... $\quad \frac{2}{3}$ Gillian Neal Smith Rlginald Goodman.. .. 3 Dr. D. J. Neal Smith

Conducted by Dr. D. J. Neal Smith.

BRIDGEND. GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

Ar the Church of St. Illiyd.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being two $240^{\circ}$ s and 38 six-scores
Tenor 16 cwt .
H. Donald Bryant . . .. Treble

Thomas E. Hiddins. . . 2
Willia T. Petty ... .. 3 David L. Hughes .. .. Tenor
Conducted by William T. Petty.

## BRISTOL.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
Ar the Church of Si. Michaelon-the-Mount Withoui.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and combined Kent and Oxtord Treble Bob, and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt . Beryl W. Abbuit .. .. Treble| Angela Grainger Jane K. A. Cook ... ... 2 Royston Blackler .. ... 5 Elisablith A. G. Bowden 3 | Michafl. J. Austin .. .. Tenor Conducted by Roysion Blackler.

BROUGHTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
(II) Sut., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hears and 52 Mintres.

AI the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Single Oxford and two each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt .
*Mrs. M. Crossthwalie Treble
*Judy Moir

* Donald Lawson

Cyril Crossthwaite ... 5
*Maryi. R. Crossthwalil 3 *W. John Couperthwatre Tchor Conducted by Cyril Crussiliwaite.

* First peal in four methods.

BURTON-IN-KENDAL. WESTMORLAND.
THE LANC ASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
Ar ihe Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.
George E. Braithwaite Treble
Tom F Meicalfe *William Wrlson
Roland F. Eccles .. .. $\quad 3$ James Dickinson ... .. 5 Conducted by George E. Bralthwaite.

* First peal in fout methods.

CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Feb. 20 , 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

At the church of St Catwg,
Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain. Bob.
Dlrex G. Astridge....Treble *Roy Throsby Tenor 7 cwt .2 qr .2 lb. Hazel Way ... .. .. 2 Edmund J. Morris.. .. 5 Trevor M. Roderica ... 3 GWYn I. Lewis .. . . Tehur

* First peal of Minor.

DAVENHAM. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Sar.. Feb, 2(1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Wilfrid,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of two extents each of Kent and Oxford Ireble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Cynihia Moore..
.. .. Treble
Victor Neal
$\frac{2}{3}$
*Henry Parker Tenor 15 cwt
A. Gurdon Lawrence

Reginald W. Worrall.
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* auoth real Conducted by Harry W. Howard.


## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sar., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minules, At the Church of St. Piter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


* Iirst peal and first attempi.

LEWANNICK. CORNWALL
IHE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. (S.W. Branch.)

On Sar. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
A PEAL OF SO40 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Ienor los cwt.


MOULTON, NORIIAMMTONSHIRE
IHE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Sar.. Ficb. 20, 1960. in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
Ai the Church of SS. Pilier and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 20 exients each of Grandsire and Plain Bob and one 240 of Grandsire (Morris's). Molili: E. Simons
Juhn Knicilit
Trebic
$\frac{2}{3} \quad$ Thirry Deacon ..
Barky R. Cart:
$\qquad$ Conducted by Barry R. Cart.

Tertor

* l-irst peal.

OLD MARSTON. OXFORD
TIIE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Consisting of 720 each of Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob. April Day, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire.

> Tenor 6 cwt., approx. *Noel D. Deam . . Tre | 2 | †Edward Venn..... |
| :--- | :--- | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Clive Holloway } \text { Conducted by Ci. Tene Holloway. }\end{aligned}$ * First peal. † First in seven methods.

PUTTENHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat, Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minures,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.
*Margaret A. Smith
.Treble
*G. Kenneih Williamson Sianley G. Ponting. Tom Page
llarold A. May.. ... .. Tenor Conducted by Harold A. May.

* First peal in seven methods.


## RIPPINGALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At ihe Church uf Si. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In 14 nettiods: (1) London. Wells: (2) Lightfoot. Wearmouth: (3) Hexham, Berwich: (4) Norfolk. Primrose: (5) York. Durham: (6) Beverley, Surfleet: (7) Ipswich, Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 yr. 2 lb. Cecil Wadi
Sianity E: Bennell
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Treble EuWin T. Chapman } \\ 2 & \text { Alberi W. A. Leggett }\end{array}$
Alberi W. A. Legget
+CYril. R. Burrell.
Conducted by Cecil Wad.

* 2(w)th peal. + First of Spliced Surprise Minor *inside. The conductor has now "circled the tower."


## SHIRLEY WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 1.441) Plain Bob (four callings) and 3.f(k) Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt 1 gr .1 lb . in B flat.

| Margarei Bragg | $\ldots$ | . | Treble | Colin D. Baush | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Judy Robinson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Vincent A. Hemming | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |
| James T. Clark | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Victor H. Nash | $\ldots$ | Tenor |  |
| Joinily conducted: alternate extents called by the ringers of | 2 | and | 5. |  |  |  |  | Joinily conducted: alternate extents called by the ringers of 2 and 5 . * First attempt for a peal (age 14).

## SOUTH STOKE, OXON

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. in A flat.
 Conducted by Gioflirey K. Dodd.
liist peal on the hells. lirst in seven methods as conductor.

SPRATIUN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE:
THE PEILRBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut.. Fieb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AI THE CHURCH UF Si. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES'
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob, five six-scores cach of April Day and
Reverse Canterbury Plezsure, and 20 six-scores of Grandsire.
Tenor 15 cwl .
James J. Griffin .. .. Treble Sitanley A. Brown .. .. 3
William C. IBrown .. .. 2 Arthur J. Mililwari) .. 4
Dirle E. Griffin ..... Tenor
Conducted by Dirtik E. Griffin.

STEBBING, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIAIION
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the Church of Sit. Mary-the-Yirgin,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treblo Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12! cwt. in F sharp.
Irank L. Iarringion .. Treble | Giourge Saunders
*Juhn NLwman... .. .. $\quad 2$ Pi.ter L. Wuou.
Alan R. Sydir $\quad . . \quad 3$ Alfrid il. Litile ... ... Temor * First Conducted by Peter L. Woud.

* First peal.


## SULLY. GLAMORGAN

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUIH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION O.1 Sat.. Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

Ar hie Church of St. John-rhe-Bapitsi,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being eight extents each of Clifford's Pleasure Bob, April Day, Plain
Bob. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob. and six extents and two 240's
(Morris's) of Grandsire.
*Alan G. Thompson .. Treble| Rogifr C. Havard
Edmund J. R. Hariley 2 Adrian F. R. Hariliey .. 3
Anihony M. Coombs . Tenor
Conducled by Anthony M. Coombs.

* First peal. First on the bells.


## WARSOP. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

## THE GOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun. Feb. 21, 1960. in 2 Hours and 53 Minures.
At ihe Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 EDINBURGH DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven extents (C.C.C. 3.D No. 9). Tenor 14 cwt 2 gr. 24 lb.
 $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Malcolm Fosilr } & . & . & 2 & \text { Fredlerick Flint } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Glorge Chalians } & \ldots & . . & 3 & \text { Duugias H. Ruoke } & . . & . . & \text { Tehor }\end{array}$

Conducled by Herbirit T. Rooke.
First peal in the method.
SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Feb. 22. 1950. in 2 Hours and 57 Minules.
AI the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*J. Hurace Hall .. .. Treble Lewis E. Buam
A. Pertival Knighis... 2 Dinnis IHolianis

William Holland
Conducted by Barry Holland.

* First pcal.


## HANDEELL PEAL

BARROW-UPON-SOAR. LEICESTERSHIRE,
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Feb. 19, 1960. in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes.
In 1hi: Bi:ifry of ihi Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
J. Richard Perkins ... $1-2 \mid$ B. Stedman Payne

Malcoim D. Barsby .. 5-6
Conducted hy B. Siedman Payne.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960. in 3 Hours and 33 Minures. At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate. A PEAL OF 5050 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor $34 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in C sharp.

| Frank Smalimood | Treble | Dennis Randel | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michael V. Chilcott | 2 | Jack A. Waugh. | 8 |
| Michaiel P. Moreion | 3 | Jamis G. A. Prior | 9 |
| Haroid N. Pitstow. | 4 | John Phillips | 10 |
| James Phillips | 5 | John Chilcotit | 11 |
| Wili.ilam T. COOK | 6 | Wilfred Williams | Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by John Chilcott
A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hughes, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on January 260 h. 1960.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## FELTHAM. MIDDLESEX

MIDDL.ESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUII.D. On Sat.. Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Catherine.
A PEAL OF 5093 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 113 cwt. in F sharp.

| Tony Price: | Trenle | Sidney J. Woodrock |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frank C. Pricte | - 2 | Wilitam H. Coles |
| Elsie K. Hari | 3 | Thomas J. Lock |
| G. William Morris | 4 | Frank T. Blagrove |
| Dr. D. J. Nfal Smith Cond |  | Wilitam A. Hughes |
|  |  | by Frank T. Blagrove. |

First peal on the augmented ring
Rung to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the completion of the augmentation, remembering especially the life and work of Arthur James Lewis.

## DERBY

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., lieb. 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minules.
At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr .23 lb . in E.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Feb. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
Ar the Chlirch of Sir. Gilfs.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tener 14 cwt
J. Frank Smaliwood ...Treble *G:orge H. Paulson Mrs. Par A. M. Halis ? Cilvi. W. Walkiale Ronaid H. Bulien .. .. 3 Gordon A. Halls Buriey Ip. Morris
Composed by G. A. Hatis and D. R. Ciartisie. Conducted by Gordon A. Halis.

* First peal in the method.

FAIRFIFLD. BUXTON. DFRBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Frb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
Ai ini Cihurch of St. Peier
A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .
Brian Schopifin ... Treble \$PritiR Scmolfitid

* Ivor Jenkins
tSidney Housh. Jin.
John 11. Finlden
Composed hy G. L.indoff Treble
* First peal in the method. peal.

On Mon.. Feb. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours ald 52
A PEAI. OF 5088 FORDHAM SLERPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr I lo.

## Grorge Dawson

John E. Allen
Treble FDWin T. Chapman * Alirxander Richardson A. Pi:ier Whitehfad Denis Mottershead . Tenor Conducted by Drents Motirirshead.
First in the method "inside." $\$ 50 \mathrm{th}$

## BILLINGBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Mon.. Feb. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minures.

Stanley E. Bennett.
$\frac{2}{3}$
J. Mariin Thorley

4
Aibirt W. A. Leg

Composed by W. E. Critchiey Cyril R. Burrell

First peal in the method by

HOPE DERBYSHIRE
THE, DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sal.. Feb. 6, 1960 . in 2 Hours alld 49 Minules.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr .22 lb.Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls .. Treble Charles W. Wal.klate J. Frank Smallwood .. 2 Roy Stephenson Wm. Arnold Morley .. 3 Gordon A. Halls | 5 |
| :--- |
| 6 | Clive W. Walklatr.. ... 4 Michael. Biori: .. ... .. Tenor Composed by C. Midolition.

Conducted hy Gordon a. Halis.
Rung as a wedding compliment to H . David Holland and Pauline Eyre, who were married this day.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Feb. 8, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 25 Mimutes.
At 1 Hi: Bell Foundry campanili:
A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE: MAJOR Tenor $6 \mathrm{cwl}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .13 \mathrm{lb}$.

| G. Ronald Edwards | ...$T r e b l e$ | Gordon A. Hal.is | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joseph W. Cotion | .. | 2 | John Acres | .. | .. | .. | 6 |


| Joseph W. Cotion ... | .. | 2 | John Acres | .. | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls | .. | $\mathbf{3}$ | Alan E. Hartley | .. | . | 7 |  |

Francis R. Lowe .. .. 4 Russtili. S. Morris .. Tenor
Composed by G. Frermery.
Conducted by Gordon A. Halis.

## ARMLEY, YORKSIIIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Leeds and District Society.)
On Sal.. Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours amd 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PIAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt 14 lh .

T. W. Strangeway (Pres.) Treble C. F. Sutcliffe (Vice-Pres.)
A. Smilh (ex R. Master). D. F. Sutcliffe (Vice-Pres.) ? D. Thorp (Secretary) W. Dixon (ex. R. Master) L. Drake (ex R. Master).. 4 Composed by John Carter. J. W. Gibson (ex R. M.) 7 Rung by past and present officers of the Conducted by irvin Stack. mated Society of Change Ringers in memory of Harry Lofthouse. Ior 30 years secretary of the Society, from 1923 to 1953.

CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 13, 196t, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwl. 29 lh. in D
$\ddagger$ R. Roger Savory
*Margari: E. L. Beamisil
Joan Gray
$\dagger$ Don C. Exfll.
Composed hy Gabrici $\pm$ Robert C. Kippin
Philitp M. J. Gray * 50th neal Conducted by John II. Gis rarr.

## CHOBHAM. SURREY

TIIE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 13. 1950. in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At ihe Church of St. Lahrfact.
A PEAL OF 5088 KFENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| * Fitizabi th Loveland | Treble | Whiliam J. Parker. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Salife Bucilanan | 2 | * Dinnis Biowes |



* Joan Smith ...
E. John Wriss
Conducted by F. John Welis.
* tirsi peal in the method

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. B. Thompson, who are leaving the parish.

THATCHAM, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD I)IOCESAN GUII.D
On Sat.. Iob. 13, 19at, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At ihi Chlirth of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOR MAJOK
Tenor 13 cwt .13 Hb .

| Fric Wonigrovi | Treble | Reginald W. Rix |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * Hazill White | 2 | Arthir Sayprs |
| Sieita Davis | 3 | Geofrrfy K. Doisd |
| Doroihy Piarce | 4 | Reginatid F. Croo |

Doroihy Piarce .. .. 4 Reginalid F. Crook .. .. Temol
Composed by John R. Pritchard. Conducted by Groffry K. Dodd

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the fifth ringer.

> WHITTLE-LE-WOODS. LANCASHIRE.
> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
> (Preston Branch.)

Ort Sun., Feb. 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minures.
At ihe Church of Si. Join.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TRFBLE ROB MAJOR
Sidnry Tuson .. .. .. Treble John Jackson
Maryi. R. Crossthwaite 2 Lawrenct Waimpisley
Kennith Bonithil .. 3 Cyril Crossihwalie
Cyril Crossihwaile .. 7

John Charnock .. .. 4 Frank Strad . . . . . Tellor
Composed hy F. Nolan Golden. Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite * First peal of Major.

Rung with bells half-muffed in memoriam the Ri Rev. Walter H Baddeley. D. D.. Bishop of Blackburn

## FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Feb. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5024 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
*Gforge Dawson
*Charles McGuiness

* Johen E. Ailizn.

Siantily I: Br:nneli
Composed by (. J. Stid) ility ${ }^{2}$ )

* First peal in the method.

Edwin T. Chapman *Al.biri W. A. Legafli.. *Ronalil (.. Noon . . . . 7 *Cyril. R. Burketi. . . . Temor Conducted liy Risnaid C. Nuon.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Tues.. Feb. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes
At the Church of St. Michafl A PEAI. OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR


Composed by J. A. Troilope Conducted by Frank B LuFin.
Rung as a 21 st birtiday compliment to Miss Helen. Sharp.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHHRE
IHE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Feb. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 14 Mimutes.

## At the Church of St. Thomas.

A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Eileen M. Fearn
Tenor 14 cwt . 4 c .22 lb . in F .
Carol Mernearn
Branard F. L. Groves.

* Basil Jones

Composed hy J. S. Wil.di:
Conducted hy Basil Jonis

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Wed., Feb. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 960 London, 960 Rutland and 320 each of Wembley, Bristol, Uxbridge, Eastcote, Lindum, Pudsey, Lincolnshire, Superlative. Yorkshire and Cambridge, with 139 changes of method. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{8}$ cwt. in $\mathbf{B}$ flat.

| Muriel Reay | Treble | John McDonald |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ruth M. Border | 2 | John A. Anderson |
| Brian J. Woodruffe | 3 | Arihur V. Pearson. |
| Peter Border | 4 | George E. Fearn |

Peter Border .. .. .. 4 George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by Arthur V. Pearson. First peal of 12 -Spliced for the Guild. and by all the hand except Peter Border.

## ILKESTON. DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Feb. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt 9 lb . in E


* First peal in the method. Firs. of Surprise as conductor.

MARDEN. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. Feh. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and $\leq 3$ Minutes,
At thf Church of Sr. Michafl and Ail Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 t \mathrm{cws}$, in F .
Bernard V. Collison .. Treble Francis R. Lowf
Oiive D. Couchman .. 2 Clive. W. Walkiate
Thomas E. Sone . . . 3 Denis R. Cari.isie .. . 7
Ernest J. Ladd. . .. .. 4 | Michafl. Blori: .. .. . . Tenor
Composed hy Arthir Knights. Conducted by Thomas E. Sonf:
Rung to commemorate the completion of the conductor's 50 years memhership of the ahove Association (Marden. January 29th, 1910).

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CHELFORD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. Jan. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mimures. AI thf Church of St. John-the-Evangei.ist. A PEAL OF 5040 PIAAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

## Rgbert Barratt

George Forrester
Sydney Hough
Brian Schofield
Harold Lonyon Ernest Pimiott
Conducled by Ernest Pimlott.
25th peal as conductor and his first of Minor: he has now circled

STOW, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Feb. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minures, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in three methods: (1) Plain Boh, (2) and (3) Kent Treble Buh, (4) and (5) Single Oxford, (6) and (7) Plain Euh.
*Shirley Guymik
Ciorcie: E. Hfirn Tenor 10 cwt in G $1 a$ Treble John B
$\dagger$ Davil) Crosby
*pampla Cox .. .. .. 3 Gro. Lifili A. Lunn .. Triont
Conducted by Gro. Lfshif A. Lunn.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First inside.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. Nicholson, the Rector's mother, who died on the previous Monday.

BLAISDON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THIE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTUL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church. of St. Michafl and All. Angrls,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLESS
Being 42 six-scores (ten callings)
William E. Spiers .. .. Treble Charles Philitips ..
Penelope J. White .. .. 2 Reginald G. Powei.i. .. 5
Joy Smith .. . . . . . 3 Michaei. V. Powfil... . . Tenor
Conducted by Reginalid G. Powetl..
Rung to commemorate the eighth anniversary of the Qucen's accession to the throne.

PELSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THF SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sal., Feb. 6, 1960. in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.
Af the Church of St. Michael and Ail Angel.s,
A PEAL OF 5030 DOUBLES
In seven methods, viz.: Six extents each of St. Martin's St. Nicholas", Winchendon Place Boh, St. Simon's, Plain Boh (four callings), Reverse Si. Bartholomew (three callings), and four extents and one Morris' 240 of Grandsire.

* Priftr Eilis

Treble| +Michafl W. Farmey
Clivi: M. Smith
Barnabas G. Key .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Barnabis $\ddot{G}$. Key,

* First peal away from the tenor. † First in seven methods. \# First in more than one method.
Rung after meeting short for Minor.
WORMINGFORD. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Feb. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and is Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of St. Clement's, two each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt .
A. Edward Leggett .. Treble | Breinard W. Fairhead

Urban W. Wildney. . . 2 Barry E. Gibbons
David E. Culham ..... 3 Felix H. Erith.
Tenor
Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.
CLIFFORD. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFURD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sar., Feb. 13, 1961, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules.
At ihe Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being five extents each of St. Simon's and St. Martin's, and eight each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reveşe Canterhury, Plain Boh and Grandsire.
L. Clive Prosser

John Nrwman..
Robert Hatcher $\quad . \quad 3$ "Danzey Watkivs

* First peal

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Canon G. W. L. W'ynne (late Vicar) and Preb. H. C. Martin, a former Vicar and ringer of this church.

LOIS WEEDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Feb. 13. 196n, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At ihe. Chlirch of SS. Mary-ihe-Virgin and Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Hexham. Berwick. Primrose, Durham, York. Surfleet and Beverley.
James Linnetil
Tenor 64 cwt
Char Linnetil
Trehle Grorge W. Holland

- Charles Truman
Wilitam J Chrstri

Ernfst Lines
Wilitam A. Yates $\qquad$ Tenor

- First peal of Minor.

LONG BUCKBY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. Feb. 13, 1961 , in. 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six $120^{\circ}$ s each of Stedman. New Boh. St. Simon's. St. Nicholas", Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Plain Boh and Grandsire.

Tenor 15 cwt . 1 gr .27 lb . in E .
Edward A. Gautrey .. Treble John E. Goddaris
Envord M. Thrfsher .. 2 Martin J. Balefy
Ernest G. Orland $\ldots$.. Tehor
Conducted by Ernest G. Orland.
Rung by members of the St. Lawrence Society.

## MERRIOTT, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes Ar the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Raymond P. Selway
Harold E. Tureble
At.an W. Berdidey W. White

## Conducted by William E. Turner

* First peal of Minor.


## SUTTON, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Feb. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At This Church of Si. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
In seven methods: (1) Kent, (2) Cambridge, (3) Kingston, (4) Capel, (5) Sandal, (6) London Scholars Pleasure, (7) Oxford. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *George Forrester.. . . Treble Ernest Pimlott ... .. 4 Brian Schofield .. .. 2 Sidney Hough, jun. tharold Lonyon .. .. 3 Denis Mottershead. . . Tenor

* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in seven methods.


## CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, GLAMORGAN

TIIE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Feb. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes

Ar the Church of Sr. Catwg,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUbLES
Being three extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure. Southrepps and Reverse St. Bartholomew, six of April Day, eight of Plain Bob and 16 of Grandsire.
*Judy-Ann Eshelby (16) Treble
*Rosemarie E. Jones
†Michael Larcher
Trevor M. Roderick
Gwyn I. Lewis..
Edmund J. Morris . . . Tenor Conducted by GwxN I. Lewis.

* First peal. † First'inside.


## BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Wed., Feb. 17, 1960, in 2 Howrs and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Reing 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford. Plain Bob, Cam-
bridge. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh. Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr. 1 lb , in $G$.
Margarer A. Wesicoti . . Treble A. Palrick Cannon
Dr. ID. J. Nleal Smith . . 2 Atan E. Bagworih
Gillian A. Nral. Smitii .. 3 Robin G. Leali
Tenor
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
CROFTON, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Feb. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules. At the Church of Aill Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES



Conducted by Wiefrid F. Mori:ion.

* First peal of Doubles and has now rung Grandsire from Douhles in Cinques.

LANGLEYBURY. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE IIERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wed. Feb. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minures.

At Ihe ('heirch of St. Palit.
A PEAL OF 5040 RFIDBOLRN SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.
Tenor 8 cwt .13 lb . in A
Dennis Laud
Treble| Raymond G. Smith
2 John R. Maynf.
Michafl Hatcheti
3
Kenne:th R. Dunstan
5
Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method.
STISTED. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wed. Feb. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720's as follows: (1) London and Wells Surprise. (2) York and Durham Surprise, (3) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise. (4) London Boh and Double Court Boh, (5) St. Clement's. Double Oxford, Childwall and Thelwall Boh. ( 6 ) London Scholars*. Oxford. Kingston. Sandal and Capel T.B., (7) Double and Plain Bob. Tenor 4 cwt .1 qr .20 lh. Marion H. Mills . . . Treble | Dennis A. S. Symonds Aian R. Syder.

| Treble | Dennis A. S. Sym |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Frank B. Lufkin |

Joe F. G. Roast ... . 3 Howard W. Egglestone. . Tenor
Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

## TIBENHAM, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Feb. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 20 cwt . in E | T. Charles Browne. . | Treble Wilfred G. Saunders | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Pearson .. | .. | .. |

Harry B. Fullfr
Frank C. J. Arnold
Conducted by C. Frank W. Phillippo.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frederick Seager, a native of Tibenham and a ringer there before moving to Yorkshire.

WICKWAR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Feb. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (five callings).
*Rachel Rose (14) .. .. Treble +Michael Morley .. .. 4
*Audrey Evans .. .. 2 Oliver Mills.. .. . 5
Brian Cooplir .. $\quad$ Conducted by ${ }^{3}$ Paul Mills (13) .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Oliver Mills.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First inside. First as conductor.

Rung to the glory of God.
PÚRLEIGH. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,
At the Church of Ail Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Beverley, Surfleet, lpswich and Cambridge Surprise.

* Anne Edwaros .. .. Treble Peter J. Eves.. .. .. 2 Howard W. Egglestone 3

Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

* First peal of seven Surprise.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. E. B. Archer, who was to be inducted as Rector of the parish on February 23rd.

ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 llours and 47 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Ten callings.
Francis C. Tayior
W. Ronalid Trickey.
I): NNIS A. PIKI:

Conducted
Treble

Conducted by Gordon Wal.ford.

* First peal.

Rung for the 70 th anniversary of the church. February $18 \mathrm{th}, 1960$.

## HANDBELL PEALS

WAKEFIELD. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Feb. 22, 19(4), in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,
At 37. Thornes Lane.
A PEAL (OF 5090 MINOR
Being seven extents in 77 methods: (1) Barham. Oswald, Berkeley, Kentish, Pemmroke and Edinhurgh Delight, Berwyn and Waterford Treble Bob. Morland, Bocienham. Kirkthorpe, Eardisley, Pencombe. Kippax. Felkirk and Crofton Alliance and Bastow Little Court; (2) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk. Norbury, London Scholars', Sandal. Kingston, Oxford and Kent Treble Boh, Wainfleet. Gedney. Surfleet. Spalding, Pinchbeck. Gunby, Spilsby. Bicker. Sibsey and Normanton Alliance. Kent and Bastow Little Court: (3) Langton, Candlesby. Alford. Tattershall, Benington, Freiston, Frampton, Butterwick, Poynton. Chelford. Denton. Bighy, Elsham, Bassingham and Dunholme Alliance and Bastow Little Court: (4) Blaxhall. Mitcham, Stanhoe. Stratton. Stonchouse. Ringstead, Hayes, Sharnbrook. Ellacombe, Buxton. Iver. Wordsley, Lamberhurst. Harmondsworth and Bramfield Alliance and Litle Bob: (5) Walsingham, Cromer, Olney, Tibenham. Lammas. Steventon. Fulmer, Chalfont Alliance and Little Bob: (6) Plain Bob; (7) Plain and Double Bob: with 134 changes of method. Tenor size 12 in $F$ sharp.
Howard Scott .. ..... 1-2| Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 3-4 W. Eric Critchley .. .. 5-6

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton
The first extent, by Mr. H. Chant, is rung in a peal for the first time.
WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon.. Feb. 22. 1960, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,
At 37, Thornes Lane.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 87 methods. the extents being the same as in the previous peal, except for the 5th 720, which was: Walsingham. Cromer. Olney, Tibenham, Lammas. Steventon. Fulmer, Chalfont, Penshurst. Northaw, Allesley, Snodland, Calverleigh. Hever. Wrentham and Swanscombe Alliance, St. Lawrence Little Boh, Little Bob and Crayford Little Court; 174 changes of method.
Howard Scott

## Quarter Peals in honour of the Birth of a Second Son to Her Majesty the Queem

## HALF PEAL

BICKENHILL. WARWICKSHERE,-On Feb. 20th, 2.520 Plain Bob Minor: Hilary Burrill 1. Pamcla M. Turner 2. M. C. Hughes 3, J. K. Foot 4, C. J. A. Goy 5, R. E. Tallis jun. (cond.) 6.

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Feb, $21 \mathrm{St}, 1,260$ Plain Rob Doubles: Gwyneth R. Paine 1. D. H. Paine 2, Valerie Mepham 3, V. F. Gough 4, R. D. Brown (cond.) 5, D. Hibbet: 6.

ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Feb, 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Semken 1, P. Brand (first 'inside') 2. F. Southgate 3, A. Semken 4, M. Bantick 5, F. Erith (cond.) 6.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICS.-On Feb. 19ih, 1.260 Dnubles (Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire, 6-8 cover): D. Palmer 1. M. Riley 3, H. Stoneshouse 4, A. E. Hinman 5, Betty Smith 6, H. I. Bonshor (cond.) 7. Kathieen Gee 8.

BARCOMBE, SUSSEX. On Feb. 191h. 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. Gearing 1. P. Tomsett 2. S. Brook 3, Mrs. W. Brook 4, B. Turner (cond.) 5, F. Smith 6.

BARCOMAE, SUSSEX.- On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Newman (first quarter) 1. M. Gearing 2, S. Brook 3, B. Turner (cond.) 4, P. Tomsett 5, F. Smith 6.
BARKING, ESSEX.-On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Sherwood 1, J. Carrott 2, Miss J. Piper (first 'inside') 3, D. Mitchell 4, J. Fowler 5. F. V. Cant (cond.) 6, E. G. Cottis 7, A. R. Petchey 8 .

BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.-On Feb. $21 \mathrm{st}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles (with two bells covering): Miss $S$. Wendon (first Quarter) 1. L. Prior 2. J. E. Barrance 3, Miss J. Tyler (first quarter) 4. L. W. Bullock (cond.) 5. G. Lonsdale 6. Miss J. Vickers \&.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. D. Barsby (first quarter) 1, J. R. Perkint 2. J. B. Lowe 3, F. K. Thompson 4, B. S. Payne (cond.) 5. M. Godwin 6.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.-On Feb. 23rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. B. Lowe I, 1). Baker 2 . D. M. Sawyer 3. J. S. C. Scott 4, B. S. Payne (cond.) 5. J. C. Lowe 6. Rung by members of the Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.

BATHWICK, BATH.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7. 6, 8, covering): Miss J. P. Crees (first quarter) 1, Mrs. P. Newman 2. Miss M. Vines (tirst quarter) 3, R. M. Stubbs 4. H. C. Newmen (cond.) 5, L. C. Cooper 6, P. R. Stubbs 7. K. G. Harrison 8.

BENHILTON, SURREY,-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine S. Rowland 1. M. Anne Burton 2. Patricia Collins 3. Emily Luve 4, R. W. S. Richardson (cond.) 5, R. Moore 6.

EETHERSDEN, KENT.-On Feb. 19h, 1,260 Plain Bub Doubles: G. Stewart (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Marshall 2. P. Jarvis 3, J. R Cooper 4, W. W. Ring (cond,) 5. H. Jarvis 6.

BEXHILL, SUSSEX.-On Feb, 19ih. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6. 8 covering): D. Georne (first quarter) 1. Miss A. Eldridge 2. J. Carr 3. Miss D. Pankhurst 4, C. Verdon (cond.) 5, R. Vale (first quarter) 6. Miss J. Kenward 7, C. Pilbeam 8.
BFBURY, GLOS.-On Feb. 19th. 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. Smith I, J. Dowdeswell 2. P. W. Bartlett 3, M. Day 4, R. Wenban (cond.) 5, A. Bartlett 6 .
BILLESDON, LESCS.- On Feb. 19th, 1,26n Minor ( 720 Oxford Bob, 540 Plain Bob): Miss P. M. Geary 1. H. Faulkner 2, J. G. Geary (cond.) 3 . J. Wadkin 4. G. Allen 5, A. N. Geary 6, G. Lee 7. BIRCHINGTON, KENT.-On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: 3. Tumber 1. Jennifer Shields (first inside ") 2, Mri. Bridges 3. T. Milsted 4. H. Luck 5, A. Hinkley 6. J. Russell (cond.) \%, W. Bridger 8.

BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOS.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A, Patan 1. Wendy Bird 2, L. Aston (cond.) 3, D. Field 4, P. Baker 5, P. Mustoe 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.-On Feb 192h. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Rowe (first quarer) 1. Mrs. D. E. Beamish 2, T. Chanman (cond.) 3 and 4. Q. Pullinger 5, Miss C. Vibert (first quaner) 6. Min M. E. L. Beamish 7, R. Burford \&.

BLEWBLRY, BERKS.-Un Feb. 19ih, 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. W. Dunsden 1, J. P. Blond 2, A. R. I. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4, H. L. Bishop 5. Claude Corderoy 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) A. F. F. Samler 8

BOLTON, LANCS.-At the Church of St. Mary Deane, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Fothergill 1. N. Tompkins 2, Elaine A. Richardson 3, J. Cunliffe 4, P. Crook (cond.) 5, A. Greenhalgh 6
BOLSOVER, DERBYS.-On Feb. 201h. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: C. Wright (cond.) 1. M. J. Cooner 2, Mrs. B. Holmes 3. Carolyn Collier 4, D. Cooner 5, K. Rutland 6, H. Wagstafle 7. A. B. Cooper 8.

BOLIRNE, LINCS.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Minor (720 Plain Bob, 504 Kent Treble Bob): C. Wade (cond.) 1. Eileen Walpole 2. Margaret Jepson 3, F. W. French 4, A. Wade 5, L. Blanchard 6.

BRAY-ON-THAMES, BERKS. On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Wendy Harris (first on treble) 1, Diana Harris (firmt quarter) 2. Sylvia Woods 3, Janet Adamsion 4, Doreen Hague (cond.) 5. Joan Davey 6, D. Livingston 7. J. Norsworthy 8.
BROCKENHURST, HANTS.-On Feb. 22nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ruchanan 1. Audrey J. Knight 2. Ronda M. Purkess (first "inside ") 3. Mavis P. Coffin 4, C. M. White (cond.) 5, M. D. G. Northway 6.
BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Brenda Hall 1, J. W. Dixon 2. M. F. C. Collett 3. W. J. Dixon 4. T. J. H. Prince 5. B. W. Hall 6, T. W. Timms 7, Mrs C. Hall 8.

BURSTOW, SURREY.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: G. Charlion 1, T Padbury 2, P. M. Booer 3, L. Penfold 4, A. J. Bull (cond.) 5, H. Padbury 6. Also the same Russell 1. H. Parsons 2, D. Wilson 3. G. Charlion 4. W. F. Slaughter 5. A. J. Bull (cond.) 6 .

CADOXTON, NEATH. GLAM.-On Feb. 2lst, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Lewis 1. J. Mathews 2, D. J. Lewis 3, L. Jenkins 4, G. I. Lewis (cond.) 5, A. Thomas 6.

CALVERLEY, YORKS-On Feb. 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. M. Lumley 1, Ruth H. Appleby 2, Joan M. Dawson 3. R. A. Appleby 4. P. Wheatley 5, R. J. Lumley 6, P. M. Dawsun 7, Rhodes (cond.) 8 .
CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.-On Feb, 2 ist. 1.260 Doubles ( 660 Grandsire, 660 Plain Bob): W. Shute 1, J. Foote 2, A. Wouds 3, D. Read 4, H. Pitman (cond.) 5, G. Finnemore 6
CARBIS BAY, CORNWALLe-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL-On Feb. 21 st, 1,260
randsire Doubles: J Sullivan 1, Jill Swanne 2. Grandsire Doubles: J. Sullivan 1, Jill Swanne 2.
T. R. Sullivan 3, Evangeline Roberts 4. Rev. A. S. Roberts (cond.) 5, T. Sullivan 6. First quarter on the new fromt six.

CHAPEL ALLERTON. YORKS.-On Feb, 19th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Thorp (first quarter) 1. Susan R. Adams 2. L. E. Clark 3. Eileen B Adams 4. J. D. Nixon 5, J. S. Clark (first as cond. 6.

CHARLTON KINGS, CHELTENHAM.-On Feb, 191h. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Lynda Smař (14) J. Tyler 2. Penny Tyler (15, first "inside ") 3. F. Waire 4, P. Dakley (15) 5, F. Stephens 6, G Simmonds (first as cond.) 7, W. Drinkwater 8, first quarter 1 and 5.

CHESHUNT. HERTS.--On Feb. 21st. 1.261) Grandsire Doubles: W. Newnham 1. Miss B. Nicholls 2 Miss C. Farrington 3, E. Pickett 4, R. Durrant (cond. 5. D. Billimore

CHESHUNT, HERTS.-On Feb. 20th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Campbell (first quarter) 1, Miss B. Nicholls (first "inside') 2, W. Newnham 3 Miss C. Farrington 4, R. Durrant (cood.) 5, D. Billimore 6
CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.-1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. Bibby 1, J. Carrott (cond.) 2 F. G. Richardson 3. A. Salisbury 4. J. Fowler 5. A Gargrave 6, I. East 7. F. G. Harman (first quarter)
8. CHISEIDON: WILTS -On Feb. 191h, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss B. Cannings 1, C. Wilkins (firs quarter) 2. Mrs. L. F. Love 3. A. R. Pocock 4 F. C. Cook 5. A. T. Collins (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1,3 and 4.

CIRCENCESTER, GLUS.-At the Parish Church on Feb. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Cor (R.A.F.) 1, F. J. Lewis 2, E. H. Jefferies 3. B. Wakeficld 4, F. J. Lewis jun. (cond.) 5, P. Morgans 6, P. Wakefield 7, P. J. Lcwis 8.
COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th 1.260) Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob and 660 Grandsire): H. M. Swann 1. Mrs A. G. Frith 2, R. W Treasure 3. L. B. Coles 4. H. C. Mogford (cond.) 5 L. Batton 6.

CORSTON, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss B. Jewell (first of Triples) 1 Mrs. H. L. Parfrey 2. Mrs. M. 1. de Jong C. J. Hrown 4, S. G. King 5, L. R. G. Taylor 6 H. L. Parfrey (cond.) 7, L. W. Jewell 8.

COWBRIDGE, GLAM.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Doubles (April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire) C. Evans 1, H. Blick 2, R. E. Coles (cond.) 3, A Thomas 4, J. Thomas 5, L. Groom 6. I. D Davier 7, I. Paton 8. First in three methods for 2, 4 and 5, Rung with 6 and 7 covering alternately. DEDDINGTON, OXON.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: E. Honour 1. W. H. Minnear 2. J. D. Cowley (first quarter) 3, W. Ivings 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5, B. J. Sykes 6.

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCS.-On Feb. 191h, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Barram (first quarter) 1, W. Duffy 2, F. Brightman 3, C Perkins 4. G. W. Bartram (first quarter) 5. F. Taylor (cond.) 6.

DEREHAM, NORFOLK.-On Feb, 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: P. M. Farrow 1. P. J. Pease 2. J. Hindry 3, T. G. Pett 4, C. F. Harrold 5, S. Marshall 6. G. P. Adams (cond.). 7. D. Miles 8. First of Triples for 1, 2, 4. First in method for 1, 2, 3, 4 .
DONCASTER. YORKS.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Batıram 1, Miss K. Mallender 2. F. A. Staveley 3. G. White 4, E. Dalingwater 5, H. Wagstaff 6, W, E. Critchley (cond.) 7, S. Boyes 8.

DONCASIER, YORKS. On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Spliced Grandsire and St. Clement's Triples: W. E. Critchley (cond.) 1. Miss K. Mallender 2, E. Delingwater 3 F. A. Staveley 4. H. Wagstaff 5. L. G. Webb 6, J McCluskey 7, S. Boyes 8. For Matins.

EBIBW VALE, MON.-On Feh. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Misk J. Dunning (first on 8) 1. B Werty 2. Mrs. D. Bruten 3, J. Ahop (cond.) 4. R. Stephens 5, D. Bruten 6, A. Evans 7, T Stephens 8.

EGHAB1. SURREY.-On Feb, 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering) : D. Cooper 1. Mrs. L. Hiscock 2, Mrs. J. Knowles 3. Miss M. Gibson \& W. Peck (cond.) 5. D. Fromme 6. B. Bartlett 7. R. Tickner 8. First quarter 1, 7 and 8.

ELSTREF: HERTS.-On Feb. 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. M. Axton 1. A. J. Leemine 2. B. B. Hullah 3. Miss R. S. Hawkes 4. R. E. Hardy (cond.) 5. R. Hyde b. First quarter 1 and 6
ELY, CAMBS.-On Feh. $141 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: G. V'ale 1. P 1. Addison 2, E. G. Pipe 3. B. C. Bass 4. J. W. Pickett (cond.) 5. P. T. Hirst 6. Fint quarter 4 and 6 .

EPSUM. SLRREY.-At Christ Church on Fet. 20th. 1.264 Plain Blob Maior: D. Herschell Adricnne Gibson 2. W. Parrott 3. Sylvia Marsh it F. Oakshort 5. E. G. L. Coward 6. D J. F Oakshott 7. A. E. Harman (cond.) 8. First of Major for 1 and 2 .
EUSTON. NORFOLK.-On Feb. 21st, 1.320 Doubles $\mathbf{3 6 0} \mathrm{St}$. Martin's, 480 St . Simon"s, 480 Plain Bob): J. Y. Parker 1. Mrs. H. Ivings 2, Miss D. M. Reeve 3, J. E. Ivines (cond.) 4. H. Ivines 5.
EWELI. SURREY.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Crandsire Triples: P. Munday (aged 11, first quarter) 1. R. Spittle 2, Gladys Anderson 3, Maureen Candy 4. 3. E. Beams 5. A. S. Besant 6, C. W. Munday (cand.) 7. P. Ford 8. Alsu on Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Trinles: Mrs C. W. Munday (first quarter) 1. A. S. Besant 2. Gladys Anderson 3. J. E. Beams 4. Maureen Candy 5, R. Spittle 6, C. W. Munday (cond) 7. P. Ford 8.
EXNING, SUFFOMK.-On Feb. 1926, 1,260 Plain Bub Doubles: T. Gentleman 1. A. Benctead 2 . J. Gensleman 3, E Jaseard 4. A. R. Mann (cond)

FARNBOROLGH, HANTS.-On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: R. E. Finch 1, R. H. Milis 2. Mrs. 1. L. Joyce 3, W. W. Wriaht (cond.) 4. P. J. Joyce 5. G. S. G. Joyce 6. Rune to ceiebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mills.

FINCHINGFIELD, ESSEX.-()n Feb. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minur: E. J. Roner 1, D. N. Jenaings 2 , F. W. J. Roper (cond.) 3. C. Hardy 4. E. Webb 5 , A. Chapman 6.

CATESHEAD-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM, On FCb. 17th 1261 Stedman Triples: Marion S. Ainsworth 1. C. N. Lea 2. J. A. Ainsworth (cond.) 3, R. F. Telford (iirst - inside ') 4. E. N. Harrison 5, G. S. Deas 6. B. Pattison 7, N. Errington 8.

GLOUCESTER. - At the Cathedral on Feb. 19th, 1.290 Grandsire Caters: L. Hewitt 1. J. Whiting (first of Caters) 2. W. Jones 3, G. Green (first of Caters) 4. J. Smart 5, L. Barry (cond.) 6. P. Clarkson 7. P. Allen (first of Caters) 8, L. Edwards 9, F. Blowen 10.

GRANTHAM, LINCS.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. McCariney 1, D. A. Frih 2, T. W. Charity 3. P. A. Hill 4. J. W. Watson 5. 1. M Simnson (first of Triples as cond.) $6.11 . \mathrm{R}$. Wonds 7. J. R. Hilmes 8. First of Triples for 1 and 3.
GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.-(In Feh, 21 II. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Hall 1. R. H. Rogers 2. $\bar{F}$. Hall 3. C. Hall 4. C. Aikins (cond.) 5.
GREAT BROMLEY. FSSEX.-On Feb 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Juy Munson (first quarter) 1. P Brand 2. A. Cole 3. J. Gould 4, T. Cole 5. F Erith (cond.) 6.
GREAT MARLOW, BUCKS.-On Fib, $21 \mathrm{st}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: Ann Conk 1, Jill Cook 2, E. G. Silvey 3. J. Younn 4. L. J. Youn 2 5, E. D. Poole (cond.) 6. Mrs. Evelyn Mead 7. R. E. Dean 8.
GREAT TEY, ESSEX.-1)n Feb. 21st. 1.120 Plain Boh Major: C. Blackwell 1, H. Webb 2. A. Dale 3. B. Webb 4, K. Smith 5, E. Piper 6, S. Piper 7. J. Dyer (cond) 8.

HALESOWEN, BIRMINGHAM.-On Feb. 19th, 1.261 Stedman Triples: A. Pickering 1, J. H. Cox (cond.) 2. H. Shuck 3, L. Clissett 4. Miss W. Pretty 5. Miss M. Tromans 6. T. Greenhall 7. H. Shilvock 8 .

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HAMPSTEAD, LONDON.-At St. Stephen's Church on Feb. 20th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: 1. D. Z. Ogilvie (first of Trinles) 1, Margarce E. Harte 2, T. Bevan 3, J. T. O'Dell 4, J. M. Payton 5 , M. W. Lewis 6, A. W. J. Butler (cond.) 7, P. Merring (first quarter) 8 .
HARIINGTON, MIDDLESEX.-(On Feb, 19th. 1.261 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsirc): Miss J. Wooders 1. Miss J. Hitehenck 2, D. Shaw 3, Miss W. Smith 4, D. C. Morgan (cond.) 5, C. Sievenson (first quarter) 6. First in two methods for all except third.
HARTEST, SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Winchendon Place, St. Simon's, Grandsire, Plain Bub): G, Garwood 1, M. Willoughby 2. F. Payne 3. H. Clarke 4, R. Scabrook (cond.) 5.
HARWELLL, BERKS.-On Feb. $19 \mathrm{ht}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: J. Napper. jun.. 1, D. Jordan 2, G. W. Bishop 3. A. H. Webb (cond.) 4, C. Garlick 5 , M. Bishop 6. W. Corderoy 7, J. Napper 8.

HECKINGTON, LINCS,-On Feb. 19th. 1.250 Piain Bob Triples: C. Asher (first on the treble) 1. R. Trevilt 2. R, Asher 3, D. Brown 4. A. Bird 5. A. Dixon 6, R. Packlingıon (cond.) 7. E, Cole 8.

HELMDON, NORTHANTS. -On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. T. Sommerton (15, first quatier) 1. Miss K. Humphrey (first of Minor 'inside') 2. W. J. Chester 3. M. Saunders 4, G. Shellard 5 . B. Saunders (cond.) 6 .
helainggham, SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 19th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. W. Pipe 1, F. Ruffles 2. J. Rennett, sen. 3. W. Ruffles 4. R. W. Steward 5. L. G. Brett (cond.) 6. C. W. Beecroft 8. Runs after mecting short for neal.
HEIMINGHAM, SUFFOLK, - On Feb. 2 ist. 1.28) Yorkshire Surprise Major: H. Hall 1, M. R. Page 2. L. G. Brett (cond.) 3. W. W. Miller 4. C. W. Beecroft 5. W. Ruffles 6, F. Ruffles 7, W. J. Bution 8. For morning service.

HEREFORID.-On Feb, 19th at All Sains Church. 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: M. J. Reed 1. Rosemary Jarrett 2. A. T. Wingate 3. A. W. Davis 4. J. C. Eisel 5, T. Wond 6, F. Reed (cond.) 7. M. Munn 8.

HERSHAM, SURREY, -On Feb. $19 t \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Bob Triples: D. George 1, Miss G. May 2, Mrs. P. Bird 3, Miss J. Smith 4. H. Colcombe 5, C. N. Chinnery 6, J. King (cond.) 7, S. Davis 8. First of Bob Triples for all.
heston, middlesex.-On Fcb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Turner 1. P. Ruch 2, R. Sumner 3. P. Bettridge 4, J. Sarsom (cond.) 5 , S. Porter (first quarter) 6.

HIGHCLERE, HANTS.-On Feb, 21st, 1.441 Surprise Minor ( 720 London, 720 (ambridge): B. Mills 1, Hazel White 2, Cherry White 3. R. W. Rex 4, R. F. Crook 5, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 6. First of Surprise Minor for 2 and 3.
HIGH WYCOMBE BUCKS. - On Feb. 19 h . 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Wendy Gladwin 1, Margaret Tilbury 2, Sheila Wallace 3, D. Francis 4, J. D, Kape 5, S. M. Bailey 6, G. Harrison 7. D. Knox (cond.) 8. First in the method for 1,2 and 4.
hitcham, Bucks. (on Feb. 21se, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Seear 1. Jennifer Sceeney 2, Mary Carr 3. T. Evans 4, G. J. Berry 5. H. Ugiesby (cond.) 6 . First of Minor for 1, 2 and 3.
HITCHIN, HERTS.- On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (7 and 8 covering): Miss $M$. Preece 1. Mr. D. Mager 2, W. F. Todd 3. Mrs C. A. Asg 4. F. J. Plummer 5. A. R. Agg (cond.) 6 . H. H. Starte 7, M. Trige 8. First quarter 7 and 8.

HOLME HALE, NORFOLK.-On Feb. 20th. 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: B. H. Bennett 1, G. W. Heyhoe 2, S. H. Waterficld 3. W J. Bailey 4. P. 1. Woodcock (cond) 5. R. R. Harmer 6.
HOLME PIERREPONT. NOTTS.- On Feb. 19ih. 1.320 Plain Bub Doubles: Sue Meredith 1. Ruth Blackshaw 2. M. Hamson 3, F. Bradley 4, Doreen Armstrong (cond.) 5 .
HONTTON, DEVON.-On Feb. 19th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4. 6 and is behind): Janee Reat 1. A. Hodge 2, G. Coombe 3. J. Real 4. n. Griffen 5. W. Baker 6, W. Webb (cond.) 7, T. Clouston 8
HUCKNALL, NOTTS.-On Feb. 19th. 1,320 Grandsire Doubles (with 7 6. 8 covering): K. Marriott 1. B. Hinchliffe 2. Mrs. P. Nix 3. H. Lewin 4. P. Nix (cond.) 5. Mrs. M. Gibson 6. Miss H. Butcher 7. H. Bramley 8. First quarter on bells and by a local band.

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HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.-On Feb, 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Harton (first of Triples) 1 R. Biges 2. Miss W. Husser (first 'inside') 3, J. D Kape 4. N. Cornwall 4. D. Cornwall (cond.) 6, A Newton 7. P. Davis 8.
HURST, BERKS.-On Feb. 19h. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D Gibbs 1, Miss S. A. Castle 2 C. W. Mortimer 3. R. 1. Castle 4. R. K. Rivers 5 C. A. Ecle 6. B. C. Castle (cond.) 7, W. Austin 8

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX, -On Feh. 20th. 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Joyce Walsh 1. J. R. Norris (first away from cover) 2. R. Brown 3. M. Wooldridpe 4 . 11. W. Brown (cond.) 5. Penelone C. Clar'.ne (firsi quarter) 6. A. Walsh 7. D. Rabinson 8.
ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.-On Feb. 21st, 1.2 h 0 Plain Bob Royal: L. C. Way 1, W. G. Wilson 2, Miss J. Creak 3, Miss P. J. Holhorn 4 Mrs. O. L. Rogers 5, C. H. Rogers 6. Miss B Humphrey 7, J. Periett 8. J. Mudd 9. H. W. Rogers (cond.) in. First of Royal for 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 . Alsn for Evensong.
JFSMOND, NEWCASTLE:-On Fch, 19rh, 1.320 Plain Boh Minor: Miss M. Charlton i. J. Scott 2. D. Ellisdon 3. K. Ward (first inside') 4, J. Thorley KELVEDON, ESSEX.-On Feh. 19ih. 1.260 Plain Hoh Miner: J. Papworth 1. F. Whiterad 2, A. Hunwick (first quarter) 3. Miss W. Elliote Burton 5. A R Elliont (cond.) 6.
KINGS LANGLEY, HERTS.-On Feh, 19th, 1.260 Plain Hob Triples: K. Waples 1, R. W. R. Pieton 2 Miss G: E. Graney 3. Miss M. Erik 4. R. J. Picton 5, D. J. Gondman 6, B. M. Barker (cond.) 7
S. E. Hazlewood 8.
KINGSTONE, HEREFORDS.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260

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Grandsire Doubles: A. Colcombe 1. M. V. Powell 2. R. G. Powell (cond.) 3, L. H. Colcombe 4, I. G. Jones 5. F. Williams 6.
LANCASTER.-AA St. Pcter's R.C. Caihedral. on Feh. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: 1. Woods 1, R. Rainford 2. H. Rainford (cond.) 3. N. Cross 4. S. Jcficry 5. with J. E. Gien and John Pye covering.
LANE END, HUCKS.-On Feb, 191h, 1.260 Plain Buh Doubles: Miss C. Smith 1. C. Hagqer 2. K Seymou: 3. S. Smith 4. R. Hazell (cond.) 5. Miss F Harris 6.
LECHLADE. GLOS.-On Fcb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Hayden 1, A King 2, G Milsom 3. E. Pear 4, P. Kirby (cond.) 5, J. Ryman 6
LEICESTER.-On Feb. 19th, at All Saints* Church 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. C. Mason 1. E. Bowley 2. Alan Cattell (cond.) 3. Arthur Cattell 4. J. E. Cook 5, Pauline L. Beleher 6.
LEIGH. LANES. On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7. 8 covering): Ann Burns (first auar(er) 1. Margaret E. Fort 2, Mrs. B. F., Eckersley' 3. P. Crook (cond.) 4. Miss V. E. Watts 5, W, Davies (first quarter) 6. Rev. G. M. Ikin 7. C. A. Sm th 8. LELANT, CORNWALL.-On Feb. 21sı, 1.261 Stedman Doubles: M. B. Bowers (first quarter) 1 II. Miles (ennd.) 2. Marion L. Lidgey 3. L. B. P.
Whatry 4. M. Peters 5. A. J. Willis 6. Also in welcome the new Vicar. Rev. P. S. Gasg, who was instituted and inducted on the previour day.
LONDON.-At Wesmintier Ahhey, on February 20ih. 1.260 Sicdman Triples: G. W. Cecil 1. A. B. Peck 2. W. Rawlings 3. II. N. Pitstow (cond.) 4 M. p. Morcton 5. 1. H. Crampion 6. J Phillips 7. 1. A. Waugh 8. Alsi at St. Margaretis. Wesmminster, on Feh. 21sI. 1.263 Siedman Caters: W. Hewsit (cond.) 1. M Morton 2. Mri. F. Bagworth 3. J. Fuston 4. G. Parsons 5. B. Siory 6. W. Rawlings 7. H. Clark 8. R Landers 9. E. Peett in. Also at St. Martin-in-the-Ficlds. The Queen's Parish Church) on Feh. 19th. 1,209 Siedman Caters: Mis, M. Prockson 1. Mess D. Deverell 2. Mrs. R. F. Deal 3. A. W. J. Buuler 4. W. Prackson 5. A. R. Ling 6. B F. Baker 7. T. H. Francis (cond.) 8, F. J. Matthews 9. D. A Kirkhy 10. Alsn on Feh. 21 st . at St. Jamests. Clerkenwell. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Miss $N$. Hales 1. Miss M. Prockion 2. J. A. Hales 3. R. J. Trebilenck 4. G. A. Parsons 5. G. Pralt 6. D. E. Sibson (cond) 7. M. Taylor 8 LONGBRIDGE DEVERILL, WILTS.-On Feh. 19th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4. 6, 8 covering): B. Fear (first quarer) 1, D. R. Thorne (first quaner) 2. Mrs. B. Fear 3, Mirs. R. F. Jones 4, R. F. Jones
7. H. Trollode 8. LCTON: BEDS.
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Gaters: Miss J Hobbs-Wehber 1. B. Hulatt 2. J. G. Newman 3. A J. Smith 4. N. Denson 5. G. Hawkins 6, L. A. Goodenough (cond.) 7. H. Worxd 8. A. E. Rushton 9. J. S. Cheney 10.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.-On Feh. 21st. 1.260 Stedman Triples: $S$. Brixton (first in the method) 1. E. L. Taylor 2. G. S. Morris (cond.) 3. Mrs. C. W. Powell 4. Canon C. C. Cox S, H. G. Keeley 6, C. W Powell 7. H. Smith 8

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Malmesbury, Wil.ts.-On Feb. 19th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Pasinion 1, J. Mace 2. R. Terry 3. J. E. Billings 4, L. O. Grey (first as cond.) H. E. Rlacker 6.

MANCHESTER. -On Feh. 191h, at the Cathedral. 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: R. Longden 1, Miss M. Wa!shaw 2, F. Barraclou?h 3. Mrs. M. Tonece 4, H Reynolds 5, B. Walshaw 6. J. F. Nelson 7, G. Pye 8 D. Uoden (cond.) 9. F. W. Grocott 10.

MANSFIELD, NOTTS.-On Fcb. 1: $\mathrm{i} \mathrm{h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: Mrs. F. Adcock (first quarter) 1, S. W. Fossey (eond.) 2, F. Adcock 3. Miss D Murfin 4. W. lhal (first quarter) 5 , J. Rohinson 6. 13. Richards 7. C. Randall 8.

MILYERTON, SOMERSET. On Feb, 20th. 1.200 Grandsire Trip'es: Miss F. M. Hartlev (first euarter) 1. A. Gale (first 'inside') 2. H. V. Young 3. Mrs. E. S. Powell 4. W. J. Nurcombe 5. G. Snarkes 0. C. W. J. Tarr (cond.) 7. H. Ta lor 8

NEWTON NOTTAGE, GLAM.-On Feb. 19,h. 1.260 Doubles in live methods: Doris Smith 1, M. Larcher 2. Rosemaric Jones 3, T. M. Roderick (cond.) 4. T. Davies 5, D). Mathlin bi. All except the conductor are teenagers.
NORTHAMPTON.-On Eeh. 19th, at the Church of St. Edmund. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. R. E. Roome 1. V. A. Perry 2. P. Amos 3. Miss J. A. Downing 4. T. M. Haines 5. R. S. Rohers 6, E. Billings (cond.) 7. T. Wooding 8. Also on Feb. 20th, at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. R. E. Roame 1. V. A. Perry 2 1. C. Rainbow 3. Miss J. A. Downing 4. E. Billings 5. T. Jennings 6. G. F. Roome (cond.) 7. P. Amos 8.

NORTHIAM, SUSSEX.-On Fch. 191h, 1.260 Doubles (Siedman. Plain Bob and Grandsire): 1 . Epps 1. Mrs, G. Reece 2, Joan V. Garnett 3. Sccley 4. W. Button (cond.) 5. F. Tedham 6. D, FSSEX. - On Feb. 191h. 1.260 lanet Evans 3. L. Cordell (cond.) 4. M. McQuistan C. Bingham

OLD MARSTON, OXFORD.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire): N. D. Deam 1. R. H. Jones 2, Rev. H. Benson 3. D. C. Wondward 4, C. Holloway (cond.) 5.
OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.-On Feb. 19th. 1.386 Grandsire Triples: Alan Turner 1. E. J. Manley 2. L. Hinc 3. 1. Arbury 4. F. H. Marks 5 R. J. Ouick 6. C. C. Turner (cond.) 7. C. W Glanville 8.
PACKWOOD. WARWICKS. On Feh. 20th 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Ingram 1. Ann Couk 2. D. Harrabin 3. D. Ingram 4, R. Tallis 5. M. Hall (cond.) 6.
PENARTH. GLAM.-On Feb. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: W. J. Goodfellow I. E. J. R. Hartley 2. A. F. R. Hartley 3. R. G. Havard 4 , 1. W. Wallace (first of Minor) 5. A. M. Conmbs (cond.) 6.
PETERBOROUGH.
NORTHANTS.-AI
Church of St. Mary on Feh. 19th, 1.260 Doubles (2s0 Grandsire. 1.020 Plain Boh): B. Branston 1. Mrs. M. Parker 2. L. Hrighton 3. M. Parker (cond.) 4. G Cowlin 5. G. Davis of

PLYMOUTH. DEVON.-On Feh. 21st, at St Andrew's Church. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: H. W. Milford 1. H. F. Myers 2. D. F. Wheeler 3. F. E. Day 4. R. Bould 5. W. G. Lavers 6. S. O Shaughnessy 7. A. W. Myers 8. T. G. Mvers (cond.) 9. W. H. Marks in. Firse on ten for 5 and 10.

PLYMPTON. DEVON.-On Feh. 24th. 1.260 Grandire Doubles: G. Gilley 1, D. R. Bould 2. D. F. Farnham 3. S. Hodge 4. Wm. G. Lavers (cond.) 5, M. Roberts 6

PRESTON, LANCS.-On Feh 21 st , at the Church of St Join. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. Crnssthwaite (cond.) 1. Miss E. Faunch 2. Miss M. R. Crossthwaite 3. Mrs. M. Crossihwaite 4. E. Cowperthwaite 5 , G. A Dimmock 6, W. J. Couperthwaite Gardner 8. First of Grandsire for 2, 3, 4.
PLLSOROLGH, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 20hb. 1.260 Stedman Triples: L. Stilwell 1, E. R. Rapiey 2, B. Mathews 3. G. Francis 4. E. Treagus 5. W. L. Mathews 3. G. Francis 4. E. Treagus S. W. L. PLTNEY, S.W.-On Feb 191h. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Martin 1. C. Carpenter (first of Grandsire Doubles) 2, A. Bishop 3, L. Allen 4. 8. Runs with 7. 6. 8 covering.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Doubles (PLain Bob and Grandsire): Hazel Yound 1. Brenda Cance 2, D. Hoare 3. D. Eades 4. F.

READING, BERKS. - On Feb. 21st. at St. Mary's Church. 1.280 London Surprise Major: R. K. Russ 1 K. Corterell 2. Audrey B. Allawa 3. M. Thermont 4. Diserens 5. R. F. Diserens 6. J. N. Diserens 7. J. Diserens (cond.) 8

REDHILL. SURREY.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Illman 1, Miss F. Hankey 2. Miss B. Suggers 3. W. Dunn 4, G. A. West 5.

Olliver 6. A Strecter 7, 11. Comber 8.
REIGATE, SURREY.-On Fcb, 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Hanning 1. Mies F, Hankey 2. Miss B. Saggers 3, G. West 4. A. T. Shelıon 5, W. Inwood 6. A. Streeter (eond.) 7. K. Game 8.

ROCHESTER, KENT.-On Feb. 19th at the Cathedral, 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: Miss E. Wharton 1. W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, R. Norris 3. T. Beaumont 4. A. Wrigley 5, C. J. Gould 6, C. F., Norris 7. D. Norris 8.
ROMSEY. HANTS.- On Feh. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Miss C. White 1. M. L. Northway cond.) 2. Miss A. Knighe 3, H. J. Pare 4. J Hartless 5, K. J. Jacobs 6, C. M. White 7, R. C. B. mallman 8.
ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX,-On Feb. 19th. 504 Grandsire Triples: Miss $G$ Buncombe 1. Miss K. Apps 2. Mrs. F. I. Hairs 3. R. P. Bullen 4. G. Price 5. F. 1. Hairs (cond.) 6. F. Hammond 7. 1.

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ROTHERHAM, YORKS.-On Feh. 203h, 1.260 Plain Boh Royal: J. Carson 1. Christine Rodgers 2. Mary Alkinson 3. Mrs. N. Chaddock 4. Mrs M. Burns 5. Susan Chaddock 6, 1. Tilling 7, P. Walker $\mathrm{J}^{\mathrm{p}}$ Coote 9. N. (haddock (cond.) 10.
ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Marion Greaves (12. first quarter) , June E. Wright (13. firsz 'inside') 2, M. Rose (16) 3. H. J. Sution 4, R. Rose (cond.) 5, L. Wright

RUDDINGTON, NOTTS,-On Feh. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Dickens I. R. A. Barilam T. Oliver 6. J. W. Forspool 7. R. Whitworth (first quarter) 8. 7. 6. 8 coveting.
RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Ruth Hodgkins (first quarter) 1 . S. Hodgkins 2, H. Wooding 3. B. Whitworth 4. Chifon 5. A. L. Priestey (cond.) 6. W. Dickens

ST. AlBANS, HERTS.-At St. Peter's on Feh. 19th. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. J. Dodds 1. Miss C. Pullin 2. S. Darvill 3. K. Darvill 4, F. J.
Sicer 5. A. E.
Ewer 6. G. W. Deblienham 7. Spicer 5. A. E. Ewe
H. V. Frost (cond.) y.
ST. CRANTOCK, CORNWALI.,-On Feh, 2A1h. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Veals (firsi c.uarter) 1. D. Doiking 2, J. Roberts 3. C. Siephens 4. A. 11. Eplett (cond.) 5. L. Mersi (first cuarter) 6.
SALEHURST, SUSSEX.-On Feh. 19ith, 1.26t) Grandsife Triples: A. M. Altentrn 1, E. T. Avery 2. $H$ Edwardes 3. A. H. Hoad 4. A. Simith 5, Harris 6. M. H. Hoad (conJ.) 9. A. Hoad 8.
SANDON, ESSEX.-On Feh. 21 si, i. 260 Plain Bah Minor: Judy Scales 1. R. Harrison 2. R Kem? 1. Panton 4. M. Edwards 5. P. Saltmarth teord,) 6. SAPCOTE. IEICS. -On Fet. 19th, 1,440 Plain Buth Minor: Rosemary Stratford 1. Durothy Page 2. Mrs. M. E. Hrown 3. Rita M. Siratford 4. M. F. Brown (cond.) 5. A. Chapman 6
SaXILBY, LINCS.-On Feh 21st, 1.260 Minor (Kent and Plain Boh): Pamela Cox 1. D. G. Crouby 2. M. I. Mann 3. J.
H. W Cox (cond.)

SCARBOROUGH. YORKS.-On Feb. 20th. 1.441 Plain Boh Minor with ienor covering: J. A. Roberishaw 1. H. Spencer 2. W. Hudwn 3. W. Fay 4. H. Parker 5. B. Sutton (cond.) 6. R Wyalt 8. H. after mesting whort for a neal attemm on the nctave.
SHEFFIELD, YORKS. - At the Cathedral. on Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Boh Rnyal: $H$. Chaddock 1. F. Ward 2. J. S. Rank 3. J. S. Seager 4. B.
Balderson 5. R. S. Long 6. D. R. Armstrong 7. R. E. Price 8. C. K. Chaddock 9, B. Holtand (cond.) 10.

## SHEFFIELD.-On Feb. 21 ss , at the Cathedral.

 1.246 Grandsire Caters: R. Birch I. F. Ward 2.J. Rank 3. R. S. Long 4. B. Balderson 5. G. K. $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { J. Rank 3, R. S. Long 4. B. Balderson 5. G. K. } \\ \text { Chaddock } & \text { 6. J. Seager } & \text { 7. } & \text { B. Holland } & \text { 8. H. } & \text { O. }\end{array}$ Chaddock (cond.) 9. R Wildgoos: 10.
SOLIHULL. WARWICKS. On Feb, 19th. $1.26 n$ Grandsire Triples: W. Leevon 1. C. Dale 2. V. W. Rirg 3. R. Cann 4. T. Warner 5. E. C. Shenherd (cond.) 6. C. Bragr 7. Y. K. Foot 8.
STAVEIEY, DERBYS.On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Piain Bob Minor: Miss R. Dickenson 1. L. Palmer 2. W. Dickenson 3, F. A. Adams 4. H. Paldison 5, J. Ford

## ROYAL QUARTER PEALS-Cont.

STAFFORD.-On Feh. 19th. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: F. R. Wiggin 1, F. Eley 2, C. Hone 3. R. Barlow 4, D. Harman 5. B. J. Wylde (composer and cond) 6. R K Mowforth 7, A. E. Garbeti 8 . R. J. Warrilow 9, C. J. Sherwood 10

STOKE, COVENTRY. - On Feb. 22nd. 1.20.0 Girandsire Triples: E. Simpson 1. W. A. Stote 2. R. Robinson 3, 1). Eliender 4. R. Hart 5, H. Fowell 6, E. Sibley (cond.) 7. N. Hailie 8. First of Grandsire Trizles by 1.3 and 5 .

STRATFORD-UPON-AYON,
WARWICKS. -On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. White (firsit quarier) 1. V. B. Hunt (cond.) 2. Shelagh Ingram (first inside ${ }^{\text {' }}$ ) 3. J. A. Print 4. L. Hallett S. G. Ingram 6. C. R. Siced 7. E. Smith 8.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.-On Feis. 2lst. $1.25 n$ Cirandsire Tripies: C. Sangwin 1. B. Bissatt 2, H. Trewin 3. E. Numn (first quarter) 4. H. Stacey 5. C. Taylor 6. J. San=win 7. S. Stacey 8.
STROUD, GiLOS.-On Fib, 20th, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: P. Clarkson 1, L. Hewitt 2, T. Pritchard 3. G. Goutding 4. L. Edwards 5. G. Green 6. P. Al.en 7. T. Witts 8. L. Barry (cond.) 9, J. Smart 10.
SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKS.-On Feh. 19ih. 1.296 Cambridse Surprise Minor: Miss J. 1. Porier 1. H Rodme!l 2, T. W. Thirkell (first of Cambridee Surprise) 3. C. R. Robinion 4, I. G. Glenton 5, R Ducker (cond.) 6.
SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS. On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Katherine Rurchnall 1 . Lavina Mumford 2, D. Hough 3. Eleanor Ruse 4. B. Hough 5. N. Moxon 6. Grace Burchnall (cond.) 7. R Mumford 8.

TALGARTH, BRECON.-On Feb. 191h, 1.260
 Plain Bobl: J. Grifliths 1, W. Chick 2, S. V.
Edvards 3. D. H. Bennett (cond.) 4, W. G. Smith Edivards 3. D. H. Bennctl (cond.) 4, W. G. Smith
5. J. Parry 5.

## TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKS.-On Feb.

 $21 \mathrm{st}, 1.260$ Doubles (Plain Bub, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury): J. W. Jones 1. Pamela M. Turner 2. Helen M. Thacker 3. R. E. Tallis 4, R. E. Tallis jun.. (cond.) 5. A. Collins 6. Also for Evensong.TENDRING. ESSEX. On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minar: A. Brazier 1. Ann Collicr 2. Mrs. V. Hales 3. Ann Pruke 4. P. W. Mills 5. E. E. Davey (cond) 6 .

TEWIN, HERTS. - On Feb, 19 th. 1,260 Doubles (480 Grandsirc. 780 Plain Buh): F. Garrod 1, D. M. Gambling 2. Miss A. M. Bailey 3. H. Shire 4 P. C. F. Wonster (eond.) 5. C. Geeves 6.

THAKEHAM, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 191h. 1.260 Grardsire Doubles: W. C. Herriman 1. C. B. Skinner 2. Miss M. Skinner 3. 1. Maple 4. B. W. Farhall (cond) 5. Canon H. T. Mogridge 6.

THANES DITTON, SURREY.-On Feh. 19th. 1,260 Plain Bos Minor: D. Leach 1. Mrs A. Smith 2. J. Tomsett 3. D. Lambert 4. R. Caporn 5, F. E. llawthorne (cond.) 6.
THORNHILI. YORKS. On Feh. 21 st , a due touch of 1.960 changes ( $i n$ Plain Bnt Doubles. 720 Kent Treble Buh Minor. 200 Oxford Treble Buh Minar): 1. Lynch I. H. Wond 2. D. Sazraill (cond.) 3. F. Hewitt 4. O. Coulthard 5 . Heb Wood 6.
THRYBFRGII. YORKS.-On Fch. 191h. 1.26n Pisin Bob Minor: Jean Green 1. Ciaire Green 2. Joyce Oakley 3. Marzare Gaskell 4. 13. Mla:-h S. F. Brunt (cord.) 6. First cuarter 1. 4 and 5

UYBRIDGE, MDDIESEX. On Feb, $2141,1.260$ Gyandsire Doubles: M. Shechan I. H. W. Impey (cond.) 2. E. R. Gotham 3. F. Bedford 4. J. Camp 5. G E. Swift 6. Also the bith anniversary of lise induction of the Rev. H. Dunning. Vicar of Uxbridge.
Walleasev. Cheshire.-On Feb. 21st, 1.250 P!ain Bub Minor: Jenifer Jores (first (alarter) I. P. R Jones 2. Marcric Wetster 3, V.
Mchulnch S. E. Jenes (co-d.) 6.
WAITHAMSTOW, FSSEX.-On Feh. 19th. 1.260 Piain Boh Minar: C. Diggins (firs quarter) 1. H. Rumens 3. F. C. Masnard 4. M. Hayes 5. P. D. Chapman (firsi of Minor) 6. B. R. Downes (cond.) 7. F. C. Taylor

WAITHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Fcb. 21st. 1,295 Grandsire Caten: C. Digzirs (aged 13, first of Caters) I. F. W. Svkes 2. H. Rumens (72) 3. C. A. Hurhes
(73) 4. F. C. Maynard (73) 5. E. E. H.olman (65) 6 . (73) 4. F. C. Maynard (73) 5. E. E. Holman (65) 6,
D. A. Hewit 7. T. Hawkings 8, B. R. Downes (cond 9, P D. Chapman 10.

WARNHAM, SUESEEX.-On Feb. 19ih. 1.260 Plain Rob Douthies: C, Green 1, D. R. Mitchcll 2, J. M. G. Miskin 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th. 1.280 Plain Boh Doubles: Dorothy G. Taylor 1, B. Jean Stevens 2. H. Garland (first quarter) 3 . R. A. Craggs (first quarter) 4. C. J. Sievens (cond.) 5. Pamela M. Stevens 6. Rung by the Sunday Scrvice ringers.
WESTERLEIGH, GLOS.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. E. Monk 1. Mrs. W. M. Beese 2, J. Powell 3. J. Ferris 4, H. I. Ferris (cond.) 5, S. Clark 6.
West grinstead, sussex.-Om Feb. 19th. 1.4A0 Kent Treble Bub Minor: Cynthia Shackel I. Judith Tidzy 2. Shei:a Shackel 3. F. R. Verrall 4, E. R. Rapley 5. C R. Longhurst (cond.) 6. First quarter for 1 and 2.
WEST STOW, SUFFOLK,-On Fcb. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: Mrs. H. Ivings 1. A. G. Ballam 2. W. F. Rickwood 3, A. F. Billam (cond) 4, 1 H Ivings 5. J. E. Ivinas 6.
WILBURTON, CAMBS.-On Feh, $20 \mathrm{ith}, 1,20 \mathrm{~m}$ Plain Bob Minor: 1. Narfolk 1, H. Shars 2. F. Yarrow 3. G. Markwell 4. G. Walker 5. A. Yarrow. (first as cond.) 6. The rinecrs of 2 and 4 have run- mgether in this inwer for over on years.
WIILOUGHBY, WARWICKS. - On Feb. 23rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: F. L. Mitchell (first cuarter)
fi. G. H. Hancock (cond.) 2. S. G. Ivens 3. J. K. Gealy 4. R. G. Hancock 5. F. W. Hanctek of First in method for 3, 4 and 5. First euarter of Minor by local band.
WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.-On Feb, 21 st, 1.260 Hereward Bob Minor: Rita Gower 1, Rosemary Gower 2, R. J. Carlton 3, C. T. Hillis 4, L. C. Smith M. S. Lancefield (cond.) 6. For morning service.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On Fcb. 21st, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Caroline Carpenter (first quarter of Major) 1. Susan Rawlings 2, Anne Garnett 3. A. S. Bishop 4. Susan Jacobs 5. P. Devenish 6. A Hagworth 7, M. Sinden (cond.) 8
WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: G. Sparkes 1, W. Baker 2 , H. Young 3. A. Turner 4, W. Harmell 5, W. J. Nurcombe 6, F. Casely (cond.) 7, A. Gale 8.
YATTON, SOMERSET. On Feb. 2IS1, 1.26 n Grandsire Triples: M. N. Price 1, T. A. Price 2. E. A. Price 3. D. E. Vowles 4. R. H. Brice 5. S. C. Smith 6. H. A. Price (cond.) 7. J. K. Baker 8.

YEOVIL, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs, Margart Rookn (first of Stedman) 1. L. Parris (first of Stcdman) 2. T. E. Marks 3, J. E. I ooker 3. G. Gaylard 5, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 6. T. G. Scuer 7. H. Hehditch \& Also on Feh. 21 st, 1.260 Grandsire Trintes: T. 1. Setter 1. R. Moore 2. L. Parris 3. G. Gaylard (cond.) 4. R. J. Fox 5. J. E. Looker 6, H. J. Gaylard 7. H. Hebditch 8 .

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

ALFORD, LINCS.-On Feh. 20th, 1.260 Plain Beh Minor: D. Maultby (12. first quarter) 1. Brendia Willoughty (first of Minor) 2. R. Willounhby (firs quarter) 3. S. H. Sution 4. G. Willoushb: 5. 1. I. Smith (cond.) 6. A farewell compliment to the Vicar (the Rev. P. E. Mann), who is short!y Ieavink to become Vicar of Sleaford.
ASTBURY, CHESIHRE: On Jan. 23 rd. $1.44 n$ Spliced Surnrise Minor (Wells. London. Durham. York and Cambridge): R. Challinor 1. F. E. Wilshaw (cond.) 2, N. Sherrall 3. W. Sherratl 4. C. A. S. Webh 5. G. Davies 6. First of Surarise for all except conductor.
BIEWBLRY, BERKS.-On Feb. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Marion Eland 1. H. W. Dunsden 2. P. Corderoy 3. E. J. Grace 3. A. R. T. Greenouzh J. P. Bland (cond.) 6. R. B. Blond 7. A. F. F Samier 8.
BOSHAM, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 14th, 1.2:0 Grardsire Doubles: Susan M. Haddeliev 1. E. Ann Ciodfrey (first -inside') 2. J. S. Still (firat eumater) 3, R W'ake 4. C. R. C. Conssmaker (first as cond.) 5. P. J. M. Bright (first euarter) 6. For Evensor- on the Feast of St. Valentine.
BRISTOL.-At Christ Church. on Feb. 17th, 1.253 Erin Caters: A. G. Tverer (eend.) 1. Monica Horseman 2. R. G. Hooper 3. B. Shack!eron 4. D. G. Yeo 5. A. Lee 6. M. 1. Horseman 7. 1. Brain 8. L. Derrick 9. F. C. Monford 10. Firts of E.rin for 2, 4 and 6. First of Erin Caters for 3, 5, 7 and 8.
BUCKINGHAM, -On Jan. 19th, 1.264 Plain Bot Major: C. East I. W. A. Yates 2. R. A. Vickers 3. F. Vickers 4. C. Kinch S. E. G. Jones 6. E. Smith? G. W. Holland (cond.) 8. Firsi of Maiur "inside for 3 and 6.
BURIOKD. ONON,-On Feb, (ith, 1,260 Grandsire Trin'es: Brenda Hall 1. J. Dixon 2. J. Weatmacoll 3. T. Siratford 4. M. Collen 5. B. Hall 6. W. J. Dixun (cond.) 7. Mrs. W. Hall (first ruarter) 8. Rung to commemurate the birth of a son 10 Mr . Jim Dixon and a grandson tw Mr. W. J. Dixon (tower foremam).
DLiNS TEW. OXON. On Jan. 23 rd. 1.260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: M. Journeaux 1 . D. C. Woodward 2, A. Gainmon 3. R. 11. Jones 4 . C. Hotloway (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to Mr. H. F. Jones.
FARNBOROLGH. HANTS. - On FEb. 21sf. 1,272 Trebie Bob Minor: R. H. Mills 1. Miss M. A. Finch 2, W. W. Wright (cond.) 3, P. Treble 4, R. E. Finch s. P. Joyce 6.

HAMBLEDDN. HANTS.-On Feb, ${ }^{-1} 14 \mathrm{~h} .1 .260$ Grandsire Dutbies: Mrs. C. H. Turner I. E. S. Law rence 2. Mrs. F. Hail 3. R. 1. Turner 4. C. H. Turner (cond.) 5. S. J. Harding 6. For morning service and half-mufficd as a last tribute to Mr. J. E. Turner. for many years samtain of the band.
HANLEY, STAFFS.-On Feb. 7th. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. E. Wilshaw 1. A. Kelsall 2. D. Williams (first quarier) 3, D. Jones 4, K. P. Jones
5. N. Sargent 6. C. A. S. Webb 7. G. Davies (firet in methud as cond.) 8. First in method by all excent 1 and 6. Rung by the Sunday service band.
KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX. On Feh. 7hh. 1.264 Plain Bub Major: R. Buter (first euarter) 1, D. F. West 2, Miss H. Sharp 3. E. B. Smith 4. W. A Rouse 5. L. Sharp 6. D. E. West 7. U. W. Wildney (cond.) 8. For evenimp service and a 21 si hirthday compliment 10 Miss H. Sharp
LEA. LINCS.-On Feb. 6th, 1.260 Piain Boh Minor: B. Roberts (first cuarier) 1. Mrs. E. Gray 2. Pauline Bull 3. Delia E. Smith 4. O. H. Baker 5 A. R. Hennensta!! 6. Conducted b". Delia E. Smith and A. R. Henpenstall. Run_ for the wedding of Miss Margaret Iredale. of Les Grange, to Mr. H. Gonzales, of U.S.A.A.F.F.
LLANIDUDNO, CAERNARVONS.-On Feb, fith 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Fairlie 1. L. S. Gritliths (cond.) 2. W. Grinstll 3. C. Powell 4. L. J. Evans 5 1). R. Edwards 6. For the eighth anniversary of Queen Elizabe.h II.s accession to the threne. Aviralge ane of the thand 76 ycars.
LUTON, BEDS. - On Feh, 13 th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. C. Mann 1. J. Newman 2. G. Hawains 3. A. J. Smilh 4. L. A. Goudenoush 5. H. Wond 6 A. E, Rushton (cond.) 7. J. S. Chenev lirst quar(er) 8. Rung in honour of the consecration of St . Francis Church this day b" the Bishop of St. Albans: also a salver weddin? compliment to Mr. and Mr.i. C. Mann.
PACKWOOD. WARWICKS.-Cn Feb. 7ih. 1.2(G) Plain Bnh Minor: V. R. Tallis 1. R. E. Tallis (jun. cond.) 2. Pamela M. Turner 3. Helen M. Tumer 4. 1. K. Four S. M. C. Hu hes 6. For Evensong. A'so on Fets. Isth. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): V. H. Nash (first on working bell) 1. Vor $R$ Talls (first inside') 2. R. E. Tallis (jun., cond.) 3, Pamala M. Turner 4. M. C. Hughes 5. A. A. Platis For Matins. Also on Feh. 1sih. I. 260 Plein Bub Minor: V. R. Tallis 1. Pamela M. Turner 2. J. K. Foot 3. J. Corhetr 4. M. C. Huqher 5. R. E. Tallis (jun.. cond.) 6. For Evensing.
PENARTH. GLAM.-On Feb, $2151,1.260$ Grand sire Doubles: M. Chiplin (first euarter) 1. W. J. Palmer 2. A. F. R. Hartley 3. J. B. Garrett d. A. M. Coombs (cond.) 5. C. P. Bristow 6. For Evensone and as an 87 mh birthday compliment 10 Mrs . E. Edmunds. srandmother of the ringer of 3
ROUGHAN, SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 15th, 1.260 P:an Bob Minor: L. Wright 1. Anthea M. Greaves 2. M. Rose (firse ' inside') 3, L. Nice 4, R, Rose (cond) 5 , E. Nice 6. Runs half-mufled as a token of respert to William A. Buckle, a ringer at Rouzham for many years. interred this day.
THORNHILL. YORKS.-On Nov. 8ih. 1.320 Miner (Kent and Oxford Treble Bob) : J. Lynch 1. H. Wood 2. D. Scarkill (cond.) 3, F. Shaw 4, O. Coulthard S, Heb. Wood 6. Rung half-mufled for Remembrance Day service

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College Youths honoured Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hughes on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary with a peal at St Ciles'. Cripplegate, on February 13 th .

We deeply regret to learn that Mr. G. H. Myers, of Plymouth, is gravely ill. The latest news is that he has rallied and is much better.

Si. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham have scored their first peal of 12 Spliced Surprise Major.

The band who rang the peal at Merriott, Somerset. on February 13th would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Turner for their kind hospitality alter the peal.

Past and present officers of the Leeds and District Amalgamated Society rang at Armley. Yorks, a peal to the memory of Mr. Harry Lofthouse, their secretary for 30 years.

Miss S. Hurst is the second Girl Guide from Great Horwood tower to gain her ringer's badge. Four more guides are making good progress.

Mr . Oliver Mills. in calling his first peal at Wickwar. Glos, on February 17th had his 13-year-old son Piul ringing his first peal on the lenor.

The Universities Association are holding their ringing week from August 6th to 13th. The tour will be based on Whirlow Grange. near Sheffield. An attractive list of towers has been arranged.

Dr. D. J. Neal Smith after eight years and numerous attempts has just succeeded in ringing a peal in his home tower-All Hallows'. Twickenham. A week later he got his first in the tower in which he learnt to ring-St. Catherine's. Feltham.

Visitors to Hitchin will be pleased to note that the seventh clapper, which has broken three times in the last two years. two of the occasions being local annual meetings, has now heen replaced. The local band achieved their first quarter for nearly two years 10 mark the Royal birth.

Mr. Len Stilwell went to Pulborough. his birthplace and where he learnt to ring,
GOSSIP to attempt a peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major for his 70th birthday on February 20th. Unfortunately this was unsuccessful and the company did honour to the day and the new Royal Prince with a quarter of Stedman Triples. After the ringing the Rector and churchwardens provided a birthday cake, suitably decorated, and other refreshments. To drink the toasts there were two bottles of champagne.

The pal at Harmondsworth (page 64) on January 6th was the first peal on the bells for 22 years.
Mr. H. Rumens, the veteran of the Walthamstow tower. informs us that he has taken every copy of 'The Ringing World ' since its inception.
A number of branches of the Oxford Diocesan Guild are making grants to those members who will be attending the Guild's course at Radley.
Regarding the peal of Pudsey Surprise Major at the Loughborough Bell Foundry on January 30th, this was the 200 th peal of Mr. John Underwood. The asterisk should not have been against the name of Mr. John M. Jelley.

Luton Parish Church ringers for the Royal event, according to the Luton Saturday Telegraph." rang a quarter peal of • 1,259 Change Grand Cicators.' Writes our correspondent: "Something for the highbrows to get their teeth into.'

Canon Last. Rector of Great Horwood. Bucks, and chairman of the Central Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, took part in his first quarter "inside" at Great Horwood on January 31st. When he came in 1958 he could only ring a plain course of Grandsire: now he has mastered four methods. He is the first Rector of Great Horwood to be a ringer and the first branch chairman to ring a çuarter.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


# The Royal Birth grave <br> Ringers the opportumity to show their ability 

THHIS issue of "The Ringing World' is being devoted very largely to the recording of the ringing which took place on Friday, February 19th, and subsequent days to express the happiness of the nation on the birth of a son to our gracious Queen. Elizabeth II.
The story we present is very different from that of the national or provincial Press. It is presented as viewed from the belfry, told to ringers and largely ahout ringers

In the Metropolis on Friday evening there was ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey and the Parish Church to Buckingham Palace, St. Martin-in the-Fields. From the Curfew Tower of Windsor Castle on that evening Mr. F. T. Blagrove called a peal of Parker's Twelve-part of Grandsire Triples. For the conductor there was additional personal happiness. as 48 hours previously he became the father of his first child

## First Bells

In the village of Broadchalke, near Salisbury. the bells were being rung for the birth of the Prince three minutes and 15 seconds after the announcement was made on the wireless. The Broadchalke ringers (a new and very keen band. recently affiliated to the Salisbury Diocesan Guild) think they may have led the country in ringing.

This was certainly before the Westminster Abhey bells were ringing. As they were being raised a B.B.C. commentator gave over the wireless that he could hear four of the Abbey bells heing rung 10 a peal. The royal quarter peal at the Abbey was not rung until the following day and, as is usual, the method was Stedman Triples.

Before leaving Westminster we must record an unusual happening at the neighbouring church of St. Margaret, where royal occasions are always faithfully observed. On the Sunday the ten bells were rung to a quarter peal, and the hand included Brian Story, from Basingstoke, who was ringing his first quarter on ten. By a chance coincidence his brother Robin also rang his first quarter on ten on these bells, and this was also a rayal occasion, on May 15th, 1954. Both these quarters were Stedman Caters and were conducted by Mr. W. Hewett, one of the famous London veterans.

## First Peal

Oxford University Society can probably claim to have rung the first peal for the royal baby. A start was made about half-an-hour after the radio announcement at the University Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, and the peal of Surprise Minor was completed in 3 hours and 32 minutes. This was the first peal rung in full term on the bells since 1952. when a fullymufled peal was rung for the death of King George VI by a band of undergraduates, as was the case in the present peal.

One of the early peals was at St. Mary's, Slough, and Plain Bob Royal was rung with double significance. The same day as the royal Prince was born. Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Blundell, two members of the hand, had the gift of twin sons.

## New Methods

Worksop. Nolts, ringers must have been inspired to essay Edinburgh Delight Minor for their peal attempt as a tribute to the most popular father in the land. They succeeded and have the honour of ringing the first peal in the method.

Another appropriate new method to be recorded is Sandringham Surprise Major. This was rung at Spalding on February 19th.

Mr. Jack L. Millhouse, at Lincoln, also had something new for the Lincoln Diocesan Guild with a peal of Berkshire Surprise Major, selected especially because Windsor Castle is situated in Berkshire.

In recent years the Hertford County Association have added extensively to the naming of Surprise methods. As their contribution to the royal occasion they presented Aspenden Surprise, named after the tower in which it was rung and conducted by the versatile Claudia $\mathbf{A}$. Critchley.

## Two Ladies With 600 Peals <br> This week we record that two ladies have rung their 60uth peal - Mrs. J. Thomas, ar Hinton-on-the-Green, on February 15th, and Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay, who conducted a peal of Grandsire Triples for the royal birih on February 191h in her home tower, St. Peter's, Bourremourh. <br> The record of the most peals ring by a lady was held by the late Mrs. Phyllis Poote, with 677. These two ladies have mosi peals by those of their sex now living.

## ‘jinxed’ Bells

Perhaps the most notable Royal Baby pcal was at Sully, Glamorgan. This ring was augmented to five in 1880 and hung in a poorlybuilt wooden frame. Between the bad design of the frame, the wear and tear and the death watch heetle. these bells are in none too happy a condition: indeed. Messrs. John Taylor and Co. have recommended that they be rung as little as possible.

However, the Rector felt that the ringers were justified in having what will probably be the final peal attempt. There have been many failures in the past on these 'jinxed' bells, and it was most gratifying that the first peal on them was brought round without a hitch.
Working on his bell, as in fact all the band had to, was Alan Thompson, who had never rung a peal or a quarter before. He made a notable start. An interested spectator was 12-year-old Keith Havard, who has started ringing. He sat in the ringing chamber throughout the peal without moving or speaking.

From Cumberland the greetings were given by the hells of Cleator Moor, where a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung. This was the first peal by local ringers of the Cumberland and Westmorland Asivociation on the bells since 1935. The peal also marked the 50 th anniversary of the recasting and attgmenting of the bells.

## Youngest Conductor

We think John S. Clark, of Chapel Allerton. Yorks, who celebrated his 14th birthday on February 19th. can claim to be the youngest to call a quarter peal for the arrival of the royal baby.
There are. however, other young ringers in the news. Twelve-year-old Marion Greaves, who has learnt to ring since her father came to Rougham, Suffolk, as rector last Septemher, put up a very creditable performance in her first attempt for a quarter peal. Her companion; June Wright (13), also rang her first 'inside.' This was rung before they had had tea. They then went on 13 miles to ring at Preston St. Mary. We shall hear more about these young enthusiasts.

West Hartlepool had four teenagers ringing their first peal on the same day. It was a proud moment for Mr. W. Maughan, the tower captain, who conducted. when he said: 'And that is all.'

## Pat's Contribution

Trust Mr. A. P. Cannon to find something unusual for the occasion. He rang two peals in Oxfordshire on the Saturday. The one at South Stoke, where four of the six bells date from 1633. was the first peal on the bells. Local appreciation was expressed to the ringers by Mr. Tozer, the churchwarden, entertaining the band at the village inn. Both he and the Vicar (Rev. R. E. Price) congratulated the band on their splendid striking.

The Evesham celebrities went to Mickleton. Gloucester, for the happy event. Here Mr. Gerald C. Hemming called Cambridge Surprise with a band that contributed five footnotes.

## From Devon

In the little church at Luppitt, Devon, a meritorious performance has been submitted by the local band, who rang their first peal. It contained five first peals, including the conductor's (Mr. C. Churchill).

On February 20th a picked team of members of the South West Branch of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers visited the church of St. Martin, Lewannick. Cornwall, which has a lovely ring of six, the tower overlooking the Cornish Moors.

The team succeeded in ringing 5,040 Grandsire Doubles and throughout the peal some good striking was done. After the peal they were entertained by the captain and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, and the team extend grateful thanks for their hospitality, which was very much appreciated.
The bells of Wiveliscombe, Somerset. were 'fired' in a royal salute prior to the ringing of a yuarter peal on February 19th.

Another company to express their felicitations by a peal by their own band was that of St James-the-Great. Shirley. Warwickshire.

## Cathedral Peals

Cathedrals in which peals were rung were Birmingham, Bradford, Bristol. Chichester, Derby, Guildford, Leicester, Lichfield. Southwark and Worcester. Quarter peals were rung at Gloucester and Manchester, and for the Roman Catholic Church from Buckfast Abbey. where three of the monks took part.

The peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Guildford was a "feather in her hat for sixih former Janet Cleeve, who rang the zhird-probahly the most difficult bell in the cower.

While on cathedrals. we note that a quarter was rung at Rochester Cathedral. where the hells have just been rededicated. It was conducted by Mr. W. A. J. Knight, who was celebrating his 6Sth birthday.

Writing about birthdays reminds us that the peal at Lavenham. Suffolk, on February 20th was conducted on his birthday by Mr. Maurice T. Symonds.

## Theological College Students

Two members of Ely Theological College joined ringers of St. Mary's Parish Church. Ely, in a spontaneous quarter peal on Fehruary 19 th Other members of the College band in training had helped in the celebration by ringing in rounds and call-changes, and for them it was their first public ringing occasion
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ROYAL BIRTH RINGING-Cont.
The St. Mary's band consists largely of teenagers who have been trained during the past Iwo years by Mr. J. W. Pickett, Ringing Master, and who ring Grandsire regularly for Sunday services. Mr. Barry Bass was the teenage representative in the birthday quarter, and the band included two veterans, Mr. E. G. Pipe and Mr. George Vale. Mr. Vale, who started ringing in 1898 has an ambition to continue ringing until 1967, when he and his father between them will have completed 100 years' service in the same tower.
Ely Theological College has included ringing as an extra-curricula activity for the past two years, under the instruction of Mr. Pickett, Mr. John Warwick (College Ringing Master last year) and Mr. Peter Hirst (College Ringing Master). The Rev. John Vine, acting principal, granted two of the College ringers leave of absence from their evening's study in honour of the occasion.

## The College's

## Congratulations

The College of Campanology sent the following telegram, signed by its president:-

- For your Gracious Majesty and H.R.H. the Prince Philip, on this most happy occasion of, and for, the birth of the new Prince. with their humble duty in loyal greeting, and with their offering of all best wishes, the Officers and Members of the College of Campanology take pleasure in the privilege of celebrating, with other ringers, this joyous event by the special ringing of church bells throughout the land.'
The following gracious reply from the Private Secretary has been received:-

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh sincerely thank the Officers and Members of the College of Campanology for their kind message of congratulations on the birth of a son to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness.'

## Rang Two Bells

Mr. T. Chapman. who conducted the quarter of Grandsire Triples at Bishopstoke. Hants, on February 19 th, rang two bells-the second and third.
At Stafford Mr. Brian Wylde composed a guarter of 1.259 Grandsire Caters for the soyal occasion, which was successfully called by him.

At Burford, ringing in a yuarter peal in honour of the event was Mrs. C. Hall and her datughter, Brend:t, who started to learn the art in January, 1959. Her son, B. W. Hall. was also ringing.
Quick off the mark to announce the birth was Sapcote. Leicestershire. Within 17 minutes of the news beiny received by radio a band was collected, the flag hoisted, the bells raised, then - fired, followed hy 120 Plain Bob Minor. A guarter peal was rung in the evening.

The quarter of Grandsire Triples at Charlion Kings, near Cheltenliam, on Fehruary 19th was the tirst by a resident band for 23 years. Two young ringers were ringing their first quarter and another her first "inside.
Two peals were rung hy the Richmond band at Breniford in the week of the irrival of the royal hahy.

## Also Thoughts On <br> Football

Although the quarter peal rung at Sheifield Cathedral was to celebrate the birth of the new Prince, there were other celebrations among the Cutlers. The success of the Wednesday and the United in the fifth round for the F.A. Cup increased the urge to celcbrate. There are foothall fans to be found in belfries.
Christ Church, Epsom, lost heir peal attempt for the royal birth and had to be content with a quarter peal.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 10



MR. A. C. HAZELDEN

Convener, C.C. Biographies Committee

Mr. A. C. Hazelden was born at Sevenoaks on May 24th. 1876 (Queen Victoria's birthday), in the days when little schooling and long hours of work were the lot of most youngsters. His parents used to jokingly say that the bells were being rung specially for his birthday, not Queen

Victoria's! He left school seven weeks before his 12 h birthday, and began a period of fulltime work, which continued until his retirement in 1944.

He first learned to ring at Sundridge, but in 1987 his work took him to Seal Chart, where there was a change-ringing band taught by the late F. G. Newman. He obtained more experience in the art by attending practices at Westerham and Tonbridge, and rang his first peal at Seal Chart in 1900. This was in three Minor methods, conducted by the late Tom Groombridge.

In that year he moved to Guildford and was soon ringing with such men as Jim Hunt, A. H. Pulling and Charles Willshire. He rang many peals with them, including the first of Stedman Caters by a Guildford hand, the first of London Surprise by the Winchester. Guild and the first of Bristol Surprise in Surrey. He has no complete record of his peals, but they total about 200.

His work in Guildford was in motor engineering, and in 1919 he was put on the salaried staff of his firm, and subsequently handled valuable contracts for many English cities and other great cities all over the world.
In 1927 he helped J. S. Goldsmith to found the Guildford Diocesan Guild, and when in 1932 a Diocesan Guild library was commenced, he became its librarian and still holds that position. He was elected to the Central Council in 1930, and in 1939 was placed on the Biographies Committee, becoming its convener after the deaths of W. A. Cave and J. S. Goldsmith. Mr. Hazelden has a fund of amusing stories of the older generation, including one of the late Challis F. Winney, who called the first peal of Stedman at Ranmore Common. In 1902 he went to Ashtead to call Lates' Oncpart. After ringing three courses, Winney called 'Stand.' He then sat down and said: I shall have to learn this peal.' After a few minutes study the ringing recommenced, and a fine peal resulied!

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## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The Beds and Northants District of the Ladies Guild have appointed Miss Kathleen Rivett as Secretary in the place of Mrs. Anne Stainshy, who recently left the district. Mrs. Mary Mann succeeded Miss Shelagh Collins as Vice-President.
The Calverley St. Wilfrid's (Yorks) tower looks as though it will soon have a team of. Peters. There is Peter Dawson the secretary. Peter Lumley, Peter Clayton (who two weeks ago rang his first 720 to qualify for membership of the Yorkshire Association) and a new recruit in Peter Walker who is at present learning bell control with rounds and call changes. But you should see the confusion when someone shouted. 'Lead, Peter."

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Five new members were elected at the monthly meeting of the Barnsley District, held at Earlsheaton, near Dewshury, on February 13th. A warm welcome was extended hy the Vicar (Rev. D. Baldwin), who presided, and at the conclusion of his first meeting with the Society, in responding to a vote of thanks to the excellent tea and local arrangements, hoped the Society would come again. He had just started to take up ringing. The next meeting will be at Crofton, near Wakefield, on March 2nd. During the meeting the members stood in silence in memory of Mr. Harry Roberts, of Kirkburton, who died on January 9th. A tribute was afterwards paid to him by Mr. J. W. Buxton.

## Tips For Beginners- 10

If in ringing Plain Bob Major you have acutired the knack of recognising your course bell and your after bell, you can apply this experience to Double Narwich. On the front or at the back you only meef your course bell, or your after bell. or the treble. As the wreble never dodgess you can always be certain when and with whom you dodge at the from or the back - your course bell before lying. your alier bell after lying.

## Rochester Cathedral Bells Rededicated

The rehung ten at Rochester Cathedral were rededicated and declared open by the Dean (R: Rev. W. Stannard) at the close of choral Evensong on February 20th. A company of nearly 50 was present at tea, when the Dean gave a welcome and said he hoped to meet the ringers on many future occasions.
The tower was open to all in the evening and about 60 ringers look advantage of this. Methods ranged from Grandsire and Siedman Caters. Plain Bob Royal to rounds for learners The bells were voted a wonderful joh, and the thanks of the Cathedral band were extended to John Taylor and Co. in the person of Mr. J. P. Fidler, who was largely responsible for the design.

# THE RINGING OF CHURCH BELLS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES 

# EXTRACTS FROM A REPORT BY THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS 

TTHE importance of the latily in maintaining the C'burch's life is being stressed today more firmly, and in perhaps a greater variety of ways. thitn ever before.

The purpose of this document, which is heing sent to the Bishops, Archdeacons. and other leading Churchmen of England, is to draw attention to a great and honourable fraternity (mainly consisting of laymen and laywomen. within the Church). which has been serving for many centuries.

It could be giving far hetter service than it is today. Although it is well organised and well led. its leadership and its Church connection could be much improved. The compilers of this document would be grateful if you lind it possible to co-operate with them in attaining such improvement.

The thousands of bells in our churches form one of our most valuable assets on the mere financial level. The ringers of England. numbering ahout 40.000 . form an immense human potential. The sound of Church bells seems to touch the hearts of Church folk and of ol 'siders more than any other ecclesiastical voice. Are we using this great power as well as we might? Will you be good enough to help us to make better use of it?

## THE BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

It has heen suggested that bellringing in this country is a dying art. This is not so, but there are still too many churches where the bells are not heard regularly. or where the standard of tringing is poor.
The Central Council of Curcch Bell Ringers recenily set up a sub-committee to investigate. hy. means of Nationall surrey, the exem tol which thio belle in our schurches are cerequarty runge for service on Sundays: to find what dificulties prevent regular ringing in siome places. and to sugesil possibie methods of improving service ringing tiroughout the conntry.
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Proportion where all "he bells arc
rung regularly at least once on Sundays
Proportion which find difficulty in recruiting ringers
Estimated number of ringers in the British Isles
IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE PROBILEM The Bells

Bells which are difficult to ring, and poor helfry conditions. are very serious handicaps which are often difficult to overcome. They make it impossible to teach newcomers and thus prevent the formation of a hand of ringers, or cause the slow loss of the existing band. In spite of the enthusiasm and efforts of the local ringers to maintain the bells in a ringable condition. the services of a bell hanger may be required. Local Association Officers and the appropriate Officers of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers are qualified and willing to give voluntary advice on these matters on request. The Secretary of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers will be pleased to answer any enquiries.
Thie Ringers
One of the most important points is obtaining a good leader for a band. He should be a good ringer. able to insist on high standards of ringing and conduct, and regular and nunctual attendance. He should. if possible. be a good instructor and he should be a good churchman.
A flourishing band is usually one in which the regular recruitment and training of learners continues. In these days of frequent removals and National Service. and losses due to marriage. shiftwork, homework and night school. regular recruiting is essential. and bands which have no time for beginners. or no capahle instructors. will sonn hreak up. Though recruitment from within the Church is preferable. it should be remembered that many young people are brought into the Church via the belfirv.
It is likely that local ringing associations can do more than they have done hitherto bv helping in the teaching of beginners if they are asked to do so
A flourishing band is also one which has a sense of helonging to the Church and parish. Friendly and close relations between ringers and incumbent and Church officers. and with the whole congregations are a tremendous encouragement to the ringers. One of the things often mentioned hy ringers in the survey was the need to foster and sometime. improve these relations.

## The Church

Fncouragement and active help from incumbent. Church officers and congregation are needed by every band. On a larger scale. helter contacts between Ringing Associations. Deaneries. Archdeaconries and Diocese: would enable help to be given to those towers where the hells are seldom or never rung. Publicity in Church newspapers. Diocesan magazines and parish magazines is invaluable.
WHAT THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS IS DOING NOW
(a) Preparing a booklet on belfry organisation, recruitment. relations with the rest of the parish, etc. This hooklet will 引list olfer I advice on reliable and tried methods of establishing a hand of ringers where none at present exists.
(h) Establishing contact with Theological Colleges through the local ringing Guilds and Associations to provide periodical lectures on bells and their care and use and. if desired. tuition in hell ringing for students at Theological Colleges.
(c) Offering advice 10 any individual or orgunisation who asks lor guidance on
any matter concerning Surday service any matter concerning Sulday service
ringing.
(d) Investigating the possibility of ohtaining the co-operation of Local Education Authorities in providing courses in hell ringing. Such courses could cover all aspects of Church bell ringing or be designed 10 suit local needs.

## Your Help

If your require advice or assistance to start or improve ringing in your parish. get in touch with your local association of ringers. If you have any unusual or insuperable difficulties, or comments. or questions. please write either to your local association or direct to the Secretary of the Ceniral Council of Church Bell Ringers at the address helow.
Any suggestions you can make to improve Sunday service ringing will he gratefully received.
Issued hy the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. 1959.

President:
Frederick Sharpe. F.S.A.. Derwen. Launton, Bicester. Oxon.
Secretary:
Edwin A. Barnelt. 26. Jron Mill Lane. Crayford, Kent
NOTE.-We have received many requests for copies of this report that was very widely circulated to bishops and other Church officials. including theological colleges, and as the supply of leaflets is exhausted the report is published for record and general interest.-Ed.

## JOINT UNIVERSITY MEETING

There was a good attendance of members and visitors at the joint meeting of the Sheffield University and Leeds University Guilds held on February 20th. Ringing took place at Pontefract in the afternoon, when the eight bells of All Saints' were put to good use in a number of meihods-Plain Boh. Grandsire. Litlle Boh. Kent, Stedman. Double Norwich and Cam-bridge-the highlight heing a touch of Stedman, duly recorded for posterity by a member's laperecorder.
After tea in Pontefract a move was made by c:ar and hus (for the less fortunate) to Wragbv. Much to everyone's anlusement and the joung conductress's ohvious discomiort, one member. slating his destination, was charged hali fare. It did not speak much for the beard he has taken great pains to cultivate these past few weeks!
Ringing took place on the pleasant six of St. Michael's, situated in the grounds of Nosteli Priory. to the usual methods, plus touches of Double Oxford, Cambridge. St. Clement's and Merchants Return. Proceedings came to an abrupt end when Sir Rowland Winn, twelfth baron of Nostell and Lord-in-waiting to the Queen, entered the belfry, and assuming we were ringing for the royal birth, and no serious attempt being made to inform him otherwise. invited the Sheffield secretary to accompany him to the pub for a crate of ale as reward. John. remariking it was not every day he was invited to ride in a lordship's car, obediently complied.
Thanks are due to the people who met us and to the secretaries for excellent arrangements. and not the lea:t in Sir Rowland! K. A.

The Rector and ringers of Ash. Surreyknowing that the ringers of Aldershot had no bells-sent them the freedom of Ash tower on February 20th so that they could ring in honour of the Royal baby. The offer was gratefully accepted.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## NOISE ABATEMENT BILL

Dear Sir-I read in 'The Guardian' last week that a Noise Abatement Bill was before Parliament and that it had received a second reading. There was a list of exempted noises but I did not see Church Bell Ringing on it. I wonder what the position will be if the Bill is passed in its present form? No doubt the Central Council is guarding our interests for it would be awful to wake up one morning and find that an Order in Council made under the Act prohibited all peal ringing for example. It could happen. you know
At present we have a legal right to ring for reasonable periods. but it would be all too easy for these rights to be accidentally extinguished by later legislation. - Yours sincerely, WILLIAM PARROTT

Epsom.

## LLANBLETHIAN BELLS

Dear Sir.-I was most interasted to read the letter forwarded by Mr. R. J. Lee, of Chester. concerning the bells of Llanblethian Church.

Mr. Lee was the driving force behind his very youthful band of workers, which did such excellent and efficient work on these bells and the tower. both inside and out. for wihch the church authorities were very grateful.

However. I must correct him when he says that. "the church authorities state that they cannot afford the cost of six new bell ropes. It is possible. that he was told by someone locally, words to that effect. but at no time during recent years has the question of six new bell ropes been discussed by the local church authority

This church has at present one or two major problems on its hands. and until these have been dealt with. the authority concerned feels that it cannot for the time being embark upon anything further which will entail added expense.

The Rev. E. O. T. Lewis, Rector of Llanblethian and Vicar of Cowbridge, has read the correspondence about these bells. and has asked me to convey his sincere thanks to Messrs. Joseph Bryant. Lid.. of Bristol. for their very generous offer in an attempt to raise the necessary money for six new bell ropes. But he regrets that this offer and others he has received cannot be accepted at present.-Yours faithfully.

ROBERT E. COLES

## Llanblethian.

## THE ROTHWELL PEAL

Dear Sir, -- It is, of course, true that the band concerned did not travel to Rothwell purposely to honour the memory of any Bolshevik revolutionary. It is hioh time that this practice of thinking up a footnote for a peal report, usually after the peal has been rung. ceased. I do not wish to suggest that all commemorative footnotes originate in this way: obviously they donil but if there must be a footnote. at latst let it be one which does not offend in any way

If this particular footnote was taken seriously: it would be nothing more or less than sacrilegious. the bells having heen dedicated to God. to be rung to His Glory and for no other purpose. This footnote could be reasonably interpreted as an ascription 10 the Glory of Satan!
We are fortunate in having Canon Turner. the Vicar of Rothwell. as our Guild president. He is a priest who understands ringers and their ways better than most of his brethren. but he should not be expected to tolerate such behaviour as this. When, as in this case. the newspapers get hold of such stuff. nothing but harm is done to the Church and the cause of ringing.

Mr. Brian Austin criticises the hand for not inviting the local ringers 10 take part in the neal. This criticism should be levelled at the organiser. if anyone, but I would not like members of other Guilfs and Associations to think that we in the Peterborough Diocese will only welcome them for peals if we are included in the band!-Yours sincerely.

PATRICK I. CHAPMAN
Master, Peterborough Diocesan Guild.

## A READER'S QUESTIONS

Dear Sir.-I would be grateful if someone could tell when the last peal and last quarter peal were rung at St. Matthew's, Lightcliffe.

Also. could someone please tell me whether it is in order or not to ring bells muffled on a Sunday, and whether it is correct or not to fly the Union Jack on State occasions. in preference 10 the St. George's flag. from a church tower? I have heard arguments on both sides of both these questions.

For those who wish to keeep. Dove's Guide up to date. here are a few points about some local towers. I regret to say that for nearly a year there have been no bands at St, John's, Cleckheaton, and Christ Church, Liversedge (both listed as practising on Mondays). The bells of St. John's. Bradford. are unringable. On visiting Saltaire Congregational Chapel. I discovered. to my amazement. that the bells have disappeared. It appears that they were sold for scrap in about 1948. -Yours faithfully.
G. D. ARMITAGE.

Hipperholme. Halifax.
PEALS OF MAJOR AT WOOLTON
Dear Sir.-With regard to the note printed in "Belfry Gossip. stating that the peal of - Bob Major rung at Woolton. Lancs.. was the first of Major rung on the bells for 30 years.

I took part in a peal there of Oxford Treble Boh Major ' on March 15th. 1947 this being my first pail of Major. I rang the 2nd.

The peal also included R. G. Edwards and was conducted by the late J. C. E. Simpson. It was, I believe. rung half muffed. - Yous sincerely.
E. Y. CARVELL.
(St. Saviour's. Oxton. Birkenhead) Birkenhead

## RINGERS AMONG STAFFORDSHIRE GIRL GUIDES



TEBRUARY 21st (Sunday) will be remembered with much pleasure by the people of Cannock. Staffs. For on this day the bells of Si. Luke's Church were rung by a band of girls who are all members of the 1st Cannock Troop of Girl Guides. The only help given was by a member of the local band ringing the tenor.
The girls, before attending the service of Holy Eucharist. rang the bells in Rounds. Queens and Call Changes. They then rang again for Mattins, which was attended by about 500 Girl Guides and Boy Scouts. This parade was 10 celebrate the Jubilee of the Guides. (1910-1960)
Some of the girls started to learn bell
ringing last September and the remainder joined them in November. All are now showing every promise for the future. Two are now able to ring Grandsire Doubles without any assistance. They all are now hoping to qualify for the Guide's Ringing Badge.

Those in the picture are (left to right) Susan Devy (12), Shelagh Guthrie (13). Judith Homeshaw (15). Jenny Wilkes (13). Marion Bird (13). Diane Allman (15). Margaret Guthrie (14). Christine Yapp (13). Ann Griffiths (13). Sandra Borley (11), and Mrs. P . Griffiths (Guide Captain): Also in the picture is G. Bradbury, captain of St. Luke's Ringers, who, together with Messrs. A. Armstrong and E. Borley, taught the girls.

## RINGING AND COMPUTORS

Dcor Sir, - Like Messrs. Tomlinson and Hughes, I have also played around with the use of an electronic romputor in conncction with change ringing. In my case the computor concerned was yet another type, the Ferranti - Mercury. As an exercise for myself after attending a coding course for the machine, I outlined a general purpose programme to get the computor to print out any number of changes given certain basic data. These comprised the half-lead of the method given more or less in place notation. the places made all cach half lead. and. if required. the composition of the touch and the method of making the bob singlc. Because of cost considerations. I have not had the opportunity of running the programme ilirough the computor.

Although it proved to be a relatively simple matter to programme a computor to print out the changes in a touch. there is obviously linle point in pursuing this aspect of ringing and computors. other than for personal interest among those with knowledge of ringing and computors.

Like Mr. G. A. Hughes. 1 then went on to consider using a computor for proving peals. Again this could easily be done, given time and money. but would probably be slow in lerms of the rate the machine can work at if required. I feel. therefore that it would not be practical politics at this stage to consider using a computor to prove any peal submitted. This is really only using the commutor's capabilities in a destructive sense. as if it composition fed into the machine proves false. this fact will just be indicated and nothing further done about it.

There are, I feel certain. other ringing problems in which a computor could be used with great advantage. The sort of thing I have in mind is the compilation of the complete list of Surprise Major methods in place notation, together with their false course ends. It should be possible to feed the computor with a programme that would enable this to be done purely automatically. including working out what place has to be made when the treble is lying in order to give Plain Bob lead ends. How useful would such a list be even if it had to be
restricted. say. to those methods that only restricted. say, to those methods that only contained places made right'? It might also be possible to use the computor 10 composc peals of a somewhiat stereotyped kind. which
woud be constrained to be true. This approach might have its uses with peals of Spliced Surprise by producing a number of simple peals on the London/Cambridge/London basis using different callings and methods.

Although the cost of computor time is
usually very high. it may at times prove usually very high. it may at times prove
possible to obtain a limited amount of free time on one. if it is lightly loaded. and the owners feel that the particular use envisaged will hring them some prestige. I therefore feel that this matter should be considered carefully by some Central Council body, nossibly the Methods Committec, to decide in what way the capabilities of a computor could be best used to further the progress of change ringing. Advice would be required on wint could or could not be done by the machine. and I am sure that any of those who have contribu:ed to this correspondence will be willing to assist in formulating a list of ohjectives. Once the most potentially rewarding problems have been decided. it would then be possible to make a firm approach to the owner of a computor to see if it would be possible to use it if it is free at any lime. Then the real work of preparing the actual programme for the machine concened could start.-Yours faithfully.

Middlesbrough. P. W. B. SEMMENS.

Dear Sir-I have followed with great interest the recent correspondence on Ringing and Computors, since. while learning to programme a Ferranti : Mercury computor. I wrote a change-ringing programme as an exercise. This provided facilities for printing and for 'ringing the changes by the appropriate selection for control switches, and - rang rounds until a " 90 ' signal was given, coming to a halt when rounds again came up.
It is comparatively simple to programme methods in the same way as mary are published. i.e.. by giving the places made at each change in a half-lead. and also compositions in the same notation as is normally used, with spliced compositions only being sliphtly more complex in programming.

On the question of proving compositions. however. the picture is rather more gloomy. Most of the large digital machines have memory stores large enough to "memorise every change in a peal as it is formed in the computor, but to compose cach change with each of the preceding changes would require a prohibitive amount of time. since. for example. to prove a peal of 5.040 changes by this method over twelve million comparisons would be required! Considerable parisons would be required! Considerable by comparing each change only with changes commencing with the same bell. but. even so. the cost would be considerable. Comparison of lead-ends only would improve things considerably. since in this case the number of checks woud be a great deal smaller. and the computor need not work out each change. hut could be programmed to "prick" only lad-ends.

Unfortunately I must confess I know nothing of the systems of checking involving false course-ends. but I have no doubt these would reduce the time required considerably.
Incidentally. for those who may know the - Mercury computor. my trial programme used the Autocode ; system for producing the changes, and conventional machine instructions in . PIG 2, code for producing the musical tones on a loudspeaker, and I can assure Mr. Harris that it is quite simple to produce the "very rude noise he requests on this machine, as was discovered inadvertently by a friend (also a ringer) investigating the use of musical tones in showing the stage reached in a complicated computation. much to his discomfiture and the other programmers present when the error was discovered during a test run!-Yours sincerely.

## Abingdon. Berks

## S. A. SCOTT.

Dear Sir.-Mr. A. Tomlinson is not alone in his application of changeringing to a computor. One of the engineers of International Computors and Tabulators Lid.. Mr. C. W. Gardiner. programmed one of the computors at Stevenage for Plain Boh and Grandsire. The programme was written 10 test the line-at-a-time printing machine which forms : part of the computor. consequently no effort wis made to produce a musical note, although it would be possible to do so.

As there is no musical sound the process can hardly be described as ringing, but the programming is very intricate. At the lead end a duplicate row is printed alongside. and if a call has been made. the word Bob or Single is added. It is possible to insert calls of the appropriate type as and where they are wanted. 1 could go into greater detail if either the Editor or Mr. Tomlinson wish to know more about the programming techniques.

This wis done partly for pleasure, hut proved of practical usc.
The Information Processing Division of Standard Telephones and Cables. Ltd. used
a bell-ringing demonstration at the first Computer Exhibition in November. 1958 . I
did not see this, but a leaflet was brought did not see this, but a leaflet was brought
back, from which I quote: This demonstration is intended to show that there is a strange connection between a number of problems being tackled on computors, though they have, at first sight. nothing in common... The leaflet explained the essential rules. and showed Singles and Minimus, but the geometric figure on display was apparently showing Douhles by means of lights at the corners of this figure.

To this problem of finding all possible routes are allied problems in secmingly unconnecled fields... When we can say that the paper data tapz being used to run the bell ringing programme has been prepared from a calculation within the computor then we shall have a!so solved part of a number of apparently unrelated problems.
I wrote to Newport, asking for some additional information. but have never had a reply.

In the case of the I.C.T. computor the instructions were fed to a high speed memory drum, and tape was not used, the computor doing all the calculations and lesting against the instructions. - Yours, etc.. J. SANDERSON (Miss)

## Letchworth. Herts

## TRIPLES FOR SUNDAY RINGING

Dear Sir.-Some years ago I wrote out the following louches of Double Grandsire (D.G.) and St. Clement's (S.C.). The usc of Double Grandsire hastens the advent of Qucens.


Lach to be twice repeated.
Yours, etc.
E. H. LEWIS.

## THE EVESHAM PEAL

Dear Sir.-There is no such rule operating at Eveshan as Mr, Edwards suggests. There never has been. The words 'childish' and - selfish must be very familiar to him as no doubt he can recall one occasion when he did not offer to give up his rope in a tower in which he had rung quite a few peals to enable another ringer to ring a peal in the tower for the first time. What could be more childish or selfish than that. If he has forgotten the occasion I can refresh his memory by private letter.-Yours truly.
G. J. HEMMING

## Evesham

## AN ALDERSHOT APPEAL

Dear Sir.-The ringers of St . Michael's, Aldershot. have committed themselves to raise the money for the recasting of at least one of the bells. $A$ ringer who was taught to ring at Aldershot has kindly sent a subscription and suggested that perhaps other ringers who were taught here might like to associate themselves with the work.
Also the two trebles are inscribed 'Soldiers" Bells * and were give originally by soldiers in memory of the fallen in the First World War. The military authorities are providing the moncy for the recasting of one of these bells: : perhaps some of the soldiers or exsoldiers who have enjoyed ringing with us during their term of service in Aldershot would like to contribute towards the other onc.--Yours faithfully.
20. Church Hill. Aldershot. J. BRAGG.

## RINGING AT WAKEFIELD 1827-1850

By DAVID CUBITT

Oh how those evening and those morning bells
Resound most sweetly through those Wakefield dells
And how enchanting are they now to me, Those Wakefield bells which ring so charmingly
They tell to me their tales of former days. How can I then but sing their meed of praise?

John Hewitt-Impromptu Lines.
IN the years immediately following the opening of the fine Mears ring of ten bells in 1817. William woodhead built up a band at the Parish Church of All Saints Wakefield, pre-eminent at the time: but after 1826 his name disappears from the reporls of peals in which Wakefield ringers took part. and though others who had rung with him in the first peais of Cambridge Surprise Royal in 1822 and Superlative Surprise Royal in 1826 remained active ringers. the 'golden cra of ringing at Wakefield was over.
On January 20th. 1827, the day of the funeral of the Duke of York, the tenor bells of both All Saints' and St. John's Churche: were tolled at intervals (for ringing the tenor at St. Johns, Proctor Hewitt, Father of the author of the lines at the head of this article, received 5 s .). At $110^{\circ}$ clock that night. the time of the actual interment. St. John's ringers began a muffled touch: and there was mufted ringing at both churches the following day.
The Mears eight at St. John's, however, recyuired altention and the commissioners of the church--then actually a Chapel of Ease to th: Parish Church-paid Messrs. Graham and Haigh $£ 469$ 9s. 9d. for repairs to them. William Woodhead 16s. 'for altering the Bells' and reimbursed Mr. Ashton what he paid the Ringers of the Parish Church on Examining the Bells $\mathfrak{\text { ll.-.-d." The old St. John's ringers }}$ were discharged. heing given $£ 210 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. 'for ringing 5 Sundays before another Set was fixed upon." In August. 1827. Wakefield ringers competed unsuscessfully at Birstall in a prize ringing which lasted $2 /$ most 24 hours: nor did they appear among the prize winners at a ten-bell contcst at Halifax on April 8th. 1828.

Two peals were rung in 1829. The first was on Sunday: July 19th, the anniversary of Gcorge IV:s coronation, when nine of the All Saints' Society with William Goodier, nf Huddersfield. rang a peal of 5.000 Kent Treble Bob Royal in 3 hours and 17 minutes, composed and conducted by James Hewitt. The second was a peal of 5.112 Grandsire Caters. rung on August 17th in 3 hours and 12 minutes, bv six All Saints’ ringers. three from l.eeds and Thomas Brook. of London. a member of the Seninr Colleme Youths. who conducted a comnosition of a Mr. Marshall, a Junior College Youlh.

## BELLS FOR ELECTIONEERING

Henry Brougham -later Lord Brougham and Vaux-eneased in canvassing the countr nrior (a the 1831) election, emoloyed the All Saints' Society to announce. early on the morning of his annearance in Wakefield, the time he would address the townsneople. As a local writer put it: The hells were rung hefnre six oclerk in the mernins: and the cood people of Wakefield jumped out of their beds and assembled in large numhers in the Corn Market to listen to the thrilling socech which Henry Brougham delivered to them in his usual flowery and impressive
Ringing on July 3rd 1830, when the nrorlamation of William IV. was made in Wakefield. was followed on Julv 15 th hv muffed ringing for the funeral of Georse IV.-thoush he died unresnected if not in say disliked. The name of a Wakefield rinser. Thousas Rafton. appears among the ringers of a
mufled peal or Kent Treble Boh Royal at mufled neal of K
Genre Milnes and William Pulleine ioined ix of the Dewshury Society for a peal of 6.880) Kent Tretis Boh Major at Dewshury on January 16th, 1831

There was continuous agitation in the autumn and winter of $1830-31$ for pariection of the first and second Reform Bills The Government resigned when the third Bill was in jeopardy; but the Grey Ministry was reinstated by the King with authority to create such a number of peers as would en sure the passing of the Bill. • The Waketield Journal' of Friday, May 8th, 1832, reported that 'When the news of the recall of Earl Grey arrived in Wakefield by the mail on Wednesday evening, the utmost joy was diffused: a band of music paraded the town : the worthy Vicar of Sandal ordered the bells of his church to ring a merry peal: the Vicar of Wakefield did not follow his example; this, however, did not signify
In the Lords. opposition to the Bill was withdrawn and it received the Royal Assent on June 7th. When the news reached Wakefield 'the bells of the churches in the town and neighbourhood immediately poured forth their melodious pcals . . . The bells at Wakefield ceased their thankful chime somewherc about midnight : those of Sandal. however determined not to be outdone, were ringing out through the night, and were sounding gaily several hours after daybreak on the following day. - ' Wakefield Journal.' (Sandal Magna, then a village a couple of miles south of Wakefield, is now within the Wakefield city houndary. A ring of six hells from the Whitechapel foundry was huns in Sandal Church in 1812.) Shortly after the passing of the Great Reform Bill. the local reformers held a festival in Wakefield and the hells were rung for the event: and when. on December 5th, Daniel Gaskell was returned unopposed as the first Parliamentary representative for the borough. they were heard throughout the day.

THE FUTURE QUEEN PASSES BY
The sound of bells greeted the Duchess of Kent and her daughter-the future Queen Vic-foria-when they passed through the town on September 14th. 1835, on their way south from Harewood House. Their coach was scheduled to stop for a change of horses at the White Hart Inn. where the local geniry were assembled: hut to their chagrin it swept past them and out of town.
Joseph Tebbs died on February 14th. 1836, aged 68 years, and was buried in the gravevards of Leeds Parish Church. He was an outstanding ringer and composer in his day sometime landlord of the Old George. Meadow Lane. Leeds, for many years sergeant-major in the Leeds Volunteers and Militia, and an old friend of Wakefield ringers in general and of William Woodhead in particular.
In 1837 there was ringing for the Princess Victoria's coming of age. for the death of the King. her uncle. on the day she was nroclaimed Queen, and on the days of the horough and West Riding nomination meetings in connection with the General Election. A most serious riot broke out at the West Riding nomination meeting and resulted in lass of life.

## COMPLAINTS OVER SERVICE RINGING

In a letter published in the 'Wakefield Iournal of May 4th, 1838, a church ratepayer complained thus of the scrvice ringing at All Saints': 'I understand that the rineers at the old Church. engaged with the Wardens 10 rine as formerly (sic) on Sundays. for a certain salary-if so they are not entitled to he paid. There is an old hook helonging to the Church, where is an agreement to ring the ten Bells and to commence at particular neriods in the morning and afternoon, and the ringers themselves had rules, with certain nenallies. aptinst any zheentee, even to the minule of the clock strikine. What is the case now? Not a Sunday are the ten hells raised together and very seldom more than six. sometimes 7 or 8 , hut these not till 5 or 10 minutes after the stated neriods have elapsed, and then about 20 minutes after another and another bell raised. What follows? Why, they are
iarring hell against bell for another 20 min utes. which is one of the greatest anmoyances that can be
Worse was to follow. for on February 15th the following year a letter from 'Veritas' was printed lamenting 'the extraordinary period when the bells cease to be rung for the holy purpose of calling the parishioners to serve their Maker and he silent for three months at a time, only to be called into action by a chance wedding or bridal appearance, with the hope of a drunken swill with the money ex-tracted'-but not for such had they heen called into action on December 6th. 1838, for that evening muffled bells were rung in memory of John Wilson, a woolbuyer and member of the All Sainis' Society, who had died threc davs earlier.
Wakefield ringers entered for a prize contest at Huddersfield on Sunday, October 27th. 1839, to commemorate the third anniversary of the onening of the Parish Church therc after rebuilding. Ten teams entered and Manchester and Halifax were the winners.

## ROYAL OCCASIONS

William Pulleine had now taken charge of the All Saints' Society and brought new life to it. The Qucen's marriage to Prince Albert of Saxe-Cohurg Gotha on February 10th. 1840. was marked hy a date touch- 1.840 Kent Treble Boh Royal-conducted by Pulteine. At Rothwell, near Leeds. on Sunday, Mav 3rd. 1840. iwo peals of Kent Treble Bob Major were brought round. The first consisted of 5,056 changes rung by the Wakelield All Saints Society in 2 hours and 59 minutes. conducted by Pulleine: the second of 5,0188 changes rung hy a joint Rothwell and \$i. John's. Wakefield. band in 3 hours ind 3 min utes, conducted by Benjamin Ely, of Rolliwell. Ouecn Vicloria's first child was born on November 21st. 1840. Two days later a peal of 5.000 Kent Treble Boh Royal was rung at Wakefield by the All Saints. Society. The ocal was composed 'expressly in honour of the hirth of the royal infant' by its conductor, William Pulleine: it was. however, a recomposition of a peal hy W. D. Crofts. The christening of the child was celebrated with 'merry peals.

## LORD GRIMTHORPE

The two successful candidates for the West Riding in the election of 1841 -one was Edward Beckett Denison, later Lord Grim-thorpe-were chaired. as was then the custom through Wakefield on the result of the poll heing annolncert, and when the prozession nassed the Parish Church the rinqers. as the local paper nicturesquely put it. "fired volleys of steeple shot.
A peal of 8.000 Kent Treble Boh Maior was rung at Rothwell in 1841 hy three local ingers. three from Wakefield and one each from Leeds and Bradford. The comnosition was by Hugh Wrieht, of Leeds, and the conductor Benjamin Ely. The Wakeficld paper of July 23rd remorted: Many amatcurs who were present on the nccasion expressed their high aporohation of the performance and declared it to he a peal worthy of remark in The annals of chanec ringina. Roth the
Wakefield Journal and the ' Leeds Mercury. gave the date of the performance as Mondav. Iuly 19th, hut a peal hoard in the tower gives Sunday. July 18th.
Benjamin Ely and William malleine inined the Leeds ringers at Leeds Parish Church on May 1st. 1842 for the first peal of Cinuues in Yorkshire. 5.148 Grandsire. composed and conducted by Samuel Smalloage. who was later presented with an inscrihed snufthox recording the event. One Leeds nane: gave the time taken very exactly as ? hours and 43 minules and 9 seconds. arding. - Numerous practitioners and lovers of this healthful exercise were in attendance from the surrounding country, all of whom expressed themselves highly delighted with the performance, and the musical and varied tones of this fine neal of hells.: The new 13 hells for, St. Peter's had arrived in Lpeds from Whilechanel on lanuary 21st. 1841, hut it was some months before they were officially opened.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On February 20th, while London was still rejoicing at the news of the royal birth, the London County Association held its annual general meeting.

During the afternoon ringing took place at the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, for those who preferred eight bells, but here the ringing was unfortunately curtailed by a broken rope; for those who wished to try a higher number and a greater weight Southwark Cathedral tower was also open. Here ringing ranged from rounds on 12 to touches of Kent Treble Bob Maximus and Stedman Cinques. Members and visitors then took part in the evening service at the Cathedral. which was sung by the choir of St. John's. Redhill.
A buffet tora was served in the dining hall of the Chapter House, and after this the meeting was held in an adjoining room. The chair was taken by the Master, Mr. T. H. Taffender. All existing officers were re-elected for the ensuing year except for the post of assistant secretary No. 2 which, being previously vacant, is now held by Miss M. Powell.

The accounts were presented by the auditors, Messrs. A. D. Barker and F. E. Hawthorne. who incidentally are treasurers of the Oxford Guild and the Cumberlands respectively. The meeting referred to the financial position of 'The Ringing World,' and it was agreed that at donation should be made from the funds.
In the Master's report, which was read by the general secretary (Mr. H. W. Rogers), it was stated that during the past year five peals had been rung-all on ten bells, 20 new members had been elected and five members were known to have died. Four general body meetings had been held, with ringing at eight churches, and the monthly practices had taken place at St. Mary's, Lambeth. The meeting then stood for 30 seconds' silence to the memory of the deceased members.

After various other business items, votes of thanks were expressed to the Provost of Southwark and to other clergy and steeple keepers concerned for the use of the bells. It appeared that handbell ringing is at a low ebb in the Association as the only entry for the Dawe handbell cup was from All Saints', Isleworth, who won it last year. As there were no other entries. this team decided to withdraw in the hope of being able to compete with some other teams next year

After the meeting, ringing took place at the Church of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark. for about an hour-and-a-quarter before everyone departed in their various directions.

## OBITUARY

## MR. J. E. TURNER

Mr. John Edmund Turner, who died on February 7th, aged 58, had given very faithful service to his native village, Hambledon, Hants. Herc he worked as a gardener in private service.

At the age of eight he was in the church choir, at 13 he was in the belfry, and then followed 35 years of regular Sunday service ringing for Matins and Evensong. As captain he taught many to ring, and it was with great regret that ill health necessitated his retirement both from ringing and work.
His other services to the village included membership of the P.C.C., and vicar's warden. seeretary of Hambledon Cricket Club for 30 years, a founder member of the Hambledon Brass Band (1919-1933) and a special contable.
Of a quiet, unassuming temperament, coupled with a kindly and generous nature, he was well liked and respected, and bore his affliction with great fortitude.
The Vicar (Rev. S. Nason) conducted the funeral service, and he was buried in the churchyard near the church and bells he loved so well. On Sunday. February 14th, a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung to his memory, with the bells half-muffled, by the local band. comprising Mrs. C. H. Turner, E.S. Lawrence, Mrs. F. Hall, R. J. Turner, C. H. Turner and S. J. Harding.

## WELSH VETERANS TRIBUTE TO THE QUEEN



IN honour of the Queen's accession. six L veteran ringers rang a quarter peal of 1.260 Grandsire Doubles at Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno, on February 13th. All the ringers had more than 60 years' experience, and were conducted by Mr . Lewis S . Griffith, of Llandudno. 'Everything went without a hitch; we could have gone on much longer,' said Mr. Griffith at the end of the 45 minutes.

In our picture, from left to right, standing, are L. S. Griffith (Llandudno), Charles Poweli of Rhyl (83), L. John Evans, of Rhyl (74), D. R. Edwards, of Abergele (73) ; sitting: Alan Fairlie
(78) and Walter Grinsell (75), both of Llandudno.

Asked what fascinated them about bellringing, Mr. Powell said: 'Can't really saybut we always turn up at the least excuse.' All said that they spent holidays at towns where there are bell towers.

The veterans, all members of the North Wales Association, regretted that fewer young people were interested in campanology. 'It is a satisfying hobby,' said Mr. Powell, 'but I suppose many young people think it would tie them down too much.'

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Ashford District

The fourteenth century all-wooden tower of High Halden, with its fine ring of six bells. was the meeting place of some 35 members of the Ashford District on February 20th.
The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. A. R. Gore-Brown. Prayers for the Queen's Majesty and the new royal baby were specially included in the service. Mrs. E. Knight was at the organ. An excellent tea was enjoyed at the Memorial Hall.

At the business part of the meeting eleven new members were elected to the Association.

Ringing was of a high standard, and was under the direction of Mr.S. R. Cooper, the Ringing Master. The highlight of the day was the touch of spliced London and Cambridge which eventually came round.
C. H. T.

## THE LADIES' GUILD <br> Southern District

The annual meeting of the Southern District was held on February 13th at Chiddingfold, Surrey, when the adverse weather probably kept members away. At the business meeting Mrs. Hawthorne. of Thames Ditton, was elected as vice-president and Mrs. Christine Harbott ( 20 , The Street. Ashtead) is to continue as secretary. Ringing ranged from Rounds to Cambridge and thanks are due to the Rector of Chiddingfold for conducting the Guild Service and for the use of his hells. Also to the Vicar of Witley, where ringing was enjoyed until 8 p.m.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

An enthusiastic group from the Todmorden area attended the Sheffield and District Society meeting on February 6th at Ecclesfield, when a good standard of ringing was maintained in methods up to Yorkshire Surprise Major, During a discussion about the Course to be held at Grantley Hall, Mr. D. N. Stables, who had attended other courses there, strongly recommended anyone interested to apply as early as possible as places on the Course were rapidly being filled.

The possibility of holding a ringing festival at Rotherham and district towers on August Bank. Holiday was discussed. It was the unanimous wish of the meeting to send greetings to Mr. H. David Holland and Miss Pauline Eyre, two members of the Society, who were married that day at Handsworth, Sheffield.

## LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS

St. Matthew's, Lighteliffc, refute the allegation that ringing is a dying art, since their hand was formed in September, 1958. Ringing takes place twice on Sundays and practices on Wednesday. Although the present repertoire is only rounds and call changes, the band of eight ringers and two probationers are hopeful of better things and are grateful to Mr . Harry Renshaw, of Brighouse, for his help on practice nights.

The first formal meeting of the company was held on February 17th at the Vicarage with the Vicar in the chair. Officers elected were: Ringing master, Tony Southgate: deputy ringing master, Carol Marsden; steeple-keeper, David Hooson; secretary, Geoffrey D. Armitage.

## NOTICES

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## BIRTHS

BLUNDELL.-On February 19th, 1960, at Cliveden Hospital. Taplow. 10 Angela and Clifford Blundell, daughters Ruth Elizaheth and Lynn Patricia. Present address: 72, Nursing Road, Taplow, Maidenhead, Berks. 5876 Eilcen (nee Westcott) and Philip James Hugh, a daughter. Deo gratias. 67, Belfield Lane, Rochdale.

## PERSONAL

- P TEACHER IS TAUGHT

Sir,-As a beginner. may I, through the medium of your columns, show my appreciation and thanks for the tolerance and patience of the company of ringers at the Parish Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Mansfield, Notts, during the last two months: during the first forinight to Mr. J. Robinson (captain), for personal tuition in his own lime, and afterwards at the practice nights to ALL the members. I realise now I must have taken a considerable amount of their time. in which they would have used to practise methods it's apparently going to take me years o learn.-Yours sincerely.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

ASH. SURREY.-There will be no practice held ai St. Peter's on Wednesday. March 9th.

BALDOCK. IIERTS --Practice night during Lent. Wednesday, 7 to 8 only.-E. G. Buck.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Preliminary notice. A.G.M. will be held at Bridgwater on Easter Monday. Lunch will be 6 s . and tickets can be obtained (upon recejpt of a S.A.E.) (send no money now) from: D. Hoare, 13, Coombend. Radstock.
LEICESTER CATHEDRAL.-Practice during Lent will be on Mondays, 7 to 9 p.m., commencing March 7th. No practice March 28th. After Lent as usual on Thursdays.Herrick B. Bowley.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will he held at the Clarendon Press Institute. Walton Street, Oxford, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, March 19th. Names for tea before Wednesday, March 16th, to Mr. P. Walker, 66, Fairacres Road, Oxford. -M. R. Cross.

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PORTSMOUTH-Joint practices each month at 7.30 p.m.: First Thursday at the Cathedral, third Friday at St. Mary's: in other weeks normal arrangements. Apply to each tower.

WONERSHI, SURREY.-The practice night at Wonersh is now back to normal: Thursdays at 7.45.-W. E. Enticknap, Hon. Sec. 5883
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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting. The Rising Sun, Carter Lane. E.C. Saturday March 5th, 6 p.m. -John Chilcotl. Sec.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Meeting. Sutton. Saturday. March 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet. Dis, Sec, S. 5824 ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - S.E. District.-
Meeting, Goldhanger, Saturday, March 5th. Meeting, Goldhanger, Saturday, March Sth.
Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. ASSOCIATION N W Distrist 5746

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.-A meeting will be held at Harlow Common on Saturday, March Sth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. 5842 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting at Great Wymondley, Saturday, March 5th, 5.30 p.m.-
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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.5th. Bushey (8), 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m.-G. W. Seaman. Dis. Sec. 5844
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Annual general meeting, Saturday. March 5th, Ranmoor. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea available. SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Annual dinner. Saturday. March Sth, at Deacon's Restaurant, Walbrook, E.C. 4 Ringing at St. Clement Danes. Strand. 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. St. Leonard's. Shoreditch. 4.5 p.m.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday. March 7th, at 7 p.m. 5858

BARNSLEY DISTRICT - Meeting held at Crofton, $n r$ Wakefield. Saturday. March 12 th. Bells 2.30 p.m.. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Biggleswade District.-On Saturday March 12th. the monthly meeting will be at Clifton. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Special methods. Double Norwich and St. Clement's Triples.- A. Smith. Dis. Sec.

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BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting. Sutton-on-Hull, Saturday,
March 12th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.30 . March 12th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.30 . 10th. to Mr. C. R. Robinson. 22. Lime Tree Avenue. Sutton-on-Hull.
Avenue. DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge district Mecting at Trumpington on Silurday, March 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $50^{\circ}$ clock.-E. W. Bullman. Dis. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION, - S.E District. Dinner and social, Village Hall, Danbury, on Saturday, March 12 th. 6.15 for 6.45 p.m Tickets (5s. 6d.), before March 5th, from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. S.A.E., please.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.E. District. Meeting at Tendring. Saturday. March 12th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Followed hy tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea by Wednesday. March 9th, please, to Miss A. Pryke, Montrose, Tendring, near Clacton-onSea. 5853
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILDAnnual general meeting Saturday. March 12 th at Guildford. Ringing: Holy Trinity 2.30 to
4.30. St. Mary's 2.30 to 4.15 . Stoke 2.30 to 4. Service. Holy Trinity 4.30 . Tea (2s. 6d.) Harvey's Restaurant 5.20 p.m. Evening ringing announced at business meeting. Tea names by Tuesday. March 8th.-S. T. A. Russell. Orchard Cottage. Ash Hill Road. Aldershot. 588 !
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch Stratton St. Margaret (8), Saturday, Mar. 12th. Names for tea to R. Luton. 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon, Wilts. 5867
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Tewkesbury Branch-Quarterly meeting. Beckford (6). Saturday. March 12th. 230 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by March 10 th to Mr. E. T. Newhury. 2. Western Hill Road. Beckford.-N. N. A. Price. Branch Sec. 5873

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western District.-Meeting at Northchurch on Saturday, March 12 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, March 8th, to Mr. R. Ashby, 110 , High Street. Northchurch.-J. Good, Dis. Sec
HEREFORD GUILD.-Bromyard District Annual meeting Bromyard. 3 p.m. March 12 th. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea as soon as possible to R. L. Price. 18. New Road. Bromyard (2260).
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterbury District.-By-meeting, Hernhill (8), Saturday, March 12 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names, together with cash, please, by Tuesday, March 8 th, to T. C. Phillimore, 47, St. Peter's Grove. Canterbury.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District.-Bv-meeting at Bobbing, Saturday. March 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m, Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, near Sittinghourne
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.-Quarterly meeting. Lenham, on Saturday. March 12 th . combined with the Ladies' Guild. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names. please, to J. Manktelow, The Square, Lenham.-R. L. Sills, Dec. Sec.
LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.Annual district meeting Saturday. March 12th. at Emmanue! Church. Clifton. Bristol. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Followed by meeting. Names for tea by Thursday, March 10th. B. Johnson. 10. Lancashire Road. Bristol. 7

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ston Branch-Meeting at Tarleton. March 12th. Bring own food.-Walmslev. 5891
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-Meeting at Our Lady and St. Nicholas. March 12 th . Tower open to all at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. as usual. Names for tea to Miss M. White. Mildmay Club. Blackburn Place. Liverpool (price 2s. 6d.) by Wednesday, March 9th. Please note alteration of time of tower opening.-T. E. Radcliffe.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Rochdale Branch-Meeting March 12th. St. Mark's. Glodwick (Oldham). Bells 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Cups of tea-Hudson. Sec. 5875 borough District.-Diseworth (6) Saturday. March 12th. Ringing 3 D.m. Tea 5 p.m. in March 12th. Ninging 3 o.m. to Mr. J. W. W. Fletcher. 28 . Hallgate. Diseworth. Derby.-

AIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION-N. \& E. District.-There will be no meeting on Saturlay. March 12th.-D. T. C. Smith. Hon. Dis.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Bucks Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Long Crendon (8). Saturday, March 12th. Bells 3.45 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous.-D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury, Bucks. 5871

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - City Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Beckley, Saturday, March 12 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 9th, to Mr. R. Jones, 118 , Oxford Road, Old Marston, Oxford.

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ST. DAVID'S GUILD.-Quarterly meeting at Burry Port on Saturday, March 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Tea and meeting to follow. - C. H. Hawkins, 1, Amanwy, Trallwm, Llwynhendy, Llanelly, Carms.

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SALISBURY GUILD - Calne Branchmeeting Yatesbury (5). March 12th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea. J. Goddard. 19. Yatesbury. Calne, Wilts.-W. Hacker, Hon. | Sec. |
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| SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wim- |
| 5880 | borne Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Wareham, Saturday March 12 th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea for those who notify by March 9th I. Davis, 13, Sandbanks Road, Parkstone, Poole. 5869

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting it Prees ( 6 ). Saturday, March 12 th . Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 oclock. Further ringing 6.15 p.m. onwards. Names for tea to Mr. T. Hinks. 5, Havern Gardens, Prees, near Whitchurch, Salop. - F. Cattell, Hon. Sec.
SUFFOLK GUILD. - North West District.Meeting. Saturday. March 12th, Rougham (6), 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by March 9th to Mr. R. Rose. 3, Smithy Close. Rougham, Bury St. Edmunds.-A. T.
Ballam. Dis. Sec.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Divi-sion.-Annual general meeting. Crawley (8). Saturday, March 12 th . Bells available 4 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6. Meeting and election of officers 6.30 , followed by ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please. to Miss A. Miles, 34. Meadowlands, West Green, Crawley.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.-Practice meeting. Walberton (6), Saturday, March 12 th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester.

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DEVON GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch.Quarterly meeting, Paignton, Saturday, March 19th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea to D. Roberts, 84. Westhill Road, Torquay. Torre bells available in evening. 5854 ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Meeting. Saturday. March 19th, Black Notley. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names lor lea, please. to H. A. Pratt. 6, Council Houses. Black Notley. Braintree bells (8) also available from 3.30 to 4.30 p.m. only. $\$ 860$ LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUTLD.-Central Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Fulbeck (6), Saturday, March 19th. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous. - C. Brown, 3 Altham Terrace. Lincoln.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-S.W. District.-Practice meeting, Long Melford (8), Saturday. Mar. 191h. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dis-trict.-Meeting, Kingswood (6), Saturday. Mar. 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing continues till 9 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. G. Clark, 1, Copley Way, Tadworth.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 5878
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western District.-Meeting, Idle, Saturday, March 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, 16 th, to Mr. T. Hill, 5, Leyton Crescent, Idle, near Bradford.-A. E. Marsh Hon. Dis. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Syston District.-Annual dinner and social, Saturday, March 26 th, Humberstone Church Hall, 6 p.m Bells 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. Tickets 5 s . each from Mr. E. Bagworth, 36, Averil Road, Leicester. All spare tickets and cash must be sent in by March 21 st. 5851

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## BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

A year of continued progress was reported at the annual meeting of the Beverley and District Ringing Society, held at St. Mary's Church, Cottingham, on February 13th. The adverse weather conditions affected the attendance, but 27 ringers were present.

Tlec eight bells were rung to a wide variety of methods during the afternoon and evening, under the guidance of the Ringing Master. Mr. J. M. Harrop. A short service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. Mark Green), who warmly welcomed the Society. Tea was served in King Street Rooms, and was followed by the annual business meeting, at which the president (Mr. A. E. Sellers) took the chair.

The paid-up membership of the Sociely has now reached the century mark, representing 24 lowers. Thirteen new members joined the Society during the year, and there has been in improvement in the financial position, a greatly increased balance being carried forward to 1960 . Mr. Harrop was congratulated on the constructive criticism of his Ringing Master's report, which called for an improved standard of striking and suggested how this could be achieved.
Officers elected were: President, Mr. A. E. Sellers (Beverley Minster): vice-president, Mr. H. Parker (Bridlington): Ringing Master. Mr J. M. Harrop (Howden) ; assistant Ringing Master. Mr. D. Johnson (Kirk Ella): secretary and treasurer. Mr. K. Kirk (Kirk Ella) : assistant secretary, Mr. I. Goldthorpe (Kirk Ella) : committee, Messrs. F. Dale (Hessie), R. Ducker (Sutton-on-Hull). J. Parker (Bridlington). © Robinson (Sutton-on-Hull) and A. Taylor (St. Mary's, Beverley).
Thanks were accorded to Mr. F. Wilkinson (Pocklington), who retired from the committee after 12 years' service.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Southern Branch

The annual meeting of the Southern Branch at Diss on February 6th was altended by over 50 members and friends from Norfolk and Suffolk. The Rector, the Rev. L. O Kenyon. conducted the service. Dr. P. Jonason reading the lesson and Rev. Ivan Bailey. formerly a ringer at Diss. gave the address. Dr. P. H. A. Jonason presided at the meeting, supported by Revs. L. O. Kenyon and Ivan Bailey, Mr. W. Love (general secretary) and Mr. H. W. Barrett (Association Ringing Master)
In his review of the year Dr. Jonason spoke of the need to recruit more members. and also hoped that ringing to celebrate the royal birth would lake place in as many towers as possible. The Ringing Master and Secretary also gave reports on the year's activities.
The officers elected for 1960 were: Chairman. Dr. P. H. A. Jonason: Ringing Master Mr. W. G. Saunders ; secretary, Mr. C. F. W. Phillippo: Standing Committee. Messrs. F. C Arnold and H. Fuller: Branch Committce. Miss B. Syrett and Messrs. H. Moss. L. Last. F. Roper and C. R. Catchpole.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Rector, to Rev. 1. Bailey and Mr. A. G. Harrison for arranging the meeting.

Ringing ranged from rounds to Yorkshire Surprise and continued till 9 p.m. Next meeting Pulham St. Mary on April 23 rd.

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## 'ALL YE PARTIES WERE WOOLCOMBERS'

## By ERNEST MORRIS

THE record of a peal of St. Blaise Doubles to mark the Festival of St. Blaise, (p. 117) is interesting and worthy of more than a passing notice. St. Blaise or Blasius (died A.D. 316) was Saint, Bishop and Martyr. According to legend he was Bishop of Sebaste, Cappadocia, and suffered martyrdom under Licinius by being torn with an iron comb and then beheaded. He thus became the patron saint of weavers and woolcombers, and in Western art appears in the vestments of a Bishop, and his peculiar emblem is an iron comb, such as used by woolcombers. Three churches in England are dedicated to him, and his name appears in the calendar of the Book of Common Prayer. He is specially honoured in Yorkshire, and in Bradford his festival (February 3rd) was high-day with processions and pageants.

In the old Leicester Scholars' peal records it is stated that on April 4th, 1807, Annable's peal of 5,040 Bob Major was rung at St. Margaret's, Leicester, conducted by Thomas Sibson, and 'all ye parties were woolcombers.' One wonders if, after the peal, they adjourned to the 'Woolcomber's Arms,' which still carries on its business and is only about a hundred yards from St. Margaret's Church.

Our old friend Woolley and others, by name Woolford, Woolman and the like, doubtless are descendants of those who followed this staple trade. Its importance is shown in the presentation by Edward III. to the Chancellor of the Exchequer as a reminder that the seat of England's greatness and future prosperity was to be found in the wool trade. In those early days wool was exported in sufficient quantities as to be taxed to produce 74 per cent. of the country's revenue.

Certain churches are called 'wool churches,' and the reason is that they were either built or restored by the wealthy merchants of the wool trade. In the Cotswold, for instance, the famous churches of Cirencester, Northleach, Chipping Campden, Fairford and others all owe their glory to the wealth created by the trade. Thus the Grevels rebuilt Chipping Campden; the Fforteys, Northleach; the Tames, Fairford; while the noble church of Cirencester, with its tall embattled tower and three-storey porch, owes much of its glory to the woolstaplers, whose memorials in brass and stone may be seen in nave and chancel.

The famous church of Lavenham commemorates on its tower the Spring family of woolstaplers, who did so much for the church and charities. and many other instances might be noted, such as the Burton chapel in All Saints', Loughborough, and the Wyggeston hospital, schools and charities in Leicester.

## THE PRACTICE

READING 'Country Neighbours,’ a book by David Green, I found an interesting description and conversation concerning an unnamed belfry in north-west Oxfordshire (writes Miss Marilyn Bell) which I thought might interest ringers. The excerpt is originally from 'The Countryman.'

The quotation is as follows:-
.And so back to the ringing room, where all five ringers have arrived and are ready for practice. "Is it get up and go through or get up and stop?" Captain asks them. "Gct up and stop." pipes Treble, a small man, nervous. "Get up and stop it is, then." agrees Captain, "we're all out of practice," and spitting on his hands he seizes the striped sally and takes his stance, one unlaced boot a little before the other. (Captain is tall and lean. about fifty, with an air of knowing what he's about. The others tense: he is relaxed.)

There is a great clash and then another and another as all five heave on the ropes to peal the bells and get them up, so that for a minute discord flies out over the quiet fields. This is the bells' time and for a while the ringers give them their heads. Yet underlying the clamour you hear Tenor (Captain's bell) steadying, calling them to order, and sure enough in a little while a steady rhythm sets in.
"But just as all seems well and the ringers in stride there is a sudden "Stand" from Captain and the sound falls off and dies. "Right through now?" he asks. "Ah, but what if I mistake?" demurs Treble. "Follow your table and you can't go wrong.", Captain tells him, pointing to the columns of figures on the wall," but keep orf the red numbers. them's mine." So sallies are grasped again and serious work begins.
' Number Three, a young blacksmith. looks cheerfully confident now, as who would not with biceps rising to hillocks beneath the snowline of rolled sleeves as he strains on the rope. But for style we look to Captain, erect, manifestly at ease, his sally shooting through the ceiling with a convulsive wriggle to vanish completely, as does none of the others, at every alternate stroke. I have to watch it.

Again the bells cease, and "Where's young Bob?" someone asks. "Dunno," says another; "he'll come if he hears us though." And swift on his cue Bob enters, slipping in quietly from the spiral stair. He is sixteen, fair, bronzed, aglow with health. But ah no, he couldn't take a rope, not up to it, he says. (Nonsense, we can all see you're itching to.) Five voices insist and at last., still protesting he'll never do it. he is persuaded. "You'll do it.", says Captain. "you've done it afore, now haven't you?" "Ah," agrees Bob doubtfully as he takes over Treble, "but I forgets, see?"

For the third time the bells ring out and for a round or two all goes well. For Bob, though, you can sce it's fearful concentration, with arms strained, lips parted and every now and then a wild glance over the shoulder as though he sees Time overtaking him... Looks are exchanged. Bob's bell is out of control now, the ringing in chaos, "Stand!" roars Captain and then, "What's the matter. Bob?" Bob is confused. "Shoulda' rung that bit twice, eh?" "Ah, that you should." "I needs more practice see?" "Come, try again then "

At last all goes sweetly and one pictures some ancient campanologist in a distant village nodding approval. On a morning if it isn't the barnyard cockerel it is often a bell that wakes us.

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Deals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to Her Majesty the Queen, on Feb. 19th, 1960

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

LONDON. S.E.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Sat, Feb. 20, 1960, in 4 Hours and 20 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour. Southwark,
A PEAL OF 5280 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Michael. P. Moreton
Patrick 1. Chapman Frank E. Darby G. Wilitam Critchley J. Richard Casilfdine JUHIN D. RUCK

## Conducted by Frank E. Darby.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Feb. 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minules.
at the Cathedral. Church of Si. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Ruth M. Burder
Treble Michael Elson.
Juhn
Bryan D. A. Woolley
Norman J. Goodman

Roderick W. Pipe
Philip G. K. Davies
John Pinfold
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Tenor 48 cWt .
Treble Thomas J. Southam.. .. 7 Stewart F. Kimber .. .. Brian D. Threlfall.. .. 9 James G. A. Prior .. .. 10 11 Tenor
LINCOLN
On Thurs., Feb. 25. 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.
in St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A PEAL OF 5017 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{4r} .23 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.



BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND. THE IRISH ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960. in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mark. Dundela.
A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL Tenor $12 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt
*Gerald D. Brown
$\dagger \ddagger$ Jean Stewart
¿Rev. John J. Fifilding.
Philit H. Whitaker
*Jonathan S. N. Porter Composed by J. W. Parker

Treble $\ddagger$ JOHN T. Dunwoody
2 William A. Patierson
Harry Brown
*Rodney Stringer
$\ddagger$ Fred E. Dukes
Conducted by Harry . Tentor

* First peal of Royal (first attempt). +501 h peal. $\ddagger$ First of Kent

Royal (first attempt). First as conductor
Rung also for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

## BRKGHTON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Oll Sat., lieb. 27 , 1960, in 3 Hours und 19 Minutes, Ar ihe Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. in D flat.
W. Arihur Riddingion .. Treble Leonard Stilwell. .. .. 6

Albert W. Bond ... .. 2
Frederiek Page
Hfrbert W. Woolven Edgar R. Rapley
June M. . Clements .. Edgar R. Rapley
June M. . Clements ..
. Tentor 7 Raymond P. Wood $\quad 5$ George Francis … 9 Composed by H. W. Haley. Conducted by W. Arthur Rididingion. Rung also to mark the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Charles Robert Armstrong-Jones.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours amd 13 Mimutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5040 HILLINGDON SURPRISE ROYAL

## Tenor 21 cwt I qr. 22 lb . in E flat.

Fridi. W. Goodfellow Treble Michael J. Palmer
Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 John R. Mayne
G. William Critchley

Thomas J. Lock
Dennis Knox
Arranged by R. F. B. Speed.
JOHN R. Ma
JOHN Hill
Frank C. Price
Philip A. Corby 9
Conducted by Philip A. Corby.
First peal in the method.
Rung aiso in honour of the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

> HILLINGDON SURPRISE ROYAL
> $\times 30 \times 14 \times 50 \times 16 \times 1270 \times 38 \times 14 \times 50.16 \times 16.90$ L..e. 1573920486

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minules, A i fee Cathedral of SS. Mary and Chad. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 31 cwt 2 cr .9 lb . in D . *Ann Barr ... Tenot 31 cwl. Treble $\ddagger$ qr. 9 lb . in D.
*Biryl. E. Cawiser
$\frac{1}{3}$
\$Michail Elson


Paul Webb $\quad$ Conducted by Michafl Elson.

* First peal of Major in the method + First on eight bells. + First of Mijor. \& First in the method inside. First in the method on the bells.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Sat., Feb. 20. 1960. in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

At the Church of Sr. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 23 cwt .23 lb . in E flat.


Derfk Tranter 4 | Clivi M. Smith .... Tenor
Composed by Arihur Craven.

* First peal of Surprise Major

NEW FIFCTRIC OR HAND-WOUND
INSTALIATIONS-ALL TYPES OF REPAIRS

EXISTING HAND-WOUND
CLOCKS CONVERTED TO ELECTRIC DRIVE
Inspections \& Estimates Frec
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JOHN SMITH \& SONS - DERBY

## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

BOTTESFORD LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Marv-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt . 1 yr. 8 lb . in D .


Composed by Ernest W. Tipler (No. B.53).
Conducied by Brian G. Warwick.

GRAPPENHALL, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minures,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 11 cWt 2 gr .6 Jb .


Composed by J. Nicholl. Bob Conducted by Harold Worrall.

* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. † First in the method.


SEVENOAKS. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Surn., Feb. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours amd 56 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.
Richard V. Fuller
Shlila M. Dobbie
Margaret A. Ladd
Doris E. Colgate

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 gr. 2 tb
Walter H. Dobie. Ernest J. Ladd Philip A. Corby

- William J. Manning . Tenor


## * First peal

 Conducted by Philip A. Corby
## WYMONDHAM. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Feb. 21. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minules.
At ime Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Thomas of Caniekbury,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

## William Clover

H. William Barrl:il
A. William Bird
Tenor 25
Treble
$\ldots$
$\ldots$
$\ldots$

Composed by H. Annable.

* I irst peal in the method.

| Thumas E. Spight.. <br> *Bivan W. Willgriss <br> *Giuffrey R. Drew <br> P'IIR AIXUKK |
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. Pitilr Airuek .. ... Tehor

HINTON-ON-THL-GREEN. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRL: AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATIUN.
On Mon.. Feb. 22, 1960. in 2 Htutrs and 51 Minutes.

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## Ai iht. Church or St. Pitir. <br> A PEAL OF 5040 STEDDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.

- Vivien Barnes.

Josieph D. Johnson
Mrs. J. Thumas
Treble
Joseph E. Newman cnor $10 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cwt}}$

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3
4 Pairick Harris Ralph Harris
خWilliam J. Newman
Cond
4
$\ddagger$ Richard Newn
$\ddagger$ Richard Newm
eph D. Johnson

- First peat of Stedman on tower hells. to First of Stedman 'inside." + First peal


## OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Mon.. Feb. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minules.
At the: Cliurin of Si. Matihew.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

1. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans Four-part. Tenor 9 cwt 3 ur .1 th . in A flat.

Russifl S. Murris
Brian G. Warwick
Alan E. Harticy
Richard J. Clefion

William F. Woodward * Ernest Morris Josil:Ph W. Cotron. Piercitial W'. Grici.

Tenor

## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs., Feb. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 SWANSEA SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A.


| 3 | Thomas J. Lock |
| :--- | :--- |

Alfred J. House
John R. Mayne.
Conducted by John R. Menor Composed by C. Severn.
First peal in the method (Corrigan: $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Conducted } \\ \text { No. 307) }\end{array}\right)$.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
 *S. John Withey .. .. Treble ir Brian Bladorp.
$\dagger$ H. Jean Sutton
Eric Sution
$\ddagger$ Eric Terry Collins

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\begin{array}{c|c}
\text { Trebbe } & \text { BRIAN Bladon. .. } \\
2 & \text { §ANTHONY R. PEAKE } \\
3 & \text { Charles G. Jones } .
\end{array}
$$

Composed by F. Nolan Goiden Victor Griffin ... .. Tenor * Firsi peal Conducted by Victor Griffin. bells. § l00th peal. First on eight bells as conductor $\ddagger$ First on cigh
bells. § 100th peal. First on eight bells as conductor.

> COLCHESTER. ESSEX.
> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR EdWard P. Duffield .. Treble Frank G. Oliver
*Doreen Fatrhead .. .. 2 Edward E. Davey
+William J. Brunt
bernard W. Falrhead Hark Harry J. Millait Urban W. Wiluney
*First peal of Major. † First in the method. Tenor 21 fcwt .

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## LITTLE ASTON. STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD Or' Fri., Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

## Being 42 extents (four callings).

*E. Peter W. Ellis.. .. Treble
..Treble Andrew J. Sirathiee
-Michael J Hill ?
Michael W. Fairey
David W. Barr
Conducted by Andrew J. Strathdee.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal, first attempt. First as conductor.

## DEENE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five different extents of Plain Bob.
Aubrey B. Clarke .. .. Treble David C. Urquhart..
Ronald Russell
2
Richard A. Websier
Tenor
Percy D. Baldock Conducted by Roy W. Spencer.
MAVESYN RIDWARE, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes. at the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven differently-called extents.
*Margaret A. Turner .. Treble
Bervard J. Townsend Michael W. Fairey Andrew J. Strathde.e ... $\overline{3}$ John McDonald Tenor

STAVERTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes
Ai the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
*G. Bonsor
Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr. 26 lb . in $\mathbf{G}$.
*Elisabeth A. Negus ... Treble Gillian Tavener
*Elisabeth A. Negus .. 2 Hugh M. Johnson Jane F. Johnson .. .. 3 David J. Marshall

Conducted by David J. Marshall.

* First peal. First as conductor (aged 14). Average age of band 16.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon.. Feb. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOK
Being seven different $720^{\circ}$ s.
Rlginald C. Pearce
Treble
Jack Pilgrim
James M. Bailey
C. Jack Gibson
enor 12 cwt .6 lb

Conduc 3 John W. Blythe
WEST GRINSTEAD. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Feb, 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes, at the Church of Si. George,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (two callings).
*D. Judith Tidey .. .. Treble
†F. Richard Verrall .. 2 +David J. Barber
\#Sheila A. Shackell ... 3 Cecil R. Longhurs
Conducted by Edgar R. Rapley.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First of Treble Bob 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First of Treble Bob

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Feb. 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, Ai the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
C.C.C. Nos. 28, 29, 34, 50, 51, 52 and 54 . Tenor $17 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
C. Harold Whitton .. Treble William E. Clarke
leslie h. Taylor .. .. 2 J. Martin Thorley
Joseph W. Baley ... 3 Harold Barsley .. .. Temor
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

## STISTED. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Feb. 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes. At the Church of All Saints, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, one each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . in A. Albert Saunders .. . Treble Andrew T. Beckwith
Mrs. H. W. Moore .. .. 2 Cecil J. Barker
John A. Warner .. .. 3 Alan R. Syder $\quad$.. $\quad$.. Tenor
Conducted by Alan R. Syder.
SARRATT, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Feb. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minuies.

At the Church of the Holy Cross, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In two methods. being 30 six-scores of Grandsire (ten callings) and 12 of Plain Bob (four callings). Tenor 4 cwt .3 qr. 24 lh . *Juni: N. E. Chiliton .. Treble $\ddagger$ Augustin V. Good †Walter Ayre ....
§Brian M. Barker
R . . . Tenor
Conducted by Walter Ayre

* First peal, first local ringer to ring a peal. + First on five bells. \$ First in two Doubles methods. § First of Doubles. First on the bells, recently augmented from three to five by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank


## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

SILK WILLOUGHBY. LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Feb. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At The Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Single Court and two each of Single Oxford and Plain Bob.
John F. Wright .. .. Treble Walter Weston
Wiliiam R. Marsh . . . 2 Frederick Derry
Henry P. Collin
3
James H. Musson
Conducted by James H. Musson. SHELLEY, HUDDERSFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of Emmanuel.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
In ten methods: (1) College Exercise; (2) London Scholars", Sandal. Kingston, Oxford; (3) College Pleasure; (4) Snowdrop: (5) Duke of York; (6) Woodbine; (7) Kent.

* Douglas N. Stables .. Treble
*Trevor Tarbatt
Fred Cowising..
3 NoEL F MONON Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
* First peal in ten methods. First as conductor in ten methods.

SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, it 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (each called differently). Ten Tenor $9+\mathrm{cwt}$. *John S. Still... ... Treble S. Kainleen M. Knight. 4 Bi:rnard E. Matimews .. 2 E. Winifred Keys C. R. Chad Coussmaker 3 Robert Wake. Conducted by E. Winifri:d Keys.

* First peal on six bells.

Also rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones.

## WHISTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sun., Feb. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and. 51 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, A PEAL OF 5090 DOUBLES
Being six extents each St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Boh, Old Boh, Grandsire and Reverse St. Bartholomew Tenor 15 cwt .4 lb.

* Brian E. Jeffery .. .. Treble George F. Roome Vicior A. Pfrry .. .. 2 Pf.rcy Amos Jim C. Rainbow .. . Tenor
Conducted by Grorge F. Roome.
* First peal of Doubles. The ringer of the fourth has now 'circled the tower.

WHIXLEY, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
Ons Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of the Ascension,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's, and four different extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt .
Mrs. J. Render
Treble
John Potrs
Iris Le Mari: Alan Evans Kennieth B. Sissons

Tenor
Alan Sheppard
Conducted by Kfinneth B. Sissons.

## HANDBELL PEAL

BEVERLEY, YORKSHIRE
TIIE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Feb. 23, 1960, in 1 Hour and 50 Minules, At 36. Eastgate.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Frances Fairbank ... $1-2 \mid$ Charles Barker

Malcolm Lincoln
Conducted by Charles Barker.

## OTHER PEALS -

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Saf., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours ard 45 Mimues. AT ThE Church of St, Mary-le-Tower.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SLRPRISE MAXIMLS Tenor 32 cwt


## TEN BELL PEALS

NOTTINGHAM.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Feb. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5081 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 35 cwt .2 qr. 23 lb . in C sharp.
Charles McGuiness ..Treble - Walter Tomilinson
Denis R. Carlisle.. .. 2 Francis R. Lowe
Francis R. Low
John Walden
Harold Taylor
Richard E. Price
*John R. Ketteringham. . 3 John Freeman
Composed by Christopher W. Woolley. Conducted by John Frbeman.

* First peal of Stedman Caters.


## GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD. On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, At the Church of St. Wulfram,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 32 cwt 1 qr .11 lb . in. C sharp
Terky Page (Downing) .. Treble| Peter Langion (Trinity). Frances Secker (Girton). 2 David Kirby (Selwyn) John Schofield (King's). . 3 James Taylor (St. Cath.'s) Dermot Roaf (Trinity) . 4 Robin Heppenstall (Sel.) Stan Hood (Trin. Hall) .. 5
Composed by Henky Tucker.
Chris. Johnson (Selwyn) Tenor
Conducted by Robin Meppenstall.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt .
C. F. Sayer, Librarian .. Treble ${ }^{23}$ W. Ayt. Ayre, C.C. Rep.
*E. Edmondson, C.C. Rep. 2 R. G. Bell, C.C. Rep
F. J. Plummer. Treasurer 3 ©S. Huckle, Sec., St. Albans
H. V. Frost, Gen. Ses... S. Huckle, Sec.. St. Albans 8 T. J. Southam, Sec., E. Dis. 9 G. W. Debenham. Pres. Tenor E. G. Buck, Sec., N. Dist. 5 Composed and Conducted by George W. Debrnham. Composed and Conducted by Genrge $W$

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First of Royal.
Rung by officers of the Hertford County Association.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## HORNBY. LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 21, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .

Dorothy Nelson
James Dickinson
Herbert 'Rainford
*William G. Wilson
Composed by 3. Carier.

* First peal of Major:

Treble +Peier Handley
$\dagger$ Thomas E. Metcalf Grorie E. Bratithwaite $\quad 7$ Al.an Capstick .. .. Tenor Conducted by Grorge. E. Braithwaite.

MORECAMBE, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Noi. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and so Mimutes At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .
*George E. Braithwaite Treble $\dagger \ddagger$ Dorothy Eccles .. .. 5
Alan Capstick
John Bagnall.
$\dagger$ James E. Burles
Composed by D. Prentice.

* looth peal. + First in Conducted by George E. Braithwaite. method on the bells.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. Feb. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and. 17 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRALNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

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


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

RAVENI:NGHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs.. Jan. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

Ai the: Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OE 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents each of Plain. St. Simon`s, St. Martin's, Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas, Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 8 cwt . in A
Jampes W. Fordfr $\quad$.. Treble | Trevor N. J. Bailey .. 3
Michai:l J. Siokes ..... 2 Godfri:y G. Walpoir: .. 4
H. Wititam Barrett . Tenor

Conducted by H. Willifam Barretr.

PACKWOOD. WARWICKSHIRE.
THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Wed., Feb. 3, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Giles

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

> At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Court, Double Court, Single Oxford. Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh. Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

C. Aubrey Harrison .. 3 A. Robin Heppenstall . Temor

* First peal 'inside.


## MULBARTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sun., Feb. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge, Norwich, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.. St. Clement's. Double Court and Double Oxfort'. Tenor 8 cwt . in A.
C. Frank W. Phillippo. . Treble| Petfir Adcock

Wilitam Clover ... 2 Thomas E. Spight ... .. 5
*Geoffriy R. Drf:w .. 3 Henry Tooke . . . . . Tenor
Conducted by Henry Tooke.

* 50th peal.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev, and Mrs. Moshy. Also a welcome to the Rev. Sanderson (the new Rector) and Mrs. Sanderson.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon.. Feb. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of St. Gforge, Colegate,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Boh. Doubic Oxford Boh. St. Clement's College Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lh .

| Barbara Paynf. | Treble | William Love |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miriam A. Higidon | 2 | Godfray G. Walpole |
| Bridget H. Mutimar | 3 | H. Wilitam Barrett | Conducted by H. Wilitam Barretr.

Rung in honour of the enthronement of Dr. Launceiot Fleming as Lord Bishop of Norwich on January 28th.

## EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.

THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Mimues.

Ai the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently.
Tenor 11 cwt .
*Leonard J. King
.Treble Leonard W. King
Dr. Paul H. A. Jonason 2 Wilfred G. Saunders
Frank C. J. Arnold .. 3 C. Frank W. Phillippo . . Tenor

* First peal.

Conducted by C. Frank W. Phillippo.
Rung as a welcome to the recently-instituted Rector, the Rev. K Wilkinson Riddle

## John Taylor \& Co.

## half PEAL

HINTON BLEWITT, SOMERSET.- On Feb. 20th 2.520 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callings): F. H Andrews 1. Mary Funnell 2, P. Gay 3. D. Uphill 4. Roger Gay (cond.) 5. The first half peal by all.

## DATE TOUCHES

Christchurch, hants.-At the Priory, on Feb. 22nd. 1.960 Grandsire Triples: R. Broadest 1, H Harrison 2, R. Kiddle 3. M. Stone 4. K. Derham 5. A. V. Davis 6, L. Stone (cond) 7, R. Edwards 8. First quarter by 1 and 4 .

TENBY. PEMBS.-On Feb. 19th. 1,960 Grandsirc Triples: T. Osbourne 1, Stella Lewis 2, E. Williams 3. J. Webb 4, A. R. Price 5. G. Thomas 6, H. Jenkins (cond.) 7, T. Griffiths 8.
WINCHESTER. HANTS. - On Feb. 22nd, at St Mary's College. Winchester, 1,960 Grandsire Doubles: P. H. Harris 1, C. A. Morris (first inside ') 2, A. R. Crawford 3, 1. M. Smith 4, J. E. Spice (cond.) 5. R. M. Hillary 6. First touch for 1, 4 and 6 . First date touch for any of the band and on the bells.

AMBERLEY, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: E. Sopp 1, F. Storey 2. J. Reeves 3. S. Hamilion 4. J. Newell (cond.) 5. First quarter neal on the bells since rechansing by a local band.

ASHBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE,-On Fcb. 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: T. Bull 1, H. Sherratt 2, M. Blore 3. R. Pocklington 4. C. Walklate 5. E. Johnson 6, R. P. Morris (cond.) 7, F. W. Haycock (first quarter) 8.

ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Salmon 1, V. Roberts 2. Mariorie Legg 3, G. Prescott 4, S. Smith 5, K. Prime (cond.) 6.

BARKING. SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 28th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. J. Prentice 1. R. W. Sieward 2, H. A. Mitson 3. C. Snowden 4, R. E. Lester (cond.) 5, E. A. Cracknell 6.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. WIngrove (cond.) 1, Gwen Reeves 2, Dorothy Fletcher 3. Ann Shiels 4. R. Broadley 5, D. Lamb 6. A. Bridges 7. S. Hatfield 8. BIGGLESWADE, BUCKS.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: A. H. Smith 1. Mrs S. I. Smith 2. F. Briscoc 3, P. G. Smith 4, A. S. Smith (cond.) 5 . First quarter in method by all and on the bells.
BRIDLINGTON, YORKS. -On Feb. 27th, I. 344 Plain Bob Major: H. Spencer 1, W. Fay 2, W. Hudson 3. J. A. Robertshaw 4. H. Parker 5, D. S. Johnson (first of Major) 6, B. Sutton (cond.) 7. R. Ducker 8

BUCKIEAURY, BERKS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Carr 1. Alice Talbot 2, Joan Marshall 3. Stella Davis 4. Dorothy Pearce
 8.

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY.-On Feb. 20th, 1.440 Treble Bob Minor (Duke of Leeds, Duke of York): J. W. Buxton 1, T. Tarbatt 2, F. Cowling 3. D. N. Stables 4, H. Rusby 5, N. F. Moxon (cond.)

EXETER, DEVON.-At the Cathedral, on Feb. 27th. 1.260 Stedman Triples, on the Thomas eight: G. S. Morris (cond.) 1, F. Mack 2, H. G. Keeley 3, J. L. Glanvill 4. H. C. Spen
N. Mallett 7. F. Wreford 8.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: K. C. Begric 1. Mrs. W. M. White 2, M. W. Mason 3. P. J Masun 4. R. H. Bigrie (cond.) 5. F. G. Regrie (first quanter)

GNOSALL. STAFFS.On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Denubles: J. Dyke (first on a working bell) 1. K. Walker (firsi quarter) 2. Mrs. E. M. Kcy 3. B. G. Key 4. D.
Edwards (first quarter) 6.

GREAT TEW. OXON.-On Feh. 28th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Clifeon 1. B. Morley 2. L. Larner 3. B. Cross 4. R. Taplin 5. A. Leach 6. I. Harris (cond.) 7. T. Clifton
engagement of Princess Margaret.

HAGBOLIRNE, BERKS. On Feb. 24th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: G. W. Bishop 1. H. K. White 2 . M. Bishon 3. I. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5 . W. Corderoy 6. A. H. Webb (cond.)

HANDSWORTH, YORKS.-On Feb. 19th. 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. E. D. Kelly 1. W. H. Taylor 2. Christime For 3. Eileen J. Osborne 4.
F. Cardwell 5. J. J. L. Gilben (cond) 6. J. F. Cardwelt 5. J. J. L. Gilbert (cond.) 6, J.
Chetteburgh (covering) 7. HEYWOOD. LANCS.-On Feb. 20th. 1.260
Stedman Triples: M. D. Fishwick 1, J. P. Partington 2. Christine B Clayton 3. G. Rothwell 4. F. J. Nelson 5. G. S. Mills 6. D. Oeden (eorid.) 7. D. Butterworth 8

Quarter peals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to H.M. the Queen, born Эeb. 19th, 1960

HiGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 21st. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): Valeric Orman (first quarter) 1. Mrs. E. Ford 2, W. J. Gait (cond.) 3. J. Brooks 4. Mrs. T. W. Kimber 5 J. Naish 6.

HUTTON, ESSEX.-On Feb. 22nd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and All Saints): N. Davies 1, C. E. Hill 2, W. G. Wright 3, W. T. Hill (cond.) 4, R. G Jones 5.
INGRAVE, ESSEX.-On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsirc Doubles: D. Bulford 1, A. Duggan 2. E. Potter 3. P Bedford (cond.) 4, F. Wood 5. First quarter by all except 5 .
KILBURN, LONDON.-On Feb. 22nd. 1,260 Stedman Trinles: D. C. Birkenshaw 1, M. Bland 2 . Ruth How 3, W. Sldwell 4. M. F. Amnes 5. J. Perrett 6. R. B. Meadows (cond.) 7. Christine Bradburn 8.
LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDS.-On Fcb, 19th 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Reversc Canterbury Pleasure Bob): Miss U. Hopkins 1. M. Hughes (first quarer) 2, P. F. T. Smith 3, E. Lloyd 4, N Bennell (cond) 5, G. J. Harris 6. Also on Feb 21st. 1.260 Doubles (St. Simon's. St. Martin's. St ()smund's. Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire): M. Hughes 1. G. Harris 2, E. Lloyd 3, P. F. T. Smith 4, N. Bennctl (cond.) 5 G. J. Harris 6.

MARK, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 23rd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Maud Boley (first quarter) 1, Pat Popham 2. J. Coleman 3, I. J. Burrough 4, H. Petheram (first 'inside') 5, F. B. Comer (cond.) 6. P. Hari 7. R. Fisher (first quaner) 8.

MONKEN HADLEY, MIDDLESEX.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Price (first quarter) 1. R. Harrison 2. C. King 3, R. Fraser 4, C. Ward Bradbrook 6. T. Pink 7, W, Langley 8.
MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOS.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4, 6, 8, covering): D. Evans 1, J. Hartley 2, J. Eden 3, C. Eden 4, F. Jones 5, N. Bryan 6, F. G. Wilton (cond.) 7. G. Kench 8. First quarter 1, 2, 4 and 8. First quarter on the bells since recasting and rehanging.
NORTH SHIFLDS. NORTHUMBERLAND. On Fcb. 21st. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Margaret E. Sim (first quarter) 1. Elizabeth B. Scott 2. I. Scott 3. R. Turner 4. E. White 5. S. Hewitt 6, M. B Liversey 7. Jack Scott (cond.) 8.
OUNDLE. NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 19th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Tessa Lovell 1. W. L. Ferrar 2. A. B. Clarke 3. R. Gardner 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5. A. Wills 6. C. Page 7. A. Pywell 8.
OVERTON, HANTS.- 1,260 Grandside Doubles: M. Holbrook (first quarter) 1. Miss C. Hassell 2. P. G. Holmes 3. Rev. F. A. Sanders 4, B. Garretı (cond.) 5. R. Hassell 6.
PETERSFIELD, HANTS.-On Feb. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Dnubles: H. De Combe (first quarter) 1 , R. Walker (first 'inside') 2. Mrs. R. T. Jones 3. K Sansom 4. R. T. Jones (cond.) 5. B. Kercher (first of Boh Doubles) 6.
PRESTON (WEYMOUTH), DORSET.-On Feb. 14th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Cornick 1. Sylvia Watson 2. Mrs. A. J. Slade 3, G. Cornick 4. Miss B. Marsh 5. A. I. Slade (cond.) 6.
OUEDGELEY. GLOS.-On Feb. 21 si . 1.4 .50 Plain Boh Minor: Miss J. Winter A. Wixey 2. G. P. Gifeen 3. S. J. Pugh 4. F. E. T. Tranter 5, P. T. Hurcombe (cond.) 6.

ST. MEIIIONS, WONS. On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Douñles: Miss D. 1. Hulberı 1. G Mank (86) 2. W. H. Williams 3. L. I. Hulbert 4. R. H. Addis (cond.) 5. A. Wheeler (first quarter)

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.- On Fcb. $19 \mathrm{hh}, 720 \mathrm{Kcnt}$ Treble Bob Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor: T. Bragg . Miss B. Parsons 2, Miss B, Lovell 3, F. Gudgcons P. Steer 5, B. Makcham (cond.) 6.

SIBBERTOFT, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 20th 1.260 Grandsirc Doubles: Pamela Dexter 1, W loake (first 'inside') 2 N . Spencer (finst quarter) 3. R. Loake 4. D. Williams (first as cond.) 5. Also for the 25th anniversary of Mr. C. Hawkins joining the choir.
SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS,-On Feb. 191h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Wakefield 1, Anne Stephens 2. B. Wakefield (cond.) 3, M. J. Cook 4, R Fenton 5. R. J. Smith 6.
SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia Wright 1, G. E. Foster Grandsire Doubles: Delia Wright 1, G. E. Foster (cond.) 2. A. R. Fowkes 3, F. Pickard 4. J. R
Pratchett 5, F. L. Hemstock 6.

SOUTHMINSTER, ESSEX.-On Feb. 19th, 1,360 Grandsire Doubles: C. Robinson 1. S. W. Bigmore 2, A. Perry 3, E. Potter 4, D. V. Robinson (cond.) S. S. F. Ward 6.

SOUTH SHIELDS, CO. DURHAM. On Feb. 21 st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. L. Smith (first quarter) 1. Mrs. C. N. Lea 2, Miss M. A. Softley 3. Miss E. Softley 4. Miss J. B. Softley 5. C. N. Lea (cond.) 6.
STAMFORD, LINCS.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob: E. Tyers 1 J. R. Ncholls 2. P. D. Baldock 3. C. Mathews 4 R. H. Knight 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6.

STONE, STAFFS.-On Feb. 24th, 1,260 Grandsirc Doubles: Meryl Purslow (first quarter) 1. Sheila Hodson 2, Glenda Rowley 3, W. Buckley 4, E. Young (cond.) 5, C. Dobson (first quarter) 6.
TUDDENHAM ST. MARTIN, SUFFOLK.-On Feh. 19th. 1,440 Plain Boh Minor: R. E. Lester (cond.) 1. J. E. Ivings 2. H. A. Mirson 3, R. G. Crooks 4. J. J. Prentice 5, R. F. Taylor 6
WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. C. Neal 1. M. J. Newth 2. S. Howard 3. D. A. Smith 4, J. W. Parslow (cond.) 5. A. M. Horn 6.
WHITBY, YORKS. -1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Lamerton 1. June Mallinson 2, A. V. Coates 3, J. Waller 4, G. White 5. H. Waters 6, S. Elwick (cond.) 7. G. Lamerion 8.
WOOD GREEN, N.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. West 1. Miss W. Whitaker (first of Doubles, and first 'inside') 2. Miss A Aldridge 3. C. Aldridge 4. A. Spreadbury (cond.) 5. Rev. N. Haigh 6.

WORMINGFORD, ESSEX. On Feb. 20th, 1.440 Minor ( 720 Oxford Treble Bob, 720 St. Clement's Bob): A. E. Leggett 1. Evelyn Cansdale 2, P. J. Perkins 3. D. E. Culham 4, A. W. Cansdale (cond.) 5. B. E. Gibbons 6.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On Feb. 27th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Caroline Carnenter 1 Anne Garnett 2. Dorothy Robinson 3. Susan Rawlings 4. A. Bagworth 5, Susan Jacobs 6. C. Mew 7, A. Bishop (cond.) 8. Also for engagement of Princess Margaret.
WOLVEY. WARWICKS.-On Feb. 23rd. 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: A. D. O'Donnell (13. first quarter) 1. T. W. Thorne 2. J. H. Beale (cond.) 3. H. M. Windsor 4, B. Taylor 5, L. C. Beck 6.

## Quarter peals rung for the engagement of Drincess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong- Fones

BRAYWOOD. BERKS.-On Feb. 28ih. 1.361 Plain Bob Doubles: Linda J. Kew 1. Pamcla M Jervis 2. W. D. Ward 3, J. K. Ward (first as cond.) 4. F. R. Scott

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.-On Feb, 26th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. M. Swann 1. Mrs A. J. Frith 2. R. W. Treasure 3, C. Allward 4 F. C. Mogford (cond.) 5. L. B. Coles 6.

NORTHIAM, SUSSEX.-On Feb 26th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Helen Barnes (12) (firsi quarter) 1. Mrs. G. Rece 2. Valeric Mepham 3. R. Secley 4. W. Button (cond.) 5. F. Tedham

YATTON, SOMFRSET.-On Feb. 28ih, 1.260 Grandsre Triples: Miss N. Baker (first quarier) 1. P. H. Marshall 2. T. Price 3. E. A. Price 4, S Smith 5. R. Brice 6. H. A. Price (cond.) 7, J. Baker 8
YORKTOWN, SURREY.-On Fch, 28th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss G. Lias (first quarmer) 1 Miss G. Marshall (first -inside ') 2. R. Bath (cond.) 3. R. Clist 4. H. Noakes 5. G. Gilder 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

ECCleston, Lancs.-On Feb. 21st. 1.260 Minor (Oxford. Kent. Plain Bob): J. Nelson (cond.) 1. Miss D. Crook 2. I. Owens 3. R. Crowe 4, J. E. Sumner 5. H. Hunter 6. A compliment 10 Mr.
W . W. Hunter (father of 6 ) on the completion of 50 years' service as ringer.
GlouCester.-At St. Mary de Crypt, on Feb 9 th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: P. Allen 1, P. Clarkson 2, W. Jones 3. L. Edwards 4, T. Boreham 5, J. J Webb 6. L. Barry (cond.) 6. F. Blowen 8. First of Stedman for 1, 2, 4. and 8. Also on Feb. 14th.
1.260 Grandsire Triples: F. Blowen 1, W. Jones 2. L. Hewitt 3, P. Allen 4. J. Smart 5, L. Edward 6. Barry (cond.) 7. H. Newrnan 8. An 80th birthday compliment to H . Newman.

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Mr. G. M. Atkins writes that 'A Flat' was quite wrong in suggesting that his friend-

## BELFRY

 ship with W.W. was ever strained. W.W. called his first 8 -bell peal, and Mr. Atkins well remembers making a special journey to see him during his last illness.Mr. J. P. Blond has 'completed the circle' of Blewbury tower.

Mr. John R. Mayne was the most successful conductor in 1959 with 55 peals, and not Mr . Peter Border, as was inadvertently published.

Mr. David Lamb, of the Beaconsfield tower, is leaving for Hong Kong for three years. A farewell yuarter was rung on February 21st.
The peal for the Royal birth at Stratton St. Margaret was also associated with the 82 nd birthday of Mr. T. Moulden, a local ringer.

By ringing the treble at Gosberton to a peal of Bob Minor on February 23rd, C. Harold Whitton completed the circle.

Will the sender of the peal at Blaisdon, Glos, on February 6th, please forward his name and address for the extra copies ordered.

When our Oundle correspondent sent in a report to a local newspaper of a quarter peal of Plain Boh Minor it appeared in print as "Bob Junior.'

Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton informs us that the Alliance methods Snodland and Swanscombe were mistakenly named by his band Adwick and Scawthorpe on November 3rd, 1955.
In the peal of 5,040 Doubles rung at Nassington (see page 118) there were 14 different methods rung, not extents as was inadvertently written.
The ringer of the third in the peal of Yorkshire S. Major at Cheadle on February 10th (page 131) was Miss Margaret Ross and not as printed. The conductor sends his apologies.
Before leaving to take up a new appointment as Rector of Melton, the Rev. L. R. Manthorp is anxious to clear the debt of $£ 100$ on Wenhaston, Suffolk, bells, which were rehung about three years ago. He appeals to all people interested in Wenhaston or in bell-ringing to help.

GOSSIP
Mr. Ernest Morris has only 100 peals to go for his 2,000 th. His 1,900 th was rung on February 22nd at Overseale. Ringing landmarks have been passed by Mr. Joseph W. Cotton's 700th and Mr. John A. Acres' 600th.

Bromsgrove bells were rung at 4.30 p.m. on February 19th by a band consisting entirely of pupils of Bromsgrove County High School.
The peal of Edinburgh Delight was rung at Warsop, as stated in our peal columns, and not Worksop, as mentioned on page 159.

At Luppitt, Devon, the Vicar was asked by the parishioners if they got their quarter peal of 'Bob Martin's.' Shades of 'Grand Cicators '!

By ringing the sixth at Sevenoaks to a peal of Stedman Triples for the Royal birth, Mr. E. J. Ladd, of Tunbridge Wells, has 'completed the circle.

Jafus apologises to Mrs. E. K. Fletcher for saying that she rang the tenor at Chew Magna. This should have read 'Wedmore, 35 cwt.; Memory plays some peculiar tricks!

A coat and scarf were left hehind after the meeting at Iver on February 27th. Will owner contact Vicarage, Iver, or A. D. Barker, Slough 23260.

All Saints? Church, Braywood, Slough, where a quarter peal was rung in honour of Princess Margaret's engagement, is shortly to be pulled down. We understand that several applications have been made to purchase the bells.

It is not very often that Frank Smallwood is lost for words, but the Derby folks recently took him so completely by surprise in conferring their order of 'Capita Magnissimus ' that it left him completely speechless.

Mr. Norman Chaddock, of 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham, would welcome information regarding the Sunday Service Survey that appears in diocesan, deanery or parish magazines, in order that his committee can assess its impact. Duplicated copies can be obtained from him if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS <br> Preliminary Notice

'THE first session of the 24 th Council (63rd annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, June 7th, 1960, in the Town Hall, Folkestone.
Committee Reports (Rule 11 (i)). Conveners of committees are reminded that reports must be made in writing to the Secretary by March 3 Ist. 1960.
Nominations for office (Rule 9). Nominations for the offices of President, VicePresident, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Librarian, signed by two members of the Council. must be received by the Secretary by April 7th, 1960.
Notices of Motion (Rule 13). Notices of motion, signed by two members of the Council, must be received by the Secretary by April 26th, 1960.

Representative Members (Rule 4 (iv)). Names and addresses of Representative Members must be forwarded to the Secretary by May 9th, 1960.

## ACCOMMODATION

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7, Clifton Crescent
17/6
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$18 /-1025 /-22 / 6$ to $30 /-$
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Grand Hotel, The Leas, Special conference terms $47 / 6$ daily, or $52 / 6$ daily with private hathroom. plus $10 \%$ service charge.
I.a-Mer. 10. Westbourne Gardens. conference terms 21/- daily inclusive. Members are advised to mention the Council when booking and to check prices. Guides to Folkestone will be sent to members via Association Secretaries, who will also receive a copy of the 1960 Accommodation Register. E.A. BARNETT.

## 26 Iron Mill Lane,

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Weston Favell. Northants, bells are to be rehung. Probably the last quarter on the bells before this is done was rung on February 291h to the memory of the Rev. R. B. Disney, one time assistant priest in the parish.
The band who rang the peal of Plain Bob Minor at Tewin, Herts, on February 27th, wish to associate the name of Miss Audrey M. Bailey, who unfortunately had to stand down at the last moment through illness. Thanks are due 10 Mr . T. J. Lock, who kindly took her place at short notice.

Members of the University of Bristol Society who rang a peal for the wedding of Miss Audrey Flower, daughter of the tower captain of Timsbury, would like to thank her parents for their hospitality after the peal and to wish Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins every happiness.

Apart from being a peal of Royal congratulations to the Queen and Princess Margaret. the 5,007 Stedman Caters rung at St. Peter's, Brighton, on February 27th, was a farewell to Canon David H. Booth on his appointment as Archdeacon of Lewes.

The band of St. Mary"s. Cheltenham, would like to associate with their Royal peal for the Queen's second son the names of Susan Elizabeth Marshall, born to David and Sheila Marshall (both members of the hand) on February 1 Sth, and Julie Mary Beard, daughter of David and Sally Beard. of Northampton, born on February 14 th . Prior to his marriage and subsequent move from the district. David Beard was a regular member of the St. Mary's Sunday service band.


## MR. R. F. B. SPEED, B.A.

## (Hon, Assistant Librarian of Central Council)

Although a comparative new-comer to our art, Richard F. B. Speed has distinguished himself by his brilliant performances and there is little doubt that we shall witness a good deal of his great ability in the not too distant future.

Born at Surbiton, Surrey, in 1926, he was educated at Eastbourne College and at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge. By profession he is an Electronics expert, and is in control of the Electronics Laboratory at the G.E.C. Telephone Works, Coventry. In 1952 he married Miss Anne B. Stockdale, and they now have a family of two boys and one girl.
He learned to ring at Radley in 1943 under the tuition of Miss Maric Cross, and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) at Epsom in 1945. He became associated with the famous Willesden band. and whilst with them he rang and conducted many Surprise Major peals including one in 1956 which was Pitman's peal of Spliced Surprise in nine methods, in which all the bells do all the work of each method. This was only six days after publication of the figures and was the first such performance. He has rung peals in no less than 90 Surprise Major methods, and has also composed peals in a wide range of methods. including the record length of Cambridge Surprise Major (with Singles). Another very fine performance in which he took part was the then record peal of Spliced Surprise Major in 25 methods conducted by Walter F. Judge. His peals total to date is 390. of which he has conducted 169.

Mr. Speed was elected Master of the Cambridge University Guild 1946-1947, and he represented the Middlesex Association on the Central Council 1954-1957. In 1958 he was elected an Honorary Member, and has assisted the Council's Librarian, Mr. F. W. Perrens. with the distribution of the Council's publications. JAFUS.

## Record Length Altempt Notice

Dear Sir,-This is to give notice to the Exercise that, by kind permission of the Vicar of Kirby-le-Soken (Rev. J. W. Thomas), an attempt will be made to ring 22,400 changes of Plain Bob Major at the Church of St. Michael. Kirhy-le-Soken, on Saturday. April 9ih, starting at 8 a.m.

The composition is the 13,440 by J. A. Trollope. No. 191 in C.C. Collection, with the tenor called three times $\operatorname{sih}$ in each course of the first four parts.-Yours iruly.

FRANK B. LUFKIN

## Tips For Beginners-11

> Court places as in Double Court Minor or Double Norwich are a significant feature in change-ringing. You make the further place first and step back to the nearer place. This lesson well learned will help later in Cambridge, Superlative. Yorkshire and mumerous orher Surprise methods.

## First In The Country

Inner story of how Broadchalke, near Salisbury, came to be the first tower to ring for the Royal Birth tells of careful planning by Mr. David Hitchings (31), poultry farmer, who is tower secretary.
He had a radio set installed in the brooder house. Two of his young em-ployes-Royston Jenkins (19) and Raymond Chalk (16)-are also ringers.

Immediately the news was recaived they rushed out of the hen house, jumped into Mr. Hitchings' car, and on the way picked up Roberi Fry and Mr. Chalk, the postmun. There were also other reserves in the village.
Three minutes 15 seconds after the announcement they were ringing, and continued for 30 minutes. In the evening the bells were also rung for an hour.

## MR. CHADDOCK'S REPLY TO B.B.C.

Mr. Norman Chaddock sent the following reply to the B.B.C. regarding the criticism of the Christmas Day Broadcast:-

Dear Mr. Riddell,-Mr. White, the Editor of 'The Ringing World,' has passed on to me your letter and enclosures about the Christmas Bells' broadcast commenting on a letter of mine which appeared in 'The Ringing World ' on January 8 th last.

On the whole, my letter expressed appreciation for an enjoyable programme and, in particular, complimented the ringers and sound engineers for the excellent broadcast from St. Donard's, Dublin.
One part of my letter did refer to an error in that particular broadcast. I also had in mind other similar broadcasts when 1 used the phrase 'casual way.' Perusal of your enclosures impels me to admit that I was perhaps a little unjust in using this phrase. I do not wish it to be thought that I am unappreciative of the technical difficulties involved in such broadcasts and would like to say that but for the error you mention, I personally think that this last Christmas Bells broadcast, as far as the B.B.C. is concerned. was an improvement. For instance, increasing the time 'on the air' to two minutes for each tower is a welcome step in the right direction.

An improvement in the quality of bell broadcasts could be obtained if there was more consultation with those responsible for the ringing of the bells to be broadcast. The position of the microphone is of paramount importance as sometimes particular bells in the ring being broadcast have been almost inaudible. or in other cases too loud, this completely spoiling the effect. Echo effects from surrounding buildings may also impair the quality of a broadcast. Tests should be made before every bell broadcast to ensure that every bell in the ring is clearly audible. The services of a competent ringer are needed for such tests, From correspondence in 'The Ringing World' subsequent to my letter, you will see that some ringers themselves are not able to agree on the selection of towers. though most responsible people consider that there should be some safeguard that the quality of the bells. rhythm, and striking, should be good.

The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers* Committee on Television and Broadcasting (of which I myself am a member) are anxious to help the B.B.C. on any matters concerning Bell Broadcasts and would like to see increased co-operation in this respect.

I am sorry that my letter appeared overcritical and trust that a better understanding may result from the exchanges of views.-Yours sincerely,
(Signed) N. CHADDOCK.

## Derbyshire Association Honour Mr. J. Frank Smallwood

THE only safe thing to predict about the Derbyshire Dinner is anything may happen! and it generally does. Formality is thrown to the winds-and the impression your reporter gathered was that those two arch-conspirators Gordon Halls and Denis Carlisle, spend the whole of the time between one dinner and the next plotting and scheming who the next victim for their good natured banter and leg-pulling shall be

Only one serious note was struck during the evening, when Mr. Norman Chaddock (who had been warned that if he exceeded his allotted time, he would be shot down in flames) proposed the toast of " The Memory of the late Sir Arthur Heywood.' He reminded his audience that it was their parent organisa tion-the old Midland Counties Associationthat gave the Exercise this fine ringer and gentleman, who was responsible for setting up the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. and much of the progress which had been made in Derbyshire was largely due to the good work done by Sir Arthur. Peal ringing activity was not always a true measure of the state of Sunday Service ringing in a particular area. but there was ample evidence that this most important sphere of our activity was not being neglected, and he was glad to note the valuable contributions made by the Derbyshire Association to the recent survey of Sunday Service inging. He felt that Sir Arthur would have welcomed this Survey, and the efforts to foster closer relations with the clergy. He stressed the need for toleration for beginners and the less able type of ringer, and to make them feel that they were wanted. It was not so much what they rang as how they rang. The toast was honoured in silence.

This serious business having been disposed of. fun and games were then the order of the day. Competitions of extraordinary variety took place-and one in particular convulsed everyone present. The competitors were all male. and their orders were to iurn their coats inside out and roll up their trousers They then had to balance a waiter's tray on their heads, keep a tennis ball between their knees, and then traverse the length of the room at speed holding a lighted candle It is hot certain who won-but whoever he was he was a hero! Then the Derbyshire Association Choir went into action-this time with a competent conductor. the brother of Denis Carlisle, who last year did everything hut conduct.

## CAPITA MAGNISSIMUS

The great moment of the evening came with the conferring of the insignia of the Most Noble Order of Capita Magnissimus to the most worthy belfryman of the year in the Derbyshire Association. The honour was accorded Mr. J. Frank Smallwood, and the citation read:-

In conferring this award upon you, we have borne in mind the excellent example which you have at all times displayed before ringers of all ages.

We admire particularly that ritual which you carry out before starting a peal. First you take a pinch of snuff, and after administering a pound or two to each nostril you liberally seatter the remainder over your waistcoat and over any unfortunate ringer who strays within your orbit.

- Next you gently anoint your hands with your own preparation of glycerine and senna pods-this ensures easy and regular movement throughout the peal. Finally, without a hair out of place, you fling some last-minute insult at the conductor, catch hold of your rope and condescend to ring with the waiting band.

Your reliability in peal-ringing is beyond
question. If you are calling a peal the hand has every confidence that, with a clear and audible voice, you will call' a!! the bobs except the last one. If the peal looks like being successful, you can always be relied on to set your bell as opening time approaches.

You will recall one incident last year during a peal at Matlock. It was necessary to ring by candlelight at this primitive lower. Your fel low ringers thought you unusually bright on this occasion until they realised your trousers had caught fire from an overturned candle. There was a most warming experience for you.

You are very proud that you have recently completed 50 years of married life. However, the committee can give you no credit for this -on the contrary, they consider your hardworking. long-suffering wife, 10 whom they offer their deepest sympathy, is far more deserving of a medal.

Your recent endeavours on behalf of "The Ringing World." which culminated in a popular price increase of 25 per cent., have, in the opinion of the selection committee. done more than anything else to secure you the award of the medal. They have also ensured that the year of your golden weding is really a golden one.
The 'insignia' of this 'most noble order was then placed round the victim's neck, and it is a point of honour that all those who have received this honour shall wear it at every Derbyshire dinner. It is a circular cardboard plate with a humorous drawing of the secipient This year it depicts a Scrooge-like figure sitting at a table counting up pennies!
About a hundred guests took part in this happy evening, and they enjoyed excellent fare, beautifully cooked and served, and an evening brimful of good healthy fun. To those two arch-villains, Halls and Carlisle, our hearty congratulations and thanks.

## 50 YEARS' PEAL RINGING WITH KENT COUNTY

During Mr, T. E. Sones` 50 years' membership of the Kent County Association. he has rung 487 peals and conducted 305 for this Association: a further 153 peals (conducted 48) have been rung for 16 other Associations, making the total 640 and 352 conducted.
He sends his compliments to all who have taken part in these peals, and especially to his very old friends whose names do not now appear in the peal columns of "The Ringing World -Mr. H. Baker (197), Mrs. H. Baker (140), Tom Saunders (125), Luther Honess (101). A. Relfe (85) and Mr. F. S. Macey, who stood in his first peal in 1911.

## INSTRUCTORS' COURSES INITIATED

Following on the successful pioneer course in ringing at Dillington House last year, and its decisions on courses generally as reached at its last-held convention. the College of Campano logy is launching its No. 3 type course-Instructors One-day-on Saturday next at Bristol. at Christ Church (City) belfry.
With local arrangements made by the Bristol University Society, the latter becomes the first University Society to have such a course. Its president, Professor R. J. Brocklehurst, who will be in the chair for the opening, is also an honorary tutor of the College. City ringers are invited.
Applications for courses to be arranged are invited and welcomed and should be made to the Registrar, 40, Parkstone Avenue. Southsea.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## Sonning Deanery Branch

The ringers of the Sonning Deanery met at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on February 20th, for their annual meeting. After an hour's ringing the service was conducted by the Branch chairman (Ven. H. T. Shaw) and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Harcourt Trevor, Vicar of Warfield. Tea was served in the Church Room and the chairman presided over the business meeting, at which about 60 members were present, together with both the Master and deputy Master of the Guild.

The Branch Secretary reported a slight decrease in membership but that with one exception all towers had a good Sunday service band and most practised regularly each week. Combined practices each month were well attended. and thanks were due to the Ringing Masters for their work during the year. It was also reported that Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. had dismantled the six bells of Arborfield prior to rehanging, and $\pm 20$ was voted from Branch funds towards the cost.

The Master (Rev. C. E. Wigg) urged all young ringers to put duty to their tower and church before pleasure, and spoke of the forthcoming week-end course to be held at Radley. The deputy Master (Mr. F. Sharpe) mentioned that on his visits to the Sonning Deanery he had, on the last three occasions, inspected one of the towers and reported on the condition of the bells and tittings, and asked ringers to do their share in bell maintenance with oil can and spanner, and so save the church many pounds for repairs.
The bells of both St. Paul's and All Saints churches were open for ringing during the evening. and many young ringers from Arborfield and Sandhurst had their first experience of 8 bell ringing.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

A meeting of the West Lindsey Branch, held at Kirton Lindsey on February 20th, attracted some 50 ringers, including visitors from Branston, Dunholme. Burton Stather and Scunthorpe. The service in church was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. W. D. Davies).
At the business meeting, presided over by the vice-president (Mr. C. H. Baker), five new members were elected. These included three from Hibaldstow, where plans are in hand to augment the existing three bells to a ring of six

On the suggestion of the secretary (Mr. G. L. A. Lunn), it was agreed that a telegram conveying loyal and affectionate greetings should he sent to H.M. the Queen, following the good news from Buckingham Palace the day before

Further ringing followed in the evening. ranging from rounds to Surprise methods.

## SOCIETY OF ROVING RINGERS

A party of nearly 40 met at Birmingham on February 12 th for the 12 th reunion. Ringing took place at King's Norton, Northfield, Selly Oak, Aston, Erdington (where local ringers kindly provided tea) and St. Martin's.

Dinner was held at the Market Hotel, At the meeting which followed, the following oflicers were elected: President. Bill Kingcott: life vice-president. T. Mark White: Master. Cyril Lewington: joint secretaries. Audrey Bailey and Michael C. Austin: treasurer. Bernard Ongley: recorder, C. Lewington

It was unanimously agreed that the summer tour be held in the Lincolnshire. Rutland, Leicestershire area
On Sunday, ringing took place at the Cathedral, St. Martin's, Edgbaston and Bishop Latimer's Church

Sincere thanks are extended to the incumbents and ringers of Birmingham for their warm welcome.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FATHERS' AND SONS' PEALS FOR WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION
Dear Sir.-The peal of Plain Bob Major rung at Salford Priors, Warwickshire, on January 30 th by four fathers and sons was not the first father and son peal for the Worcestershire Association. A peal of plain Bob Major, at Si. John-the-Baptist. Worcester, on November 16th. 1946, was rung by four fathers and sons as follows:-

John Morris. treble. Edward Large 2. James Woodyatt 3, William Lewis 4. Denis R. Morris Gcorge E. Large (cond.) 6, Reginald Woodyatt 7. Thomas W. Lewis, tenor.

The four fathers rang $1,2,3,4$. and their sons 5.6.7.8.

This peal was not claimed as a first. I helieve a father and son peal was rung on the six bells of Kempsey, near Worcester, some years before.-Yours faithfully.
R. WOODYATT.

## Claines. Worcester.

## THE LATE JOHN CARTER

Dear Sir.-In order to complete the material required for an itlustrated pamphlet about the Carter Ringing Machine. I am anxious to obtain a good original photograph of the late John Carter with his machıne in front of him. Such a picture appears in Mr. Ernest Morris ${ }^{\circ}$. History and Art of ChangeRinging, and was also published in The Model Engineer' in March. 1925 . but neither Mr. Morris nor Messrs. Percival Marshall are able to help
If any reader has such a photograph, I would be very grateful for his help.- Yours faithfully.

DOUGLAS HUGHES.
12. Orpin Road, Merstham, Surrey.

## BELLS AND ST. CECILIA

Dear Sir, - Whilst reading same correspondence on " The Patron Saint of Gardeners which appeared in recent issues of a gardening periodical the thought came to me, Is there a patron saint of bellringers?
St. Cecilia. I know is the patroness of musicians and good bells rung by experts produce good music but it would be interesting to know if any association or band of ringers has. in the past, adopted St. Cecilia or any one of the other saints as the patron of our art. Maybe one of the lesser known siints was in some way associated with, or interested in bells or bell-music (though not in modern change-ringing of course). Perhaps Mr. Ernest Morris or one of your clergyreaders would be kind enough to give me some enlightemment on the subject. Yours truly.

Burghill. Herefordshire.

## THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

Dear Sir.-Though no fault of the compilers of 'The Ringers' Notebook and Diary 1960 the details of the Stafford Archdeaconry Socicty. (page 14) are incorrect. Please read as under:- Ringing Master. E. Malin: Deputy, j. B. Dinenage: Secrecıries. Rev. C. Holroyd Barker. The Vicarage, Swindon, nr. Dudley: D. J. Tranter, 36. Seven Acres, Aldridge, nr: Walsall. Assistant, C. M. Smith. Fosseway, Talbot Avenue, Strectley, Sutton Coldfield, Warwicks.

In addition maly I take this opportunity of saying that I shall be happy to assist any ringer ( $s$ ) intending to visit this area in the future. for peals or outings, and point out that our scenery is not all Black, or industrial, and that we have some excellent peals of bells on which 10 ring.-Yours
incerely
Lichfield, Staffs
CLIVE M. SMITH.

## CORNISH RINGING

Dear Sir,-I thank the Rev. J. G. M. Scott for his interesting front page article (February 19(h). It appears I was wrong in saying the competition bands of the South West cause their bells all to begin to double-clapper on the same round in a rise. I think I got this idea. from an incident that occurred to me about 11 years ago.

I had recently come out of hospital after an operation and was sitting hy the tire one afternoon, feeling weary and depressed. I turned on the radio, hoping for something cheerful. Now it so happened that a programme depicting life in a Cornish village was being broadcast: nearly every aspect of village life was portrayed. and of course they had to have the bells. It seemed to be a ground floor pull for'I could hear the ringers walking about the quarry floor (one or two had hobnails) and talking among themselves.
After a few words by the announcer, I imagined the ringers swayed their bells slightly, for when the captain stamped his foot they all struck round in a perfect "pitch." This was followed by about four rounds of clappering on one side only. Then the captain shouted. Gio in a loud voice, and immediately all six bells commenced to double-clapper on the same round without fail, and away they went in a perfect rise till the bells were well above frame height, when they were faded out. I do not remember the name of the village. 1 would say the tenor was round about 12 cwt . in G or F sharp.-Yours sincerely.

## E. V. RODENHURST

## Whitchurch, Salop.

## PEAL AT ST. MARY'S, TORQUAY

Dear Sir.-In reply 10 Mr . Donald Roberts re the peal on May 30th. 1887, I hope the following information will help him. All the band were known to me and six of them were from Exeter: Mr. W. W. Gifford came from Salisbury and Mr. Frederick W. Batchelor hailed from Plymouth. Messrs. James Moss, William Munday and Thomas J. Lake were well-known ringers in Exeter, but Mr. Munday moved 10 Birmingham shortly after the Torquay peal.

Mr. Gifford was a bank manager in Salisbury and for many years gave splendid service to our art in various ways. Mr. Batchelor had two titles in ringing circles: Sir, verbally, and Esq. in print: but his name seemed to fade rather quickly in Devon Guild circles in the late " $80^{\circ}$ s.
A few details of the three brothers Shepherd are: Ferris (my father). born April 30th, 1857. died Anril 22nd. 1921, aged 64: Alfred (my uncle), born 1860, died February 25th. 1902. aged 41: Edwin (my uncle), born July 1lth. 1862. died July 22nd, 1946, aged 84

It would take many columns of our paper to aequaint Mr. Roberts with many other items of interest concerning the hand, who did a lot of spade-work in Devon, but if he would like to write me direct I shall be pleased to supply urther particulars. - Yours sincerely.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.
22 Chapel Grove.
Adulesione. Surrey

## CHARGE FOR ROPES

Dear Sir,-l would welcome Mr. F. W. Perrens" suggestion in "The Ringing World of January 29th of a small charge for ropes. All vicars saddled with a ring of bells should impose a charge of 2 s . per rope for all peats altempted, the money 10 go lowards the cost of new ropes. Ropes are dear, and after all, peal ringing for pleasture or otherwise is dirt cheap. - Yours. etc.,

Rotherham.

## BETJEMAN AND BELLS

Dear Sir,-Mr. Denson's recommendation in your issue of Fehruary 26th, of 'Altar and Pew. edited by John Betjeman, prompts me to draw the attention of ringers to John Betjeman's Collected Poems," published by John Murray (15s.).

Collected Poems abounds in references to bells, change-ringing and ringers. If John Betjeman is known as the poet of suburbia, the Church of England and Oxford. he is equaliy entitled to be known as the poet of the Exercise.

In his poem, 'Bristol. for instance, he writes

Ringers in an oil-lit belfry-Bitton? Kelston? who shall say? -
Smoothly practising a plain course, caverned out the dying day
As their melancholy music flooded up and ebbed away.
And later on :-
. . over leagues of hills and dells
Was the mathematic pattern of a plain course on the bells.
Again, in "Myfanwy at Oxford : Her Myfanwy? My Myfanwy. Bicycle bells in a Boar's Hill Pine. Stedman Triples from All Sitinis* steeple. Tom and his hundred and one at ninc.
Bells of Butterfield, caught in Keble, Sally and backstroke answer 'Mine!
Church of England Thoughts contains this stanza:

In country churches old and pale I hear the changes smoothly rung And watch the coloured sallies fly
From rugged hands to rafters high As round and back the bells are swung.
The opening lines of The Dear Old Village illustrate John Betjeman's acute observation of ringers and their foibles:-
The dear old village! Lin-lan-lone the bells (Which should he six) ring over hills and dells, But since the row about the ringers' tea It's lin-lan-lone. They're only ringing three.
There are many other campanological references in 'Collected Poems,' and ringers will find the reading of it both rewarding and en-tertaining.-Yours faithfully.
R. N. PITTMAN,

Cheadle Hulme. Cheshire.
5,024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Dear Sir.-In the composition of 5,024 Yorkshire Surprise Major, by Stephen Ivin (page 143), the figures and calling of the two courses of the ' $B$ ' hlock have heen inverted.-Yours sincerely.
H. TURNER

Shenfield.

## A TRANSPOSITION

Dear Sir.-The composition of Romford Surprise Major on page 128 of . The Ringing World is a transposition of a peal of London by 11. Law James, given on page 59 of 'Surprise Methods.

Inadvertent acts of piracy of this type can often be avoided if the peal for an Bths place method is ransposed so as to give the corresponding peal for ands place methods. in which form they are usually more easily recognised. This is especially true of peals on it simple plan. such as this. which hears more ihan a family resemblance to Middlecon's! - Yours sincerely. RICHARD F. B. SPEED
Stretton-on-Dunsmore, Rughy

## 5,008 DOLBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR (p. 96)

Dear Sir. The footnote is correct: I fear Mr. Gobey has misread it. The fourth and last repetitions are, in fact. the sixth and twelfih parts: of course the singles may be made on any two bells-Yours, etc. Norwich. NOLAN GOLDEN

## TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## 72nd COMMEMORATION DINNER OF HENRY JOHNSON

# LADY PEAL RINGERS OF ST. MARTIN'S HONOURED - BISHOP LATIMER'S BELLS - VICAR TOURS PUBLIC HOUSES FOR REACTION TO PEAL RINGING 

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INGERS from as far distant as Newcastle upon-Tyne came to Birmingham on Feb. 27th to honour the memory of Henry Johnson, to join in the excellent ringing arrangements and to take part in the 72 nd Commemoration Dinner. In the chair was Mr. Rodney B. Meadows, and his epigrammatic wit knit together a long toast list. In a reference to - The Servants of the Exercise. which 'Jafus ${ }^{\text { }}$ is writing. he said, So far we have had the civil servants. I am looking forward to the time when we shall read of those who have rendered political service.'

## THE COMPANY

The chairman was supported by the Master and Mrs. Edgar C. Shepherd, the honorary secretary and Mrs. George E. Fearn. Ald. A. Pith and Mrs. Paddon Simith. Canon and Sinith and Mrs. Paddon Smith. Canon and Smyth. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walker.
The company included: Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Rigg, Mr. C. Dale, Mrs. H. Shepherd and Mr. T. Warner (Solihull); Messrs G. 3 .
and G. C. Hemming and Mr. R. Savory (Evesham). Mr. M. Elson (Lichfield): Mr. L. J. and Miss B. Millhouse. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Randles. Miss G. Rusby, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bloomfield (Lincoln),

Messrs. Wilfred Williams, T. Edwards, W. Cook and R. J. Leale (London), P. Mehew (Bedford). B. C. Ashford (Stourbridge). P. L. Taylor (Loughborough). Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Collins. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Perrens, Mr. and Mrs. P. Border. Mr. and Mrs. Garner Hayward (Coventry), Mr. and Mrs. A. P Cannon (Dorking). Miss E. Fearn, Mr. J Worth and Mr. B. Jones (Cheshire). Mr. and Mr. E. Harrison (Newcastle upon Tyne).

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. A. Woolley, Mr, and Mirs. R. G. Edwards. Messrs. H. H. Fearn. P. J. Righy. A. Ager. J. Anderson. R. J. Lees, 11. J. Turner. A. J. Collings. J. McDonald. J. Pinfold. N. J. Goodman. T. W. White, the Misses M. Reay. V. M. Horton, E. M. Yardley and M. Turner.
Apologies were received from the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Birmingham. the Bishop of Birmingham, the Provost. Canon B. Green (who is abroad). Mr. and Mrs. McGuiness, Mr. and Mrs. Walden, of I incoln, Mr. Morris J. Morris (who is in his 82nd year) and Miss M. Cross (Oxford Diocesan Guild).

## TURNING COURSE OH <br> STEDMAN CINQUES

Proposing the toast of . The Memory of the late Henry Johnson. Ald. A. Paddon Smith said while he never knew Henry Johnson personally. he had the pleasure of lalking and ringing with many men of the older gencration who knew and rang with him. He was a very good ringer-a good man at the end of a rope, but his fame was as a composer. His peals were beautiful musically. He was the first man to come forward with the idea of putting the turning course in the middle of a peal instead of towards the end as was common until then. Many peals were lost because of that. Men had become accustomed to ringing in the Tittums position and then when they were tired the change into handstroke position caused the peal to be lost.

He was a wonderful man and on his 72nd birthday rang in the then record length of 9,238 Stedman Cinques on February 28th, 1881. It took six hours and 48 minutes to ring. In that peal were Amos Cresser ireble. Job Joynes 2. Henry Johnson jun.. 3. C. H. Hattersley 4. S. Reeves 5. Henry Johnson 6 John Dunn 7. Juhn Buffery 8. John James 9, F. H. James 10. William Hollsworth (cond.) 11. T. Reynolds tenor. Reynolds then weighed 22 stone and he weighed 18 stone when he died.
Johnson's tombstone was in Aston Churchyard and by the goodwill of the Vicar of Aston it was one of the very few remaining upright. It had this inscription:


#### Abstract

ngland stone is erected by the ringers of Johnson to whose ability and perseverance the art of change ringing is greatly indebted. Born at Lichfield 1809, died at Aston, 1890. do it with all thy might", The toast was drunk in silence.


## CONTINUITY

The toast 'Continued prosperity to the St. Martin's Guild was proposed by Canon F. F. Guy Warman. Vicar of Aston, who quoted George Elliot's words that appeared on the toast list:

You must remember. it is not only laying hold of the rope

You must go on pulling.'
The Canon said he was a curate of the church George Elliot wrote about-Shepperton Church. Tied up with continued prosperity was continuity. The point about continuity was that it was not exactly the same as ever before. There was a famous Greek philosopher who said. 'You can't step in the same river twice.' Continued prosperity did not mean the same prosperity of 20, 30 or 50 years. With continued prosperity there must come change, because if there was no change it would be merely static-something with no life.

In the Ringing Exercise there was a very ordered continuity. If the continuity was not continuous the peal came to an end. In the St. Martin's Guild there was a continuity of personnel. Each year at that dinner they met those who had been in the business many years. and some just starting.

The most important was the continuity of service and for many years in Birmingham and its neighbouring churches there had been the continuity of service by the bell-ringers. and as a clergyman he would like to say how much they were in their debt. There was nothing so pathetic, said the Canon with emphasis. as old ringers trying to bring back the former glory on five bells. and then later we hear eight. ten or twelve
It was this continuity of service they desired in wishing prosperity to the Guild.

## CATHEDRAL BELLS COMPLAINT

The Master. Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd, in reply, said they were losing one tower-the old church of Bishop Ryder and its bells but at the same time they were gaining one with eight at Bishop Latimer's church.

During the past year the Cathedral bells had come back into action after being silent for many months. About the middle of the year they suddenly began to ring peals on them and one of those peals was Stedman Cinques conducted by their old friend Albert Walker. He was very much impressed by his control: he did not use an easy composition but one with a complicated turning course. Ringing in that peal was a great privilege. They also rang during the year four peals of London Surprise Royal.
Sad to relate there had been a complaint about the Cathedral bells. In the Birmingham Post' of the previous day there was a serious complaint headed "Silent bells." A gentleman who lived in his borough of Solihull had written complaining that the Cathedral bells were not rung for the birth of the Royal Prince and stated. It is high time Birmingham stopped lagging behind the rest of the country:" Commented Mr. Shepherd: "We must really ask Mr. Fearn to take notice of this complaint and ring more peals at the Cathedral.
There was one thing he would like to mention-how much the Guild owed to their very talented lady members. Miss Elizabeth Yardley rang her first peal of Stedman Cinques in an excellent way and they all knew what an accomplished ringer was Miss Diana Perrens. Then there was Mrs. Ruth Border who came the 20 miles from Coventry on the back of her husband's motor cycle to ring with them, and finally there was Miss Muriel

Reay, who had now completed over 500 peals of which more than 75 were on 12 bells. (Applause.)
There were two things which he as Master of the Guild was particularly proud of. St Paul wrote. If it be possible, as much as lies in you be at peace with all men.' St. Paul was a practical man and he knew that times would arise when hard words would be said. They in that Guild did not quarrel among themselves and he was very proud that they lived at peace with one another.
The second was the very hearty welcome they gave to visitors at the Bull Ring and it was a great joy to hear the Ringing Master. Mr John Pinfold. in his courtly manner say, What would you like to ring.' to the visitor. You can ring anything you like. It was very nice to offer anything from Grandsire to Spliced Surprise.

## THE VISITORS

Mr. Ralph G. Edwards, who proposed the toast of ' The Visitors.' had something complimentary to say to the many guests present. In a reference to the chairman he recalled Mr. Meadows speech at the Henry Johnson dinner of 1951 when the Lord Mayor was present and he referred to the smoke of Birmingham as 'Dante's Inferno.'
Speaking of Mr. John Worth he mentioned the record peal of 21.600 changes of Bristo Surprise rung at Over ' on real bells.' a quip at the next extent of Major attempt at
Loughborough. In a welcome to Mr. Alan Ainsworth and the Newcastle contingent, he called Mr. Ainsworth 'an accomplished conductor who had done what very few had in calling Carter's Odd-bob peal of Stedman Triples. There were words of welcome tos the lincoln ringers and a special reference to the marriage peal of Desford Surprise Major for Mr. and Mrs. George Randles-Desford was Mr. Randles' birthplace
Speaking of Mr. Paul L. Taylor, Mr Edwards said. We are sorry he has come to Birmingham and taken away a modern Taylor ring but we hope he will be in a position to bring it back into the city.' Of his friend Mr. Pat Cannon, the speaker said There is not a tower in the country you can go into in which Mr. Cannon is not known for some reason or another. " Jafus " told me one day he is a second Jimmy George with a difference-Cannon has a sense of humour.
lo Mr. Wilfred Williams. past master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, there was this compliment. 'During this year as Master he brought the standard of ringing in the Society to the highest level it had attained. Another London ringer, Mr. Robin Ieale, was congratulated on ringing a peal of Scientific Triples while Mr. Philip Mehew was referred to as "the glamour boy" of the Exercise after the chairman.

The Rev. Cecil H. Smyth. of Bishop Latimer's Church, in reply mentioned the completion of the raising of the $£ 2.000$ for the bells of his church. despite certain opposition from the Diocesan authorities. On the night of the peal on the bells for the birth of the Prince he was out in the parish and called at various public houses. There was not a word of opposition to the ringing of the bells. He hoped that those who rang for service at his church would not be those who rang and went awar but would stay for what they were ringing for.

## SUBSCRIBERS PLEASE- <br> <br> NOT BORROWERS

 <br> <br> NOT BORROWERS}The toast of 'The Ringing World was proposed by Mr. F. E. Collins. He appealed strongly to narrow the gap between the 20.000 ringers who were members of affiliated bodies and the 5,600 who were subscribers 10 the journal. There were 100 many people borrowing 'The Ringing World ' he said.
The Editor in renly said despite the increase in price the circulation was still in a better position than a year ago. The past week had
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# HURSTPIERPOINT'S SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE 

On February 13th a social evening and entertainment was held at the Parish Room Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, in honour of long service by four members of the local band.

The local ringers made all arrangements and invited their clergy, members of the Parochial Church Council, officers of the Sussex County Association, representatives of 14 neighbouring towers and representatives of other church or ganisations in the parish.
Four bronze plaques had been cast specially from a design by a ringer. The centre-piece is a bell with three interlocked circles to represent the Holy Trinity to which Hurstpierpoint Church is dedicated. Around the bell are raised letters, reading: 'Hurstpierpoint Ringers,' and underneath: 'Faithful Service." The lower part consists of a raised and polished oblong, engraved with the words: Presented to G. H. Richardson with grateful thanks, 1898-1960). The other three were similar but with the names G. S. Mansbridge, 1911-1960. C. W. Diplock. 1898-1959. J. C. V. Dearlove, $1935-$ 1955. (Mr. Dearlove also rang for many years before coming to Hurstpierpoint in 1935.) Each plaque was mounted on a polished oak base by one of the local ringers.
The highlight of the evening was the presentation of these plaques by the Rector (Rev. T. R. Franklin), supported by the Rector's Warden (Mr. J. Denman) and a vice-president of the County Association. Mr. S. E. Armstrong. All three, logether with others spcaking from the floor of the hall, paid tribute to the wonderful service given to their church by these four gentlemen over such a long period of time. Mr. I. Denman also presented signed copies of 'Coronation Chimes,' a book on the history of the local bells, printed when they were rehung for the Coronation. These books were from the Rector and churchwardens.
The presentation was followed by refreshments arranged by the ladies.
A very fine spirit prevailed throughout the evening as the more active played games, and later all were entertained by handbell tunes rung by the local band, excellent change-ringing tiy the band from St. Peter's Church. Brighton. Mr. Jack Markwick, a comedian from Crawley, songs by Mr. George Austin. from Hove, Farmer Giles' by Mr. Bernard Cornish. from Portslade, and a twins act by the local joint captains.
It was good to see ringers from many towers mixing with the local churchpeople to honour such a fine record of service by four " servants of the Exercise.

## Henry Johnson Dinner-Cont.

for him been particularly strenuous. Two mornings that week he had had over 100 letters 10 deal with. It was revelation to him of the place the paper held in the affection of ringers of England
From time to time there had been criticism of the gratefully acknowledged column. Through the generosity of those who had sent donations with their peals and quarter peals. they were planning to give in the next issue one of 24 pages. the largest number of pages ever given. That issue would present an amazing picture of how the ringers of these islands honoured the birth of a second son to Her Majesty the Queen. They did what the people of this country expected of them.
The concluding toast of 'The Chairman was submitted by Mr. Paul L. Taylor. The chairman in his acknowledgment thanked the Guild for the privilege of presiding over such a distinguished gathering. He thanked Mr . D. S. Anderson for his songs and his accompanist. Miss Margaret Bunn.
During the evening there was handhell ringing of touches of Stedman Caters and Grandsire Caters.

## MORE ABOUT THE HERTS ASSOCIATION GRIEVANCE

Dear Sir-I acknowledge the helpful replies to my letter in 'The Ringing World' of February 12 th from Messrs. Painter, Castledine and Frost. As Mr. Bartholomew was once a member of our band at St. Mary's, Rickmansworth, but left under unfortunate circumstances. I am unable to acknowledge the contents of much of his letter. If he would care to furnish me with his address. or come and see me, I will give him an adequate answer.
If the Hertford County Association is content to arrange nothing more than haphazard monthly meetings on a first-come, first-served basis, when anyone can ring precisely what he likes, then my previous letter was in very bad taste and I apologise to all concerned. But is this the sole function of a ringing Society? I certainly do not think so.
The points raised in the letters referred to above are three-the interpretation of the words Guilo and Association: the rules or aims of a particular Association : and the fact that 1 have not paid any subscription as a resident ringing member
Firstly, it was pointed out that I used the word Giuild when I should have used Association. in reference to the Hertford County Association. This was done deliberately, because I understand the word Association to mean a group of people combined together with a common aim, whereas I understand the word Guild to mean a fellowship of people with express desires to create and maintain certain religoous and secular beliefs. In this respect the word Guild is much more suited for describing groups of ringers gathered together, whether or not it is the otficial title of the organisation referred to.
Secondly, that I misrepresented Object II of the Association by quoting in part only. To enlarge on the fourth paragraph of my previous letter, I maintain that a Guild or 'Association visits different towers to enable the local ringers to gain marked benefits from the touches arranged. For two consecutive years our own ringers rang nothing more than rounds, and therefore they lost what interest they had in the Association concerned. Strong criticism was also made because we had abandoned Grandsire as a useful method, but when Plain Bob Triples or Caters were requested, this was denied.
Thirdly. that I have not paid a resident ringer's subscription. When I first came to the county and found that relationships between local ringers and the Association were nonexistent, I decided to wait until someone took sufficient interest in us before consenting to annual subscription. As Mr. Frost has now become interested in us, this fault will be rectified.
I shall have no grievances to put forward at the Association annual meeting, but rather suggestions which 1 think will improve relationships.
We have been criticised for taking more out of ringing than we put in. This I deny. We arranged during 1959 a full programme of events, which culminated in a dinner in January. Other than our own ringers. one person only from the Hertford County Association was present, although we have good support from other ringing fraternities. During 1960 we are going to arrange even more attractions, including a lower open day, a trip to the Whitechapel Foundry and various social gatherings. Is anyone from the Association going to be interested this time? -Yours faithfully.
M. HATCHETT

Rickmansworth, Herts.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

The asnual meeting of the Midiand District was held on February 20th at All Saints Church, Leicester. All the Guild officers were re-elected. Miss I. B. Thompson once again being the vice-president for the ensuing year. About 30 members and friends were present. and the bells were put to good use during the afternoon and evening. One new member was efected. The next meeting will be held at Melton on April 30th.

## OBITUARY

MR. C. W. R. GRIMWOOD AN APPRECIATION
So dear old Bob has gone, and it was with deep regret that my wife and I read of his death on February 8th. Bob joined the King-ston-upon-Thames company during the time I was secretary of that tower, and he remained a staunch and regular member of the band until I left to return to Norfolk. Irt spite of his long journey from Hersham, he seldom failed to attend for Sunday service ringing or on practice nights. He was cqually at home with the proficient or the most raw recruit and always gave of his best. He was delighted when invited to call a 'touch.' but above all was a first-rate lower member
I spent many happy hours in his company, and many times he related to me his experiences and the 'dodges' he got up to so that he could ring with W. Pye and company, in London. when he should have been at work
I shall remember always with gratitude his help to the Kingston company and myself, and as has already been said. he was a good and faithful ringer and friend. May he rest in peace.
H. W. BARRETT

Norwich Diocesan Association.

## MR. KEN SHERMAN

Mr. Ken Sherman. for 35 years a member of Ghe Newbury Branch of the Oxford Dioces:m Guild and of the Brightwation tower. died suddenly on February 25 th. Ken was known to a wide circle of friends, as he often drove coaches for Oxfordshire ringers' outings
The funeral service was at Brightwalton on February 29 th . and in the evening five men1. bers of his tower, with Mr. C. J. Hibbert. rang quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles with the bells half-muffed. The band was: P. J. Sayers 1. Cyril J. Hibbert 2. Gordon Hedges 3. John Bracey 4, Arthur Sayers (conductor) 5, W. J. Sayers 6 .

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Thirty-ithree ringers attended the quarterly meeting of the West Dorset branch at Burton Bradstock on February 20th. The fifteenth century church was much admired. The Guild service was conducted by Canon C. C. Cox, and Canon A. R. Dittmer. the Rector. gave the address. The organ was played by Mrs. Pope. one of the visiting ringers.
Mr. C. W. Powell. the branch vice-chairman. presided at the business meeting. Canon Cox gave a brief account of the formation and running of the Guild Library. The secretary announced that the Guild Festival would be held at Wimborne on May 14th. It was decided to run a coach and to make it a branch outing. The next quarterly meeting is to be at Whitchurch Canonicorum on April 23 rd and the method Double Norwich.
In the absence of Mr. D. Bishop, who was indisposed. Mr. H. Keeley was in charge of the ringing, which included London Minor: A warm welcome was extended to the visitors from whe North Dorset and Wimborne hranches. with a special word for Mr. W. Shute.

## NEW TOWER AT HIBALDSTOW

There can be few parishes of comparable size able to match the recent achivements of the Lincolnshire village of Hibaldstow. Under the energetic leadership of the present Vicar (Rev. F. Insull), a new tower has been added to the church, at a cost of over $£ 4.000$. replacing one which fell down in 1875. Fortunately. the three bells survived undamaged and these have now heen installed in the new tower. with space for a further three bells. It is hoped to complete the ring of six in the not too distant future.
Although the official opening and dedication of the new tower does not take place until March 26th, the bells were rung for the first time on Sunday. February 7th. by a team of ringers from Brigg. A few days before this. when the last of the bells was being rehung. a film of the seremony was made hy the B.B.C. and shown on the Northern news T.V. programme.

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MALLETT.-On February 29ih, 1960, at the City Hospital, Exeter, to Mariella (nee Mundy) and Norman. the gift of a son, Paul Norman. TRUEMAN.-On February 24ih, 1960, at Wochurn. Bucks. 10 Heather and Ivor Trueman, it son. Paul Roland, brother for Caroline.

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## PUBLICATIONS

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## MISCELLANEOUS

BEACONSFIELD. BLCKS.-There will be no practice on Friday, March llth, owing to a dramatic performance in church.
$\$ 899$
UXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at the Clarendon Press Institute, Walton Street, Oxford, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, March 19th Names for teat before Wedneiday. March 16th. to Mr. P. Walker, 66, Fairacres Road, Oxford. -M. R. Cross.
CHARLES W. BLAKIY MEMORIAL FUND.-Memorial plague or tahle to he placed ill Rishton belfry. Those wishing to join in thi tribute please send donations to John Pilkington. 407. Whalley Road. Clayton-Ic-Moors. Accrington. Lancs.

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WOULD any ringers with the Christian name of Geoffrey, interested in a name peal atlempt. prohathly in the Midlands, please write to Geofl. M. Brewin. S. Cowington l.ane, Rothley, Leies.

MONDAY, the 14 th , is the second Monday In the month, so come to ASH for Surprise Minor practice, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Methods. Bever ley. Bourne, London, Norwich, Surfleet, York

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RINGERS interested in touring (no peals) North England and Scotland between July 30th and August 13th inclusive (or part) are invited to write, stating brief ringing qualifications and personal details. Travelling is by private car and accommodation at reasonably-priced $b$. and b's. Apply Box No. 5919 . The Ringing World Office. Onslow Street, Guildford.

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## MEETINGS

DIERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Chesterficld District.-Monthly meeting. Barlhorough. Saturday, March $12 \mathrm{~h}, 3$ p.m. Tea provided. A. B. Cooper.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge district.-Meeting at Trumpington on Saturday. March 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.-E. W. Bullman. Dis. Sec

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.E. District.Meeting at Tendring. Saturday. March 12th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Followed by tea and business meeting.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Annual general meeting Saturday, March 12th at Guildford. Ringing: Holy Trinity 2.30 to 4.30 . St. Mary's 2.30 to 4.15 . Stoke 2.30 to 4 . Service Holy Trinity 4.30. Tea (2s. 6d.) Harvey's Restaurant 5.20 p.m. Evening ringing announced at business meeting. 5881
HEREFORD GUILD.-Bromyard District.Annual meeting Bromyard, 3 p.m. March 12 h . Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. 5888

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester District.-By-meeting at Bobbing, Saturday, March 12 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maid stone District.- Quarterly meeting, Lenham, on Saturday. March 12th. combined with the Ladies' Guild. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 -R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District.-Meeting, Saturday, March 12 th, St. Mary's. Ealing, 3.30 p.m. Te\&. own arrangements. Business and further ringing 6.30 p.m., at Christ Church, Ealing.-M. Powelı 5911
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Prees (6). Saturday, March 12th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 , Tea 5 oclock Further ringing 6.15 p.m. onwards.-F. Cattell. Holl. Sec.

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SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Northern Divi-sion.-Annual gencral meeting, Crawley (8). Saturday, March 12th. Bells available 4 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6 . Meeting and election of officers 6.30 , followed by ringing until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.-Practice meeting, Walberton (6). Saturday, March 121h. 3 p.m.

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting. Portbury (6). Saturday. March 19ih. Bells 5 p.m.-D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Crewkernc Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Barrington. Saturday. March 19th. Usual arrangements. Notify for tea.-T. $J$. Locke. Local Hon. Sec. $\$ 916$

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Taunton Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Halse, on Saturday. March 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names ior tea, please.-A. II. Reed. Mimos. George Sired. 1aunton. SyI

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Luton District.-Meeting, Leighton Buzzard. Saturday. March 19th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea (about 2 s . 6d.) 5 p.m. Names to Mr. J. M. Stephens, 33. Poplar Close, Leighton Buzzard. No name. no tea.-K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec.

5912
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirral Branch.-Meeting, Eastham, Saturday. March 19th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Wednesday pre-vious.-Alexander J. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.

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CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Annual general meeting at Saltburn. Saturday, March 19 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 16ih. 10 P. W. B. Semmens. Hon Sec., 52. Belle Vue Grove. Middlesbrough.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch.-Monthly meeting, Bulkington, on Saturday, March 19ih. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please note: Draw for television set will be made at this mecting. All counterfoils, unsold tickets and cash should be sent in not later than Wednesday, March 16th. to J. L. Garner-Hayward. 8, Orehard Creseent. Coventry.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Pcak District-Meeting, Chapel-en-le-Frith. Saturday. March 19th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. All welcome.-H. E. Tiylor, Dis. Sec. 5898
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, - Western District. Meeting, Saturday. March 19th. Winlaton St. Paul. 3 p.m. Names 10 Mr . T. Bullerwell. South Farm. Barlow. Winlaton, Blaydon-onTyne. 5896
EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Annual al Coleman's Hatch. Saturday, March 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall, followed by business. Names essential to John Ryman. Vicarage Collage, Coleman s Hatch, Hartfield, Sussex.-C. A. Bassett. 5921
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Northern District. -Meeting. Saturday. March 19th. Black Notley. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea, please, to H. A. Pratt. 6. Council Houses. Black Notley. Braintree bells (8) also available from 3.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. only.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.-Meeting. Eynesbury. Saturday. March 19th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. Sec.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Chippenham Branch.-Grittleton (6). Saturday. March 19th. 3 p.m. Service and tea. Names to H. Heath. 89. London Road. Chippenham.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Cirencester Branch.-Windrush, Saturday. March 19th, 3 p.m. Teal 5 p.m. No name. no tea. Sherborne (if available) 6.30 p.m.R. Wenball. 21. Aldsworth Road. Bihury. Cirencester. Glos.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, -Wotton Branch. - Monthly meeting, Chipping Sodbury (6). Sitturday, Mar. 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for ica.-B. Cooper. 14. Coombe Road, Wotton.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furness and Lake District Branch.-Annual meeting at Ulversion, Saturday. March 191h, 2.30 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea anci meeting to follow. Names to N. M. Newby, 45. Oakwood Drive. Ulverston.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Rossendale Branch.-Meeting. Newchurch. Saturday, March 19th. Bells from 3 p.m. Cups of tea
a p.m., meeing to follow,-1. Porter. 5906 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. Ringing meeting. Saturday. March 19th. at St. Micnacl's. Ashton-under. Lyne. Bells (13) available 3 n.m. Cups of tea provided.-G. D. Fearnchougl. Sce.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Market Harborough District.-Mecting. Medbourne, on Saturday. March 19th. Bells ( t ) 3 p.m. Service $4.1^{\circ}$. Tea 5 p.m., Horse and Trumpet. -


LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Fulbeck (6), Saturday, March 19th. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous. - C. Brown, 3.
Altham Terrace, Lincoln.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. and W. District.-Meeting at Twickenham, Saturday, March 19 th . Arrangements: Ringing at St, Mary's, 3 to 4.30 p.m., followed by service and tea. Further ringing at All Hallows', 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea not later than March 15 th to Mrs. J. Turner, 90, Bridge Way, Whitton, Middx.-E, R. Gotham. Hon. Sec.

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NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Meeting. Leek. Saturday. March 19th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. in the Maud Institute. Names for tea by Wednesday, 16th, 10 Mr . E. Sharrell. 13. Lowther Place. Leek. Please note: New Association badges will be on sale at Leek.-J. G. Burton, Hon. Sec. 5884
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marlhorough Branch.-Meeting, Saturday, March 19th. Collingbourne Kingston. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer. 16, Oxford Sireet. Aldbourne, Marlborough. Wilts.

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SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Monthly meeting, Carlton-juxta-Snaith. Saturday, March 19th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own rood-cups of tea only available.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Bromley, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon. Luech 1 p.m.. Bell Hotel (members 5s., others 7s. 6d.). Tickets. with details of ringing and business, from Mr. B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, Bobbing. Sittingbourne, Kent. Applications, and nominations for Central Council representatives, $1960-3$, by April 12th.-Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting vill be at Swindon on Saturday, April 23 rd. at 2.15 p.m.: details later. Nominations for Master by March 25th to Charles Rouse, Brooktield Lawn, Churchdown. Glos. 5925

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## QUARTER PEALS

Kelly, Devon.-On Feb. 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles Judith Whitford 1. J. Boucher (first - inside ') 2. D. R. Bould (cond.) 3. J. H. Bunoy 4. W. C. Houcher 5, L. Cundy 6.
l.ANCASTER.-At Si. Mary's Church, on Feb. 6th, 1.296 Plain Bob Major: Irene Bradshaw (firm quarter) 1, Judy Moir (first of Major) 2, R. Dennison 3. D. Lawson (firse of Major) 4, J Dickenson 5. T. Metcalfe 6, G. Braithwaite (cond.) 7. R. F. Eccles 8.

LONDON. S.E.-At St. John's, Waterloo Road. on Jan. 3lst, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): W. D. Grainger (cond.) 1, T. H Taffender 2. Miss M. E. Powell 3. Miss D. A Deverell 4. C. M. Meyer 5, F. A. Ranson 6, C. W Onley 7, J. McPhail 8.
MANGOTSFIELD, GLOS,-On Feb. 23rd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Brown 1, C. E. Jefferic, 2. O. H. Taysom 3, M. J. Jefferics (first as cond.) 4, W. Ritchings 5, J. W. Jefferies 6. J. G. Jefferies 7. E. Cooksley 8. A wedding compliment to Colin Beakes, local ringer
MORECAMBE, LANCS.-On Nov, 13th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Dorothy Nelson 1, G. Braithwaite 2. W. Gerrard 3. T. Mctcalfe 4, P. Handley 5 Dorothy Eccles 6, Anme Batty (first quarter) 7 R. F. Eccles (cond.) 8.

NORTH SHIELDS, NORTHUMBERLAND.-On Jan. 10th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Margaret E Sim (first quarter) 1. Elizabeth B. Scott 2, James Scoll (first in method) 3. R. Turner 4. E. White (first in method) 5, S. Hewitt 6, Jack Scott (cond.) 7. Mathew B. Livesley 8. Also on Feb. 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret E. Sim (first in method) 1. Elizabeth H. Scatt 2. R. Turner 3, 1. Scott 4, E. Whire 5, S. Hewitt 6, J. Scott (cond.) 7. M. B. Livesley 8 .

NORTH WEALD. ESSEX.-On Feb. 23rd. 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. King 1, Ann Hancock 2. M. McQuistan 3. L. Corcell 4. J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlock (cond.) 6.

ROMSEY. HANTS.-On Feb, 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. J. Pointer 1, Miss A. Knight 2, C. M. White 3, M. L. Northway (cond.) 4, D Greenlaw 5, K. J. Jacobs 6, H. J. Page 7, R. C. B Smallman 8. Rung half muffied in memoriam Countess Mountbatien of Burma
SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.-On Feb. 17th. 1.260 Grandsirc Doubles: Anne Legg (first quarter) 1, Anne Stephens 2, M. J. Cook 3, B. Wakefield (cond.) 4 R. 1. Smith 5, R. Wakefield (first quarter) 6. Rung half muffied in memoriam Capt. J. E. Fenton a churchwarden.
STOGURSEY, SOMERSET.-On Feb, 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. A. Ford 1, M. Baker 2 R. 1. Ford 3. E. I. Ford (cond.) 4, W. Webber 5. J. J. Ford 6

WFLLINGTON, SOMERSET. On Feb. 17th 1.280 Plain Bub Major: A. H. Reed (cond.) 1. I. G Hughes (first of Major 'inside') 2, B. M. W. Dobbic (first of Major) 3, Mrs. E. S. Powell 4, C. Tarr 5.
H. G. Sparks 8.

## ST. PETER MANCROFT

Members of St. Peter Mancroft Ringers' Guild at the annual meeting on February 17 th elected the assistant curate. in the absence of the Vicar, as acting president. Mr. A. G. Bason and Mr. F. N. Golden were re-elected ringing and deputy ringing master respectively Mr. C. Bird secretarry and treasurer, and Messis. W. Mayers and W. Barber siecplekeepers. The balance sheet had a balance of $£ 3016 \mathrm{~s}$. 3d. The acting president expressed his concern about the shortage of ringers in Norwich and said he would like to see more young people take an interest in the art of ringing. Mr. S. Gaul was elected a member The society was pleased to learn that Mr. Golden had left hospital and all wished him a speedy return to ringing.

## NEW ALLIANCE METHODS

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester and North Forest Branches.-Joint meeting. Barnwood (8), Saturday, March 26th, 2.45 p.m. Names for tea by March 23 rd from either Branch to Green, 30. Malvern Road. Gloucester.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDNorthampton Branch.-Meeting, Rothersthorpe, Saturday. March 26 th . Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Billings. 61, Melville Street.
Northampton.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD -
5900 Towcester Branch.-Quarterly meeting. FielmJon, Saturday; March 26th. Names for tea by ruesday previous.-W. A. Yates, 4. Bannerlands, Dadford, Buckingham.

## QUARTER PEALS

BEAMINSTER, DORSET.-On Feb. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6. 8 covering): Rev. J. S. Arthur (first quarter) 1, E. P. Baitey 2, T. Gunning 3, A. Winters 4, J. T. Barrett (cond.) 5 , E. A. Pannell 6. W. C. Poole 7, A. Meech 8. A compliment to E. P. Hailey who has been a ringer for 51 years, people's warden for 34 yeans, and until his retirement this year was for 41 years secretary and treasurer of the Ringers' Guild.
BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: V. J. C. Dale 1, W. R. Chandier 2, Miss M. Witney (first quarter) 3, Miss B. Fisher 4, R. J. Brown (cond.) 5. For Evensong. CASTLE ASHBY, NORTHAMPTON.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Fowler 1 . S. Elliott 2, T. Wooding 3, H. Wooding (cond.) 4, Allan Jones 5. Rung half muffled in memoriam Mr. Chamberlain, churchwarden for 27 years.
CIRCENCESTER, GLOS.-On Feb. 7th, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. 1. Cox R A.F. (first quarter) 1, F. J. Lewis 2, H. L. Cooke 3, E. H. Jefferies 4, P. J. Lewis 5. P. Morgans 6, F. J. Lewis jun. (cond.) 7, M. I. Cook (first on eight) 8. For evening service.

CLAVERLEY, SALOP.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Courtman 1. J. Marsh 2, W. Francis 3, E. Drew (cond.) 4, G. Goodson 5, F. Benneth 6. A. V. Pcarson 7. A. Nurse 8. Rung half muffled as a tribute of respect to Mr . G. Joncs, father of Mr. C. Jones, of the local band.
DUURAN, SOUTH AFRICA. -On Jan. 292h, at St. Paut's Church, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Brinkworth 1, P. Cahill 2, W. Gardiner 3, J. Chambers 4, C. Chambers 5, E. Bishop (first of Bub Minor as cond.) 6. First of Bob Minor by all the hand and probably first quarter on the bells. LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.-On Feb. 25th, 1,260 Plain Hub Major: S. Abbs 1. G. Howletr 2. A. rowe 3. M. Sollev 4. A. Coleman 5, R. Brown (first quarter) 6, M. Parker (first quarter) 7, P. Kindred (cond.) 8.

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## THEY ALSO SERVE...

TWE back page of 'The Ringing World ' may be said to resemble in some respects the front door of the house in which we dwell. For the front door is the first object to catch our eye as we return home, and the back page gives us our first glimpse of our journal as we take it from the postman on Thursday morning. And as our portal opens to present us with domestic comfort and refreshment, so the back page leads us to the experiences and reflections of the columns of the paper. And to carry the analogy a little further, it may be reasonable to suggest that the back page becomes as familiar to us as the front door, so that unless some startling change takes place or some novel feature is added, we may spend less time in the contemplation of this part of the structure than we do on the matter within.

Yet however little we may be urged to sit and gaze thoughtfully at our own front door, there are moments of reflection when, perhaps, we have exhausted the interior of our paper, and we find that the back page presents itself in a new way and with new trains of thought. Among such trains of thought there is one arising from the familiar list of ringing publications advertised week by week. These valuable works are, as we all fully realise, gifts provided for us by devoted and unselfish lovers of the art, and the public presentation and distribution of these books and pamphlets must be carried out by another unseen and even less rewarded band of workers. Among these one cannot fail to notice the ladies.

Three distinct sets of ringing publications present themselves on the back page of 'The Ringing World.', These are the Central Council publications, 'The Ringers' Handbook' and the Snowdon series; and each of these groups serves to remind us of the arduous labours and consistent devotion of a number of talented ladies, some of whom do not appear in the forefront of the Exercise's weekly pageant. It is impossible to look down the list of Council publications without some thought of the difficult and delicate task of providing a beginner's handbook, and of the part played by Miss Marie Cross in the completion of the job. Here, too, although there is no hint of it on the page, is a silent tribute to the monumental labours of Mrs. G. W. Fletcher. Who can compute her hours of typing, of checking, of proof reading, of collating, that have attached to her unseen work on publications and the business of the Council? Innumerable folk might bear witness to the many fields in which her help has been sought, but per-
haps only Mr. George Fletcher could adequately estimate the immense value of the services his wife has rendered to the Exercise.

The name of Mrs. E. S. Powell and the notice of 'The Ringers' Handbook ' turn our minds to this accomplished dady ringer and to her husband and his valuable work on the Central Council. And surely his text book, a reflection of his own integrity and good sense, is among the most attractive of all our rich store of writings. Its matter is sound, its progression logical, and there is a brightness about its setting, both in words and figures, that makes one eager to turn the pages.

The Snowdon books have for long been associated with our lady friends. From the time of her husband's death in 1915 until 194I, Mrs. Laura Snowdon kept alive the publication of the famous works of her brother-in-law Jasper, and her daughter, Miss Margaret Snowdon, has from 194r until recently not only guaranteed continuity of the existing books but has also published revised editions of 'Stedman ' and 'Grandsire.' In a letter to a correspondent in January, 1956, Miss Snowdon paid affectionate tribute to the memory of her Uncle Jasper, whom she was just too young to remember. The kindly nature of this gracious lady is reflected in the intimate short preface she wrote for 'Grandsire '; from her to Armiger Trollope's great friend and colleague, Ernest Turner, is a natural transition, and the remembrance of the genius of Ernest Turner is continually before us through the name of his wife, who holds the Snowdon publications in her care.

These random thoughts, arising from the contemplation of the back page, serve to remind us of that great cloud of unseen witnesses behind the activities of the Exercise. The flame that Edith Parker kindled at Cubitt Town in 1912 has become a great glowing light, in which our ladies of the ringing family shine both before the public eye in their practical deeds and in the back-stage green rooms and workrooms, where at times they may seem only to stand and wait.
E. C. S.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## ERITH, KENT

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Fri.. Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, On Fri., Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

Ar the Church op St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5056 PREMIER SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . in G .

Herbert E. Audsley Joan Beresford Arthur G. Mason George J. Butcher Composed by J. R. Prirci - 75th peal of Surprise Major, Conducted by Fredirick J. Cullum. method as conductor.

## BARNET, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At ihe Church of St. John-the-Bapisist.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

| Mrs. T. J. Lock | Tenor Treble | cwt. Peter Beresford |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joan Bfresford | 2 | *Anthony Ager | $\therefore 6$ |
| Alick Cutler | . 3 | Frank C. Price | . 7 |
| Thomas H. Francis. | 4 | Dennis Bersford | Tenor |
| Composed by Arimur | ights. | Conducted by | ESFO |

Composed by Aribur Knights. Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major.


## HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING. COUNTY DURHAM

THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
On Sat.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt in G .
*Keith Warl) (King's) .. Treble John Thorley (King's)
C. J. Herbert (St. John's)
*James Scott (King's) .
*Dennis Ellisdon (King's) Bryan Pattison (Bede)

* First peal.

MEASHAM. LEICESTERSHIRE
TIIE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sut., Feb. 20. 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the. Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr. 6 lb . in F sharp.

| unn K. Smith | Treble | Graham T. ball |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Derek P. Jones | 2 | Kanneth R. Dunstan |
| David W. Brunning | 3 | JUSEPH W. Cotion |
| William F. Wood | 4 | John M. Jelley |

Composed by Stephen Ivin:
*First peal of Yorkshire " inside."
Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

OLD GLOSSOP. DERBYSHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Qll Sal.. Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 17 cwt .
## Frank Osbaldiston

*Sidney Hough, jun. Ivor Jenkins
*Frederick Shallicross
$\begin{array}{cr}\text {. Treb } \\ \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$
Composed by C. W. Roberts,
*First peal in the method "inside

## FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Oll Wed.. Feh. 24 . 1960 , in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
A PEAL OHF CHIRCH OF ST. LAURENCE, 5056 PLAAN BOR MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt 1 qr .


NORTH BRADLEY, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition.
Eric J. Hitchins
Treble
*Norman Knee
Roger Keley... .. .. 3
Gilbert H. Harding .. 4 frederick S. Slatford ..

* First peal of Stedman. First of Sicedman as conductor.

Rung also for the engagement of Princess Margaret to Mr. A.
Armstrong-Jones.

## READING. BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, itt 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
AI THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 25 cwt .2 чг. 26 lb .
*Kenneit Corterell. .. Treble Ernest J. Munday .. ..
Alblert Diserens
†Ronald K. Russ .....
 Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by Noel $\ddot{j}$. Diserens.
*First peal of Major. + First of Yorkshire.

## WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's variation of Thurstans'
Howard Scott
W. Eric Critchley

- Peter Woodward

2

* Pieter F. Windley

David Cubitt.........
*Geofrey Townend
"Kenneth Park...
GKenneth Park.....
Wiferid F. Moreion
3
4
4

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. First of Triples on this eight.

Also rung for the engagement of Princess Margaret to Mr A. Armstrong-Jones.

## WARWICK.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .2 qr. 20 lb . in F .
James L. Garner-Hayward Treble | William T. Cook
Ruth M. Border ... 2 Robin G. Leale.

| Wobin G. Leale. |
| :--- |
| Ro..... |
| Peter Border |
| ... | | Wilfred Williams | .. | .. | 3 | Peter Border |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tudor P. Edwards | .. | .. | 4 | Philip Mehew | .. | .. | 7 | Composed by H. Law James. Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

Also rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. A. Armstrong-Jones.

DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sun.., Feb. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
At the Church of the Holy Cross.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In ten methods, containing 1,280 each of Rutland and London. and 320 each of Bristol. Cambridge. Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative. Wembley and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Tenor } 18 \mathrm{cwt} .3 & \text { ar. } 9 \mathrm{lb} \text {. in E flat. } \\ \text {. } & \text {. Treble Wiula }\end{array}$
Robin G. Leale .. .. Treble William T. Cook
Ruth M. Border ... .. 2 P 2 Philip Mehew .....
Tudur P. Edwards . . . 3 Patrick I. Chapman . . .. 7
Peter Border
 Wilfred Williams

Tenor
Also rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr.
A. Armstrong-Jones.

SCORTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5 . 1961), in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peier.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Thurstins' Five-part.
William G. Wilson
Nicholas M. Newby
James E. Burles
.. Treble

Peter Crook
Stanley Anderion.
*Alan Capstick
*Lawrence Clement

> Conducted by Peter Crook.

* 25th peal together.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ESHER, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Feb. 19. 1960). in 2 Hours and 44 Minures.
At Christ Chirch.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (five different callings). Tenor 7 cwt .1 qr. 14 lb .
*Susan Rawitinas ... Trehle tCathrine M. Powfll.. 4
Chrishine M Harboli.. ? tria. C. J. B. Marshail 5
Joha F. M Maybrey... ${ }^{3}$ Frank Oakshott .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Frank Oakshort.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Minor. First as conductor, and on six bells.

## ROYAL PEALS-Continued

SOHAM. CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, at the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
*Derik G. Taylor
R. Oliver Fyson
. $\cdot$.

Treble
2
Conducted by Roger J. Palmer.

* First peal.

SWAFFHAM. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Crriac and Juletta,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 11 cw.
J. York Parker

Miche .. Treble Charles F. Sargeani
*Dlrek G. Taylor .. .. 23 Roger J. Palmer $\begin{aligned} & \text { Richard J. W. Housden... Tehor }\end{aligned}$ Conducted by Richard J. W. Housden.

* First pcal 'inside.'


## BURWELL. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mont., Feb. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Derek G. Taylor
Charles F Sargeant ... Treble
Miclael J. Tichard J. W. Housden.. 5 Conducted by Richard J W Housden.

EAST BRIDGFORD. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Peier,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Ruil Blackshaw
Treble
*John Higas
F. William Midwinter $\frac{2}{3}$ Conducted b
*First peal at first attempt.
SOUTH CERNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

Ar the Church of all Hallows,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Ronaid J. Smith .. .. Treble
Raymond W. G. Fenion
¡Michalel J. Cook .. .. 3 Peter Wakefield .. .. Tenot Conducted by Bruce Wakefield.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First 'inside. LLANOVER. MONMOUTHSHIRE
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Barihotomew.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In two methods, being 12 extents of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Geurge Ward
Conducted by Geurge Ward.
*First peal ' inside.
Also rung to mark the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

ASH, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960), in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
Ai the Church of Si. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent Treble Bob and threc of Plain Bob.
*harles J. Harwood Treble Stanley T. A. Russell 4
 Conducted by Tom Page.

## BUCKERELL, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Mary and Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 16240 's and ten 120 's.

Janet Real
William Sparkes
Francis Parr

## Treble

 23

Tenor 8 f cwt .

Thomas Clouston $\quad$ Tenor Conducted by William Webs.
Also rung for the engagement of Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

MIDDLE LITTLETON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Feb. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 WESTMINSTER SURPRISE MINOR
Being one 720 and two 2,160 's, composed of C.C.C. Nos. 28, 34 and 35. Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .27 lb . in G.
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Jacqueline A. Roberts } & . . \text { Treble } & \text { Gordon T. Brown } & . . & & 4 \\ \text { Michael } & \text { G. Selby } & . & 2 & \text { William B. Pomeroy } & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Geoffrey J. Hemming } & 3 & \text { Gerald C. Hemming } & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$
First peal in the method for the Association, and by all the band.
NUNBURNHOLME, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two different extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt., approx. James Thorley....$\quad$.. Treble Kilth Goldthorpe .. .. 4 david S. Johnson $\because \quad \cdots \quad 2$ A. H. Hawcrofr John S. Rank .. .. .. 3 Leslie M. Woodhead .. Tenor Conducted by Leslie M. Woodhead.

## OTHER PEALS -

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes. At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 26 cwt .
*Jane K. A. Cook in .. Treble *D. John Hunt .. .. .. 7
Lawrfnce E. Hitchins . . 2 †Pairick J. Bird ... .. 8
+Mary H. Hall
$\ddagger$ Eric J. Hitchins
Roger J. Bird
Roger Keeley
Thaert H. Harding .. 10
Albert M. Tyler
Richard J. Bowden .. Tellor
+Elisabelh A. G. Bowden
Composed by John Carter,
Conducted by Albert M. Tyllir. * First peal on 12 bells. $\ddagger$ First of Stedman Cinques. $\ddagger$ First of Cinques.
Arranged and rung in memoriam Samuel J. Hector.

## SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## On Sat.. March 5. 1960. in 3 Hours and 33 Minules.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt , in E flat.
Patricia M. Bourn .. ..Treble Arthur G. Masun .. .. 7
G. William Critchley .. 2 Ernest W. Pye. .. ... ... 8

Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 Thomas J. Lock .. .. 9
Alfred J. House
Stewart F. Kimber 10
John F. Crampion
Stewart F. Kimber ... ..
J. Richard Castledine ..
.
6 Erederick E. Collins $\quad$... 11
J. Richard Castledine . . 6 - Edward P. Duffield .. Tenor

Composed by Leslie W. G. Morris.
Conducted by G. Wieliam Critchley.
In memorian: William Pye, who died March 8th, 1935.

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## TEN BELL PEAL

LEEDS, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.
*Ian H. Oram
Joan Beresford
Ralph Bird
LER

+ First


## Tenor 20 cwt . in E .

* First peal of London Royal. First of London Royal in the county and for the Association.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## MOULTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Feb. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
Ar The Church of SS. Peiter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 3 gr .3 lb . in F .

 Composed by W. Shipway. Conducted by George F. Roome. * First peal of Major. First in the method on the bells for the band, and for the Guild.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF $\mathbf{5 0 5 6}$ SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In five methods, being 2,080 Bristol, 1.920 London, 384 Cambridge, 384 Yorkshire and 288 Superlative, with 118 changes of method. Tenor $25 \frac{s}{4}$ cwt.
Rifa M. Jowett . Treble M. Vivien Copping *Roy Bettley-Cooke
*B. Gillian Schofiel.d $\frac{2}{3}$
4
Cillian Schofiel.d ... 4 Wilfrid F. Moreion .. Tenor Composed by W. E. Critchley. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreion * First peal of Spliced Surprise.

## BLEWBURY, BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, ins 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All. Angels A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.
Alix. R. Wondley
Henry L. Bishop
James P. Blond
Alfred R T Greknough
Conducted
Trebl
Treble

| * A. Roy Wood | $\begin{array}{lc} 19 \frac{1}{2} & \mathrm{cwt} \\ \ldots & 5 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| +Claude Corderoy | 6 |
| Roberi B. Blond | 7 |
| Douglas R. Bosley | Tentor |
| bert B. Blond. |  |

- First peal of Stedman. +25 th peal on the bell.

Rung to celebrate the engagenment of Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones.

## DARESBURY. CHESHIRL.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILI)
On Sal., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 16$\} \mathrm{cw}$.
*Roy Fosier
Mrs. D. Lowe
Michael Thompson
Reginald W. Worrall.
Composed by J. Nicholi

| Treble John Ryder ... .. | .. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Harry W. Howard.. | .. |  |
| 3 | Douglas Lowe | .. | .. | Harold Worrall .. . Tenor * First neal in the methol. First in the method as conductor.

Rung as a birthday compliment to ringer of the sixth. the father of ringer of the fourth, and to Kenneth Parker, or Northwich.

FORDINGBRIDGE. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat. Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Washbrook's variation.

- Christopher Redwood. Treble
* Raymond Haines
† Ann Abrahams
Hfrbert H. Abrallams
JJames Lewis
* First peal. $\ddagger$ First of Stedman

A compliment to Princess Margaret and Mr. A. Armistrong-Jones on their engagement.

# LYTHAM. LANCASHIRE <br> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Preston Branch.) <br> On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, <br> At the Church of St. Cuthbert. 

A PEAL OF 5056 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Ilkeston variation.
Thomas Barker
Lawrence Walmesley
*John Jackson
*W. John Couperthwaite
Treble

Composed by Edwin Timbrell.

* First peal in this variation.

Rung to mark the induction of the Ven. C. H. Lambert, M. A. Arch deacon of Lancaster), as Vicar of Lytham.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, int 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AI ihe: Church of Si. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Dawn V. Elsun | Treble | John W. T. Taylor . . . 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hurert G. Summers | 2 | Percy Stione .. .. .. 6 |
| Philip G. K. Davies | 3 | Arthur H. Beamish. . 7 |
|  | 4 | Leo |

*Roger Harris .. .. .. 4 Leonard Trevor .. .. Tenor
Composed by H. Qains. Conducted by Leonard Trevor.

* First peal in the method.

To mark the engagement of Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

## OAKHAM, RUTLAND

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,
Af the Church of All. Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 24 cwt .2 qr. 9 lb . in E flat.
 J. Friedk. Hubbard

Composed by H. J. Tucker. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { John Meredith } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Ronald J. Hill } & \text {.. } & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$

* First peal on cight. † First of Major. First of Major as conductor.

A 2lst birthday compliment to Miss Jean Hoy.

> OVER, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $15 t$ cwt. in F .
Harold J. F. Muncey .. Treble Albert W. A. Leggett .. 5
George E. Crisp .. .. 2 George E. Thoday
John G. Gipson
Geoffrey A. Lucas
Donald F. Murfet . . . 4 Mansfield Ginn .. .. Tenor Composed by Benjamin Annable. Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.
A wedding compliment to John Shepperson and Ann Woodward, married this day at Swavesey.

## THAXTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
Ar ihe Church of St. John-the-Bapitist. Our Lady and St. Lawrincte A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

## Tenor 15 cwt .

Robert C. Heazel. . . . Treble
John H. Sitch
*Riginald II. G. Hayden
2
3
Stanley Clark
*Laurence H. Turner Bi:Rtram C Hintis
Harry Turnier .. Conducted by Harry Turner.
Composed by A. F. Lliwry.

* First peal of Double Norwich.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. J. H. Sitch, on reaching his 70th birthday.

DARLEY DALE. DERBYSHIRE.
THF: DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Feb. 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules.
At the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .2 yr. 20 lh . in F.
Tessa P. Kemp .. .. . Treble Herbbrt E. Tayior .
Micilafl H. Paulson
Georgi: H. Paulson.
John R. Kienni:it
Composed hy J. W. Barker.

> Herbert E. Taylo lan M. Holland

Norman J. Goodman $\quad 7$ Brian J. Woodruff:. Tenor Conducied by Brian J. Wuodruffe.
LEISTON. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sun.. Feb. 28, 1960. in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.
At ihe Church of Sr. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5056 KENT TRERIE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwl .2 qr .2 lb . in E .
 Composed by Charles J. Sevgley (No. 3).

Conducted by Lesife G. Brett
Rung for Evensong. A tribute to the Rev. W. C. Harling, on his fetirement after 40 years in the Ministry.

## SIX BELL PEALS

NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Newark Parish Church Society of Ringers.)
On Sat., Feb. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, at the Church of St. Wilfrid.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 13 cwt .1 gr .13 lb . in F sharp. William L. Exion.. . Treble Fredirick G. Hooper *James W. Raithby ... 2 †F. William Midwinter 5
 Conducted by William L. Exton.

* First peal of Doubles. $\dagger 125 \mathrm{th}$ peal (alt for Southwelt Diocesan Guild). $\ddagger$ First peal, first altempt. First as conductor in the method. WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Feb. 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Piter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720 's.
Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .21 lb.
*Joan Gilberi
1.eside H. Tayior
. Treble John P. Morris

Joseph W. Balley $\dagger$ Albrirt H. Wilis
Wiliiam E. Clarki: .. Tenor

- First peal Conducied by William E. Clarke.

Conducted by $W$

+ First of Minor.
HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Feb. 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At THE Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt . 1 qr . 15 lb . in F sharp. *Michael J. Fellows .. Treble *Alma M. Greaves .. .. 4
*Martin D. Fellows .. 2 Maurice C. Hughes Linda M. Hughes .. .. 3 Brlan J. Woodruffe Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

- First peal of Plain Boh Minor.

SWEPSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Twes., Feb. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the Church of St. Piler.
A PEAL OF 5040 MARPLE DELIGHT MINOR
Being two 2,160 's and an extent (C.C.C. Nos. 95 to 101).
Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .24 lb . in G.
William F. Woodward .. Treble Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 4 Richard J. Clifion .. .. 2 Joseph W. Cotion John A. Underwood $\quad . \quad 3$ Dfrek P. Jones.

Conducted by Derek P. Jonis.
First peal in the method (C.C.C. 4D. 112

## WORLE. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Feb. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin. A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten six-scores of Reverse Canterbury and 16 each of Plain Bob and Grandsire.
*William Lovell


To
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { *Martin Worrall } & . . & . . & 2 & \text { *Ronald ballam } \\ \text { †Grorge Prescoit } & \text {. Wilfred Kingsbury } & \ldots & . . & \text { Temor }\end{array}$ Tenor 13 cwt .

* William Lovell
* First peal in three methods. $\dagger 150 \mathrm{th}$ peal for the Association.

Rung for Mr. and Mrs. W. Ballam. parents of Ronald. on the ocension of their silver wedding.

BUNWELL. NORFOLK.
TIIE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On' Wed., Feb. 24, 19(0). in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
Af ihe Chircil of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents cach of Oxford Trehle Boh. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Boh, and one of St. Clement's.

## Frank Pearson

Tenor 10 cwl .
t. Charles Browne.. Frank C. J. Arnold.
. Treble
H. William Barreit

4
Wilfred G. Saunders
C. Frank W. Phlllippo

Tenor Conducted by C. Frank W. Philifpo.
Rung on the 75 th anniversary of the opening of the bells after rehanging.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Feb. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the. Church of St. Mat thew,
A PFAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents each of Oxford and Kent Tretle Boh and one of Plain Boh.
Denis Maddock
*John Hayes
John Rydre

| Treble | Cecil Raddon | , +t 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Harold Worrall | .. .. 5 |
| 3 | Walter Allman | Tenor |

* First peal in three methods 'inside.' First in three methods as conductor.

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes. at the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being one 2,160 and four extents. Tenor $6!\mathrm{cwt}$.
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Charlies Perkins } & . . & . . \text { Treble } & \text { Frank Taylor } & \text {.. } & . . & . . & 4 \\ \text { John G. Ames } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & . . & 2 & \text { C. Harold Whition } & \text {.. } & 5\end{array}$ Fred Brigiltman ....... $\quad . .3 \quad 3 \quad$ J. Martin Thorli:y .. .. Tenor Conducled by J. Martin Thorliy.
Rung half-muffed in memoriain Countess Mountbatten.
STARSTON. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Pauline Adcock .. .. Treble Leonard J. Minns
Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
E. Ausiin Head 2

Ernest Whiting
Anthony H. Roberts .. 3 Harry B. Fuller .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Ernest Whiting.
BRENTFORD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt 2 gr . 1 lh . in G
Christine M. Harboir.. Treble
Marilyn Christopher E. Hayter.

Conducted hy Geralij Pinni.y.
*First peal at first attempt.
Rung in honour of the engagenient of H.R.II. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones,

FLOOKBURGH. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feh. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minures,
At the Church of Sr. John,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,
Being two 720's Oxford Treble Bob, four 720's Kent Treble Boh and one 720 Plain Boh.

Tenor $17 \% \mathrm{cw}$.
Lawrience: D. Clement .. Treble
Donald Lawson
Thomas F. Metcalfe
James Dickinson
William G. Wilson..... 3 Giorge E. Brainhwaite ... Tenor Conducted hy George E. Braithwaite.
A birthday compliment to Alex. Edgar, chief ringer at the above church.

NORTHBOURNE. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Ont Sat.. Fi'h. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes. Ar jhi: Chlirch of St. Augustine.
A PEAL OF 5040 HEVERLEY SURPRISE, MINOR
Being one 2,160 and four different extents, with $5-6$ the right way throughout.
*Ralph Bird Treble *tian H. Oram Tenor 9 cwi.
*Trevor A. Cross $\quad .$.
*Andrew m. Macye .. 3 +Thomas Cullingworth Tenor Conducted by ian h. Oram.

* First peal in the method. \% 25th peal together. First of Surprise on the beils.


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## RINGWOULD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sut., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minures, At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London. York, Beverley, Annable's London, Norwich. Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenon 8 cwt . 1 qr. 8 lh . in B flat. *Crawford T. Hillis .. Treble
${ }^{*}$ Trevor A. Cross .
$\frac{2}{3}$
Conducted by Ralph BiRD.

* First peal in seven Surprise methods. Firsi of Surprisc. and in seven methods on the bells.

ROCHDALE, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minures.

## A) the Church of All Sainits. Hamer.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Treble †Geoffrey Dyson Tenor $14 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
\#Syivia Lord ...... Treble tGeoffrey Dyson ... 4
-Margaret A. Buckley .. 2 James Taylor .. .. .. 5 Marjorie hanson Conducted by Keith Abbott.

- First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. A. Armstrong-Jones, and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Sylvia Lord.

## ST. BRIDE'S MAJOR, GLAMORGAN.

TIIE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bridget,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
*Roger G. Havard .. .. Treble
*Edmund J. R. Hartley.. 2
David J. Llewellyn .. 3
Conduct

* First peal of Minor.

Rung as an 87 th birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Edmunds, grandmother of the ringers of 2 nd and 4 th bells.

NEWBURN-ON-TYNE, NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DUREWB AND-ON-TYNE, NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Feb. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michaei. and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Bamborough, Warkworth. Surfleet, Wells, Durham, York and London.
John E. Anderson .. .. Treble J. Alan Ainsworth
Gforge S. Deas.. .. .. 2 Kenneth Arthur
Eric. N. Harrison ... 3 Berin patison .. .. 5
Conducted by Bryan Patison.

## handbell peals

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Feh. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 10 Minures.

In the Belfry of the Church of St. Nicolas.
A PEAL OF 5280 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 22240 's ( 396 singles and 66 bohs). Tenor size 161 in B tlat.
*Alma M. Griaves $1-2 \mid$ Brian J. Woodruffe.. .. 3-4
*Roger J. Gay .. .. .. 5-6
Conducted by brian J. Woodruffe.

* First peal on haridbells.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sun., Feb. 14. 1960, in 1 Hour and 43 Minutes.
In the Ringing Chamber of the Church of Ail Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Alan Sheppard
$1-2 \mid$ Edward M. Bradley
Kenneth B. Sissons .. 5-6 Conducted by Kenneth b. Sissons.
HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Feb. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

AT No. 29.
A PEAL OF 5093 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor size 14 in D.
*Vivien Barnes .. .. 1-2! Joseph D. Johnson
†Mrs. J. Thomas $\ldots \ldots 3^{3-4} \mid$ †William J. Newman $\quad . . \quad 7-8$ Composed and Conducted by Joseph D. Johnson

* First peal of Caters away from the tenor. $\dagger$ to0th peal. $\ddagger$ First - in hand and first of Caters.


## John Taylor \& Co.

Quarter peals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to H.M. the

Queen, born Эeb. 19th, 1960

## half peal

MANCETTER, WARWICKS.-On Feb. 21st, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: H. Lapworth (first attempt) 1 1. Wilson 2, J. Parish 3, R. Burgess 4, R. Bacon (cond.) 5 .

ABERGAVENNY. MON.-On Feb. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): W. Horsington 1, G. Ward (cond.) 2, Miss Temlett 3 G. Lewis 4, P. Saunders 5, R. Jones 6. N. Ward M. Roberts 8 .

AMERSHAM, BUCKS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Doubles ( 660 Rev. Canterbury, 600 Plain Boh): Margaret Roberts (first quarter) 1, Rosalind Hicks, 2. D. C. Lawson 3, J. E. Camp (cond.) 4. A. K Forin 5, R. I. Rothwell 6.
BLO-NORTON, NORFOLK.-On Feb. 22nd. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. A. Foreman 1, R. Foreman 2. Miss D. M. Reeve 3. H. Fuller 4. A. Foreman 5. 1. Paul (cond.) 6.

BRAFIELD-ON-THE-GREEN, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss Y. A Tilley 1, C. Longland 2, F. J. Attewell 3, R. Jones 4, P. Jones 5, A. R. Jones (cond.) 6.
BUCKFAST ABBEY, DEVON.-On Feb. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rev. B. Conlon 1, Rev. P Angold 2, Rev. O. Mowan 3. E. M. Atkins (cond.) 4, Rev. P. Dowling 5, W. G. Lavers 6. First quarer of Minor by $1,2,3$ and 5 , who belong to the Abbey community. Rung on the back 6 of the fromt octave.
BULWELL, NOTTINGHAM.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Hughes 1, P. Pickering 2, Maureen Boden 3. B. Mozley 4. D. R. Boden (first as cond.) 5, H. Turner 6. First quarter by 1, 2, 4, and 6.
BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. C. Evans (first quarter) 1, Susan J. Beresford 2, G. C. Rix 3, D. S. Anderson 4. K. C. Kright (cond.) 5, A. Brown 6.

BUSHLEY, WORCS. On Feb. 26th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: A. Hawkes 1, F. Hawkes 2, M. Hawkes (cond. 3, A
Halling 4, E. W. Penn 5. J. Firkins 6. First in Halling 4, E. W. Penn 5. J.
method for all except 3 and 5.
CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.-On Feb. 21st 1.260 Doubles ( 780 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob): Mrs M. Alderman 1, Miss L. Badcock 2, Mrs. E. G Swift 3, E. G. Swift 4, P. G. Badcock 5, E. J Briden 6. Conducted by 4 and 5 .
CHURCH GRESIEY, DERRYS.-On Feb. 19th 1.260 Doubles ( 240 All Saints', 360 Reverse Canterbury, 360 Grandsire, 300 Plain Bob): D. Eames (14) 1. Joan Cotton 2. D. P. Jones (cond.) 3, J. W. Cotton 4. P. W. Grice 5
COLCHESTER, FSSEX. -At the Church of St Leonard-at-the-Hythe, on Feb. 20th, 1,440 Mino (Single Court and Single Oxford Bob): Rachacl Newsiead 1, D. W. Whent 2, F. G. Oliver 3, W. J. Brunt 4, G. W. Barnes 5, B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 6.
COMPTON ABBAS, DORSET.-On Feb. 19th, 1.260 Plain Boh Dnubles: Mrs. O. B. Fanner 1, Lottic Rideaut 2, Ivy Fanner 3, T. Nortis 4, D. Pike (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first quatter on the hells by Sunday Service band
DARLEY DALE. DFRBYS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. D. Taylor 1, R. H. Bullen 2, D. A. Mellor 3. M. H. Paulson 4. G. H. Paulson S, D. S. Gregory 6. H. E. Taylor (cond) 7, E. Paulson 8.
EDENBRIDGE, KENT,-On Feb. 19th, 1.261 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callings): E. C. Leigh 1, B. E. Jeffrey 2, D. E. Leigh 3. E. J. Jenner \& S. Jenner (cond.) 5, W. A. Leigh 6

GAYTON, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 2dih, 1,260 Double Oxford Bob Minor: H. A. Cashmore 1 A. W. Mansfield 2 . C. Truman 3, J. Linnell 4 W. A. Yates 5, W. F. Eyden (cond.) 6.

HENLOW, BEDS.-()n Feb, 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Thompson 1, P. Rogers 2, A. Gentle 3, M. Major 4. R. Fuller S, L. FUREY.-On Feb. 19hh. 1,260 HorseLt. SURREY, On Feb. 19th, 1,260
Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): B. Priestley 1 , C. Chinnery 2. J. Maruin 1, G. Oliver (cond.) Tyndale-biscoe 6
KINGSWINFORD. STAFFS.-On Feb. 28th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. E. Morgan 1. D. Downing (ase 12) (first in method) 2, Mrs, M. Layton 3 C. Peakman (first in method) 4, R. A. Peakman 5 , C. F. Jakes 6. D. Layion (cond.) 7, F. E. Jakes 8 Also for engasement of Princesa Margaret.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Newman 1, A. Pendlebury 2, 1. Homfray 3, L. Sheesby 4, W. Farmer (cond.) 5 C. Richings 6, T. Boreham 7, H. Harrison 8 MELBUURNE. AUSTRALIA.-At St. Paul's Cathedral, on Feb. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples (on the back eight): Florence Brown 1, Brenda L Sheppard 2. Barbara J. Beeson 3. G. W. Pipe 4 C. H. Pearson 5, A. H. Fisher (cond.) 6, J. J. Roper , P. Carwardine 8.
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.-At the Cathedral. on Feb. 19th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major W. Robson 1, J. E. Anderson 2, G. S. Deas 3 K. W. Checseman 4, E. N. Harrison 5, J. Hedley 6. J. A. Ainsworth 7, E. P. Crowdy (cond.) 8.

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, LANCS.-On Feb. 21st, 1.260) Doubles (April Day, Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. Mawdesley 1, K. Edwards 2, D. Burgess 3, G Lloyd 4, J. Ashcroft (cond.) 5, R. Lloyd 6. By Sunday Service band.
NUNEATON, WARWICKS.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. G. E. Beebe 1, R. A Bales 2, Miss K. Greenway 3, W. R. Beebe 4, T. E Wilson (cond.) 5, M. J. Newcombe 6.
OUEENBOROUGH, KENT.-On Feb. 25th, 1.260 Canterbury. Grandsire, Plain Bob. St. Bart's (Doubles): P. Negus (first quarter) 1, Miss J. Wallace 2, W. A. Wood (cond.) 3, S. Rayfield 4, H. Blacketh 5, Miss S. Kimmings 6.
ROADE, NORTHAMPTON,-On FEb, 21 st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Whitlock 1, W, Richardson 2, Miss F. Curtis 3. H. Curtis 4, A. C. Cozens (cond.) 5
ROTHERHITHE, LONDON,-At St. Mary's on Feb. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss E. J Lanston 1, Miss I. A. Marding 2, J. M. Lakin 3, R. G. W. Robertson 4, R. J. Trebilcock 5 G. Pratt 6, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 7, M. Taylor 8.

SILVERTUN, DEVON.-On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. G. Selley 1, P. J. Hart 2 Helen Sharland 3, J. R. Hutchings 4, T. Furbear 5, J. Furbear (cond.) 6, W. E. Richards 7. F Down 8
STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.-At St. Paul's, on March 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Thompson 1, D. K. Malloch 2, F. Howard (first of Triples) 3 , D. F. C. Malloch 4, S. Hodgson 5, K. Hall 6 R. M. Edwards (cond.) 7, J. Clegg 8.

STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Charman 1, J. Maple 2 Ann Dovey 3, Jean Horton 4, B. J. Farhall (cond.) 5. J. Chacksfield 6.

SWINDON, WILTS.-On Feb. 20th, at Christ Church, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Miss M. Wright 1, Mrs. P. Minchin 2, Dr. C. G. Roworth 3, Mrs. E. Sutton 4, W. W. T. Daniell 5, C. G. Jones 6 W. B. Kynaston 7. A. G. Wells 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, P. Minchin 10
TEWKESBURY, GLOS.-On Feb. 22nd, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: Ann Broxton 1, M. T. Sprackling 2. Nadine Price 3, J. Firkins 4. N. E. Sprackling 5. E. W. Penn 6, M. Hawkes (cond.) 7, E. Leach

THORNHILL. YORKS.-On Feb. 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: $R$. Brown (first on treble) 1 . Grace M. Beardow (first 'inside ') 2, A. Carter 3 W. R. Reed 4, F. K. Williamson (first as cond.) 5 ,
K. Goldthorpe 6 Also for the engagement of Princess Maraaret and Mr. A. Armstrong-Jones, Rung by leeds University Campanological Society.
UPPER CLAPTON. LONDON:-At the Church of St. Mathew, on Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss N. Hales 1. R. K. C. Wilkings 2. Mrs. R. K. C. Wilkings 3, J. A. Hales 4, 1. M. Stecle 5. D. W. Gray 6. D. Neal (cond.) 7, C. F. Neal 8
WaLTHAM AbBEY, FSSEK.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Girandsire Triples: Mrs. R. J. Chapman 1, D Hawkins 2. Miss J. Whitcher 3. M. C. Austin 4 11. Duncan 5, P. Laws 6, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 7.

## r. Pearson.

Wearson. dpril Day (4 callings): Heather Pullnn 1, J. E
Pullon 2. M. D. Fellows 3, M. J. Fellows 4. P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, J. E. A. Pullon 6. First of April Day by all.

## For the Engagement of Princess Margaret and Mr. A. Armstrong-Jones

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.-On Feb, 27th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bab Minor: F. G. Forrester 1, B. Schofield 2. D. Henshaw 3, F. Morton 4, H. C. Lonyon (cond.) 5, R. Worrall 6.
DROITWICH SPA, WORCS.-At St. Peter-deWitton. on Feb. 27th, 1.259 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Heather Pullon 1, J. E. Pullon 2. P. Cattermole 3. M. J. Fellows 4, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 5. J. E. A. Pullon 6.

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

## BIRTHDAY TOUCH

I)UNDRY, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 18th, 2,100 changes ( 720 Beverley S. Minor, 720 Mixed Ken and Oxford T.B. Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor, 120 Stedman Doubles): J. C. Baldwin 1, B. Shackleton 2, D. J. Hunt 3. R. G. Hooper 4, P. J. Bird (cond. 5. F. C. Mogford 6. First of Minor and Douhles by all. A 21 st birthday complimens so Bryn Shackleton.

## A DATE TOUCH

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.-On Jan. 22nd, 1,960 Dusbles ( 360 Rev. St. Bartholemew, 480 Plain Boh 1.12n Grandsire): T. Norbury 1, G. Forrester 2 R. Barratt 3, H. Callwood 4. E. Pimlott (cond.) 5 N. Ryder 6

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET,-On Feb, 28th, 1.440 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bub and Grandsire): J H. Wood 1, J. H. Hayne 2, J, W. Rose 3, N. J. Hayne 4. H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, D. J. Wood 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. M. W. Ford (tower captain) and Mrs. P. J. Fussard.

ABBOTT'S LEIGH, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 29th 1.320 Single Minor ( 600 Oxford Bob, 720 Court): R. G. Hooper 1, B. A. Shackleton 2, J. Brain 3 D. J. Hunt 4, D. E. Cobb 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6. No 'bobs.' Rung by six bachelors (average are 25).

ASH PRIORS, SOMERSET.-On March Sth, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1, M. Baker 2. H Cavill 3, S. Parish 4, J. J. Ford (cond.) 5, W. Webber 6.
BACKWELL, SOMERSET.-On March 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. H. Gilbert 1, Monica Horseman 2, T. G. Phillips 3, W. P. Blake 4, J. Brain 5 M. J. Horseman (cond.) 6. An 80 th birthday compliment to Mr. W. H. Brain.
BURSTOW, SURREY.-On Feb. 28th, 1.260 Canterbury and Plain Bob Minor: D. Wilson 1. T. Padbury 2, H. Parsons 3, G. Charlton 4, W Slaughter 5, A. J. Bull (cond.) 6. Rung for Matins and a welcome return to the Rectory of Mrs Binglcy after a very long indisposition.
LONDON.-At St. James's, Clerkenwell, on Fcb. 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss N. Hales

Miss M. Prockson 2, J. A. Hales 3, R. J Trebitcock 4, G. A. Parsons 5, W. D. Prockson 6 D. E. Sibson (cond.) 7, J. Euston 8.

CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX - On March Sth. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1 June Richardson 2, P. Woodgyer 3. D. Fowles 4. G. Francis (cond.) 5, J. Goodfellow 6. For the wedding of Valerie Ann Williamson to Rex Francis CROMER, NORFOLK. On March 6ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gloria Lamonte 1, J. R. Smith (cond.) 2, E. C. Wilson 3, P. J. L, Purslow 4 R. W. Balls 5, W. H. Holdom 6. Rung with the best wishes of the band to the Rev. D. T. Dick, Vicar of Cromer, on his retirement
EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Feb. 28th 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Russell 1. Mrs, E. Buwen (cond.) 2. Miss M. Funnell. 3. Miss L. Hughes 4. Miss S. Funnell 5, Mrs. M. Barron 6 Miss J. Morgan 7. Miss A. Greaves 8. Rung by West Midland District, Ladtes Guild.
HORSELL. SURREY. -On Feb. 28th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Drury 1, Miss P. Drury J. Martin 3, G. Oliver 4. B. Prestley (cond.) 5, Neil 6. For Evensong.
HLISH CHAMPFIOWER, SOMERSFT.-On March Sth. 1.440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. J. Nurcombe 1. S. Smith 2. F. Casley 3. C. W. J Tarr 4. G. Sparks 5. E. Ouicke (cond.) 6. First in method 1 and 3 . A compliment 10 the Rey. M. M. K. and Mns. Warren on their wedding.
KING'S SOMBORNE, HANTS.-On March 4th. 1.260 Grandsire Douhles: M. J. Pointer 1, Audrey Knighe (cond.) 2. Gladys D. Kitcher (first 'inside ') M. D. G. Northway 4. M. L. Northway 5, R

LAKENHEATH
SUFFOLK.-On March 6 (ih. Peachey 1, H. Fuller 2, Miss D. Reeve 3, R. Rose 4, J. W. Paul (cond.) 5, G. Miller 6. Rung half muffied as a roken of respect to Sir Chariton Briscoe. Bart., of Lakenheath Hall, who died on February 28th.
LEYLAND, LANCS.-On Feb. 28th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: J. Wane (first quarter) 1, Miss J. Muir 2, Miss D. Crook 3, D. Lawson 4, Miss M Ross 5, J. H. Owens 6, L. Walmsley 7, S. Walmsley (cond.) 8. For Evensong.
WEST BAGBOROUGH, SOMERSET.-On March 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1, J. Ford 2. H. Cavill 3. S. Parish 4. E. J. Ford (cond.) 5. W. Webber 6. Believed to be the first guarter on the bells.

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Members of the Selby and District Society had an unusual experience when they went to Nunburnholme in the heart of the Yorkshire Wolds to ring a peal in honour of the Royal birth. Upon oiling the bells they found the stays on the treble and second broken and the electric light out of order. The bells were rung up in peal and immediately went into changes for the peal of Minor. Upon completion, the bells were at once lowered in peal and the word 'stand' was not used. Compliments to the ringers of the treble and second.

In ringing in the peal at Brant Broughton, Lincs, on January 23rd, Mr. W. L. Exton rang his 100th peal for the Southwell Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Frank Oakshott, who has been ringing for 50 years, has now conducted his first peal and rung his first peal on six bells (at Esher).
A recording was taken of part of the quarter peal rung at Quedgeley, Glos, on February 2 Ist, to be taken by Mr. F. Winter, father of the treble ringer, when he sails for Australia.
In connection with the Mission to Radstock, Somerset, the bells are being broadcast from the Parish Church on Palm Sunday before the service at 7.45 . Although there is a resident Surprise Minor company, the method to be hroadcast will be Grandsire Doubles.

Change-ringing at Buckfast Abbey took another step forward when four of the monks took part in a quarter of Bob Minor to celebrate the Royal birth. It is hoped that the monks will be able to ring a full peal to celebrate the golden jubilec of the bells, which occurs in the autumn this year.
The band which rang the peal of Plain Bob Major at Lichfield Cathedral on the occasion of the recent Royal birth would like to associate Messrs. Edmund Malin and Francis A. Sedgwick with it. Having 'stood by' all the week, they were unable to make "the night." In contrast, Clive M. Smith apologises for their meeting one short through lack of news of the event until too late- To think I missed $3 \frac{1}{2}$ hours of that Taylor masterpiece, he writes.

## BELFRY

## GOSSIP

Mr. David J. Marshall, who youngest conductor, accordds we have received, to call a peal for the birth of a second son to H.M. the Queen. The peal was rung at Staverton by Daventry ringers.

The peal at South Cerney, Gloucestershire, on February 26th, was the first by a local band. The peal rung at Dinton, Buckingham, on March Sth, which Mr. A. P. Cannon claims as a first on the bells, was on a left-handed ring with the back five dating from 1682. The treble was added in 1897.
Six single men rang a 'Leap Year Day quarter at Abbot's Leigh, in which every call was a single. The tower, 100 , has celibate associations. There is uncertainty about a repeat performance in 1964.

Mr. Gerald C. Hemming's band had been practising Westminster Surprise Minor for several weeks with the leap year date in mind. By a happy coincidence they were able to ring this method at Middle Lituleton on February 29th in honour of the Royal birth.
The peal at East Bridgford. Notts, on Fehruary 20 th, had originally been fixed as a compliment to Mr. A. V. Dent, the local tower captain, upon his retirement from a lifetime of ringing. However, the arrival of the Royal baby the day before altered things, and it is hoped to ring a peal for Mr. Dent before long. Members of the band learnt with regret that Mr. Dent was ill in hospital at the time, and wished him a speedy recovery.
The peal at North Muskham, Notts, on February 13 th, was rung by members of the Newark Parish Church Society, and was the first to be recorded by the Society, founded 1898. In this peal the Master of the Newark ringers (Mr. J. W. Raithby) rang his first peal of Doubles, and has now rung Stedman from Doubles to Cinques. Another feature of this peal was that Mr. Bernard Plummer rang his first peal on the bell he helped to collect money towards when the bells were augmented to six in 1935. Mr. Plummer started ringing again in 1958 after a lapse of nearly 20 years.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 



## UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY AT DINNER

On January 30th a cold, wintry day greeted the 56 members and guests who made their annual pilgrimage to London for the University of London Society's Dinner, During the afternoon, ringing was enjoyed at St. John's, Deptford, and at St. Mary's, Lewisham.

The dinner was held at the Mitre Tavern, Chancery Lane, and after proposing the loyal toast the President, Mr. Philip Gray, welcomed the guests, amongst whom were the Masters of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and of the Oxford, Cambridge and Bristol University Societies.
Mr. Roger Keeley took advantage of his last opportunity to propose 'The Church.' He welcomed the Rev. Maurice Dean, the new Rector of St. Olave's, Hart Street, congratulating the Bishop on his excellent choice.

Replying, the Rector confessed that this was his first after-dinner speech, but his experience in the pulpit seemed to stand him in good stead. He thanked the Society for ringing the bells of St. Olave's regularly, and recounted some amusing stories at the expense of varicus colleagues. In a more serious vein, he expressed his pleasure at the signs of revival in the Churcl of England. and indicated the part the Universities could play in this.

The Master of the Society, Mr. Michael Lakin, proposed the health of the guests. After a brief summary of the Society's activities during the year, he spoke about the smaller University Societies, which were, in his opinion, sadly neglected by the 'big four.' Although the Universities' Association could do a lot to remedy this, much could be gained by discussion at annual dinners, with representaives of the smaller societies attending.

The response was made by Mr. Jim Prior, the Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths.
The toast "The Society" was proposed by Mr. Peter Langton, Master of the Cambridge University Guild. He spoke about the important part played by the University Societies in training future leaders of the Exercise. Such societies should endeavour to give their members a sense of proportion between peals and Sunday Service ringing.

At this point Mr. Alan Thirst learnt that he was to respond, and so fortified by the greater part of a bottle of Beaujolais he thanked Mr. Langton for his good wishes and those who attended for their support.
The secretary. Mr. Marcus Barton, gave details of the Whitsun and summer tours (to be organised by Peter and Denis Layton respectively).
The company then adjourned to the lounge, where many happy memories were revived, to the background of the newly acquired set of handbells. Thanks go to the organisers, Messrs. Marcus Barton and Michael Rose, for a most enjoyable day.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## Leatherhead District

The annual meeting of the Leatherhead District on February 6th was the introduction to such a gathering of the new Vicar (the Rev. Kenneth Ball). He gave the address at the service, which was conducted by the Rev. C, Marshall.
Tea and business followed in St. Nicholas' Hall, Leatherhead, youth being well represented in a company of 60 . Mr. F. Oakshott is the new Ringing Master in place of Mr. H. V. Young. now residing in Somerset, and Mr. D. May filled the vacancy on the general executive conimittee. Several new members were elected.

A suggestion was made that the Alf Pulling memorial should take the form of a bell or hells in the ring for the new Cathedral, and a collection for them realised £1 10s. 6d.
Speaking in reply to the usual votes of thanks, the Vicar said how much he had enjoyed his first meeting, and he hoped to be meeting the ringers again soon.


MR. EDGAR C. SHEPHERD, M.M., Master of St. Martin's Guild.

The teaching profession has provided the Exercise with many brilliant minds, but none more so than that of Edgar Shepherd, of Solihull. His splendidly written articles in this journal have met with universal admiration, and he is held in high regard by ringers everywhere. Mr. Shepherd has made valuable contributions to every department of ringing. He is a first class ringer, and a reliable conductor. His compositions, especially of Grandsire Caters, are well known, and his literary work is outstanding.

Born in Birmingham in 1898, he was educated at Solihull School and Springfield Training College, Moseley. He served in the Cheshire Regiment in France during the 1914-1918 war. was twice wounded, received the Military Medal, and was discharged disabled in 1918. He learned to ring at Solihull in 1914 but his war injuries prevented him from taking part in tower-bell ringing until 1921. His first peal was Grandsire Doubles
on handbells in 1918, by a self-taught band He moved on to advanced ringing under the late James E. Groves and Albert Walker and rang his first peal of Stedman Cinques at the Bull Ring in 1923. He commenced teaching in that year at Long Eaton, Derbyshire, and joined the ringing band at Beeston, Notts, ringing in the first peal of London in the city of Nottingham, and the first in the county by a local band.

In 1926 he returned to teach in Birmingham and in 1932 was appointed Headmaster of Shirley School. In 1935 he was appointed Headmaster of Sharman's Cross Junior School when it was opened, and has served in that capacity for 25 years. He has been actively connected with Solihull Parish Church for 53 years as a chorister and ringer. He was deputy ringing master for 20 years and ringing master for 7 years. Most of his peal-ringing has centred in and around Birmingham, his advent being at the time when there was tremendous handbell activity in that city. He took part in peals with many of the famous Birmingham men such as Tom Miller, Tom Russam, J. E. Groves, etc., and with some like Albert Walker, still living.

The end of World War II saw a great revival of peal ringing in Surprise Methods in Birmingham under the energetic leadership of George E. Fearn, and in this Mr. Shepherd played an active part, particularly in Surprise Royal and Maximus methods. One peal of which he is particularly proud was a handbell peal of Stedman Cinques rung in the Lord Mayor's Parlour at Birmingham with the Lord Mayor (Alderman A. Paddon Smith) taking part. In all he has rung 546 peals, of which 170 have been on twelve bells. Mr. Shepherd has served the St. Martin's Guild in various capacities, being elected Master in 1949, VicePresident in 1951, Librarian in 1952 and Trustee in 1957. He was elected an Hon. Member of the Central Council in 1951 and was made Convener of the Literature and Press Committee in 1954.

In 1944 he married Frances Joyce Finley, a member of an old Solihull family, and they have one daughter Mary, who is at present reading English at Bedford College, London University. Amongst his many contributions to this journal are Grandsire Caters, history of the Method; Double Norwich Caters, proof; St. Martin's Youths; History of the Tower and Bells of Solihull; a handbook on Grandsire Caters, etc., etc. JAFUS.

## UNIVERSITY TOURS

Bristol.-Youth hostelling, June 18th to 23rd: Glos, Worcs and Warwick.

Cambridge.-August 20th to 27th, Cambridgeshire.

London.-June 3rd to 6th: Westerham, Kent ; August 20th to 27th: Birmingham.

Manchester.-July 27th to August 9th: Norfolk Broads (one week afloat).

Oxford. - April 16th to 22nd: Heathfield, Sussex.

Reading and Southampton.--July 2nd to 9th: Kent (cycling).

## Tips For Beginners-12

A common difficulty is to learn not to continue sfaring as the rope you have already 'found.' As soon as you have found the bell you have to strike over this time, start looking immediately for the one you have to strike next.

## 5,088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE

Dear Sir,-I should like to make known a slight error in the composition of $5,088^{-}$Yorkshire S. Major, contributed by myself, which appeared on page 144 . The second bob 'Before' should not be bracketed, but is included in both parts.-Yours faithfully,
I. M. HOLLAND.

Sheffield.

## CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AT DINNER

## The Master's Optimistic Note

THE posiponed annual dinner of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths held at Deacon's Restaurant, London, on March 5th. was a very successful function. The new Master. Mr. Dennis Beresford, was a witty chairman and struck an optimistic note in his speech of the great opportunities in front of the Cumberlands today and the encouraging attendances at their practices. Mr. Frank Matthews was the secretary to the dinner committee

Supporting the Master and Mrs. D. Beresford were the Rev. G. Blacktop, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. and Miss Barnett, Mr. J. Prior (Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths) and Mrs. Prior, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mathews, Mr. W. Winterton. Mr. and Mrs F. Hawthorne. Mr. I. Oram, the Rev. Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Audsley, Mr. and Mrs. F Cullum. Mr. and Mrs. H. Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. P. Humphries, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kirkby, Mr. and Mrs. M. Baxter. Mr. and Mrs. J Raithby, Mr. and Mrs. W. Exton. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Francis, Mr. and Mrs. R. F.
Deal. Mr. W. and Miss M. Prockson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Witherington, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bevan, Mrs. and Miss J. Beresford, Mr. and Mrs. G. Blewer.
Mesdames F. Collins, A. Mason, D. Sakah, E. B. Lewis. Misses D. Deverell. V Hestor. A. Hull. J. Cox. H. Talbot, Nolan, P. Miller, A. George, I. Roe

Messrs. A. Butler, P. N. Bond, P. Beresford, N. Steere, R. Ling, J. Cooper, A. Cutler, E. Furbank. J. Hawkins, I. Zass-Ogilvie, M Lewis, B. Jeffery, C. Dennett, J. Warner, S Jenner. B. Baker. R. Capron, D. Leach. B. Brockington and T. W. White
The loyal toast was followed by that of The Church' proposed by Mr. E. A. Barnett. who said he could never get enthusiastic about the $\sin$ of divided Christendom. The Rev. G. Blacktop. Vicar of St. Nicholas*, Thames Ditton, expressed the hope. to the enjoyment of the company, that Mr. Barnett would never get enthusiastic about any $\sin$.

## A CHURCH ACTIVITY

Mr. Blacktop said the most happy position about bellringing was that people rang bells not merely to practise their skill but as members of their church and it was one of the church's activities. While that remained there was no fear of the tools of their craft not being regarded as the accepted equipment of the Church to be provided and maintained by the Church. He thanked the ringers for their work in the life of the Church.
Mr. Ian H. Oram in proposing 'The Society " said the Society, like many others. had a chequered history in its early days. Before 1746 they were known as the London Scholars and Trollope, years later, expressed doubt that the bells of Shoreditch were rung to welcome the Duke of Cumberland as he did not enter London by that route. The 18th century was a period when the Cumberlands held the record lengths of Stedman Caters and Cinques and Treble Bob Maximus.
In 1872 the Society elected Henry Dains as secretary, a composer of great merit whose compositions were still popular today. One of the most popular of the members was Jack Goldsmith. the founder of 'The Ringing World.

Dealing with recent times Mr. Oram mentioned that the Society's joint meetings with the Middlesex Association were very happy occasions. He hoped that it would not be long before they had a second meeting with the College Youths. The prospects of the Society in 1960 were very good. They had elected Mr. Dennis Beresford as Master: the


## MR. DENNIS BERESFORD

Beresford family had been prominent ringers for many years and it was a great privilege to have one of them as Master.

The Master in reply said he had some diffidence in occupying the chair especially when one considered the calibre of previous Masters in the post-war period such as George Cross. Herbert Audsley, who had rung over 1.000 peals. Fred Cullum, with over 300 peals rung at Erith. and Peter Bond with his great height. It was perhaps appropriate that he as a graduate of London University should be Master of their Society which started as the London Scholars.
It was well to remember the achievements of the Society and to note the rivalry between the Cumberlands and College Youths. Such rivalry was an excellent thing provided it was not accompanied by personal animosity

## THEIR DEBT

Remembering their 200 years of existence and the famous names associated with the Cumberlands, he was sure they felt, as he did. that it was a great responsibility to maintain the traditions of the Society. People who had learned their ringing through the Society should remember what a debt of gratitude they owed to the Society. They should put back into the Society what they had learnt and in doing so their Society would flourish. He thought at the present time they had one of the best opportunities they had ever had for building up. the Society as they would like to see it. They were having excellent attendances at their practices and if they had equally good attendances at their meetings he was sure they would succeed.
Proposing the toast of 'The Visitors" Mr. F. J. Cuntum had a special word of welcome for the Master of the College Youths and also Mr. Hawkins. It was also a great delight to have with them year by year their friends from Newark.

Reminiscing, Mr. Cullum said when he started to ring he used to walk to Crayford to ring Grandsire Doubles and he was pleased to ring it! It was to those old ringers that they owed their success and he remembered in particular the late Mr. Barnett. the grandfather of the secretary of the Central Council.

Mr. J. G. Prior in reply said their dinner clashed with a meeting of the College Youths.

He had attended the start of the meeting but when he mentioned that he had been invited to the Cumberlands' dinner they said, ' Of course, you must go.' He thought it was a very good thing that the Master of the College Youths and the Cumberlands attended each other's dinners. It was not so many years ago when such a thing would not have been thought of. Their dinner would be on November 5 th but he promised them that there would be no 'fireworks.' He brought from the College Youths best wishes for continued prosperity.

NEARLY A CUMBERLAND
He owed a debt to the Cumberlands. It was Frank Matthews' grandfather who made him ring his first touch of Stedman Cinques. It was with great trepidation that he stood in as previously he had only rung Stedman Doubles. With the many members of their Society that he knew in those days, it was a surprise that he did not become a Cumberland.

Mr. T. W. White also replied
The concluding toast. that of "The Master, was proposed by Mr. Frank Hawthorne.

During the evening the beautiful singing of a quartette from St. Martin's Singers was much appreciated. A course of Stedman Caters was rung by E. A. Barnett 1-2, P. Beresford 3-4. D. Beresford 5-6. Miss Joan Beresford 7-8, and P. N. Bond 9-10.

## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY'S RECORD HANDBELL GIMMICK

The time was $7.55 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on February 29th. A group of furtive figures could be seen in Piccadilly Gardens, Manchester. Placards were being erected. 'What's going on?' thought. the citizens as, peacefully, they made their way to work. Some stopped to read the posters: - World Record, 12 Hours Non-stop.' At last the mystery was solved. Three students from Manchester College of Science and Technology were about to embark upon a marathon hand-bell-ringing session with a view to facilitating the extraction of money, by their colleagues, from the innocent bystanders, thereby augmenting the University Rag collections for local charities.

At 8 a.m. the ringing started, the sun came out, and people stared. During the morning several extents of Bob Minor were rung and several were lost; then came the first great spectacle of the day. Not being professional ringing record-breakers, the three tintinnabulators had decided to partake of meals at the normal times, suitably assisted by their keepers, whilst still ringing rounds. This really drew the crowds, and there was a great increase in the activity of photographers

The weather was less kind in the afternoon, and frequent trips to the shelter of the bus station (still ringing, of course) helped to relieve the monotony, as did short periods of rounds. call-changes and Grandsire. As darkness descended. so did more rain. and the choice between getting soaked or ringing in the bus station, where the bells could not be heard ahove the noise of engines, eventually resulted in an agreement to stop ringing after 11 hours instead of 12 .
What were the rewards of this great performance? A world record (if anyone denies this we can probahly restate the facts in such a way that it is!), six severe cases of "Bell-ringers" Elhow: and plenty of money in the hoxes for Manchester charities.

The thanks of the organisers go to the ringers (C. J. Maretti 1-2, T. Taylor 3-4, J. Pilkington 5-6), their guardians and feeders (Alf, Barry, Vasit, Jean, Rosemary). Manchester Corporation, for the use of their garden. and the Police, for turning a blind eye.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## NOISE ABATEMENT BILL

Dear Sir.-Mr. William Parrott's letter is timely and very much to the point. Once hefore. in 1925, beliringing, was similarly threatened hy a society calling itself. The Society for the Prevention of Public Nuisances.' who sought to introduce a Bill into Parliament having for its object the suppression of church bellringing. The then Editor of 'The Ringing World,' the late J. S. Goldsmith, in his leading article on October 30th, 1925, commented:

The anti-this and anti-that people, even though they be few in numbers. can very easily make a big noise... and hope to persuade Members of Parliament that. in the case of their Society, the clamour of the few represents the views of the many.

At the same time it is well that the Exercise should prepare for eventualities. There is always the risk that by backdoor methods. and without those chiefly concerned having any knowledge of what is happening until it is too late, some clause or Bill may be smuggled through Parliament which would jeopardise the right of the Church to the use of and control over its bells. Not only is it necessary, therefore. that the Central Council should, especially under the present threat, keep an extremely vigilant look out for any Parliamentary attempt to suppress the ringing of church bells, but should get into order and ready for immediate action an efficiently organised counter attack.'
Sound advice then, and equally so now. being well summed up in the title words over the article quoted from-VIGILANCE AND ACTION NEEDED.-Yours truly,

Heaton. Bradford

## NEW METHODS FOR ROYAL BIRTH

Dear Sir.-For the benefit of those who like to keep precise records, the peal of Edinburgh Delight Minor rung at Warsop. Nottinghamshire, for the Royal birth was not the first in the method. This was rung at Cuddington, Buckinghamshire, on May 4th, 1957.

Sandringham Surprise Major was first rung at Warfield. Berkshire. on May 27th. 1936. and so your leader is not correct in suggesting that the peal at Spalding was the first in this method.-Yours faithfully.

JOHN R. MAYNE.
Harrow.

## CHARLES W. BLAKEY

 MEMORIALDear Sir-I shall be grateful if. through your calumns I may draw the attention of ringers to the Charles W. Blakey Memorial Fund. Mr. Blakey will be remembered with affection by many ringers throughout the country. and the members of the Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association. of which he was secretary until his death in October last. feel that there are many who would like to join with them in providing a lasting tribute to him.
The intention is to place in the helfry at Rishton, where Mr. Blakey learned to ring. either a marble plaque or a tahle hearing an inscribed brass plaque to his memory. Anyone wishing to join in this appreciation should send donations to me.

JOHN PILKINGTON.
(Blackburn Branch Secretary)
407. Whalley Road.

Clayton-le-Moors.
Accrington. Lancs.

## THE ROTHWELL PEAL

Dear Sir.-lt amazes me that Mr. Chapman should profess ignorance of the intended footnote to the Rothwell peal when the organiser informed me of the intention at least a month before the peal. and I was not in the least connected with it. If his principles are so high he should have stood down from the peal.
In looking back, through the pages of -The Ringing World ' we see many 'secular' peals. including those commemorating Oliver Cromwell. Julius Caesar. and this week, the Royal Birth. If one of our fraternity, obviously of great literary knowledge. should wish to commemorate a great literary master by ringing a peal 1 see no reason why not when considering the other footnotes. In fact it is a lot better than peals rung merely to allow a man to 'circle a tower' 10 times, etc. Peals are by far the best way of practising a method and striking, and so the more we ring the better is our standard likely to become. The best of luck to everyone who attempts peals, whatever their reason.
The criticism Mr. Austin introduces is a parallel to the other correspondence we are reading concerning Evesham. The choice of band is entirely up to the conductor or organiser. and the permission for the bells is the incumbent's prerogative. so any conditions laid down by the local ringers are purely selfish.
Incidentally, one cannot connect Dostoyerski with the policy of atheism pursued by the U.S.S.R.-Sincerely,
R. J. JOHNSTON.

## Manchester University.

## RINGING AND COMPUTORS

Dear Sir,-About two years ago it fell to my lot to deal with a large switching circuit employing electro magnetic relays. Inevitably. I considered the application of such circuits to the composition of peals. Since there is no likelihood of the device being built, I confined myself to specifying the necessary hehaviour in terms of Boolean algebra. At the rate of four multi-contact relays per calling position per course, composition of onepart peals in T.B. Major methods with tenors together would require 960 relays; auxiliary circuits for displaying the results, restricting the output to peals with desired qualities or of desired lengit. and so on. would increase the number to 1.200 or more. This estimate assumed that adjustments to cater for the order of leads. fourth or sixth place bob, and internal falseness, would he pre-set manually. I sketched another circuit for working out false course leads from the first-half lead of a method, the rows being fed into the device manually, a pair at a time.

There is no doubt that special computors can be readily devised to solve particular finging problems. The difficulties mentioned in recent correspondence suggest that general purpose computors. though versatile, are inherenily clumsy.-Yours sincerely.

## Harrow. Middlesex.

## MAURICE HODGSON.

PEALS AT ST. MARY'S, TORQUAY
Dear Sir--With further reference to Mr . Donald Roberts inquiry, there is a memoriai tablet in marble to Mr. W. W. Gifford in the ringing room at St. Martin's, Salisbury, recording his services to that belfry: if I remember rightly. it says that he died at Blackford in Somerset.-Yours faithfully.
E. G. CAPLE.

> Clevedon. Somerset.

FAULTS IN COMPETITION RINGING
Dear Sir,-Recently reference was made in the correspondence columns of "The Ringing World' to a peal being rung 'at about 40 faults per 720. and much has appeared recently ahout making : The Ringing World appeal to the Sunday Service ringers.
Every ringer I have addressed hereabouts. many of considerable peal experience, about the scoring of faults in competition ringing have pleaded absolute ignorance. If you were to commission an article. or series of articles. on the scoring in competition, whilst it may not further the cause of competition ringing. would it not give peal ringers and service ringers alike a system of assessing the value of a touch or peal? Most of us. I am sure. are striving for better striking. and whilst 1 believe that the rules demand closed leads surely they must be adaptable to open-lead ringing.

If you feel an article would not command sufficient interest I. personally. would be grateful to be put in touch with someone who could explain the system to me.-Yours faithfully,
R.J. CARLTON

Willesborough. Kent.

## POINTS ABOUT CHURCH FLAG

## AND MUFFLED RINGING

Dear $\operatorname{Sir}$,-I read with interest the letter by C. D. Armitage concerning the correct flag 10 be flown from a church tower. I was informed many years ago on good authority that the St . George's Cross is the most correct to be flown from a church tower, and this I think is generally accepted. The Union Jack, however, is not incorrect, and particularly for State occasions. such as a Royal Birthday. Her Majesty's Accession. etc.. this has been our practice here for many years.

At regards muffled ringing on Sundays. this I think is generally accepted as being very much out of place. The late Rev. H. Law James, at one time Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, expressed opinion on this subject and reminded us that every Sunday was a perpetual Commemoration of the Resurrection: therefore open bells on Sunday please!-Yours faithfully,
C. T. H. BRADLEY

## Folkingham, Lincs

## FIRST PEAL AT SOUTH STOKE

Dear Sir.-I regret having to bring news of what will be a disappointment to Mr. A. P. Cannon. I took part in the first peal at South Stoke. Oxon. in the early twenties. I have not kept a record of my peals so cannot give full particulars. I think it was my second peal and was Minor in three methods. my first peal having been on October 20th. 1920. five days after my 17 th birthdiy.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild Peal Book should have the record. I well remember the local ringers looking at us with some amaze. ment with their heads peeping round the curtains during the later part of the peal. -Yours faithfully. W. SIMMONDS.

Torquay

## CAPTAIN'S IN CONTROL.

Dear Sir.-The Evesham Hemmings need have no fear of being accused of being childish. We have a tower in this area where no peals are allowed unless the local captain conducts. It is a very rare tower where few peals are rung.

I only wish they would move to this district and bring their Evesham bells with them. we could do with ringers of their enthusiasm in these parts to add a little life to those already here.-Yours sincerely.

GEOFFREY K. DODD.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHPORT MEETING, 1959

IINUTES of the third session of the twenty-third Council (62nd Annual Meeting), held in the Palace Hotel, Southport, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 9th, 1959.
A welcome was extended to the Council by the Lord Bishop of Liverpool. Dr. C. Martin, the Mayor of Southport, Councillor R. Wood, and the President of the Lancashire Association, the Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith. The President read a letter from Mr. E. H. Lewis thanking the Council on behalf of his wife and himself for a telegram of congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of their golden wedding, on April 29th, 1959. Mr. Lewis then presented to the President a gavel for use at the Council's meetings. Mr. Sharpe thanked Mr. Lewis on behalf of the members. PRESENT:-
life members: Messrs. F. Sharpe, E. A. Barnett. F. W. Perrens. E. H. Lewis, G. W. Fletcher and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher.

Honorary members: Mrs. E. A. Barnelt, Messrs. J. P. Fidler, F. I. Hairs. D. Hughes.
C. K. Lewis. Mrs. C. C. Marshall. Messrs. W. A. Osborn. A. J. Pitman. A. H. Pulling. E. C. Shepherd, R. F. B. Speed, P. L. Taylor and T. W. White

Ancient Society of College Youths: Wing Commander J. S. Mason, Messrs. J. F. Smallwood and W. Willliams.
Bath and Wells Diocesan Association: Messrs. D. Hoare. H. J. Sanger and Miss N. G. Williams:

Bedfordshire Association: Mr. S. Foskett. Cambridge University Guild: Mr. B. D. Threlfall.
Chester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. W. Allman. J. W. Clarke and A. J. Martin.
Coventry Diocesan Guild: Mrs. D. E. Beamish and Mr. H. Windsor.

Cumberland and North Wesimorland Assocation: Mr. G. McKay.
Derbyshire Association: Messrs. A. Mould and W. L. Robinson.
Devon Guild: Mr. J. L. S. Glanvill and the Rev. J. G. M. Scott.

Dudley and District Guild: Mr. H. J. Shuck.

Ely Diocesan Association: Messrs. P. Border. J. G. Gipson. F. W. Lack and H. S. Peacock.
Essex Association: Messrs. J. H. Crampion. F. B. Lufkin L. S. Woods and Miss H. G. Snouden.

Gloucester and Bristol Association: Messrs. A. L. Barry. T. Boreham. W. B. Kynaston and $\dot{F}$. Skidmore.

Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. A. C. Hazelden. G. S. Joyce. H. N. Pitstow and W. H. Viggers.

Hereford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. C. J. Lewis and W. F. Moreton.
Hertford County Association: Messrs. W. Ayre. R. G. Bell. G. W. Critchley and E. Edmondson.
Irish Association: Messrs, F. E. Dukes and J. T. Dunwoody and Miss J. Stewart.

Kent County Association: Messrs. J. R. Cooper. T. Cullingworth. Dr. E. S. J. Hateher and Mr. T. E. Sone.

Ladies Guild : Miss D. E. Colgate. Mrs. A. Richardson and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.
Lancashire Association: Messrs. P. Crook, F. Dunkerley, J. Ridyard and the Rev. R. D. Si. J. Smith.

Leicester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. S. Burton. P. A. Corby. A. E Rowley and P. J. Sianiforth.
Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Messrs. G. E. Feirn. J. Freeman and J. A. Freeman. Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan AssociaLion: Mrs. D. J. King and Mr. T. M. Roderick.
London County Association: Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Mr. W. G. Wilson.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and T. J. Lock.

Midland Counties Guild: Mr. J. W. Cotton. National Police Guild: Mr. E. C. Birkett. New South Wales Association: Mr. P. M. J. Gray.
North Staffordshire Association: Mr. R. S. Anderson. $\begin{aligned} & \text { North Wales Association: Mr. D. H. B. }\end{aligned}$ Millward.

Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs H. W. Barrett. N. V. Harding and the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow.

Oxford Diocesan Guild : Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker and Mr. A. E. Lock.
Oxford University Society: Mr. R. B Meadows.

Peterborough Diocesan Guild: Messrs, P. I. Chapman. G. W. Jeffs, E. Nobles and E. G. Orland.
St. David's Diocesan Guild: Mr. C. H. Hawkins.

St. Martin"s Guild. Birmingham: Messrs. G. E. Fearn and F. E. Haynes.

Salishury Diocesan Guild: Messrs. G. H. Harding and G. S. Morris.

Sheffield and District Society: Mr. N. Chaddock.

Shropshire Association: Mr. F. H. Bennett. Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. P. N. Bond and F. E. Hawthorne.

Southwell Diocesan Guild: Messrs. B. M. Buswell, J. D. Clarke and J. Segar.

Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Messrs. B. G. Key and G. W. Hughes.

Suffolk Guild: Messrs. J. W. Blythe, L. G Brett and C. W. Pipe.

Surrey Association: Messrs. A. P. Cannon,
F. E. Collins and W. F. Oatway.

Sussex County Association: Messrs R. G Blackman. F. H. Dallaway and H. Stalham. Swansea and Brecon Guild: Mr. G. I. Lewis. Truro Diocesan Guild. Messrs. W C Boucher. D. Burnett and H. Miles.

Universities Association: Miss M. R. Cross. University of London Society: Dr. D. N. Layton.

Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild : The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Messrs. C. H Kippin. G. Pullinger and F.W. Rogers.

Worcestershire and Districts Association: Messrs. B. C Ashford. D. Beacham and W. B Cartwright.
Yorkshire Association: Messrs. G. Benfield, W. E. Critchley and L. W. G. Morris.

|  |  | Members |  |
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|  | Assoc. | Present | Absent |
| Wholly represented | 32 | 75 |  |
| Not represented .. | 5 | - | $\begin{array}{r}23 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
|  | 57 | 124 | 29 |
| Life Members |  | 6 | 1 |
| Hon. Members | . | 13 | 8 |
|  |  | 143 | 38 |

## REPORT AS TO MEMBERSHIP

The hon. secretary reported that 55 Associations were affilitited to the Council. entitled to 15.3 members. The rules provided for 24 honorary members and there were seven life members. making a total membership of 184. There were two vacancies among representative members and three among honorary members. All subscriptions had been paid.

APPLICATIONS TO AFFILIATE
Application from the Cumberland and North Westmorland and the North Wales Association were agreed on the proposition of Mr. L. W. G. Morris, seconded by Mr. J. P. Fidler

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from Messrs. F. Ainsley. C. A. Bassett. J. Bray. W. Butler. S. G. Coles. G. H. Cross, F, J. Cullum. J. T. Dyke. N. Golden. F. W. Goodfellow, J. E. Hobbs, A. A. Hughes. J. R. Mayne, T. G. Myers. Dr. D. H. Niblett. R. Overy. W. N. Park. Rev. A. S. Roberts. C. W. Roberts. Miss M. E. Snowdon. Mrs. P. J. Steeples. L. Stilwell. T. H. Taffender. A. Walker. W. C. West. J. Willis and R. St. C. Wilson.

## PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE PRESIDENT

The following were presented: Messrs. J. W. Blythe (Suffolk Guild). J. L. S. Glanvill (Devon Guild). C. H. Hawkins (St. David's Guild), D. Hoare (Bath and Wells), G. McKay (Cum-
berland and North Westmorland). D. H. B. Millward (North Wales). H. Windsor (Coventry Guild, and L. S. Woods (Essex Association).
ELECTION TO HONORARY MEMBERS
The retiring members, Mrs. O. D. Barnett and Messrs. F. I. Hairs, C. K. Lewis, W. A. Osborn and A. J. Pitman were re-elected on the proposition of Mr. A. D. Barker, seconded by Mr. R. G. Blackman. Mr. H. L. Roper was elected on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett on behalf of the Standing Committee, seconded by Mr. W. F. Moreton.

## ELECTION OF HONORARY AUDITOR

Mr. H. N. Pitstow was elected to the vacancy caused by the election of Mr. F. W. Perrens as Librarian, on the proposition of Mr. E. A Barnett, seconded by Mr. F. W. Perrens.
LOSS OF MEMBERS THROUGH DEATH
The President reported the death of the following members and former members of the Council. the assembly standing in silence: Messrs. W. Bedwell (Kent), E. J. Butler (Essex) H. Dew (Chester). Rev. J. B. Frith (N. Stafis), S. J. Hughes (Dudley and District). P. J Johnson (Leeds and District. and Yorkshire). H. Knight (Stafford Archdeaconry). J. L. Morris (Royal Cumberland Youths). H. H. Palairet and A. Smith (Salisbury) and R Stredwick (Sussex).
Tributes were paid to the memory of Messrs. Butler. Dew. Johnson, Knight and Morris and the Rev. J. B. Frith.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
The minutes as published in "The Ringing World , March 13th. 1959, and circulated to members were adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett seconded by Mr. W. Ayre.

## REPORTS

These have been published in 'The Ringing World as shown :-

## HON. SECRETARY AND TREASURER

(May 29th. 1959. page 350)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. A Barnett. seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs

> HON. LIBRARIAN
(May 29th. 1959, page 351)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. W Perrens, seconded by Mr. W. F. Oatway. It was agreed that the Librarian be given power to dispose of copies in excess of two of books in the Library printed since 1850. Thanks were expressed to Mr. Perrens and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. B. Speed for their work during the year.

## BALANCE SHEET AND ACCOUNTS

(June 5th. 1959. page 368)
Adopted subject to audit on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett. seconded by Mr. J. F Smallwood.

## TRUSTEES OF THE CARTER RINGING MACHINE

(May 29th. 1959. page 350)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. A Barnett. seconded by Mrs P. J. Staniforth.

## STANDING COMMITTEE

(Report on Co-option)
(May 29th. 1959. page 352)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett. seconded by Mr. W. B. Cartwright

## 'THE RINGING WORID' COMMITTEE

(June 5th. 1959, pages 367-8)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr: J. F Smallwood. seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs.

## BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE

(May 29th. 1959. page 351)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. H. J Sanger. seconded by the Rev. A. G. G Thurlow.

## BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE

(June 5th. 1959. page 371)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. A. C. Hazelden. seconded by Mr. W. H. Viggers. Authority was given for the expenditure of $£ 15$ on a cover to contain completed biographical sheets. Tribute was paid to the work of Mr. J. Willis in writing up biographies.

## BEGINNERS' HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

 (June 5th, 1959, page 369)After an amendment proposed on behalf of the Standing Committee by Mr. E. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. G. W. Fletcher, that the committee remain in being to revise the book as necessary had been lost, the report was adopted on the proposition of Miss M. R. Cross, seconded by Mr. W. G. Wilson, and the disbandment of the committee agreed to.

## SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING <br> COMMITTEE

## (June 12th. 1959, pages 385-8)

Section 1.-General. Adopted on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr R. S. Anderson

Section II.-Theological Colleges. Adopted on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. P. M. J. Gray.
Section III.-Suggestions for possible future lines of action by the Committec.
(1) Agreed on the proposition of Mr J. I.. S. Glanvill, seconded by Mr. J. T. Dunwoody, that an edited version of the report be printed and circulated to church authorities.
(2) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. J. H. Crampion, that a draft leaflet be prepared embodying information and ideas included in the Survey.
(3) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock. seconded by Mr. W. Ayre. that continuous contact be maintained with Theological Colleges through Associations and Guilds.
(4) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. J. H. Crampion. that the Committee consider and make further suggestions in 1960 on ways to bring about an improvement.
(5) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock. seconded by the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. that guidance regarding Sunday Service ringing be given on request.
(6) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock. seconded by Mr. F. B. Lufkin, to investigate means of getting more propaganda into Church publications.
(7) Agreed on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock. seconded by the Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith, that the Committee facilitate the carrying out of suggestions from Associations arising from their study of the report. which should be suhmitted by Council representatives to each affiliated association's general meeting for discussion.
It was agreed on the proposition of Mr. P. M. J. Gray. seconded by Mr. N. Chaddock, 10 add Mr. W. F. Moreton and Dr. D. N. Layton to the Committec. A vote of thanks $t 0$ the Committee was proposed by Mr. H. W. Rogers. seconded by Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher.

## METHODS COMMITTEE

(June 5th, 1959, page 370)
Adopted on the proposition of the Rev K. W. H. Felstead. seconded by Mr. F. Dunkerley.

## PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

(June 5th. 1959. page 370)
Adopted. subject to deletion of the reference 10 a peal of Double Grandsire Doubles. on the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre, seconded by Mr. H. Miles. It was agreed that a peal in which the clappers were tied and the sound came from electrically-operated handbells should not he accepted. Mr. H. L. Roper was added to the Conimittec.

## PEAL BOARDS COMMITTEE

(June 5th. 1959. page 368)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. J. W. Clarke. seconded by Mr. W. Ayre. The terms of reference of the Committee were amended to extend its activities to 1881 on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett. seconded by Mr. B. G. Key.

## PEAI, COLLECTION COMMITTEE

 (June 5th, 1959. page 371)Adopted on the proposition of Mr. W. E Critchley, seconded by Mr. C. K. Lewis. It

"Well, it is caused cither by young Hemming trying to raise the tenor "right " or that fast peal they talk so much about.'
[With apologies to Eveskam beil tower.
was agreed that the collection of peals of Stedman Caters and Cinques should be proceeded with that Mr. C. W. Roberts be asked to forward such compositions as he has collected to Mr. Critchley.

## RECORDS COMMITTEE <br> (June 5th. 1959. page 370)

Adopted on the proposition of Mrs. G. W Fletcher, seconded by Mrs. C. C. Marshall

TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE (June 5th, 1959, page 371)
Adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. H. Lewis. seconded by Mr. F. E. Collins. Mr. J. H. Crampion paid tribute to the work of the Committee.

## ALTERATION OF RULES

On the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett, seconded by M. A. D. Baker. Rule $11(i)$ was amended by deleting all after the words Honorary Secretary ' in line 9 and substituting by not later than 31st March before the meeting.
(a) Proposed by Mr. W seconded by Mr. H. Miles:-

- That this Council considers the organisation of courses which would cater, possibly by means of simultaneous lectures, for the needs both of more experienced and less experienced ringers, and if in favour of such courses. begins to hold them as soon as possible
possible. An amendment proposed by Mr . F. W. Perrens, seconded by Mr. G. McKay, to delete all after 'hegins' and substitute 'to organise such courses as soon as possible, provided no expense to the Council is incurred. 'was carried. The motion as amended. was carried and it was agreed that the matter be left to the Sunday Service Committee.
(b) Pronosed by Mr. A. J. Pitman, seconded hy Mr. G. I. Lewis, and carried:-

That although true six-scores of Double Grandsire Doubles cannot be obtained without calls when the treble is hehind as well as when it is on the front, in view of the fact that twelve-scores on the same principle as Pitman's twelve-scores of Grandsire Doubles have been obtained. Double Grandsire Doubles consisting of such twelve-scores shall be recognised by the Council.?
(c) Proposed hy Mr. J. W. Clarke, seconded by Mr. A. J. Martin-

- That in any record attempt the bells shall be clearly audihle outside the tower or other
building in which they are contained and that during such an attempt neither food nor drink shall be partaken of by any member of the band
The motion. as amended. was carried.
An amendment proposed by Mr. F. Dunkerley. seconded by the Rev. J. G. M Scott. to insert the words on tower bells after 'record attempt' and delete all after the word 'contained' was carried.


## PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Invitations had been received from the North Staffordshire and Kent County Associations. The latter was accepted, the vente to be as decided by the Association.

## VOTES OF THANKS

On the motion of the President, the thanks of the Council were expressed to the Mayor of Southport. the Lord Bishop of Liverpool and the President of the Lancashire Association for their welcome: to the Vicar of Christ Church. Southport. for the use of his church for Holy Communion and to the Lord Bishon for ofliciating: to the Rev. R. D. St. J. Snsith, Mr. F. Dunkerley and other members of the L.ancashire Association for local arrangements : to the L.ancashire Association for its hospitality and to local incumbents and tower-keepers for the use of their bells.
After the meeting the members were the guests of the Mayor and Corporation of Southport at tea

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

The fine weather on Fehruary 27ih brought an attendance of 66 members to the annual meeting of the Llandaff Branch, held at Newcastle Church. Bridgend. where there is a fine ring of bells.
The Vicar (Rev. T. Jones) conducted the service and presided at the business meeting. Tea was provided by the Mothers' Union, who were thanked by Mr. Gwyn I. Lewis.
Mr. A. Hannington was elected Branch Ringing Master, Mr. T. M. Roderick representative to the Central Council. and Mr. R. E. Coles hon. secretary and treasurer. Ten new menshers were elected and life membership conferred on Mr. Royston Crosby. The next meeting will he at Aheratvon.

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## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Taunton Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Halse, on Saturday, March 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.-A. H. Reed Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 5923 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Peak District.-Meeting. Chapel-en-le-Frith. Saturday, March 19th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided All welcome.-H. E. Taylor. Dis. Sec. 5898

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. --Meeting. Saturday. March 19th. Black Notley. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Braintree bells (8) also available from 3.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. only
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,-Hunts District.-Meeting, Eynesbury, Saturday, March 19th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. and W District.-Meeting at Twickenham. Saturday, March 19th. Arrangements: Ringing at St. Mary's, 3 to 4.30 p.m.. followed by service and ica. Further ringing at All Hallows', 6.30108 p.m.-E. R. Gotham. Hon. Sec

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD - New ark District.-Meeting. Saturday, March 19th, Winthorpe. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec. 5861

SUFFOLK GUILD.-S.W. District-Prac tice meeting, Long Melford (8), Saturday, Mar 19th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. Practice meeting, Shoreham (8), Saturday, March 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5.15 p.m.

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LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Practice. Monday, March 21 st. 7.45 p.m.. St. Mary's. Battersea. Special Method: Yorkshire Surprise Major. Please note tower change. Everyone welcome.-Rogers.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Practice meet ing at Shipham. Saturday. March 26th. Bells (6) 5 p.m.-David H. White. 5937

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-Monthly meeting, Aston-on-Trent Saturday, March 26th. 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.-W. A. Morley. Dis. Sec. 5955 DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Meeting, Misson. Saturday, March 26th Bell (6) 3 p.m. Please bring own food-R. J Sanderson

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-Meeting March 26th. 3.15 p.m. Darlington (St. John). Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by March 24th to Mr. F. W. Cooke. 10, Limehurst RJad Darlington.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSO-CIATION.-Next meeting on Saturday, March 26th. at South Normanton. Bells 3.30 p.m Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Doughty, Downing Street. South Normanton, Derbyshire.-B. A Sollis. Hon. Sec.

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ELY ASSOCIATION - Wisbech Branch Meeting. Upwell. Saturday, March 26 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.30 . Names for tea by $25: \mathrm{h} . \mathrm{J}$. Fox. Walpole Marsh. Wisbech.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESA ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester and North Forest Branches.-Joint meeting. Barnwood (8), Saturday. March 26th, 2.45 p.m. Names for tea by March 23 rd from either Branch to Green. 30 Malvern Road, Gloucester
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Bristol Rural Branch.-Quarterly meeting. St. Ambrose (8). Bristol. March 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service. iea, and meeting to follow. F. Hussey, 39. Gordon Avenue. Whitehall Bristol

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION-Cheltenham Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Badgeworth (6). March 26th. 3 p.m.
Names for tea by March 22nd.-Mary Bliss. Names for tea by March 22nd.-Mary Bliss.
Beech Pike. Cheltenham.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch. - Mecting at Walkden. Saturday, March 26th. Bells 2.30. Business follows tea. Tea 5. Look up Cambridge. Cups of tea only
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Thornley. Sec.
-Thornley, Sec. next meeting (Nomination) will be at Hunslet Parivh Church ( 8 ) on Saturday, March 26th. af 3 ? 31 p.m. Names for ted on or before March 23rd. to Miss J. Green. 33, Arthington Place. feeds 10

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILDHinckley District.-Sharnford, March 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m., Service 4.30, Tea at 5 p.m Names for tea please by the Wednesday previous to Mr. H. Wood, 68, Leicester Road Sharnford. Nr. Hinckley, Leicester--M Vernon. Dis. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Melton Mowbray District.-Meeting at Somerby, Saturday. March 26th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at Somerby Vicarage. Names for tea please by Wednesday, March 23 rd to Mr. Cyril Tyler, No. 1, West View, Somerby Leicestershire
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-West Wycombe, March 26th. 3.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify me by 21 st. $-W$. Butler, 10 , The Avenue, Old Windsor
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Sonning Deanery Branch.-A combined practice at Binfield on March 26th at 6 p.m. Special method for practice, Oxford T.B: Minor--
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B. C. Castle.

5954 Towcester Branch don. Saturday, March 26th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.-W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands. Dadford. Buckingham.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Mansfield District.-Meeting, Farnsfield, Satur day. March 26th (note change of venue) Bells (5) 3 p.m.. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m for those notifying, by Thursday. March 24th Miss I. Roe. Brickyard Lane, Farnsfield Newark.-D. H. Rooke, Dis. Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-W.C. District-Evening meeting. Walsham-le-Willows (6), Saturday March 26th. Bells 7 to 9 p.m. 5943
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-Surprise practice at Ewell, Saturday March 26th. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Special method Ashtead.-W. Parrott. Hon. Sec. 5944 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Rye on March 26th Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing possibly at Iden after tea. Tea notifications to F. Beeney (secretary), Hillbrae, Carters Corner, Hailsham.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday. April $2 n d$. 6 p.m. Ringing at St. James ${ }^{\circ}$. Clerkenwell. 4 p.m. Advance Notice. Meeting at Derby. Saturday. April 30th. Full details of ringing and luncheon arrangements later. The 323 rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at The Bridge House Restaurant. London Bridge. S.E.I. on Saturday, November Sth. 1960. John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. ASSOCIATION:-
KENT COUNTY Tonbridge District. - Quarterly meeting Penshurst on Saturday. April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. (2s. 6d.). Names for lea. with cash please, by Tuesday March 291 h to Miss D. Colgate. 30. Buckhurst Avenue. Sevenoaks.
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Meet ing Saturday. April 2nd. Nortonemn-the-Moors Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. March 30th. to Mr. C. S. Ryles. Four Winds. Lancaster Drive. Norton.SUFFOLK GUILD - North-East District. Meeting at Bungay (8). On Saturday. April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m Please order tea by sending names by the previous Wednesday to A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec. 28. Waterloo Avenue, Leiston. 5942 SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD Northern District.-Quarterly meeting at St Peter's. Glasbury-on-Wye, on Saturday, April 2nd, at $2.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service 4 p.m. followed by tea.-G. Davies

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Annual ineeting, Bromley, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon. Lunch 1 p.m., Bell Hotel (members 5s., others 7s. 6d.). Tickets. with details of ringing and business, from Mr. B. W. May. Keithston, Kevcol Hill, Bobhing. Sittingbourne. Kent. Applications, and nominations for fentral (intmeil representatives. (4)(x) 3, bs April 12th.-Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Hon. Sec.

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LANCASHIRE
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OF
CHANGE RINGERS. - Preliminary Notice.Annual general meeting at Morecambe, April 30th, 1960.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

The Elloe Deaneries Branch elected new officers at their annual meeting at Spalding on February 27 th. The Rev. R. W. H. Nind, who conducted the service, is leaving after Easter to take up a mission posit in Jamaica, and in his place the Rev. G. Jakeman was elected president. Mr. M. Bennett asked to be relicved of his post as secretary and treasurer, and Mr. B. B. Tyrell was clected to fill the pasition. The accounts showed that the Branch was in a healthy position. Quarterly meetings were arranged for Crowland, Quadring, Lutton and Donington.

## SUNDAY SERVICE NEWS WYCHBOLD

At the beginning of 1959 the St. Mary-deWyche. Wychbold, company was practically non-existent, there being only five regular members for six bells. In February and March 14 youngsters were taught to handle a bell, and ten are still in the company.
Under the captaincy of Mr. Arthur D. Cook, steady progress has been made. On September 27 th two of the beginners rang in a local quarter for harvest festival. Since that date eight local quarters have been rung and five beginners have scored their 'first.' Members of the choir (which includes ten ringers) have also rung a quarter. By invitation, a quarter has been rung at St. Peter-de-Witton. Droitwich Spa, the first on the bells for several years.
Two of the young ringers rang their first peal on November 14th, and on December 16th, to mark the 70th anniversary of the casting of Wychhold bells, a peal of Grandsire was rung by a band of an average age of $15 \frac{1}{2}$ years, which included four local ringers. The target for 1960 is a peal of Minor by a local band.

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## OBITUARY

## MR. WILLIAM C. LAMPARD

In the death of Mr. William C. Lampard on February 21st, the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild lost one of its oldest and most faithful members. Mr. Lampard, who was aged 85, was one of the members of the first change-ringing band to ring regularly at Winchester Cathedral under the late Mr. W. H. George. At the time of his death. Mr. Lampard was captain of the ringers, and in his 70th year of service as a ringer at Winchester Cathedral. Under his able tuition. many of the boys attending Winchester College learnt their early ringing. Mr. Lampard was also for a time the honorary secretary of the Winchester District of the Guild.
The funeral service, held in Winchester Cathedral on February, 25th, was attended by many civic dignitaries of the city of Winchester, including the Mayor. Prior to the service the bells of the Cathedral were rung half muffled by a representative band of he Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild. At the graveside handbells were rung by members of the Cathedral band.
A memorial quarter peal of Grandsire Cinques was rung by members of the Guild on March 2nd at the Cathedral.-R. R. S.

## APPRECIATIONS

Winchester Cathedral has lost a very dear friend in Mr. William Charles Lampard, captain of the ringers, and associated with them for 69 years. He died at the age of them for 69 years. He died at the age
85 on February 21st as a result of a fall.
On the previous Sunday he was hale and vigorous; his ropesight was keen and his mental alertness was unimpaired as he called the changes. His innate dignity and courtesy, blending with a natural instinct for service and kindliness., made him a beloved leader and a delightful companion. As a boy from 1884 to 1890 he was cducated with the Quiristers at Winchester College. He excelled in his youth at cricket, football, and swimming: and his love of healthy exercise strengthened his fondness for change-ringing. in which he instructed countless newcomers with patience and cheery encouragenent
He was a first-rate creative craftsman as a woodcarver : and many churches were adorned with screens and stalls, which he had made. His regularity and punctuality were of the highest standard: and the 119 worn steps leading to the ringers' chamber in the 12 th century Norman tower bear the impress of his long years of faithful service.

Among the many ringers who have learnt with sorrow of the recent death of Mr . Lampard are those Wykehamists who learnt to ring at Winchester Cathedral while the College bells were out of action. During the years when Wilfred Andrews was in charge at the Cathedral, Mr. Lampard. then his deputy, was always ready with help and advice to us learners; and latterly during his own term of office he had taught many more himself.
In his young days he had been a 'Quirister,' or College choirboy, and fortunately for us remembered that time with great pleasure. He rang on the College bells on the few occasions that they were rung this century before their recent rehanging, and had helped frequently ince then: and the recent peal there would have been impossible without his teaching and encouragement.
Unfortunately, most of us learnt of his death too late to do more than send flowers to his funeral ; but we shall all feel that we have lost a very good friend. B. D. T. and D. J. R.

## MR. J. HLRRELL

We record with regret the death of Mr. Jim Hurrell, of Elthanl. Kent, at the age of 82 . For many months past he had been in indifferent healih, and had just recently been admitted to Farnborough Hospital.
Jim Hurrell commenced ringing on the old six at Eltham, and helped maintain the band when the bells were increased to eight in 1924. ILe was very keen on tinging quarter peals for services, and always gave a warm welcome to visiturs at practices or on Sundays. His son,

Frederick J. Hurrell, soon acquired his father's interest in ringing, and has held the position of captain for several years past.
Though primarily a Sunday service ringer, Jim had rung some 56 peals, all in the Lewisham district. His first was Holt's Original at Deptford in May, 1913, and the last-the same com-position-at Eltham in January of last year. The list includes Grandsire (which makes up half the total), Plain Bob, Stedman and Treble Bob. Over 20 of his peals were rung on Eltham bells.
The funeral was held on February 18th at the Eltham Crematorium and was attended by relatives, friends and ringers from several neighbouring towers. A half-muflled ywarter peal was unfortunately unsuccessful. Sympathy is extended to his wife, daughter, and son Frederick

May he rest in peace.

## THE VEN. ELLIS NORMAN GOWING AN APPRECIATION

The Vicar of Prittlewell made a very rich contribution to the work of God in Essex. He was a native of Australia, where he was ordained, and came to the 'Old Country,' as he called us, in 1909 or 1910, and served for some time as curate at St. James-the-Less'. Bethnal Green. When the vicar of that church (John Edwin Watts-Ditchfield) became the first Bishop of Chelmsford in 1914, he became the Bishop's chaplain, and in 1917 became the Vicar of Prittlewell. Remaining so until his death on March 2nd, he served the Church in Essex as Canon, Rural Dean and Archdeacon of Southend, and undoubtedly his influence was felt in every department of Church work in Essex and did much to establish the new-formed diocese of Chelmsford.
He took an active interest in bell-ringers and the belfry. He was elected an honorary member of the Essex Association in 1920; later vicepresident and life vice-president. When in 1929 the ringing at Prittlewell fell to a low state, he led the new recruits by learning to ring himself, and was very proud of his one and only performance, that of a quarter peal of Plain Bob Major, rung on March 14th. 1929, at Prittlewell. Many ringers will remember his words of wisdom when asked to preach at annual meetings. his interest in the ringers and the belfry on his visitations as Archdeacon and visits as Rural Dean. The belfry to him was an important part of the church.
He was a man of simple faith. a friend to every man and woman with whom he came in contact, a man of great tenacity. perseverance. sometimes impatient of procrastination and bureaucracy in high places, and yet listening to the advice of the humblest man in whatever council he found himself.
He leaves a memorial in the Parish Church of Prittlewell. which he has heen instrumental in restoring wholly, including the tower and belfry and the furnishing thereof. the church schools adjoining. and the daughter churches of Southend and District, which he founded.
Sadness fills our hearts in not having his earthly presence, hut gladness and thanksgiving to God for his friendship and all his work for the Church in Essex. May we try to follow his example.
F. B. L.

## MR. ALLAN LUKE TOWNEND

Allan Townend passed away at his home suddenly on Sunday. February 28th, after ringing for morning service at his own beloved Parish Church of St. Michael, Mottram. The funeral service and burial took place on March 3rd and was attended hy a large congregation. His bells. which he loved so dearly, were rung half-muffled before the service hy the local band and friends, under the leadership of Mr. John Heap; who had been a particular friend of Allan's. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the grave by Dorothy M. Heap 1-2. Frank Osbaldiston 3-4. Trevor Taylor 5-6, John Heap 7.8
If was fitting that in the afternoon a halfmuified peal of Bub Major was rung by a band consisting mainly of students of the University of Manchester, where Allan himself graduated

## QUARTER PEALS

ABBOTT'S LEIGH, SOMERSET,-On Feb. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. D. Bowles 1, F. W. E. Carter (first 'inside') 2, H. N. Evans 3, P. E. Parry 4, P. J. Bird (cond.) 5, I. Buckland 6. First quarter by pupils and staff of Bristol Cathedral School.
BALDOCK, HERTS.- On Feb. 27th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major ( 320 each of Cambridge, Yorkshire, New Cambridge and Superlative): L. Hughes 1, J. I. Dear 2, D. Sutclifie 3, L. Scoot 4, R. Castledine (cond.) 5. C. Harwood 6, E. Buck 7. J. S. Dear 8. First of Spliced by all except the conductor and by a Sunday Service band.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Apps 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, R. Simpson 4, J. Jeffery 5, G. Packham 6, F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Breti 8. Rung half muffled in memoriam Harrict Crick, mother of the Master of the Sussex Association. Reg. V. Johnson.

SWINDON, WILTS.-On Feb. 24th, at St. Mark's Chureh, 1,280 New Cambridge Surprise Major: V. Griffin 1, P. Wakefield 2, C. G. Jones 3, E. Sution 4, A. T. Collins 5, W. H. Trueman 6, A. R. Peake 7, B. Bladon (first in method as cond.) 8. First in method by all the hand except the conductor. A welcome to Paul Trueman, grandson of the 6th ringer.
SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.-On Jan, 31 st at St. Mary's Basilica, 1,272 Minor ( 720 Kent and Oxford, 552 Kent): Audrey E. Peters 1, J. H. Fryer 2, W. D. Watson 3, Robert J. Klima 4, J. C. Sheehy 5, T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 6. First of Kent and Oxford for $1,2,3$, and 4. Rung half muffied in memoriam Tom Howell (77) member of N.S.W. association since its inception and a ringer for 55 years.
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Feb. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: C. Diggins (first Triples) 1, H. Rumens 2, F. C. Maynard 3, P. D. Chapman 4. F. W. Sykes 5, D. A. Hewitt 6, T. Hawkings (cond.) 7, F. C. Taylor 8. For Evensong.
YATTON, SOMERSET.-On Feb. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Vowles 1, Mrs. G. Bishop (first 'inside ') 2. A. H. T. Parker 3, P. H. Marshall 4, R. Brice 5, C. Bishop 6, H. Knighe (cond.) 7, T. Baker (first of Triples) 8. Rung in honour of the wedding of Judith Price and Dr. D. I. D. Hodge. Also the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Winsor, sister of the ringer of the 3rd, and godmother of the bride.

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## TRUE OR FALSE?

## A Questionnaire by Professor Dodge (With a foreword by his amanuensis)

IHAVE great pleasure in presenting another series of searching, and edifying, questions given by the Professor. I have persuaded him to include some that will be of interest to the not-too-advanced, and hope that his answers will be perused with the attention which he devoted to compiling them. As in a questionnaire of this kind one can be only right or wrong, I leave it to the reader's own conscience as to whether his answer is right or wrong because of a wild guess or a shrewd surmise!
(1) It is possible to be conducting a peal of T.B. Major, make a miscall, and still under certain circumstances ring through without falseness.
(2) The first 720 of Plain Bob Minor was published in 1702.
(3) It is not possible to call a peal of T.B. Major without first knowing the calling.
(4) A Bob in Plain Bob alters the lead-ends from tve (In-course) to -ve (out-of-course).
(5) There is no Roman Catholic church in the British Isles which contains a ring of 12 (ringabie) bells.
(6) The first published 5,040 of Grandsire Triples turned out to be false.
(7) All methods rung today are symmetrical between leadheads and lead ends.
(8) At one time a 'single' in Stedman Doubles was made on the front.
(9) Uniess turned from the lead by the treble, the bells one leads from (or off) in Plain Bob Minor and Major are, respectively, the 2nd and 3rd. and 3rd and 4th bells which will be met when hunting up.
(10) There have been only two peals of Original Minor rung.
(11) One of the greatest heavy-bell ringers of all time went to a ringing meeting on his first birthday, where the mecting meeting rose and sang. 'Happy Birthday.'
(12) The first published regular Surprise method was 'Primrose.'
(13) There is a system whereby Cambridge Surprise may be rung from Minor to Maximus without knowing the 'blue line.'
(14) Two only of the following bells are hung for ringing in peal: 'Great Tom,' 'Great John.' 'Grandison,' 'Great Peter.' 'S. Dunstan.' 'Major,' and 'Litle John.'
(15) Working from memory is, unfortunately, the only way to write down the lead head of any lead in the plain course of a regular method, given the bell on the front with the treble.
(16) It is only necessary to write out half a lead of a method to discover whether it is 'regular' or otherwise.
(17) The method 'Crown Bob.' which appears on some old peal boards is false.
(18) The system of proving by 'course-ends' was invented by Jasper Snowdon.
(19) That it is impossible to have a 5.040 of Grandsire Triples without a "single " was first proved by a non-ringer.
(20) When ringing a heavy bell it is necessary to strike more closely to the small bells.

## ANSWERS

(1) True. George Lewis was once conducting a peal of T.B. Major and made a miscall about two-thirds of the way through the peal. He informed the rest of the team as they were ringing and offered to insert the alternative calling for the course and run the risk of ringing a false peal. The team agreed to carry on and after the peal was finished George sat down in the belfry to prove it. The peal turned out to be true although, of course, the length was different from the original!
(2) False. Stedman in 'Tintinnalogia' (1688) gives an ' 18 -score ' which he doubles by singles,' although these are made in 256 as opposed to the 'single' used today which is made in 234.
(3) False. If the calling consists of Bobs W. B. M. H., then it is possible to call the peal by memorising the courseends (heads), provided that it is known which courses contain a 'before.'
(4) False. Only a 'single' does this.
(5) False. Buckfast Abbey contains a ring of 12 bells.
(6) True. In the first edition of 'Campanalogia' a 2,520 is given which the authors state will run to 5.040 when doubled by singles. Unfortunately when this is done the composition is false.
(7) False. e.g. 'Grandsire.'
(8) True.
(9) True. (The Professor apologises if he has impinged on 'Tips for beginners.')
(10) False. There has never been a peal of Original Minor rung.
(11) True. This happened at the February meeting (this year) of the Barnsley and District Society, at Earlsheaton, when Adrian M. Moreton was one year old.
(12) False. Cambridge Surprise (Minor) was the first. Although Primrose Surprise appeared in the same publication, ('Campanalogia '). it was the 'irregular' version which was, however, recognised as the standard version until comparatively recently when a 'regular' method filched its name.
(13) True. It works quite well for Minor and Major, is less efficient as the number of bells increases and is precarious in Maximus where the treble is liable to be missed owing to the welter of ropes-and sounds.
(14) False. Only 'Grandison' (Exeter Cathedral) is a 'ringers' bell. All the others are hung 'dead.'
(15) False. Write down the coursing circie (e.g. in Major 2468753 ). clockwise, and starting from the required bell, zigzag across the circle beginning anti-clockwise. (There are other ways.)
(16) Truc. Using the coursing circle of the previous answer. select the half-lead pivot bell fi.e. the bell making the place at the same time that the treble lies behind). and if the method is 'regular,' the bells that are crossing at this juncture should make a series of parallel lines on the coursing circle.
(17) True. This early attempt at 'splicing' consists of consecutive leads of Oxford T.B., College Pleasure T.B. and College T.B. It appeared in the first edition of -Campanalogia " and thereafter disappeared.
(18) False. Snowdon clarified it in his 'Ropesight.' but it was given carlier by Sir Arthur Heywood in 'Dufficld,' a book on the method of his own invention.
(19) True This was W. H. Thompson in his famous treatise on 'Grandsire ' (The Thompson Papers), who also introduced the term 'Q-sets,' by means of which he carried out his proof.
(20) False. The interval of striking is the same for all bells; the interval of pulling varies.

## MARKING SCHEME

$18-20$. Very Good.
$12-18$. Good.
$10=12$. Fair.
Below 10. Join the College of Campanology.
Deals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to Her Majesty the Queen, on Jeb. 19th, 1960

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA. AUSTRALIA. THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY On Tues., Feb, 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt . in G sharp.

| *Cecil h. Pearson .. .. Treble | G |
| :---: | :---: |
| Kenneih J. Minchinton 2 | Diana M. Pipe |
| *Brenda L. Sheppard | Arthur H. Fis |
|  |  | | *Brenda L. Sheppard | . | 3 | Arthur H. Fisher | .. | . | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Graeme W. Heyes.. | . | 4 | John J. F. Roper | .. | . |  |
| Gehor |  |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by Thomas b. Worsley. Conducted by George W. Pipe. * First peal of Treble Bob Major.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minultes. At Bishop Latimer's Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Johnson's variation.
John Pinfold
Treble
Tenor 14 cwt . in F sharp.
muriel Reay
Norman J. Gcodman
Roderick W. Pipe
 Juhn A. Anderson ${ }_{6}^{5}$

Condu
he bells.
TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN. WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sutt., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary Magulen,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt 1 g g. 5 lb . in F sharp.

| Muriel Reay | ebl | Michael Elson.. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eilfin M. Ei | 2 | Giorgie E. Fearn |
| Roderick W. Pipe | 3 | A. Patrick Cannon |
| Ralph G. Edward | 4 | Fredfrick E. Collins |


| Ralph G. Edwards.. |
| :--- |
| Composed by Charles J. Sldgley. |

## BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minures. AI iHE Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

| G. Arnold Moore | Treble | William Talbur |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Elizabeth Roberts | 2 | Charles A. S. Webb |
| Albert Lawton | 3 | Geoferty Davies |
| Harold Roberis | 4 | William Waikin | Conducted by G. Arnold Moore.

## SIX BELL PEALS

LIMPSFIELD. SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sar., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,
Ai the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 21 different $240^{\circ}$ s.
E. E. Tidy
*Alf. W. Stenning
L. A. TIDY

> | Treble | \#E. Jarretr |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | E. Nixon |
| 3 | F. Terry |

Tenor 14 cwt.

Conducted by E. Nixon.
STANWELL. MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Feb. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

At ihe Church of Sr. Mary-ihe-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 50.40 DOUBLES
Being 41 extents of Plain Bob ( 12 callings) and one extent Grandsire. Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

Conducted by Christopher B. Fynes.

- First peal. † First 'inside." Rung by Stanwell Society.

BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Mon.. Feb. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.
E. Jane Langion
*Mikaela Erik.
*Dr. D. J. Neal Smith ... $3^{3}$ \#Robin J. Trebilcock .. Tenor
*First peal in the method.
Also rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret.
SWYNNERTON. STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Oil Sal., March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor 7 cwl 1 qr .8 lb .


* First peal of Bob Minor on tower bells.


## HANDBELL PEAL

## LONDONDERRY

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Murch 7. 1960, in 2 Hours.
in the Belfry of St. Columb's Cathedral.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (four callings).
Tenor size 11 in G.
Frederick E. Dukes .. $1-2 \mid$ John Campbell
Aubrey D. Fielding 5-6
Conducted by Frederick E. Dukes.

## OTHER PEALS -

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BUCKFAST, DEVON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes,

Ay the Abbey Church of St. Marythee-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 41 cwt .
Frank E. Hansford.. .. Treble | Eric J. Hitchins ... . 7 Herbi:ri C. Splincer $+\frac{2}{3}$ Richard J. Bowidin.. ... 8 Anthony J. Sangir .. .. 3 Reginald G. Hoopir Arimur H. Rel.d Alberil M. Tyilir $\quad 4$ Henry J. Sanger D. John Hunt ... ... 6 Thomas J. Serter ... Tellor Composed by Juhn Carier. Conducted by Albirt M. Tyler. Rung on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the ordination to the priestlood of the Rev. Peter John Stepphan. F.R.Hist.S.

## LONDON. S.E.I

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat.. March 12, 1980, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes. Ar ihe Cathedral Church of Si. Saviour. Southwark.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 48 cwt .
Johs Phillips
Michalil P. Muriiun
Desmond Painier
Treble George W. Cecil

James Phillips.
Dennis Randell
John D. Rock
-

Juhn H. Crampion
Juhn Chilcort ... .. 6 James G. A. Prior .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Chilcoit.
Rung in honour of the christening at the Cathedral on March 5th. 1960 , of Mark Winn, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Winn and grandson of Mr. Aubrey C. Winn, Ringing Master of the Southwark Cathedral Society.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sat.. Jant. 23, 1961, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes, Ar the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D.
Elizabeth M. Yardley .. Treble George. E. Fearn Muriel. Reay .. .. .. 2 Anthony Ager Ruth M. Border .. .. 3 NORman J. Goodman Arthur V. Pearson.. .. 4 John McDonald Micharll Firson $\because$ : 5 Priter Border

Conducted by Peter Border.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 25 cwt 2 qr. 25 lb . in D.
*Margaret E. Ross *Cynthia Bibby. Treble F. John Nelson Brian A. Tomlinson - Robert J. Warrilow Composed by W. Pye.
First peal of Surprise Royal.

David W. James
Derek Ogden
Brian Harris
Barrie Hendry
Frederick W. Grocort .. Tenor Conducted by Derek Ogiden.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., March 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of Sr. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL. Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D.

| hn Pinfold | eble | George E. Fearn |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roderick W. Pipt: | 2 | Norman J. Goodman |
| Bryan D. A. Woolley | 3 | John McDonald |
| Piter Border | 4 | Brian J. Woodruffe |
| Michael Elson | 5 | John A. Anderson |
| Composed by C. Ke | Lewis. | Conducted by PE |

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat.. March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D

Muriel Reay ..
John A. Anderson
*Arthur V. Pearson
John Pinfold
John McDonald Treble

Composed by Frank E. Darby

* First peal of London Royal.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Brian J. Woodruffe } & & 0 \\ \text { Norman J. Goodman } & . . . & 7 \\ \text { George E. Fearn ... } & 8 \\ \text { Peter Border }\end{array}$
Ralph G. Edwards. . . Tehor
Conducted by Peier Border.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 12, 1960. in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 18 cwt .1 qr .26 lb . in Eflat.

Stewart F. Kimber .. Treble
*Jean L. Lavender
$\dagger$ Elizabeth A. Cooper
Kathleen E. Chilcott
-Raymond I. F. Parsons
Composed by Chas. H. Kippin
*R. James Cook
David E. Parsons Frank D. Jennings Frank E. Darby Leonard A. Reece .. ... Tenor Conducted by Frank E. Darby. Conducted by Fran

Rung to welcome Linda Margaret. born February 18th. 1960, to Gillian and Raymond Parsons.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BURFORD. OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut., Feb. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. John-the-Bapist.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt 3 qr .1 lb.
D. John Huni

Eric Sution
Charles G. Jones
Brynley A. Shackleton..
Composed by John CARTER
Arranged and rung as a 21 Conducied by ReGinald G. Hooper. Shackleton.

GAINSBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(West Lindsey Branch.)
On Fri., Feb. 26, 1960. in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.
A t the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $19 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Pauline Bull
Mrs. J. Bull
Delia E. Smith
Charles H. Bake
Treble A. Robin Heppenstall

| 2 | Barry Johns |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Barry Johns
Ron Applewhite
Composed by Cornelius Charge
Conducled by A. Rubin Heppenstall.
Rung with the bells half-muffied in memoriam Edwina, Countess Mounthatten. and Kathleen May Adlard.

WELLINGTON. SOMERSET
THE: BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Bapilist.
A PEAL OF 5120 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt .
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble| Patrick J. Bird Bryniey A. Shackleton. D. John Hunt

2
Richard J. Bowden. $\qquad$ 3
4 David Heigho. Reginald G Hoope
. Teno
Aranged by B. J. Woodruffe. Conducted by Reginald G. Hooper.
First peal in the method on the bells.
Rung for the betrothal of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

## WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD On Sun., Feb. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 9 lb . in E .

| Ann George | Treb | Stanley 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bernard V. Collison | 2 | Edward J. Jenner |
| Margaret A. Ladd | 3 | Ernest J. Ladi |
| Herberi W. Woolven | 4 | Stanley Jenner |

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.
BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Tues., March 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

John A. Anderson
Brian J. Woodruffe .. Tenor
Conducted by Peter Border.
MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., March 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minules,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $15 \%$ cwt. in $F$.
Ronald J. Johnston
Dorothy M. Heap
*John H. Soanes
Treble Bernard F. L. Groves Robert J. Warrilow 5 -John H. Soanes
†Dunald A. Fraser Composed by J. R. Pritchard John Pilkington Trevor Taylor
*First peal on eight bells. † First of Major. The conductor's 100 th peal.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Allan L. Townend. of the local company, interred this day.

## BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
H. George Hart ... Treble Claudia A. Criichley .. 13 cwi. G. William Critchley . . 2 Christopher W. Woolley 6
 Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by G. William Crilihley. * First peal in the method.

## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Fri., March 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Comprising 1.120 London, 1.088 Superlative, 1.024 each Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey; 107 changes of method, and all the work for each bell.
Herbrrt E. Audsifey
Treble
Ralph Bird
Arthir G. Mason
2
Arthur S. Richards
Frfderick J. Cullum

| 3 |
| :--- |
| 4 |

ian H. Oram
George J. Buicher
6 Conducted by Phillp A. Corby.

BRIDPORT. DORSET
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5184 WHITMHNSTER SCRPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt .2 gr .16 lb . in E flat.
Michael J. Best
Dorothy T. Gardiner
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay
.Treble
Mrs. F. J. Mars
Philip N. Tlibrs
Composed by S . Iven.
First peal in the method by all. and for the Guild.

CHOLSEY, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .

| Charles G. Jones | Treble | *brian Mills |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest J. Munday | ${ }^{2}$ | *Eric Sutton |
| Ronald F. Diserens | 3 | *Arthur Sayers |
| Reginald W. Rex | 4 | *Geoffrey K. Dodd |
| Composed by H |  | onducted by Geoffrey |

* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

GAWSWORTH, MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

## Tenor 11 cwt .



GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATKON
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5056 HOLLAND BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .
 Edward E. Davey
Conducted by Frank B. LuFkin Rung in memory of Ven. Ellis Norman Gowing. M.A., Vicar of Prittlewell, Essex, for over 42 years, past Archdeacon of Southend, and life vice-president of the Essex Association, who died on Wednesday, March 2nd


STAPLEHURST, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5. 1960 in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Middleton's. Oitve D. Couchman Crawford T. Hillis Violet I. Relf
Thomas E. Sone
Treble
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3
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Conducted by Ralphe Bird.

STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE.
TIIE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.

- Mrs. Bessie Holmes

Frederick A. Adams
*Malcolm P. Phipps
Leslie W. Bacon

Tenor 18 cwt .3 qr .22 lb .
*First peal of Triples. First of Triples and in the method as conductor.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
Ar the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods, namely: 1,600 Rutland, 1,280 London, 640 Bristol, 320 each of Superlative, Pudsey, Cambridge, Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, with 125 changes of method. Terky Page (Downing) .. Treble Chris. Johnson (Selwyn).

John Schofield (King's).
James Taylor (St. Cath.'s) Frances Secker (Girton).. 4 Peter Langton (Irinity).. 7 Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Peter Langion.

First peal of 8 -spliced by all the band, and for the Guild.
WEM, SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
F. Hector Benneit
*Valerie Lee

| Treble | Colin Smith | $\ldots$ | .. | . | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | John | R. Thomas | $\ldots$ | . | 6 |

*Rogle W. Powell
John R. Thomas
*John E. Brough
Composed by J. A. Trollope ${ }^{4} \quad \begin{gathered}\text { *Frank R. Morion...... Tchor } \\ \text { Conducted by John E. Brough. }\end{gathered}$
*First peal in the method. 50th peal as conductor.

## WITHAM, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker` Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 18 ewt. James Chalk

Treble Ernest W. Bright . John Warner .. .. ... 2 Dennis A. S. Symonds allen Syder $\quad .$. Michael J. Edwards .. 4 Henry Dorking.. .. .. Temor

Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.
Rung to mark the completion of 50 years as a ringer at the above church by E. W. Bright. Also a birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Symonds, mother of the ringer of the sixth.

## WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO. DURHAM

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt . 3 qr.
Fred Hodgson
.Treble *Ruif Anderson
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Philip G. Draffan... } & . . & 2 & \text { *William Maughan } \\ \text { *Margaret Machin }\end{array}$
*Margaret Machin
*John Woodman
Thomas Cooke .. .. Tenor
Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by thomas Coore.

* First peal in the method.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minules,
at the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR


Bernard F. L. Groves John Worih
Composed by F. Bennert. Edward Jenkins .. . Tenor
Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis. and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

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PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., March 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 THSWWICH SURPRISE MAJOR
A PEAL OF 5120 IPSWICH SURPRISE MAJ
Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb . T. Chapman
Dawson $\quad . \quad$ Treble Edwin

| George Dawson | Treble | Edwin T. Chapman |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John E. Allen | 2 | Albert W. A. Leggett |
| Stanley E. Benneit | 3 | - Ronald C. Noon |
| J. Martin Thorley | 4 | Cyril R. Burrell | J. Martin Thorley..... 4 Cyril R. Burrell...... Tehor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Composed by C. J. Sedgley 200th peal. First in the method by all
To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of Edward King. Bishop of Lincoln 1885-1910.

## SOUTH SHIELDS. COUNTY DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon.. March 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AI IHE CHURCH OF ST. HILDA.
A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSSIIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt . 1 qr . is lb .

| Norman | Errington | Treble | George S. Deas |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles | N. Lea | 2 | J. Alan Ainsworth. | 6 |
| John E. | Anderson | 3 | Eric N. Harrison | 7 |
| Rrs. C | N. Lea | 4 | Bryan Pattison | Teno |

Composed by Patrick i. Chapman. Conducted by Bryan Patilison.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .1 gr .22 lb . in F.
Carol Ferniey .. .. .. Treble Leslie Buumphrey
Eilfen M. Fearn
*Ruland F. Eccles
Peter Laflin
Bernard F. L. Groves
Barrie Hendry Tenor Basil Jones
Composed by G. Lindoff Composed by G. Lindoff.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Taylor on the birth of a son (Richard).

## HARROW WEALD. M1DDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed.. March 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

March 9, Church of All Siants.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .3 lb . in A.
 Conducted by John R. Mayne.

- First peal of Stedman. $\dagger$ First peal. 50th peal on the bells. Rung by members of the Sunday service band.

GATESHEAD-ON-TYNE, COUNTY DURHAM
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. March 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minues.
AI the ©hurch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Marion S. Ainsworth. 4 J. Alan Ainsworih.... Temor

* First peal in the method 'inside.'


## ALLESLEY, COVENTRY

THE COVENTRY' DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR
A PEAL OF $\begin{gathered}5088 \text { PUDSEY SUR } \\ \text { Tenor } 12 \mathrm{cwt} \text { in } \mathrm{G} .\end{gathered}$

|  | Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| frank W. Perrens | 2 | $\dagger$ Huberi G. Summers |
| bin Guy | 3 | $\ddagger$ L. Michael Cal |

†John W. T. Taylor $\quad .$.
Composed and Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.
*First peal of Treble Bob. + First in the method. $\ddagger$ First in the method of Major.

## BARROW-IN-FURNESS. LANCASHIRE. <br> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat.. March 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
A1 the: Church of Si. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}}$.

| -Gurdon Richins | Treble | * Himry Barnes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James E. Burles | 2 | James Blackburn |
| Frederick H. Crawley | 3 | $\dagger$ Johin Pierkins |
| James Dickinson | 4 | John Bagnall | Composed hy George Williams. Conducted by James E. Burles *First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal.

Rung in appreciation of the services of John Perkins to St. James*
heliry over the past year: he is shortly leasing the district.

BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.

## Tile Kent county association.

On Sat., March 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and' 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr. 8 lb . in F .
-brenda M. Claridge .. Treble arthur G. Mason. ... 2 Frederick J. Cullum ... 3 $\dagger$ Јонn W. Smith .. .. 4 Composed by John L. Morris. Ian H. Oram
R. Thomas Newman

Alan E. Bagworth
Ralph Bird
Conducted by lan H. Oram.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First in the method. First of Yorkshire as conductor. and on the bells.

DRONFIELD. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. John.
A PEAL OF 5152 DRONFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .
Marion Archer
Treble W. Arnold Morley.
mrs. Pat A. m. Halls .. 2 Gordon A. Halls
Roger Baldwin .. .. 3
David K. Walklate .. 4
Composed by Shirley Burion.
Denis R. Carlisle
ian M. Holland
Conducted by Ian M. Hulland.
First peal in the method.
EDENBRIDGE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5072 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt .7 lb . in F sharp.
Margaret A. Ladd .. Treble Brian E. Jeffrey

$\dagger$ John E. Warner ... .. 4 Stanley Jenner .. .. .. Temor
Composed by Frank Benneit. Conducted by Sianley Jenner.

* 25th peal together. $\dagger$ First of Major *inside.

A 21st birthday compliment to Ann George.
EPWORTH. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5024 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt .16 lb . in F.
*G. Leonard Thompson.. Treble *George H. Randles .. 5 *Margaret A. Swann .. 2 Geofrey R. Parker
*Norah M. Randles
-John Walden .. .. .. 7 Jack L. Millhouse... . . Tenor *Peter A. Sharp
Composed hy Frank Benneit.
Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Wembley Surprise Major.


## FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours amd 54 Minutes, At the Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR'

Tenor $12 \downarrow \mathrm{cwt} .8 \mathrm{lb}$. in G .
Roger Leigh .. .. . Treble | Geoffrey Fothergill
Brian Tomlinsun .. .. 2 John Partington
Gordon Rothwell .. 3 Joseph Thornley $\quad . . \quad$.. $\quad 7$
-Christine B. Clayion .. 4 Michael Fishwick .. .. Tenor
Composed by H. Howlitt. Conducted by Rogep Leigh:
*First peal of Plain Bob. Mr. Joseph Thornley has now circled ${ }^{\text {( }}$ this. his home tower.
Rung as a welcome to the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip
J. Hudson, both ringers at St. Luke's, Heywood, Lancs.

HALSTEAD. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 12. 1980 , in 2 Hours und 58 Minutes.

## At the Church of St. Andrew. <br> A PEAL OF 5024 HALSTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR <br> Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr. 6 lb . in F

George A. Trendell ..Treble Joonn R. Mayne.. .. ..
Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 Hilda G. Snowden .
Frank Claydon.. .. .. 3
G. William Crithley .ind 4

Walter Arnold...
Edward P. Duffielo . Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method.
DRUNFIELI) SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 14 \times 1258 \times 36 \times 7$
2 nds place 1.-e.: 8674523 . 4ths place bob.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## DUNKERTON, BATH. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sar. Feb. 27. 1960, in 2 fiours and 15 Minutes. At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being seven six-scores each of Stedman, St. Simon's, Plain Boh, Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Reverse St. Bartholomew.

Tenor 5 cwt. 18 lb . in C .
J. James Jefieries .. .. Treble Alan F. Lle

George J. Hawkins. . . . 2 Cedric J. A. Brown
Harold L. Parfrey .. . . 3 Albfri F. Buit.
5 Conducred by Georgi: J. Hawkins.
First peal of six methods of Doubles by all the band.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Butt, of Dunkerton.

HATHERN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours und 45 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Perer,
A PEAL OF 5040 HATHERN SURPRISE, MINOR
Being four different extents and one 2.160 .
Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Celia Cowliy .. .. .. Treble Tom Harris 4
5
C. William Hall .. .. 2 Juhn A. Undirwuod

David Swift .. .. .. 3 Roland Bi:nision
Tenor
Irirst peal in the method, which is 6ths place Sedlescombe Surprise
TEWIN, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Feb. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minules,

At the Church of St. Peiler.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Thomas J. Southam
*Pairick F C. Woosier.
David S. Harris

> Conducted by

## *David Gambling

Tenor 10 cwt

* First peal First as conductor. Edic Edmondson

Rung as a tirst birthday compliment to Julia, daughter of David and Jeanette Haris, of Welwyn Garden City.

HATHERN SURPRISE
$\times 34 \times 14 \times 12 \times 1236 \times 14 \times 56$
6 ths place lead-end 164523

TIMSBURY, SOMERSET.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY
On Sat., Feb. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours und 49 Minules
At the Church of Sy. Mary-ihe-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt ., approx Angela Grainger .. .. Treble I Beryl W. Abboti
Jane K. A. Cook .. .. 2 Roysion Blackier
John C. Baldwin .. .. 3 J. Anihony Benneir .. Tehor Conducted by Angela Grainger.
First peal as conductor.
A wedding compliment to Miss Audrey Flower, datughter of the tower captain, who wis marricd in this church this day.

## STANTON-ON-WYE, IIEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sum.. Feb. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours, and 43 Minutes,
AI the Churcil of thi Blessed Virgin Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Tenor 10 cwt .
*Edwin R. Chillingiford Treble Rubert A. Hatchir.. .. 4
Arihur Williams . . . $\frac{2}{3}$ John W. Ifope .. .. .. 5
G. James R. Price .. .. $\quad 3$ John Hughes $\quad .$.

Conducted by G. James R. Price.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since they were rehung in 1957

Rung for the engagement of H.R.II. Princess Margaret to Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones.

GREAT COMBERTON WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Maich 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minules, At the Church of Si. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents each of Reverse Canterbury. Southrepps and Kenning. ton, and 12 each of April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. in B flat.
Ihiather M. Pullon. . . Treble Robert W. Comi:
Pali. Caihrmule .. ... 2 Harold E. Raxilik
James E. Pullon .. $\quad . .33$ James E. A. Puilon
Conducted by Paul Caitirmole
The conductor's 25 th tower for a peal. Rung on St. David's Day.
LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE,
IHE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., March 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
Ar she Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents
Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Donald F. Murfet. Treble Geoffrey A. Lucás .. .. 4
George E. Crisp ... 2 George E. Thoday .. .. 5
Dertik E. Latchford o. 3 John Verity . . . . Tenor
Conducted by George E. Thoday.
First peal of Surprise as conductor.
PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRF,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Thurs.. March 3. 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOK

Being seven dilferent extents.
Richard J. Clifion ... Trebl

* Joan Colion

Treble
Giorge Bailey.

Prircival W. Grice
Joseph W. Colion
John A. Undrrwood . . Tenor
Conducted by John A. Underwood.

* First peal of Minor, and on an 'inside 'bell. Richard J. Clifton has now 'circled' this his home tower.

> BARKING. SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri.. March 4. 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minntes, At the Chitreh of Sr. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Uxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and four different extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt .1 gr .7 lb .
*Robire G. Crooks.. .. Treble tJohn E. Ivings
Gifbiri R. Goodship .. 2 Hubert A. Mitson
Robirt E. Lester . . . 3 J John L. Giri
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5
Conducted by Robirt E. Lester.

* First peal. + First in four methods.

A hirthday peal for the conductor.

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## BRAMPTON ASH. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On fri.. March 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, At ine Chlirch of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MIINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.. St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Double Oxlord, Cambridge and Plain Boh Tenor 11 cwt I gr. 2 lh , in G .
 Shelagh R. Collins .. 3 Atan J. Frosi .. .. .. Tenor Conducted hy Alan J. Frosi

* First peal. † First in seven methods. First in seven methods as conductor.


## BUGBROOKF. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: <br> THF PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Fri.. March 4. 1950, in 2 Homrs and 45 Mimites, <br> Ar ihe: Church of Sr. Michafil, and Alil. Angel.s, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 OLD DOUBLES

Comprising 42 extents, different callings. Tenor 14 cwt .14 lb . in F. Robert S. Robirts ... Treble| Pircy Amos $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Timothy A. Wooding } & 2 & \text { Victor R. Perry } & \text {... } & \text {.. } & 4\end{array}$ Grorsf F. Roome . . . Tenor
Conducted by Grorge. F. Rnome.
First peal of Old Doubles for all the hand, for the above Guild, and believed the first peal of Old Douhles ever rung.

Rung half-mufled in affectionate remembrance of Rev. Robert Baxter Disney, B.A., priest-in-charge, 1939-46. who died at Bedford, aged 88 years.


## CORYTON, DEVON

THE GJILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS
On Sat.. March S. 1960. in 2 Hours and 36 Minules,
At the Church of St. A.vDr:w,
A PFAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOLBLES
Tenor 6 cwt.
W. Manning
W. C. Botichir

Treble J. Ricw
2 J. H. BFNOY
D. Roy Bouid D $\because$. Roy Bould.

BLUNSDON SURPRISE MINOR
34-36. 14-12-1236-34-36
2nds place lead-end. 142635.

DINTON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At 1 hie Church of SS. Petfr and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Single Oxford, Douhle Oxford. St. Clement's and Kent Treble Bob, and three $720^{\circ}$ s of Plain Boh.
Tenor 17 cwt 1 gr . in F .
William S. Diason .. .. Treble John D. Rock .. .. .. 4

| Gilitan A. Neat. Smith .. | 2 | Robin G. Leali... | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Aian E. Bagworth | A. Pairick Cannon | .. | .. |  |

Conducted hy Robin G. Liale.
First peal on the bells.
GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.
TIIE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At 1 hi Church of Si. George:
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Boh and five of Plain. Boh. Tenor 15t cwt.

| * Peter Branio | Treb | John H. Gouid.. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fflix H. Erith | 2 | Gforge W. Barnes |
| drian Semken | 3 | Bernard W. Fairhead |

* First peal of Minor.

A birthday compliment to Mr. J. IF. Gould.

## HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY
On Sat., March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minures.
At the Church of All. Saints
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven meihods, heing one extent each of London. Wells, Norwich, Bourne. Ipswich. Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwi}$. E. Janf: Langion

Mikafla Erik

| .. | .. Treble | * |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | .. | 2 |
| K | 3 | 3 |

J. Michael Lakin

Robin J. Tribilicock $\quad . .3$
Tenor Conducted hy Derek E. Sibson.

* First peal of :ieven Surprise.

Rung for the birth of a daughter to Sally and David Beard.

## HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 5, 1960), it 2 Hours and 48 Minules,
Ar ihi Church of Si. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (two callings). Tenor 6 cwt . 11 lh . in B hat *Ji.nnifi: Sci:iny .. ... Treble $\quad \ddagger$ Robirt Hartley
*Mary F. Cahr ... 2 Gordon W. Limmir ... 5
\#Syivia E. Arkins .. 3 Howard Oglesby .. . . Tenor

Conducted hy Howard Ocifesby.

* First peal. i First attempl (aged 13 years 10 months). $\ddagger$ First of Minor. First of Minor as ronductor, having now circled the tower."


## RAYNE, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Cheirch of All Saints.
A PFAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Mrs. M. Moore


Treble
Ronald Suckiting
*Wilitam Chapmas
$2 \quad$ Quiniton Bursifm


Conducted hy Ronald Suickiling
*First peal "inside. $\dagger$ First peal.
SANDFORD ST. MARTIN. OXFORDSHIRT.. TIIE OXIFORD DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Sat., March 5, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
Ai thi: Cillirch of Si. Martin.
A PFAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford. Treble Boh. Kent Treble Boh. Single Oxford, St. Clement's. Reverse Canterhury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
*Robert A. Rieves. . . Treble | Edmund E. Pfarson.
$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}\text { Michafl Hatchett. . . . } & 2 & 2 & \text { Wili.iam Birmingham } & . . & 4 \\ 5\end{array}$
*Christopher C. Clarke.. 3 Alan R. Pink . . . . . Tenor
Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal of Minor in seven methods.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. W. F. Malcolm, instituted to this benetice on March 3rd, 1960.

STAVERTON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE: PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suh.. March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minules,
Ai ihe Church of Si. Martilife-Virgin,
A PEAL DF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in three methods: (1) Oxford T.B.. (2) Plain Boh. (3) Oxford T.B.. (4) Plain Bob. (5) and (6) Kent T.B.. (7) Plain Boh. *Sona G. Fiakin Tenor 10 cWL . 3 gr. 26 lb . in G.
 Conducted by Alan J. Frost.

- First peal.

TANNINGTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat.. March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Fihtiblirt.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE: BOB MINOR
Being four extents of Kent Trehle Boh and three of Oxford Trehle Boh. each called differently.

- Anihony h. Reberis
B. Ausin Head

2
Ennf.st Whiting
L. Edwari) Ethfridgis

Gforge: Ç. J. Filby .. . Tenor Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

* First peal of Treble Bob.

WOODLESFORD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
 Conducted by Kenneth B. Sissons.

* First peal at first attempt.

Rung full-muffled in sympathy with the Agadir disaster.
WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. March 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46) Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Double Oxford Bob, (2) and (3) Oxford Trehle Bob, (4) St. Clement's Boh, (5) Kent Treble Boh. (6) and (7) Plain Boh. *Walter D. Bailey.. .. Treble Evelyn R. M. Cansdale 2 Allen W. Cansdaie
A. Edward Leggett .. 3 *Barry E. Gibbons .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Allen W. Cansdale.

* First peal in five methods. First as conductor in more than one method.

KING'S BROMLEY. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Fri., March 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5160 DOUBLES
Being 13 extents of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .23 lb . in G.

| *Graham Roobottom | Treble | Brian Dawson.......... | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +David W. Brunning | 2 | \#Eric Edginton | .. | . | . |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  | Verona C. Naylor. . . 3 George L. Roobottom. . Tehor Conducted by Eric Edginton.

*First peal. † Has "circied the tower. \$ Has "circled the tower * three times.

## CRAMLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960. in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of St. Clement's and Cambridge Surprise, and one each of Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Alan R Patterson Tenor 19 cwt .
John E. Anderson. ... 2 George S. Deas. ...
Marion S. Ainsworth .. 3 J. Alan Ainsworth.. .. Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Aivsworth.

- First peal. † First of Minor "inside.

HOAR CROSS, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., March. 12. 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At ihe. Church of Holy Angei.s.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being scven extents.
Michali, W. Falri:y.
Barnabas G. Key
Treble
. . . 2 Jeffrey B Wfbb
Conducted hy John McDonalo.
HOLT, DENBIGHSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford and Kent T.B. Combined. Double Oxford. Thelwall. St. Clement's, Childwall and Plain Boh.

George, F. Sperring .. Treble $\mid$ Percy Swindley .. .. 4 | John S. Dfan | .. | .. | .. | 2 | John W. Griffiths | .. | . | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rogr King | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Geoffri:y Parting | .. | . Teno |  | Conducted by John W. Griffiths.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. T. Bryan as Vicar of Holt.

## MITCHAM, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 196(), in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes, At Christ Church, Colliers Wood, S.W.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Single Oxford. St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise. Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Boh.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. in B.
Anne Garnett.

* Susan Rawlings
Ha
Ian h. Oram
Ian
* First peal 'inside.'

WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sum.. March 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents each of Southrepps. Kennington, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse Si. Bartholomew, April Day, Plain Boh and Grandsire.
$\begin{array}{lccccc}\text { Heather M. Pullon } & \ldots & \text { Treble Harold E. Raxter... } & . . & 4 \\ \text { Paul Cattermole } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Arthur D. Cook } & . . & . . \\ 5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Paul Cattermole } & \text { \#Arthur D. Cook ... ... } 5 \\ \text { Robert W. Cole } & 2 & . . & 3 & \dagger \text { Lindsay H. G. Gitíns.. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

* Most methods rung to a peal. † First peal at first attempt. Fastest peal on the bells.

A coming-oí-age compliment to Rodney S. Smith, of the local band

## handbell peal

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 1, 1960, in 2 Hours. At The Wayside, 150 , Narborough Road South,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPI.ES

## Dexter's No. 1.

*John M. Jelley
Tenor size 15 in $C$.
 *First peal of Conducted by John A. Acres.

* First peal of Stedman on handbells.


## 5,120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

| 23456 | M | B | W |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 43526 |  |  | 2 |
| 25346 |  |  | 2 |
| 65432 | 2 | - |  |
| 26354 |  | - | 2 |
| 24653 | 2 |  |  |
| 45236 | 2 |  | 2 |
| 53462 |  | - |  |
| 32465 | 1 |  |  |

Repeated.
Contains full combinations of 4.5 .6 in $5-6$, and all the 144 combination Roll-ups.
Rung at Pontefract, Yorks. on February 13th, 960, conducted by the composer.

## 5,056 SHOREDITCH SURPRISE

MAJOR
By JOHN R. MAYNE.
23456 M B W H


First rung on February 4th, 1960, at Willesden.

## 5,024 SWANSEA SURPRISE

 MAJOR| 23456 | M | B | W |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 24536 |  |  |  |
| 25346 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 42356 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 24653 | 2 |  |  |
| 26543 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 25463 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 23564 | 2 |  |  |
| 42635 | 2 |  | 1 |
| 25634 | 2 | - | 1 |
| 26354 |  |  | 1 |
| 52364 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 24365 | 2 | - | 1 |
| 23645 | 1 | - | 2 |
| 23456 | 2 |  | 2 |

Rung at Willesden on February 25th, 1960.

Quarter peals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to H.M. the Queen, born Эeb. 19th, ;960

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRAIIA. - At St Peter's Cathedral, on Feb. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles H. F. Cox 1, H. Greenhalgh 2, W. Mann 3, Enid Roberts (cond.) 4. B. R. Cox 5, 1. O. Goulter (firs quarter) 6.
AYLESTQNE, LEICS.-On Feb. 19th, 1.440 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Maric Davenport (first quarter) 1, Christine Wakefie!d 2, Sandra E. Chesterton 3. R. S. Morris 4, P. Martin 5, A. J. Poynor (cond.) 6.
RROMHAM. BEDS.-On Feb. 28th. 1.260 Plain Gob Minor: Kathleen Rivett 1, F. Rivelt 2. K. C. Fleming 3. P. Wakeman 4. C. Payne (cond.) 5, C. D. Mann 6 Also as an engagement compliment to H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armetrong-Jones
BURNIEY, IANCS.-On Feh. $19 \mathrm{th}, 1.320$ Plai: Bob Doubles: K. Gilbert (first quarter) 1. Miss J. Whamond 2. Miss P. Blakeley 3. Miss M. J. Smuth 4. N. Smith (cond.) 5, K. Lawson 6

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS.-On Feb. 20th. 1.256 Little Bob Major: Pauline Buil 1. Mrs. E. Grey 2. G. Leslic A. Lunn 3, J. Underwood 4. Daiia E. Smith 5, C. H. Baker 6, T. A. Gilhert 7. A. R. Heppenstall (cond.) 8.

GRIMSBY, LINCS. On Feb 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with tenor covering): N. Pashley 1. C. Monn 3. D. J. Kennington (first inside ') 4. F. Kennington 5, J. B. Budd 6, A. Pashley (cond.) 7, H. Hadwick 8
hastings, sussex.-On Feb. 20th. at Christ Church, Blacklands, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J Downing 1, A. Jackson 2, I. J. Vaughan 3, Joan M. Downing 4, J. Duwning S. E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 6 A. A. Price 7, J. E. Downing 8.

LEICESTER.-On Fch. 20ih, at the Church of Si John-the-Divine. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. E K. Townsend 4, V. Pratt 5. M. C. Faulkeq 6. A. J

## Poynur (cund.) 7. A. J. Conke 8.

I.OWER HEYFORD. GXON, (On Fch, 21th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean West 1. M. Smith 2. H Adams 3. Harry Adams (cond.) 4. F. Darvilie 5, H. P Adams 6.
Rayleigh, ESSEX.-(On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E Hatch 1. W. Ward 2, R. Goodshin 3. G. Blower 4. E. Hhower 5, M. Hallett 6. M Hatch (cond.) 7. G. Sandwell \%.
ROYDON, ESSEX.-On Feh. 20ih, 1.2 ho Girandsire Doubles: A. Howard 1. R. Sams 2. W. P. Sams (cond.) 3. 1. Terry 4. A. A. Livines 5. N. Ward 6
STEFPLE. ASTON, ONON.-On Feh. 19th. 1.2 hn Grandsire IDoubles: M. Smith 1. Harry Adams (cond.) 2. H. Adams 3, R. Gardener 4. F. Darville 5. E:

## Franks 6.

SIIREWSBURY, SALOP.-On Fch, 20ith at Si Chad's Charch, 1.277 Grandsire Calers: H. White 1 F. Cattell 2, R. H. Newton 3, F. Leach 4. J. C Meads 5. T. Price 6. P. Evans 7. I: G. Beddow (cond.) \&, F. Pkice 9, F, R Mason 10.
STANWEI.I. MDDIX.-On Feh. 191h. 1.259 Spliced Doubles in nine methods (St. Oymund's. St Remigies'. St. Simon's. St. Martin's, Winchendon Place. St. Nicholas". Reverse Camerbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. J. Evans (first on treble) 1, C. B Fynes (cond) 2-3. M. G. Lane 4, D. G. Pickett (first 'inside' for nine methods) 5. J. R. Boyd 6

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

BEACONSFIEID, BUCKS.-On Jan. 10th, 1.260
Plain Bub Minor: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Dorothy Fletcher 2, R. Broadley (fint of Minor) 3. Kathleen Fletcher 4, D. Lamb 5, A. Bridges 6, S. Hatfeld 8 covering. For Evensong.
BNFIELD. BERKS.-On Feb. 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Linda J, Kew 1, D. Ward 2, T. P. Edwards 3. K. Ward 4. F. R. Scoll 5, IV
Birmingham (cond.) 6. For the 14th birthday Eirmingham (cond.) 6. For the 14th birthday
of Keith Ward. S. Mark's Church, on Fcb 20th
BRISTOL.- At St. 1.4411 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. C. Mngford 1 A. W. Gibbs 2, H. Taysom 3., C. J. Richards 4 .
F. Ross 5, H. T. Ferris (cond.) 6. Firse of Kent

## Ross

KIRKHEATON, YORKS.-On March 1st, 1,296 Cambridge Surmise Minor: W. Mararcaves 1. D Ingleby 2, F. Linfoor 3, W. Sykes 4, R. B

KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. E. Goddard 1, I. R. Nishtingale (first quarter) 2, M. R. C. Hensher 3. R. J. Danby (cond.) 4, M. R. Bennett 5.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.-On Fcb. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jennifer M. Maultby 1, A. Winch 2. Susan Bell (ffrst 'inside') 3, A. H. Smith 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 5, William F. Oatway (cond.) 6. B. Hawkins 7. G. Marriner 8. For christening of David Christopher John, son of the Curate and Mrs. Marshall. both ringers at this church.
LEVERINGTON, CAMBS.-On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 of Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth Brown (frrst quarter) 1. M. R. Reed 2, T. Bush 3, P. Minall 4, G. Coleman 5. G. J Mann (cond.) 6. Rung for the wedding of Mr. Lewis Bush (captain of the tower) and Miss Constance Mary Williams.
LONDON, S.W.-At Immanuel, Sureatham. on Feb. 7th, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Maior: D. Woudham 1. D. E. Sibson 2, R. J. Trebilcock 3. G. A. Parsons 4, E. Talbot 5, H. Andrews 6, C. Wood 7, J. Euston (cond.) 8. For Family Communion. Also on Feb, 14th, At St. Olave's, Hart Street, 1,296 Surprise Minor (720 London, 756 Cambridge): Miss E, J. Langton 1, M. Hawkes 2. 1). E. Sibson 3, M. R. Rose 4, R. G. Leale . 1. M. Lakin (cond.) 6. For Matins. Also at St. Clement Danes. $1.27 \overline{7}$ Grandsire Caters: Miss E. J. Langton 1. R. G. Leale 2. Miss P. E. Jervis 3. Miss J. K. Essen (first of Caters) 4, R. Wright (first of Caters) 5, A. G. Spreadbury (first of Caters) 6 , A. Queen 7. M. Hawkes 8, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 9. J. M. Lakin 10. For Evensong.

LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes' on March 6th, 1.260 Plain Bub Royal: Miss J. Peacock 1, Mrs. P. Salisbury 2, J. Carrott 3, D. M. Salisbury 4. M. Bland 5. J. Fowler 6, A. J. Salisbury 7. A. Gargrave 8. T. East 9, F. V. Gant (cond.) 10. For Matins.
LUTON, BEDS.-On March 5th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: B. Hulatt 1, G. Hawkins 2, J. Newman 3. R. Kendall 4, J. Herbert 5, A. J. Smith 6, L. A. Goodenough (cond.) 7. H. Wood 8, A. E. Rushton 9, J. S. Cheney 10. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Hawkins; also as a birthday greeting to Mrs. A. King.
MANCHESTER. On Mar. 13th. at Brookfield Unitarian Church. Garton, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Chishtine Livesey (first quarter) 1. E. M. Ouinn 2. J. Robinsion (first as cound.) 3. B. Rumney 4. G. Rumney 5. M. J. Maddocks (first away from trebic) 6. A birthday compliment to Bryan Rumney

MARTIN. HANTS.-On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Bush 1. R. Davis 2, J. Baverstock 3. R. N. Marlow 4, P. K. Watcrman (cond.) 5 , Joc Haverstock 6. Rung half mufficd as a roken of respect in Mre. K. B. Hibberd, interred this day.
Matesyn ridware, STAFFS.-On March 3rd. 1.260 Si . Osmund Bob Douhles: E. Edsinton 1, B. Townsend 2, D. W. Brunning 3, R. Warrilow 4, 1). P. Jnnes (corsd.) 5. First in method by all.

NORTH WEALID, ESSEX.-On March 6 th, 1.440 Minor (Plain and Kent T.B.): H. King I, Ann Hancock 2. M. McQuistan 3, R. Bridges 4, J. McPhail 5. W. Wedlock (cond) 6. For Family Communion.
NORTHIAM, SUssex.-On March 5th, 1,26n Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): Margaret A. Ladd 1. Joan $\mathbf{V}$. Garnett (first in the methods) 2. W. Buton 3. E. J. Jenner 4, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 5. C. A. Bawett 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 2 nd. Also on Fcb. 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: 1. Cunningham (first quarter) 1, Mrs. G. Reece 2, R. Secly 3. R. Barnes 4, W. Button (cond.) 5, F. Tcdham 6. For moming

## NORTHFIEI.D, BIRMINGHAM.-On Feb. 13th.

 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Ann E. Fellows 1. Tessa P. Kemp (firse of Triples) 2, J. Mary Funnell 3. Linda M. Hughes 4, Susan Funnell 5. Alma M. Greaves 6, P. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 7. R. J. Gay 8.NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.-On March 6th, 260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Anita Endicote 1, 1. Murnhy 2. Mrs. Alice Reed 3, C. Taylor 4,
R. H. Reed (cond.) 5, J. Dacombe 6. For moming service also a wedding anniversory comrliment to Mrs: A. Endicott and a welcome home from R.A.F. of Mr. J. Murnhy
OLD HEADINGTON, OXON.-On Jan. 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bot Minor: Miss C. Withell 1. Misg J. Masters 2. H. W. Badger 3, J. Cruickshank 4, T. H. Smith Compliment Trebitcock (cond.)
PETERSFIELID, HANTS-On March 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Walker (first of Minor) 1, B. Gambrill (first quarter) 2. Mrs. R. T. Jones 3. K. Sansom 4, K. Tipper 5, R. T. Jones (cond.) 6.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Feb. 7hh, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: A. House 1, G. D. Sandwell 2. Miss E. Hatch 3, F. May 4. E. F. Blower 5, M Hatch 6. M. J. Halletr (cond.) 7. R. Tomlin 8. For Evensong.
STONELEIGH, WARWICKS.-On Feb. 25th, 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: K. J. Hancock (aged 15 fint quarter) 1, Gillian A. Williamson 2, F. E. Grant 3. Sheila J. Rench 4. P. K. Williamon (cond.) 5. To celebrate the birth, on February 19th of Nigel Keith Grant, grandson of the ringer of 3 rd.
SWINDON, WILTS.-At Ss. Mark's Church, on December 20th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. T. Collins 1, T. R. Collins 2, M. Stanley (first quarter of Minor) 3. M. E. Stracey 4, R. Wright (firs quarter in method) 5. E. Sutson (firs quarter of Minor as cond.) 6. Also on December 24th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. E. Sutton 1, T, R. Collins 2, R. Roworth (first quarter of Major) 3, M Stanley (first quance of Major) 4, Dr. C. G Roworth 5, A. T. Collins 6, W. W. H. Daniell 2 E. Sutton (cond.) 8. Also on Jan. 6th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Wright 1, Miss C Lansley 2, Mrs. P. Minchin 3, M. Stanley 4, T. R Collins 5, C. G. Jones 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7, P Minchin 8. For Fcast of Epiphany.
TAIGARTH, BRECONSHIRE,-On March Sth, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Kennington, Canterbury Pleasure and Clifford Pleasure): J. Davies 1, W Chick 2, S. V. Edwards 3, D. H. Bennett (cond.) 4. W. G. Smith 5, R. Rees 6. Rung half mufled in memoriam Mrs. F'izabeth Parry, wife of a member of local band, interred this day.

TETTENHALL, STAFFS.-On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Humphries 1, Miss J Cooper (first 'inside') 2, R. Humphrics (cond.) 3, A. G. Newman 4, E. Southwick 5, H. Harris 6. For the 21 st birthday of Miss J. Cooper.
THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Feb. 218t 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. P. Mills 1, Mrs. D. Stuteley 2, F. Harvey 3, Marian Mills 4, P. W Mills 5, E. E. Davey (cond.) 6. For Confirmation Scrvice.
TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSET.-On March 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Clarke 1. Jefferies 2, Patricia Burt 3. A. F. Lee 4. Mitsom (cond.) 5. L. Cox (first quarter) 6. Rung Ash Wednesday Service. Ako on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Rev, Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsirc): P. R. Young 1, A. F. Lec (cond.) 2,
C. Harrable 3, D. J. Barnetr 4, T. J. Milaom 5 D. F. Jefferies 6. First in thrce methods for 1 and Rung half muffled as a tribute to Mr. J. Maleolm Carr

TWYNING GLUS,-On Feb, 7th, 1,260 Grandsirc Ddubles: Christine Halling 1, F. Hawkes 2. M Hawkes (cond.) 3. W. Williams 4, K. Brooks 5 1). Williams 6. For Evensons and as a compliment (1) Mr. and Mrs. W. Williams on their 37th wedding anniversary

## UPTON-ON-SEVERN

260 Grandsire WORCS.-On Feb. 5th 2. 1. Firkins (first on 8 bells) 3, A. Halling 4
1). Price 5. E. W. Penn 6, M. Hawken (cond.) 7. Dovey 8
WELLLOW, SOMERSET. On Feb, $29 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Doubles (Plain Boh and Grandsire): Barbara Clarke 1, L. R. G. Taylor 2, J. I. Jefleries 3, T. J. Milsom (50th quarier) 4. A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, T. Elkins 6. WESTON FAYELL, NORTHANTS.-On Feb 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury, St. Columb, Old Plain Boh and Grandsirc): Miss G. Ashby 1. T. A Wooting 2, G. F. Roome 3, V. A. Perry 4, P Amos (cond.) 5. Rung hall mufled in memoriam the Rev. R
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Feb, 171h. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Pitson 1, F. C. Case 2 J. Linnell 3. H. C. Edwards 4. C. Truman 5, G. E. Green 6, T. E. Roberts (cond.) 7. G. Foddy 8. In memoriam Edgar James Shakeshaft

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On March 6ih, 720 Oxford T.B. Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor: Annc Garrett 1. Caroline Carpenter 2. A. Barworh 3 Susan Rawlings 4. M. Sinden 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Evensong
YARDLFY, BIRAIINGHAM,-On Feb. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Jones (first quarter) 1 M. F. Edwards (first 'inside') 2, Beryl Park 3 Dorothy M. Palmer 4. A. H. Fitter (cond.) 5. Rasemary D. Waterhouse (first quarter) 6 . A compliment to the Vicar, Canon C. Crowson, on being appointed Rural Dean. Aleo on March 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Judith Greenwood (firs quarter) 1, Beryl Park 2. Ann R. Janes (first (inside ') 3. Maurice F. Edwards 4, A. H. Fitrer (cond.) 5, J. Chown 6. A 21st birthday complimens

## HALF PEALS

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.-On Feb. 25th, 2,520 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. M. Mann 1, Miss M. H. Mann 2, H. R. Appleton 3, B. W. Fairhead 4, A. Hubble 5, B. C. Mann 6, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 7. U. W. Wildney 8

LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDS. -On Feb 17ih, 3.498 Grandsire Triples: C. Lewis 1, N. Bennett 2, B. Couzens 3. T. T. Lewis 4. P. F. T. Smith 5, D. Llewellyn K, D. G. Astridge (cond.) 7. B. R. Kingston 8. Rung by the University of Wales Society
STOKE DOYLE, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 12th. 2.520 Plain Bob Doubles: V. A. Perry 1, P. Amos 2. T. A. Wooding 3. A. R. Jones (cond.) 4. G. F Roome 5

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA. On Mar. 5th, at St. Peter's Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Mann 1, H. Greenhalgh 2, B. R. Cox 3, Enid Roberts (cond.) 4, W. B. Pitcher 5, A. R. Lamphee 6. A farewell compliment to His Excellency the Governor and Lady George.
ASFORDEY, LEICS. 1,260 Doubles (Winchendon, St. Simon's. Plain Bub, Canterbury and Grandsire) : R. Smith 1, H. T. Bonshor 2. A. E. Hinman 3 1. H. Cook 4, R. H. Cook (cond.) 5. K. J. Panter 6 A compliment to the Rector's warden, Mr. A. L. Toon, and Mrs. Toon on the birth of their granddaughter (Patricia).
ASHBRITTLE, SOMERSET.-On Mar. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Smith 1, I. G. Hughes 2. Mrs. S. G. Williams (first inside') 3, S. N. Bristow 4. D. T. North (cond.) 5. C. E. Baker 6

AYLESTONE LEICS.- On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Ker! Treble Bob Major: Sandra E. Chesterion 1. Patricia A: Wardle 2. Christine Wakefteld 3, P. Martin 4, A. J. Poynor 5, T. 1. Roper 6, Rev. P. R. Blackman 7, R. S. Morris (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 21st: Marie Davenport (first on cight) 1. Sandra E Chesterion 2. Patricia A. Wardle 3, A. J. Poynor 4. Christine Wakefteld 5. T. I. Roper 6. P. Martin 7 R. S. Morris (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Also on Mar. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Marie Davenport (first in method) 1, C. L. Powdrill 2, Sandra E. Chesterton 3, A. J. Poynor 4, Christine Wakefield 5, T. 1. Roner 6, R. S. Morris (cond.) 7, P. Marin 8. For Ash Wednesday Evensong
AYISHAM, NORFOLK.-On Mar. 131h, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (with 7. 8 covering): D. Phillins 1. J. Smith (cond.) 2, R. Cullington 3. N. J. A. Pumphrey 4. A. C. Wells 5. D. Pardon 6. R. Dumolo 7. A. Blyth 8. Rung at Evensong to commemorate the 501h anniversary of the ordination of Canon A. F. Marsham. GARRINGTON, OXON,-On Mar, 2nd, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Francis 1, R. Jarwis 2, B. Hall 3 S. Pulker 4. J. Bentield 5. T. Timms (cond.) 6

BECKFURD. GLOS.-On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, April Day. Plain Boh, St Simen's. Reverse Si. Bartholomew and Grandsire): F. Trorman 1. T. Newbury (cond.) 2, F. Nurden 3 F. Wiond 4. J. Altwood 5. R. Perks 6. Rung halfmufted in memoriam Mrs. Sybil Margaret Hastead. interred this day.
Rosilam. SUsSEX.-On Mar, 61h, 1.260 Grandsiru Duables: H. Daphne Farmer 1. J. S. Still 2. M. Haddelsey (first 'inside') 3. B. D. Price 4. C. R C Coussmaker (cond.) 5, D: H. Leigh (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.
BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS. 1,260 Stedman Dnubles: P. Gai:sford I, Miss Christine Lansley 2. 1. Lucas 3. R. Pumell (cond.) 4. F. Box 5. T. Wick 6. First of Stedman for all except 3

RREDONS NORTON: WORCS.-On Mar, sth. 1.260 Single Oxford Minor: G. Seallwond 1, R Perks 2. J. Firkins 3, E. Conke 4, R. Hickmoti 5, J. All whon (cond.) 6
CAMBRIDGE. - On Feb. 281h, at Great St. Andrew's Church, $\mathbf{1 . 2 8 0}$ Cambridge Court Bob Major: H. Bishon 1. Frances Sceker 2. Hilary Muirhead 3. T. G. Page 4. H. J. Verity 5. J. R. Taylor 6. J. Schofield 7. D. J. Rnaf (cond.) \&. Firs in the method for all this Cambridge Universly Guild band
CANTERBURY. KENT.-On Mar. $81 \mathrm{~h}, 1.26 \mathrm{~m}$ Plain Bob Royal: Miss E Rogers 1. J. R. Comper 2, D. C. Chatfield 3. C. T. Hillis 4. T. C. Phillimore 5. N. 1. Davies 6. D. M. Holness 7. T. H. Holmes 8 . B. 1. Luck 9. D. A. Chapman (eond.) 10. First of Ruyal for 1. 5. 6 and 7. At the Cathedral.
CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On Mar. $6 \mathrm{ih}, 1.260$ Plain Boh Doubles: J. Outhwaite 1. J. Parker 2. Ann Burcombe 3. M. Lege (first quarter) 4, I. Marger (end.) 5, A. Smith 6. For Evensono. Fiftieth quarfer by local band since foundation in 1952.
COLCHESTER, ESSEX.-On Mar, 6th. at SL. Peter's Church. 1,256 Litile Boh Major: A. Dale 1. H. Wehb 2. K. Smith 3. B. Webh 4. E. R. Duffield 5. E Piper 6. H. I. Millatt (cond.) 7. E. F. Davey 8. Fim in metbod for 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 . For Evensons.

## QUARTER PEALS

CHEW MAGNA, SOMERSET. On Mar. 6th. $1.26 n$ Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Tucketl (first euarter) 1. H. Ball (first of Triples) 2, P. Gallon 3. Miss p. Dando (first of Grandsire) 4, C. York 5, D. Dando (first of Grandsire -inside') 6. C. Bishon (first in method as cond.) 7. H. Babb 8. For Evensons and as a compliment to Miss P. Tuckett, whu is shortly taking up residence in Pembrokeshire.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.-On Feb. 12th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: R. Mason (first quarter) 1, Miss M. A. Kibble (first inside') 2, A. Sansom 3, Miss D. M. Lawless 4. D. Perkins 5, P. J. Front (cond.) 6

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Apps 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, R. Simpson 4. J. W. Jeffery 5, G. A. Packham 6, F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. Rung half muffied for mother of third, who was interned on February 18th.
DANEHILL, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Betty Buller (13. first quarter) 1. Pesgy Butcher (14) 2. A. W. Fuller (first 'inside') 3, June Carter 4, A. J. Butcher (cond.) 5, W. J. Sale 6. For Evensong.
DUDLEY, WORCS.-On Mar. 12th. 1.259 Grandsire Doubles: P. J. Brown 1, M. J. Fellows 2. F. V. Nicholls 3, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 4, A. D. Fellows 5. D. J. Thurston 6. A birthday compliment 10 Mrs . E. M. Keith-Murray, wife of the Vicar of St. Thomas' Dudley, by ringers from St. Thomas', Stourbridge.

EPSOM, SURREY.-At Christ Church. on Mar. 2nd. 1.44n Plain Bob Minor: Sally Hewelt (first of Minor) 1. D. Herschell 2. Adrienne Gibson 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, W. Parrote 5, F. Oakshott (cond.) 6. For Evensong. GLASTON, RUTLAND.-On Mar. 12th. 1.26 n Grandsire Doubles: F. Predmore (first quarter) 1 , P. S. Heath (first quarter) 2. C. Green (cond.) 3. Clark 4, W. Clark 5. For Confirmation.

GORLESTON-ON-SEA, NORFOLK.-On Mar. 10th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: P. G. W. Newstead 1. Miss N. B. Smedley 2, W. B. Duncan 3, A. G. Wigmore 4. A. W. Fulcher 5. A. W. Bird (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a token of resnect 10 Mr . Geurge Crowe, a former member of the local band, who was buried earlier in the day.

GRANTHAM, LINCS.-On Feb. 28th, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: P. Slight (first of Caters) 1, D. A. Frith 2. Mrs. P. A. Simpson 3, F. W. Pinchbeck 4. P A. Hill 5, J Cook 6, K. Keteringham 7, H. R. Woods 8, J. M. Simpson (first as cond.) 9. J. R. Holmes 10 . Rung before Evensong as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Frith on the birth of a daughter.
GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.-On Feb. 7th. 1.272 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Miss M. Preece 1. Miss J. Croft 2, S. H. Ashton 3, G: Cherry 4, F. W. Croft (cond.) 5. L. R. Runnacles 6. For Evensong.
GUISEIEY, YORKS,-On Jan, 30th, 1,440 Treble Hob Minor ( 720 Oxford, 720 Kent): R. J. Lumley 1, Ruth H. Appleby 2, J. Rhodes 3, W. Dixon 4, J. P. Cooper 5, P. M. Dawson (cond.) 6, A. Wcar cover.
HALIFAX, YORKS. On Mar. 6th, at the Church of All Souls. 1.312 Spliced Surprise Majoir. in sik methods (London. Bristol. Cambridge. Sunerlative. Pudsey and Watford): N. J. Parkin 1. Miss M. V. Conning 2. Mrs. R. E. Moulds 3. Miss F. Scoll 4. R. E. Moulds 5, J. H. Fielden (cond.) 6. G. F. Bryant 7. C. Sweeney 8. Rung by the Sunday service hand to commemorate the birth of a daughter 10 Mr. and Mis. P. J. Hudson, of Rochdale.
HEADINGTON. OXON.-On Feb, 21st. 1,260 Doubles (Plain Boh and Grandsire): Margarel Bock 1. Cherry Withell (cond.) 2. Gill Masters 3. E. Parsons 4. T. Smith 5, R. Bruce 6. First euarter 1 and 6. For Confirmation.

HESTON. MIDDLX.-On Mar. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Trinles: Miss S. Garrett 1. P. Bettridee 2. Miss G. Harbour 3. Miss P. Rayner 4. P. Ruch Sansom (cond.) 6. R. Sumner 7. S. Porter 8. For murning service.

HITCHAM. BUCKS.-On Feb. 28th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Seear 1, Jennifer Sceeney 2, Mary F. Carr 3, T. Evans 4. G. J. Berry 5, H. Oglesby (cond.) 6. For visit of Bishop of Buckinaham.
HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAM.-On Feb, 21st. 240 Bob Doubles, 1.080 Plain Bob Minor: Sue Meredith 1, Doreen Armstrong 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3, M. Hamson 4, A. Larkin 5, F. Bradley 6. Conducted by 2, 5 and 6. For Evenine Service.

HOLYWELL, HUNTS.-On Dec. 6th. 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J Oldfield (first quarter) 1. W. Papworth 2. 1. Parish 3. O. Norman 4. L. Cowley 5 W. Ransom (cond.) 6. For morning service. Alsu on Mar. 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Oldfield 1. W. Papworth 2, C. Goodyer 3. L. Cowlev 4, J. Parish (cond.) 5. W. Ransom 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. G. McL. Pearce Higgins, who has been Rectur of this parish for 14 years
HOOK NORTON, OXON.-On Feb, 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Oglesby (first of Triples as cond.) 1. R. K. Russ 2, Miss C. J. Pullin 3, C. C Clarke 4. P. D. Warren 5, A. T. Collins 6, D. C Bowen 7. D. E. Sims Wood (first of Triples) 8 .
HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.- On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Biggs 1, Miss J. Barton (firs quarter 2. J. D. Kape 3, D. Cornwall (cond.) 4, P Newton 5, P. Davis 6. First of Doubles by all the band.
HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Pauline Hood (first on a working bell) 1, J. R. Norris 2, Joyce Walsh 3. S. W. Brown (cond.) 4, H. W. Brown 5, A. Walsh 6, D. Robinson (first on a covering bell) 7. M. Wooldridge 8. Rung by the locsl band to honour four members' long ser vice: J. C. V. Dearlove (1935-1955), C. H. Diplock (1898-1959), G. H. Mansbridge (1911-1960), and G. H Richardson (1898-1960).
INWORTH, ESSEX.-On Mar. 5th, 1,260 Plain Boh Doubles: D. Webber 1. E. Legrett 2. D. Culham 3 P. Perkins 4. B. Gibhons (cond.) 5

KELVEDON, ESSEX.-On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Papworth 1, Miss W. Elliott 2, A Hunwick 3. H. Gardner 4, C. Burton 5, A. R Elliott (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of Rev. Peter Elers. M.A., who was inducted to the livine of Kelvedon on February 25th.
KING'S LANGLEY. HERTS.-On Feb. 27th. 1.2011 Plain Bob Minor: A. H. Hill 1. K. D. Waples 2. R. W. R. Picton 3. R. V. Wallis 4. R. J. Picton 5 B. M. Barker (cond.) 6

KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.-On Mar 131h. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss E. Naish (first quarter) 1, Mrs. L. Goodman (first quarter) 2. Miss M. M. Lewis 3. D. K. Portman (first quarter) 4, G. W. Morris 5. G. C. Goodman (cond.) 6. In memoriam C. W. R. Grimwood, died February 8th, 1960.

KINGS NORTUN, BIRMINGHAM.-On Feb. 7th, 1.400 Little Bob Major: Susan Funnell 1, Linda M. Hughes 2, J. Mary Funnell 3, Veronica Miles 4. Alma M. Greaves 5, D. J. Purnell 6, R. J. Gay 7, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. Also on Feb. 14th 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Tonie J. Critchley 1 Linda M. Hughes 2, J. Mary Funnell 3, Veronica Miles 4. Alma M. Greaves 5, Susan Funnell 6. R. J. Gay 7, B. I. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. First of T.B. Major by all except conductor.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY,-On Feb, 28th, 1,280 Plain Hob Major: Susan Bell (first of Major) 1. A. H. Winch 2, Mrs. H. Ditway 3, R. Davies 4. Catherine Powell 5, Rev. C. Marshall 6, W. Oatway 7, A. H. Smith (cond.) 8.
LEYTON, ESSEX.-()n Fieb. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. A. Hughes 1, L. Batley 2, F. Mills 3. M. C. Austin 4. F. Sykes 5, D. Hewitt 6. L. S. Woods (cond.) 7, B. Downes 8. Rung to welcome the Rev. Geoffrey Earle as Vicar of Leyton.
hiANDEILO. CARMS.-On Mar, 121h, 1,430 Plain Bab Minor: B. Couzens 1. Hazel Way 2. Ralnh Sicudamure 3. M. Holt ł. J. I. Williams S. D. G Astridge (cond.) 6.
LICHFIELD. STAFFS.-On Mar. 13th, at St, Marv's Church. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: C. M. Smith 1. Mist P. Sedkwick (first -inside') 2. Miss J. V. Morean 3. J. H. Allen 4. B. J. Townsend 5. F. A. Sedzwick M. Elson (cond.) 7. J. B. Webb 8. For Evensons.
I.YONSHALLL HEREFORDS.-On Mar 6ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Williams 1. B. Giddings 2 Mrs. E. C. Chandler 3. J. Hone 4. B. Ellemore (cond.) 5. J. Wike 6. For Confirmation.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On Mar. $81 \mathrm{~h}, 1.44 \mathrm{n}$ Double Court Boh Minor: Mary Powell 1. J. Brain 2. C Richards 3, L. Derrick 4, C. Kortright 5, D. E. Cobh (cond.) 6. First quarter in the method by all.
NEWARK, NOTTS.-On Feb. 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Chilton 1. A. E. Chitton 2. F. G Hooper (cond.) 3. D. Simpson 4. W. L. Exion 5. H.
Stevenson 6, J. W. Ralihhy 7, B. Plummer 8. First Stevenson 6, J.
quarter 1 and 8.
OVERBURY, WORCS. On Mar. 13th, 1.260 Single Oxford Boh Minor: F. Trotman 1. A. Pulley 2. D Devereux (firs of Minor) 3. T. Newhury 4. P. Warren 5. F. Wood (6irst of Minor as cond.) 6. For morning

PARRAMATTA. NEW SOUTH WALES.-On Mar. 6th. 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): $P$. Gates 1. R. Clarke 2. R. W. Ferris 1. W. Mundy (lirst inside ') 4, T. W. Gaodyer (cond.) 5. R. Miller (first quarter) 6 . Reing in honour of the birth of a second daughter to Marparet and Robert Ferris on March 2nd.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS,-On Mar. 6ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: G. Cowlin 1. H. Goakes 2 . G. Bush 3. R. Pattrick 4, F. Hoyall 5. J. Bluti 6. I.. IJadman 7. G. Davis 8. For Evenson? and in memoriam Countess Mountbatten.

PUTNEY, S.W.-0n Mar, 12th, 1.260 Grandsire Dutbles: A. Martin 1, A. C'avton 2. C. Carpenter 3. A. Bishop 4. C. Mew (cand.) 5. B. Bull 6. In memoriam Canon George Potter. B.H.C. (Father Pottes of Peckham") and Mr. C. W. R. Grimwood ("Old Boh of Kingroon ')

RANDWICK, NEW SOUTH WALES.-On Mar. 3rd. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Wendy A. Nichois 1. Audrey E. Peters 2. R. J. Klims 3. T. W. Goodycr 4. W. D. Waison 5. J. H. Frver (cond.) 6. Riong half-mufled in memoriam the R1. Rev. W. G. Hilliard. senior Bshon Coadjutor of Sydney and Registrar of the Diocese of Sydncy, who died on February 29th. ared 72 .

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX. On Feb. 28th. 1,260 Plain Boh Triples: Miss E. Hatch 1. W. Ward 2. W. Ellis 3. F. May 4. E. Blower 5, M. Hallett 6, G. Sandwell (cond.) 7. R. Tomlin 8. For Evensong.

READING, BERKS. - At the Church of St. Mary, on Mar. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss B. Monkhouse (first quarter) 1. D. Marshall 2, A. Diserens 3 F. J. Munday 4, K. Cotterel 5. N. J. Diserens 6. C. E. Lewingion (cond.) 7. R, K. Russ 8. For Evenson?.

SHEBBEAR. Devon.-On Fch. 27ih. 1.2t.0 Ciranc:sire Doubles: P. R. Turner 1. P. C. Plant 2, 1 . Stevens 3, 1. R. Sice 4. J. L. Queen (cond.) 5. I Collins 6. First of Douhles for all excemt 5. Runs to celehrate the birth of the headmaster's fint grandchild, the daughter of Mr and Mrs. M. Woodhnuse.

SHEFFTELD, YORKS.-At the Cathedral, on Mar 13th. 1.408 Grandsire Cinques: R. Price 1, J. Seager 2. D. Armstrong 3. F. Ward 4. S. Phillorick 5. R Wildgoose 6. B. Balderson 7. G. K. Chaddock 8. 1 . Rank 9. B. Holland 10. H. O. Chaddock (cond.) 11 . R. Birch 12. First of Cirandsire Cineues for all exestit 4 and 10.

## QUARTER PEALS

SLEAFORD. IINCS.-On Mar. 12th. 1.264 Plain Boh Major: 1). Mettam (first of Major) 1. P. Fenney 2. D. Brawn 3, R. Asher 4, D. A. Kirk 5. W. Westun 6. A. Dixon 7. R. Pocklington (cond.) 8. First of Major "inside" for 2 and 3. To welcome the Rev. P. E Mann as Vicar of Sleaford.

SOMERSHAM. HUNTS.-(On Fcb. 291h, 1.250 Plain Bob Minor: J. Oldfield 1, R. Bronker 2, D. Peacock 3. C. Goodger 4, L. Cowley 5, W. Ransom (cond.) 6. For the induction of the Rev. C. J. Alliston as Rector.
STANWELL, MIDDLX.-On Feh. 7th, 1.269 Plain Bob Doubles: K. E. Youñ 1. Miss D. A. Evans (first -inside') 2, C. B. Funes (cond.) 3-4. J. R. Boyd (tirst inside') 5. D. G. Pickett 6. For afternoon service.

STANWICK, NORTHANTS, On Mar. Sth. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Boh and Grandsire): S. Chamhers I. A. Bigley 2, E. Whitemore 3, 3. Nut 4. 1. Skerritt (cond.) 5, E. Knight 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Skerritt on the birth of a som.
STREATHAM, S.W.-At Immanuel Church, on Mar. 6th. 1.264 Plain Boh Major: Miss E. Pearson 1. D. J. Woadhants 2, 1. Tomsett 3. R. J. Cook (cond.) 4. G. Parsons 5. C. Wond 6. F. Corfic'd 7. J. Euston \& For morning service.
TOllesbury, essex.-On Feb. 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Palmer 1. D. Culham 2. R. Leavct 3. P. Perkins 4. E. Leapeti (cond.) 5. B. Gibbons 6.
totternhoe, beds.-On Mar. 6th. 1.260 Plain Bath Minor: J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 1. 1. Knox 2. M.s. 1. Sinficle 3. R. J. Scott 4, F. 1. Cook 5, W. Sear 6. For Evenson!.

TUNSTALL, STAFFS.-()n Feb, 29th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: N. Sherrate 1, R. Challinor 2, W. Sherrat 3. K. P. Jones 4. C. A. S. Webb 5. F. E, Wilshaw 6. G. Davies (cond.) $7,-$. Cliff (firsi quarter) 8. First in method for 1,2 and 3.

WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.-On Mar. Eih, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. F. Ballam (cond.) 1. A. G. Ballam 2, R. J. Stannard 3. J. E. Ivings 4. H. Ivings 5. E. V. Ballam 6. First of Grandsire 4 and 5. For morning service

WHITNASH, WARWICKS.-On Mar. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Moffat (first quarter) 1. Ann Trindall 2. Stella Trindall (first as cond.) 3. Christine Sanders 4. P. Oram 5, J. Height 6. For morning service and in celebrate the birth of a son to the curale and his wife (the Rev, and Mrs. Hems).
WINCHESTER, HANTS. - At the Cathedral, on Mar. 2nd. 1.253 Grandsire Cinques: Jessie M. Kinp.n 1. P. Nash 2, A. J. Tumber 3. Marearet E. Beamish 4. 1). Brown (first on 12) 5, 3. R. Failhfull (first on 12) 6. W. Young 7, R , R. Savory (cond.) \&, M. J. Buller 9. T. Chapman 10. C. H. Kippin 11, R. C. Kippin (first on 12) 12 . Rung in happy memory of Mr. William C. Lampard, ringer in this tower for 70 years and captain of the ringers, who died on Fehruary 21 st, aged 85.

WOBURN, BEDS.-On March 6th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: H. B. Whitney 1. J. G. Newman 2, Kathleen Rivett 3, F. W. Rivett 4. A. J. Smith 5. K. G. Spavins 6. J. M. Stephens 7. A. E. Rushton (cond.) 8. An 85th bitthday compliment in Mr. H. D. Harris, a vice-president of the Bedfordshire Association.
WORMINGFORD, FSGEX.-On Mar. 9th, 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Legmett 1. Mary Perkins (flrst - inside') 2. E. Legreti 3, F. Clarke 4. B. Gihhons (cond.) 5. F. Warnes 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of 2. also tu G. Balls (80), who was unable to take part owing to indisposition.
WRAXALI. SOMERSET.-On Mar. 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Clarke (first cuarter) I. E. F. Shearn 2. P. J. Gardner 3. S. Cole (firsi quarien) 4, 1. Evered 5. T. Hims 6. R. Cole (cond.) 7. N. Bull 8.

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On Feb. 15 h . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Valeric Powell 1. J. E. Pullon 2. Heather M, Putlion 3. R, S. Smith 4. P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, J. E. A. Pulion 6. For Evensong, also a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs, J. E. A. Pullon, members of the lucal band and parents of the ringers of 2 and 3.
YATTON, SOMERSET.-On March 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. A. Price 1. Miss M. Lege 2, E. A. Price 3, H. W. Knight 4, H. A. Price S, G. Prescout 6, R. H. Brice (cond.) 7. J. K. Baker 8. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Shirley B. Smith to Mr. Lance A. Baker.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths' peal at Buck. fast Abbey on March 12th was Mr. Herbert C. Spencer's 50th peal of Stedman Cinques on tower bells. Members of the band would like to acknowledge his kind hospitality at heing entertained to tea after the peal and also to express their thanks fo: the facilities accorded to them at the Abbey.
A reader inquires whether there is a firm in the West Country which makes handbells?
Associated with the peal for the Royal Prince at Stanwell, on February 20th, was a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blagrove, visitors to the tower, on the birth of a son.
Mr. William Stonnard, of the Norman Tower Company. Ipswich. had the misfortune to drop a piece of red hot iron on his foot during his work as a blacksmith. Treatment at the West Suffolk General Hospital was necessary. but we are pleased to learn that he is now ringing again.
After ringing the first peal of Double Norwich on the hells of Wellington, Somerset, the band were entertained 10 an excellent meal at the home of Mr. Patrick J. Bird. The band through the medium of this journal. would like 10 express their thanks to Mr . and Mrs. Bird.

Wychbold, Worcs, is becoming prominent in our columns. Lindsey Gittins was the fifth member of their band to ring his first peal since November, 1959. The local tower captain, Mr. A. D. Cook, rang, on March 13th, his second peal of Doubles, separated by 17 vears. Comments a church member: 'Our ringers are not just keen; they are mad!:

The team which rang a peal on February 20th at Lewannick succeeded in ringing another peal of 5.040 Grandsire Doubles on March 5 th on the musical five at Coryton. Devon. A few minutes after the peal had been comoleted, when the bells were being lowered, the lhird bell rope broke! The tean hopes to ring a peal at St. Michael's, Brentor, in the near future. It is believed that no peals have been rung before, either at Coryton or Brentor.

## GOSSIP

The Royal birth was heralded in Sydney on Saturday: February 20th, by St. Mark's, Darling Point, ringing froms 2.45 to $3 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. (as soon as the news was received). St. Jude's rang from 8 to $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and St. Mary's from 8 to 9 p.m.
The ringer of the fourth in the peal at St. Mary-de-Wyche. Wychbold. on February 6th (see page 133) was Martin D. Fellows. and not as submitted.

Mr. P. G. K. Davies would like to point out that the arrangements of bobs for his compositions of Spliced in five parts are old peals of Superlative.
The band who rang in the peal at Burford, Oxon, on February 20th, would like to thank Mr. arid Mrs. E. Shackleton. of Siow-on-theWold, for entertaining them for the week-end.
For the ANZAC week-end, St. Paul's Cathedral band. Melbourne, hope to visit Adelaide to ring on the heavy octave and the light six at Walkerville.

The band. who rang the peal at Dunkerton. Bath. on Fehruary 27th, would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Butt for their hospitality after the peal.
Last Saturday the president of the Cen!ral Council. Mr. Frederick Sharpe, addressed the Canterbury Archazological Society on the history of bells. His talk was followed by a recital on handbells by the Launton Handbell Ringers.

The Witney and Woodstock branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild have passed the following resolution: That this branch make a donation to the World Refugee Appeal, made un of thom the branch funds and the proceeds of an appeal for one shilling from each branch member.

The Primate and Anglican Archbishop of Sydney, Dr. H. R. Gough, will dedicate a ring of cight bells at St. Paul's Church: Burwood Heights, Sydney, on Aoril 3rd. The hells from the Loughborough Foundry arrived on March 6th. They cost $£ 3.500$ and the installation £700. Ringers for St. Paul's are heing trained at All Saints" Church. Parramatta.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## MARCH THE FOURTH' <br> AT APPLETON

AMONG the Appleton ringers and their friends a special day has crept into the calendar. It is a "movable feast?" and it is quite common in North Berkshire to hear an enquiry as to when 'March-the-Fourth' is in any year
This year 'The Fourth' was on March 5th. and on that day the village of Appleton. and all friends of the Appleton ringers, celebrated the 142nd anniversary of the installation of its first ring of bells.
The festival followed the traditional pattern. It hegan with a peal attempt in the morning, which unfortunately came to a sudden. untimely end after just over $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours' good ringing. The peal failure, however, gave some an opportunity of visiting the hellhanging workshops of Mr. Frank White, before enjoying the customary hospitality for which his sister. Phyllis, and he are noted.

In the afternoon visitors came from all directions, to meet old friends, and ring the Appleton bells. From nearby Oxford. from Gloucestershire and Bristol. from Ilsley and Hagbourne on the Berkshire Downs, from Faringdon and the Vale of White Horse, came regular 'Fourth-of-March' visitors. From Hampshire came Bill Hibbert. keeping his 41st 'Fourth'; while from Witney and the Oxfordshire villages across the Thames came many of both sexes and of all ages to this lovely Berkshire village. And this year the traditional snow and ice were missing-the

## Peals For The Infant Prince

We are now in a position to assess the ringing for the birth of the Roval Prince to H.M. the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh

A total of 140 peals was rung, including one in Australia and iwo in Norfhern Ireland.

This is a very' fine tribute. Comparaive figures are: Birth of Princess Amme. 49 peals: birth of Prince Charles. 155 peals; marriage of the Queen and the Duke of Eidinburgh, 162 peals.
weather was delightful-as warm as the best day in spring. From Abingdon came the well-known secretary of the North Herkshire branch of the Oxford Guild, and his wife to join once again in the celebrations. with other officers of the Guild.
It was good to meet again Fred White, who rang the Appleton tenor through the record peal of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, and Cuthbert White (perhaps better known as John) who rang in the Grandsire record, and to see, and hear, the next generation of the White family ringing Caters together with thowe few Appleton ringers who are not Whites.

At four oclock the company sat down to a meal in "The Thatched Tavern." (which, by the way, has never bern thatched). The tavern was sarained to capacity. hul somehow everyone managed to get ill. Mr. Frank White, and Dr. Tyndale-Hart. the new Rector of Appleton. attending the celebrations for the first time, welcomed the visitors. Mr Frederick Sharpe spoke of the anniversary and its significance and paid tribute to the distinguished records of the Appleton Society of Ringers. Sir Basil Blackwell, a regular visitor on this occasion, wished the Society and its members every success.

The traditional Fourth-of-March song was sung by the President of The Central Council. who was keeping his 35th 'Fourth' that day There was delightful handbell ringing by members of the White family. Who also lapped. a course of Caters to the delight of the visitors.
March-the-Fourth at Appleto:t is noted for the informal social gathering which takes place in the evening, and at which many traditional folk songs are sung. The usual singers. Cuthbert and Harry White. Bill Hibbert and Edward Sneller. Alf. Webh and the ladies from Haghourne entertained the company in their customary excellent manner; but, this

# SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 13 



## MR. A. J. PITMAN

Hon. Member, Central Council.
Mr. A. J. Pitman's contribution to the art of ringing has been most useful and timely. The rapid progress made in ringing advanced methods during the last 30 years, and the inevitable development into the field of spliced ringing. created a necessity for reliable com-
year. there was a welcome addition to their number. We were privileged 10 welcome as a guest the captain of the ringers of Ambridge. fom Forrest (Mr. Bob Arnold), and his wife and daughter. His other wife he hastened to explain, not "Pru." Tom entered wholeheartedly into the proceedings, and delighted the whole company by singing some of his traditional songs. songs in which everyone joined in each chorus. And so ended the 142nd 'Fourth. and, as we parted to wend our ways home. our thoughts began to turn to the next anniversary. This should the a special one. for it also marks the centenary of the augmentation of the Appleton hells to ten.

May friendship and freedom this day much abound.
May mirth and good humour go jovially round:
May the young and the old. the grave and the gay.
Rentember this is our March-the-Fourth Day.
F. S.

## Tips For Beginners- 13

When ringing Stedman, remember if you strike a point blow at lead the bell wou rouk off must turn you again. Learmers often tend to look for a different bell, but obviously if you have struck only one blow at lead the onver hell has not had time to get away:

## News From Canada

Encouraging news has been received from Christ Church Cathedral. Victoria. British Columbia. Grandsire. Sicdman and Treble Boh are rung regularly. The three grandsons of Mr. Edward Izard are members of the company and one of them recently rang his first quarter.

The monks at the Mission City Monastery are assiduous in their practising and now ring Plain Bob Minor.
positions, and Mr. Pitman, seeing this need promptly set about the joh of filling it. His reputation in this field stands very high, and a very large proportion of the peals of Spliced Surprise Major have been produced by him.
Born in 1887 at Bridgend, he attended Baglan Church School. leaving soon after he was 12 years old. He learned 10 ring at Baglan in 1899. where the highest achievement was Grandsire Doubles. Serious ringing began for him at Aberavon. where they could ring Grandsire Triples. He was soon appointed conductor, and this started him off composing musical touches for Service ringing. He conducted his first peal (Grandsire Triples) at Aberavon in 1914 and in 1931 his band rang a local peal in the same method.
Mr. Pitman studied the Snowdon Series of books, obtaining knowledge which enabled him to form the ideas which led to his brilliant compositions. He was elected Master of the Swansea and Brecon Guild and represented that Association on the Centril Council from 1928-34. He is now an Hon. Member. Opportunities for ringing the advanced methods were not frequent at the time he lived at Aberavon, and most of his peals have been in the four standard methods. He did. however, ring Cambridge Surprise Major at St. George's. Southwark. in 1937. and Superlative later at Warfield. In 1928 he took part in a Past Masters' peal of Stedman Triples at Cardiff, and a peal of Spliced Oxford Bob and Grandsire Triples at Bridgen J. which was the first peal of Triples rung with bobs only. His peals total is about 200. of which he has conducted about 100 .

JAFUS.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Mrs. E. L. Hairs is back in harness for the Sussex County Association, havling taken over the secretaryship of the Northern Division.
Mr. T. J. L.ock's annual tour will be in Oxfordshire this year-from September 3rd to 10hh.

From l'enarth we learn that it was Ruth Havard who sat through the peal at Sully. and not Keith Havard as submitted by our correspondent. (See page 159.)

The City of L.ondon is to have its only six tell lower at St. Vedast. This ring will have a tenor of 18 cwl . and Messrs. Mears and Stainbank hope to install them in about: month's time.
A party of ringing enthusiasts from Groton Schools. U.S.A.. is spending about six week: in this country this spring. The College Youths and the Middlesex Association are taking them in hand with the ohject of bringing their ringing and striking up to British standards.
A tablet recording the peal of Grandsire Caters commemorating the restoration of the parochial status of St. John-the-Divine. leicester, is 10 be dedicated in the church next Sunday during Evensong. hefore being placed in the ringing chamber.

Oxford ringers will remember Miss Renatil Buchthal. She was marricd in Sydney on February 21st to Mr. Peter Tankard. Miss Buchthal was a welfare officer for Dr. Barnardo's Homes in N.S.W. When her work permits she intends to ring at St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney.

Limpsfield. Surrey, ringers had the honour of having their hells broadcast on Feb. 19th after the $60^{\circ}$ clock news. It was the start of a peal attempt in honour of the Royal birth. Unfortunately the attempt failed after 2 i hours ringing, but amends were made the follouing day.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne ringers are
very oleased with the progress of Alan Patterson and Jackie Thompson, of Cramlington. Alan rang his first peal two days after his 16 th birthday at his own tower. Ihis keenness is exemplified by his Sunday programme-a considerable walk to catch the $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. hus into Newcastle, then walking two and a half miles to ring at St. James. Benwell, and afterwards ringing for Matins at Newcastle Cathedral.

# GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND NEMORIAL TO MR. A. H. PULLING 

TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH NEW CATHEDRAL

D
EFINITE interest was shown by the 150 members altending the annual meeting of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, held at Harvey's Restaurant. Guildford. on March 12th. in the provision of a bell or bells for Guildford Cathedral as a memorial to Mr. A. H. Pulling.

The provision of an appropriate memorial to Mr. Pulling had been considered by each of the four districts of the Guild Mr. C. W. Denyer, the Master, who presided, said he was going to hold a meeting of the four district ringing Masters to consider the memorial.
The original suggestion was that a lift should be provided to the tower and he had been in louch with Miss Iredale, the Cathedral secretary. A letter from Miss Iredale stated that the architect. Sir Edward Maufe, was overseas recuperating from pneumonia. The architect thought that 'a chair' might be provided half-way up the tower.
The Master said the question of a bell or bells had also been considered. and he had received a letter from Miss Iredale stating that the Cathedral Council welcomed wholeheartedly the interest and understanding of the Guild. It seems from the investigations that I have made' (the letter continued) 'that much the most significant contribution which could be made by your Guild would be in providing a ring of bells which will be needed by the Cathedral. I am told that probably 10 bells would be required and that the cost of these might well be in the neighbourhood of £8.000.

We should be very grateful to your Guild if they would explore the possibility of making the gift of the bells for the Cathedral their particular interest and concern.

## BELL FOR CONSECRATION

The Master said his idea was that the Guild should provide a bell that could be used immediately the Cathedral was consecrated that might he incorporated in the ring of bells that would eventually be provided. He moved, and the Guild agreed. that a meeting of ringing masters with the Guild officers be held within the next fortnight to consider the launching of an appeal for a memorial to Mr. A. H. Pulling. The Leatherhead district had expressed the view that a bell on which Mr. PPulling's name was inscribed would be the best memorial.

Mr. F. E. Collins said he was sure there were many throughout the Exercise who would like to contribute.

Aulhority was given by the meeting for the Guild Committee to act. The annual report showed that the Cathedral bell fund stood at $£ 148$.

The annual report stated that the Guild had a membership of 672 ( 581 ringers. 91 honorary). The Chertsey district was forging hhead and now had over 100 members. Whilst the Farnham district had a record menberthe Farnham
ship of 184.

## TRIBUTE TO MR. PULLING

The death of Mr. Alfred H. Pulling was a great how to Guildford. the Guild and the ringing Exercise. His infuence and ability in peal ringing in particular. together with his forthright speaking on matters appertaining to striking and Guild affairs. put him in the forefront of his colleagues. and the Guild was grateful for his service to the world of ringing. An appeal for funds for a suitable memorial to him was printed with the report.

The recasting of the bells of St. Andrew's, Farnham, had given that church a ring worthy of its fine tower, and St. Michael's, Aldershot, had now followed suit and sent its bells to the foundry for recasting. At Ashtead, where the bell frame caused some curtailment of ringing, a temporary repair was to be followed-it was hoped-by a major operation later in the year. Ranmore, too, had received reports from the bell founders, and the unsatisfactory condition of the five at Stoke D Absrnon had also been discussed by bell founders and the Church Council.

The following officers were elected; Master. Mr. C. W. Denyer (Farnham) ; hon. secretary and ireasurer. Mr. S. T. Russell (Ash); assistant hon. secretary, Miss W. R. Hide (rarnham): hon. auditor, Mr. P. G. Sherwood (Ash) : liaison officer with the Surrey Associalion. Mr. J. F. M. Maybrey (Claygate) ; representatives on the Central Council of Church Bellringers. Messrs. C. W. Denyer, W. H. Viggers (Aldershot). H. N. Pitstow (Banstead) and A. C. Hazelden (Guildford); ${ }_{\text {librarian, }}$ Mr. A. C. Hazelden; badge secretary, Mr. G. S. Joyce (Farnborough); peal recorder, Major E. J. Bragg (Aldershot).

## MORE PEALS RUNG

The peai recorder reported that 36 peals were rung for the Guild during the year, an increase of 14 over 1958 . They were rung by 119 different ringers, Mr. E. J. Wells (Guildford) was the leading conductor with nine peals. Miss Jill Lane (Merrow) was the first lady 10 conduct a peal of Surprise for the Guild. Mr. S. Ponting (Guildford) rang his looth peal and Mr. A. P. Cannon (Dorking) his 700th.

Major Bragg said the ringers of Aldershot were raising money to provide a bell. Four of theirs had been paid for and they had promises for three more. The Guild decided to vote three guineas towards Aldershot bells and a similar sum for Ashtead bells.

## APPROACH TO SURREY ASSOCIATION

The Executive Committee submitted to the meeting the following recommendation: That a sub-committee of the Guild consisting of the Master. General Secretary, and two representatives of each District. meet representatives of the Surrey Association to exchange views 10 see if any way is open for associating the work of those two bodies as one Guild.
Submitting the recommendation the Master said he suggested that the general secretary be the convener. The recommendation was selfexplanatory and did not commit anyone. The recommendation was carried.
Presenting the report of the Dinner Committee the Master said the last dinner was very enjoyable and for the first time the dinner paid its way. He hoped for an even higger attendance this year and the date had been fixed for October 8ith, at Guildford.
Mrs. Harbutl made an appeal for lady memhers to make kneelers for the Cathedral. The Cathedral authorities had two designs incorporating the Guild badge.
In the afternoon the Guild service was held in Holy Trinity Church. conducted by the Precentor (the Rev. Paul Faunch). A rohed choir of ringers led the singing. with Mr. \$. G. Ponting as organist. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening at Guildford churches and also Shalford.

## AN APPRECIATION

A H. PULLING
I have been waiting for a more abler pen than mine to describe A.H.P. prior to the 1914 war. There are many, I know, who saw this expert as a Ringing Master of the old Guildford branch of the Winchester Diocesan Guild (before it was split into three Dioceses). A.H.P. would see to it that the veriest tyro had his pull. and gave him or her every encouragement. On the other hand he always reminded me of the expert drill instructor who could shake a band of bad strikers into shape quicker than anyone I ever knew.
As a conductor in any method he had very few equals. and I was a constant visitor at Holy Trinity practice every Tuesday during my term as ringing master at Aldershot-hoth pre- 14 and post- 14 war. I never took a pupil of mine to Trinity until I was satisfied with his striking. Again, even here in Burnham I use Trinity as a model which I have always tried to equal.
From pre- 14 war until I left the district in 1926 any peal that was rung at Trinity 3-20 for Major. $3-15$ for Triples was equal to or even better than any organ or orchestra with such ringers as C. H. Dobhie. Geo. Steere, Oliver Sippetts, Harry Hutton, John A. Cole. W. T. Beeson. S. H. B. Hesse. C. N.
Burdock. Fred
Rogers. Ted Duffield, etc. We have met at a lower and asked what is the method. Alf would say London. The band would reply. ' Rang that last week. We'll go up for Bristol if you like or Surrey or Dublin. but not for London.' He always took it in good part.
After any peal no sooner were we out of the tower than 'Little un, (Alf's pet-name
for Mrs. P.) would be waiting to inform us for Mrs. P.) would be waiting to inform us that tea was laid on and waiting. I have never rung peals like them before or since, the nearest approach (not methods advanced but for striking) have been with my pre-'39 war boys' band and post-'39 war girls' band here in Burnham. Alf rang peals here with both bands and always gave the kids a pat on the back. telling me afterwards that they were gems.
I'm so sorry no one has said a word about A.H.P. but $1 . \mathrm{m}$ sure anything as suggested by Guildford Diocesan Guild in the nature of a national memorial would be backed by hundreds of his past ringing friends in every part of the British Isles. God rest his soul, and give us more men like him, is the prayer of

Burnham. Bucks.

> GEORGE GILBERT.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

It was an opportune selection of All Saints: Crofton, for the Sociely's meeting on March 12 th . The bells have been silent here for a long time. The new Rector. the Rev. G. Slater, was delighted to meet the ringers and in his welcome he expressed the hope that he would be able to get the bells ringing again. The meeting was arranged by Mr. Noel $F$. Moxon and he was thanked for making the arrangements.
The business was largely arranging for forthcoming events. These include : next meeting East Ardsley. nr. Wakefield. April 9th: shield contest. Felfirk. near Barnsley. June 11 th cup contest. Hoylandswaine. September 10th.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## DICTIONARY' METHOD OF

 CLASSIFICATIONDear Sir,-The usefulness of Corrigan's short form of describing Surprise Major methods is now generally accepted, but it has one drawback in that it does not lend itself to the classification of the methods so described. I therefore write to suggest a slight adaptation of his method, which will enable each method to have a unique group of letters to identify it, and these groups of letters can be listed in strict dictionary order.
The work would involve giving every method at present known its appropriate 'word.' and I should be pleased to collaborate in doing this. After that. every method produced can immediately be given its 'word' and entered in its correct place in the dictionary, together with its name, when known, and its f.c.e.'s. Any duplication would at once be apparent.
1 enclose a table showing the proposed let-tering--Yours faithfully,
T. G. HAWKINS.
2. Riverway, Barry Avenue,

Windsor,

## Places

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| Places | Corresponding |
| :---: | :---: |
| Corrigan's notation | letters |
| 34, 36, 38, 56, 58 | a, b. c. d, |
| 34, 36, 38, 56, 58 | k, i, m, n. ${ }^{\text {d, }}$ |
| 14.16. 1458 | A. B. C |
| - 56, 58. | - p, q |
| 12. 56, 58, 1238 | r.s, t, u |
| 12, 56, 58 | v.w |
| 16. 36,38 | D, E, F |
| 12, 14, 34 | $y, z, a$ |
| 12, 14. 34 | b, c, d |
| 12, 14, 34 |  |
| 38, 58, 1458 | G, H, I |
| 12, 14, 16, 34, 36, 56 | h, i, j, k, 1, m |
| 12, 14, 16, 34, 36, 56 | n, o, p. q, r, s |
| 12, 14, 16, $58,34,36,56$ | t, ${ }_{\text {u }}$ |
| 18, 38, 58, 78 | J, K. L, M |

## Examples: hAuEcHpM. Cambridge

 cmArFzfHjvL, London.
## DUPLICATION IN SURPRISF. METHODS

Dear Sir,-For Mr. Pattison, Cudham and Derwent S.M. are the same method: this slip has been corrected hefore. The method has been rung as Derwent in Spliced S.M. peals.
The next method you give is Wye.
Braunstone: - $38-14-58-16-12-38.56 .14 .56 .7$. Its 8 ths place is Frolesworth.
Apsley: $58-16-58-36-14-38-34-7,2$ nds. 5738.
Arnesby is 8ths place New Cambridge.
Evenlode: -56-14-56-38-14-58-36-7, 2nds, 8674. By Hale, do you mean Haley?
Haley: -58-14-56-36-34-38-16-5, 8ths, 5738.
Lyminge: -36-14-56-38-34-58-36-1. 2nds, 7856.
Northolt: $\quad-58-16-12.58 .36-12-58-36-7$. 2 nds. 4263.

Queslett was given by the $16 / 6 / 55$ Birmingham company as $-58-1458-58-38-34-58-16-5$ 2nds, which gives a lead-head of 18346725 .
For what it's worth. Gloucester S.M. has heen given in two notations, both with Plain Boh lead-heads. Which? Also, two companies have rung the first peal of Wicken S.M.; again two different notations. Which?
But please. Mr. Pattison, if you ring Wye. Braunstone. Rugby, etc., have the decency not to say it is a "new method for you (if such he the case). When Doubles ringers have been instructed to announce traditional arrangements as "variations. it is hypocritical for an experienced hand to ring, say. New Cambridge Maximus and claim a first in the method for themselves.-Yours faithfully.

DENIS A. FRITH.
Grantham, Lincs.

## LADIES AND HEAVY TENORS

Dear Sir,-With reference to the note in Belfry Gossip' in your issue of March 11th concerning Mrs. E. K. Fletcher's peal on Wedmore tenor, this bell weighs 30 cwt . 51 b ., according to 'Dove,' and not 35 cwt :, as published.

I believe I am correct in saying that only two ladics have succeeded in ringing heavier belis than Wedmore tenor to peals. Miss Hilda G. Snowdon rang the 33 cwt . tenor at Exeter Cathedral and shortly afterwards, in January, 1954. Miss B. Enid Lloyd Roberts rang the 35 cwt . tenor at Westbury. Wilts. It was my privilege to witness the latter performance, which. although something of a record, was published at the time without comment.-Yours, etc.,
R. J. BOWDEN.

Westhury-on-Trym. Bristol.

## Family Ringing At Upper Clapton

The Stoke Newington and Hackney Observer,' in its Observer Diary, calls attention to the strong family element among the ringers of St . Matthew's, Upper Clapton. The captain is Mr. Dennis Neal, and in the band are his wife and his brother Charles and his wife. Another family is Mr. J. Hales. his son John and daughter Naomi. Another father and son are Mr. Charles and Donald Grey. There is also the people's warden, Mr. R. K. C. Wilkins, and his wiff. The 'baby' of the tower is Jim Steele.
St. Matihew's bells were rung for the birth of the Royal Prince

## SPLICED SLRPRISE MAJOR RECORD

Dear Sir.-Further to Mr. Barnett's recent letter in your columns concerning the re-issue of the recording of Spliced Surprise Major, I have heard this recording on many occasions and I am always very impressed with the very high standard of striking and also the auality of the recording.
The second engineer responsible for this has obviously made a very good job of reproducing the excellent ringing for which Messrs. Cashmore, Brinklow, Woolley and Hodges are so well known.
I. feel sure that there will be a ready demand for this recording.-Yours faithfully,

## Pinner. Middlesex.

## THE LATE MR. H. E. WILLS

Dear Sir-Many ringers in the Croydon area will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Harry Wills on March 5th.

Mr. Wills came to Barnby Don ahout 1943 and immediately joined the local hand. The local ringers endeared themsclves to Mr. Wills and soon realised he was too modest to speak of his achievements in the ringing and sportine worlds.
If any singe: can provide us with news of a very fine gentlemar it will help us to learn what we have suspected for a long time. that Mr. Wills was indeed a man of no mean achievement.-Yours faithfully. Barnby Don. Doncaster.

THE GRIEVANCE IN HERTFORDSHIRE
Dear Sir,-In reply to Mr. Hatchett's letter on page 181. particularly the part directed io me dersonally, I am sorry to read that the cannot acknowledge much of my last letter published in these columns. I look forward to hearing from bim and have furnished my address with this letter, as he requested.
I will be pleased to learn from him the Unfortunate circumstances under which I suppnsedly left the band of St. Mary's, Rickmansworth. Firstly I would point out to Mr. Hatchett, I had left St. Mary's band hefore he became resident at Rickmansworth, and, secondly, the circumstnces were these:-
1 resigned from the choir at St. Mary's to ioin the choir of a Watford church, which. I would mention, has no bells. Although ceasing to be a full member of the Rickmansworth band. I continued to attend practices resularly.
In November of 1956 I was invited to assist with the instructional ringing at St. Michael's, Chenies, where the ringers had been change ringers from cards until some time before this, I accepted this invitation and have been attached to Chenies tower ever since.
Mr. Hatchett may recollect that while I was resident in Rickmansworth up to the time of my marriage last year, I attended Sunday evening ringing whenever my duties as a professional ambulance man allowed me, as we only ring for morning service at Chenies. I have also stood in many quarter peal attempts with him at St. Mary's and attended their annual gatherings, the dinner this year being one of the few I have missed, owing to my duties. Had 1 left the tower under any unfortunate circumstance, I can assure him I would not have taken part in any of the ringing or social activities mentioned.

To finish on a more general note, I am surprised to read of Mr. Hatchett's remarks saving that relationship between the band and the Association were non-existent when he first came to Rickmansworth. This was not so when I left Rickmansworth's band. If this was the case, surely this should have been brought to the notice of the Association straight away, not commented on in 'The Ringing World' three years later. - Yours faithfully,

DONALD R. BARTHOLOMEW.
14. Kelmscott Close

Watford. Herts.
Dear Sir.-I should like to ask Mr. Hatchett why he considers himself so important that he should wait until the Association takes on interest in him before he pays his subscriptions.
I would also point out that relations between the Rickmansworth ringers and this District of the Association have always been most cordial. far from heing nom-existent as Mr. Hatchett suggests.
Mr. Hatchett has charged the Association with not taking any interest in Rickmansworth. or perhaps this should read not taking any interest in Mr. Hatchett. but I would inform Mr. Hatchett that a meeting of his own District was held on March 5th at Bushey which was. as usual. advertised in this paper for two weeks. but Mr. Hatchett was not present nor did I receive an apology for absence, which, in view of recent allegations. one would have expected.
Now Mr. Hatchett. may I ask you who is not taking an interest?-Yours faithfully. G. W. SEAMAN.
(Hon. Sec.. Watford District)
P.S.-On looking through my records I find that Mr. Hatchett has attended one District meeting in the last two years, this heing the meeting at his own tower last year. G.W.S.

## LETTERS-Continued THE PATRON SAINT OF RINGERS

Dear Sir-In reply to the query by Mr. F. Morris, this subject was brought up some years ago, but opinions were somewhat divided. My own choice would be either St. Anthony or St. Dunstan for these reasons:-
In 1945 I wrote a long series of articles on 'Bells in English Life-Uses and Abuses,' and therein mentioned a lot of references to sanctus, Saints. Sacrying. Wackerel and other uses for the small ting-tang commonly in use in the 16 th century onwards. Many items are quoted in Churchwardens' accounts for their uses and upkeep. Occasionally, this bell is referred to as the 'Tantony bell" or Saint Anthony bells, the name being derived from the emblem of that Saint-a bell attached to his tan-staff, or suspended from the neck of his accompanying pig. The small bell at Lichfield Cathedral is so called, so was one at Lamport. Northants, and another at Weedon Bec in the same county. The writer found one at Wigston Magna. Leicester.
Again in 1552 the Sanctus bell at Oldham, Lancs, was called the "Anthem' bell. In 1528 the Churchwardens of Leverton. Lincs. paid 'for a litil sanct antony hell jd." and at lamport (above mentioned) in $1747,9 \mathrm{~d}$, was charged for 'a Tantony bellrope.' The small bell attached to the necks of cattle in Northants used to be called 'tanthony bells." At Great Oakley the bell is known as 'tintanv' which may be derived from St. Anthony or ting-tang.

St. Dunstan, who died in 988 , was an English Saint. son of a West Saxon noble. He was horn at Glastonbury where he later became Abbot (945) and in 957 Bishop of Worcester. In 950 he was Bishop of London and in 961 Archbishop of Canterbury. He is also credited with great skill as a metal worker, and cast a bell which for many years after his death hung in Canterbury Calhedral. Two bells cast under his direction were at Ahingdon and here also were two more by St. Ethelwold. the founder of that Monastery. These bells have. unfortunately, disappeared long since.-Yours etc.,

## ERNEST MORRIS

## I.eicester.

PLAQUE AT WORCESTER CATHEIORAL
Dear Sir.-May I offer some information in reply to $\stackrel{F}{ }$. Morris regarding a Patron Saint of Bellringers.

Apart from St. Cecilia. I suggest that St. Dunstan has the closest connection with bellringers: is he was repuled to be a bellmaker. I helieve he is also accepted as the pitron saint of Metal Workers.

During a visit to Worcester Cathedral last year. I remember seeing a window or plaque stating that St. Dunstan is the Patron Saint of Rellringers. - Yours faithfully.

THOMAS C. BETTON.
Birstall. L.cics.

## A CLAIN FOR ST. CATHERINE,

Dear Sir.-May I, in reply to Mr. F. Morris inquiries about the "Patron Sains of Bellingers suggest St. Catherine?

For the evidence to support this claim I have studied the inscriptions on medizval bells. It appears that most bells which are inscribed with a saint's name, other than the saint to which the church is dedicated. are inscribed Sancta Katerina Ora Pro Nobis (St. Catherinc. Pray For us) or a variation of the above.
An explanation of this is that the wheels (or half-whecls) by which bells are swung resemble the wheel on which St. Catherine was intended to be broken.
Perhaps someone can corroborate this theory?-Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY D. ARMITAGE.
Halifax, Yorks.

Dear Sir, - Your correspondent, Mr. F Morris, surely must be new to the Exercise. for the question - Is there a patron saint of bellringers?' has been raised in 'The Ringing World' several times previously. No definite one is designated; St. Anthony, St. Dunstan and St. Paulinus have all been claimed by various opinions on the subject.

St. Cecilia is named on a bell at Roade, Northants, cast as recently as 1952, showing that she was recognised as the patron saint of music, and several peals have since been rung there on her festival (November 22nd).

That raises yet two other points:-
(1). Names of methods. Why on earth when anyone gets out a new method they cannot choose a saint's name for it instead of names of towns and viltages like some in Leicestershire with only three bells to name a Surprise method-why Bruntingthorpe and Fdmondsthorpe or Arnesby with only three bells-gets me guessing!
(2). It may be argued, does it matter what name is used? But my good old friend. Mr Ernest Morris, has surely exploded that argument in the leading words of his worthy article on your front page of the March 11 th issue.

I have known Ernest for 33 years and rang my first peal with him as long ago as May 1927. Never have I known him to make but the best either in writing or ringing, which accounts for why his books are so much in demand and his articles appreciated. We who rang the peal of St. Blaise Doubles may be scoffed at by certain biased minds, but at least we did attempt to associate the saint (as we oft-times do other saints) with the festivals of the church.
Recently we rang a peal in 14 saint-named methods. Prior to that we rang a peal of St Peter's Doubles at my own church of Si. Peter. Weston Favell. Shortly we hope to ring one of St. Martin's in a church dedicated 10 St . Martin: another to St. Nicholas in at chuich dedicated 10 St . Nicholas.

All Saints Doubles was rung similarly by menibers of our Guild. And on April 30th (festival of St. Miles Gerrard and St. Francis Dickenson) we hope to ring the first ever of St. Miles Doubles. Later we hope to ring one of St. Peter and St. Paul Doubles in a Church of SS. Peter and Paul. Last Decemher 29th we were unlucky in not ringing one of St. Thomas and Canterbury, 10 commernorate St. Thomas of Canterbury. St. Vedast Doubles on St. Vedast Day and St. Alphege Doubles on the festival of Si . Alphege are other hopes in the offing All these saints days can be found by looking them up in nnropriate hooks.
These efforts, I night add. have interested the clergy wherever we have gone. and are surcly far more in keeping with the true purnose of the Church than ringing a peal for the return of some notorious Bolshevik!-Yours sincerely.
P. AMOS.

## Weston Favell. Northants.

P.S.-Some time ago we rang a peal of St. I_eonard's Doubles within the festival of St. Leonard, as will be recalled, and is now re-corded.-P. A.

## A REPLY TO MR. SMALLWOOD

Dear Sir-In Mr. Smallwood's letter I was a little mystified at the introduction of the rather ancient joke about the Irishman being agin the Government. At first it seemed to be like "the flowers that bloom in the spring." i.e. to "have nothing to do with the case.:

On seca7d thoughts. however. it dawned on me that there were some members of the Exercise who might favour the formation of a Government of bell broadcasts (towers. ringers and methods, selection of).

Twas a sobering thought and one that seemed to justify the Irishman's attitude.-

DUPLICATION IN SURPRISE METHODS
Dear Sir,-I enclose figures of some of the methods requested by Mr. Bryan Pattison. Apsley
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 58 \times 36 \times 14 \times 38 \times 34 \times 78$
L.H. $=2-5738264$.

Arnesby
$\times 38 \times 14 \times 58 \times 1236 \times 14 \times 58 \times 16 \times 78$
Evenlode
$\times 56 \times 14 \times 56 \times 38 \times 14 \times 58 \times 36 \times 78$
L.H. $=2-8674523$

Lyminge
$\times 36 \times 14 \times 56 \times 38 \times 34 \times 58 \times 36 \times 18$
Northolt
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 12,58,36 \times 12 \times 58 \times 36 \times 78$
Queslett
$\times 58 \times 1458 \times 58 \times 38 \times 14 \times 58 \times 16 \times 58$
L.H. $=2-7856342$.

Braunstone
$\times 38 \times 14 \times 58 \times 16 \times 12 \times 38,56,14,56,78$
L.H. $=2-5738264$.

Hale is now named Belvedere, the figures of which are:-
$\mathrm{x} 58 \times 14 \times 56 \times 36 \times 14 \times 58 \times 36 \times 78$
L.H. $=2-8674523$.

Derwent is as given, and I believe it was formerly known as Cudham, but perhaps someone else could confirm this.
The figures given in (b) are those of Wye which. together with Braunstone and Biddenden, are mere variations of Yorkshire! The 8 ths place variation of Braunstone is Frolesworth.
Mr. Pattison might be interested in the following duplication of names:-
Boveney, previously known as Hove. There is now another Hove (sea Corrigan's).
Ashtead, previously known as Preston
Withyham (in Corrigan's) has been rung to a peal and named Nettleham.
Zetland, first rung Bushey. Herts, February 4 th , 1939, was rung at Birmingham in ahout 1955 as Stechford.
The figures
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 12 \times 36 \times 34 \times 58 \times 14 \times 78 \quad$ L.H. $=2$ have been rung in peals hoth as Oxfordshire and Netherton.

Also
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 56 \times 38 \times 34 \times 38 \times 16 \times 58 \quad$ L.H. $=$ ? have heen rung in peals hoth as Moorside and Quinfon.

Hornchurch (in Corrigan's) has been rung to a peal as Macclesfield hut with 4 ths place bobs.

Shoreham (in Corrigan's) has been rung to a peal and named Knossington. Earlier names for this method were Ewell and Denton.
I hope these will be of use, and 1, in turn. would be grateful if he, or anyone else for that matter. could supply me with the figures of (a) Little Herefordshire S. Major, (b) Northchurch S. Major, and (c) Heythrop S. Major.-Yours faithfully,

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## CHRISTMIAS BELL BROADCASTS

Dear Sir.-Mr. Riddell has replied favourably 10 my letter to him on the above subject (a copy of which appeared in The Ringing World of March 11th).

His reply, which is very friendly. indicates that my comments have been noted and that the B.B.C. will do their part in endeavourins to make improvements in future similar broad-casts.-Yours etc..

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

## Rotherham.

## DERWENT SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir.-Mr. Mayne's statement that Derwent S.M. has not been rung to a peal is. I suppose, irue. The 'Derwent' of Corrigan's Collection has. however, been rung in at least four peals of Spliced Surprise, the first of these heing on February 13th. 1954, at Handsworth, Sheffield. Presumably it could not be renamed now.-Yours sincerely.

Yours filithfully.

ARTHUR V. DAVIS.
Wakefieid.
WILFRID F. MORETON.
Bournemouth

## 28 T.B. METHODS IN A PEAL

Dear Sir,-In July. 1958, I conducted a peal of Spliced Treble Boh Minor in 28 methods tall rung without previous practice) at Taxal, Derbyshire. Since then I have had several requests for the 'Surprise ' methods rung in the peal. so to prevent further correspondence and, I hope, to stir up interest. I have written all 28 ous below in place notation. These methods were termed "irregular" since they did not possess Plain Boh lead-heads, i.e., 35264, 56342. W4523 or $\mathbf{4 2 6 3 5}$, but have since been recognised by the Central Council. Several ringers will sill state that the methods are not worth ringing but, to us, these were a welcome change from the "standard oncs !
Here then are the methods (all 4ths place bohs): -
Campanulla T.B.
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16 \times 12 \times 56$
L.H. $=2-54632$.

Gladstone T.B.
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16 \times 34 \times 56$
L. H. $=2-54632$.

Hemsworth T.B.
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16.34 \times 34.56$
L.H. $=2-54632$.

Crofton T.B.
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16,34 \times 12,56$
York Minster T.B.
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16 \times 12 \times 56$
L.H. $=6-65243$.

Royston T.B
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16 \times 34 \times 56 \quad$ L.H. $=6-65243$.
Penistone T.B. $\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16,34 \times 34,56$
L.H. $=6-65243$.

Bolion Abbey T.B $\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 16,34 \times 12,56$
L.H. $=6-65243$.

Staveley Delight
$34 \times 34.16 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 34.56$
L.H. $=6-34625$.

Selhy Delight $34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 12,56$
L. H. $=6-34625$.

Boston Delight
$34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 36, \times 12 \times 56$
L.H. $=6-34625$.

March Delight $34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 36, \times 34 \times 56$
L.H. $-6-34625$.

South Kirkby T.B. $34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 16 \times 34 \times 56$
L.H. $=2-65324$.

Felkirk T.B.
$34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 16.34 \times 34,56$
L. H. $=2-65324$.

Barnsley T.B.
$34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 16, \times 12 \times 56$
L.H. $=2-65324$.

Havercroft T.B.
$34 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 16,34 \times 12,56$
L.H. $=2-65324$

Thorne Surprise $\times 34 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 34,56$
L.H. $=2-36 \geq+5$

Ripley Surprise
$\times 34 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 12,5$
L. $11 .-2-36245$.

Luton Surprise
$\times 34 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 12 \times 56 \quad$ L.H. $-2-36245$
Rhyl Surprise
$\times 34 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 34 \times 56 \quad 1.11 .-2-36245$.
Rejcar Surprise
$\times 36 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36.12 \times 12,56$ I.11. $-2-65324$
Hatfield Surprise
$\times 36 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36.12 \times 34,56$
L. $\mathrm{H}=2-65324$

Beighton Surprise
$\$ 36 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 12 \times 56$ L.H. $=2-65324$
Applehy Surprise
pplehy Surprise
$\times 36 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 34 \times 56$
L. H. $-2-65324$

Spalding Surprise
$36 \times 36.14 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 34$, ऊत
L.H. $=2-54632$.

Retford Surprise $36 \times 36,14 \times 12 \times 36,12 \times 12,56$


Dronfield Surprise
$36 \times 36.14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 12 \times 56$
L.H. $=2-54632$.

Minehead Surprise
$36 \times 36.14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 34 \times 56$
L.H. $=2-54632$.

In the peal report Hatfield was printed in mistake at Hayfield.-Yours faithfully.

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE
King's Norton, Birmingham.

## ARE THEY KNOWN?

Dear Sir.-While doodling recently invented (?) the following methods and wondered whether or not they are known: if not I should like to name them as shown.


I should also like to appeal for information about the figures of the methods rung at Willeshorough in their million changes (Feb. 12(h) issue as I have no knowledge of such methods as Horsmonden Bob. Cumberland Boh and others.

Also the 720 composition by Mr. Chant in March 4th issue contains Little and Alliance Minor methods as do the associated peals, of which I have no knowledge. and as I am doing a little quiet 'research into methods I should be interested in the figures of these methods.- Yours faithfully,

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## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

At their adjourned annual meeting, held at Brighouse on March Sth, Mr. A. W. Bond stated that having held the position of secretary for nine years, and. in view of his business commitments. he had been forced to look round for a worthy successor. Mr. D. Smith was elected to the office, but Mr. Bond intimated that he was still willing to act as treasurer and also to assist Mr. Smith in every way. This was approved by the meeting, who also elected Mr. F. Linfoot as Ringing Master and Mr. J. Pearson as chairman.
Presenting the annual report, Mr. Bond said two-thirds of the meetings were very successful and ahout is methods were rung. Altendances varied from 18 to 36 , and 14 new members were elected during the year. The financial position was sound. Three new members were elected.
Members stood in silence in memory of Mr. Harry Roberts, who had died since the last meeting. It is hoped to hold the May meeting at Sowerby

## FRIEZLAND VETERAN'S 70th BIRTHDAY

Mr. Joseph Burgess, of Friczland. celebrated his 70th birthday and his 55th year as a ringer in a right royal fashion on March 12 lh. He marked the occasion by entertaining about 30 of his fellow ringers who had heen attached to his own tower and also ringing friends from Meltham. Mossley and Roughtown.
Leaving Friczland at 2 p.m.: three towers in the Rochdale area were visited. the party returning home for tea. Tributes and congratulations were extended to Mr. Burgess for his services to his own church and the help he had given in other towers. Councillor Arthur Farrand (a ringer) made a presentation to Mr. Burgess of an inscribed fountain pen. and expressed the hope that he would enjoy many more years in the art from which so many had benefited.

Before ringing Friezland bells in the evening. upon the suggestion of Mr. Edward Earnshaw. President of the Halifax Associttion. the company stood in silence in respect and memory of Mr. Harry Roberts, of Kirkburton.

# RINGING AT WAKEFIELD 1827-1850 

## By DAVID CUBITT

## (Continued from page 164 )

8.000 SPLICED KENT AND OXFORD

- The Wakefield Junior Company of Change Ringers ' rang, at the first attempt, 8.000 Spliced Kent and Oxford Treble Boh Major, composed by William Hudson, of Sheffield, and conducted by William Milnes in four and a half hours at Liversedge on Easter Monday, 1843, only a matter of weeks after the tirst peal of Kent and Oxford Spliced-5.60) changeshad been rung. James lirth of the then relebrated liversedge company acted as timekeeper. Benjamin Thackrah, ot Dewshury Sammuel Barraclough, of Birstall, and Thomas Diwson, of Bradford -all noted West Riding ringers-were among those present who expressed their high approbation of the ahove Derformance - -Wakeford Journal. At Rath well on Sunday, August 20th, 1843, a select hand of ringers from Wakefield. Leeds and Bradford rang a peal of 5.088 Kent Treble Bob Major in three hours, composed by William Hudson and conducted by William Scott, of Wakefield.

A peal of 5.056 Kent Treble Bob Major at St. John's. Wakefield, composed by Joseph Tebbs and conducted by Henry Senior, was rung by St. John's Youths on Sunday, Fehruary 18th. 1844. Later this year a separate ecclesiastical disirict was assigned to St. John's.

## HANDBELL RINGERS

There was quite a vogue for handbell ringing in the West Riding in the 1840's. though when the Touring Campanologian Band of Handbell Ringers performed in Wakefield on December 8th. 1843. they had but a small audience-a larger one came a couple of days later when the adnission price was reduced. A local group calling themselves the Wakefield Handhell Ringers met at the Fleece Inn. The landlord of which was Joseph Sugden, who had rung in lower bell peals in the 1820 ss, including those of Cimbridge and Superlative Royal. - After dinner the ringers rung many :ets of quidrilles and wallzes, and several favourite airs among which was rung the "Royal Irish." with variations. to the great surprise of the iwo old veterans Mr. W. Booth and Mr. W. Hudson (of Shelfield) and also Mr. J. and B. Thackray (of Dewshury), who were present on the occasion and expressed themselves greatly gratified with the performance, and declared that the evening lited heen to them like one of the old times in ". Merry Wakefield "- Wakefield Journal.

Two days later thev went to I.eeds to sample a new set of 32 handhells which had been bought by the landlord of the Spinners Arms for the use of the St. Peler's Society of Ringers. Later a band of handhell ringers was formed at Bradford: they celehrated their lirst anniversary on Octoher 17th. 1848. with a dinner, followed by lune and chatige ringing, concluding with the Morning Hymn.

## AFTER PRISON PEAL

A Wakefield ringer. Joseph Paul Healey, joined nine Rotherham ringers - calling themselves the United Societr of Rotherham Ringers - -for a peal of 5.007 Siedman Caters. composed by Join Lates and conducted by Thomas Gay at All Saints'. Wakefield. on May 17 th . 1846 . There is a story current, both in Wakefield and Rotherham. that some or all the ringers had heen released that day from Wakefield Gaol--then the House of Correction' for the West Riding-and, having been joined by their friends. celehrated regaining their freedom by ringing this peal.
John Sugden died on February 11th. 1847 aged 55. and sometime hetween 1847 and 1850 the death occurred of Proctor Hewitt, a tailor and draper in Westgate. Wakeficld. and :a former member of the St. John's Youths
The new Taylor ring of ten hells at Bradford was opened in September. 1846, with a prizeringing in which both Waketield Societies competed. the St. John's Youths coming away with the second prize.

When it was announced on August 5ih, 1847, that George Sandars was the successful candidate for the borough in the General Flection that year, All Saints' bells were 'fired' 134 times. heing the number of votes he secured over his opponent: and the following day, when he was 'chaired.' the hells of both churches were 'fired' 392 times, the number of votes cast in his favour, after which the ringers retired, as they expressed themselves in their honest, homely language - grateful for the kind manner in which they had heen treated by the committee of the new member:. "Wikefield Journal".

## A WAGES DISPUTE

On Sunday, July 8th, 1849. The All Saints' ringers issued an utimatum to the churchwardens that unless their remuneration was doubled they would from that morning cease ringing. The wardens could do nothing immediately and at a vestry meeting held the following Tuesday it was decided in consequence of the resolution of the ringers the helfry be closed for the present. The peremplory nature of the request had irritated the wardens; but at a time when payment for ringing was gereral, it can be said on behalf of the ringers that their salary had been reduced considerably since 1827 . The churchwardens accounts for that year show quarterly pay ments of $£ 132 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d.: in $1848, £ 10$ was the nayment for the year; in $1849 £ 10$ was paid each half year.

A peal of 5000 Kent Treble Boh Royal, composed by Charles Firth and conducted by Willian Scott-both of Wakefield- was rung at All Saints by seven of the All Saints' Socicty and three of the Leeds company in 3 hours and 35 minutes on March 4th, 1850. The -Wakefield Journal commented that 'the peal does the greatest credit to the Societies, and revives in us the spirit of bygone days, performances which can never be forgot by the Leeds and Wakefield ringers of the last twenty years.' Another of Firth's compositions - 5.184 Kent Trehle Bob Major-was conducted by Scott at Barnsley on Sunday. March 30th. the hand consisting of five Wakefield and three Barnsley ringers. A couple of months later the Barnsley Society came to


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Sandal and rang a peal of Treble Bob Minor in seven methods--Oxford, Violet. Duke of York, New. London Pleasure, London Scholars I'leasure, City Delight and Arnold's Victory.

Unfortunately no peal books of either of the Waketield Societies-assuming. that is, that any were in fact ever kept-are extant and most of the information for this article has been culled from newspaper reports, which often refer with longing to the great days of ringing at Wakefield and to the times when the town was truly "Merrie Wakefield. Some interesting points do emerge from a study of ringing during this period - the appearance of new local composers and conductors, the predominance of Kent Treble Boh, the popularity of Sunday as a day for ringing peats, the number and variety of exira-ecclesiastical oc-casions-some have heen mentioned--on which the ringers were employed, that the peal of 8,000 Spliced Treble Boh in 1843 was the first neal for Joseph Paul Healey, then a 17 -ycarold apprentice shoemaker, yho was to ring in neals of over 10,000 changes as well as in many of more conventional length. that the peal at St. John's in 1844 proved to he the last on the bells. which had. therefore, a peal history of only 50 years.

## UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY

Witi this year's inter-college Eisteddfod the Society celebrated its first birthday. Nine members met at Aberystwyth on Fehruary 17th. cight of whom attempted an evening peal at Llanbadarn Fawr. The light eighi ran quite comfortably to Grandsire Triples for just over two hours, when the conductor, as is his wont, went to sleep. A premature call wrecked the chances of a peal, hut the hells were called round in two courses and the band had to be satisfied with a long touch. Handbell-ringing in the 'Dragon' and a look-in it the marathon table-tennis match concluded the proceedings for the night.

The following morning, the band made their way northwards in three cars to Machynlleth. with its light. slatelike eight in a vast slate church in a town of slate throughout. The Vicar. the Rev. A. E. Evans. welcomed the band at the church. but warned them of the confusion that would pervade the lown when the bells were rung. The imminence of the Royal hirth had gripped the Welsh populace who half-an-hour later. were prematurely rejoicing at the event
The local captain. Mr. Davies, was not disappointed. however. as he was enabled to ring his first touch of Grandsire Triples since 1914. and very well he managed, 100. A course of Stedman and three leads of Bristol were executed. Cader Idris surmounted, and we were in Barmouth. With rain and galeforce winds

The church stood massively above the town. hard against the mountains. dripping wet. High in the tower was found a magnificent Mears eight with a 22 cwt. tenor. After fitting ropes. and raising the bells, a start was made for a peal of Bob Major. The glorious. seldom used bells rang majestically for 35 minutes. when one of the lower's own ropes snapped with sea-air and disappointment ensued. On resplicing, a course of Double Norwich was struck, some slow-struck Minor also. and the bells rung down
Disappointment was short-lived, however, for Mr. Harris took us to the hall where the good ladies of the M.U. had laid a sumptuous spread of Welsh cakes and hot tea by the gallon.
By now the storm had given way to snow which fell like a silent portcullis on Cader and barred the way home. The coast road was still clear. howevar. and the band went their separate ways, the Swansea contingent doing the 120 miles in a furniture lorry in 51 hours flat.

The Society is indebted to Mr . Harris and his ladics. Rev. A. E. Evans, and Mr. Davies for a day well spent.

## ECCENTRIC BELLFOUNDERS OF THE MENDIPS

## By RONALD BAILEY

THE Bilbie family started business in Chew Stoke. a West Country village. in the 17th century, and continued until about the tine of Waterloo. The earliest of their church bells. aptly enough, is to be found at Chew Stoke (1698). Bilbie bells are encountered in Bristol, occasionally in Willshire, and all over Somerset. Hardly a Mendip village is without one or more of them. Their largest product seems to be the two-ton tenor bell in Yeovil parish church.
In or about 1745 the second Thomas Bilbie. freemain of Bristol. broke away from the Chew Stoke husiness to start the West of England Church Bell Foundry at Cullompton, in Devon. He was in business for 42 years. and supplemented his activities with the making of lead snow-boxes. cisterns. pump faces and similar articles. many of which still exist in that neighbourhood. An unverified story tells how the last of the Devoh Bilbies destroyed himself on failing to tune a bell to perfection.

## LEGENDS OF THE BILBIES

In Devon alone there are said to be 350 Bilbie bells. The Cullompton business was sold to the Pannells in 1813, and they continued it until 1855. The last of the bells from Chew Stoke foundry are at Wedmore and Chew Magna. both in Somerset and dated 1801.

Stories of the Bilbies abound in their native village. Tradition has it that they were a yueer. eccentric. clannish family. living very much to themselves in almost gipsy fashion. It is said that they let their hair grow lank and long until it was half way down their backs. Whether they practised a lot of mumbo-jumbo nonsense to impress the clergy and churchwardens. or whether they really had trade secrets unknown to others, it is perhaps futile now to argue; but they sedulously surrounded their craft with an aura of mystery. and it cannot be denied that there are tonal qualities in their bells that place them in a class of their own.

## PRODUCTION PRELIMINARIES

When a parish invited the Bilbies to provide a new bell, and especially when an entirely new ring was needed. a member of the family would arrive in the village and settle himself at the inn. He would seemingly loiter around for several days. undertaking nothing more strenuous than an occasional climb to a hilltop. Back in the village inn he would be very weather-wise, talking of the morrow's wind or rain. Then one day he would announce that conditions were just right, and he would ask for the ringers to be at the church before sunrise.

Before daybreak the bell-maker would make for the nearest pond and. no matter whether it was summer or winter. would strip off cverything except trousers and boots and wade into the water until it was up to his neck. Standing motionless until the last ripple had died from the pond's surface he would then give a signal to the ringers to peal the existing bells.
Having correctly attuned his ear to the needful peal the hell-maker would return to Chew Stoke and the family would set to work. Sometimes they spent weeks in preparing the metal ingredients and the moulding loam. Calamine. which was plentiful on Mendip. was said to be one of their secrets. while the loam contained clay. Jung, hair and 'zummat that can't be spoken of.'

## CASTING RITUALS

The Bilbies specialised in tenor hells and these. it was asserled. were always cast in tune without the use of tuning forks and with no chiselling away of hits from the sound how. The hells were cast either at Chew Stoke or in the churchyard below the tower in which they were to hang. But wherever the casting was done, it was not without its ritual. It was always done on a calm night, at a time of full moon. and after the midnight chimes of the church clock had faded away.
The Bilbies did not object to spectators: indeed, they seemed to welcome them. though the need for absolute quiet was insisted upon,
and observers were posted along any approach roads to ensure that no cart rumbled noisily upon the scene to upset the texture of the molen metal. The casting process always ended with buckets of water being thrown on the fire-not to put it out. as the Bilbies explained. but so that the fire, for one brief moment, would flare up hotter than ever, and - that's just what we do want.

## TRADITIONS

That their talent was something akin to genius no one will deny: and the Bilbies themselves were in no way modest about their achicvements. They inscribed their hells with blatant self-advertisements and disparaging allusions to other bellfounders, and the phraseology was often naively rustic. For example, at Bruton we encounter:
Once ld a note that no one could bear But Bilbie made me sweet and clear.
And at Keynsham
I value not who doth me see
For Thomas Bilbie casted me.
Although my sound it is but small
I can be heard amongst you all.
A story often told at Chew Stoke is about the time when the Bilbie brothers. having put the melting pot on and got everything ready for making the bell. adjourned to the inn. While they were away their sister came out of the house, and finding the metal just right for casting. poured it into the mould and produced a perfect bell. The brothers, on their return, smashed the bell and recast it. "They felt." it is said. "that no woman should have credit for casting a maiden bell.
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## THE LADIES' GUILD

## West Midlands District

An excellent meeting was held at Allesley, near Coventry, on March 5th. The weather was springlike and the crocus and snowdrops round the church made a gay show.

The Rector. Canon Hughes, conducted the service and a fine tea was provided by the local ringers. Mrs. Evelyn Bowen proposed a vote of thanks to Canon Hughes and the local ringers for their warm welcome and the ladies in particular who must have had 10 work hard 10 provide the tea. On behalf of the Coventry Guild and local ringers. Mr. F. Perrins, welcomed the visitors and wished the Ladics' Guild success for the future.

At the husiness meeting the election of officers took place for the coming year. Mrs. Ann Speed was voted as new vice-president The retiring vice-president. Mrs. Evelyn Bowen. has been in office for three terms and has been a tower of strength to the District. giving help and advice 10 the secretary and the benefit of her ringing experience to all. We wish her well in the future.

In the absence of Mrs. Speed the chair was laken by Mrs. D. Beamish. The secretary and treasurer's position was voted to Miss Mary Funnell. Central Committee members and District Committee members were then voted in.

The meeting ivas well attended by 40 -odd ringers and the fine ring of bells put to very good use.

## Western District

The annual meeting of the Western District was held at Earmanuel, Bristol, on Marcl 12th. when chere was a good attendance of members with visitors from other parts of the country.

The scrvice was conducted by the Rev. H. R. Oakley who kindly deputised for the Priest-in-charge. Tea was provided by ladies from the church and grateful thanks are due to them for a splendid meal.
At the business meeting the vice-president expressed the pleasure of all those present at the unexpected visit of the Guild President. Mrs. J. Staniforth. accompanied by her husband. Mr. P. J. Staniforth, whose presence was a great asset to the ringing.
The following officers were elected:-VicePresident. Mrs. H. L. Parfrey: secretary, Miss B. Johnson: Committee: Mrs. A. Bennett. Mrs. M. de Jong. Miss N. Williams and Miss R. Webb.

Five new members were elected: Miss $S$ Lucas. Miss A. Lewis. Miss C. Ellis (all from Warmley). Mrs. R, Jones (Warminster), Miss N. Carter (Bristol). It is hoped that the June meeting will be held at Portishead
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## DIARY OF A BRISTOL RINGER OF 100 YEARS AGO

## By FREDERICK C. JONES

There has recently come to light the diary of a young Bristol ringer. Alfred Armey, who lived at Old Park. St. Michael's. It is a quarto size account book of some closely-writsen pages, covering the years 1851 to 1857.

Arney was apprenticed to the craft of Irapbuilding and wheelbarrow making. and Mr. Frederick C. Jones, the lecturer in Bristol history for the W.E.A.. in an article in the Bristol Evening Post.' states that he appears to have shown greater partiality to the art of bellringing than to his honest trade.

## Mr. Jones writes:-

Bellringing was to him almost an hilarious occupation and there is hardly a local belfry which he did not climb to ring the bells, or cut his lame in stone or lead. Mary-le-Port. Redcliffe, St. Nicholas', St. Michacl's, and a dozen other towers are mentioned.
He rang the bell at the Cathedral on the taking of Sebastopol in the Crimean War. I went. he writes. up to the Cathedral belfry in the morning: in the afternoon to St. Mark's belfry in College Green: and, in the evening. to Lodge Street Chapel.'

Bellringers at that time must have had remarkable thirsts. for he speaks quite casually of beer drinking prior 10 a service, which may account for his statement that on one occasion when at the Cathedral with two other youths they had an accident with the tenor bell: the rope caught in the wheel and broke it. and injured the hammer of the clock.

## NATIONAL HABIT

Heer drinking. it must be remembered. however, was a century ago a national habit, and even the - Red Maids, had their cups for breakfast. After the bellringing, young Arney tells us he would stroll out to Westbury to gather primroses, or to the fields at Old Park to pick cowslips. or to watch the haymaking on St. Michael's Hill.

Among the inns to which he makes reference are the Griffin. Robin Hood. the. Blue Bowl. Boar's Head Tavern in the Market. the Wheatsheaf, the Raven, Mary-le-Port Street, - White's by the Dnwns,' and the Crown in Wine Street.

Attending church services, apart from bellringing. would seem to have taken up much of his time. and he invariably gives the name of the minister or curate who preached. the text and title of the sermon, and (often) what he himself, a young man in his early what he himself, a you

The local churches must have been well patronised. for the diary sometimes reports: Well attended or 'full to overflowing.'

## OLD THEATRE

Thus he records: - I went this morning to St. Mary-le-Port and was put in a scat. In the afternoon... 1 went 10 the Latter-Day Saints' Chapel in Thomas Street, and in the evening as far as the Terminus Railway and back to St. Matthias Church. It was wet all day:

Arney's interest in church is very sincere for he mentions sadly under Sunday, August 6th. 1853: 'They are pulling down Old Bedminster Church.

That the life of the working man was not all drudgery is evidenced by the gusto with which he writes that he went with Uncle and Aunt to the Assembly Rooms to see Professor Boscow: to Congresbury Fair. to the Museum. Park Sireet and the Victoria Rooms, to the Zoological Gardens and Hotwells. and to the Old Theatre 10 sec . The Will and the Way. Queen Mah." The liorly Thicves and Uncle Tom's Cabin.

## CANNON FIREI)

Christenings and marriages are to him a great delight for he visited Henbury to see the marriage of . Miss Way. daughter of the rector. to Mr. Edwards. of Redland Court. She is about 20 and he about 48 . Great
arches of evergreens and flags were everywhere.
On another occasion we find him at Ashton when Henry Grenville Upton Smythe came of age. There was a large bonfire and gala besides a dinner for the tenants. Seven large cannon fired volleys. Several triumphal arches were thrown across the Ashton Road. and there were illuminations on Ashley Hill and College Green.'
Club walks by friendly societies are mentioned frequently, and it would seem that the entire inhabitants of Bristol turned out to see their Whitsuntide parades.

Among clubs recorded are: The Clifton Benefit Society, the Spring Garden Club, the Hibernia, and the Oddfellows. They must have been an inspiring sight with their banners (one of which Arney carried). their music, and their long poles bearing the brass emblem of their particular club.

Amid his colourful activities. Arney was a champion walker. He thought little of walking from St. Michael's Hill to Keynsham in $1 \frac{1}{4}$ hours: or in early dawn at four or five in the morning. setting out to reach Congresbury in four hours 40 minutes.

He was obviously a believer in the oldfashioned Christmas, and his entry for Christmas Day. 1856, is typical of many.

## CHRISTMAS BOXES

I-deft Bristof this morning at six oclock and walked to Wrington. Arrived at 11 oclock. It snowed all the way.'

In the afternoon 1 went to Wrington Church, and in the evening went with Uncle Joseph to have a peal on the bells.'

Joining with the local ringers to which his uncle belonged, he spent Boxing Day parading round the parish and collecting their money (Christmas boxes). From Wrington they walked to Redhill, where they rang the handbells at the Darlington Arms, where there was a fight among the ringers about their money.

The next day he walked across the fields to Congresbury, and in the afternoon helped to ring the bells. following this up. some 24 hours after, by a ringing in Yatton belfry.

## 90 ft . HIGH

News of unusual events travelled quickly in the o!d Bristol of last century. so that we find him on Monday. August 28th. 1854. clcaning himself up ' (chis is his phrase) after his day's work and walking in the evening to the Downs to see a woman walk on the titerope.

The rope set up near the top of Black Boy was 90 feet high and three hundred feet long. In the presence of hundreds of spectators the poor young, woman, when half-way fell off. the rope being too slack.
The next month we are told that the writer went with two friends to Horfield to see Mrs. Dunn who aims at walking 1.000 miles.' One wonders whether the lady ever reached her destination!

The diary elsewhere mentions a fine race on the Bath Road between two runners for a wager of $£ 10$.
As a variation. Arney rids himself of surplus energy by climbing to the top of one of the towers of the Suspension Bridge, and goes out to Bath Bridge where, watched by a concourse of idle onlookers, a man is drawn in a lub by four geese above the water.

## SEVERE WINTER

The winter of 1956 must have heen severe in Bristol. Against February 18 th he records: The Float (Hloaling Harbour) was frozen over. There were hundreds of people walking on the ice.

I fell in. and a man pulled me out.
The winter must have been a terrible one for the soldiers fighting in the Crimea, but three months later. on May 2941 . suspense
turned to jubilation over the news that the war had come to an end.

The diarist terms it a day of rejoicing. There were luminations in the town, and a band of music at the Angel Inn in High Street and in the Old Market. I had a halfholiday. The Regiment of Somerset Militia came over from Ireland by the packet. They paraded on College Green. and were dismissed.

Alfred Arney's Diary comes to an abrupt end early in 1857. Were there other diaries that are lost? We do not know! The city's annals are silent as to his subsequent exploits.

## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

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'E departed from tradition in two ways on Wednesday. February 24 th. when we held a cycle outing. Firstly, this term's outing is always held on the Wednesday of Rag Weck, but this year Rag Wednesday unfortanately coincided with Ash Wednesday and it was necessary to bring the outing forward a week: and secondly, we always have good weather and his time it rained almost continuously during the afternoon and evening This did not seem to deter our members. and some dozen of us started out from our usual rendezvous-the Victoria Rooms-at 1.45 p.m. We were pleased to have so many freshers with us on this occasion.
The fir:lt tower-Clapton-in-Gordano ( 68 cwi .) was reached in good time by a ride through Somerset countryside, which is remarkatly pretty-even in the rain. The ringing was not of a very high standard and this was to remain the order of the day (with one or two exceptions), but we enjoyed the hells. The next lower was the five in East Clevedon. preceded by a ride down the Gordano Valley, which we were able to appreciate to the full as the rain had temporarily stopped. After ringing, we invaded a pleasant cafe for tea and the atmosphere became quite hilarious. Fortified by an excellent tea we set of for Yatton-a ride which proved $t 0$ be very strenuous. the wind being in the "strong to gale-force" region and against us.

The eight at Yatton (tenor 12 cwt .) are very fine indeed and although we didn't really do them justice we enjoyed ringing. Our thanks to Mr. Price for meeting us and for taking us up to see the bells whilst in motion.

## TREPIDATION

Congreshury (8) which we approached with some trepidation as the tenor is 35 cwt . (a bit heavy for a cycle outing) was next on the list. No one had the courage or the energy to turn the tenor in and so we were limited to Triples. We had heen led to believe (by one of our senior members who was unable to join us owing to the demands of his patients) that shese bells were "buckets," but this was found not to be the case, much to our delight. On leaving the church we found our bicycles tied together. The gate at the bottom of the church drive appeared to be padlocked and, suspecting a practical joke. an energetic member of the party had manhandled some six or seven cycles over it before it was realised that the gate was not locked after all and the remainder were able to make a more orthodox departure.

The last tower of the day. Backwell (8. 17 cwt.) where we joined the local practice, was reached by 8 p.m. after a ride in the rain. which was again falling in carnest. In spite of everything some of the best ringing of the day was had here, and we are grateful to the local ringers for allowing us to invade their practice.

A further halt was made at an inn to fortify ourselves for the long ride home, and we were able to steam hefore a lovely fire prior to going out in the rain again. Everyone wis checrful on the way home and in spitc of the fact that some of us lacked hack or frout lights. we all arrived home safely. tired and hiappy. We wish to thank all the incumients and tower captains for allowing us to ring. and Miss Jane Cook for her excellent organisation. There was a suggestion that she should clean all our bikes for us as Somerset lanes are notoriously muddy. as one of our members who had no front mudguard will have callue to remember

## NORWICH DIOCESAN

The Eastern Branch again went to Loddon for the annual meeting on February 20th and, contrary to expectations, the weather was quite spring-like. First arrivals were welcomed by the Association Ringing Master, 'Bill' Barrett, who was in the throes of a spot of belfry maintenance, after which the handy eight were soon being rung to suit all tastes, under the capable eye of Miss Doris Lidbetter, Branch Ringing Master.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon C. R. Ninham), the lesson read by the Branch secretary, and the organist was the Kev. Giles Galley.
An excellent tea followed, with the ubiquitous ' Bill' as caterer-cum-waiter, in company with Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Steward.

The meeting was presided over by the Branch chairman (Mr. E. R. Goate), and the business proceeded briskly. Members heard with regret the news of two of their number who could not be with them through illness - the president ( Mr. Nolan Golden), who had just left hospital, and Mr. Harwood, who had caught a chill.
Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. E. R Goate; secretary, Mr. P. G. W. Newstead; Ringing Master, Miss D. Lidbetter; committee Messrs. A. Bird, C. Bailey, J. Forder, J. Gorrod and B. Willgress; Association committee representatives, Rev. G. Galley and Mr. W. Duncan. Michael Barker and Richard Brown were elected to ringing membership, and Arthur Coopec and Miss Gloria Wilson as probationers.
The next meeting will be held at Acle on April 9th (to be confirmed).

## Western Branch

Thirty-five members, representing 16 towers, attended the annual meeting of the Western branch, held at Fakenham on February 27th Ringing was under the supervision of the Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. G. A. Cooke. The service was conducted by the incumbent. Rev G. F. Grey, and the lesson read by the Rev. A. N. Ainsworth.

Tea was prepared and served in the Church Rooms by friends and relations of the local band.
A letter of apology was read from the President, Mr. Nolan Golden, who was unable to be present owing to his indisposition. The chairman, the Rev. R. G. Dodson, paid tribute to the efforts of Mr. Golden on behalf of the Association. and all members of the Western branch wished him a speedy recovery from his operation.
The chairman also thanked all officers and members for their work during the past year. The following officers were re-elected : Chairman. Rev. R. G. Dodson; Ringing C. Tovell.

It was agreed that an interim meeting be held at North Creake on April 23 rd , and the next quarterly meeting at Necton with
Holme Hale on May 28 th. Holme Hale on May 28 th.
Votes of thanks were given to the Vicar, the organist, the focal band. and the ladies who prepared and served tea.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The quarterly meeting of the North Dorset Branch was held at Shillingstone on March 5 th. when 34 ringers were present from 14 towers. including a high proportion of young ringers. Ringing was conducted by Mr. W. C. Shute, who. as usual. saw to it that cveryone had plenty of ringing.
In his address during the Guild Service, the Rector of Shillingstone, the Rev. P. Grubb, mentioned that he was a relative of the original C. Mears. the bell founder. It was nice therefore to know that his church has such a fine ring of six bells, though not cast by Mears: they are Loughborough bells, rehung in 1929 on ball bearings, tenor 16 cwt .
At the business meeting after tea, Compton Abbas ringers were congratulated on ringing a quarter peal on the occasion of the birth of the Royal Prince. It was hoped to ring a peal for the Branch in the near future, the Rector kindly offering Shillingstone tower: this to be in honour of the royal birth.
Ringing was resumed afterwards. Okeford Fitzpaine and Childe Okeford also being open.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD

## First Meeting At Church Gresiey

Although it was said that the Guild or its predecessor had never met in a S-bell tower, the February meating at Church Gresley, with its old five, amply justified the innovation, as over 40 attended from 16 towers, crowding the small chamber to capacity
At a short service the Vicar (Rev. K. Roy Upton, who has learnt to handle a bell) spoke of the message inscribed on the tenor-

## I sweetly tolling men do call

To taste on meats that feede the soule. [1639.
After a good tea, prepared by the Mothers Union, the Vicar recounted the history of the tower (it was depicted on the locally-made tea plates) and thanked the ladies.
The new chairman (Mr. R. A. Welton) took charge of the business meeting, and the Guild president (Ven. E. Aldington-Hunt, Vicar of Burton) presented the retiring chairman (Mr. William H. Curson) with a pen and pencil set. Mr. J. W. Cotton, the hon. secretary, said that he had known Mr. Curson for 40 years, originally as a cricketer, and as a ringer since the mid-twenties. In 1931 they had participated in the pilgrimage to the Menin Gate, Belgium. He had been chairman since 1947.

Mr. Curson, thanking the Guild for the gift, said he was pleased at the success of the 5 -bell meeting, and gave encouraging advice to the young Gresley band, saying that five bells had their own magic to the discriminating ringer.

The president then presented Guild certificates to two Gresley ringers-Mr. D. P. Jones and David Eames (14), the first local hoy to ring a peal. Three more were elected to Guild membership-David Perry (12), Ian Measures (13) and Albert Baxter (14); also Miss Margaret Squires, of All Saints': Burton. Mr. Upton presented attendance prizes to Graham Freeman (14) and I. Measures. The president thanked him for the welcome the Guild had received on their first visit to Gresley.

## OXFORD GUILD'S WEEK-END COURSE

This course to be held at Big. Wood. Radley, from April 29th to May 1st. is organised by the Oxford Diocesan Guild as a result of its Sunday Service Survey and as part of its efforts to improve the state of Sunday Service ringing within the Diocese and to provide more instructors and leaders. The course is planned for those who wish to learn more about ringing and for future instructors in elementary ringing.

The instructors will include the Rev. C. Elliot Wigg. Master of the Guild: Mr. Frederick Sharpe, President of the Central Council: Wilfred Wilson, author of "Notes for Beginners' and 'On Conducting': Wilfrid Moreton, well known as a conductor and instructor. and Arthúr Barker, honorary treasurer of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
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Further information can be obtained from: Miss M. R. Cross, The School House, Radley, Abingdon.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT
The annual meeting of the Sheffield and District Society was held on March 5th at St. John's Church, Ranmoor. Eight of the ten bells were raised in peal promptly at 3 p.m. and the meeting began with a musical touch of Grandsire Caters. Ringing ranged from rounds to London Surprise Major and Cambridge Surprise Royal. Over 50 people sat down to tea, 16 towers being represented.
The business meeting was presided over by the Rev. Mr. Needham, who has recently been inducted to the parish. Mr. D. Stables was thanked for volunteering to bring the Society's peal book up to date as everyone was impressed by the specimens of his work. Three towers indicated that they would accept block membership under the Society's new rule, which provides that towers may pay a minimum block subscription of 1 s .6 d . per rope for whole tower instead of 1 s . per individual member.

The President. Mr. H. O. Chaddock. expressed his firm intention of resigning and as members had not had time to consider nominations for this office it was decided to elect a new president at the cup contest meeting on May 7th. Thanks were expressed to Mr. H. O. Chaddock for his services as president during the past ten years.
The four vice-presidents elected were Messrs. N. Chaddock, F. Brunt. S. Scattergood and H. Rook. Mr. Philip Coote, of Rotherham, was elected assistant secretary. The remaining officers were unchanged.
The secretary, Mr. J. Seager, again appealed for more co-operation in notifying for teas at meetings. The secretary's report indicated that the Society's finances were very satisfactory. Eight new members were elected. Next meeting at Wortley on April 2nd.

## MR. JOHN A. UNDERWOOD'S 200 PEALS

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Minor.-Plain Boh 8 (2), 2-6 methods 14 (3), 7 methods 21 ( 5 ), $8-14$ methods 9,1 each in 19 . 20. $21,25,30,40.42$ and 50 methods: 51 methods 1 (1), 1 each in 59. 69. 80 and 94 methods: 105 methods 2, 126 methods 1.
Surprise Minor.-Cambridge 2, Chester 1, 4 methods 1,6 methods 1.7 methods 1,14 methods 1,16 methods 2,21 methods 2,23 methods 1, 29 methods 1.
Triples.-Grandsire 10, Oxford Bob 2, Plain Bob 1. Stedman 5.
Major.-Double Norwich 11. Double Oxford 1. Gainsborough L.B. 2. Little Boh 3, Plain Boh 7 (1), St. Clement's 1, Kent T.B. 2, 4 Spliced 1, 12 spliced 1.
Surprise Major.-Bristol 5, Cambridge 4. Lincolnshire 3, London 7. Lyme 2. New Cambridge 2. Pudsey 3. Rutland 2. Superlative 6, Whitwick 4, Yorkshire 9. 1 each of Belgrave. Biddenden. Ealing, Gainsborough, Irchester, Painswick, Premier and Wye.
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ship Road, Writte.

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MYERS.-On March 14th. 1960. at 79. Regent Street. Plymouth. George Harry, aged 88 years, beloved husband of Blanche, loving father of Tom. Will. Arminel and Fred. father-in-law of Sam and Barbara, grandad of Malcolm and Graham.

## IN MEMORIAM

POOLE.-Mrs. Phyllis passed away March 20th. 1958. In love and gratitude we remember her.

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-Monthly meeting, Aston-on-Trent. Saturday, March 26th. 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.-W. A. Morley, Dis. Sec. 5955 DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-Meeting March 26th., 3.15 p.m. Darlington (St. John). Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by March 24 th to Mr. F. W. Cooke, 10, Limehurst Ruad. Darlington. 5961 ELY ASSOCIATION - Wisbech Branch Meeting. Upwell. Saturday. March 26th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.30 . Names for tea by 25 th.-J. Fox. Walpole Marsh. Wisbech. GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Guildford District-Learners' practice meeting. Saturday. March 26th, Bramley 6-9 p.m-S. G. Ponting. Hon. Sec. 597

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.Mansfield District-Meeting. Farnsfield, Saturday. March 26 th (note change of venue). Bells (5) 3 p.m., Service 4.30 p.m.-D. H. SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-Surprise practice at Ewell, Saturday. March 26 th. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Special method Ashtead.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 5944 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Rye on March 26th. Ringing from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing possibly at Iden after tea.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday, April 2nd. 6 p.m. Ringing at St. James'. Clerkenwell. 4 p.m. Advance Notice. Meeting at Derby, Saturday. April 30th. Full detarls of ringing and luncheon arrangements later. The 323 rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at The Bridge House Restaurant. London Bridge. S.E.I, on Saturday, November 5th. 1960.John Chilcott. Hon. Sec.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Bedford District.-Meeting at Cranfield. Saturday April 2nd. Bells (5) 3 p.m.. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday, please. to Mr. Bignell. 197: High Street. Cranfield. Bletchley. Bucks.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD -Southern District.-Meeting 3 p.m.. Saturday April 2nd. Butlers Marston, near Kineton. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to P. A. Oram. 15. Henley Road, Leamington Spa.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILDAnnual meeting Dudley. April 2nd. Bells a vailable 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to R A. Peakham. Les Cloches. 10. Louth Crescent. Kingswinford. Staffs. 5994 DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - Northern District. Meeting at Morpeth Watch Tower on April 2nd. Names for tea essential by Wednesday. March 30th. to Mr. N. I. Wright. 10. De Merely Road. Morpeth. Northumberland, 5600 Merely Road. Morpeth. Northumberiand 5600 District.-Evening meeting. Saturday. April 2nd. at Haddenham. Bells (6) 5.30 p.m.D. F Murfet. Dis. Sec. GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Bristol City Branch.-April 2nd. Bristol Calhedral. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Bells (8) after tea. Christ Church (10) 2.30 to 3.45 p.m.-A. Bennett.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILDChertsey District.-Meeting at Ottershaw. Saturday. April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Loveland. Cleeve. Maybury Hill. Woking.

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Bridgnorth District.-Quarterly meeting at Alveley (6). Saturday April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea before Wednesday. March 30th, to H. Edge, 10, The Crescent. Much Wenlock, Salop.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District. Quarterly meeting at Norton, April 2nd, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by March 30th, to H. Werrett, 219, Glebe Road. Letchworth.-E. Buck. Dis. Sec. 5968

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 Tonbridge District. - Quarterly meeting Penshurst on Saturday, April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.15 , Tea 5 p.m. ( 2 s .6 d .). Names for tea, with cash please, by Tuesday, March 29th to Miss D. Colgate, 30, Buckhurst Avenue. Sevenoaks.5926
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Lancaster Branch.-Monthly meeting at Kirkby Lonsdale. Saturday. April 2nd. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Proctor. 7 Greenside. Kirkby Lonsdale.-P. Handley, Hon. Sec. 5987
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-Meeting at Aughton. Saturday, April 2nd. Christ Church bells $2.30-4$ p.m. and St. Michael's bells from 4 p.m. Tea at St. Michael's at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Mr . R. Larkey, 38, Smithy Lane. Aughton. Ormskirk.-C. F. Low. 5983
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.Leicester District.-Meeting at Swithland. Saturday April 2nd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m... Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Village Hall 5 p.m. Also ringing at Thurcaston (8) 7 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday. March 30th. please. 10 Mr . J. Kesterton. 30. Royal Road. Leicester.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-South Oxon Branch.-Annual meeting, Dorchester. Saturday, April 2nd. Ringing 3 to 4.15 p.m Meeting, followed by Evensong 6 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 30th, to J. Godman. 22. Sunnyside, Benson.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Guilsborough Branch.-Meeting Oxendon. Saturday. April 2nd. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. M. Thresher, 22. Watson Road. Long Buckby. Rugby.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Kettering Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Weekley (6) on Saturday. April 2nd. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to Mr. G. W. Clarke. Post Office. Weekley.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDThrapston Branch. - Quarterly meeting Aldwinckle, April 2nd. Usual arrangements. Names for teas by Tuesday previous, please. L. Witten. 4 John Street. Thrapston. Kettering. Northants.
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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Devizes Branch-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. April 2nd. Holy Trinity. Bradford-on-Avon. Bells (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Christ Church (8) available after 6 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins. 136. Bradley Road. Trowbridge. Wilts.

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SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY, -Meeting at Wortley. Saturday. April 2nd, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Francis. Park Lodge. Wortley. Sheffield. please.-3. Seager. Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-North-East District.Meeting at Bungay (8). On Saturday. April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.30, Tea 5 p.m Please order tea by sending names by the previous Wednesday to A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec. 28. Waterloo Avenue. Leiston.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern Division.-Practice meeting. West Grinsted (6). Saturday. April 2nd, 3 p.m Names for iea by Wednesday. March 30th 10 Mr . M. C. Longhurst. Waterloo Cottage. Worthing Road, West Grinstead.-Mrs. F. I Hairs. Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Andover District.-Quarterly meeting Thruxton (6), Saturday. April 2nd. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service, tea and meeting. Ringing afterwards. Amport (6) 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. Abbott's Ann (S) 7.30 to 9 p.m. Names for tea by March 30th to Rev. H. Crecy, The Rectory. Thruxton. Andover.

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LADIES' GUILD.-Sussex District.-Meeting at Uckfield (8), April 9th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.15. Tca 5 p.m. Ladies, please support. Gentemen cordially invited. Names for tea by April 6ih, to Miss L. Beeney, Hon. Sec.. St. George's Nursery. 7. Chilston Road. Tunbridge Wells. Kent.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Blackburn and Preston Branches--Joint meeting at Whalley. April 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m... Cups of tea 5 p.m.. Meeting to follow. Buses X27, 215 , X23. 231. 227.-J. Pilkington and L. Walmsley.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Acle, April 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m., Service 4.15 , Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 6th. certain, Names for tea by Wednesday, 6th certain,
please. to Mr. H. W. Lidbetter. Hollycroft,
Acle. Norwich. NOR Acic. Norwich. NOR 202.-P. G. W. Newstead. Branch Sec.
SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District.-
SUFFOLK GUILD-North West District.-
Practice meeting at Lakenheath (6). April 9th. Bells 6.30 p.m.-A. F. Ballam. Dis. Sec. 5980

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Bromley, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon. Lunch 1 p.m., Bell Hotei (members 5 s ., others 7 s . 6 d .). Tickets, with details of ringing and business, from Mr. B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, Bohbing, Sittingbourne, Kent. Applications, and nominations for Central Council representatives, 1960-3, by April 12th.-Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Hon. Sec. 5905

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Preliminary Notice. Annual general meeting, Saturday, April 30th. Details later.-W. Love. Gen. Sec. and Treas.

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## OBITUARY <br> MR. H. E. WILLS

Mr. Harry Edward Wills died on March 5ih, two days after his 80th birthday, after a short illness He came to Barnby Don from Croydonl about 1943 and soon became endeared to the local ringers. A more pleasant and generous ncan would be hard to find, and as his main ringing took place before coming to Baraby Don. nothing is known of it. due to his modesty. He was a most reliable scrvice ringer. even when his health began to fail. until a year or so ago, when it became impossible for him to attend.
He will be missed by the local ringers for his personality alone.

May he rest in peace.
R. F. L.

## MR. ALBERT STONE

The funeral took place on Thursday week at Brighton of Mr. Albert Stone. Eighty-four years of age he was probably the last survivor of the famous Brighton band of the beginning of the century. He gave useful service to the Sussex County Association. serving for some years as secretary. Old colleagues of Mr . Stone rang a touch of Stedman Triples halfmullled at St. Peter's Church for the service.

SHEBBEAR COLLEGE SOCIETY
Shebbear is situated in a remote corner of North Devon. where the average age of most bands is considerably nearer 40 than our 14. The sight of a group of boys ringing their bells is sometimes too much for these seasoned Devon ringers and although the boys cannot hope to approach the generally very high standard of striking expected of local bands. they achieve a level which is considerably better than anticipated.

As is inevitable when starting from scratch. progress has been slow but nevertheless steady striking and general handling have improved at every step. When a main band of eight had become proficient in ringing rounds. call changes were rung until they had graduated to a longish peal with the bells changing at every hand-stroke. The next step was to take the boys in threes and learn to plain-hunt on three bells. The idea soon caught on and before long plain-hunting courses on five bells were rung quite successfully. Four people then learnt Plain Bob Minimus and before the end of the school year a quarter peal in this method was rung. The striking at this stage left much to be desired but progress was made at every practice.

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At the beginning of the next term another quarter peal of Minimus was rung with a rearranged band and this resulted in a great improvement in striking and general competence. Now Minimus is left behind and Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles have both been rung this term.

In addition to the main nucleus of comparatively competent ringers there are about 14 at the rounds and early call-change stage and these are catered for at a separate practice.

The most rewarding feature has been the way in which all concerned have attended practices and Sunday ringing and it is a rare thing for anyone to miss either. This has resulted in an extremely happy and flourishing school society which is rapidly becoming,
known all over Devon. The Headmaster has known all over Devon. The Headmaster has been most co-operative towards the society and this has certainly played a large part in its success. The Vicar and villagers of Shebbear have also been most longsuffering: their forbearance at times must have been tested to the limit.

Outings have been arranged and carried out successfully on several occasions. Thirty churches have been visited in Devon and Cornwall. The boys have visited Exeter Cathedral twice and rang the middle eight very creditably at the last November practice. During the autumn term a party of eight visited Truro Cathedral and Kenwyn and rang at both churches for Sunday service. Another outing this term concluded with ringing on the beautiful eight of St. Peter's, Tiverton, for Evensong.
On. February 27th, the first quarter peal of Doubles was rung in celebration of the
birth of the Headmaster's grandchild. It is birth of the Headmaster's grandchild. It is hoped that a peal of Grandsire Doubles will be scored hefore the end of this term and this will do much to instil confidence and a sense of achievement.

The secretary (Ian R. Slee) would be very pleased to hear from other school ringing societies and perhaps a joint meeting could be held some time in the future.
J. L. Q.

## FANATICS TOUR NORTH ESSEX IN THE MURK

On an even more horrible day than usual. a number of young ringers from Bedford. reinforced by colleagues from Reading and elsewhere, converged by all forms of powered transport on North Essex. By 9.45 a.m., most had found their way to Bishops Stortford. With the uncertainties of hitch-hiking your correspondent missed this tower, but it is rumoured that all 10 bells were put to good use: Stedman and Grandsire Caters, and Cambridge Royal all came round.
By Great Dunmow the transport had sorted itself out and the beautiful, mellow bells ( 8,21 cwt.) were very quickly put in action. The learners had some useful Triples and Kent. while the more experienced revelled in Cambridge and even some 5 -spliced! The bells were much appreciated.

High speed driving got everyone to Bocking in good time. The handy, musical 8 (18.3.16) sounded very pleasant to Bristol and Yorkshire. Double Norwich came round, but Grandsire Triples came into rounds by some very un-Grandsire changes! A nice warm hostelry across the road thawed the party out and provided an excellent meal.

All too soon, the transport was off again, bound for Halstead. There was a delay while a funeral was concluded, and in consequence ringing was limited to half an hour.
The lovely village of Castle Hedingham with its half timbered houses was much admired in spite of the drizzle. The bells ( $6,12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) were a good match for the village and the large ground floor ringing chamber held everyone while Double Court. London, etc. were brought round. Darkness had descended by the time Finchingfield was reached. But the party could see the result of the restoration in progress. The mellow eight ( 18 in E) soon rang out to London, Yorkshire. etc.

The weakness of some navigators (and the drivers) was exposed on the corkscrew route to Thaxted for tea. One car load claimed to have seon another car belonging to the party pass them in opposite direction! Anyhow the majority arrived in good time and descended on the Swan Hotel, where mine host responded gallantly

The glorious eight (15-0-2 E flat) need no further description and were much appreciated by all. Perhaps the flood lighting made some ringers nervous. for not all the touches were as good as they might have beeen. Yorkshire. London and Spliced Plain and Little Bob all sounded good but some Oxford Bob Triples caused an unmerited amount of chaos.
All too soon the party set off for Newport by some fiendish side roads. Everyone arrived in one piece and these overpoweringly noisy bells (6. 14-2-17 in F) were rung to Cambridge. Plain. Little. Plain and finally some Spliced Minor in x methods which came round. to the experts amazement!

Farewells were said and the party broke up to disperse to all points of the compass until the next university term. Belicve it or not. the local hostelries did not get much trade that night-heaven knows why!
Many thanks for painstaking organisation to Jennifer Davies. and of course to all the local ringers and incumbents who so politely put up with such a wild mob.

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PETERSTONE WENTLOOG. GLAM.-On Mar. 12th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: A. G. Thompson 1, C. Chambers 2. A. F. R. Hartley 3, R. Hughes 4. R. G Havard 5. A. M. Coombs (cond.) 6. A birhday compliment to the ringers of 2 and 5 .
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## POINTS FROM RECENT PEALS

'THE usual title for the article, but the peals not 'so recent'! This is not entirely my fault ( I am covering the last quarter of 1959), because we are still, as I write, getting last year's peals published now and again.

Firstly, referring to my last article, I am grateful to those who corrected my mention of a peal at St. Werburgh's, Derby. I thought, at the time, that something was wrong there, for I had an idea that something had happened to the bells at that church. They were removed some years ago. The tower where this peal was rung was St. Werburgh's, Spondon, Derby-a village just outside the city.

Towers in the news in the period under review are led by Erith, the most prolific of all church rings. The 550 th peal was rung here in October last, and we shall soon have the 600 up in two or three years' time at the present rate. Most peals in any tower last year were rung at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough: 62 peals in the year, which was a record even for them. I make the grand total here, at the end of 1959,824 . The lead in number of peals amongst 5 -bell towers has changed during the period and our congratulations go to Marston, which has passed Warkton's total of 32 -a lead which it had held for 30 years or so. Only one tower seems to have reached three figures in the last quarter of 1959-Waltham Abbey. A claim was made for the 100 th at Thurcaston, on November 28th, but 1 made it the 99th-I should be pleased to check this with the tower concerned. Fifty peals were accomplished at the follow-ing:--North Muskham, Willesborough, Trumpington and Rothwell. Several lowers will reach their 50 with the next peal viz. Buckland (Surrey), Birch-in-Rusholme, Newport (All Saints'), Bowdon. Wenhaston and Brenchley. I confirm the Chobham claim of the 25 th peal on the bells.

Now for newly conquered towers. I confirm claims for first on the bells at Sibbertoft. Lowdham. Hartland. North Petherwyn. Marston Trussell and West Tanficld. I add to this list Great Thurlow. where the peal rung would appear to be the first according to my records, although unclaimed. I disallow the claim for first on the bells at Wath, Ripon. I have two peals there, in 1910 and 1929.
Several infrequent visitors to the peal columns have been noticed. As mentioned in the footnote, the peal at Drayton. Oxon, was the first for over 70 years. I had recorded three peals here. two in 1887 and one in 1888 (the last one). That is an unusually long silence for a 'conquered' tower. Four others have been heard for the first time in a peal since before the 1st World War- Bradbourne, whose only previous peal was rung in 1905; Whittlebury and Worfield, last heard in 1911 (in
each case, the only peal I have come across); and Orsett; where I confirm the footnote of first peal for 46 years. Again, this was the only previous peal. Sherry and Redmarley D Abito! (what a lovely name!) last appeared in the peal lists in 1922. At the former of these, five peals have now been rung-the first in 1902; at the latter, two peals in 1922 are the only ones I have.
Siddington and Newent come next-last heard of in 1926. There have now been three peals at Siddington the first in 1902, and nine at Newent- the first in 1910. The peal at Brampton Ash was the first to be published since 1930 (eight in all now). The 'first peal for 26 years' claim at Upper Beeding should really have been 27 years, for the last one there was one of Bristol Major on May 21st, 1932. Before the first war, I have 16 peals here, mostly of Triples and commencing in 1894. Four of Major (Double Norwich, Superlative, London and Bristol) were rung in 1920, 1930, 1931 and 1932 respectively. It isn't usually the 8 -bell towers where long silences have to be mentioned.

Another tower which has not been heard since 1932 is Wellesbourne Hastings, which had its only previous peal then. Strangely enough, it is another 8 -bell tower which comes next. Paignton, Devon, has only had 3 peals, Grandsire Triples in 1928, Stedman Triples in 1934 and now London Major in 1959. Dymock (6) has not had a peal of Minor yet. Its three peals are Stedman Doubles in 1933 and Grandsire Doubles in 1935 and 1959. I confirm that the last peal at South Hackney was in 1936 (yet another 8 -bell tower, with several peals in the past). Upton, Lincs, had its last peal in 1937. There was one before that. in 1933. The final tower with a peal silence of 20 years or more is Tarvin - two previous peals, in 1910 and 1939.
The following are footnote claims with which I disagree! The peal of Superlative at Bray was not the first in the method on the bells. One in the method was rung in 1901. Double Norwich was not the first of Major at Exminster . Double Norwich was rung there in 1951. Similarly, we have not recently had the first of Surprise at Withycombe Ralcigh: Superlative was rung there in 1949. Clun Imperial Bob Major had been previously rung as Hedingham Bub on July 24th, 1957, so the latter must remain its proper name. Sume of these points have already been noted in letters to the Editor.

Finally, one or two points of interest. The peal at Basingstoke. All Saints', was the first on the nine bells since the ones which caused such controversy in 1946 . I didn't see any comments this time! At Long Stratton. it was the sixth consecutive year that a peal was rung on Christmas Eve and the only peal in the tower each year, too! Then congratulations to Forncett S. Peter, which becomes yet another 5-bell tower to reach double figures.
K. W. H. FELSTEAD.

Deals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to Her Majesty the Queen, on Feb. 19th, 1960

## TEN BELL PEAL

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## EIGHT BELL PEAL

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN On Wed., Feb. 24, 1960. in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt . in E .
Brynley Taylor .. . . Treble Geoffrey J. Sticklanis .. 5 David J. Llewellyn Nevil A. James Thomas Yeomans William J. Goodfellow Animony M. Combs. Trevor T. Lewis . Tenor Composed by T. R. Pritchard.

## OTHER PEALS -

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS


## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Onl Mun.. March 7, 1960. in 2 Hours and 31 Minules,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOLBLE OXFORD BOB ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt. 2 yr. 13 lb . in C .
Brian G. Warwick .. Treble ejoseph W. Colion.
A. James Poynor

Gurdon A. Halls
6
7
*Alan E. Hartley .. .. 3 John M. Jelley ... .. 8
Ernest Morris ... 4 *Russell S. Morris ... 9
*Mrs. G. A. Halls.. .. 5 G. Ronald Edwards . . Telur
Composed by Charles J. Sedgiey (Circuits AW and DX).
Conducied by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. First of Royal in the method for the Guild.


## BEDDINGTON, SURREY THE SURREY ASSOCIATION <br> On Sut.. March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes. <br> Ai the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5093 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS Tenor 18 cwt .1 gr .26 lb . in E flat.
Mrs. T. J. Lock Claudia A. Critchley
$\begin{array}{cc}\text {. Treble } \\ \ldots & 2 \\ . . & 3 \\ . & 4\end{array}$ Roy D. Tomlin G. William Critchley 2
3
4 Joan Brrisford
Jons Hil.
Composeci by Edcar C Shephekd
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Dennis Knox } & \ldots & . . & 7 \\ \text { *Thomas J. Lock } & . . & . . & 8 \\ \text { John R. Mayne } & . . & . . & 9\end{array}$
John R. Mayne $\quad$ Alirid J. Hounf 9 Conducted by John R. Mayne. - f00th peal. First of Double Norwich Caters by all the band, and for the Association.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## CRICH. DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.J. Frank Smallwood .. Treble । Herbert E. Taylor Mrs. Pai A. M. Halls .. 2 "Clive W. Walklate .. 6 Gordon A. Halls . . . . 3 Michael R. Blore. . .. 7 George H. Paulson ... 4 Ronald H. Bullen.. .. Tenor Composed by Gurdon A. Halls and D. R. Carlisle.
*25th peal.
Rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5152 UNSTONE SLRPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt 1 qr .16 lb .
J. Frank Smallwood .. Treble Harold Taylor .. .. .. 5
*Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls. .
*Gordun A. Halls ..
*
3 Roger Baldwin. . . . . 6
Wm. Arnold Morley . . 4 Michael R. Blore .. .. Tenor
Composed by Shirley Burton. Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

* Has now completed the alphabet to Surprise peal. First peal in the method.

BURBAGE. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues. March 8. 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
Ar the Church of Si. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

## Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Treble: Alfred Ballard
Peter J. Staniforth

| 2 | Peter J. Stanifor |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3 | *Russell Morris |
| 4 | Juhn J. Jelley. |

Juhn 1. Jelley. ...... Tenor
Ernest Morris . .

Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.
Ernest W. Rawson.
Composed by Fredi. H. Dexter.

* First peal in the method.


## BRIERLEY HILL. STAFFORDSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 12. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 42 Minules,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5024 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 civt. 1 qr. 3 lb . in F.
*Mary Hall

* Elisabeith A. G. Bowden

Treble
Ruih M. Bordi:R .. ..
John Pinfold Ruth M. Bordi:r.
Arthur V. Pl:Arson

- Donalo E. Cobb

Arthelr V. Plarson .. 4
omposed by C. J. Siedgley Glorgaf, E. Fearn - 7 Peter Burder . . . . . Temor
Conducted by Arimur V. Plarsun.

* First peal of Painswiek.

COLE-ORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sul.. March 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of Sir. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5023 BEDFORDSHIRF, SLERPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt . I qr. 8 lb . in G .

| Russell | S. Morris | Treble | Juhn A. Underwood | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| \#Brian G. Warwick... | . | 2 | Frederick E. Wilshaw | .. | 6 |  |
| Juhn M. Jelley |  | 3 | Justeph W. Corton | .. | .. | 7 |

Juhn M. Jelley
David W. Brunning
Composed hy Dennis Knox.
$\$ 650$ th peal. First in the $m$ Aian E. Hartley .. .. Tenor

* 650th peal. First in the method hy all the band. on the bells, and for the Guild.

LLANFEIGAN. BRECONSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sul., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,

At the Church of S1. Mrugan.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. in $G$.


UNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 14 \times 12 \times 36 \times 14 \times 58 \times 36 \times 78$. Lead-end 18674523 .


STOKE POGES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mintes,
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition of Thurstans Four-part. Tenor 13 cwt .2 cr .3 lb .

| ON | Tr | Roberi Hartiey |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Huward Oglesby | 2 | Sylvia E. Atkins |
| Arimur D. Barker. | 3 | $\dagger$ Frank C. Price |

BARKER.
Conducted by Arthur D. Barker

* First peal in the method. and first attempt. † First of Stedman Triples.

Rung to commemorate over 45 years' faithful and devoled service to Stoke Poges by Mrs. A. D. Barker, who is the first ringer to 'complete the circle' of this tower.

## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., March 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes. Ar the Church of Si. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwl . in G .

| Hubert H. Furmingier | ...Treble | John W. Smith.. ... | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arimur G. Mason | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Fredfrick J. Cullum | .. | 6 |
| Joan Beresford | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Herbi:rt E. Audsley | .. | 7 | $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Joan Beresford } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Herbiert E. Audsley } & \ldots \\ 7 \\ \text { Jin H Oram } & . . & . . & . & 4 & \text { Ralph Bird }\end{array}$ Ian H. Oram ... .. . Pitman.

Conducted by Ian H. Oram. A birthciay compliment to F. J. Cullum and A. G. Mason.

WHITWICK. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. March 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
AI THE CHURCH OF ST. JUHN-IHI-BAPIIST.
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Richard Clifton
.. Treble John A. Acres
John A. Undenwood
Ernest W. Rawson..
2 MichaEl D. Sianiforih.. Joserh W. Coiron
Roland Beniston Peter J. Staniforih. . . . Tehur
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Peter J. Stanirurih.

## BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .12 lb.
 Mary S Taylor
Composed by Ernest Morris.
Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.

HARWICH. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Barry E. Gibbons.
Treble Felix H. Erith.
A. Edward Leggett

Adrian Semken
John F. Felgate
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Bernard W. Fairhead.

* First peal on eight hells. First on eight as conductor.


## NORTHFLEET, KENT

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minules, At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1.664 Cambridge. 1.632 Superlative, 992 London and 768 Bristol; with 104 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell. Hubert H. Furminger . . Treb
Arthur G. Mason Frederick J. Cullum
Herbert E. Audsley $\quad$.. 3
Alick Cutler .. 4 Peter Beresford .. .. 7 Alick Cutler ........ 4
Composed by Harold G . Cashmore. Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

## OVERTON. HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. in G.


## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 19, 1960, in 3 Hourst and 13 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Denys,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods. comprising 1.120 London, 800 Bristol. 640 each Rutland and Ealing, 480 each Wembley. Superlative. Yorkshire and Cambridge, and 144 changes of method. Tenor 23 cwt .23 lb . in D . Percy J. Spice .. .. .. Treble Ian H. Oram .. .. .. 5 \begin{tabular}{lllllll}
Dioris E. Colgate \& . \& 2 \& 2 \& Robert Collins \&.. \&. <br>
\hline

 

Arthur S. Richards \&.. \& 3 \& William Rogers \&.. \& . <br>
Ralph Bird \& $\ldots$ \&. \&. \& 4 \& Philip A. Corby \& .. <br>
\hline
\end{tabular} Composed by H. G. Cashmore. Conducted by Philip A. Corby. First eight-spliced peal by all the band.

## SALFORD PRIORS. WARWICKSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
Ont Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Matihew,
A PEAL OE 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .14 lb . in F sharp.
${ }^{1}$ Jacqueline A. Rublers Treble Geoffrey J. Hemming.. 5
*Michael G. Selby. . . 2 *William B. Pomeroy
*Gordon T. Brown. . . 3 Martyn Hawkes
*Derek Price .. ... ... 4 | Gerald C. Hemming .. Tenor
Composed by william barton. Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

* First peal of Lincolnshire.


## SUNBURY. MIDDLESEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tkevor N. J. Bailey Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Michael P Moreton
Treble Alan E. Bagworith
2 David A. S. Hawkins
Rabiret W. Munde
Tudor I? Edwards
William T. Cook .. .. 4 John Hill .. .. .. .. Tenor
Composed by C. W. Roberis

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TODMORDEN YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Unitarian Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt

| Rifa M. Joweri | Treble | *Peter Scholfield |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * B. Gillian Schorield | 2 | W. Eric Critchley |
| *Pairicia Reive | 3 | J. Henry Fielden |
| *John H. Fielden | 4 | Richard E. Price .- |

* First peal in the method. First in the method in Todmorden. WHITCHURCH. HAMPSHIRE.
TIIE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of All Hallows,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
relinald W. Rix Ienor 14 cwt. in F .
Ernesi J. Munday Brian Milis

| Treble | A. Pairick Cannon... .. 5 |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | Geoffrey K. Dodd.. | Brian Milis

Composed by C. Midoleion. Brian Bladon hilip Mehew . . . . . Tenor
omposed by C. Middleion. Conducted by Philip Mehtw. for the Irish Association. who was married on St. Patrick's Day, March 17 th , in St. Donard's, Belfast.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY, ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., March 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Margarer.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor $19 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { *Margareit A. Ladd } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Thomas E. Sone } & \ldots & . & 5 \\ \text { Reginald E. Lambert } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Colin A. Testir } & .1 & . & 6 \\ \text { Roblirt T. Lambfri } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Edwin Bromley } & \ldots & . . & 7\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Roblirt T. Lamberr } & \text {. } & 3 & \text { Edwin Bromley } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Olive D. . Couchman } & 7 \\ \text { Ol } & 4 & \text { Ernesi J. Ladd.. } & \text {.. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$ Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Thomas E. Sone. "First peal of Treble Bob. The conductor's 100th peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. First in the method on the bells.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ELSTOW. BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wed.., Dec. 16, 1959, in 2 Hourst and 50 Minutes,
A i the Church of SS. Mary and Helena.


Being seven extents.
*Marion Clarke
*Kaibleen A. Riveit
Stephen J. Ivin

| Treble |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |
| ucted by Step |  |

R. Harrison ...
enor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

* First peal.

Conducted by Stephen J. Ivin.
GOXHILL, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
Ai the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

+J. Vernon Hepworih. . 3 Michael W. Crowder .. Tenor Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.

- 25th peal together. + First peal. The tenor ringer has now circled the tower.


## SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Thurs.. March 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 20 Minules,

## At the Church of St. Denis,

Being once extent Single Oxford and Single Court Spliced, one Single Oxlord. Single Court and Plain Boh Spliced, two Single Court, two Plain Boh, and one Single Oxford and Plain Bob Spliced.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb .
Johs F. Wricihi
HInRy P. Collin. Conducted by James H. Musson.
*25th peal on the bells.
A wedding compliment to Mr. Marcus N. Kidd and Miss Daphne P. Wright (a ringer at St. Denis's), who were married here on February 20th.

## MORPETIF. NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
()! Wed.. March 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minufer.

Ar this Walch Towir. A PEA
callings.
Being two callings $\qquad$
MINOR
Tenor 10 uwt. 26 lb .
Kilih R. War
Treble
Dennis Ellisdon

Jim Scotr
Nicholas D. J. Webb .. Tenor

Conducted by Nicholas D. J. Webb.
First peal as conductor
Rung as a compliment to the Rev. and Mrs, S. G. N. Brindley (Whitley liay) on the birth of at daughter.

SEMPRINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sut., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Single Oxford, one of Spliced Single Oxford and Single Court, and four of Plain Bob.
John F. Wright .. . . Treble Edgar A. Cole
William R. Marsh .. $\quad . . \quad 2 \quad$ \#J. Edward Brown
Frederick Derry $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ James H. Musson
Tenor 8 cwt

Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal in three Minor methods.

A wedding anniversary conipliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Brown and Mr. and Mrs. James H. Musson

## STRATFORD ST. MARY, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960. in 3 Hours and 7 Minules, At Ihe Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Single Court. Oxford T.B.
Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.
Alan R. Andri:ws
Treble
Walier D. Balley
Robert E. Lestek
2
3
Gilurge N. Orman
Allen W. Cansdale
Tenor 16 cwl .

Roy Duesbury
Conducted by Roy Duesbury.
Rung for the birth on February 23 rd of a grand-daughter (Ruth Elizibeth) to the ringer of the fourth.

## YAXHAM, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sar., March 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules.

## Ar the Church of Sr. Peter,

In five methods, viz.: Three extents of Plain Boh. one each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford. Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. Tenor 11 cwt . Juhn D. Duwe .. .. .. Treble|Geoffrey R. Drew Thomas E. Spighi .. .. 2 Pieter Adcock Edward Howes.. .. $\quad . . \quad 3 \quad$ H. William Barreii $\quad$.. Tenor

Conducted by H. William Barreit.

## WATTON, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Oil Sinn., March 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minules,

## At the Church of St. Mary,

In seven extents, viz.: One each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Court, Plain Bob. Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. Tenor 8 cwl.

| Peter Adcock | Treble | Thomas E. Spight | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edward Howes | 2 | William Clover | 5 |
| Freda P. Greaves | 3 | Geoffrey R. Drew | Tenor | Conducted by Geoffrey R. Dri:w.

## MARSHAM. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., March 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
Ar the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
 Hanbury Carter ... 3 Geoffrey R. Drew .. . Tenor

* First peal at first attempt.

A 17th birthday compliment to Miss Brenda Jones.
WINTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN' DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Marchl 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent and Oxford Treble Boh. Cambridge Surprise, Double and Single Oxford. St. Clement's and Plan Bob. Ronaid Chafer .....Treble Richard Hat
Ronaid Chafer
Harry Hall
Harry Hall .. .. .. 2 Arihur Crowdir
Jack Bray
Conducted by Jack Bray.
Rung half-mufled to the memory of J. E. Smith. many years a ringer at this church, who died on March 12 th, aged 99 years.

ALGARKIRK. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUII.D
On Wed.. March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50) Minutes.
Ai ihe Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL, OF 5040 MINUR
Being one extent each of the following Plain methods: Single Oxford. Douhle Bob, Thelwall, Childwall, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Donovan R. White. . . Treble Harold Barsley
Charles McGuiness $\quad 2$ C. Harold Whitton
J. Mariin Thorley .. $\quad . .3$ Cyril R. Burrell

Cyril R. Burrell
Marin Thorley.
Conducted by J. Marin Thorley.
A hirthday compliment to Katharine and Penclope Thorley and Marh Iloward Whitton.

THEBERTON. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wed., March 16, 1960. in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
Ar the Church of Sr. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Trehle Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Bob.
C. Jack Gibson

Jack Pilgrim
II. William Barrett Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .9 lb . Treble Alan R. Bridges

3
Conducted by John W. Blythe.
Rung for the birth of Linda Blythe, grand-daughter of the treble ringer and niece of the tenor ringer: also for the first birthday of Rosemary Blythe, daughter of the conductor.

## NORTON. NORTIIAMPTONSIIIRE

THI: PFTERBOROUGII DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Thurs.. March 17, 19(x), in 2 Howes and 53 Minutes.
At itif: Church of Ali. Sainis,
A PEAL, OF 5040 IDOUBLES
Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire, ten six-scores of Plain Boh and 240 Grandsire (Morris's). Tenor 15 cwt ., approx Victor A. Perry

Treble John W. Hall
Gforge F. Roome .. . . Tenor
Conducled hy Grorgi F. Ronme.
Rung for the Festival of St. Patrick.

## STISTED. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. March 18, 1960. in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 26 methods: (1) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Ilull. Primrose and Bourne: (2) College Boh IV, Willesden, Old Oxford and Newdigate Delight: (3) St. Albans, Wragby, Neasden and Charlwood Delight: (4) College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Boh: (5) London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal and Capel Treble Boh: (6) Double Oxford and St. Clement's; (7) Double Boh and Plain Bob. Cecil Barki:r

Treble John Warntr Dinnis A. S. Symonds 2 Jor: E. G. Roast Alan R. Sydir

Conducted hy Joe F.. G. Rcast.
BELSTONE, DEVON.
TIIE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGI:RS. (Shebbear College Society.)
On Saf., March 19. 1960 , in 2 Ilours and 43 Minutes,
At rhe Chuzch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

 Tenor $5 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{gr}, 25 \mathrm{lb}$. *Philip Stevens ..... 3 *Ian Colilins .. .. .. Tehor Conducted by John L. Querin.
*First peal. First as conductor. First on the hells, and by the Society.

Rung in honour of the engagement of Princess Margaret to Mr. Aniony Armsirong-Jones.

BUTLER'S MARSTON, WARWICKSHIRF: THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal., Mar. 19, 1940, in $\frac{7}{}$ Hours and 56 Minures, Ay the Church of SS. Piter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


Conducted by George F. Roome

* First peal. Believed to be the first peal on the bells.


## FORD END, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At rhe Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 52 methods: (I) Double Bob. Windermere. Plain Boh. Canterbury, St. Clement's, Killarney. Childwall. London Boh, College. Double Oxford. Thelwall, Wavertree, Reverse Boh, Cumberland, Frodsham, Ennerdale, Lytham, Fulbeck and Horsmonden (19 plain methods by C. K. Lewis): (2) Newdigate, Marple, Old Oxford, College Bob IV. Humber, Willesden, Braintree, Clarence. Charlwood. Neasden, St. Albans, Wraghy, Taxal, Morning Star and Elston (15 methods by A. G. Driver) ; (3) Cambridge. Norfolk, Ipswich,
Hull. Primrose and Bourne Surprise ; (4) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise: (5) Berwick and Hexham Surprise : (6) College Exercise. Norhury. Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob: (7) London Scholars' Pleasure. Kingston. Sandal and Capel Treble Boh. Tenor 4 cwt 2 gr. 16 lb. Maky Roast .. .. .. Treble Dinnis A. S. Symonis. .. 4 *Pairtick W. Salimarsil.. 2 Jom F: C. Roast
Pitir J. Eves. . . . 3 Ihowarid W. Eggifsiconi... Temor
Conducted by Jo: F., G. Roasi.

* 50th peal for the Association.

Rung for the wedding of Donald Paul Raymond and Edna May Smith (ingers at Ford End), which was solemnised prior to the peall,

QUADRING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Ihours and 42 Minules,
At the Church of Si. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Oxiord. Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt .
Alan G. Payne
Treble I Harold Barsley
J. Martin Thorley .. .. 2 *Frank Taylor .. .. .. 5

Joseph W. Balley .. .. 3 John R. Ketreringhiam... Tenor * 150th peal. Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.
THF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., March 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules,
A PEAL OF 5040 EVENING STAR DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwl}$.
*Michafil J. Sianify .. Treble A. Tfrenct: Collins
Ronald A. Wright $\quad . \quad 2$ Anihony R. Praki:
Vicior Griffin .. .. 3 Brian Biaion .. .. .. Temor Conducied hy Antuony R. PEAKF.

* First peal. First in the method by all the bind. on the hells, and for the Association.
Rung to commemorate the last steam engine to be taken into service hy British Railways: huilt at the Swindon Works and named * Evening Star ${ }^{\circ}$ there on March 181 h, 1960.


## Handbell peals

BISIIOPSTOKE. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. March 10, 1960, in 1 Hour and 35 Mimutes,
Ar 68. EDWARD Avfente:
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.

* Iom Chapman...... $1-2 \mid$ Margaret E. L. Bramishi 3-4 Rorizi C Kippin Margaret E.
Conducied by Robliri C. Kippin.
- First handhell peal.

WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Onl Sal.. March 12, 1960, in H Hour and 56 Minutes.
A PEAL Ar 169. STOCKION ROAD.
Being seven different extents.
Being seven different extents. Tenor
Gordon R. Wallace .. 1-2| Mrs. K. Lawson size 11 in G. Kenney Lawson
Conducted by Kenneth Lawson


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ABSON, GLOS.-On Mar. 16th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: B. K. Lewis (first of Minor) 1 G. S. Sprules 2, J. W. Sprules 3, C. J. Richards 4 A. W. Gibbs 5, H. Taysom (flrit as cond.) 6. First of Oxford by all.
BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Turner 1 P. Tamsett 2. S. Brook 3, Mrs. S. Brook 4, B. Turner (cond.) 5, F. Smith 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Tanner, churchwarden.
PARNARD CASTLE, CG, DURHAM.-On Mar 12th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Thorley 1. D. Elliston (first of Stedman) 2, W. Robson 3. C. J. Herbert 4. N. Webb (first of Stedman, 22nd attempt!) 5, E. White 6. B. Pattison (cond.) 7. K. Ward 8 . BRAY, CO, WICKLOW.-On St. Patrick's Day, Mar. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Jones 1, R G. George 2, W. H. Wilson 3, T. McMorran
(cond.) 4. D. Vokes 5, C. J. Reede 6, J. A. Atkinson 7. H. H. Brown 8. Rung as a birthday compliment BRISTO Atkinson
RRISTOL.-At the Chureh of St. Stephen, on Jan. 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. F. Hancock
(cond.) 1, Miss M. Hancuck 2, M. J. Hancock 3. E. Hancock 4, D. J. Hunt 5, Mrs, E. A. G. Bowden 6. R. J. Bowden 7, A. M. Tyler 8. Also at the Church of Emmanuel, on Mar. 18th, 1,280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: R. G. Hooper 1. D. C. Exell 2, Miss M. H. Hall 3. C. I. D. 1. Hunt 7, P. J. Bird (cond.) 8. First of Soliced by all except 7th. Also at the Church of St Ambrose, on Mar, 20th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: M. J. Hobbs (first of T.B.) 1. Miss G. M. Husscy (first of T.B.) 2, B. A. Shackicton 3, F. J. Sampson 4, R. G. Hooper 5, A. C. Baker 6, F local band. For Confirmation service.
BULWELLL, NUTTINGHAM. On Mar. 6ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Hurhes 1, P. Pickering 2, Maureen Boden 3. B. Mozley 4, D. R. Boden (cond.) 5. D. Mozley (first quarrer) 6.

CAPE TUWN, SUUTH AFRICA.-On Mar. 1st, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: J. Riley 1. L. Hewite 2, R. Stickley 3, V. Sheppard 4, R. Law (cond.) 5. W. Smith 6. A compliment to H.M the Oueen and the new prince. The first time the tenor has been rurned in to a quarter peal.
COMPTON BISHUP, SOMERSET. - On Mar. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterhury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): T. Feltham 1, Miss A. White (first as cond.) 2. A. J. Peters 3. H. Hooper 4, J. Brinsom 5, . Loxion 6.
DANBURY, FSSEX.-On Jan. 31st. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Rowling (first quarter) 1, Mrs, M Roast 2, J. West 3. E. G. Roast 4, J. E. G. Roast (cond.) 5. I. J. M. Saunders 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. F. S. Hopkirk, Rector of Danbury for 23 years.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.-At St. Cuthberis, on Mar. 20th, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss J. Warwick 1, Miss P. Dowse 2. Miss B. Cooke 3. Mrs. T. Cooke 4. T. Cooke (cond) 5, T. Senior 6, W, E. Mashiter F. Hodgson 8. Firs in method for 1, 2, 3 and For Evensong on St. Cuthbert's Day.
DERBY:-On Mar. 201h, at St. Peter's Church. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor fenor covering): Sylvia Hazlewond 1. Jean Larkin 2. A. Mould 3, I. Bailey (cond.) 4. M. Lafkin 5. B. Barker 6. W. Steen 7. A wedding anniversary compliment to the ringers of 2 and 5 .
DEVIZ.ES. WILTS.-On Mar. 17th, at St. James Church, Soulhbroom, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 6. 4. 8 behind): P. Tye 1. R. W. Bridger 2, A. J. 6. 4. \& behind): B. Tye 1, R, W. Bridges 2, A. T. Weeks 3. W. Bridewell d. J. S. Weeks (cond.) 5, I. Potter 6, H. Sturgess 9, P. Whale 8. A welcome 20 Rev. W. D. Williams, as Rector of St. John's. Devizes.

EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On Mar. 20th. 1.260 Plain Boh Triples: Beryl Rayner (first of Trinles) 1. G. W. Coldini 2. W. Georse 3. Trudy Neweombe 4. J. Weeks 5, W. Theobald 6. T. Hawkine (cond.) 7. D. Langdon 8. Firse in method for all the band except the conductor. For Evensong.
EPSOM, SURREY,-At Chrise Church, on Mar. 20th. 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Fextiman (first quarter) 1. D. Henchell 2, F. Oakshott (cond.) 3. Adrienne Gibson 4. Sylvia Marsh 5, W. Parrott 6.
Funhing, ESSEX.-On Mar. 13th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. M. Bibby 1. S. Penfold 2, A. Reeve 3. F. G. Richardson 4, J. Fowler 5, H. Smith 6, T. Esat 7. A. J. Salisbury (cond.) 8. For Matins.
GATESHEAD. CO, DUPHAM,-On Feb, 13th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth Scott 1, Mrs C. N. Lea 2, E. White 3, C. J. Herbert 4, R. $G$. R. $\mathbf{F}$. Telford 8.

## QUARTER PEALS

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Mar. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. F. Cox 1, H. K. White 2, Miss M. Thomas 3. J. H. Napper 4, C. I Garlick 5. A. H. Webb 6. G. W. Bishop (cond.) 7, J. C. Napper 8 Rumg as a compliment to Rev. H. A. Smith-Mastens. on the 39th anniversary of the first service conducted by him as Vicar of Hagbourne.
HARMONDSWORTH. MIDDX.-On Mar, 5th, 1.280 Plan Bob Doubles: J. Boyd 1, K. Yıuna 2, M. Lane 3, D. Pickett 4, C. Fynes (cund.) 5, D. J. Evans 6. Alao on Mar. 12th, 1,260 Plain Rob Minor: J. Boyd 1, K. Young 2, D. Pickell 3, M. Lane 4, D. Morgan 5, C. Fynes (cond.) 6.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.-On Feb. 19th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: 1. Weatherby 1. J. Clark 2. Mrs. F. Bowden 3, C. Johnstone 4, A. Queen (cond.) 5, M. Rudgwick 6. Rung in honour of the birth of a second son to her Majesty the Queen.
HENLOW, BEDS.-On Mar. I4th, 1.260 Singlc ()xford Bub Minor- P. Rogers 1. M, Major 2, G. Mayes 3, J. Church 4. P. W. Tompkins 5. L. H. Bywarers (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffed as a roken of respect to O . Buckingham, for many ycars churchwarden. Also on Mar. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: P. Thomnson 1. P. Rogers 2. A. Gentle 3, M. Major 4, R. Fuller 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6.
IVER, BUCKS.-On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. J. Foster (first on 8 bells) $1, W$. D. Ward 2. F. R. Scutt 3. D. K. Ward (first of Grandsire Triples inside') 4, E. R. Gntham 5 , W. Birmingham 6, H. W. Impey (cond.) 7, D. G. Rowlands 8. Rung prior to the christening of Derek Juhn Foster, son of the reble ringer. Mr. and Mrs. Foster are both ringers at Iver
kIDSGROVE, STAFFS.-On Mar 15th. 1,296 Cambridgc Surprise Minor: R. A. Challinor 1, N. Sherratt (cond.) 2, W. Sherratt 3, P. A. Mason 4, H. Windsor 5, R. Worrall 6 .

KINGSTHORPE NORTHANTS.-On Feb, 27hh, 1,26n Plain Rob Minor: D. Trueman (finm of Minor) 1. B. E. Frost 2, J. Payne 3, S. Earl 4, F. Benfield (cond.) 5, P. Giles 6 . For the weddings of Mr. G B. Kirton and Miss J. Andrews and Mr. J. Felce and Miss B. Parrott.

LONDUN.-At St. Clement Danes', on Mar. 20th, 1.280 Cambridge Surnrise Major: Miss M. E. Kirby 1. Mrs. F. A. Threlfall 2, Miss 1. Inman 3. D. J. Kirby 4. N. J. Martin 5. I. H. Oram (cond.) 6, P. J. Spice 7. R. T. Newman 8. For Evensong.
MOLLINGTON, OXON.-On Mar. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place Bob, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, and Grandsire): R. F. Diserens 1. D. C. Bowen 2, R. K. Russ 3, H. Oglesby 4, C. C. Clarke (cand.) 5.

VORTH WEALD, FSSEX.-On Mar. 22nd, 1,440 Kent Treble Boh Minor: M. McQuistan 1. Wendy Bowak 2. Janet Evans 3. C. Bingham 4, J. MePhail (cond.) 5. W. Wedlock 6. At Matins for the presentation of a wedding eift to Colin Bingham and Janet Evans, who were married on Mar. 26th. Alwo on Mar. 22nd, 1.260 Plain Bot Double: G. Horton 1, Ann Hancuck 2. Doreen Peacock 3, S. King (cond.) 4, S. Blatch 5, J. Lodge 6. At Evensong. A farewell to Miss Daphne Peacock (Sunday Schoul teacher) and Sally Ann Blatch. who are leaving for South Africa.
ORMESBY. YORKS.-On Mar, 20th. 1.260 Gtandsire Triples: R. Millintton 1, A. Crosby 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3. A. Woodall 4, W. Ellerington 5. T. Cox 6. P. Wishart (ennd.) 7. C. Oldfield 8. For Evensons.
PRESTON: LANCS.-On Mar. 20th, at 45 . Herschel Street, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Betty Faunch (first in hand') $1-2$, C. Crossthwaite $3-4$. J. Councrthwaite (cond.) 56 . Rung for the engasement of Princess Margarct and Mr. A. ArmsrongJones.

PUTNEY, S.W.-On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: B. Bull (firse away from covering bell) 1, S Rymer 2. B. Coatsworth 3. L. Allen 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5. A. Clayton 6. Fim of Minor for all except For Evensons.
RLGELEX, STAFFS,-On March 8th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. A. Brass 1. J. A. Townsend 2. Miss C. Pendlebury (first of Minor) 3. E. Edginton 4,
R. I. Townsend 5. J. H. Joyner (cond.) 6, A welcome to Stclla Margaret Joyner, lirst grandchild of the conductor.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS. At the Cathedral, on
Feb. $219 \mathrm{~s}, 1,299$ Stedman Catert: B. A. Cornell 1. Feb. 21 \&\&, 1,299 Stedman Caters: B. A. Cornell 1. 10 bells) 3. Miss P. Doorn 4. R. F. Ewer 5, G. 10 bells) 3. Miss P. Doorn 4. R. F. Ewer
Dodds 6. W. Litte 7. J. E. Ewer 8. G. Penney 9. 1. McClenahan (first on 10 bells) 10. For the birth of Prince Andrew. Also on Mar. 20th, 1,272 Stedman Caters: B. A. Cornell 1. W. J. Arnold (cond.) 2. C. Hayter 3, Misk P. Doorn 4. G. Dodds 5. N. Smith 6. W. Little 7, 1. E. Ewer 8. G. Penncy 4,1 . McClenzhan 10.
SEEND, WILTS.-On Mar. 9ih, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Saville (first quarter) 1. W. J. Kinchin 2. 1. Battersby 3, G. Buchanan 4. F. Ross (cond.) 5. P. King 6. Rung by an R.A.F. band from R.A.F., Melksham.
STAINES. MIDDX.-At St. Mary's Church, on Mar. 12th, 1.271 Plain Boh Minnr: J. Boyd I. K. Young 2, M. Lane 3, D. Morgan 4, D. Pickett 5, C Fynes (cond.) 6
STANWELL, MIDDX.-On Mar. 9th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: D. J. Evans 1. C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3. K. Young 4. D. Picketi 5. M. Lanc 6. Also on Mar. 13th. 1.260 changes (Little Bob and Plain Bob Minur. Grandsire and Plain Bot Droubles): J. Boyd 1. Mrs. M. Blagrove 2. M. Lanc 3, C. Fynes 4, D. Pickett 5, F. Blagrove (cond.) 6. For afternoon service and for the birth of son to the ringers of 2 and 6. Also 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: J. Boyd 1. C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, K. Young 4. D. Picketr 5. M. Lane 6. For Evensong

TEWIN, HERTS.-On Mar. 13th, 1.260 Plain Rob Doubles: F. Garrod I, C. Geeves 2, Miss J. Gambling (first as cond.) 3, Miss A. Balley 4, D. Gamhline 5 , W. Holmes 6.

TVITERNHOE, BEDS.-On Mar. 20th. 1.261 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob Minor): W. Scar 1. R. J. Scott 2. Mrs 1. Sinfield 3. P. Pratt 4. I. Knax 5. 1. W. Sinfield (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.
TRURO, CORNWALL-At the Cathedral, on Mar. 15th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Burnell 1. H. Harper 2. Mary Carveth 3, S. A. Read 4. A. . Davidson (frim (inside on 8) 5, A. Locke of Triples) 8. Rung as a welcome to the Ri. Rev. John Maurice Key, 10 h Bishop of Truro.
TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.-On Mar. 10th 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Laura M. Beeney 1. Ann George 2, Margaret A. Ladd 3, B. V. Collison 4. C. W. Hancock 5. R. D. Divall 6. E. J. Ladd 7. S. Jenner (cond) 8. A compliment to Ann George on her 21st birthday.
WALTHAM ABBEY. ESSEX.-On Mar. 13th. 1.277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. C. W. Roberts 1, D Hawkins 2. M. C. Austin 3. L. S. Woods 4, Miss 1. Whitcher 5. P. Laws 6, R. D. Pearson 7, K. R Scrimthaw 8. R. J. Chapman (cond.) 9. T. Pcarson 10 First of Caters by 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8. First on 10 by the Sunday service band
WAITHAM-ON-THE-WOLDS, LEICS.-On Mar 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian Chrisian 1. C. Marthews 2. J. H. Cook (cond.) 3. 1. L. Day 4. R. H. Cook 5. K. Matthews 6. First quarter and 6. Rung for the engagement of Kenneth Christian and Miss Jill Parr.
WaNstEAd, ESSEX. On Mar. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Petty 1. Miss J. Nash 2. Dr. P. A. F Cralk 3. Miss B. Nash (fire quarter) 4. J. Chalk s F. V. Gant (cond.) 6. For Confirmation nervice.

WEST BROMWICH. STAFFS.-On Mar. 19hh 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. D. Peart 1, Jane E Clamp 2. 1. Cooper 3. E. Parish 4, A. Mills (composer and cond.) 5. J. N, Hadley 6, J. R Cotterill 7. W. Reynolds 8. A compliment to Mr Albert Mills for his 80th birthday, attained the grevious day. He joined the helfry in 1896.
WIIITLEY BAY, NORTHIMRFRI.AND.-OO Mar. 13th. 1.264 Plain Boh Maior: Norma F.
Stockman (first quaner) 1. Elaine Murcots (first quarter) 2, G. Lusk 3. R. A. Gofton 4. K. Ward 5. S. Mallaburn 6. R. A. Gofton 7. N, D. J. Wehb (eond.) 8. Rung as a compliment in Rev. and Mrs. S. G. N. Brindley on the birth of a daushter.
WHITTIEBURY, NOETHANTS.-On Mar 2nd 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Truman 1 . W.
Yates (cond.) e. D. Burbidge 3, G. Linnell J. Linnell 5. First on 'inside bell' for 3 and A 3rd wedding anniverssery compliment 10 Mr . and Mrs. C, Truman.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 8th. 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: 1. Linnell 1, D. Taylor 2, F. C. Case 3. C. Truman 4. T. E. Roberis 5, G. E. Green (cond.) 6.

## BRIDGWATER ARTS CENTRE INVESTIGATES RINGING

An enthusiastic ringer on the sales staff of a local firm often tells of happenings in his ringing activities to his fellow workers. one of these baing a keen supporter of the Bridgwater Arts Centre.

A free night occurred in their programme recently and an idea was put forward that the ringer mentioned might be able to arrange something to explain what bellringing was all about. Just a straight lecture was not particularly wanted so a meeting was arranged at West Huntspill on a recent Monday evening.
This tower, with its fine ring of six, was chosen, as it has a large ringing room and ample space beside the bell-frame, thus enabling the visitors to see the bells in action.

In the short time available Mr. C. Clarke, of Wembdon tower, endeavoured to explain the hanging and action of a bell and briefly how changes were rung. A single bell was raised, rung, set and lowered. Then all six were raised in peal. Rounds, call changes some Doubles and Minor were rung with the differences explained as simply as possible. After a lower in peal, Mr. Clarke gave a few facts on bells and ringing in general. He was assisted by six other capable ringers. including two ladies. showing that the fairer sex could easily take part in the art. In fact. one rang the $23 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. tenor excellently to one touch. Two courses of Triples and rounds on 10 were also rung on handbells.
The visitors said that they found the evening very interesting and that they would now know what to listen for when bells were ringing. No new recruits have been forthcoming up to the present. unfortunately.

Thanks are due to the Vicar of West Huntspill and the local ringers for allowing the use of their tower and bells for this meeting. unusual at least for this area.
R.D.S.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Newark District

A most enjoyable meeting of the Newark District. attended by approximately 40 ringers, was held at the Church of All Saints Winthorpe. on March 19th. Many Plain and Surprise Minor methods were rung under the direction of th: District Ringing Master, Mr P. N. White

A short service was held, conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. B. Houghton, who welcomed the ringers to his church, and based his sermon on St. Dunstar. ihe patron saint of ringers A most enjoyable ıзa was arranged and served by the local ringers and wives in the Village Hall.

At the business meeting, one new member, John Raithby, of Newark. was elected Barnby-in-the-Willows was confirmed for the meeting on May 21st. Further ringing to suit all tastes then took place up to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$
W. L. E.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

A very happy and successful meeting was held in the little five-bell tower of SS. Peter and Paul. Black Notley. on March 19th. Sixiy-eight members atended from 27 parishes,

An enjoyable service was conducted by the Rector. the Rev. B. R. McAllister, and the singing was led by the choir and organist. Mr. Pratt, the District Master, read the lesson The lea was arranged and given by the lecal ringers. their wives and friends.
At the husiness meeting one new honorary life member was elected and three new ringing members. It is hoped that the next meeting will be held at Dunmow, on May 14th

Mr. Pratt expressed thanks to all who had heloed to make the meeting such a success and thanked the many ringers who had supported him by their attendance.
The bells of St. Michael's, Braintree, were also available to ringers from 3.30 to 4.30 p.m.

## PER ARDUA AD CAMPANOLOGIA

One evening last October a group of ringers were gathered outside St. John's Church, Devizes, and during conversation three of those present realised that they were from R.A.F., Melksham, a few miles away. From this meeting, an active ringing fraternity at the camp grew. Following requests on the camp loadspeaker system, sufficient ringers and ex-ringers were gathered, and with the Padre's backing, bellringing was officially recognised by the camp authorities as a sports afternoon activity.
Handbell ringing, both tune and changeringing, is practised, and every Wednesday afternoon the band go out to local towers where various Doubles and Minor methods are rung and learners taught.
Last Christmas a tape-recording was made of several carols which were played over the cump broadcasting system prior to the Christmas leave period. It must be admitted that the otherwise good handbells sounded like kitchen utensils when recorded and broadcast !

In February a trip to London was arranged where some ringers and friends visited St. Paul's Cathedral and bells, then proceeded to St. Clement Danes where an hour's ringing was greatly enjoyed.
A sense of achievement was feit when a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung on the six bells at Seend recently.

Unfortunately. Melksham is a training camp where personnel only stay for periods of three to six months and the Gand is likely to suffer fluctuations of membership in the future.
F. R.

WIMBLEDUN, SURREY.-On Mar. 20th, 1,276 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1. Susan Rawlings 2, Anne Garneti 3, M. H. Sinden 4. A. Bagworth 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

## John Taylor \& Co.

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Cape Town is enduring its hottest summer for 20 years and with the thermometer at

## BELFRY

 107 degrees, local ringers decided to hold over their complimentary quarter peal to H.M. the Queen on the birth of an infant Prince for a week. The day before it was rung the city 'enjoyed' a temperature of 102 degrees, and the tenor man was really wet through.The ringer of the third in the quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles at Bosham on March 6th (see page 210) was Susan M. Haddelsey.
Will 'Junior, please send his name and address. We cannot entertain for publication an article without knowing the name and address of the sender

Despite the cartoon in the issue of March 181h, Mr. Gerald C. Hemming informs us that the hells of Evesham bell tower went as well as could he expected while ringing for morning and evening service.
Shebbear College, Beaworthy, is in the news again this week with the College Society's first peal. The members are anxious to know if this is the first peal by an all-resident school society.

Congratulations to Mr. T. J. Lock, the popular secretary of the Middlesex County Association. on ringing his 600th peal. The method, Double Norwich Court Bob Caters, rarely makes an appearance in our columns these days.

The last steam engine for British Railways has been taken into service and has been named 'Evening Star.' At that great railway centre. Swindon where the engine was built, a peal of Evening Star Delight Minor was rung at St. Mark's Church to commemorate the event.

Mr. P. Amos calls our attention to the weight of Norton tenor-19 cwt., as given by various authorities. This tenor measures $44 \frac{1}{2}$ inches and he suggests its weight is from 15 to $15 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt., as the canons have been removed. The five bells by Hugh Watt, dated 1640. have never been recast. There is a legend (not stated by Mr. Amos) that St. Patrick was horn in this parish.

## GOSSIP

Outstanding personality at West Bromwich is Mr. Albert Mills, who on March 19 th called a quarter of Grandsire Triples (his own composition) for his 80 th birthday. He joined All Saints' belfry in 1896 and his long service was recognised by a gathering of some 80 parishioners and the presentation to him of a cheque by the Rev. C. Holroyd Baker, honorary secretary of the Society.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Shepherd took place in 1934 and not as given on page 193. Apologies from all concerned.

Mr. Geoffrey K. Dodd points out that in his recent letter 'Captain's in Control,' the tower in question was not Newbury or in Hampshire.

On Sunday, March 15th, 1921. Rev. H. A. Smith-Masters conducted his first service as Vicar of Haghourne, Berks, and 39 years later his ringers met logether 10 honour the occasion with a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. Later in the evening he joined them at the Fleur-de-Lys to talk over old times, and. of course, it was 'drinks all round '!

Mrs. A. D. Barker deserves a special mention in this column for being the first. person to circle her home tower, Stoke Poges. to peals. Since 1948 she has been a familiar figure at Central Council meetings. although not now a member. and a wider circle than the Oxford Diocesan Guild will, we are sure, desire to join in general congratulations.

Mr. Norman Chaddock sends a reminder of the course in bell ringing to be held at Grantley Hall, Adult College, Ripon, from Friday. April 22nd, to Sunday, April 24th. The course includes lectures by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, Mr. Norman Chaddock and Mr. W. F. Moreton with ringing at Ripon Cathedral and Wath Parish Church. Most sleeping accommodation at Grantley Hall is in private cubicles with some double and single rooms. Men and women of all ages are welcome. Applications to attend the course should be made to the Warden. Inclusive cost, $\frac{2}{3}$ guineas for residents in West Riding. 3 guineas others.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


MEARS \& STAINBANK,

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS <br> By T. J. LOCK

' A '
We introduce with this issue a new series of articles dealing with terms and words met in change-ringing which will be of greal help to begimners and also to many other readers. This list has been compiled by a member of the Central Council, who would like in the preparation of this glossary to acknowledge the help given by other well-known ringers.
ACOUSTICS.-I would suggest there is more ringing than is necessary which suffers through bad acoustics in the ringing chamber Appreciating in the first instance that such major works as rehanging bells at a different level. erecting at new soundproof lloor, blocking up or enlarging window openings, inserting a lantern light in the flat roof of the lower, etc., are out of the question, you will find quite a lot can be done to improve the sound in many offending cases. Where ringing takes place on the ground floor there is an economic limit on the draught of rope for proper bell control in addition to the difficulty a ringer has in hearing his belt strike. Where ringing takes place directly underneath the bells with a short length of rope and with only a boarded ceiling in between a ringer has an equal but different difficulty excessive noise. In the first instance the ringer would do better nearer the bells, and in the second, he would do better farther away No solutions are offered here because both causes and cures can be decided only upon investigation into cach particular case. In other words, the problem in two cases might be exactly the same, but the treatment to cure might be quite different. For deadening sound, sawdust, cork chips, layers of felt or sacking. rock wool. aluminium foil or fibre glass could be used but for increasing sound additional openings in the floors above the ringing chamber, opening of trap doors. blocking up openings 10 stop the sound from going outside or sound troughs might be the answer. In some lowers there is an appreciable deadening of sound when the sally goes through the hole in the ceiling-why not form one or more holes adjacent to overcome this distracting condition?

ASSOCIATIONS.-Could you really imagine the position of ringing today if through the past three hundred and more years each local band rang exclusively in its own Parish Church? No, and neither could I. Probably, in the olden days when travelling was so limited, contact with other ringers was restricted to neighbouring parishes, but it was, at least the beginning of some 'organisation' within the Exercise. This organisation has developed to the extent we know today through the formation of Associations (including. within this term. of course. Guild. Society, and Council). Much hard work has been necessary to build up these Associations, and to verify this statement just have a word with some of your Association's officers. Moreover. you will probably be told that to hold office is itself a thankless and unrewarding job because some ringers are unsympathetic and unreliable. And you will often find that the ringer who is prepared to criticise is the one person who could not. or by reason of various excuses would not. help to fulfil the objects of his Association. These objects usually are, amongst others. the recognition of a bellringer as a Church worker and the advancement of the art of bell-ringing. The several Associations are doing much to encourage and advise in the promotion generally of the art of bell-ringing but at the same time without affecting the relationship of an incumbent and his local band. Only a very few, being non-territorial. Associations have direct control of ringing in the tower. Your Association could. undoubtedly, benefit from your help so why not do some more giving and laking, more even than giving your annual subscription and taking the reccipt? Altend meetings and help to improve the standard of ringing. assist the officers. who, remember. are doing their job voluntarily, and see to it that as far as you can manage the Association is achieving its objects.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 14



MR. ALBERT WALKER.
Vice-president, St. Martin's Guild.
So many well deserved words of praise have been written in these columns about Mr. Albert Walker, of Birmingham, that it is difficult to find new ways of expressing the deep feeling of affection that exists in the Exercise for him. He has been called "Mr. Greatheart,' and on the occasion of his diamond wedding anniversary not long ago, Mr. Birmingham.' Such has been his enthusiasm that he has travelled the country far and wide. and he is known to thousands of ringers-indeed there can be very few who have not had the pleasure of meeting him, and appreciating his dynamic personality, and great friendliness.

Mr . Walker was born in Birmingham in 1876, and when his father's employment took him to Taunton, he became interested in bells and ringing. At the suggestion of his fiancée he took up the art and learned to ring at St. Mary Magdalene Church, ringing his first peal (Grandsire Triples) in 1896. He joined the St. Martin's Guild in 1897, and returned to Birmingham in 1900 . That city, which had enjoyed great prominence in ringing in the earlier part of the nineteenth century, had struck a bad patch, and was without a conductor. Walker, with no one to instruct him, took up the challenge, and learned the art of conducting Stedman the hard way. Anyway, he learned it so thoroughly that as an exponent in calling Stedman Cinques he has never been surpassed.

The St. Martin's Guild has never in its history possessed a more able, loyal or conscientious member. He has served it as Master for many years-often resigning to enable a younger member to serve in high office. He has never spared any effort to enable an aspiring conductor to reach his goal, and his willingness to help in writing out touches and peals has been appreciated by many. He is now an honoured vice-president of the Guild.

Mr. Walker is just as capable on handbells as he is on tower bells, and was responsible for the great handbell revival which took place in Birmingham over 40 years ago, during which very many peals of Stedman Cinques were rung. also Grandsire Cinques and K.T.B. Maximus, culminating in that great performance. the first peal of Stedman Sextuples ever rung, which he conducted. One outstanding peal on handbells was a nonconducted one where the pairs of bells were drawn for out of a hat held by James George.

Mr. Walker. now in his 84th year, is still capable of conducting a really tricky peal of Stedman Cinques-indeed he did so just after his 83rd birthday, and he is still planning yet another peal for his next. In all he has rung 851 peals, of which he has conducted 337. He has rung no less than 554 peals on twelve bells, a record which has never been surpassed by anyone, alive or dead. Mr. Walker has been a member of the Central Council for 28 years. and served on the Broadcasting and Carter Ringing Machine Committees.

JAFUS.

## Durham University Society In Teesdale \& N. Yorkshire

The first full scale outing for the Society was held on March 12 th. 9.30 a.m. being the departure time from Palace Green in the shadow of majestic Durham Cathedral. Bishop Auckland. on the western limit of the Durham coalfield, was the first tower of the day. Here the back six were raised in peal and Bob Major. Kent T.B. Major and Stedman Triples rung on the 12 cwt . octave.

On further into Teesdale we found a beautiful 15 cwt . ring of eight, at Staindrop, where we rang Double Norwich. Stedman. Grandsire and Oxford Bob Triples. followed by a good lower in peal. This tower was the 500th for one member.

Some preferred a liquid lunch in Bamard Castle, but, at the suggestion of a would-be Stedman ringer from King"s, eight of the party rang a quarter peal of Stedman Triples on the 17 cwt . eight to enable the said ringer to score a quarter of Stedman at his 22nd attempt! After the quarter Stedman. Bob Major. Double Norwich and Grandsire were rung.

We then crossed the River Tees into North Yorkshire, but were met with a sethack at Cotherstone as the tower was locked. A house to house tour eventually discovered the local captain. and we found a rather unusual ringing chamber with a huge clock case dominating the scens and hiding the 2 nd away in a 2 ft . gap. The shorter ringers were at a decided advantage when ringing this bell. On raising the 7cwt. six. we thought we had stumbled across a West Country tower with single
ended ropes, but realised that the tail ends had never been tucked in at all and consequently there was about 3 feet of spare rope at backstroke. After some rounds and Kent Minor we beat a hasty retreat to Barnard Castle for tea. where some members are claiming a world record of 80 minutes in waiting for service! This made us very late at Gainford. where the Vicar made us welcome. Cambridge Minor was rung in a hurry here!

Back again into Yorkshire to Richmond for the last tower of the day. Here a course of Cambridge Major was rung in almost immaculate style

Our thanks to Mike and John Thorley in making the arrangements and to the incumbents for the use of their bells. We also hope that our guests, Billy Robson and George Carr, enjoyed their day with us.

## Tips For Beginners-14

When ringing Stedman (or any other method), if you are making thirds place from the front and are returning to lead, there are two bells below you when you are in thirds and they are trapped by you from getting above third's place. Thus, having realised which these two bells are. there is no need to look for any other bells before you return to lead.

## OBITUARY

MR. G. H. MYERS
Plymouth, and indeed the West Country, has lost one of its best-known ringers by the death on March 14th of Mr. G. H. Myers ('Harry Myers to all his old friends), at the ripe old age of 88 . He had not rung for about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years when his health began to fail. For many years he had been in business at 79, Regent Street as a watch and clock repairer, jeweller and engraver, the business being now carried on by his eldest son, Mr. Tom Myers. He is survived by his widow, three sons and a daughter. The sons are equally well-known ringers and are members of St. Andrew's band. Mr. Tom Myers being the Ringing Master and hon secretary of the S.W. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.
The funeral on March 16th at St. Andrew's Church was largely attended. many ringers heing present, including Preb. E. V. Cox (president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers). Mr M. Atkins (hon. secretary). Messrs. R. Bould Tavistock), M. D. Hood (chairman, MidDevon Branch, also representing Mrs. Hood). W. G. Hiscott (Liskeard, formerly of Plymouth), D. F. Farnham (captain, Plympton St Maurice), H. Adams (captain, Stoke Damerell) W. H. Marks (SI. Budeaux). Emmanuel was represented by Messrs. J. P. Sims (captain) H. H. Thomas (hon, secretary and chairman. S.W. Branch), J. L. Blagg, W. Collier, H. O Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. George Godard. Messrs. A. E. Perkin and H. N. Rogers; St. Andrew's hand hy Miss Y. C. Porter. Miss M. J. Marks Messrs. Gluyas, A. Mitchelmore and Couch man. Also from St. Andrew's, and in addition representing the Ancient Society of College Youths. were Messrs. F. D. Wheeler, H. W Milford. S. F.O Shaughnessy; and from Emmanuel. Mr. F. E. Day ; Messrs. A. Westcot (formerly captain of the old Charles band). C Sangwin (A.S. of C. Youths and N.W. Branch of the Guild and Stratton Branch of the Truro Diocesan Guild)
The service was conducted by the Vicar, Preb. Cooper. The half-muffed ringing before and after the service was under the direction of Mr. W. G. Lavers, of Plympton St. Maurice. an old friend of Mr. Myers. Floral tributes included those from his loving wife, children and grand-children, the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, the S.W. Branch, the ringers of the churches of St. Andrew, Emmanuel and Plympton St. Maurice. Interment took place at Ford Park Cemetery, where handbells were rung at the graveside by Messrs. W. G. Lavers, M. Atkins, M. D. Hood and R. Bould.

There are few less qualified than I to give some account of the activities of this grand old veteran of the art, as I did not have the privilege to meet him until ringing started towards the end of the last war. With the information given to me by his family I will endeavour to give some account of his achievements: but to convey in full all the experiences in the world of beil-ringers of one who had been a ringer for 76 years and had rung well over 100 peals would require many columns
Mr. Myers was a great disciplinarian: the method had to be well rung. the striking had to he good, and if anyone thoughtlessly walked into the belfry with hat on. whether friend or stranger, he would be told: *Take that hat off Don't you know where you are? To know him was to respect and admire him for the great ringer he was.
In 1903 he was appointed as the first captain of the Emmanuel Church Ringers, and took part in the first peal rung there. In 1912 he was elected leader of St. Andrew's band, and until 1920 he held both offices, when the duties were taken over at Emmanuel by one of the local band. He remained captain at St. Andrew's until his death.

One of the great events was a full day's ringing on the occasion of Queen Victoria's golden jubilee in 1887, for which he received the sum of four shillings, and until 1957 he had not missed a single royal or civic occasion when the bells were in demand.
At the time of his death he was the oldest nember of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. and was elected a vice-president in 1945, having joined the Guild in 1891. Towards the end of the last century he became a founder member of the Truro Diocesan Guild, and in 1940 he was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths. He had rung peals for each of these three Guilds.
At the time he had to ease up on his ringing he had rung on every ringable ring of bells in Devon. and there is no doubt that many of the very outlying churches were taken in on a series of Wednesday afternoon trips. perhaps three or four each summer, with old friends who included Preb. Cox. the Rev. W. H. Smale. of Petrockstowe. Mr. F. C. Smale, of Okehampton, who for a number of years arranged these excursions. which were always a great joy to Mr. Myers, and several others.

## THE LOG BOOK

Amongst treasured possessions of Mr. Myers is the $\log$ 'book, dating from Easter, 1898, of the Three Towns and District Branch, of which he had been secretary and treasurer. The three towns were Plymouth. Devonport and Stonehouse, and it was not until after the first world war the area came into the S.W. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers,
He had been in first peals at a number of churches, including St. Andrew's and Emmanuel. He was in the first peal of Grandsire Caters at Charles Church, comprised wholly of a local hand in 1901, when it was the first of Caters for all ten ringers. He had circled the towers in peals at St. Andrew's and Emmanuel. Although of small stature he had turned the tenor ( 35 cwt .) in for Bob Royal at St. Andrew's. the first to be rung and which he conducted.
He resided in Truro for about 18 months when a young man, but he deserted the delectable Duchy to return to his native town. though he never lost his love of Cornwall and its bells, and was for a time the recognised ringing instructor of the Guild.
The log book contains accounts of a number of happenings in the early part of the century. A band went to test the new ring at Emmanuel when the seventh and tenor were reported to he not up to standard. Another occasion was when a band. at the invitation of the Vicar journeyed to St. Mellion, just over the Cornish horder. to take part in the dedication of a new ring of six. They had had several touches and then decided to go for a cuarter peal of Grand sire Doubles. About 700 changes had been rung when the Vicar came and stopped them insisting that the ringers must be exhausted and that they come for refreshment. There is an account of a peal at St. Charles' in 1904 when after ringing about 3 hours and 10 minutes. suddenly one of the ringers, a Mr. Hendy, fell forward flat on his face and died instantly Mr. Myers attended the inquest, when medica evidence showed deceased had an enlarged heart.
From 1914 the Myers have been responsible for the maintenance of the church clock at St . Andrew's, with its carillon. He had also for a number of years heen responsible for the clock at Customs House on the Barbican.
What a record of devotion to the art of change-ringing! It is difficult to say just how much influence this little man had in bringing
change-ringing to the area, but it is known that in the very early days he had been almost threatened with annihilation by the call-change and round ringers.

This must be a record of continuous service hard to equal, and it is sad when advancing years bring to a close the activities of such is man; but it remains that whilst most of us want to live long, none of us want to grow old.

His three sons continue at St. Andrew's. so we of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers are assured and sincerely hope the name of Myers will continue at St. Andrew's for many years to come. The ringing must continue, and our departed friend would be the first to say: 'Let there be no moaning at the bar when 1 put out o sea.
H. H. T.

## MR. ALBERT D. STONE

Ringers who visited Brighton before the war will all regret the passing of Mr. A. D. Stone. of the St. Peter's band, whose funeral service took place in that church on March 17th.
Elected a member of the Sussex County Association prior to a peal in December, 1899, he became one of the well-known band who rang under the direction of George Attree, scoring many Surprise peals in new methods. In 1910 he became a member of the central divisional committee and secretary of the division from 1911 to 1922, which position he resigned on becoming general secretary in 1923. Two years after giving up this office he was elected hon. treasurer, in 1937, and held the position until failing health caused him to give up active participation in the Association in 1943.
Of the 300 peals he had rung, 292 were for the Sussex Association, mainly on heavy bells in spite of his slight physique. In 1926 he rang the ninth at St. Peter's to the first peal of London Surprise Royal in George Baker's No. 2 (the Brighton) version. This he considered 10 be the highlight of his peal ringing career, and was performed under the conductorship of his lifelong friend, Keith Hart, and with the local band of Sc. Peter's. Of his total peals 115 were rung in his own tower.

The bells were rung half-muffled as a tribute to his memory before the funeral service and after when the coffin was taken away. Those laking part were Miss Betty Stevenson, Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Messrs. F. I. Hairs (past Master) S. E. Armstrong (past Master). W. A. Riddington (leader of St. Peter's), G. North (secretary. Southern Division), B. North. F. Page, A. W. Bond, L. Silwell (peal secretary) and L Batting.

## MR. FREDK. O. STEVENS

The oldest member of the Rutland Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, Mr. Frederick O. Stevens, sexton of SS. Peter and Paul Church. Preston, near Uppingham, died on March 17th. aged 89 years. Since the formation of the Rutland Branch he had been their representative on the Guild committee.
Except for illness. Mr. Stevens was most regular in attending branch meetings. although for the past three or four years he had been unable to ring owing to failing eyesight and difficulty in climbing the belfry steps. He would. however, sit in the churches. content jusi to listen to the bells and exchange a cheery greeting to all the ringers. By his passing the Branch has lost a true and loyal friend who earned the respect of all by his devotion to what he considered to be his duty-the furtherance of bell-ringing.
A wreath was sent from the Rutland Branch. and in the evening members gathered from many parts of the county at Preston to ring his bells half-muffled, a last token of respect to a great friend.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## FAULTS IN COMPETITION RINGING

Dear Sir,-In reply to R. J. Carlton's Faults in Competition Ringing. I am a competilion ringer and I do not plead ignorance, neither will Mr. N. Moxon, of Cawthorne, who. I am sure, will reply.

To R. J. Carlton and others here is my uggestion whether they ring open leads, close leads, or Churchyard Bob (which I put as any other).

Firstly, we have our own Parsons. Wardens. Officers of the Church and the parishioners to consider and make them appreciate our services to them. as it is our duty to do. Now, R. J. Carlton, my suggestion to you, and all others who plead ignorance. is to have their own ringing recorded, then played back to them slowly. Stand and listen. try to count at an equal speed. If you do not find faults at first try again. eventually you will begin to realise the rhythm it should oe and that is my explanation of a system. I have a recording of our own Friezland bells which 1 would gladly let R.T.C. have to give unto him that which he does seem to desire.-Yours faithfully.

JOSEPH BURGESS
62 Manchester Road.

## THE FIRST PEAL AT SOUTH STOKE

Dear Sir.-It is with pleasure that I write to verify the lelter of $W$. Simmonds, in your issue of March 18 th . I conducted the first peal al South Stoke in which W. Simmonds rang the fifth. To the best of my memory it was in 1924, and was in three methods, but the record can be found in the Oxford Diocesan Peal Book. The dates of four of the six bells were duly noted during our visit. The band included such stalwarts in Minor ringing in those days as George and James Ahery. John Bower and Jim Smith.

Like W.S.. I can vividly remember the locals peeping round the curtains with amazement and excitement during the last half hour of the peal. Also. there was only about one inch of the candles left to burn when we finished. The ringing created quite a sensation in the quiet little village at that time.Yours faithfully.

## Hook. Basingstoke, Hants

E. TIGWELL.

## EDINBURGH DELIGHT

Dear Sir.-The recent correspondence regarding Edinburgh Delight Minor overlooks one point.
A neal of Edinhurgh Delight Major was rung at All Saints'. Wigston Magna, on November 20th. 1948. conducted by R.F. Roc. in honour of the occasion of the birth of Prince Charles.

This method putlished in the $\cdot \mathbf{R}$. W. does not contract to Minor.-Yours faithfully T. E. IHARROLD

Wigston Magna. Leics

## CAPITA MAGNISSIMLS

Dear Sir.-Each member of the Derbyshire Association committee. which annually awards the insignia of Capita Magnissimus. is sufficiently versed in Latin to realise their (deliherate) mistakes. On occasions such as our annual dinner we consider that the possession of a sense of humour is a far hetter qualification than a sound knowledge of latin.-Yours sincercly.
G. A. HALIS

Derby.

## TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## DUPLICATION OF SURPRISE

 METHODSDear Sir.-I should like to comment on two points raised by your correspondents Brian J. Woodruffe and Denis A. Frith on the subject of Duplication in Surprise Methods in last week's 'Ringing World.'

First. Mr. Woodruffe states that ... Wye. Braunstone and Biddenden are mere variations of Yorkshire!' They may be variations of Yorkshire, but I fail to see why the belittling word 'mere' has to be used or why an exclamation mark has to be appended.
Second. Mr. Frith asks that if we ring a peal in these methods. we should not make a claim as to ringing the 'first peal' in the method. presumably because the differences from Yorkshire are so slight. These methods do serve a useful purpose in that they provide a relief from ringing pure Yorkshire all the time and even a good band has to keep its wits about it to ring these methods correctly. They also give composers something to think about, too. They are new methods-and worth calling as such.
With regard to the naming of methods raised by Mr. P. Amos in the same issue. I believe it is the desire of the Central Council that new methods should be named after places. Does it matter whether they have bells or not? In any case. Arnesby certainly has FIVE bells.

Nevertheless. Mr. Amos can take heart in the fact that previously I called a peal which contained io less than eleven 'Saints, methods. The most important thing about ringing is that the bells should be rung for the Christian festivals, to proclaim to the public the

## message of the Church. - Yours faithfuily. <br> Leicester <br> BRIAN G. WARWICK

## LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL NEEDS TAG

Dear Sir.-May I remind Mr. Peter Border. The conductor of two peals rung at Birmingham and published in your last issue as well as several earlier ones, and also you yourself, sir, sof the Council's decision in 1955 that it declines to recognise any method hitherto rung or published as entitled to the designation of "Landon Surprise Royal ". unless the words Stepney version. ". Brighton version $\because$ or "No. 3 or Beddington version " be added.
I think it is safe to say, without the fear of reopening an old controversy, that it is generally agreed London Surprise Royal as a regular method does not exist. The version usually used-No. 3-has therefore no more exclusive right to this tite than thove rung at Brighton in 1926 or al Stepney in 1910, however near to or far from the ideal any of them may he.Yours sincerely.
E. A. BARNETT. Hon. Secretary.

## Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

## MORE INTERFSTING EVERY WEEK

Dear Sir,-I have taken a ringing paper since 1895. the Editor then being Harvey Reeves. Although it was only one penny in those days and is now 8d.. i consider "The Ringing World is well worth the extra money and gets more interesting every week.

1 feached the age of 84 on March 17 th and am now looking forward to my 60 years of married hliss, which will ha on April 16ih. On my wedding day I rang in a peal of Grandsire conducted by the late Alired Lawrence, of Christ Church, Swindon.

I still keep up my ringing, attending on practice nights and for Sunday ringing at Wootton Bassett, whero I have had charge of the ringing for 63 years. My hesl wishes to my ringing friends in all parts of the country.-Yours faithfully, LOUIS A. WiL.SON. 169. High Street. Wootion Bassett. Wilts.

## THE FIRST THREE PEALS IN AMERICA

Dear Sir-In reply to Mr. Ogden's letter in The Ringing World, of December 11th, may 1 present my knowledge of the first three peals rung on the North American continent: PHILADELPHIA. U.S.A.
On June 9. 1850, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Holt's 10 -part. Tenor 20 cwt 2 qr . in E. Thomas H. Lesage
Charles Rayhill
F. G. Wade.

Henry W. Haley
J. Hewitt

## William Lobb

Edward Sawyer
Richard Dodd
James Davey
Tenor Conducted by Henry W. Haley.
First peal rung in U.S.A.
VANCOUVER, B.C.. CANADA.
On July 1 (Dominion Day). 1911, in
3 Hours 13 Minutes.
At Holy Rosary Pro-Cathedral
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Holt's Original. Tenor 16 cwt. in F. Alfred C. Limpus
James Carrier
Richard Pitman
Arthur King
M. Bennett

George W. Foster
Andy B. Lomas
Thomas Greenway
Conducted by George W. Foster
This peal also rung for the Coronation of King George V.

> VICTORIA, B.C. CANADA.

On Oct. 3. 1905, in 3 Hours 15 Minutes At Christ Church Cathedral.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Parker's 12-part.

Tenor 29 cwt .1 qr .19 lbs . D flat
D. Boniface

Margaret Izard
Ernest Weatherby
Arthur King
E. W. Izard

Andy B. Lomas
Ernest F. Salmon
Edward Lake

> Conducted by Ernest F. Salmon.

Arthur King and A. B. Lomas formerly of Holy Rosary. Ernest Weatherby, Los Angeles, U.S.A. E. F. Salmon. Royal Navy. Stoneham, Hants. England.
These bells were a new ring of eight cast by Mears and Stainbank in 1936.

The ringers in the first peal were six of a party of London handbell ringers touring U.S.A. with 'Barnum's Circus.' They discovered a ring of eight bells in Philadelphia. cas by the Whitechapel foundry, by Lester and Pack, who also cast the Liberty Bell in 1754 : other information of the party may be obtained from 'The College Youths: London. and must not be confused with the Lancashire ringers who returned to England in 1847.
In the second peal. Vancouver. the band were all Englishmen who had made residence in Canada. When Mr. Limpus arrived in Vancouver, at that time a non-ringer, he became interested in the Holy Rosary Cathedral bells and was instrumental in the recasting of the seven French bells into a ring of eight.
To conclude with a note of interest. The carillonneur. Mr. James $R$. Lawson, of the University of Chicago. U.S.. is having the ring of 10 hells in the Mitchell tower restored and equipped for ringing after 20 years of silence.-Yours etc..

Yours etc.. WEATHI:RBY.
1.235 Mullen Avenue.

Los Angeles. 19.

## A BELL RINGER'S ADVENTURE

IN my younger days bell-ringing was much more in fashion among the young men of Blanktown than it is now. Nobody, I believe, practises it here at present except the salaricd servants of the Church, and the melody has been much injured in consequence. Some fifty years ago about iwenty of us, who lived in the vicinity of the Cathedral, formed a club which used to ring every peal that was called for: and from continual practice, and the rivalry which rose between us and a club attuched to another steeple, we became very Mozarts on our favourite instruments. But my bell-ringing practice was shortened by a singular accident. which not only stopped my periormance, hut made even the sound of it bell lerrible to my ears.
One Sunday I went with another into the belfry to ring for morning prayers, but the second stroke we pulled showed us that the clapper of the bell had been muffled. Some one had been buried that morning, and it had been prepared, of course. 10 ring a mournful note. We did not know of this beforehand but it mattered little we thought, for the remedy was easy.

Jack,' said my companion, 'step up to the loft and cut off the hat'; for the way we had of muffling was by tying a piece of an old hat to one side of the clapper which deadened every second toll. I did as 1 was told and mounting into the belfry. crept, as I had often done before, into the bell, and began to cut away the muffler from the clapper. But the piece of felt had been tied on in some more complicated manner than usual, and I was. perhaps, three or four minutes in getting it off : during which time my companion below was hastily called away by a message from his sweetheart, I believe, hut that is not material to my story

The person who called him was a brother of the club, who knowing that the time had come for ringing for service, and not thinking that anyyone was above. began to pull. 1 was just getting out when I felt the bell beginning to move. I guessed the reason at once-it was a moment of terror: but by a hasty and almost convulsive effort I succeeded in jumping down. and throwing myself on the flat of my back under the bell. The room in which it hung was little more than sufficient to contain it. the hottom of the bell coming within a couple of feet of the floor of lath. At that time I certainly was not as bulky as I am now, but as I lay the bell was within an inch of my face. I had not laid myself down a second when the ringing began. It was a dreadful situation.
Over me suinging an immense mass of metal. one touch of which would have crushed me to pieces: the floor under me was principally composed of crazy laths. and if they gave way, I would be precipitated to the distance of fifty feet. upon a loft which would in all probahility. sink under the impulse of my fall. and send me to be dashed to atoms upon the marhle floor of the church, one hundred feet below.
I remember-for fear is quick in recollec-tion-how a common clock wcight, about a month before, had fallen. and bursting through the floors of the steeple, had driven in the ceilings of the porch. and even broken into a stone altar tomb that was beneath. This was my first terror : but the ringing had not continsed a minute before a more awful and immediate dread came over me. The deafening sound of the bell smote into my ears with a thunder which made me fear their drums would crack.
There was not a fibre of my body through which it did not thrill-it entered my very soul: thought and reflection were almost utterly vanished : I only retained the sensation of agonizing terror. Every moment I saw the bell sweep within an inch of my face, and my eyes (I could not close them. though 10 look at the object was bitter as death) followed it instinctively in its oscillating progress until it came back again. It was in vain that I said 10 myself it could come no nearer at any future swing than it did at first. Every time it descended I endeavoured to shrink

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into the very floor to avoid being huricd under the down-sweeping mass: and then reflecting on the danger of pressing too heavily on my rrail support. I would cower up agann as far as 1 dared.
At first my fears were about matters of fact. I was afraid the pulleys ahove would give way and let the bell plunge on me. At another time the possibility of the clapper being shot on me in some sweep, and dashing inrough my body, as I had seen it ramrod glide through a door, flitted across my mind. I he dread, also (as I' have already mentioned) of the crazy floor, tormented me: but these soon gave way to fears more visionary, and, of course, more tremendous. The roaring of the bell confused my intellect, and my tancy soon began to teem with all sorts of strange and terrifying ideas.

The bell pealing above, and opening its jaus with a hideous clamour, seemed to me, at one time, a ravening monster raging to devour me, at another, a whirlpool, ready to suck me into its bellowing abyss. As 11 gazed upon it. it assumed all shapes ; it was a devouring eagle, or rather, a Roc of the Arabian story-tellers, clapping its wings and
screaming over me. As I looked upwards screaming over me. As I looked upwards
into it. it would appear sometimes to lengthen into indefinite extent. or to be twisted at the end into the spiral folds of the tail of a flying dragon. Nor was the flaming breath or the fiery glance of that fabled animal wanting to complete the picture. My eyes inflamed, bloodshot, and glaring, invested the supposed monster with a full proportion of unholy light.

The air, set in motion by the swinging of the beil. blew over me, nearly with the violence. and more than the thunder of a tempest, and the floor seemed to reel under me as under a drunken man. But the most awful of all the ideas that seized on me were drawn from the supernatural. In the vast cavern of the bell. hideous faces appeared. and glared down on me with terrifying frowns. or with grinning mockery, still more appalling. At last I thought that the devil himself. gliaring on me with cyes of infernal lustre. made his appearance, and called on me to curse God and worship him. who was powerful to save me.
This dread suggestion he uttered with the full-toned clangour of the bell. Strenuously and desperately I defied him and bade him begone. Reason then for a moment resumed her sway, but it was only to fill me with fresh terror. just as the lightning disputs the gloom that surrounds the henighted mariner. only to show him that his vessel is driving
on it rock where she must inevitably be on a roch where she must inevitably he
dashed to pieces. I found I was becoming delirious. and irembled lest reason should utterly desert me. This is at all times an agonising thought. but it smote me then with tenfold agony. I feared lest when utterly
deprived of my senses. I should rise. for I deprived of my senses. I should rise. for I sirange feeling which calls on a man whose head is dizzy from standing on the hatulements of a lofty castle to precipitate himself from it. and find a death instant and tremendous.
When I thought of this I became desperate. I caught the floor with a grasp which drove the blood from my nails, and I yelled with the cry of despair. I called for help-1 prayed. I shouted. but all the efforts of my voice were, of course, drowned in the
hell. As it passed over my mouth it
occasionally echoed my cries with itsially echoed my cries, which mixed not win its own sound. but preserved a distinct me. I know the echoes was but fancy. To sounded as if they were the shouting, houling. or laughing of the fiends. with which my imagination had peopled the gloomy cave which swung over me.
You may accuse me of exaggerating my feelings, hut 1 am not. Many scenes of dread have I since passed through, but they are nothing to the self-inflicted terrors of that half hour in the belfry The ancients conceived that one of the spirits in Tartarus was doomed to be for ever under a rock. Which every moment seemed to he descending to annihilate him-and an awful punishment it would be. But if to this you add a clamour as loud as if ten thousand furies were howl ing about you-a deafening uproar, banishing reason and driving you to madness-you must allow th.ll the bitterness of the pang was rendered more terrible. There is no man, firm as his nerves may be, who could retain his courage in this situation.
In twenty minutes the ringing was done. Half of that time passed over me without power of computation; the other half appeared an age. When it ceased, I gradually became more quiet, but a new fear seized me. 1 knew that five minutes would elapse without ringing. but at the end of that short time the bell would be rung a second time for five minutes more. I could not calculate time -i minute and an hour were of equal duration. I feared to rise. lest the live
minules. should have elapsed, and the ringing be again commenced. in which case I should be smashed. before I could escape, against the walls or frame-work of the bell. I therefore still continued to lie down, cautiously shifting myself, however, with a careful gliding. so that my eye no longer looked into the hollow. This was of itself no slight relief. The cessation of the noise had. in g great measure. the effect of stupifying me. for my attention, being no longer occupied by the chimeras I had conjured up. began to flag. All that now distressed me was the constant expectation of the second ringing, for which. however. I setted myself with a kind of sullen. stolid resolution, I closed my eyes and clenched my teeth. as firmly as if they were screwed in a vice.
At last the dreaded moment came, and the first swing of the bell extorted a groan from me. as they say the most resolute victim screams at the sight of the rack 10 which he is for a second time to he bound. After this. however. I lay silent and lethargic, without a thought. Wrapt in the defensive armour of stupidity. I defied the bell and its intonations. When it ceased I was roused a little by the hope of escape. I did not however. decide on this step hastily, but putting up my hand with the utmost caution. I touched the rim. I thought the ringing had ceased: it still was tremulous from the sound and shook under my hand. which instantly recoiled as from an electric jar
A quarter of an hour probably elapsed bafore I again dared to make the experiment. and then I found the bell at rest. I determined to lose no time. fearing that the bell for afternoon service would eatch me. This dread stimulated me. and I slipped out with utmost rapidity and arose. I stood. I suppose. for a minute. looking with silly wonder on the place of my imprisonment. penetrated with joy at escaping. and then rushed down the stony and irregular stairs with my utmost speed. and arrived in the bell-ringers' room. This was the last act I had power to accomplish. I leant against the wall motionless. and deprived of thought. in which posture my companions found me. when, in the course of a couple of hours, they returned to their occupation. They were shocked, as well they might be. at the figure before them. The wind of the bell had excoriated my face, and my dim and stupified eyes were fixed with a lack lusture gaze in my raw eyelids. My hands were torn and bleeding my hair

## A Bell Ringer's Adventure-Cont.

dishevelled, and my clothes tattered. They spoke to me, but I gave no answer; they shook me. but I remained insensible; they then became alarmed and hastened to remove me. He who had first gone up with me in the forenoon met them as they carried me through the churchyard, and through him, who was . shocked at having, in some measure, occasioned the accident, the cause of my misfortune was discovered.

I was put to bed at home, and remained for three days delirious. but gradually recovered my senses. You may be sure the bell formed a prominent topic of my ravings, and if I heard a peal they were instantly increased to the utmost violence. Even when the delirium abated my sleep was continually disturbed by imagined ringing, and dreams were haunted by the fancies which almost maddened me while in the stecple. My friends removed me to a house in the country, which was sufliciently distant from any place of Horship. to save me from the apprehension of hearing the church bell going; for what Alexander Selkirk. in Cowper's poem. complained of as a misfortune was then to me a blessing.

There I recovered: but even long after my recovery, if the gale wafted the notes of a peal lowards me, I started with nervous apprehension. I felt a Mahommedan hatred for all the hell tribe, and envied the subjects of the commander of the faithful the sonorous voice of their Muezzin. Time cured this. as it does the most of our follies; hut even at the present day. if by chance my nerves be unstrung, some particular notes of the Cathedral bell have power to surprise me into a momentary start and tremor.

## ODE TO A LOST RINGER

In 'Ringing Worlds' long past we saw, Full oft in many a peal.
The name of Wratten. bold in print, His fame was very real
But now, alas, no more we see That well remembered name,
The lad we used to know so well Has given up the game
Tis rumoured that he's signed the pledge, And given up all vice.
What ails the lad? we want to know. T'aint really very nice.
His clapper's mute, his rope is snapped, His stay all bent and broke.
His wheel no longer turns about. What's up with the poor old bloke?
One time we used to see him stand Before the parlour rail.
Twas naught to see this hearty lad Sink pints of good strong alc.
Tis said that he has gone to naught, A shadow of his self,
No bells, no beer, no football pools, He must be in bad heath.
No doubt you're wondering what's occurred To bring this lad's decline.
The poor chap. one dark night, got caught Hy maiden's fair design.
A warning to you bachelors gay:
A churchyard's not the place:
Stity in the lower and lock the door,
That way you'll ne'er lose facc.

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## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY AT DINNER

O N Saturday, March 5th. the annual dinner of the Cambridge University Guild was held in the Hall of Selwyn College.

The day was much too pleasant to be wasted in peal ringing, and it was possibly in view of this that, despite very kind encouragement from the Vicar, the conductor of the band which was trying to ring Stedman Triples at Icklcton saw the light after 40 minutes and miscalled it. Having rung a quarter of Bob Major to keep out of mischief until opening time, the band returned to Trumpington to lend a judicious ear to the peal of eight-spliced Surprise which was going on there. Ifearing that it was good, they sat in the Red Lion until the peal came round a little later. to the deserved satisfaction of all concerned.

For those who wished to bolt their lunches, Mr. Roaf was on display at St. Bene't's for an hour, after which the ringing chamber at Great St. Mary"s was crammed io capacily. It should he explatined that Cambridge was holding a Fiesta Day in aid of the Refugce Appeal, and one young man who was sitting in the shadow of Si. Mary's, solemnly playing a clarinet. was nearly blown away when the 12 were pulled off. He is believed to have gone elsewhere.

The ringing at the Roman Catholic Church was interrupted. surprisingly briefly. by a wedding, but reached a higher st andard than ustal, including Double Norwich, Bristol and London. This was courtcously, and ruefully, attributed to the visitors and the older members.
St. Andrew's was the last tower open. and ringing included Yorkshire and London, though certain figures were by this time conspicuously. if understandably, absent.

## 87 AT DINNER

The second remarkable feature of the day was immediately evident at sherry before dinner, and it was later stated by the secretary that no fewer than 87 people sat down to the very satisfactory dinner. Later, after the loyal toast. the president (Rev. A. C. Blyth) welcomed the guests and visitors, presented with regret apologies for absence from Canon A. L. Woodard and Mr. J. H. Fielden. and observed that, under conditions of some secrecy, the Guild had contrived to ring a 4 -bell tower for a wedding. This, he suggested, added some weight to the assertion that the Guild was flourishing.
Mr. S. E. Darmon. proposing the toast of The Guild, revealed that he had asked himself why the Guild continued to exist. (Perhaps after our afternoon's activities the same question may have been asked elsewhere in Cambridge.) He finally attributed its present flourishing state to the degree of contact between resident and non-resident members, stressing the importance of Guild Week in this connection, and also to the great good fortune of the Guild in its two presidents. both past and present. This proposition was strongly and audihly supporled.
Mr. P. H. Lington, the Master, confirmed in his reply impressions of the present state of the Guild by quoting a resident membership of 52. of which 22 were new members. The Guild rang for four services on Sundays, and learners were encouraged to assist regularly at Trumpington. Two practices were held each week and also two muffled practices for learners: special mention was made of a system of entering individually the progress of learners each week, which had enabled the large numbers to be instructed with economy and purpose. The number of peals rung over the year was slightly below average, but the achievements in terms of methods wats felt to offset this to some extent: peals had teeen gained in two new plain and two new Surprise Major methods-Wymondham and Winchester, and Cornwall and Glasgow. A peal of Bob Royal 'in hand, nonconducted. had also been rung. Outings and local meetings of the Ely Diocesan Association had been very well attended, particularly by learners. As his personal proof of the present
state of the Guild, said the Master, he took the fact that, before a recent attempt for a peal of cight-spliced Surprise, a prominent resident peal ringer had been found practising on a lashed treble at St. Andrew's.

The secretary, Mr. J. R. Taylor, proposing the toast of "The Guests,' welcomed representalives of the Oxford University, University of London and University of Bristol Societies, and the Master and a not unfamiliar member of the Society of Cambridge Youths. The latter he complimented on their ability to ring not only the bells but also the tower of Great St. Mary's.

Replying for the guests, the Master of the Oxford University Society (Mr. A. Stubbs) congratulated the Guild on its achievement in the neal of eight-spliced Surprise rung earlier in the day, but gently delended his own Society by reference to their own achievement in the peal rung for the recent Royal birth. He wondered why no similar attempt had been made by the Guild.

As usual, the company proceeded after dirner to the Tower Room for beer, libel and handbells until a suitably late hour. On Sunday there was no shortage of ringers and ringing was interesting. By the evening. however. the residents were again in possession after what was agreed to have been a most successful and enjoyable week-end.
P. B. H.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Maidstone District

The meeting of the Maidstone District at Lenham was enhanced by the presence of the Ladies' Guild and members of the Central Council. This combined meeting had good support from both Societies and resulted in a congregation of 63 at the service. conducted by the Rev. O. F. R. Strictland. Other visitors before and after must have brought the total attendance to a good century.

Unfortunately Mr. A. Waddington, the District Ringing Master. was indisposed, and the role was ably filled by Mr. Reg Sills, the District secretary.

The Vicar in his address drew a simile of bells to 'Praise Him on the Loud Trumpet' and in more modern theme to the cook house call of 'Come and get it.' He looked on bells ringing for service as a call to all people to come and get the spiritual substance offered by the Church.
He also thanked those present for ringing the bells. giving the people of Lenham an opportunity of hearing their rehung bells for which they had worked so hard. A new band is being formed locally and the bells now ring for most services.
After the business meeting Mr. P. Carter thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells and his most interesting address, also Mr. J. Manktelow, the local captain, for his assistance with the arrangements.
P. M. T.

## Rochester District

There was a very happy gathering of some 60 odd members for the Rochester District by-meeting at the little village church of St. Bartholonew, Bobbing, on March 12 th.
The Vicar (the Rev. F. L. Talbot) conducted the ringers' service at which a collection was taken on behalf of the Kent County Association Belfry Repair Fund. Tea was kindly given and served in the Village Hall. The District secretary. Mr. T. Barton, in proposing a vole of thanks, especially mentioned the vicar. churchwardens and lady helpers for their hospitality and very warm welcome.
Ringing on the six bells was under the leadership of Mr. G. A. Nayler, District Ringing Master

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -EIY District.-Evening meeting. Saturday, April 2nd. at Haddenham. Bells (6) 5.30 p.m.D. F Murfet. Dis. Sec.
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LADIES' GUILD.-Sussex District.-Meetng at Uckfield (8). April 9th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Ladies, please support. Gentlemen cordially invited. Names for ea by April 6th. to Miss L. Bceney, Hon. Sec.. St. George's Nursery, 7, Chilston Road. Tunbridge Wells. Kent. 5974
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Joint Manchester and Rochdale Branches.-Meeting. St. Mary's, Oldham, Saturday, April 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea. Business 6 p.m.. bath it Burnley Street School. - Fearnehough and Hudson. Sees.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn and Preston Branches.-Joint mecting. Whailey, Saturday, April 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of ea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Buses X27. 15. X23. 231, 227. - J. Pilkerton and 1. Vaimstey.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Loughborough District. - Packington (6), Saturday, April 9th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m Names by April 5 th to Mr. R. Clitton. Nor manton Lodge Farm, Normanton-le-Heath. Leicestershire.-C. W. Hall.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Syston District.-Meeting. Sileby. Saturday. April 9th. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.30. Te: and meeting in Pochin Hall 5 p.m. Numes by the previous Wednesday. please. 10 Mr . W. W. Draper, 3. Highgate Road, Silehy, near Loughborough. eics. 5620
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Market Harborough District. - Meeting Saturday, April 9th. Husbands Bosworth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tes 5 o.m.-L. W. Allen. 5631
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Acle. April 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.15 , Tca 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 6th. certain. please, to Mr. H. W. Lidbetter. Hollycroft. Acle. Norwich. NOR 202.-P. G. W. Newstead. Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDDaventry Branch.-Mceting. Lower Heyford. Sitturday. April 9th. Nimes lor tea hy Mondas previous to Mr. If Cullins, lurnace lane. Lower Heylord. Northampion. - I . W.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Notts District.-Meeting, Tuxford (8), Saturday, April 9th. Names for tea by 5th to Mr. W. Brett, 1, Ashvale. Tuxford. Newark.-H. Denman.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District.Practice meeting at Lakenheath (6), April 9 th.
Bells 630 . Bells 6.30 p.m.-A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5980 ern Division.-Practice meeting. Bosham (6), Saturday. April 9 th, 3 p.m. Names for tea 10 E. W. Keys. Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District--Quarterly meeting. Woburn, Saturday. April 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.) 5. Short service 6 p.m. Names to Mr. Coleman. The Bell Inn, Woburn. No name, no tea. 5630
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A.G.M., Bridgwater. Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon, St. Mary's. Lunch 1 p.m. Tudor Cafe. Meeting at St. Mary's Hall, 2.30 p.m. The following rings are available: Ashcoll (6), 10 to 11 : Huntspill (6), 10 to 11: North Petherton (6) 10 to 11: Cossington (6). 10.30 to 11.30 ; Woolavington (6), 10.30 to 11.30 ) : Bridgwater (8), 10.30 to 12 , 4.30 to 5.30 and 7 to 8 : Chilton Trinity (5), 5 to 6; Durleigh (6), 5 to 6; Cannington (6), 6 to 7: Spaxton (6), 6 to 7: Wembdon (6), 7 10 8. Tickets for luncheon, 6 s . (which are essential), can be oblained upon receipt of a S.A.E. (send no money now) from D. Hoare, 13. Coombend, Radstock.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Annual meeting. Easter Monday, April 18th. Towers: Maulden (8), 10 to 10.45 : Silsoe ( 6 ), 10.30 to 11.15 ; Gravenhurst (5). 11 to 11.45 : Shillington (5), 11.15 to 12 : Clifton ( 8 ), 12 to 12.40 and 2 io $3:$ Henlow (6), 2.30 to 3.30 : Biggleswade (8), 3.15 to 4 and 7 to 8.30 . Business meeting 5.30 p.m. Dinner 6s. Tea 3s. 3d. Meals only supplied if names and cash sent by April 13th to A. Smith, Turnpike Farm, Potton Road. Biggleswade. or District secretaries. Nominations for officers and C.C. representatives to J. M. Stephens. Gen. Sec., 9. Poplar Close. Leighton Buzzard. 5638
DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.A.G.M. Honiton, Easter Monday. April 18th. Bells from 3 p.m.: St. Paul's (8), St. Michael's (6). Service, St. Paul's, 4.30 D.m. Tea and husiness after. Names for tea by 13th, please. to Webh, Oakwell. Millhead Road, Honiton.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -The annual general meeting will take place on Easter Monday, April 18th, at Ely. Ringing arrangements: Swavesey (6), 10 to 12: Over (8), 10 to 12: Longstanton (8), 10.30 to 12.30 ; Willingham (6), 11 to 1: Cottenham (6). 12 to 2 ; Swalfham Prior (6), 12 to 2: Burwell (8), 12 to 2: Soham (10). 1 10 3 : Wiľurton (6). 1 to 3: Haddenhan (6), 1.30 to 3 ; Stretham (6). 2 to 3.30; Litlleport (8), 2 to 3.30. Service in Ely Cathedral 4.15 p.m. Tickets for tea 4s. each, with S.A.E. by April 13th. from general secretary: limited number. General business meeting after tea. Towers available after tea: Stretham. Wilburton, Littleport and Sutton (6). -H. S. Peacock, Gen. Sec.: 8. Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Sireet. Huntingdon. 5636
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Pinchbeck, Easter Monday, April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea $5 \mathrm{pm.m}$. Names for tea hy Wednesday, April 13th to A. R. Withyman, Glentivet. Spalding Read. Pinchieck, Spalding. LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-ClATION--Annual meeting on Easter Monday, April 18 th, at All Saints', Newport.
Bells 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and Bells 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and
business meeting to follow.-F. J. Hannington, 32 Surrey Street, Canton, Cardiff.

## CUMBERLAND AND NORTH <br> WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION <br> Annual general meeting at Kirkby

 Stephen on Easter Monday, April 18th. Bells available 1 p.m. A.G.M. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Those requiring tea must inform on or before Wednesday, April $13 \mathrm{th}, \mathrm{Mr}$. A. Morland. Mount View, South Road. Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland.--J. W. Brownrigg, Hon. Sec.WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Worcester, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service, All Saints; $11.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting, College Hall, 12.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for all who notify me hefore Wednesday, April 13th. Bells available, Cathedral (12) $6-7.30$ p.m... All Saints' (10) 10-10.30, 11-11.10 a.m. and $7-9$ p.m. Claines 10-10.30, $11-11.10$ a.m. and $7-9$ p.m. Claines
(10). St. John's (8), S. Swithun's (6) and Kempsey (6) all $2.15-4.30$ p.m.-J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec.. Sedgeberrow. Evesham.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS -South-West Branch.-Quarterly meeting, April 23rd. Ugborough ( 8 bells) from 2.30 p.m. Tea and meeting. Anchor Inn, 5 p.m. Names by April 18th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth.

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HALLIFAX ASSOCIATION,-Ringing meeting Elland. April 23 rd. Bells available 3 -4.30 and 6.30 to 8 p.m. Teas provided at 2 s . 6 d . each. Please notify by April $16 \mathrm{th}, \mathrm{Mr}$. F.
Linfoot. The Mouth, Wistons Lane, Elland. Linfoot. The Mouth, Wistons Lane, Elland.
No names no tea.-A. Farrand. Sec.
5606 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Canterbury District.-Quarterly meeting, Teynham (6). Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells 2 p.m., Service 4 , Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names together with cash by Tuesday, April 19th, to Mr. V. Page. No. 1, The Crescent, Teynham, Sittingbourne.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual general meeting. Saturday. April 23rd. Bells a vailable: Sileby (8) 10.30-11.30, Cossington (5) $11.45-12.15$. Syston (8) 12-1. Kibworth (8) 12-1. Great Glen (6) 1.30-2.15, Oadby (6) $2.30-3.15$, Leicester All Saints' (8) 2.3.30, Leicester St. Margaret's (middle 8 ONLY' 2-3. Leicester St. John-the-Divine (10) 2.30-3.30, Leicester Cathedral (12), 3-3.55, Aylestone (8) $7-8.30$. South Wigston (8) 7.30-8.30. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting. in Aylestone Parish Church Hall 5 p.m. A bus will leave Cathedral at $4.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to convey ringers and friends free to Aylestone. Numbers for tea, anticipated cost 2 s . 6d.. and numbers of seats on bus to undersigned by first post Friday. April 22nd (none accepted later). General Committee meet in Vestry of St. John-the-Divine. Wednesday, April 20th. 7.45 p.m.-B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec.. 12. Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. (Tel: Wigston 3244).

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.-Meeting Linton, Saturday, April 23 rd . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Please bring sandwiches. All members welcome. non-members cordially invited.-Pamela J. Usborne, Sec., 315, Loose Road. Maidstone.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Annual general meeting, Morecambe, April 30th. Towers available: Lancaster Cathedral, St. Peter R.C. (10) $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 2.45 p.m., Lancaster Priory (8) after meeting until 9 p.m., Morecambe Holy Trinity (8) 10.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and after meeting until 9 p.m. Hornby St. Margaret (8) and Scorton St. Peter (8), also available for peals. It would be desirable if local ringers could be in attendance to meet visitors. Service to be held in Morecambe Holy Trinity Church at 3.15 p.m.. Preacher, the Rev. G. Snowdon. Tea at 4 p.m. (4s, per head) in the Parish Hall (across the road from the Church). Names tor tea, together with money, by Wednesday, April 27th. to Mr. R. F. Eccles. 22. Walton Avenue, Morecambe. Tower secretaries are asked to make block orders for their towers, to save postage. Meeting to follow at approximately 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The publication of 'The Ringing World in Holy Week will be advanced one day.

This means that the last day for receiving notices for that issue is Saturday. April 9th.

We would like all copy for that issuc. especially peals and quarter peals, submitted as early as possible in the week.

Will conductors let us have copy of outstanding peals as soon as possible as the two weeks of Easter provide an excellent opportunity for dealing with arrears.

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Major: Plain Bob 8 (5), Little Bob 1. Double Norwich 1. St. Clement's 1, Kent T.B. 2 (1), Oxford T.B. 2. Combined Kent and Oxford T.B. 1 (1); Surprise: Braunstone 1, Bristol 3, Cambridge 10 (1), Ealing 1, Lincolnshire 2, New Cambridge 2 (1). Rutland 1, Shirley 1, Superlative 4, Whitwick 1, Yorkshire 17 (1).

## Caters: Grandsire 2 (2), Stedman 4.

Royal: Plain Bob 1; Surprise: Cambridge 3, Yorkshire 1, Pontefract 1.

Cinques: Grandsire 1, Stedman 4.
Maximus: Plain Bob 1.
Total: 150. conducted 42.
WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.-On Mar. 15th, 1.260 Doubles (St. Martin's, Winchendon Placc. St. Simon's, St. Nigholas'. Siedman, Grandsirc, Reverse Canicr. hury Pleasure and Plain). A. E, Legrett 1. Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 2. D. E. Culham 3, B. E. Gibbons 4, A. W. Cansdale (cond.) 5, J. Lecgett 6. First in 8 methods by all the band.

## QUARTER PEALS

CONINGSBY, LINCS.-On Mar. 12 th, 1,260 Plain Hob Minor: E. Flintham 1, P. H. Reynolds 2, J. P. Morriss 3, J. W. Baily 4, A. E. Flatters 5, L. H. Taylor (cond.) 6. First quarter on bells since rehanging. Believed to be first quarter ever rung on the bells.

COOKHAM, BERKS.-On Mar, 121h, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. Eldridge 1, Janer Taylor 2, Doreen Hague 3, Mrs. J. Lake 4, J. Muller 5, E. Eldridge 6, H. Oglesby (cond.) 7, J. Norsworthy 8. Rung in memory of John Fowler, late Ringing Master of Cookham.
BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.-On Jan. 10th, 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Miss S. Bradder 1, H. Wood 2, G. Rix 3, R. A. Brown 4. B. E. Matthews (cond.) 5, H. Botting 6. Also on Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Beresford (first of Triples) 1. Miss S. Bradder (first 'inside ') 2, R. P. Wood 3. B. C. Burrough 4, G. Rix 5, H. Wood 6, B. E. Mathews (cond.) 7, H. Botting 8. Also on Feb. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Miss $S$. Bradder 1, Miss J. Stephens 2, Miss J. Clements 3, B. C. Burrough 4, R. V. Johnson 5, G. Rix 6, H. Wood 7, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 6. Also on Mar. 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. Bradder 1, R. A. Brown 2, R. P. Wood 3, B. C. Burrough 4, G. R. Crisp 5, G. Rix 6. H. Wood 7, B, E. Matthews (cond.) 8.

DORKING, SURREY.-On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: G, F. Pratt (first of Treble Bob) 1, E. G. L. Coward 2, A. J. Bull 3, G. Olliver 4, F. E. Roberts 5, A. Streeter 6, A. Harman 7. A. P. Cannon (cond.) 8. Rung by a resident band of the Southern District, Surrey Association.
MONMOUTH.-On Mar. 12th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 1, 2, leading): Miss G. Ellaway 1, J. Clarke 2, Mrs. K. Smith 3, S. Goodwin 4, L. H. Jones 5, J. J. Webb (cond.) 6, K. Goodwin 7, C. Guodwin 8. In memoriam A. Goodwin, a former ringer.

RUMSEY, HANTS.-On Mar. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carolyn White 1, Audrey J. Knight (first of Triples as cond.) 2. M. I. Pointer 3. M. D. G. Northway 4, H. I. Page 5, C. M. White 6, D. Greenlaw 7, K. J. Jacobs 8. Rung for Confirmation.
SOUTH CADBURY, SOMERSET.-On Mar. 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Beryl D. Mundy (first quarter) 1, H. F. Creed 2, D. M. C. Mill 3, H. C Lintern 4, W. J. Tiley (cond.) 5, F. H. Mundy (first quarter) 6.

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## THOUGHTS FROM THE WEST COUNTRY

NOW that we have settled down to the fact that our 'Ringing World ' is costing us more, and the many opinions have been expressed regarding what should or should not be done regarding peal charges and the general contents of the paper, ' What do we do?'

At the present time only about 15 per cent. of all ringers take our paper, and if we include those who share a copy it would probably be reasonable to say that only a quarter of the ringing fraternity read it, which leaves three-quarters who do not. It has been said many times, and it is very true, that if we could get a much larger circulation we should soon achieve financial stability. It is equally true that with its appeal value at the 1959 level, and with circulation as high as it has ever been, the saturation point under these conditions had more or less been reached. With the increase in price and the additional inch of space per page, it is possible to widen the appeal of the paper a little. To some extent this has been done, and there is the additional promise of larger copies on special occasions.
Now, therefore, is the time for us all to do everything possible to interest new readers; even with its present small additional appeal there must be quite a few possibles. This, however, is not our main opportunity; we have pointed out that the responsibility for this paper rests with every ringer who is a Guild member, and this is where our opportunity is.
Very soon now, every Guild and Association in the country will be holding annual meetings; there will be thousands of ringers at these gatherings who at the moment do not take, and have no interest in. "The Ringing World.' At the same time there will be many present who, whilst taking the paper, have never contributed to it in any way or influenced others to take it. So this is what we can do.
The minutes of every forthcoming meeting should include the item. 'The Ringing World,' and among others the following points should be raised and fully discussed.
(1) How can the paper be improved to make it of greater interest to attract the ordinary service ringer who does not take it?
(2) Having obtained views on (1), what can the company present do about it personally? Who has a good ringers' story to tell in dialect? Who is there pre-
sent who is capable of writing a good article, but has always hidden his light under a bushel? There could be many who have, for one reason or another, never taken part who could become valuable contributors. Other ideas may well come to light which could be useful.
(3) Having in mind the limits of our present expansion, what can be done to provide extra finance and so allow these improvements to be made to attract extra readers? There are a number of ways of doing this, including the following:-
(a) Guilds and Associations could make an annual contribution of, say, $£ 15$ each: 75 such contributions would produce $£ 1,125$ per annum, with which much could be done, and it would mean that in effect all ringers were helping.
(b) A charge could be made by 'The Ringing World' for the publication of peals. This is a very thorny one but it has many supporters, and we should do well to have the subject freely discussed at our meetings and cleared up once and for all. Another course which could be adopted in this respect is that individual Guilds and Associations should make a charge on all peals rung for them toward 'R.W.' funds. If this could be generally adopted it would probably be the better course of the two, as it would not interfere with the function of the paper.
(4) What are the possibilities of obtaining a wider range of advertisements? It would be very difficult for - The Ringing World ' Committee to do very much about this, but the people on the spot could make a substantial contribution. Trade and business in the country are at a high level of prosperity. The ringing fraternity embraces all walks of life so must include many who are enjoying their share of this. Many firms are keenly interested in the social activities of their employees, and the suggestion here is that Associations might make an effort to enlist the interest of these people and obtain advertisement material. covered by a worthwhile contribution to the paper's funds.
(5) That every Guild and Association should appoint an official 'Ringing World' officer who could be responsible for promoting the sales of the paper, collecting reports and the like, and with a reasonable local knowledge encourage suitable people to submit
articles of a general and technical nature. This last could be most helpful. He could also be responsible for the distribution of complimentary copies of the paper at meetings as an aid to sales.

Lastly, this being the year of election to the Central Council, the newly-elected members would have the full views of their membership on the subject, and when at Folkestone ' The Ringing World ' comes up for discussion, they would be able to speak and vote in accordance with the final conclusions of their Guilds.
H. J. S.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## LONDON. S.E. 1

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Sat.. March 26. 1960, in 3 Mours und 40) Minutes.
A I the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark,
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 48 cwt .
David E. Parsons .. .. Treble John Phillips .. .. .. 7 William Hibbert .. .. 2 Dennis Randell ... .. 8 J. Frank Smallwood .. 3 Stewart F. W. Kimbier .. 9 James Phillips .. .. .. 4 John H. Crampion .. .. 10 James G. A. Prior . . . . 5 Michael V. Chilcott .. 11 Michael. P. Moreton ... 6 John Chilcott . . .. . . Tenor Composed by David E. Parsons. Conducted by John Chilcoit. Rung as a tribute to the memory of Mr. George N. Price, an csteemed member of the Society, who died on February 25th, 1959.

## TEN BELL PEAL

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wed., March 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minules
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Peter Sloman .. .. . . Treble Frank B. Lufkin
*Gerald A. Bacon
.. 2 Jack Belcham.
*Janet Rowe ... .. 3 Michael J. Halleit. . Michael J. Hallett. . . . 8 William A. Smith. . .. 4 Frank V. Gant. . . . . 9 Bernard C. Sadler .. 5 Alfred House ..... Tenor Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin. * First peal.

Rung in memory of Ven. Ellis Norman Gowing, M.A., Vicar of Pritllewell, 1917-1960, who died on March 2nd, 1960.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

HAMPTON, EVESHAM. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. Oif Fri., Feb. 19, 1960, in 2 Houers and 50) Minules.

At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt 2 qr .4 lb .

| Frances Newman | Treble | †Ernest W. Penn |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *William Newman | 2 | Wilfred J. Newman |
| Robert W. Cole | 3 | Harold E. Raxter |
| Anthony J. Brazier | 4 | Joseph E. Newman |
| Composed by T. B. W <br> * First peal of Major <br> Rung in honour of | LEY. inside. birth of | Conducted by Harold First peal of Major. R.H. Prince Andrew. |

## BRIGHTON. SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Thurs., March 17. 1960. in 3 Hours and 10 Mintues.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Six-part.

Leonard Stilwell..
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Treble ${ }^{*}$ Chas. W. T. Riddleston 4 Frank H. Hicks .. .. Temor Conducted by Leonard Stilwell.

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Specially arranged and rung as an 88 th birthday complinent to the ringer of the sixth.

## HENLEY. SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Fri.. March 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Ronald W. Steward Tenor 8 cwt.
Marian H Mi..Treble Urban W. Wildney... .. 5
Mrs. Muriel R. Page $\quad$.. $\quad 3 \quad$ Frank B. LuFkin $\quad .$. Cecil W. Pipe .. .. .. 4 Leslie G. Breit .. .. Teitor Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Benjamin Lufkin.

BLOXHAM, OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, At the Church of Our Lady uf Bloxham,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.
Howard Oglesby
Treble
Chrisiopher Clarke
Ronald K. Russ
Dennis C. Bowen
Conduciad 4 John Piglar

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHIESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 22. 1960. in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
At This Churcit of Sr. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt 1 gr .22 lb . in F.
Wiliiam H. Dowse . Treble Phier Laflin
Carol Fernley .. .. 2 *Roiant F Fecitis .. 5
*E. Margaret Fearn ... .. 3 Leslie Buumphrey ..
Basil Jones .. .. .. 4 Brian Harris .. .. . Tenor
Composed by W. Barion. Conducted by Basil Jones.
*First peal in the method. The treble ringer has now 'eircled the 'tower.'

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Gerrard, of Morecambe, on the birth of a daughter.

WALLINGFORD, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. March 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-le-More.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $21 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat.
Jamis P. Blond ... .. Treble Jack Br.RRy ... .. .. 5
Alfrid Gremengh ... 2 Ernist G. Garkari... .. 6
*Eric Griffiths .. .. 3 Frank Absolam .. .. 7
Frederick Smith .. .. 4 Robert B. Blond .. ... Tenor
Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by Robl:ri B. Blond.

* First peal of Major ' inside.

Rung, at .he Rector's suggestion, on the eve of the Patronal Festival.

## ABERAVON. GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saf., March 26, 1960, in 3 IIu urs wad 10 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Tenor $16 \frac{1}{z}$ cwt.

Rosemarie E Jones Treble Trevor M Poderici
William T Petty
Treble Trevor M. Roderick irevor M. Roderic
Edmund J. Morris Alfred Hannington

3 GWYN 1. Lewis
Frank Rowsell
D. Walford Davies . Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.
Conducted by Trevor M. Roderick.
First peal of Triples.

## AMBROSIDEN. OXON

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. March 26, 19(4), in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt 1 qr .6 lb . in E flat.
Alan R. Pink .. .. .. Treble Cyril H. Kinch
Brian R. White .. ... 2 George W. Holland
Frederick Vickers
J. Howard Freeborn Francis A. White.

Composed by J. E. Burion Cogar J. Smith
Conded by Edar J. Smith.

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EDENBRIDGE. KENT
TilE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
(On Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At trie Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt 7 Jb , in F sharp.
*Ann George
¡Henky J. Igglesden
Margaret A. Ladd *Brian E. Jeffrey Composed by W. Harrison. Treble $\ddagger$ David R. Matthews

## Stanley Jenner

Edward J. Jenner


First peal in the method Herbert W. Woolven .. Trenor Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

## GRAVESEND, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sal., March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, Ai St. George's Chapel of Unity (Pocahontas Memorial).

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Washbrook's variation Arthur G. Mason Ernesi J. Ladd. Bernard V. Collison John O. Weller

Treble Heratir E. Audsiey enor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
.. 2 Hubert H. Furminger Conducted by Gforge J. Butcher.

## HEYDOUR, LINCOLNSHIRE,

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 26, 1960, ith 2 Hours atd 54 Minutes,
A! the Chlirch of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Johnson's variation. Tenor 12 cwl . 3 qr .2 lb . in If sharp Margiart: A. Swann Charlis McGuiness J. Mariin Thorley Frank Taylor

| Treble | Louis Willders |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Jack L. Millhouse | C Harold Whitton Geoffrey R. Parker .. Tenor Conducied by Jack L. Millhouse.

ICKLETON. CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
Oll Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
ai the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .2 qr .21 lb . in F .
$\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { Harry F. Churchman } & . . \text { Treble } & \text { Derek E. Sibson } & . & . & 5 \\ \text { Glorge E. Crisp } & . . & . . & 2 & \text { *George E. Thoday } & . & 6 \\ \text { *Dunald F. Murfet } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Geoffrey A. Lucas } & . & 7\end{array}$ Tenor
John G. GiPSON
Composed by James Topp.

* First peal in the method.


## OLNEY. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

THE BEDHORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sul.. March 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minules.
AI the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 25 cwt . in D.
. Treble *KEITH WAKFFIEID

Jennifer M. Davies
Roberi L. Piron
James H. Edwards
Composed by Patrick 1. Chapman

* First peal of Surprise Major.

ROCESTER, STAFFORDSHIRE
IHE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat. Marcly 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5120. SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Comprising 1.120 Rutland. 1.280 each Cambridge and LincoInshire, and 1.440 Yorkshire. with 69 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.
Edmund Malin
*Richard J. Warrit.ow
†Robert J. Warriliow
$\dagger$ David W. Brunning
Composed by Philip G. K.
Treble
2
3
4 Tenor 13 cwt 17 lb . in F sharp.

Composed by Philip G. K.
First peal of 4 -Spliced.
Davies. David Friend conductor
Rung for the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Brunning, of Burton.

## WRITTLE. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. March 26, 1960. in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
At the Church of Ale Saints.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwl. 2 ur. 2 lb . in $E$.

- Mary Roast .. .. .. Tieble

Joe E. G. Roasi
*Patrick W. Saltmarsh
John Warner
Composed by Stephen IVIn.
2 - Dennis A. S. Symonds
*Dennis A. S.

* Peter J. Eves
*Peter J. Eves . . . .
Howard W. EgGiftone
Howaro w. Egerasione Tenor
*First peal in the method. First in the method as coriductor
Rung to celebrale the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert
Edwards, of Writtle.


## WROTHAM. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At ihe Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF 5056 DOLBLE DUBLIN SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt .10 lb . in E flat.


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

## DARTFORD, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Mon.. Marclt 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules,
At the Church of The holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Washbrook's variation.
Arihur G. Mason
Jennifth M. Borer
Peitfr F. Borer.
Frederick J. Cullum
4 George J. Butcher
Conducted by George J. Butcher.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## HUNTINGDON

THE: ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Feb. 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr. 25 ih
James A. Howes
John R. G. Spicer
Treble
Michael. J. Dyer $\qquad$ Albert J. Davey
*Paul E. Wells
Harold S. Peacock.
Tenor $18 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.

Michael. J. Dyer
Conducted by Harold S. Peacock.

* First peal, first attempt. The ringer of the third has now circled the tower.?
Rung as a compliment to the Rev. J. M. E. Bagley as Rector of this parish for 14 years.

DYMOCK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIUN, On Sat.. March 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50) Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 six-scores of Bob Doubles and 30 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles.
R. G. Powell

Tenor 18 cwt .
R. G. Powell

Conducted by R. G. Powell.
Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to H.M. Queen Elizabeth.

## PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Piran.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being four extents of April Day. 16 of Plain Bob and 22 of Grandsire (ten callings).

| *R. Jill Souihwood | $\ldots$ | Treble | Robert A. Southwood | .. | 4 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P. Ruth Hosken | . | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alan Carveth | .. | .. | .. |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | †Mary Carveth.. .. .. 3 | Peter A. Rowe .. .. .. Teinor

Conducted by Alan Carveth.

* First peal. + First of Doubles.

Rung as a welcome to the Rt. Rev. John Maurice Key, who was enthroned as Bishop of the Diocese on March 17th. Also as a tributc to the life and work of the late G. Harry Myers, of Plymouth, a founder member of the Guild.

TARRINGTON. HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. March 19, 1960. in. 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Philip and James,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew. April Day and Plain Bob, one 240 Morris's arrangement and 32 extents Grandsire (ten callings).
William E. Spiers... Treble! Charles Phillips
Joy Smith.. ........ $\boldsymbol{?}$ Reginald G. Powell
*Michael V. Powtl. .. $\overline{3}$ Richard S. Chew
lenor 11 cwt .

Michael V. Poutll.
Richard S. Chew
nald G. Powell.

* First peal in five methods.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Joy Smith and Charles Phillips.

CASTLE ACRE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., March 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
George W. Heyhoe.
Robert Button..
obert Button
$\square$ reble

William J. Balley
Tenor 10 cwt .

The conductor' Conducted by Tony Owen.
Conducted by Tony Owen.
$00 t h$ peal for the Association.

## WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different callings.

James T. Rooke
*Frank Cooke
$\dagger$ Malcolm Foster

Treble $\frac{2}{3}$

Tenor $14 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

* First peal. * First in the method.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Freda Robinsan, who is a member of the Warsop band, at present serving in the W.R.N.S.

GREAT KIMBLE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 26. 1960. in 2 Hours and 55 Mintles.
At the Church of St. Nichol.as,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Antony K. Foriin
Linda J. Kew
Pamela M. Jervis


Tenor 10 cwt 3 qr .3 lb . D. Kenvyn Walters Frederick R. Scott J. Keith Ward

Tenlor
Conducted by J. Keith Ward.
First peal as conductor.

> LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
> On Sat., March 26. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,
> At THE BELL Foundry CAMPANILE,
> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two 720's each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Boh, and three of Plain Boh. II. George Hart Elsie K. Hari
Alan Hartley
Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr .13 lb . in C. patrick I. Chapman.. .. 4 Kenneth R. Dunstan John M. Jelley. . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## SOUTH KILWORTH. LEICESTERSHIRE <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents: (1) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (2) Stedman, (3) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (4) Stedman, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kennington, (7) April Day, (8) St. Simon's. (9) St. Albans, (10) Eynsham, (11) St. Martin`s, (12) St. Paul. (13) St. Leonard, (14) Plain Bob, (15) Kennington, (16) April Day, (17) St. Simon's, (18) St. Albans, (19) Eynsham. (20) St. Martin's, (21) St. Paul, (22) St. Leonard, (23) Plain Bob, (24) Southrepps. (25) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. (26) Clifford's Pleasure, (27) St. Giles, (28) St. Nicholas, (29) St. Andrew, (30) St. Miles, (31) Winchendon Place, (32) St. John, (33) Southrepps. (34) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (35) Clifford 's Pleasure, (36) St. Giles, (37) St. Nicholas, (38) St. Anarew, (39) St. Miles, (40) Winchendon Place, (41) St. John, (42) Grandsire.
Brian G. Warwick .. . . Treble *Brian M Smiu
Russell S. Morris .. ... 2 | A. James Poynor
Alan E. Hariley
Tenor
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal of Doubfes 'inside' in more than one method.

WALBERTON, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
W. Edward Booker.. .. Treble Geoffrey R. Crisp
Raymond A. Brown. . . . 3 Peter H. Langton...... Tenor Conducted by Peier H. Langton.

* 175th peal. First on the bells since rehanging.

Rung to welcome the new Vicar, inducted on March 10th.

WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London, Wells. York. Durham. Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.
June I. Deak
Treble
Leonard B. Scoot
. . Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr .25 lb . Claudi A. Critchley .. $\frac{2}{3}$ *G. William Critchley .. 5

Conducted by G: William Sritchley,

* First peal of Minor in seven Surprise methods and first of Minor us conductor.


## SHARNBROOK, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Tues., March 29. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minuies,
At the Church of St, Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 14 methods, viz.: (1) Bedford Delight and Merton Delight, (2) York Surprise, (3) London Surprise, (4) Si. Clement's Bob, Double Oxford Bob. Plain Bob and Double Bob. (5) Single Oxford Bob, Single Court Bob and Double Court Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Cambridge Surprise. and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Cambridge Sur
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .5 lb . in F sharp.
Arthur Gibbs .. .. .. Treble James R. Taylor
Jennifer M. Divies ... 2 John B. Long
James H. Edwards .. .. 3 Bryan Patison. . .. .. . Tenor
Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

## handbell Peals

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 15, $196(0$, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.
Ai The Wayside, 150 . Narborough Road South,
A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS


Composed by Fredk. H. Dexter., Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.

* First peal of Caters 'in hand.

CLEATHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 20 Minules.
Ar Cleatham House Farm.
A PEAL OF 5028 SPLICED MAJOR
Being 27 methods: Colville, Romsey, Cheltenham, Leamington, Pulford, Avalon. Painswick, Kidlington, Double Oxford. Pershore, Hereward. Double Norwich. St. Clement's, Crayford College, Richmond, New London. Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Plain Bob, Little Oxford Bob. Victoria Little Court, Gainsborough Little Bob, Wellington Little Court. Little Boh, Crayford Little Court. Bastow Little Court and Kent Little Court: 365 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C .
*A. Robin Heppenstall.. $1-2 \mid$ George E. Feirn ... .. 5-6
†John Freeman $\quad . \quad$.. $3-4 \mid$ †Jack L. Millhouse $\quad . . \quad 7-8$
Arranged and Conducled by George E. Feirn.

* First peal in 27 methods. † First in 27 methods "in hand.'
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## HALF PEAL

nottingham. - At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 20th. 2,528 Plain Bob Maior: P. Horne 1, Miss R. Graver 2, F. A. Salter (cond.) 3, R. Carlisle 4. M. Colton 5, E. Eloson 6, G. Clift 7, W. Nichols 8. For the birth of the Royal Prince.

ARSON. GLOS. - On Mar. 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: G. S. Sprules (first of Siedman as cond.) 1. A. W. Gibbs 2, C. J. Richards 3, H. Taysom 4. 1. W. Sprules 5, B. K. Lewis 6 . First of Stedman by all excem the conductor.

ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.-(on Mar. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Pat Mellor 1, J. Riley 2, N. Sherrath 3, R Challiner 4, W. Sherrati 5, R. Worrall (cond.) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the father of the 6th ringer.

A YLestone, LeICs.- On Mar. 13 th. $1,280 \mathrm{St}$. Clement's College Bob Major: S . Maric Davenport 1. Patricia A. Wardle 2, Sandra E. Chesterion 3. Christine Wakefield 4, C. L. Powdrill 5, T. I. Roper 6. R. S. Morris 7. A. J. Poynor (cund.) 8. First in the methed by all. For Evensong. Also on Mar. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Maric Davenport 1. Patricia A. Wardle 2, Sandra E. Chesterton 3. R. S. Morris 4, Rev. P. Blackman 5, T. I. Roper 6, A. 1. Poynor (cond.) 7. P. Martin 8. Rung before Evenwong. after the Bappism of Lymn Alison Poynor, niece of the conductor.
BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.-On Mar. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Double:: M. Godwin 1. B. S. Payne 2. G. B. Lowe 3. J. R. Perkins 4, F. K. Thompson (cond.) 5, J. C. Lowe 6. For Evensang.
BEENHAM, BERKS.-On Mar. 261h, 1.800 Spliced Doubles, being extents of St. Nicholas' and Fundenhall; St. Nicholas' and Longford; Winchendon Place and Thornborough; Winchendon Place and Haddiscec; St Remiqius' and Harpley; St. Remigius' and Hascombe; St. Simon's and Braywood; St. Simon's and Rugby; St. Martin's and Welford; St. Martin's and Slapton; St. Osmund's and Longworth; St. Oimund's and Merton: and 2 extents of Plain Boh and one of Reverse Canterbury: E. Woolgrove 1. B. Mills 2, G. K. Dodds 3, B. A. Cracknell 4 , M. Hatchert (cond.) 5. Rung after meeting shors for a peal for the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, as a wedding compliment to Mr. Keith Burnett and for the wedding anniversary of Mr. G. K. Dodds.
BICESTER, OXON.-On Mar. 15th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. East 1. E. G. Jones 2, W. Baqnet 3. L. Bunby 4. C. H. Kinch 5, E. J. Smith (cond.) 6. BI.UNSDON, WILTS-On Mar. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Vincent 1. Miss A. Porter (first - inside ${ }^{\text {- }}$ and of Minor) 2, B. S. Sheppard 3. M.s. G. Swain 4, W. H. Trueman S, A. R, Peake (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On Mar. 20th, 1,200 Doubles ( $60 \%$ Plain Bob. 610 Grandsirc): A. Winsborough 1. Jillian Outhwaite 2, N. Martin 3. 1. Parker 4, D. Manger (cond.) 5. Rung halfmuffed in memoriam Dan Whitehead, a former ringer at this church.
CHESHUNT, HERTS.-On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Nichulls 1. Miss C, Fartinaton 2, E. Pickett 3. G. Larhaleatier 4. R. Durrant (cond.) 5. D. Billimere 6. For Confirmation scrvice by Bishop Chase. formerly Bishon of Ripon. now assisant Bishon of this diocese.
COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.-On Mar. 27th. 1.260 Doubles (St. Simonis. St. Marin's. Plain Boh, Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire): T. Feliham 1, Anne White (cond.) 2. A. Peters 3, H. Hooper 4, J. Brinson 5. J. Loxton 6. Rung for Mothering Sunday scrvice and alsn for the 23 rd wedding anniversary of the ringer of the 3rd and his wife.
FRIFZLAND, YORKS. On Mar. 20th. 1.320 Oxford T.B: J. Smith (cond.) 1, G. Perrin 2, J. Burgess 3. C. Henshaw 4, A. Farrand 5, A. J. Bennett 6. Rung in hondur of the third ringer's 20th birthday.
GORLESTON, NORFOLK.-On Mar 19th. 1,280 Kent Treble Bub Major: G. Huwleu (cond.) 1. P. Newstead 2, G. Drew ${ }^{3}$, A. Fulcher 4.
A. Moy 6. S. Merry 7. W. Duncan 8.
GR IFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.-On Mar, 26th, 1.260 Doubles ( 660 Plain Bob, 600 Grandsire): C. Hall 1, G. Atkins 2. F. Hall 3, G. Webb 4. R H. Rogers (cond.) 5. Rung for the wedding of Miss Wendy Lenton and John Neal, at Davemry: and also the wedding of Miss Shirley Allen and Anthony Hayes at Grafton Regis.
HEAVITREE, EXETER.-On Mar. 20th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: F. Wills 1, N. Malleti 2, Mrs. G. E. Retter 3. J. Salway 4, E. E. Retter S. A. Holway 6, G. E. Rever (cond.) 7, G. Skinner 8. Rung before combined service of Exeter Lodges of the Loyal

## QUARTER PEALS

HEENE, WORTHING.-On Mar. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Hunn 1, R. P. Wood (cond.) 2, H, C. Weaver 3, M. Froome 4, Miss J. Langton 5, J. Reed 6, L. Stilwell 7, R. Wilson 8. For Mothering Sunday.

## HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.-On Feb. $21 s$,

 1.440 Plain Bub Minor: J. R. G. Spicer 1, F. R. Nicholls 2, A. J. Davey 3, P. E. Wells 4. M. J. Dyer 5. H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For Morning scrvice. Also on Mar. 20th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. R. G. Spicer 1, Miss F. Secker 2. Miss H. Muirhead 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, M. J. Dyer 5. H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For Morning service.HERSHAM, SURREY. - On Mar. 27hh. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Gcorge 1, Jean Warner (firnt of Triples) 2, Gwen May 3, Pamela Bird 4, H Coicombe 5, C. N. Chinnery 6. J. King (cond.) 7. S. Davies 8. For Morhering Sunday.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.-On Mar. 19th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Margaret Tilbury 1, D. A. Comwall 2. Sheila Wallace 3, Sydney M. Bailey 4, D. Francis (first in methexd) 5, J. Camp 6. G. Harrison (cond.) 7. R. Hazell 8.

HOLYWELL, HUNTS.-On Mar. 20th, 1.320 Doubles: T. Cowley (first quarter) 1, W. Papworth 2, E. J. Parish (cond.) 3, O. Norman 4, L. Cowley 5. R. Wilmer 6.

HORSFLL, SURREY.- On Mar 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Priestley (first quater) 1, J. Martin 2. Miss J. Drury (25ih quarter) 3, Miss P. Drury 4. G. Oliver (cond.) 5. B. Priestley 6. For Evensong.

HUNTINGDON.-At All Saints' Church on Feb. 14th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: J. R. G. Spicer 1, M. J. Dyer 2, A. 1. Davey 3, L. G. Conley 4, P. E. Wells 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For Morning service.
ISLEWURTH, MIDDLESEX.-On Mar. 20th, 1.277 Crandsire Carers: L. C. Way, W. G. Wilson 2 . Miss J. Creak 3, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 4, S. J. Way 5. 1. E. L. Cockey 6. C. H. Rogers 7. J. Perreut 8, H. W. Rosers (cond.) 9. N. F. Felton (first quarter) 10. For Evensong.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.-On Mar. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Ellis 1, E. W. Colley 2, A. J. Strathdee 3, J. B. Dinenage 4. D. W. Barr 5 ,
M. W. Fairey (cond.) 6. Rung for morning service M. W. Fairey (cond.) 6. Rung for morning service Year Appeal.
LOCKING. SOMERSET.-On Mar, 12th, 1.260 Doubles (180 Siedman, 6010 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob): G. Prescott 1, S. White 2, Freda Phillips (first in 3 methods) 3, Marjorie Legr 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, A. Kent 6 .

LYMINSTER, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 17th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Peters 1. Miss B. Hazeiarove 2. Miss H. Hazelgrove 3, G. Jones 4. G. Lee (cond.) 5. Mrs. 1. Hunter 6. For the birth of a second son to H.M. the Quecn.
MILIENHALE, SUFFOIK.-On Mar. 19th, 1.260 Plain Buh Royals: Misa A. Greaves 1. E. Nice 2. H. Misom 3. Miss D. M. Reeve 4. L. Nice 5. H. Fuller h. R. Rosic (cond.) 7. A. Ballam 8. J. Paul 9. E. A. Cracknel! 10. First of Royal for 1, 2, 3, 4. 5. 6 and 9

MONKSILVER, SOMERSET.-On Mar, 26th, 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1, M. Baker 2, J. Ford 3. E. J. Ford (cond.) 4. W. Wehber 5. Rung on The occasion of the marriase of Miss Evelyn May to Mr. Raymond Swectland.
NAZEING, ESSEX.-On Mar, 19th, 1,260 Doubles ( 720 Plain Bob, 540 Grandsire): J. Sams 1, G. W. Sams 2. B. G. Burton (cond.) 3, K. Wood 4, G. Blake 5. C. Mansfield 6. Rung for the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. Saggers.
NEWCASTLE ON TYNE.-At St. James' Church. Benwell, on Mar. 27th, 1.350 Grandsire Doubles: Miss P. Derrick 1. Mrs. K. Wyndham 2. Miss 1 . Thomsinn 3. A. Wallace 4. S. Mallaburn (cond.) 5. D. Barrow 6. For the civic service when the Lord Mayor and Sheriff of Newcastle on Tyne attended Evensons.
NORTH FERRIBY, YORKS.-On Mar. 26th, 1.260 Doubles ( 780 Grandsire. 480 Plain Bob): 3. S. Rank 1. K. Goldthorve (cond.) 2, D. S. Johnion 3, R. D. Gibson 4. G. W. Pybus (first quarter) 5, 1. N. Goldthorpe 6

OCKHAM, SURREY.-On Mar. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: V. Neil 1, Miss P. Drury 2, J. Martin 3, D. Wright 4, B. Priestley (cond.) 5. For Evensong.
OLDSWINFORD, WORCS.-On Mar, 12th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Miss A. Barr 1. Miss B. Stephens 2, B. G. Key 3, B. J. Wylde 4, M. T. Sprackling 5, P. W. Webb 6, R. J. Warrilow 7. D. W. Friend (cond.) 8.

PI.YMOUTH, DEYON. - On Mar. 27th, at the Church of St. Andrew, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. J. Collins 1. H. W. Milford 2. D. R. Bould 3. F. E. Day 4, D. F Wheeler 5, W. G. Lavers 6 , S. F. O Shaughnesgy 7. H. E. Myers 8. A. W. Myer, y, T. G. Myers (cond.) 10. In memoriam Gcorge Harry Myers, commenced to ring at this church in 1881, appointed captain of the tower October, 1912.
PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Mar. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bunch 1. A. Martin (firse 'inside ') 2 , S. Rymer 3. L. Allen 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5, R Daw 6. For Matins.

READING, BERKS.-At St. Mary's Church, on Mar. 20th. 1.280 Spliced Surprise Major (London. Bristol, Cambridse. Superlative, Yorkshire. Pudsey. Rutland and Lincolnshire): R. K. Russ 1, A. Diserens 2, J. N. Diserens 3. M. J. Thurmoil 4, E. J. Munday 5. R. F. Diserens 6, F. W. Lewis 7, N. J. Diserens (cond.) 8. Also at St. Laurence's, on Mar. 28th. 1.311 Siedman Cinques: A. Diserens 1. Mrs. D. Catherall 2, J. N. Diserens 3, Mrs. P. Lewingion 4, T. P. Edwards (cond.) 5, Linda J. Kew (15) 6, Janet L. Adamson 7, D K. Waliers 8, E, I. Munday 9, W. Birmingham 10, W. Hibber 11 , D. Livingston 12. First quarter of Stedman Cinques for ringers of $6,7,8,9$ and 12 . Rung for advancement
RIPPIE, WORCS.-On Mar. 4th. 1.260 Minor ( 720 Oxford Bob, 540 Plain Boh): C. Haylines 1, F. Lawrence 2, E. D. Wilson 3, J. Arnall (firss quarter of Minot) 4, D. Price 5, J. Clements (cond.) 6.
SEND, SURREY:-On Mar. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: V. Neil 1. Miss J. Drury (first 'inside ') 2. Miss $P$. Drury 3, J. Martin 4, J. King 5, $S$. Strudwick 6. Rung half-muffed in memoriam Mr . Bolbear, sidesman at this church.
SHERBURN-IN-FIMET, YORKS.-Um Mar. 264h, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Joan M. Dawsnn 1. Mrs. J. Render 2, K. B. Siscons 3, P. M. Dawson 4, A. Sheppard 5. J. Potis 6, J. Rhodes (cond.) 7. W. Lee 8. First in method by all.

SOLTH CADBURY, SOMFRSET.-On Mar. 19rh. 1.260 Grandsire Duubles theing $10 \frac{1}{2}$ six-scores, ien callinas): Beryl Munday (first quarter) 1, H. F. Creed 2. D. Hill 3. H C. Lintern 4. W. J. Tiley (cond.) 5, F. Munday 6.
SOUTHGATE, LONDON.-At Christ Church, on Mar 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Tripless: Pam Miller 1. S. G. Peek 2, H. Milier 3, M. Stanynn 4. C. Ward 5. J. Wallman 6, C. Aldridsc (cond.) 7. W. Wainwright 8. For children's service on Mothering Sunday and an 83rd birhday compliment to W. J. Bowden.
STRATTUN ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On Mar. 27th. 1.260 Doubles ( 540 Plain Bob, 720 Grandsire): Miss 1. Cook (first quarter) 1. Miss C. Lassley 2. S. 1. Withey (firs in $1 \mathbf{w o}$ methads) 3. V. Griffin (cond.) 4. C. G Jones 5. A. Hatherall (firy quarter) 6. Rung for Mothering Sunday afiernoon service.
SYDNEY. NEW SOUTH WALES. AUSTRALIA. -On Mar. 17hh, at St. Mary's (R.C.) Basilica, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. R. A Curran 1. Audrey E. Peters 2, R. J. Klima 3. Wendy A. Nichols (first of Triples) 4. J. H. Fryer 5. J. J. Cummins 6. T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 7, I. F. Hammond 8. Rung
for St. Patrick's Day, and the silver jubilee of Cardinal Cilroy's consecration as a Bishop.
Whitstable. Kent.- On Mar. 27th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. L. James 1. K. Triplow 2, C. Dilnot 3, Miss H. Palmer 4. S. James (cond.i 5, 1. Haldwin 6. For Mothering Sunday.
WIMELEEON, SLRREY.-() Mar. 27th. 1.276 C=mbridge Surprise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1. Susan Rawlines 2, Dorothy Robinson 3, M. H. Sinden 4. A. S. Bishop (cond.) 5. A. Basworh 6, Rung for Evensong.
WARSOP. NOTTS.-On Mar 27th. 1.320 Plain Bub Minor: J. T. Rooke (cond.) 1, Janet Robson (first quarter, first attempt) 2, M. Foster 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke 6. For Evensong.

# JUDGING RINGING CONTESTS 

By HAROLD CHANT

INN view of the request by Mr. R. J. Carlton in last week's • R. W: I would like to submit a few observations on this subject. Several years ago 1 made similar ones, but as they have been forgotten. I suppose, by everyhody except myself. I will recapitulate them with. perhaps. additional words of wisdom.
The ideal judge must have a quick ear and an inborn sense of rhythm: be preferably a good striker in order 10 detect the faults of others and be able to maintain his concentration for long periods; he must be the soul of integrity: have, if possible, a background of masical education; be impervious to defamatory remarks about his judgment: deliver his decisions unafraid. with the aplomb and finality of a despot: be able to criticise without fermenting rancour and encourage without patronage.
The ideal judge must be, in fact. such a paragon of virtues that it is doubtful if he ever existed. I have, however, known several good ones.

## MARKER DESIRABLE

It is better if the judge serves his apprenticeship by 'marking.' For the benefit of the uninitiated a 'marker' is one who writes down the faults as the judge calls them out. By doing this he can get an insight into the method of assessing the faults and can ask questions of the judge between intervals of ringing. Sometimes the answers he receives are more them revealing-but that is another story.

A judge should never do his own marking. Even the most conscientious judge would be distracted by the faults on the paper before him. perhaps mentally adding them up and/or comparing them with the number of faults acrued by previous teams. Personally, I like to sit, or occasionally stand. in such a position that I cannot see the faults going down, and so be able to focus all my attention on the faults being made- Where there are two judges they should judge half of the test piece each, changing over at a time estimated to coincide with half the length of it. Each may mark for the other.
It is advisable that they stick to the same half of the test piece for all the teams in the contest so that any discrepancy between their standard of judgment may be confined to the same portion of the test piece. Furthermore, seeing that with many teams, some ringing on bells on which they may have had little or no previous practice as a team. most of the faults occur in the early stages. a difference in the standard of judgment at this vital stage would give a distorted picture of the positions of the teams in the final resul.

## COPY OF RULES

There should always be a copy of the rules of the contest in the judge's room so that penalties imposed for breaches of technicalities may be set down on the paper of each team as they occur. Nothing is more embarrassing either for the judge or the participants than for the judge to announce the winner only to discover that hecause of some infringement, either known or unknown to him, his
Team number $1^{\prime}$ is not "Team number 1" after all. For this reason he must be informed of any infringement of the rules which, unknown to him. have added penalties, before he makes his announcement. Such an infringement might be. for instance, the penalties imposed by some Societies when a ream is not ready to ring in the order in which it is drawn. a contingency of which the judge must be. by necessity, ignorant.

For obvious reasons he must know before his incarceration how many teams are entered in the contest. and be informed of any change of number that occurs in the meantime, as he may otherwise either be sat watting for a mon-existent team to ring, or be half-way to the meeting to deliver the goods when the bells begin pealing merrily in the
hackground as another team takes the ropes: both of which events I have experienced.
With regard to setting down the faults. the marker should be instructed to make a gate of each group of five, the fifth fault of each group drawn diagonally across the previous four. This facilitates addition. Some judges use an ordinary piece of note-paper for each team. but for many years now I have used the following system, which I can recommend

## MARKING SHEET

Prepared duplicated sheets (foolscap size) have spaces provided for: (a) The name of the Society. (b) date. (c) team number, (d) length of test piece. (e) time taken. (f) average time of teams ringing through. (g) faults. penalties and total. (h) judge's remarks.

A large portion in the centre of the page is taken up by the spaces for faults and is divided into rectangles. one for each minute of ringing. On the left-hand side the minutes are shown 1-9, $6-10$. etc., and on the righthand side a space is left for the cotal of each five minutes of ringing. so that these can be easily totalled up.

The marker moves from rectangle to rectangle as the minutes progress and marks with one eye on a watch or clock

By this method it is possible to see at a glance how the striking of a team has improved. (or otherwise) as the test piece moves tong minute by minute. Two pencils are also provided for the marker, a red one and a hlack one. If any serious trips or blunders occur. caused (say) by someone getting lost. the judge shouts 'Red' and the marker then transfers to the red pencil. When the jumble is over the word 'Black' ensures that normal faults are marked down. The team can afterwards, therefore, discover the cost of Young Willies missed dodge in 3-4 down!
This gives a new meaning to the phrase In the red, which the wife of a ringing friend of mine attributes to the artistic temperament of her bank-manager. whilst her husband has not the heart to disillusion her!

## FAST RINGING AND GOOD STRIKING

It is a matter of a few moments only to estimate the average time and enter this on each team paper, but it is worth the trouble involved as the teams concerned can then compare times with each other discovering. nerhaps, to their surprise that it is not necessarily true that the faster six bells are rung the better they sound. In this connection I have pointed out on a previous occasion that fast ringing and good striking are not necessarily synonymous. Neither of course. is slow ringing but to attempt to push the bells along at a speed in excess of the "natural. rhythm of the bells is. in contest ringing at any rate, courting disaster. Contest ringing is not peal ringing and nobody. least of all the judge. is interested in the fastest test piece on the bells and where ringers are keyed up to concert pitch the slightest irip may mean catastrophe. If the bells are moving too quickly. correction becomes more difficult as the hells come tumbling down at backstroke. Nevertheless, I have judged quite a few contests where the fastest touch has won, the reason being (I hope) because the team has produced the best striking: but 1 have judged many others where they have not

In the space allowed for 'Remarks' the judge is at liberty to express his opinion either of the test piece as a whole or to criticise individual bells. With regard to the latter. it is wise not to be too scathing, and of late I have even refrained from singling out individual bells as it is possible that the guilty party is a sensitive learner, who may be discouraged by being, as it were, corrected in public. In any case. this criticism can frequently be obliquely directed and the little bells crowding the tenors' when the treble has
been chipping the heavy bells should be sufficient cue for a wise captain to deliver a little homely advice. especially if, as should be the case. he has already mentioned the fact whilst the ringing was in progress.

## ASSESSING FAULTS

Explaining the manner of assessing the fauls is a more difficult matter, as much of it is learnt only by experience. There is no doubt that the standard varies hetween one judge and another. which. so far as I can see. doesn't matier a great deal so long as contests judged by different persons are not compared in order to assess the standard of ringing in different occasions and frequently on different bells.

I once heard a ringer state that in one contest his team had accomplished 10 minutes of faultless ringing, whereas I have found that it is extremely rare to scan a fault sheet and discover a blank space denoting a minute of faultless ririging.

## How does this come about?

A fault may be taken as a tolerably savage 'clip' between two bells: say about half to a quarter of the normal interval allowed for accurate striking. A gap of similar proportion is also accounted a fault. although as the bell following the gap-maker frequently clouts the principal offender the fault is thereby made self-evident. The closing up of an open lead in open-lead ringing merits the same penalty.
Judged by these standards. close-lead teams such as Cawthorne. Shelley or Friezland with their meticulous regularity and open-lead teams of the calibre of Warsop or Handsworth would frequently have blank spaces on their score-sheets for the aforesaid 10 minutes. and so in order to sort them out it becomes necessary to allocate in addition to the complete faults mentioned above. sub-divisions of faulis or so-called divisional faulis.

## USE OF FRACTIONS

Personally I use $\frac{1}{2}$-faults and $t$-faults (having rejected. after trial. $\frac{t \text {-faults), and collect them }}{}$ in the following manner. I have in front of me a sheet of note-paper. down the centre of which I draw a line. On one side of this line I collect the $\frac{1}{3}$-faults and on the other the $\frac{1}{2}$-faults. Three $\frac{t}{}$-faults complete a triangle and two $\frac{1}{2}$-faults made a cross, and as each triangle or cross is completed I call out one. which the marker sets down in the usual manner. From this it can be seen that even in the "faultess " minute it is possible for a team to have collected $1 \frac{1}{6}\left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{4}\right)$ faults. without having them marked down on the paper. In view of this it is only fair to point out that it is possible for a team to have all its minute-space containing faults and still have almost two minutes faultess ringing. when. for instance. a fault has occurred at the front end of one minute space and the hack end of the next.
Faults should be always marked down singly even when they are called out in twas. Calling faults in twos at a jumble in Minor ringing appears to be traditional. I have marked for many judges and co-judged with many more and I don't remember at any time a three being uttered. I suppose the practice springs from the reasoning that in any given change at least four people should know what they are doing, and that if three or more people are lost the chances of them righting themselves in a contest are very remote. Most conductors would probably stop the ringing anyway, unless the hand was comparatively new to contest ringing and he wanted them io go forward to gain experience. In any case after a succession of "twos' last ing for half a minute the team would have no chance of winning when the first team would finish with $40-50$ faults.

Whatever the reason for the 'twos.' I have always continued to give this number for each of a succession of such martial music-two for each big bang. as it were-and shall continue to do so unless I can find a suitable reason to the contrary.
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## RINGING CONTESTS-Cont.

NO SYSTEM INFALLIBLE
In spite of these elaborate preparations and precautions. one still has sometimes the feeling. especially when the number of faults separating the leaders is small, that it is possible that the leading team may not, after all. be the winners. No system is infallible. and knowing that I have done the sorting out to the hest of my ability, I have never allowed these feelings to interfere with my sleep!

If the judge is accustomed. as many judges are. to ringing both open- and closed-leads. there is no difference in assessing the faults in either or both.

Concerning the question of judging ' ${ }^{\text {rising }}$ and falling I have had no experience. I would very much like to hear the views of anyone who has judged such a contest.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Sheffield and District Socicty at Wortley on April 2nd was quite well attended and methods ranged up 10 Bristol Surprise Major. It may be truly said that ringers at this tower are back-room boys, since entrance to the tower is by means of a difficult wooden ladder. which is reached through what appears to be a cuphoard door in the wooden wall of the vestry at the base of the tower.

After tea in the local school a well struck touch of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by J. J. L. Gilbert. N. Chaddock. J. F. Smallwood and J. Seager. This was taped and played back with pleasant effects.

At the short business meeting memhers were reminded that the next gathering was the cup contest at Beighton on May 7th, when it was also hoped to choose a new president. Three new members from Rotherham were elected and after tea ringing continued until 8 p.m.

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD

The 33 rd annual meeting of the East Grinstead and District Guild was held at Coleman's Haich on March 19th. when there was a good attendance of both old and young members. The bells were put to good use until 4.45. when the service was held, conducted by the president, the Rev. J. R. Missen. who. after tea in the Church Hall. took the chair for the business meeting. He was supported by two vice-presidents-Messrs. J. W. Ritson and B. V. Collison-the latter causing some amusement. when he called the chairman to order on three occasions. Two new members were elected: Denis Davey, of Tunbridge Wells. and Martin Hollyman, of Edentridge.

The balance sheet showed a healthy state of affairs, there heing the sum of $£ 70$ 11s. 5 d . in the bank. while the Oliver Memorial Fund showed a balance of $£ 27$ 18s. 7d.. of which $£ 5$ was granted in Edenbridge towards new ropes.
All the officers were re-elected. with the exception of the Central Council Representative. Mr. E. J. Ladd being elected vice Mr. Bassett. A change on the committee was the election of Mr. B. Jeffery, vice Mr. C. Tester.

Barcombe in April and East Grinstead in May were chosen for future meetings. while an outing into Surrey was arranged for September 10th. A suggestion that the venue of the dinner be changed, was, after discussion. left to the committee to decide. The peal book was discussed. and Miss Margaret Ladd agreed to bring it up to date.

At the last annual meeting. Mr. A. Relfe had offered his books to start a library, and Mr. and Miss Margaret Ladd announced that they would house and distribute the books. This ofier was gratefully accepted. and it was agreed that the books be insured against fire and theft
This concluded the business and after Mr. C. Hancock had proposed a hearty vote of thanks to all concerned in making the meeting a success. memhers returned to the tower for more ringing.

## AROUND PETERBOROUGH <br> AND STAMFORD

Meeting outside Weston Favell Church on April 2nd. a party of 12 joined the local ringers to visit towers around the Peterhorough and Stamford areas. The start was slightly delayed owing to a wedding. for which the bells were rung.

A 40 miles run brought the party to Woodston. This church. dedicated to St. Augustine, possesses a light six in a small tower which looks hardly big enough for three bells. How Gillett and Johnston's managed $t 0$ get six in it. is a masterpiece. The ground floor belfry is equally small. Everyone enjoyed the bells, and the pleasure of meeting Mr. Hoare (the local captain) and the Vicar (the Rev. Harry Nesbitt).

On to Glinton with its unusual spire, which goes straight from the top of the crocketed tower to two-thirds of the way up before it begins to taper. Photographers could not resist taking a picture before going inside 10 raise the glorious toned six-easily the best in East Northants from a point beyond Titchmarsh. Pews temporarily put in the belfry had to be hauled out and put back before and after ringing. The church is one of few dedicated to St. Guthlac-the saint who originated from nearby Crowland Abbey.

After tea Maxey was the next tower. What a contrast now that these bells are rung from the ground floor, as they were 100 noisy when rung upstairs. Nevertheless they are a good six. Mr. Frisby, the churchwarden. welcomed us.

West Deeping was the last belfry where Mr Black (the local captain) was waiting with a welcome. This is a fine church with an equally fine steeple as well as a very nice ring of six (the 1.050 th tower the writer has rung in).

Methods rung ranged from Plain Bob Doubles to Cambridge Minor. The outing was organised by Mr. P. Amos.

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Another remarkable performance by the Sussex veteran, Henry Stallard, in ringing, on his 88th birthday, the sixth to Grandsire Triples, at St. Nicholas'. Brighton, is recorded this week. Once again a faultless effort goes to the credit of "Harry," who rang superbly throughout the peal. In the peal was Mr. 'Jim' Riddleston, who commenced his ringing activities some 40 years ago, and rang his first 'inside.' Incidentally, this was his second peal. Congratulations!

The peal of Holland Bob rung at Great Holland on March 5th (see page 204) was the first in the method and is No. 263 in C.C. Collection.
Mr. M. Hatchett, of Rickmansworth, informs us that his band hope to raise, during the next six months, the number of Doubles methods rung to a peal from 105 to 140 .
Ringing on the excellent light eight at Sharow, near Ripon, is likely to be curtailed for some time, as the wooden frame is in a dangerous condition. The bells are to be rehung in an iron frame, and this, with other restorations to the stonework of the early 19 th century church of St. John, is to cost ahout $£ 3.000$ of which $£ 500$ is in hand.

Mr. John Euston, of 28, Fairmile Avenue, Streatham, S.W.16, is arranging a veterans (those 65 and over) reunion in London on June 18th. Mrs. Davis has promised to arrange tea at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, as before. Help from the younger generation in regard to transport would be much appreciated. Veterans able to attend are asked to write to Mr. Euston.
Following the failure of a peal of Kent Treble Bob at Sherburn-in-Elmet, on March 26th. the ringers attempted and were successful in ringing a quarter peal of Stedman Triples. This was the first in the method by all the band, and was rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Simpson. of Shipley. It was faultlessly conducied by 17 -year-old John Rhodes, of Culverley.

## GOSSIP

 to the Communion service to (B.B.C.-tv.) from there on Easter Day, April 17th, at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The Bishop of Bristol. the Rt. Rev. Oliver Tomkins, and the Dean, the Very Rev. D. E. W. Harrison, will both be taking part in this service. The captain of the ringers is John Hunt.Mr. David W Brunning conducted the peal rung at King's Bromley, Staffordshire (see page 208), and not Mr. Eric Edginton as was inadvertently stated.

Mr. John Chambers, son of Mr. Cyril Chambers. of Durban, South Africa, has qualified as B.Sc.(Eng.). He sails for England on April 20th and is planning to take a two-year graduate course

The bells of St. Paul's Church, Durban, were rung for the visit of the Prime Minister. Unfortunately as Mr. Macmillan passed the church the bells were silent due to a wedding, otherwise he would have heard Plain Bob Minor with the tenor covering.

Mr. P. Chapman, Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, was present at he funcral of Mr. Frederick O. Stevens, whose death was reported in our last issue, representing the Guild, and the Rev. W. F. Rowley represented the Rutland Branch.

A successful and enjoyable Surprise practice was held at St. Mary's, Ewell, on March 26th. Twenty ringers from nine towers were present. Methods rung were Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire. Bristol and the special method chosen for the evening, Ashtead.

The peal of Grandsire Triples, rung at Aberavon. Glam. on March 26th, coincided with the conductor's and Mrs. Roderick's 28th wedding anniversary, both in date and day. Rosemarie Jones. who rang the treble, is sixteen, and is from the six bell lower of Newton-Nottage. Previous to the peal she had only rung short touches of Triples at quarterly meetings. Nevertheless. she rang quarterly

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS By T. J. LOCK

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Last week we introduced a new series of articles dealing with terms and words met in change-ringing which will be of great help to beginners and also to many other readers. This list has been compiled by a member of the Central Council, who would like in the preparation of this glossary to acknowledge the help given by other well-known ringers.
BACK CHANGE.-When the bells strike in the order of rounds reversed-with an option on the tenor, such as 543216 or 654321 -this is known as the back change.

BACKWARD HUNTING.-The opposite to this is, as you may correctly presume, forward hunting-for which see later in the alphabet.

Backward hunting can most simply be described by using Original as an illustration. When you make the first change in Original $\rightarrow$ say from 123456 to 214365 -it is made at handstroke, which means that the first and subsequent odd numbers of changes are all made at handstroke. It follows that the second change-2 2163 5-and subsequent even numbers of changes are all made at backstroke. But if you reversed this system and started ringing the first change at backstroke and the second change at handstroke, and so on, you would be doing what is known as backward hunting

There are many methods with no backward hunting and, generally speaking, one could say that only the advanced and more difficult methods have this condition. For a method to be composed of all backward hunting it is not possible, thank goodness, simply because the treble is always considered to be a forward hunting bell.

BEFORE.-There are several occasions during ringing when a Bob or Single may be properly called, but, of course, these occasions must be •labelled' for recognition purposes. And the label gives the position of the tenor, or other observation, bell at the time of calling. Before' is the label given to a call when the observation bell is about to be taken off the lead by the treble. In a seconds place method (e.g. Plain Bob) the observation bell hunts away from the treble, instead of making seconds place over itsee bell 3 in the Bob lead following. In a six, or an eights, place method a Before does not affect the work of the bell taken off lead by the treble because it naturally hunts away from the treble, but it does affect the work of two or more bells at the back.

BOB.-The principle of change ringing is that the order in which the bells are struck at any particular handstroke or backstroke will not be the same as at any other handstroke or backstroke. If the bells are struck in the same order in any change there is what is termed 'falseness.' Falseness, in this accepted term. and particularly in bell-ringing and other Christian activities, is to be deprecated (I am trying to make a distinction in that. for instance, falseness in teeth is to may people very acceptable!). However, means of overcoming this condition is to introduce the callings • Bob' or 'Single' (for which see later in the alphabet).

Employing six bells the greatest number of different changes you can possibly produce is 720. but as there is no method on six bells in which the plain course contains all of the 720 changes. we introduce the time honoured Bob and Single. I am sorry I cannot tell you the origin of these terms.

A few figures at a lead end will illustrate the effect of a Boh. still using six bells.

Plain lead Boblead
315264315264
$132546 \quad 132546$ hand stroke
lead end $135264 \quad 123564$ back stroke
312546215346
By using two more Bobs (three in all) at the proper time the number of true changes in a six bell plain method will be extended

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 15



## MISS EVELYN STEEL

## President, Bedfordshire Association.

Those ladies who now enjoy the art of ringing have much to thank Miss Evelyn Steel for. She was among the first ladies to take up the art, and she has given many years of her long life in helping to develop its best traditions. She was born at Woodsetts in Yorkshire in 1879, where her father, the Rev. H. A. Steel, was Vicar for 39 years.
In her young days bcys were sent to public schools. and the girls had a governess at home, so that was how she received her
from 60 to 180 . The effect of a Bob, as you will see by the figures above, is to change the places of three bells-as illustrated at the lead end they are 2, 3 and 5. The 2 (or second) bell runs in to lead and takes the place of the third, the third bell runs out from lead and takes the place of the fifth and the fifth bell makes a second blow in fourths place. which, incidentally, is known as 'making the Bob.' Thus the bells will strike at backstroke in the order of 123564 instead of 135264 .
A Bob, as well as a Single, must be called by the conductor at the proper time. In a method it is usually called during the second change before the lead end although in Grandsire it is called during the third such change and there are at least two further variations. In a principle, such as Stedman, it is made at the end of a six, although in Stedman Doubles it is made in the middle of a six.

## LEEDS \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

March 26 th was a cold but sunny day and approximately 20 members attended the meeting of the Leeds and District Society held at Hunslet Parish Church. The ringing on the eight bells was enjoyable

Tea and business followed and the officials elected for the year were: President. Mr. Tom W. Strangeway: vice-presidents, Messrs. I. Gibson. L. Drake and A. Cole; Ringing Master. Mr. Irvin Slack: secretary. Mr. Douglas Thorp; auditors, Mr. Roger Lumley and Mr. Keith Williamson.

The vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens was expressed by Mr. W. F. Moreton, seconded by Mr. C. F. Sutcliffe. Mr. Arnold Cole replied on behalf of the local company.
education. Their home in Yorkshire was very near to some good golf links, and Evelyn became very proficient at the royal and ancient game-winning the Yorkshire Championship for ladies no less than five times. She also played for England in 24 international matches against Scotland, Wales and Ireland
She learned to ring in 1908 at Oakley Beds, rang her first peal (Grandsire Triples) in 1911, and took part in the first peal ever rung by an all ladies band. In 1914, on the day before war was declared she rang inside bells to Double Norwich and Superlative both on the same day. She served for many years as president of the Ladies' Guild, and was elected president of the Bedfordshire Association in 1946.
Miss Steel recalls that in the early days of her ringing it was uncertain what sort of reception ladies would receive in belfries, and the Vicar of St. Paul's, Bedford, 'didn't think it nice for ladies to ring-because the men rang without coats '! In contrast at Oxton, Cheshire, the Vicar warmly welcomed her saying - it was as good as having a curate in the belfry,' and he hoped she lived near Miss Steel had a severe upbringing in ringing for she rang with men who insisted on a very high standard of striking, and during her career has come under the influence of such men as A. E. Sharman of Dunstable. Walter Perkins. of Irthlingborough. A. H. Pulling, G Lindoff and $H$. Tysoe.

All her life she has been a regular Sunday Service ringer for she maintains that this is the most important side of ringing, and she has, by her example and determination, guided and enthused many ringers on the path they should tread. She has rung, in all, 260 peals.

JAFUS.

## DURBAN WELCOMED PRINCE ANDREW

News from Durban this week tells of the bells of St. Paul's Church being rung for the Royal birth on February 19th. The announcement of the birth came over the air at about $6.5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and at 6.15 the bells were going to Bob Minor with the tenor covering. After a break for a peal, various touches were rung from 8.15 to 9.30 . There was half an hour's ringing the following morning to give people going to work an opportunity of hearing the bells-Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles.

## Tips For Beginners-15

If in ringing a long touch or peal you find you make too many mistakes, a great aid to concentration is to listen hard to every blow of your bell.

## SONNET - TENOR BELL

Deep-booming, swinging, singing Tenor Bell.
High-mounted there, in tower of ageing stone,
Roll forth your harmony of notes, to tell
Attentive ears the message your deep tone So surely brings; in calling us to pray
Within the hallowed, high-arched, timeless walls
Of Christendom. Your echoing sound away O'er roof-top, field and river roundly calls With slender rope your massive weight is swung, (Yet with' light hands'-as riders, fliers, use) To give precision to your iron tongueThe aim of all good ringers! So we'll choose To ring for Service what can be rung well-Deep-booming. swinging, singing Tenor Bell. 1960.
A. Y-B.

SHOREDITCH, E.-A St. Leonard's, on Mar. 27th. 1.311 Stedman Cinques: Miss D. Deverell (first on 12) 1, Mrs. R. F. Deal 2, W. Hibbert 3, Mrs. F. J. Matthews 4, C. A. Hughes 5, Mrs. P. Lewington 6, T. H. Francis (cond.) 7, T. P. Edwards 8, A. R. Ling 9, B. F. Baker 10, F. E. Hawthome 11, J. R. Cooper 12. For Evensong.

# Manchester University Guild Sample The Scottish Mist 



Manchester University Guild on the ramp arts of Edinburgh Castle. The Ringing Master is in the centre wearing his 'cap of office.' [Photo by John Soames.

After a Lakeland safari what more natural than a Scottish expedition? Sixteen bodies in three cars left Manchester University about eleven o'clock on Friday, February 4th, for the North: by noon one car had not even passed through Salford-and never did! A broken rear spring necessitated the acquiring of another car and causing an hour's delay. no lunch and arrival in Carlisle half way through the ringing at St. Stephen's, where for the first of many times we were asked if we were ringing for the then expected Royal birth.
Grandsire at the Cathedral finished our ringing for the day before travelling to Edinburgh Youth Hostel. The occupants of one car got the spine-chilling impression they were in the right-hand lane of a dual carriagewayespecially on meeting two lorries in line abreast bearing down on them with headlights hlazing! They were right-but one lorry was overtaking the other and the future left-hand carriageway was still under construction. The hostel's temperature caused Barrie to declare that he would wear his socks in bed and not let them walk the floor and Jim insisted on wearing his "cap of office even in his applepie bed.
Next morning. the cars having been defrosted. We sel off for Leith. The second church proved to be the one with bells and this rather roughly-going, eight provided a sharp contrast to the fine ring at St. Cuthhert's, Edinburgh. It is a pity that our Stedman and London were not quite so highly polished as the ringing room! A quick look round the Castle (where we lost Jim), a quick lunch and westwards to St. Mary's Cathedral (where Jim eventually arrived via two other cathedralesque churches) for Caters and Royal on the 32 cwt . ten. A misguided tour of the city subsequently brought us to the de- "light'ful five at Fettes College. After nearly breaking the stays. we nearly broke our necks clambering onto the roof to inspect the bells in their turret.

A sharp run to Glasgow was suddenly spoilt by a Clydeside fog-thicker than hostel porridge! One driver upon asking his way was isked in return 'Are ye sober?' whilst another after being attacked by a meandering lamppost. pulled into the kerb to enquire the way of a passer-by-who quickly retreated into the shelter of a shop doorway! However a tram conveniently loomed up out of the fog and was then 'tailed.' and led us, not as was half expected into the tram shed, but to our destination.
Sunday dawned clear and bright-everywhere, that is. except in Glasgow, where the fog persisted although visibility was much better. The grand ten at St. Mary's Cathedral were soon going to Stedman, Bob Royal and Cambridge and all too soon we had to finish hefore the service. Here we were pleased to meet the local ringers and Mr. E. Boumphrey (whose exhortation 'Ring what you like so long as it is good!" ought to be a Guild mottol and Alan Sharples, a fugitive
from . The Drizzle. from ' The Drizzle.
No amount of ' proof ' of the invalidity of a forged union would induce our happy pair to be wedded at Gretna Green-despite the anvil chorus around them. Pussing en route the second original blacksmith's shop. the culture vultures descended upon Walton Village hoping to find parts of Hadrian's Wall. Knowing the kleptomaniac tendencies of some of the party, it is perhaps as well that we couldn't find the Wall! After persuading the local hostelry 10 provide sixteen teas it as many minutes notice. the last ringing of the week-end was for evening service at Brampton. prior to the journey south for supper in Kendal and 'home' by eleven.
The group would tike to thank local incumbents and ringers for the use of their hells. the S.Y.H.A. Wardens for their tolerance. Jim for (just about) mastering us and Derek and Ron for organising the week-end-not forgetting also those drivers round the bend(s): Derek. Barrie and Bat.
B. A. T.

## LET LOOSE IN AFRICA

Mr. Victor Sheppard, of Cape Town, has brought the information in his article (pages 157 and 173, 1959) up to date and made certain corrections.
CAPE TOWN.-The R.C. Cathedral: One bell. approximately 25 cwL ., given by the Marquis of Bute. who required it to be of sufficiently deep ione to carry the Angelus to the ships in Table Bay. The Latin inscription shows it to have been cast by Sheridan. of Dublin. in 1870.
St. George's Cathedral: Both the fourth and seventh are cracked. The building will be continued any day now. Despite the writer's representations. the authoritics have abandoned the earlier concept of a separate bell tower, and the architect's sketches. now made public. show a lantern tower poised over the west crossing, with the promise of bells Their realisation hung for ringing will be all the more difficult as a result of this decision
GRAHAMSTONE.-All the bells have been rung and though the tenor goes badly. the front six ought to be able to go. for a quarter.
PORT ELIZABETH.-The carillon was playing tunes in April. 1959.
DL:RBAN:-St. Mary's. Greyville: There is no ban on ringing here. only a lack of ringers. The unsuccessful peal was Grandsire Triples. half-muffled on December 3ist, 1928.
Australian connections: Not only was the 1904 peal arranged for an Australian. Ernest F. Behan. but in the first peal in both countries there was a James Murray. . . not the same man. However. one of the two men who rang the Sydney (St. Philip's) tenor to that peal (second peal outside Great Britain), Ernest E. A. Collins, came to South Africa: he was a jeweller and was in Johannesburg before the 1939-45 war.
CANON RIDOUT.-His ministry throughout was with the coloured people and not the natives 'Kaffirs.' he was unmarried, and my reference to his daughters is a mistake. Before the war he tried unsuccessfully to interest Johannesburg Cathedral in a ring of 12 ST. HELENA. - The barque 'Mutla' was at this time sailing under the name 'Howden.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

The meeting of the Southern District, held at St. John's. Darlington, attracted ringers from as far away as Consett, in Co. Durham. and Ripon in the West Riding of Yorkshire. as well as a good muster of local menibers.
Ringing in the afternoon was followed by a service conducted by the Rev. R. Brown. Vicar of St. John's. Mr. F. W. Cooke, the district vice-president. presided at the tea and business meeting. afterwards. and the "icar and Mrs. Brown and their young family were guests at tea, an excellent neal. served by Mrs. T. Cooke and her helpurs, who were warmly thanked by Mr. K. Lawson. It was agreed that the next meeting. on April 23rd. should be a joint meeting with the Ladies Guild, at Holy Trinity. Darlington.
After tea the bells were kept going until about eight oclock. methods ranging from Plain Boh to Cambridge Surprise.

## Impressions Of A Ringing Room

Creaking ropes:
Sharp rattle. as they fly up into gloom: Sharp rattle. as they fly
Men bending to their work.

Their leaping shadows thrusting up the wall: Conductor's loud-voiced call:
And. above all.
The muffled music of the brass-tongued bell. Thrown from the reeling tower Into the night.

CLARE.

## TRY ONE WITHOUT OBLIGATION

## LETTERS TO

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE GRIEVANCE

Dear Sir.-I deplore the attitude taken by recent correspondents to * The Ringing World particularly in allowing the dispute to degenerate into personal 'mud slinging.' For this reason the latest irrelevant red-herring: have been answered privately.
The Rickmansworth proposals for better relationships will be put forward at the annual general meeting at Watford on April 23 rd. For those bearing me any personal inimosity, please contact me at my private address. The Vicarage Flat. Church Street, Rickmansworth. Herts.-Yours etc..
M. HATCHETT.

## PATRON SAINT OF RINGERS

Dear Sir.-I should like to thank the four correspondents who in the issue of March 25th kindly replied to my recent letter and query on the above subject. I hope that the information given was of interest to many other readers.-Yours truly.
F. MORRIS

## Burghill. Herefordshire.

## A CIAIM FOR ST. CATHERINE

Dear Sir.-In reply to Mr. Armitage re St. Catherine, a virgin of Alexandria, who suffered martyrdom in the fourth century, and who is represented with a wheel:

At Holt. in Wiltshire. where the church is dedicated to St. Katharine, this patron saint is seen in the east window with a spiked wheel. On the belfry door are carved six bells surmounted by the date of 1475, the year in which the tower was deemed to have been erected. The door is modern for it bears the date of 1914. also a wheel. Prior to 1678 or thereabouts the ringing of the bells upon the sally was practically unknown because of the half-wheel system which prevented halfpull ringing.-Yours sincerely.

## Addlestone

## NOTATIONS WANTED

Dear Sir-In reply to Mr. Woodruffe's request for details of Little Herefordshire, Northchurch and Heythrop Surprise Major. 1 am enclosing the notations of the first and last: unfortunately i have no record of Northchurch.
l.ittle Herefordshire :
$\times 58 \times 16 \times 58 \times 38 \times 12 \times 36$ 2nd's place l.e. 4263857.

Heythrop:
$\times 38 \times 14 \times 58 \times 1236 \times 14 \times 38 \times 34 \times 18$. 2nd's place le. 4263857

Heythrop is the "New Cambridge" variation of Fordham Surprise. by which I mean that the Ind's place at the 9 th change of a lead of Heythrop appears at the 7 h h change in a lead of Fordham
With regard to Mr. Hawkins" suggestion that Surprise methods (and presumably any other type of method) be given some form of letter coding for reference purposes, this seems to me to be quite unnecessary. It is quite a simple matter to maintain a list of methods in notation order. For example. Whitwick. Lyme and Rugby would follow one another thus:-
(b) 38-14-58-16-12-38.14-12.78 Whitwick
(b) 38-14-58-16-12-38.14-34.78 Lyme
(b) 38-14-58-16-12-38.14-56.78 Rugby.

To convert all the places into letter values seems an unwanted complication.-Yours faithfully.

CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

## Cheltenham.

THE EDITOR

## A SURVEY OF OVER 50 YEARS AGO

Dear Sir--Pages 175 to 178 of Sir Arthur Heywood's baok. Bell Towers and Bell Hanging (1914) make interesting reading just now in view of the recent survey.

These pages run as follows:-
'A Report upon the Condition of olir

## Church Bells, 1906

The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. in view of the dilapidated condition of many "rings" of church bells, decided some time ago to institute an inquiry with the object of ascertaining, as far as possible. the number of cases of neglect. and also of collecting information in regard to belfries and ringing generally. The results are given below. It should he stated that the inquiry only extended to "rings" of eight bells and upwards. these being by far the most important. To have included " rings " of five and six bells, would have been too extensive an undertaking, but it may be concluded. with a fair probability of accuracy, that at least as great a proportion of the smaller " rings ** are in need of attention as has proved to be the case with the larger.

It is by no means certain that there are not some "rings" of eight which have estaped the attention of the Council. as they have had to rely mainly on lists of towers furnished by the various County and Diocesan Ringing Associations, whose areas, although fairly covering all the English Dioceses. yet do not wholly do so. The omitted towers. however, cannot be more than a small fraction.

The Council issued circulars addressed to the representative ringers of 1.055 towers. Each circular contained a list of questions with a request that these should be carefully answered. and the accuracy of the answers vouched for by the signatures of two of the leading ringers of the tower.

To the 1.055 circulars. 940 replies were received. The information thus obtained is tahulated below.
(1) In 89 per cent. of the towers the bells are ". pealable" (i.e. can be rung through 5.000 changes). In 11 per cent the bells are not " pealable. In 6 per cent. of the towers the bells are unringable.
(2) In 22 per cent. of towers " clocking is allowed.' This consists in pulling the clapper against the bell. Whereby innumerable bells have been cracked.) (Earlier in the book I had read that an 1892 committee's report to the Central Council showed that any sexton or steeple-keeper who allowed clocking should be sternly warned by the churchwardens, and if he disregarded the warning he should be dismissed-or at least. he deserved to be dismissed. I wonder how many churchwardens know whether or not any clocking was taking place in the 1890s. I guarantee not many know today! C. R.)
(3) In 4 per cent. of lowers one or more bells are reported dangerously worn by clapper and. consequenily. need quarter-turning.
(4) In 8 per cent. of towers repairs have been urged on the church authorities. (ln only 27 per cent. of the cases where repairs have been urged has anything been done.)
(5) In 3 per cent. of towers the authorities are reported to look thoroughly after the bells and belfry
(6) In 3 per cent. of towers workmen who were not professional bell-hangers have been employed on repairs. usually with injurious results.
(7) In 21 per cent of towers the bells are in iron frames. which are in all ways preferable, particularly in regard to economy of repair.

- (8) In 7 per cent. of towers a chiming apparatus is fitted.
- 19) In 77 per cent of towers there is scientific change-ringing
(10) In 58 per cent. of towers there is Sunday ringing for two services; in 10 per cent. of lowers there is Sunday ringing for one service only. In 13 per cent. of towers there is Sunday ringing occasionally. In 19 per cent. of lowers there is Sunday ringing never.
(11) In 77 per cent. of towers there is a regular practice night.

In respect of the above particulars. it may be remarked on No. I that experience unfortunately shows that of "rings" returned as fit for peals. not a few can scarcely be properly deemed so. Undoubtedly. there is considerable ignorance on the pari of church authorities of the value of their bells. and of the risks incurred by neglect of proper repairs.
Whatever may be the changes in the general pattern after fifty years. I am sure the lastmentioned still stands.-Sincerely
Felixstowe. Suffolk.
CLAUDE RUSH

## AN APPEAL FROM KENT

Dear Sir.-I would like to draw the attention of your readers to the courageous efforts being made by the small village of Addington. Kent. to raise sufficient money to restore their bells and to add two new hells to give a ring of six. In 1954 the existing four bells were taken from the tower and the decaying timbers removed and it was then that the Bell Fund was started. But if the money is to be obtained in a reasonable time. the appeal must be widened

If enough people respond. even in quite modest degree. the target of $\pm 1.500$ will be reached. and among those to whom the appeal is addressed are the great family of ringers. Here are some quotations from the attractive appeal leaflet:-

We appeal to all ringers wishing to see Addington again among the towers where bells ring each Sunday to the glory of God; to all hell lovers interested in the preservation of an English art which through the centuries has evolved its own characteristics and qualities: 10 all Margarets wherever they may be.

The Highway Magazine of September. 1954. gives the following note on Addington bells: The three larger of the four Addington bells were cast by John Wilnar. of Borden, the second in 1635. the third in 1602 or 1620 and the tenor is undated. The treble was cast in 1710 by Matthew Bagley, of Cripplegate. London. The Bagley family came from Chacombe in Northamptonshire. and Matthew's work was more in casting cannon than bells. While casting a cannon the metal exploded from the mould and caused him and his son such injuries that they hoth died two or three days later.:
Contributions to *Addington Bell Fund may be sent to The Appeal Secretary. Miss Janet Lander. The Old Oast House. Aldan Farm. Addington. West Malling. Kent.

St. Margaret's. Addington. is quite a lovely church. and it is our hope that the bells will be ringing hy Christmas. and that in 1961 we shall be ahle to welcome many a visiting ringer.-Yours sincerely.
E. S. JOHN HATCHER
P.S.-Perhaps you would venture to organisc a combined contribution from your tower'? -E.S.J. H.

## A BOOMERANG FOR THE PROFESSOR

Dear Sir.- 'Professor Dodge,' in his laudable attempt to educate us, really should be more careful in compiling his questions and answers! (See 'True or False' on front page of issue of March 25th.) For example his answers to questions 4 and 7 show some confusion over the term 'lead-end,' and are demonstrably in error. In oider to lessen the risk, to those he calls his 'not-too-advanced' readers, of their being misled by what he has said. the following facts are adduced:-

Taking question 7 and its answer, first: here he implies that 'Grandsire' is an example of a method not symmetrical between lead-heads and lead-ends.' (His words in quotes.) Reply:-
(a) Grandsire is a twin-hunt controlled method. and in such method designs the division or parting between the 'leads or divisions' (a Central Council termy of the method is-(quoting) 'midway between the whole pull of the first hunt and the whole pull of the second hunt. What is the authority for this? The quotation is from the Central Council's 'Handbook -page 24. Rounds. in Grandsire, then, is a lead-end row, not a lead-head row. This is shown in the figures alongside. where the 31524 simplest stage. Doubles. has 13254 been chosen: but the same is 12345 l-e evident, and true, of course, for all stages of the method. (In

21354 1-h
23145
2
3
2 415 single-hunt controlled methods, e.g. Plain Bob, the parting position is in the row-interval above.)
(b) The symmetry about the Link (or, if preferred. the 'dividing line ') between the leads' is seen to be perfect. But what about the structure insidz the leads themselves?
(c) Taking the first lead of the plain course, for example. the lead-head row is seen to be 21354 and the ensuing lead-end row is 12534 . (This is the part to which his question 7 refers.) The structure pattern of all rows between and including these rows is entirely symmetrical about the Junction or half-lead. consisting as it does of all plainhunting and nothing else. (To check this graphically, enter the figures on squared paper, then draw over them the 'grid-pattern. which gives a perfect 'trellis work.' Fold up at the half-lead or Junction line and hold up in a strong light. The grid-pattern of the 2 nd-half lead is seen to be a mirror image of the lsthalf lead.) The essential fact that emerges, then. is this: The structure of a lead in Girandsire is all plain hunting and nothing

## DEL.VING INTO HISTORY

Dear Sir--One hopes that Mr. Amos hagiology is better than his chronology.
The 'obscure Bolshevik ' to whom he presumably refers in Ringing World of March 25 th. died some 36 years before the Bolshevik party was formed.-Sincerely.

## Harborne. Birmingham

W. E. BOX

NOTE.-Hagiology is literature of lives and legends of saints.-Ed.

## NEW CCMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir-Could one of your readers please supply me with details of New Cumberland Surprise Major, rung at St. Paul's. Burton-onTrent. on May 2nd. 1901.

The use of the prefix "New' suggests that there is a Cambridge Surprise Major also. Perhaps someone can help here, too-Yours sincerely.

## JOHN M. JELLEY.

Leicester.
NOTE.-Neither New Cumberland nor Cumberland Surprise Major is listed in Corrigan's Collection of Surprise Methods.-Ed.
else, and is therefore entirely symmetrical What of the place-making and dodging then?
(d) This, as we have already seen in the rows inset above, is symmetrically placed at the linking of the leads, occurring. in fact, precisely at the particular row-interval that comes between the two divisions or leads; so it comes wholly into neither lead but provides an entirely symmetrical link-up between them. But what about calls?
(e) Here, on the other hand, the imposition of Bobs and Singles in Grandsire (unlike as in many other methods, e.g, as in Plain Bob) is NOT symmetrical. But this does not upset the symmetry of the structure of the method itself. Why? Because. quoting - Calls are not part of any method, but are only means of passing from one course to another and may be made at any place within the lead: What authority is this? Again, the Central Council's Handbook. this time page 26.

Considering, now. the Professor's question 4 and answer. Here he refers to the effect of Bobs and singles in Plain Bob on the phase or character of the rows (positive or negative) at the parting of the leads, his words being - alters the lead-ends. The implication is quite wrong. The fact is that in Plain Bob, it being a single-hunt controlled method. the division or parting-line between its leads comes between the two rows when the treble is actually leading. So that in these methods rounds occurs at a lead-head row-different from the Grandsire type. And the position of the calls is different. too. being in the same row-interval as the plain-lead place-making and dodging. i.e. at the 'Link.' Accordingly the Lead-end rows (quoting the Professor) at these positions are not affected at all, since they precede exactly the lead-head row, which is the one affected. From this it is seen that neither the Bob nor the Single (as his answer implies) affects the nature of the lead-end row: and only the single changes the nature of the lead-head row. and of all other rows thereafter.

If 'Professor Dodge.' himself. cared to take the advice he gives at the end of his article. i.e. regarding the lowest scoring group. the College would. I'm sure. be pleased to help him!-Yours very truly.
A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

## SAUCE FOR THE GOOSE

Dear Sir.-Mr. Denis A. Frith has certainly stated something which has needed stating for a long time: I refer to the last paragraph of his letter in 'The Ringing World' of March 26th-it is hypocritical, when Doubles ringers have been instructed io announce TRADITIONAL arrangements as "variations," for Surprise Major and Maximus ringers to claim mere variations of Yorkshire, New Cambridge. ctc.. as new methods.' What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander. I was always old!

If April Day is Plain Boh. then Braunston is Yorkshire in my judgment.-Yours sincerely.

## Weston Favell.

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## MR. G. H. MYERS

## APPRECIATIONS

With deep regret I read of the passing of Mr. G. H. Myers. I first met him some ten years ago at St. Andrew's, Plymouth. He was a man who was outspoken as to the rights and wrongs of change ringing, yet, on the other hand, he was a very modest man in his capabilities as a ringer. I remember in 1953, when he was 81 years of age, how he handled with much ease and comfort a 35 cwt tenor to a touch of Kent T.B. Royal. This, I thought was a remarkable feat for a man of his age.

I feel sure that the name of G. H. Myers will long he remembered in the West Country towers, especially at the churches of St . Andrew and Emmanuel. Plymouth. Through the columns of "The Ringing World." may 1 offer, on behalf of many friends, sincere condolences to Tom. Will and Fred.

## ALAN WARD.

Threc memories : one the writer's own: two stories-legends almost-told in Devon village towers.

Practice night at St. Andrew's, and a touch of Stedman Triples half-way through as footsteps. slow but very steady, very firm, near the top of the stairs and a small brown figure halts in the doorway. The touch over and the bells stood up, there is a spontaneous silence : one knows that the man in the doorway is the one who speaks first, and so he does, eyes twinkling. His comments on the ringing is witty, sometimes caustic, always good-humoured and always the fruit of tremendous knowledge and experience: the small brown figure has a presence in which even a total stranger can recognise the Elder Statesman of the tower.
Practice night at a remote country six-bell tower. a tower known for its heavy and awkward-going tenor: a small, middle-aged man. a scientific ringer from the city, comes in and is offered a ring. Amused glances go round as he takes off his coat and takes the tenor. which a local ringer twice his weight can hardly rise in peal. Go-here they go -and the walchers by the wall wait for the clatter as the tenor gets under. She doesn't: she goes up perfectly, driven and mastered by the classic co-ordination of that small frame and twenty years later they still tell of it.
They still tell. too. less proudly, of the time when that small figure appeared in a tower where the Dark Ages of ringing still reignedand after one peal one of the local band lit up a cigarette. "And didn' he let go! He went across to in and trimmed in down proper -trimmed in to the truth of music he didn know where to put hisself! He was at proper Churchman. sure 'nough.

## ANONYMOUS.

## MR. JOSEPH HODGSON

Many ringers, especially in Yorkshire, will be sorry to hear of the death, at Liversedge on March 29th. at the age of 84 . of Mr. loseph Hodgson, better known as the father of Fred Hodgson.
Although no: a ringer himself. he was at one time a fairly regular attender at ringing meetings with his three sons, Fred, Herbert and Jimmy. Many happy hours were spent by both him and his wife at ringing meetings, and there was nothing he enjoyed more than a visit to a ringing contest to hear the competing teams. and listen with a critical ear to the ringing.

Cremation was at Park Wood. Elland. on April Ist.
He leaves a widow, three sons, and two daughters.

## LATE NEWS

The funeral of Mr. Robert J. Andrews, of Addlestone. Surrey, took place on April 2nd.
Two Slough ringers. Mr. David Livingston and Miss Janet Adamson, were married at Slough Parish Church last Sunday

## SURPRISE MAJOR QUERIES

Dear Sir.-I would like to thank all those ringers who have supplied me with information on certain Surprise Major methods, both through 'The Ringing World' and by personal communication.

In reply to Mr. Frith (' R.W.' March 25th) his query about Hale (not Haley) and Queslett is answered by Mr. Woodruffe in the same issue. Re Gloucester Surprise Major. I have only the following information to offer
Gloucester

## MX. $\times 34 \times 4 \times 58 \times 36 \times 12 \times 5 \times 34 \times 1$

New Gloucester
MX. $56 \times 56.4 \times 58 \times 36 \times 12 \times 5 \times 34 \times 1$

## Gloucestershire

F $\times 34 \times 4 \times 12 \times 16 \times 34 \times 5 \times 34 \times 7$.
For Wicken I have the following notation:
A. $38 \times 58.4 \times 58 \times 38 \times 12 \times 5.14 \times 14.5$.
( $x$ indicates 4ths place hob)
where $M$ is the 8ths place lead end 4263857 F the 2nd place lead end 4263857 . and A the 2nd place lead end 3527486 .
Why. Mr. Frith. should anyone wish to ring poor versions of Yorkshire, such as Braunstone and Wye, which. apart from being extremely horing and tedious at the half lead, also introduce extra false course ends to that of Yorkshire? Rugby, on the other hand. is more interesting although it, too, has extra false course ends. Mr. Frith might say the same about someone who rings a peal of Olney Surprise Major for instance. This is pure Bristol below the treble and Chelsea above! In his estimation. therefore. anybody who has rung peals in the last two methods cannot claim a first for Olney, but can presumably claim a first of Bristol and Chelsea combined! (This is ludicrous to say the least!) Anyway. Mr. Frith, if you study the peal columns a little more closely you will see under my peals just the opposite to my 'Jack of all Trades' friend Pat Cannon's habitual treatise of his statistics. I suppose here I should withdraw the footnote to a peal of Falmouth which 1 called at Maulden two years ago as I'd already called a peal of Cornwall at Daventry arlier that year. I hope Mr. Frith can remember the names of each method when called a multi-Doubles peal and doesn't use 42 pennies as an aid to determining the numbers of extents rung!
In reply to Mr. Woodruffe. Oxfordshire and Netherton have certainly the same place notation, but I was under the impression that Nethertion was the 8ths place version of Oxfordshire. no indication as to the occurrences at the lead end being made at the time of publication of Netherton. This I have noticed on several occasions and have then had to wait until the composition was published to find out. Please. conductors. will you put that right in future as there can be two variations of a method at the lead end in all but two cases? I think Macclesfield was renamed Hornchurch shortly after a peal under the former name had been rung
I would suggest that Mr. Thompson borrows a copy of the Central Council Collection of Doubles and Minor Methods wherein he will find most of the information required. (I say borrow as it is out of print at present.)
Finally to Mr. Hawkins. who has conceived an alarmingly complicated system for classifying methods. Using Corrigan's Place Notation. each method already has its own unique group of numbers which identify it. (Why waste time and also incur a further chance of making a mistake in transposing the numbers to letters as he demonstrates?) Assuming each method is written out in place notation on a separate card. 8ths place version of a 2nds place method being on the same card. my method of classification is as follows. (Rounds is the zero row.)
(I) Take all the ' A ' methods (i.e. 2nds at C. E. giving 3527486 ). This constitutes one Group.
(2) Take the methods in group A where places are made in obtaining the first row from rounds. A variety of these places are availahle. e.g. 34, $36,38.56 .58$. As shown these are already in numerical order. Thus

to place group A methods in numerical order for the first set of places a method such as Hillingdon (i.e. 38 at lst change) would be in front of Birkhall ( 58 ) but behind Chatteris (36). If all the pairs of bells change at the first row (i.e. x) then such methods in group A come after such methods as Chatteris
(3) Now take methods in group A where 3 rds and 8ths are made at the 1st row, and arrange these in numerical order for the second row. More often than not such methods will have all pairs changing at this row. so you must now procced to row three and arrange the method for this branch of group A in numerical order for row three. This is carried on to the half lead.
(4) Repeat for the other branches in group
(5) Repeat for the other groups B. C. D. E. F. and M understanding that groups G. H. J. K. L. are the eighths place versions of groups B. C, D. E. F. There is no 8ths place version for group A. nor is there a 2nds place version for group M.
A typical series of examples would therefore be as follows (some methods have been omitted to make the example clearer):
Eastcote
F $38 \times 58.6 \times 12 \times 36 \times 14 \times 3 \times 14 \times 3$
Crofton
F $56 \times 38.4 \times 58 \times 36 \times 14 \times 3.14 .36 \times 7$
Albion $F 56 \times 56.4 .56 \times 56.38 .14 \times 14.5 .14 \times 14.5$
Cobham F $56 \times 56.4 \times 58 \times 36 \times 34 \times 3.14 \times 14.5$
Edgware $58 \times 56.4 \times 56 \times 38.14 \times 14.3 .16 \times 16.7$
Excter
F $58 \times 58.4 .58 \times 58.36 .14 \times 14.3 \times 36 \times 7$
Gloucestershire
F $\times 34 \times 4 \times 12 \times 16 \times 34 \times 5 \times 34 \times 7$.
Campsall

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\text { F } \times 36 \times 4 \times 58 \times 16 \times 12 \times 5 \times 36 \times 3
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Hanbury
F $\times 36 \times 4 \times 58 \times 16 \times 14 \times 3 \times 16 \times 3$
Eastcote would be to the front of this list in a filing cabinet and Hanbury at the rear. A close scrutiny of this will show the general principles used.

At first sight this seems extremely complicated. and indeed it would be a momentous task to sort out 500 or so methods from a jumbled heap. However, by arranging the cards in numerical order in their respective groups as the methods are being written out the task is much simplified. I hope this may be of use to Mr. Hawkins and possibly others. be of use to Mr.

BRYAN PATTISON

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

The afternoon of March 19 th was cold but fine when the Society held its quarterly meeting tin the north of the Archdeaconry, at Alrewas. It was well attended, and the bells of the fine old church of All Saints were soon ringing out over the village and countryside. All tastes were catered for with methods ranging from Grandsire and Stedman Triples. Plain Bob Major, to various Surprise Major methods, with rounds and Queens for jearners.
A short service was held in the church and conducted by the Curate (Rev. H. Brigham). who deputised for the Vicar, absent due to illness. In his address Mr. Brigham spoke of the part hell-ringers played in calling people to church. He said nothing was so characterisas a ring of hells: it rang for Christmas and inspired us when ringing for midnight service and to celebrate historic events.
Later tea was enjoyed by more than 60 mem bers and friends in the Church Schools. The local Press showed considerable interest in the meeting and a number of photographs were taken before the company sat down. Mr. Fisher. on behalf of the local band, said how pleased they were to have the Society at Alrewas once more. The secretary, after tea, announced that the new Archdeacon of Stafford Nen. Basil Stratton) had consented to become president of the Society, and he felt sure that members would be delighted to hear of this. They would have the opportunity of meeting their new president at the next annual meeting.

Ringing continued after tea until 7.45 p.m Altogether it was a successful meeting, and thanks must go to Mr. Wealthy. Mr. Dolman and their lady helpers for making it so
D. J. T.

## NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION

Nearly 60 members of the North Staffs Association attended the meeting held at Leek on March 19th. The meeting was arranged to coincide with the date of 100 years ago when the Sharratt family commenced their long association with Leek belfry. Mr. Edwin Sharratt started in March. 1860. followed by his son Edgar in 1900 and grandson. Edwin. in 1914, who is the only member of the family still ringing. The Vicar of Leek (the Rev. George Youell). who is also the President of the Association, offered the congratulations of the company and expressed the wish that Mr. Sharratt would spend many more happy years ringing.

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## BIRTH

COLERIDGE - On April 3rd. 1960, at Tatworth Vivarage. Chard. Somerset. to Denise (nee Iryer). wife of the Rev. Nicholas F. D. Coleridge. a daughter (Elizabeth Margaret).

## ENGAGEMENT

HOLLAND-ARCHER.-The engagement is announced between Marion. eidest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Archer of 71. Retford Road. Handsworth. Sheffield. and Ian Malcolm. youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Holland, of School House. Hurlfield Road. Gleadless, Sheftield. Congratulations from both families.

## FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

HEIGHTON-MUTIMER.-The wedding arranged hetween Dr. David Heighton and Miss Bridget Mutimer will take place at St. Mary the Virgin. Saxlingham Nethergate. April 18th, 2 p.m. All ringing friends welcome at the church.

## MARRIAGR

PASCOE-BELL-On March 26th. 1960. at Si. Marys. Watford. Herts. by the Vicar. the Rev. J. G. Downward. assisted by the Rev. C. L. Beil. Vicar of Tongham. Surrey. Edward Charles. son of Mr. and Mrs. J Pascoe. of Totnes. S. Devon. to Angela Margaret. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bell. of Watford.

## RETURN THANKS

MRS. MYERS AND FAMILY thank sincerely the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. the South-West Branch. Plympton St. Maurice. Emmanuel. St. Andrew's and friends for heautiful floral tributes and letters of sympathy in their recent sad loss.

## PERSONAI.

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Chesterficld Disirict.-Monthly meeting. Creswell. April 9th. 3 p.m.
I.ASI GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Mceting at Barcombe. Saturday, April 9th.-C. A. Bassett. II.Y DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District-Meeting. Harston. Saturday, April 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-F. W. Bullman. Dis. Sec. 5641

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA TION.-Wotton Branch.-Monthly meeting Saturday. April 9th. Coaley (6) 3 p.m. Usual arrangements.-B. T. Cooper. 566?
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ross District-Annual meeting, Ross, Saturday, April 9ih. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at Central Cafc.-J. J. Webb, 23, Alton Street. Ross-on-Wye.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Eastern District.-Meeting, Saturday, April 9 h . Sawbridgeworth (8), $3^{\text {p }}$ p.m. Tea 5 p.m.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-Practice meeting Broughton-in-Furness. Saturday. April 9th. at 2.30 p.m.-N. M. Newby.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.-Practice meeting, Bosham (6), Saturday. April 9th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys. Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishhourne. Chichester

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Luton District.-Quarterly meeting, Woburn, Saturday. April 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.) 5. Short service 6 p.m. Names to Mr. Coleman, The Bell Inn, Woburn. No name, no tea.
ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL - Practice on Saturday, April 16th, 6-7.30 p.m. All welcome. 5651

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-Clation.-A.G.M.. Bridgwater. Easter Monday. April 18th. Service 12 noon. St. Mary's. Lunch 1 p.m.. Tudor Cafe. Meeting at St. Mary's Hall, $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The following rings are available: Ashcott (6). 10 to 11 : Huntspill (6). 10 to 11 : North Petherton (6) 10 to 11 ; Cossington (6), 10.30 to 11.30: Woolavington (6), 10.30 to 11.30 : Bridgwater (8), 10.30 to 12 , 4.30 to 5.30 and 7 to 8 : Chilton Trinity (5). 510 6: Durleigh (6), 5 to 6: Cannington (6), 6 to 7: Spaxton (6), 6 to 7: Wembdon (6), 7 to 8 . Tickets for luncheon. 6s. (which are essential), can be obtained upon receipt of a S.A.E. (send no money now) from D. Hoare. 13, Coombend, Radstock.

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## CUMBERLAND AND NORTH <br> WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION

Annual general meeting at Kirkby Stephen on Easter Monday. April 18th. Bells available 1 p.m. A.G.M. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Those requiring tea must inform on or before Wednesday. April 13th. Mr. A. Morland. Mount View, South Road, Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland.-J. W. Brownrigg. Hon. Sec. 5610

DEVUN GUILD.-East Devon Branch.A.G.M.. Honiton. Easter Monday. April 18th Bells from 3 p.m.: St. Paul's (8), St. Michacl's (f). Service, St. Paul's, 4.30 p.m. Tea and husiness after. Names for tea by 13 th. please, 10 Weht, Oakwell. Millhead Road. Honiton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will take place on Easter Monday, April 18th, at Ely Ringing arrangements: Swavesey (6), 10 to 12 ; Over (8), 10 to 12; Longstanton (8), 10.30 to 12.30 ; Willingham (6), 11 to 1 ; Cottenham (6), 12 to 2 : Swaffham Prior (6), 12 to 2: Burwell (8), 12 to 2: Soham (10), 1 to 3 ; Wiljurton (6), 1 to 3 ; Haddenham (6), 1.30 to 3: Stretham (6). 210 3.30 ; Littleport (8), 2 to 3.30. Service in Ely Cathedral 4.15 p.m. Tickets for tea 4 s . each with S.A.E. hy April 13 th, from general secretary: limited number. General business meeting after tea. Towers available after tea: Stretham, Wilburton, Littleport and Sutton (6). H. S. Peacock. Gen. Sec.. 8. Roscrea Terrace St. John's Sireet. Huntingdon.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Annual meeting. Bromley, Easter Monday, April 18th Service 12 noon. Lunch 1 p.m. Bell Hotel Requests for tickets at once 10 Mr. B. W May. Keithston. Keycol Hill, Botibing. Sittinghourne. Towers available: Beckenham 10-11 a.m.: Bromley SS. Peter and Paul. 10.30-11.45 a.m.: Bromley, St. Luke, 10.30-11.30, 4.30-6.30; Chislehurst. The Annunciation 4-5.30: Chislehurst. St. Nicholas', $5.45-7$;
Greenwich 4-6: Hayes $10.30-11.30$. $6-7$ : Lewisham 4-6: West Wickham 10.30-11.30.E. S. J. Hatcher.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Pinchbeck, Easter Monday. April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. April 13 th to A. R. Withyman, Glenlivet. Spalding Read. Pinchbeck, Spalding
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Annual meeting on Easter Monday, April 18th. at All Saints', Newport. Bells 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and husiness meeting to follow.-F. J. Hannington 32 Surrey Street. Canton, Cardiff. 5617
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Worcester Easter Monday, April 18th. Service, All Saints' 11.15 a.m. Business meeting, College Hall, $12.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for all who notify mc before Wednesday, April 13th. Bells available, Cathedral (12) 6-7.30 p.m.. All Saints ${ }^{\prime}$ (10) $10-10.30,11-11.10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 7-9 p.m. Claines (10). St. John's (8), S. Swithun's (6) and Kempsey (6) all 2.15-4.30 p.m.-J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec.. Sedgeberrow, Evesham.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Narthern District-Meeting Easter Monday. April 18 th. Felixkirk (6). Bells from 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. names to me by Thursday. April 14th.
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method. Hudson. Hon. Sec.. Singleton Cottage. Sharow. Ripon.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Bosley (6). on Saturday. April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. April 19th. to H. C. Lonyon. 8. Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. Buses Macclesfieh - Leek route.

DEVON GUILD - North East Branch Quarterly meeting. Silverton. Saturday, April 2jrd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business after. Names for tea Wednesday previous. G. W. Hollis. Roseneath. Avenue. Tiverton.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W. District.Quarterly meeting. April 23rd. Walthamstow. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in nearby hall. Names for tea. please to Mr. H Rumens. 32. Woodstock Road. E. 17.5674

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Annual meeting. Saturday. April 23rd $2.15 \mathrm{p.m}$. at Christ Church Parish Hall Devizes Road. Swindon. Lunch 5s. 6d. at 1 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. 2s. 6d. only for names received by April 16th. Names to E. Sutton. 15. Springfield Road. Swindow. Service at Christ Church 4.30 p.m. Ringing arrangements : Christ Church 11-12.30 and 6-9. St. Mark's 10.30-12.30. Rodbourne Cheney 10.30-12.30. Stratton St. Margaret 10-12 ndon -Charles Rouse. Hon. Sec.. Churchdown Glos:
GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. South-West Branch.-Quarterly mecting, April 23 rd . Ugborough ( 8 bells) from 2.30 p.m. Tea and meeting. Anchor Inn. 5 p.m. Names by April 18th to T. G. Myers. 79. Regent Street Plymouth

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION,-Ringing meeting Elland, April 23rd. Bells available 3-4.30 and 6.30 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Teas provided at 2 s . 6 d . each. Please notify by April 16 th , Mr. F. Linfoot, The Mouth, Wistons Lane, Elland. No names no tea.-A. Farrand, Sec. 5606

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Annual general meeting on Saturday, April 23rd, at Watford. Service 4.30 p.m., Tea 5.15 p.m. Important Business: (1) Proposed that the Benevolent Fund be wound up. (2) Alteration to Rule 10 . Proposed that all peal fees. etc.. be sent to the Peal Secretary. (3) Alleged lack of Guild interest. Bells available: Langleyhury (6) 9.30-11, Rickmansworth (10) 11.30-1, Bushey (8) 10-11.30. Elstree (6) 2-3, Aldenham (8) 2-3.45. Watford (10) 3 p.m. onwards. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 20th, to R. G. Bell, 131. Hamper Mill Lane, Watford. -H. V. Frost. Hon. Gen. Sec.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Canter-

 hury District.-Quarterly meeting, Teynham (6), Saturday, April 23 rd . Bells 2 p.m., Service 4. Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names together with cash by Tuesday, April 19th, to Mr. V. Page. No. 1, The Crescent, Teynham, Sittinghourne.KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Ashford District-Meeting at Great Chart, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m., Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, to Mr. L. Day. 3. Ivy Cottages, Great Chart, Ashford - C. T. H. 5672

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -

 Rochester District, - Quarterly meeting. Tunstall. Saturday. April 23 rd . Bells 3 p.m., Scrvice 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please. to T. Barton, 30, West Ridge. Sittingbourne.LADIES' GUHLD.-Lincolnshire Branch.Annual meeting at Gainsborough (8), Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, not later than Tuesday, April 19th, to Mrs. E. Gray, 54, Wellington Street, Gainsborough.-A. Richardson. Hon. Sec.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual general meeting, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells available: Sileby (8) $10.30-11.30$, Cossington (5) 11.45-12.15. Syston (8) 12-1. Kibworth (8) 12-1. Great Glen (6) 1.30-2.15, Oadby (6) 2.30-3.15. Leicester All Saints' (8) 2-3.30. Leicester St. Margaret's (middle 8 ONLY) 2-3. Leicester St. John-the-Divine (10) 2.30-3.30. Eeicester Cathedral (12), 3-3.55. Aylestone (8) 7-8.30, South Wigston (8) 7.30-8.30. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting, in Aylestone Parish Church Hall 5 p.m. A bus will leave Cathedral at $4.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to convey ringers and friends free to Aylestone. Numbers for tea, anticipated cost 2s. 6d.. and numbers of seats on bus to undersigned by first post Friday, April 22nd (none accepted later). General Committee meet in Vestry of St. John-the-Divine. Wednesday, April 20th, 7.45 p.m-B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec.. 12. Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Lejcester. (Tel: Wigston 3244). 5629

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.-Mceting Linton. Saturday. April 23 rd . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Please bring sandwiches. All members welcome, non-members cordially invited.-Pamela J. Usborne, Sec., 315, Loose Road. Maidstone.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Western Branch.-Interim meeting at North Creake. on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring your own teas.-C. Tovell. Branch Sec. 5679
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Banbury and District Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Somerton (6). Saturday April 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m.. Service 4 p.m. followed by tea and husiness. Afterwards Steeple Aston (6) 7 p.m. Names for tea by April 20th, to H. L. Roper. Adderbury. Banbury.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD-
Rutland Branch.-Guarterly mecting. EmpingRutland Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Emping-
ham ( 6 hells). Saturday. April 23rd. 3 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday, to W. Clark. Middle Street. Wing, Oakham. 5675
 hury Branch.-Quarterly meeting. April 23rd. s p.m. Names for tea. please. by April 19 th. to Miss Eloie, 8. Albany Road, Salisbury. 5671

SOUTHWELL GUILD.-Annual meeting, April 23rd. Towers open: Mansfield 2.30-4.15 and 6.30-8. Warsop and Mansfield Woodhouse 2-3.45. Service at Mansfield 4.15 p.m. Tea in Church Hall. Mansfield 4.45 for those who notify by Wednesday previous, Mr. S. W. Fossey, 2, Patterson Place, Ravensdale, Mansfield. Business meeting following tea,J. W. Raithby, Gen. Sec.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-Annual general meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, April 23rd. St. Mary's (8) 2-3 p.m., Cathedral (10) 3-4, Service Cathedral 4. Tea 5 p.m., Palmers Restaurant. Business meeting 5.45 p.m... Abbot Anselm Institute. Cathedral $7-8$ p.m. St. Mary's 8-9 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 20th. to me.-J. W. Blythe. Gen. Sec. 29. Holton Road, Halesworth, Suffolk. 5664

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Meeting at Derby, Saturday, April 30th. Lunch (8s.) will be arranged at St. James' Hotel. St. James' Street. 1 p.m.. for those notifying, by April 25th. Mr. J. ${ }^{2}$ F. Smallwood. Heatherbrae, South Park Avenuc, Darley Dale. Matlock. Towers available: St. Alkmund's (8) 10.45-11.45 a.m., Cathedral (10) $11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .-12.45$, p.m.. St. Peter's (8) 2.30-3.15. St. Luke's (8) 4-5.30. St. Andrew's (10) $5.30-7.30$ p.m. Business meeting $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at St. Peter's Parochial Hall. Train departs St. Pancras $7.55 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. due Derby $10.21 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Party rate tickets available for those notifying me by April 25 th. John Chilcott. Hon. Sec.. Kirklake. 67, Farley Road, Selsdon. Surrey. 5680

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Annual general meeting at Sheffield on April 30th. Bells available: St. Marie's R.C. $(8,25 \mathrm{cwt}$.) 3-5 p.m. St. John's. Ranmoor ( $10,17 \mathrm{cwt}$.) $3-4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cathedral ( $12,40 \mathrm{cwt}$.) $6.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea (2s. fid. per head) served in the Wolstenholme Hall at 5.15 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea by the 28 th inst.. to Mr. H. O. Chaddock. 1. Hemsworth Road, Sheffield 8. Subscriptions are now due, and reports will be available-L. W. G Morris. Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road Bradford 9

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SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Ringing Competition.- Please note alteration of datc -it is now June 11 th. 1960, and not May 21 st.
5688
-J . A. H.

## SOCIETY OF GLAMORGAN WANDERERS

On March 19 th the first meeting of the Society of Glamorgan Wanderers was held at Llandaff Cathedral with an attendance of approximately 30 members and friends. The Society was formed in July, 1959, when nine of the members toured Somerset and Devon for a week on bicycles and rang at approximately 40 towers. The average age of the members is $17 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. with a short touch of Kent Treble Boh Major, and during the afternoon rounds. Plain Boh Major. Kent Trehle Boh Major. Cambridge Surprise Major. Dauble Norwich Court Bob Major. Plain Boh Royal. and Kent Trehle Bob Royal were rung.
Ringing ceased at 4.30 p.m. and a business meeting was held during which three new members were elected. It was decided to hold a fortnight's tour this year commencing on Sunday, August 21 st . and also to hold another meeting of the Society on either May 21 st or 28 th . pending the date of the Llandaff branch meeting of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association in May.

The members then rang for Evensong at Evensong from 6.30-7.30 p.m.

The Society would like to thank the Dean of Llandaft for the use of the bells and a room for the business meeting. Also Mr. Rohert Hughes for making all the necessary arrangements at the Cathedral.
A. M. C.

5,000 LITTLE BOB ROYAL
Composed by G. W, DEBENHAM

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## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## Tewkesbury Branch

A most enjoyable meeting was held at Beckford. Glos, on March 5th, when many visitors, including one ringer from Australia, were welcomed.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Vokes. who gave an inspiring address. An excellent meal was provided by the ladies of the church. At the business meeting which followed it was agreed that for the annual outing the Ringing Master (Mr. E. T. Newbury) should arrange a trip to towers in South. Wales. An interesting report of the activities of the Management Committee was given by Mr. Alf. Pulley and the accounts for the previous year were approved. It was agreed that the next meeting should be held at Chaceley.

After the business meeting certain members had the enlightening experience of hearing a recording of their ringing efforts, made by the Vicar. who stated that he proposed to usc the recording for background purposes in a production of a play.

Nothing daunted. however, an enjoyable meeting was concluded with ringing which ranged from rounds to Surprise methods.

5,120 UTTOXETER SURPRISE MAJOR
By STEPHEN IVIN
B W M H 23456

Repeat 4 times.
First rung at Uttoxeter, February 13th, 1960, conducted by D. P. Jones.

5,024 HALSTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR
By G. LINDOFF
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## THE EASTER VENTURE

HARDLY a week passes without one or more obituaries in this journal; never a day without a long list in the daily papers of people departed this life. The shadow of sorrow lies always over our world. The fact of Death is inescapable-one thing which has never been tempered or changed by the philosophies of the ages, nor disproved by the cleverest logicians. Systems of ethics, fathered as by Aristotle, may point to Happiness as the greatest good of man, but can never screen men from the sadness involved by death. All such systems remain in the realm of the temporal. And in any attempts they make to pierce the veil they only take refuge in a doctrine of the 'Unknowable.' So their followers wander through the mystery of human existence and find no rest for the soles of their feet.

But over and over again in these obituaries tributes are paid to what this man or woman has accomplished; to something which they have contributed to the world's movement; to the uplifting of their feilows; to the triumph of the spiritual over the animal nature; and to a faith which no spectacle or threat of mortality has been able to weaken. Something which lives on after them, inspiring courage and effort, witnessing to the truth

> 'That men may rise on stepping stones Of their dead selves to higher things."

For the fact of Death, real as it is, has been eclipsed by the great historical fact of the Cross of Jesus Christ and His Resurrection from the dead. And in the process of that eclipse the Cross with all its agony and darkness and sorrow must come first. That can never be glossed over, or forgotten, for it was, and is, for all time the revelation of the Way of God for the redemption of human life. The Way of God-can never again be imagined as the way man might wish it to be-a path of glorious sunshine. and not rather a way of suffering and the bearing of the Cross. But now, in the light of Easter. Christian disciples faced with the Cross breathe the air of eternity: they are conscious of being touched by that Wisdom which to the ordinary man is folly. Now in the Cross is mirrored the reality beyond all that is earthly:

> O world invisible, we view thee, O world intangible, we touch thee, O world unknowable, we know thee, Inapprehensible, we clutch thee.'

Easter, then, points us to the real understanding of the way of accomplishment. The Resurrection is the proclamation of the truth that though the steep ascent to Heaven has to be climbed 'through peril, toil and pain,' the value of such experience has an enduring quality, and emerges into the glory as of a lovely flower breaking forth from the seed which had to die to bring it to birth.

Thus, on Easter Day, we are not merely commemorating a unique event in history - an Act of God which freed His Son Jesus Christ from the fetters of death. He does not remain a lone figure on a distant horizon. By virtue of His Risen Manhood He brings men on to the new and living way towards God which He has trodden ahead of them for that very purpose. He is the leader of all men towards the gate of Heaven which by His own obedience and travail He has opened to all believers. He is, indeed, the undying hope and ever-present joy of all who follow Him and share the grace of His onward movement.

The bells of the Christian Church, then. on Easter Day are echoing the 'Reveille' of the open Heaven. Awake, they call, and arise to the dawn of ventures beyond the corruptible! They are the Sursum Corda to a travailing and floundering humanity. The Son has accomplished ' the work which the Father had given Him to do,' and in His Name and through His Word the victory of faith is sure. 'In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.' "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My Words shall not pass away.'

May we who ring the Easter bells take this to heart afresh. Progress, whether it be in the technicalities of our art, or in its social ideals, is beset with difficulties and frustrations: and sometimes that has meant, and can mean. a dropping off the path, an abandonment of effort, or a turning to other interests which seem to offer less discouragement, more kudos, and to make fewer demands upon one's patience. Well, that is simply a misunderstanding. perhaps desertion, of the Cross making it a barricade to enlightenment: whereas the true Christian conception of its nature in one's life is that expressed by Thomas a Kempis: 'If thou bear the Cross cheerfully, it will bear thee, and lead thee to the desired end, to wit, where there shall be an end of suffering: though here this shall not be." And Easter is the ringer's incentive, through all the apparent drudgery and humiliation of failures, through every shadow, through any checks to concord, to tread with unshakable faith the new path to the ultimate triumph of the Spirit of Christ, by Whom and in Whom all our service here shall be glorified.
C. C. C.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., March 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5280 WIGSTON SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 25 cwt .


* First peal in the method.


## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. March 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 6 cwl .2 qr .13 lb
 Composed by W. Pye. Conducted by Russell. S. Morris. * 50th peal of Cambridge Royal. First of Surprise Royal as conductor.

Rung on the conductor's birthday.

BRADFORD. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sul., March 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor $25 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.


Composed by C. K. LewIS Conducted by John Worth.

* First peal of Belgrave Surprise Royal.


## RETFORD. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 26, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Swithun.
A PLAL OF 5140 PLAIN BOB ROYAL.
Tenor 23 cwt . in E flat.
Rumalid Birch .. .. . . Treble Harold Dinman .. .. 6
Katharini Burchnai! .. 2 Bakry Holland....... 7
Gract: Burchinall . . . 3 Hirbbi:rt O. Chadidoci
John R. Ket teringham . . 4 Gordon K. Chaddock Dennis Holland $\quad$. 5 Richard E. Price .. . Temur Composed and Conducted by John R. Ketieringham.
First louch on ten bells as conductor.

TEWKESBURY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. March 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minules.
Al rhe Abbiy Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 21 cwI .2 qr .23 lb.
Wilrrid J. Newman
Mariyn Hawkes
Walter H. Raxter.
Joseph D. Johnson.

* Anthony J. Brazier
. 5 Patrick Harris .. .. Tenor
Composed by C. H. Hatrersley. Conducted by Harold E. Raxter.
* First peal on ten bells. First on ten bells as conductor.

BURTON-ON-TRENT. STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat.. April 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minules.

At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SLRPRISE ROYAL Tenor 28 cwt .2 qr .9 lb.
Robert J. Warrilow .. Trehle J. Dennis Holden ... .. 6
Eric E. Speake. .. $\quad .{ }^{2}$ Brian J. Wylde
*David W. Frifnd .. .. 3 Richard J. Warrilow
Rubiri B Suifil Arihler Pritichard. Edmund Malin Tentor

- David W. Brtaiving

Composed by W. Page.
Conducted by Arthur Pritchard.

MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat, April 2. 1960, it 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
Ar Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAI,
No. 3 version.
Alan A. Potts
Fred Dunkerley
Ruth M. Border
Bernard Groves
Basil Jones
Composed by C. K. Lewis.
Treble
2. R. Lewis.
bime. Lo Lavis. birthday.

## STONHAM ASPALL, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat.. April 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minules, At the Church of SS. Mary and Lambert,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 23 cwt . 1 gr . in E flat.
*Mary Maddison
Margaret A. Ladd.
James Bennett.
Roger L. K. Whittell
James B. Morley
Arranged by Nolan Golden.
Ernest G. Pearce
Peter M. Adcock
Geoffrey R. Drew.

- Bevan W. Willgress 9

Leslie N. Melton .. . . Tenor

* First peal on ten bells.

Conducted by James B. Morley.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BENINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJUK

 Tenor 12 cwt .Jlan Sanderson .. treble Frederick J. Plummer
*June I. Dear
J. Richard Casiledini

2 A. Rex Agg
3. Colin A. S. Harwood
†Leonard B. Scoot
Colin A. S. Harwood

Jack S. Dear
6
7

Composed by George W. Debenham.
Conducled by J. Richard Castledine.

- First peill of Major. + First in the method.

BREWOOD. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Oil Fri., March 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
Ar the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Chad,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 21 cwt 2 cr .12 lb . in D .

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barnabas G. Kı | , | Richard J. Warril.uw |
| Rocier L. Hawksworit.. | 3 | David W. Friend |
| Robieri J. Warrilow | 4 | Arihur J. Allsol |

Robir! J Warrilow 4 Arihur J Allsob
Conducted by Rogir L. Hawksworih.

- First peat.

Rung to welcome the Rev. C. V. Bishop as incumbent, prior to his induction by the Lord Bishop of Lichtield.

## OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE. <br> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> On Fri.. March 25. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. <br> Ar ihe Church of Immanuel.

A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $11 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G
Norman Smith .. .. Treble *Roger Leigh
Laurence 1. Williams .. 2 J. Barry Pickup
\#John P. Paritingiton ..
Chakles Clegg ... Composed by J. W. Washbrook.
*Michael D. Fishwick
*John H. Fiel den
Conducted by Norman Tenor * First peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf. March 26. 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt . in D.
Mrs. G. Manchip
Treble Richard Bi:vis.
Herbert Gates
Antony Kench
William J. Puddifoot
Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Fichard Bivis. } \\ 2 & \text { Augustin V. Good } \\ 3 & \text { Walter Ayra. .. }\end{array}$

- First peal and first attempt

Rung for the Feast of the Annunciation of B.V.M


## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes At the Church of Si. Margarei,
C. Jack Gibson

Ernest S. Bailey
Alan R. Bridges
Composed by C. Middleron.
*200th peal.
TURNERS HILL, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Leonard.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt . in F .
$\qquad$ Treble *Stanley G. Poniing
Barry M. Cox
Alan E. Bagworith Ernest J. Munday Frank H. Hicks. . . . Tenor Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

William S. Deason
Robin G. Llali:
Robin J. Elitot.
Composed by F. Diench.

* 125 th peal.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal., Murch 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9t cwt.

| Alick Cutler | ebl | *. Richard Castledine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Howard Scoti | 2 | *John N. Diserens |
| Thomas J. Lock | 3 | *Ronaidij F. Disierens |
| Michalil. P. Morlio | 4 | * Noel J. Distrens |

Composed by W. Eric Crishley. Conducted by Ronald F. Dislrens
FIrst peal in the method.

## HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
On Thurs.. March 31. 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minules.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

## Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

Wilfri:d J. Newman Treble
Josieph D. Johnson reble
Ralph Harris
2 Harold E. Raxier
Mrs. J. Thomas
Composed by G. Baxer.
4 Joseph E. Newman
Conducied by Jositph D. Johnson. fourth.

## WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESI: X COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs. March 31. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
Ai th: Chidre of St. Mary.

A PFAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In con methods. heing 960 each of London and Rutland. 64) Yorkshire. 480 each of Cambridge and Superlative, and 320 each of Bristol. Hereford, Lindum. Watford and Wembley, with 149 changes of method Tenor 9 cwt . 3 qr .25 lb . in A .
C. Edward Lankesitr .. Treble \# John R. Mayn

- Joan Bertsford
*Claudia A. Crifchily
+Alich Cutler
Alfrtto J. Houst
G. William Crifchey

Ailik CuTler .. .. .. 4
*Thomas J. Lock .. . . Teror
Composed by Richard E B Spicm
Conducted by John R. Mayne.
*First peal of 10 -Spliced. +150 th peal logether

## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. April 1. 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minures. At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

| Pliter Berr.sford | Treble | Ian H. Oram | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joan Berisford. | 2 | Georgi J. Butcher | 6 |
| Arimur G. Mason | 3 | Herbirt E. Audsley | 7 |
| Fredhrick J. Cullum | 4 | Pifilif A. Corby | Ten |
| Composed by J. W. Par |  | Conducted by Phili | Corb |

GORSEINON. GLAMORGAN.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Mimutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Parker's Twelve-part.

David G. Thomas
*Barry J. Couzens
Alfred Hannington
D. Hayden Dobbins

Tenor 9 cw
. Arthur Hoare Trevor M. Roderick Gwyn I. Lewis. Edmund J. Morris .. .. . Tenor

* First peal of Triples


## HEDON. YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Socicty.)
On Sat.. April 2, 1950, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Augusiine
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 17 cwt 1 qr .19 lb
*John S. Rank... .. .. Treble *Ronald R. Warfurd
James Thorley. . .. .. 2 A. H. Hawcroft
*Keith Goidthorpe 3 Leslif M WOODhlad 7
*DAVID S. Johnson .. ... 4 tIAN N. Gohidihorpi. ... Tenor Conducted by Leslie M. Woodhead

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal.

A birthday compliment to the conductor's son.

## KNEBWORTH. HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 2, 1960. in 2 Hours and 41 Mirutes
At the: Church of SS Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Beckei,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's variation.

Tenor $12 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*June I. Dfar claudia A. Critchley .. 2
G. William Critchley 3
†JUin E. T. WISEMAN ... 4 EdWIN G. BUCK... .. .. Tenor
Conducted by G. William Crifchley.

* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First of Cambridge Major inside.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## PACKWOOD. WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Fri., Feb. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes
At the Church or St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
V. Roy Tallis
. Rof tallis .. .. .. Treble Richard G. Morris
Pamela M. Turnfr . . . 2 Robert E. Tallis
Maurice C. Hughes .. 3 | Rogir E. Tallis
Conducted by Rogfr E. Tallis.
To celebrate the birth of Prince Andrew.

## MERIDEN, WARWICKSHIRE

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Ireb. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 30) Minures,
Ar the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Bcing 42 extents.
Jane R. Shaw
.Treble Maurice C. Hughes
Tenor 7 cwl .
Pamela M. Turner . . . 2 | Richard G. Morris
Roger E. Tallis
Conducted by Rocep E Tatlis.
Rung for the engagentent of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Autony Arnistrong-Jones.

CORBY. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 12, 1960. in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. John-the-Bapilist,
A PEAL OF 5030 DOLBLES
Being 21 extents of Grandsire and 21 of Plain Boh. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Roy D. Marriott .. . . Treble †Richard A. Werster
Percy D. Baldock .. ... 2 tRoy W. Splncer
Ronald Russell $. . . \quad . . \quad 3 \quad$ †David C. Urquhari ... Tenor

- First Conducted by Roy W. Spenct:R

First peal, first aftempt. $\dagger$ First of Doubles.
Rung to conmemorate the birth of a grand-daugliter to Mr. and
Mrs. R. Russell: also a birthday compliment 10 Richard $A$. Webster.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

At the Churci of Si. Peiter,
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY' PLEASURE BOB

DOUBLES

Bcing 42 extents.
*Averil J. Bell
Ruger E. Tallis :
Maurice C. Hughes
maurice C. Hughes ... 3 *Robert A. Jones $\because$.. ${ }^{2}$. Tenor

* First peal First Conducted by Rogir E. Tallis.

A 21 st peal. First in the method by all the band.
A 21 st birthday complinent to Cedric Goy.
BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. March 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
Ai the Cathidral Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 25 cwt 1 qr . 14 lb .

Elainis A. Richardson .. ${ }^{3}$ M. John Halliwell.. .. Tenor Conducied by M. John Halliwell.
First peal as conductor.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Elaine A. Richardson. BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sar.. March 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minues,

## At the Church of St. Helen.

Being 20 extents of Plain Bob, ten of Grandsire, four Morris's 240 's Grandsire and two Price's 240 's.
John F. Wrighi .. .. Treble
Phirp A Piccuronio ... Treble Frederick Derry
*G. Con. Pithford ... 2 Jamis H. Musson ... 5
*G. Colin Jackson .. .. 3 J. Edward Brown .. .. Tenor
Conducled by James H. Mussun.

* First peal in two Doubles methods

A hirthday compliment to Mr. J. Edward Brown, who hals how circled the tower.'

BRENTFORD. MIDDLESEX
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf., March 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrenice.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Reverse Bob. Double Boh. Cambridge. Oxford T.B.. St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr. 11 lb . in G. Gillian E. Graney .. . . Treble
Christine Y Pullin 2 Sichael D. Fros
Dennis C. Bowen .... 3 Gerald Penney
Conducted by Gerald Penney.
*25th peal. First in seven methods by all the band excepl the ringer of the third.

NUNEATON. WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules,
Ai the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

 Rung as a farewell to $P$
rom Doubles to Cinques.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., March 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.
Ar the Church of Sr. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUbLES Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Conducied by Rogier E. Tallis.
*First peal "inside." $\dagger$ First peal.
Avcrage age of band 16 years 9 months.

SHOTWICK, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob.
Dinis Maddock
Ruger King
John Ryder

|  | . | Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .. | .. | 2 |
|  |  |  |

Harry W. Howard.
*Michael Thompson
Harold Worrall
Tenor 81 cwt .

Conllicted hy Drinis Maddock.

* First peal in threo methods.

Rung as a 79th birthday compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. Canon A. J. Humphreys.

> WENHASTON, SUFIOLK.
> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
> On Mon., March 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
> Ar 1 HE (HURCH OR Sr. PeIER,
> A PEAL OF 50) 40 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Tenor 12 cwt .6 lh.
James Napihine:
Jack Pilgirim ... ...Treble | *Rlginalo C. Pratcl
C. Jack Gibson .. $. . . \quad . \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad$ H. William Barkitit

Conducted by! John W. Blyihe.

* First peal of Minor inside.

Rung as a larewell to the Vicar (Rev. L. R. Manthorp), uporl his appointment as Rector of Melton.

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. March 30. 1960 , ill 2 Hours and 35 Mimules. Ai me. Church of Si. Mark. the Lord Mayoris Chapel,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIIDGE SURPRISE MINUR
Tenor
Treble
*J. Anihuny Bennitit
Angela Grainger
Elisablith A. G. Buwden
Treble Anihony E. Cox
Anihony E. Cox
tD. John Huni
Buwden ${ }^{3}$ Donald E. Cubb
Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge Minor.


## STISTED. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., April 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Mimules.
At the Chureh of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 37 methods: (1) College Bob IV. Willesden, Ola Oxford, Newdigate. St. Albans. Wraghy, Neasden. Charlwood, Taxal, Humber. Marple, Braintree, Elston, Clarence and Morning Star (15 methods by A. G. Diver): (2) Cambridge. Primrose, Ipswich. Norfolk, Bourne and Hull Surprise: (3) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise: (4) College Exercise. Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob: (5) London Scholars' Pleasure. Kingston. Sandal and Capel Treble Boh: (6) Thelwall, Double Oxford, Childwall and St. Clement's: (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob. Patrick W. Saltmarsh . . Trehle Dennis A. S. Symonds John Warner .. .. .. 2 Joe E. G. Roast Alan R. Syder .. $\quad .$. Conducied by Joe E. G. Roast.

## FINDON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes. At the Church of St. John-the-Bapilist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, heing one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Childwall. St. Clement's. Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb . in A. Llonard Stilwell.

Trehle Derek E. Sibson
*Geoffrey R. Crisp
$\frac{2}{3}$ *Raymond A. Brown
*Bernari) E. Matimews
Tinor Conducted by Direk E. Sibson.

* First peal in seven Minor methods.

Tenor

HALKYN. FLINTSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
Oll Sat.. April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. At the Chlirch of St. Mary-thit-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall. Single Oxford and Plain Bob

Tenor 10 cwt 2 cr .21 lb.

| Joan Parsonage | Treble | DI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John W. Griffiths | 2 | Groffrey Parting .. .. 5 |
| John S. Drian | 3 | Percy Swindley. . . . . Tenor | Conducted by John W. Griffiths.

Believed 10 be the first peal on the bells.
A wedding anniversary compliment to Mrs. D. Drinkwater, daughter of Mr. D. If. B. Millward.

IIIGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
Ois Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
Ai the Church of Si. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Single Court. St. Clement's. Double Court. Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B. and Plain Boh. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb
Wartfr D. Babley .. .. Treble Bfrnard G. Fatrhtad .. 4 Ivfiyn R. M. Cansdale 2 George N. Orman .. .. 5 Alifn W. Cansdale.. . 3 Roy Duesbury .. .. . . Temor Conducted by Roy Durerbliry.
Rung for the wedding this day of Winifred Wheeler (ringer at this lower) to Barry Kitson.

## NAZEING. ESSEX.

TIIE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours ant 44 Minures. At the Chirch of All Saints.
A PEAI OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Kinnith C. S. Wood
June. Whitcher
Reginald H. Haydin

Tenor 10 cwt

* First peal. + First of Bob Minor Wiliam H. Aley.

Rung for the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Sams (daughter of the local lower captain) and Mr. Gerald Howerd.

TIDENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 11 twelve-scores (Morris's and Pitman's arrangements) and 20 six-scores (ten calingss).
*Micharl F. Sims .. . . Treble David A. Hoult
William F. Scudamore. 2 *Geoffrey T. Homiil.. 4
*A. Clive Berry .. .. 3 Bryn B. Nash .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by William F. Scudamori.

* First peal.


## HANDBELL PEALS

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes, At Tif: Waysidf, 150 . Narborough Road Souih.

A PEAL OF 5041 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor size 15 in C .
Mrs. P. J. Staniforih .. $1-2 \mid$ *Alfrid Ballard -. 5-6
Pittre J. Staniforth.. .. 3-4 Ernest Morris .. .. 7-8
John A. Acres. . . . . 9-10
Composed hy Harold J. Poole. Conducted by Pettir J. Staniforth. * 800th peal.

Rung to the affectionate memory of Mrs. Phyllis Poole (March 20th. 1958).

GAINSBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THF LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., April 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes,
at Lealholme.

## A PEAL OF 5100 SPLICED MAJOR

In 36 methods: Longney, Winchester, Shipway's, Edmonton. Lavenham. Chesterfield. Maidstone, Ashbourne. Spalding. Richmond. New London. Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Plain Boh, Gainsborough Little Bob. Wellington Little Court, Little Bob. Crayford Little Court. Bastow Little Court. Kent Little Court, Little Oxford Bob. Victoria Little Court. Colville, Romsey, Cheltenham, Leamington, Pulford, Avalon, Painswick, Kidlington, Double Oxford. Pershore. Hereward, Double Norwich. St. Clement's and Crayford College: 359 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C
*A. Robin Heppenstall.. 1-2| George E. Feirn .. .. 5-6
*John Freeman .. .. 3-4 †Jack L. Millhouse - 7-3 Arranged and Conducted by Gforge E. Fripn.
*First peal in 36 methods. † First in 36 methods "in hand.

## The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

## HALF PEAL

NEWTON, PORTHCAWL, GLAM.-On Mar. 31st, 2.520 Plain Bob Minor: Doris Smith 1. M. Lurcher 2. Rosemary Jones 3, R. Thorsby 4. G. I. Lewis (cond.) 5, T. M. Roderick 6

ASTON-ON-TRENT, DERBYS.-On April 2nd. 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: J. W. Pincombe (first quarter) 1. J. S. Knighton 2. R. S. Barker 3. M. S. Fern 4. A. Whiting (cond.) 5. J. M Foster (first guarter) 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. J. G. Cheverton and Miss P. M. Hollingworth. Also on the engagement of the ringers of 2 and 6 ; and to welcome a daughter to Mrs. R. S. Barker and the ringer of the 3rd.
BANSTEAD, SURREY.-On Mar. 5th. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Shelagh Whitehousc 1. Elizabeth Layton 2. H. N. Jistow (cond.) 3. G. R. Smerdon 4. M. V Chilcott 5. A. E. Cheesman 6. M, F. Layton had failed as a compliment to Raymond and Gillian Parsons on the birth of their daughter, Linda Margaret.
BEDFONT, MIDDX.-On Mar. 19th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1. C. Burgess 2, D. Pickett 3. D. Morgan 4, M. Line 5, C. Fynes (cond.) 6.

BELGRAVF, LEICESTER.-On Mar. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Skinner 1. O. Castleman 2. M. Pole 3. A. Skinner 4. R. Barrow 5. N. Abell 6. C. Linch (cond.). 7 , $P$ Brutnall 8. For Mothering Sunday service BLEWBLRI, BERKS.-On Mar. 30th.
260 Stedmint Triples: C. Corderoy 1, J. P. 1.260 Stedmin1 Triples: C. Corderoy 1, J. P Bowen 5, F. Absolom 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7. P. Corderoy 8. Also on April 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Doris Eland 1, P. Corderoy
2. H. W. Dunsden 3. E. J. Grace 4. C. Corderoy (cond.) 5. A. R. T. Greenough 6 , R. B. Blond 7. Cecil Corderoy 8. For

## Evensong.

BRIDGEND, GLAM.-On April 3rd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering) Henson 1. J. Hale 2. W. T. Petty (cond.) 3 D. L. Hughes 4, T. E. Hiddins 5. D. Bryant 6. D. W. Davies 7. E. M. Smith 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to the daughters of T. E. Hiddins and E. M. Smith.

CORSTON, SOMERSET.-On Mar. 27th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Elford (age 14 first quarter) 1. Mrs. M. de Jong 2. L. R. G.
Taylor 3, Mrs. N. Bennett 4, H. L. Parfrey 5. Taylor 3. Mrs. N. Bennett 4. H. L. Parfrey 5.
L. W. Jewell 6. Rung before morning service during which David Leslie Parfrey was christened.
COVENTRY, WARWICKS.-On Mar. 27th. at St. Michael's Church. Stoke, 1,280 Plain Boh Major: E. Simpson 1. W. Stote (composer and cond.) 2. D. Ellender 3. D. Sibley 4. R. Hart 5. H. Folwell 6. H. Sibley 7. N. Haile 8. For Evensong.
CRANFORD, MIDDX.-On Mar. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow . Josephine Pole 2. P. Woodgyer 3, June Richradson 4. D. Fowles (cond.) 5, J. Goodfellow 6. Also on April 3ra. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Susian Goodfellow 1. Barbara Marchant 2. June Richardson 3. G. Thrush 4. D. Fowles 5. P. Woodgyer (cond). 6. Both ung for Evensong.
CHILDSWICKHAM, GLOS.-On Feb. 5th. 1.296 Beverley Surprise Minor: W. J. Newman L. R. W. Cole 2. A. J. Brazier 3. C. B.
Longmore 4. H. E. Raxier (cond.) 5. J. E. Newman 6. First in the method for 1.3, 5 and 6.
COGGESHALL, ESSEX.-On April 2nd,
280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: A. 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: A.
Dule 1. H. Wehb 2, R. Presion 3, K. Smith 4. G. Everitt (first in method) 5. A. Beckwith 6. J. Warner 7. H. J. Millatt (cond.) 8. Rung is a birthday compliment to the treble man. COLCHESTER, ESSEX.-On April 3rd, at St. Peter's. 1.296 Double Norwich Court Boh
Major: A. Dale 1. H. Webb 2. R. Preston 3, B. Webb 4, K. Smith 5, E. Piper 6. E. P. Duffield 7. H. J. Millatt (cond.) 8. For Evensong, arranged for the ringer of the 3 rd , who comes from Nottingham.
CREATON, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 26th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Brown (first of Minor) 1. J. Duckett 2 . W. Brown 3. T. Gillott (first of Minor) 4. $\overrightarrow{\mathrm{S}}$ Brown 5. D. Griffin (first as cond.) 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

DORCHESTER, DORSET.-On Feb. 27th, at the Church of St. Peter, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (treble and second leading): $F$ Stoneham 1. N. Tucker 2, J. Tuffin 3, B. J Dyke 4. W. S. Bongard 5, C. S. Bongard 6. quarter 1.2, 5 and 8. Rung for evening service as a farewell to the Rev. P.J. Heaton, who is taking over the parish of Motcombe.
DUBLIN, EIRE.-On Mar. 25th. at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 1,259 Grandsire Caters H. H. Brown 1, E. G. Buchanan 2, N. H
Wilson 3, E. J. Reede 4. H. W. Jones 5 T. McMorran (cond.) 6. D. Vokes 7, R. I. George 8. J. H. Atkinson 9. V. R. McCormick (first of Caters) 10. Rung for the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and as a compliment to the Very Rev. John Ward Armstrong, dean and ordinary.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.-On April 2nd. 1,320 Doubles ( 720 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob): M Rose 1. Mrs. H. Ivings 2. J. E. Ivings 3, R. Rose (cond.) 4. H. Ivings 5. Rung halfmuffled in memoriam Mrs. S. A. Davey interred this day.

GODSHILL, I.o.W.-On Feb. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mary Bailey (first quarter) 1. W. Page 2. Elsie Wyatt 3. L. Bailey 4 C. Denness (cond.) 5 . For the birth of H.R.H. Prince Andrew. H.M. the Queen's second son Also on April 3rd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Westmore 1. C. Callaway 2. E. Thorne 3 L. Bailey 4. C. Denness (cond.) 5, W. Page 6 A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. Morris (40) years) and Mr. and Mrs. C. Callaway (34 years) on their wedding anniversaries.
GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS,-On April 3rd. 1,260 Doubles IPlain Bob and Grandsire): S. Hall 1, G. Atkins 2, F. Hall 3. C. Hall 4. R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5. For Evensong. Also as an 81st birthday compliment to Mrs. W. H. Allen. grandmother of the conductor
GRAVESEND.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Spliced Stedman and Grandsire Triples: S. Penfold 1. F. G. Richardson 2. J. Carrott 3. Miss J. Peacock 4. J. Fowler 5. M. Bland 6. T. Easi 7. F. V. Gant (cond.) 8.

GREAT BRINGTON, NORTHANTS.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: M. F. Amos (cond.) 1. Dorothy M. Palmer 2, R. Wilson 3. E. Billings 4. J. G. Goddard 5, E. M. Thresher 6.

HAMPTON, EVESHAM, WORCS.-On Feb. 28th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F Newman 1. Miss J. Roberts 2. Miss P. Foley 3. J. Smith 4. H. E. Raxter (cond.) 5, G. Brown 6. W. J. Newman 7. B. Hunt 8. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. A. Mills, a widely respected parishioner. who was buried on Feb. 22nd
HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDX.-On Mar. 21st. 1.260 Minor ( 720 Kent T.B. and 540 Plain Bob and Little Bob): D. Morgan 1. J. Mudd 2. M. Palmer 3. D. Shaw 4. G. Harvey (cond.) 5. W. G. Wilson 6. For Confirmation service.
HENFIFLD, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 26th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. M. Jupp 1. F. E. Cruttenden 2. B. W. White (cond.) 3. Langridge 6. E. F. Packham 7. G. A. Packham 8. Rung for the wedding of David . Parsons, a member of the local band.
HERSHAM, SURREY.-On April 3rd. 1.440 Plain Boh Minor: D. George 1. Gwen May 2. Mrs. Pam Bird 3. H. Colcombe 4. C. N. Chinnery 5, J. King (cond.) 6 . First in method for 1.2 and 5 . For Evensong.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Major: A. Cutton (first in the method) 1. Wendy Gladwin (first - inside ') 2. Margaret Tilbury 3. Sheila Wallace 4. D. Francis 5. G. Harrison 6. S. M. Bailey 7. D. Knox (cond.) 8. For Evensong

HITCHIN, HERTS.-On April 3rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor ( 7 and 8 covering): Miss J. S. M. Carling (first quarter) 1. Miss M. E. Preece 2. C. M. Orme 3. Mrs. C. A. Agg 4, Starte 7. W. F 5. A. R. Agg (cond.) 6, H. H.

HOLT, WILTSHIRE.-On Mar. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Veronica D. Sheet 1, P. Gaisford 2. R. Purnell (cond.) 3, J. Lucas 4. F. Box 5, R. Drewett 6. First quarter 1 and 6 A wedding compliment to $R$. Samanon until recently tower captain.
KELVEDON, ESSEX.-On Mar. 25th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Papworth 1. F. Whiterod 2. Miss W. Elliott 3. A. Beckwith 4. C. Burton 5. A. R. Elliott (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
KINGSTHORPE, NORTHAMPTON.-On April 3rd, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: 1. Payne 1, F. Benfield 2, J. W. Felce 3, P Giles 4. B. E. Frost 5. S. Earl (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge Surprise by a Sunday service band.
KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.-On Mar. 29th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: D. Downing 1. Mrs. M. Layton 2. C. F. Juke (cond.) 3. T. Fasey 4. R. A. Peakman 5, F. E. Jukes 6 D. N. Layton 7. F. Preston 8. Rung half: muffled in memoriam Herbert Morgan. faithful ringer at this church for 60 years. interred this day.
KIRK ELLA, YORKS.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. Irwin (first quarter) 1. I. N. Goldthorpe (first of Minor) 2. K. Kirk 3. D. S. Johnson 4. K. Goldthorpe (cond.) 5. J. S. Rank 6. For Evensong.

LINCOLN. On Mar. 26th. at St. Peter at Gowts. 1.260 Minor (Kent T.B.. Single Court. Plain Bob): H. Broxholme 1, H. Radley 2. H. Hurst 3. A. Melton (cond.) 4. P. Pitchford . F. Dixon 6. For the wedding of $\mathrm{Mr}, \mathrm{R}$. Smith (sidesman) and Miss Chester
LLANDAFF, GLAM.-On April 2nd, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Miss Hazel Everett (first quarter) 1. A. W. Smith (first of Major) 2. James 5. A. F. R. Hartley 6. W. J. Goodfellow 7. A. M. Coombs (cond.) 8. Rung following parish Confirmation
I.ONGDON, WORCS.-On Mar. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Christine Halling 1. C. Haylings $\frac{7}{W}$. M. Hawkes (cond.) 3, A. Halling 4. E. W. Penn 5. A. Halling 6. First of Plain Boh Doubles for all except 3 and 5 .
MERROW, SURREY.-On Mar. 16th, . 260 Douhles, being 120 each of St. Nicholas, April Day and Kennington. 240 of ?lain Bob and St. Simon's and 420 Grandsire: T. M. Ryan 1. Valerie A. Bundy 2. P. G. Smart 3. A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 4. R. I. Vaughan 5. B. A. Todd (first quarter) 6. Most methods for 2 and 5. For Evensong. Also on Mar. 30th. 1.440 Surprise Minor (720 London, 720 Cambridge): S. G. Ponting 1. Valeric A. Bundy 2. A. Pamela Warren 3, R. I. Vaughan 4. D. A. R. May 5. H. A. May (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

MILTON ERNEST, BEDS.-On Mar. 25th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Willars (first quarter) 1. Betty Marsh 2. B. Harris 3. B. J. Makeham 4. K. Wakefield 5. B. Pattison (cond.) 6. Rung prior to the service of rededication of the restored south aisle.

MORTIMER, BERKS.-On Mar. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Wendy Hale 1. D Elliot 2. Gillian Martin 3. D. Neville 4. I Taylor (cond.) 5. R. Cowdry 6. A 21st birihday compliment to ringers of 2 and 5 .

MOLLTON, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. E. Simons Inns 5. B. R. Care (cond.) 6. R. Eady 7. . Simons 8. For Evensong.
NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS.-On Mar. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Valeric Colegrove 1. J. R. Haycock 2. W. C. Budd 3. Margaret Stanley 6. For Evensong. as a sendoff to a visitation of the entire parish by a band of church workers. and for the 42nd wedding anniversary of the conductor's parents.

NORTH WLALD, ESSEX- On Mar, 27th 1.260 Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob: $M$ McQuistan 1. Ann Hancock 2. Wendy Bowak 3. R. Bridges 4, J. McPhail 5. W'. Wedlock (cond.) 6. For Family Communion.

OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.-On April 3rd, 1.000 Grandsire Doubles: Muriel Clarke 1. Cherry Withell 2. Margaret Bock (first 'inside') 3. Eric Parsons 4. Tom Smith (cond.) 5. Gill Masters 6. For Evensong.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-On Mar, 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: V. R. Tallis 1, Helen M. Thacker 2. Pamela M. Turner 3, R. E. Tallis jnr. (cond.) 4. J. K. Foot 5, M. C. Hughes 6 . For Evensong

PENARTH, GLAM.-On Mar. 27th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Chiplin 1, R. Hughes 2. H. J. Palmer 3. A. F. R. Hartley 4, E. J. R. Hartley (cond.) 5, A M. Coombs 6 . For Evensong.

PERRANARWORTHAL, CORNWALL.Oi April 2nd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss P. A. Rule (first quarter) 1. A. J. Davidsn 2 , A. Lacke 3. Miss J. G. Hobbins 4. C. W. Jose (cond.) 5, G. D. Carter 6. Rung to celebrate the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. John Maurice Key, as Bishop of Truro.

RIPPLE, WORCS. - On April 1st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Bennett (first of Minor) 1. Miss J. M. Price 2, F. Eawrence 3, C.
Haylings (first of Minor ©inside') 4, J. Haylings (first of Minor "inside ') 4, J. compliment to C . Haylings. and a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. anniversa
Bennett.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKS.-On Mar. 26th. 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. B. Pomeroy 1. Miss Roberts 2, R. W. Selhy 3. M. G. Selby 4. Miss B. M. Smith 5. G. C. Hemming (cond.) 6. G. J. Hemming tenor covering. First Cambridge Minor 'inside' for 2 and 3 .

SAPCOTE, LEICS.-On Mar 27th. 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Warkins (first of Treble Bob) 1. Jennifer Stratford 2. Christine Stratford 3. Rita Stratford 4. M. C. Faulkes 5. M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday.
SIDBURY, DEVON.-On April 2nd, 1.260 Spliced Triples (700 Oxford Bob, 560 Grandsire): K. Clarke 1, C. J. Turner 2, C. Deem 3. J. Manley 4. C. C. Turner 5. J. Quick 6. G. E. Retter (cond.) 7. J. Arbury 8. First quarter of Spliced Triples by all except the conductor. A compliment to the ringer of 5th. on his fourth wedding anniversary.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On April 3rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: Valerie Hoby 1. J. C. Birt 2. Linda J. Kew 3. F. R. Scott 4. Pamela M. Jervis 5. J. K. Ward 6, W. D. Ward 7. A D. Rivers 8, W. Birmingham 9. D. K. Walters (first on ten as conductor) 10 Rung for the wedding of Mr. David Livingston and Miss Janet Adamson. both ringers at Slough Parish Church.

SOUTH HACKNEY, LONDON.-On April 3rd, at St. John's Church. 1.280 Cambridge Major: H. Howson 1. Miss P. Rowe 2. E. J. Rowe 3. I. A. Oram (cond.) 4. M. Cubitt 5 . A. Bagworth 6. C. Wilington 7. T. Bailey 8. SOUTHGATE, LONDON.-A! Christ Church, on Mar. 31st, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: L. G. Gates I. S. G. Peck 2. J. Perrett 3, W. Wainwright 4. H. Miller 5. A. Spreadbury 6. C. Ward 7. C. Aldridge (cond.) 8. To mark the wedding of a member of the Christ Church band. Jane Hill. 10 Michael Harding, which took place earlier in the tay. Also on April 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: ' L. G. Gates (first of Triples) 1. Pam Miller 2. Ann Aldridge 3. M. Stanyon 4. H. Miller 5. S. G. Peck 6. C. Aldridge (cond.) 7. W. Wainwright 8. For Evensong and a 21st birthday compliment to Michael Stanyon.
STANWELL, MIDDX.-On Mar. 30th. 1.272 Doubles (Plain Bob, Rev, Canterbury. St. Martin's. St. Simon's. St. Nicholas', St. Osmund's. Winchendon Place. Ashford Little Bob): D. Pickett 1. C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3. K. Young 4. M. Lane 5. J. Boyd 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. E. G. Sandels. churchwarden. Also on April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Fynes (cond.) 1-6. M. Lane 2. D. Pickett 3. K. Young 4. J. Boyd 5. For afrernoon service. Also i.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1. C. Fynes 2-3. K. Young 4. M. Lane 5, D. Pickett (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
STOW

BARDOLPH, NORFOLK.-On Mar. 30th. 1.260 Minor (Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob): S. Elsey 1. J. Fox 2. W. W. Cousins 3. R. Reed 4. E. H. Mastin (cond.) 5. C. Cousins 6.

STRENSHAM, GLOS.-On Mar. 4th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Halling 1. J. Firkins 2. F. Hawkes 3. M. Hawkes 4. E. W. Penn (cond.) 5. A. Halling 6.

## NEXT WEEK IS BOB-A-JOB WEEK



Efy 'Well, Sus, the Vicgr did tay Clean out thabelfry, $:-$

LPTON-UPON-SEVERN, WORCS.-On April 1st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Broxton 1. E. Maund 2. J. Firkins 3. M Hawkes 4. E. W. Penn (cond.) 5, A. Halling 6. WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX-At the Church of St. Mary. on April 3rd. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: C. Diggins (first of Major) 1, F. C Maynard 2. H. Rumens 3. E. E. Holman 4, P. D. Chapman 5. A. J. N. Boyack 6, D. Hewitl 7. B. R. Downes (cond.) 8. For Evensong and to mark the retirement from business of Mr. E. E. Holman, after 33 years ${ }^{\circ}$ service with the same firm.
WARMINSTER. WILTS.-On Mar. 26th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: F. Slatford 1. N. J. Phippen 2. N. Abbott (first of Triples) 3. E. Norris 4. P. Roynon (first quarter) 5, N. Knee 6. R. Keeley (cond.) 7. F. Ross 8.

WARMLEY, GLOS.-On Mar. 27th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Sandra Lewis 1. Myra J. Wilkins 2, Rita M. Webb 3, Gloria M. Newton 4. B. K. Lewis 5. A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 6. First in method 'irside' for 2 and 5. For Matins on Mothering Sunday.
WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Mar. 19th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: J. Maple 1. Miss J Horton 2. J. Newell 3. C. B. Skinner 4. C. Longhurst 5. B. W. Farhall (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Rung for the wedding of the local captain's daughter.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Pitson 1. W. A Yates 2. J. Linnell 3. C. Truman 4. F. C. Case 5. T. E. Roberts 6. G. E. Green (cond.) 7. G. Foddy 8. Rung in memoriam William G. Whitehead.
WOLLATON, NOTTS.-On Mar. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Moore I. P. J. Hawcock (cond.) 2. P. W. Hawcock 3, G. D. Stroud 4. M. Poppleston 5, R. Daft (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. also as a 15th birthday compliment to Philip W. Hawcock and John McGowan.
WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On Mar. 30th, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Elizabeth Carson 1. Caroline Carpenter 2: Mrs. Bagworth 3. Susan Rawlings 4. Anne Garnett 5. A. S. Bishop 6. A. Bagworth 7. M. H. Sinden (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service
WISBECH ST. MARY, CAMBS.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Vilma Hodson (first quarter) 1. E. Shippey 2. Dawn Green 3. G. Sharpe 4. A. Gower 5. L. Harvey (cond.) 6. Rung for the diamond wedding of Mr . and Mrs, Powers.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

A successful ringers meeting was held at St. Nicholas'. Norton, on April 2nd. After a late start many people enjoyed a ring before the Rev. G. G. S. Kenyon conducted the service, with Mr. K. Rooke as organist. This was the last ringers' meeting during Father Kenyon's incumbency.
Another -last time was for Mr. G. Debenham. president of the Association. whose current term of office ends this month. He honoured us by his presence, and took the chair at the business meeting which followed the excellent tea provided by Mrs. H. Werrcit and friends. Miss H . Pound. of Norton, the Misses J. Carling and H. H. Starte, and Mr. M. Trigg. all of Hitchin, were elected ringing members. The next meeting will be it Anstey. not Ashwell. and the next quarterly business meeting at Knebworth.
Later, ringing continued in methods to suit all. from rounds to Bristol Surprise Major.
J. S.

### 5.024 KELSHALL SURPRISE By JOHN R. MAYNE



Rung at Knebworth. Herts, January 16ih. 1960.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.-At St. Paul's Church. on April 2nd. 1.280 Oxford T.B. Major: W. J. Brooks 1, Mrs. B. C. Castle 2. Mrs. H. Smith 3. B. C. Castle 4. W. Hunt 5, W. J. H. Parker 6. S. G. Day 7. H. Smith (cond.) 8. First of Oxford T.B. Major for 1. 2. 3. 6. 7. 8. First of T.B. Major as conductor. Sonning Deanery Branch quarter.

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Bells will be heard prior to the broadcast of the morning service on Sunday, 24h, at 9.45 a.m. in the West Home Service. from Sutton Veny Parish Church, near Warminster, Wiltshire. The service will be conducted by the Rector, the Rev. D. V. Evening, and the captain of the ringers is Mr. A. Eyres.

Mr. Alfred Ballard, of Leicester, rang his 800th peal on March 22nd.

South Wales Nomads at their meeting at Llanfrechfa, elected three new members. Despite the rain, which persisted all day, the meeting was well attended. A motor-cycle shuttle service was operated at the conclusion to get all ringers home.
Immediately after the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Sams, at Nazeing, on April 2nd, six members of her family rang the bells for a short touch, her father being the tower captain. A peal of Plain Bob Minor followed and afterwards the band was kindly entertained by Mr. C. Sams.

Winchester Cathedral band informs us that there will not be a practice either in Holy Week (which is usual), or in the following week. They expect to be open to visitors on April 27 th at 7.30 p.m. and on subsequent Wednesdays. The College Youths are attempting a peal on the Cathedral bells on Saturday, April 23 rd.

Mr. Seymour R. Barker, tower captain of St. John the Baptist, Cardiff. has been ill for the past five months, but is now on the road to recovery. He has been associated with this tower since 1906, and has rung over 100 peals in its belfry. Perhaps his most memorable peal was that of Stedman Triples, rung on January 20th, 1938. in this tower, by Past Masters of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association. The band consisted of John Phillips (Master, 1931) treble, S. R. Barker (1932) 2, Fred Atwell (1901) 3, J. W. Jones (1898) 4. Frank Bailey (1922) 5, Charles Perry (1928) 6, Albert Pitman (1926) 7. Tom Pige (1910) tenor.

GOSSIP
The Coventry Diocesan Guild are making their first contact with the new Cathedral and its authorities at their annual meeting on April 23rd. The service will be held in the Chapel of the Cross in the new Cathedral, and tea served in huts in the Cathedral precinct.
After being silent for ten years, the bells of Stow Bardolph, Norfolk, were rung to a quarter peal on March 30th.

The late Mr. Harry E. Wills, concerning whom information was recently requested, rang in three peals at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin. in 1927, when he was a member of St. Patrick's Change Ringing Sociey.

We are still receiving quarter peals for the birth of Prince Andrew. The latest to be received is from Eastham, Wirral, Cheshire, rung on February 19th. Methods rung were Platn Bob Minor and Single Oxford and the band consisted of B. C. W. Jenks (first quarter) 1, G. Halford 2, Mrs. F. R. Ferris 3, R. E. D. Hamn 4. K. C. Edwards 5, F. R. Ferris 6.
Mr. Hugh Falkner, of the College of Technology, Kingston, Jamaica, is never certain of the sequence of the arrival of his "Ringing World ': This is how his copies have arrived this year, January 1 st , January 15 th, February 5 th, January 22nd, February 12th, January 8th, January 29th and February 19th. He writes: - I really wouldn't know what method of change ringing could produce that order from normal rounds.' He send; greetings to Cirencester and Croydon ringers.

In St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, on February 28th, the Very Rev. J. W. Armsirong, Dean of the Cathedral, dedicated a memorial brass peal board in the ringing chamber, erected in memory of Mr. R. S. F. Murphy, P.C., who was a member of the St. Patrick's Society of Change Ringers for 59 years and president for nearly 25 years. Members of the family and his fellow ringers were present at the ceremony.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## WEDDINGS

Two Slough Ringers Married
Slough ringers went all festive on Sunday, April 3rd, when two of their number, Mr. David Livingston and Miss Janet Adamson, were married at Slough Parish Church by the Rev. E. W. Perkins, Rector, and chairman of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Livingston came to Slough a few years ago from Sidcup, Kent, in connection with his work in the Post Office Telephone Engineering Department, and was taught to handle a bell by Mr. George Gilbert, of Burnham, but later joined the Slough band. Miss Adamson began ringing at Slough, while still a pupil at Slough High School, and has rung a number of peals in various methods

The wedding was held on Sunday as no choral services or wedding bells are allowed during Lent, and the Rector very kindly broke a year-old ban on Sunday weddings in the parish to please both David and Janet, and the ringers. The congregation included well over twenty ringing friends, and it was a great pleasure to have with them Mr. W Hibbert and Mrs. Pat Lewington, of St Laurence's, Reading, with whom the bride and bridegroom had rung a 'quarter' of Stedman Cinques a few days previously: Among the hymns chosen was "The Ringers" Hymn,' and the choir was certainly not needed to help with that, as the 'ringers' choir made their presence heard in no feeble manner.

After the ceremony the Rector, as president, made a presentation of china-ware to the happy couple, beneath the tower, on behalf of their ringing colleagues. They arrived at the church to the tune of Grandsire Caters and Bob Royal and left to the sound of Grandsire Caters and Cambridge Major. A quarter peal of Plain Bob Royal was rung in the evening, details of which appear elsewhere.
The reception was held at the bride's sister's home at Widbrook Common, near Cookham, where all the ringers present vated it the most enjoyable wedding they had ever been privileged to attend. The best man was Mr. John Norsworthy, captain of Bray-on-Thames ringers. and Miss Mary Adamson, sister of the bride. and also a Slough ringer, was bridesmaid. The happy couple are spending their honeymoon in South Devon. and on their return will live in Maidenhead.

## A Blunsdon Wedding

Two well-known ringers-Mr. Brian Bladon and Miss Lesley J. Hawes-were married at Blunsdon, Wilts. on April 2nd, the ceremony being ittended by local ringers and certain Friends of the Exercise.' The bridegroom taught the bride to ring at Stamford Hill, Tottenham.

The bride. dressed in ivory satin brocade, and wearing a coronet with short veil, was attended by two bridesmaids dressed in blue satin brocade. The best man was Anthony R. Peake.

The reception took place at 'The King's Arms, Swindon. and the honeymoon is keing spent in Somerset.

The bells at Blunsdon were rung before and after the service. A 720 of London Surprise Minor was rung by: B. S. Sheppard. Mrs. P. Mayne. W. H. Trueman. Miss F. Secker, Miss J. Secker and J. R. Mayne.

## Tips For Beginners-16

If you wish to start conducting you will find it a help to remember that you can call three bobs in the same position in consecutive courses to give a complete touch in any' method in which three bells are affected by a bob.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 16



MRS. P. J. STANIFORTH,

## President of the Ladies' Guild.

Mrs. P. J. (Jill) Staniforth can only be described as the gifted and talented daughter of brilliant parents, and the devoted wife of another equally brilliant ringer, Peter J Staniforth. Her record is so remarkable that it should stimulate all ringing members of her sex (aye, and the other sex, too!) to emulate her achievements. Yet in spite of all this Jill is a most modest and unassuming young lady. She stands high up in the affections of all who know her.

## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

On March 12th. members of the Society were very fortunate in being able to hear a most interesting talk given by Mr. YorkBramble on the instruction of those learning how to ring. The meeting was held at Christ Church at the kind invitation of the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Calderwell, the University tower of St. Michael's being too small for the occasion. Professor Brocklehurst, the president of the Society, was in the chair.

Mr. York-Bramble, who is the Principal of the College of Campanology, gave a most instructive talk-a talk which, being delivered with such attention to important detail and covering the ground from teaching the beginner how to handle a bell to when he learns change ringing, was divided into two parts, the second half following after a most delicious tea in the Church Hall. to which the Rector had very kindly invited us.

Another popular occasion was the coach outing of the term which took place the following Saturday and was attended by most of the Society. Towers visited were Stone. Tewkesbury Abbey, Quedgeley and Dursley, all of which gave us much enjoyment and new experience. especially Tewkesbury Abbey, where although the tenor sometimes required three people to handle it, there was still polite rivalry as to who should ring t.

After admiring the Abbey we had tea in one of the many picturesque cafes in the town and finished up at Dursley after visiting Quedgeley on the way. We arrived back at Bristol at about 11 p.m. after what, I think, all would have called a very enjoyable outing.

Born in 1928, she commenced her education in the County Primary School, and from there went to Newark Grammar School, finishing at Leicester Commercial School. After working for the Leicestershire County Council she took up secretarial work with the organiser of the County Council's Home Help Depart ment, at the age of 21 .

Because of the 1939 war, Jill had to learn her ringing the hard way, for the bells had been silenced. Not to be deterred, however, she learned to ring on handbells, and rang her first peal (Stedman Triples) with her parents and A. H. Pulling in 1942, before she could ring on tower bells. Indeed, she rang nine peals ' in hand ' before her first tower bell peal, again Stedman Triples, in 1944. She could only learn on silent tower bells-for. in spite of the war restrictions, the Leicester Cathedral band held regular silent practices.

The first opportunity she had to ring with the bells 'open' was when they were ordered to be rung for the El Alamein victory. Then she went forward with a rush, and in October, 1944, rang a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus-being only 15 years old. and the youngest of her sex to ring a peal of Maximus. Among the many other noteworthy performances of this extraordinary young lady are a peal of Stedman Sextuples the second ever rung) and a peal of Treble Bob 14 in. on handbells. She is the only lady who has rung Cambridge Surprise on handbells from Minor to Maximus, and in November. 1954. conducted a peal of London Surprise Major which was her parents' 100 th peal that year. She has rung peals in 19 Maximus methods. plus Spliced Surprise in 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 10 Maximus methods. Bristol Surprise Maximus is also amongst her achievements.
She married Peter John Staniforth in 1951. and they have one daughter, Rosemary, who was made an honorary member of the Ladies Guild when three weeks old. At the time this young lady was born, Jill was listening to a peal of Gartree Maximus, which was being rung at Leicester Cathedral, not far from the Nursing Home. Naturally, a lady with such fine accomplishments would soon be preferred for high office, and she served as secretary. Midland District, Ladies' Guild, from its formation; Central Council representative Ladies' Guild from 1951 to present date: District Committee member and District chairman. Leicester Diocesan Guild. and in 959 was elected President, Ladies' Guild. Her peals total is tower 266, conducted 16, handbells 108 , conducted one, 374 in all.
It is safe to predict that under Jill's capable leadership and example the Ladies' Guild will progress to even greater heights.

JAFUS.

## WEST DORSET RINGERS' GIFT TO CANON C. C. COX

Bell ringers from eight West Dorset towers gathered in Bridport Church House recently o make a presentation to Canon C. Carew Cox, who retired in December. after 31 years as chairman of the West Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Canon Cox recejved a wrist watch from the ringers, the presentation being made by Mr. J. Barrett, the West Dorset Branch secretary.
Mr. Barrett said that looking back through the minute book. he realised that considerable progress had heen made by the branch during Canon Cox's 30 years as chairman. It was largely due to his untiring work for the branch that it was in its present healthy state.

There were about 50 members present and Mr. Barrett said the size of the gathering was indicative of the respect in which Canon Cox was held.

Thanking the members for their generosity and good wishes, Canon Cox said it had been a pleasure to work for such a smooth-running branch with such able officers and loyal members.

Members rang the bells of St. Mary's Church before and after the presentation.

## A STAFFORDSHIRE VILLAGE TOWER


[Photo by permission of 'Stone Guardian.'

This picture is given as typical of English ringing in our villages today. It was taken on a practice night at St. Mary's, Swynnerton, near Stone. Left to right in front are three juveniles, Derek Howard, Leslie Howard and Malcolm Skiffins. In the centre is the Ringing Master (Mr. W. H. Watkins). Miss E. Hotston and Miss Ann Vickery, and behind is Mr. A. Vickery. Two other members of the company, W. Warrillow and Miss Antonie Vickery, are not in the picture.
Swynnerton was at one time the living of the late Rev. J. B. Frith, who was a member of the Central Council from 1932-35 as the representative of the North Staffordshire Association and was instrumental with Mr. W. R. Frith in getting the bells rehung in 1926, the work being done by James Groves. of Birmingham. He rang in a peal (Grandsire Doubles) on the bells on February 23rd, 1929. the other members of the band who came from Stone being Willis Buckley, Harry Hodson. Jack Heal. Arthur Rowley and Claude Templeton.
In 1939 the present tower master took over and Mr. Watkins has remained in office ever since. The hells were rehung in February, 1954. and were rededicated by the Bishop of Lichfield.
The weights of the light six are: Treble 4 cwt ., second 4 cwt. 23 lbs.. third 4 cwt . 2 qr. 2 lbs.. fourth 4 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lbs., fifth 5 cwt .19 qr . 4 lbs ., tenor 7 cwt . 19 qr .8 lbs . in A.

# $720 \ln 14$ Methods 

Containing: Treble Bob, Plain, Alliance. Special Alliance. Little and Little Court.

23456 A 6ths (Special Alliance)
56342 B 6ths (Special Alliance)
42635 Stedman (Plain)
35264 B

- 64235 B 6ths

35426 Stedman
26543 B 6ths
43652 Crayford (Little)
52364 B 6 ths
S64325 Bastow Little Court
-36425 D Alliance (Ordinary)
43562 Bastow
54236
S 25463 B 2nds
34625 A 2nds
56234 B 2nds
42356 Little Bob
63542 Stedman
-42563 Caernarvon Castle Delight (T.B.)
35642 Warwick Castle Delight (T.B.)
26435 Caernarvon C
54326 Warwick C.
63254
-54263
32654 B 2nds
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## - By Harold Chant

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62534 B 6ths
34256 A 6ths
S 56243 Lytham
32456
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-25643 Bastow
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D (Ordinary Alliance) x. $14, \mathrm{x} .36,12, x .14$. h.I. 3. I.e. 6ths 42635 .

The names of some of the methods I have not got. perhaps. indeed. they have never been named. When the Minor Collection makes its appearance in a few years time, the vexed question of names for many of these methods may be settled once and for all.

LECHLADE, GLOS.-On April 5th. at No. 14. Thames Street. 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: H. N. Evans (first in hand and as cond.)
G. W. Land (first quarter at first attempt)
$3-4$

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Chertsey District

Owing. perhaps, to the warm spring weather. the meeting at Ottershaw on April 2nd attracted representatives from most towers in the district and also several visiting ringers from places as far distant as Amersham.
Prior to the service. conducted by the Rev. D. Hiam. those present stood in silence in memory of Mr. Bob Andrews, who had passed away during the week. Until his retirement. due to ill-health, five years ago. he was a faithful and respected member of the Ottershaw band. and it was with deep regret that all those who knew him received the news of his passing. He was a regular attender at Guild meetings and always inspired every. one with his friendly attitude and words of advice.
Following a very good tea at the Otter Hotel. a short business meeting was held. Mr. F. Hawthorne thanked the Vicar. organist and all those concerned in organising the meeting. Before returning to the belfry. where ringing continued until $8.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. a collection was made for the Cathedral Bells Fund.
H. E. P.

A different clergyman came to the village. On meeting a veteran in the churchyard, he said: "So you are one of the ringers. John?" John replied: "Yes, sir:" Clergyman: You have been ringing a good many years?' John gave the same answer. He then asked: "Did ever you ring the old year out and the new year in?' John quickly replied: 'Oh yes, sir, hundreds of times. - G. E. SYmonds.

IT IS WHAT THE RINGER SAYS THAT COUNTS:

## 'POULARD' BELL ROPES

‘. . ARE WEARING WELL - NO TROUBLE FROM STRETCHING

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## STRAIGHT WORDS TO 'BIG FOUR' OF VARSITY RINGING

Dear Sir-If, as Mr. Lakin believes, the other University Ringing Societies have been neglected by the 'hig four,' how can he be certain of our ringing standards?

Where do our Southern contemporaries find cause 10 class themselves as the "big four from the peal columns? The number of peals. relatively speaking, is no true guide to the standard of a ringing society. Some of the best striking in the country comes from ringers who have never taken part in a peal attempt. A well struck peal of Plain Bob, also. is often a much better achievement when people are learning (which is, I am told, what we come to University for) than one of a new Surprise method fired round-this despite the views of a certain well-known ringer who thought peals of Plain Bob were rung by some people as "safe" to assist their peal totals.

If people were to read further into their Ringing World " they would not find the other Universities lagging so far behind. Of the advertised tours that of Manchester seems. besides heing the longest. by far the most ambitious. Also a peal week is being planned for the early summer. and tours of the Lake District and Scotland have already been enjoyed this year.
Our handbell ringers at . Tech' may not have the time or inclination to ring peals but their one achievement this year has been very great. To ring non-stop for 11 hours, whether or not the ringing followed Central Council decisions. is magnificent, and we must also remember it helped to raise moncy for very deserving charities-and who hold the record for Rag collections?
Although we cannot claim to be of the same resident size as Cambridge and others. eight bells are always rung at Salford and attendances of over 20 are normal at Tuesday night practices when up to 12 -Spliced is rung. Members also avail themselves of the practices in the area, especially at the Town Hall and Cathedral. where opportunity is provided 10 learn proficiency on the higher numbers.

Manchester are bringing themselves up (or perhaps it's down) to the level of the other four by contemplating Central Council affiliation. Any idea the Southerners have that they form. the big four should here and now be scotched. And Manchester are sure there are other Societies as well as themselves who could scolch the theory.
As far as the Universities Association is concerned it provides little more than a marriage hureau (that's what you said. Mr. Roaf, I believe). Normally all their activities are definitely southern. both in origin and location. It is with some delight we see that they are coming as far north as Sheffield this year. I hope they bring plenty of soap!Yours sincerely.

## R. J. JOHNSTON.

Honorary Secretary.
Manchester University Guild of Change Ringers.

## A BELL RINGER'S ADVENTURE

Dear Sir.-With reference to the article Bell Ringer's Adventure on page 236, the original story was named. The Man in the Bell: and was written by W. E. Aytoun, who lived from 1813-1865.
Incidentally. I first read this story in hed at 12 midnight. with a howling gale outside!Yours faithfully.
Penarth. Glam

## FIRST PEAL AT HALKYN?

Dear Sir.-With reference to the peal at Halkyn. Flintshire. I am given to understand that a peal has never previously been rung at this tower. We did make an attempt in 1953 but were defeated hy one of the ropes slipping wheet and the excessive noise in the ringing chamber. Since that time the bells have been overhauled and the wheels. which were in a bad condition. renewed. This "go is now quite good. although they are still somewhat noisy in the ringing chamber
A further attempt was made last summer but unfortunately our visit coincided with the village fete, and as the noise of the bells interfered with the performance of the band. the attempt had to be abandoned. Another band also made an unsuccessful attempt.
It is understood that this church was built by the first Duke of Westminster, and it is interesting to note that with one exception they were all dedicated to St. Mary. The churches concerned are: St. Mary, Eccleston: St. Mary the Virgin. Pulford: Si. Mary without the Walls. Chester: St. Mary the Virgin. Halkyn. and St. John the Baptist. Aldford.-Yours faithfully.

## Upton-by-Chester

JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

## THE 1911 PEAL AT VANCOUVER

Dear Sir.-The letter from Mr. Weatherby of Los Angeles. in your issue of April lst makes interesting reading. but the information Which he gives concerning the peal at Vancouver in 1911 needs some correction.

Mr . Weatherby rightly mentions that all the band were Englishmen who were then resident in Canada. The ringers. however. were not as he states. but were as follows: Alfred C. Limpus (Windsor) treble. George W. Foster (Borden) conductor 2. Frank M Bressy (Wanstead) 3. Gilbert Pearce (Bristol) 4. William R. Warner (South Weald) 5. Matthew G. Bennett (Burbage) 6. Reginald J. Carrier (Bedford) 7. Farrington Jones (Wolverhamp(on) tenor

The time taken was 2 hours 59 minutes
The full story of this peal and the history of the bells appeared in .The Ringing World of August 18th and 25th. 1916.-Yours faithfully.
P. L. PEARCE.

Filton. Bristol.

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## THE ROYAL MAUNDY

## An Historic Occasion at Windsor

Last year for the first time since the Middle Ages the Royal Maundy-the Sovereign's gift of specially minted silver coins-was distributed by the Queen it St. George's Chapel. Winasor Castle.

Among those privileged to receive the traditional purses was William Welling, of Old Windsor. I wonder if this is the jirst time a ringer has been so honoured?

It was a simple ceremony. not to be forgotten By those present-the warm sping sunshine filled the Chapel as the colourful procession of Military Knights, children of the Chapcl Royal, choristers. clergy and almoners followed by the slight figure of Her Majesty the Queen passed up the nave into the Quire to the strains of Praise to the Holiest in the height.

The great dishes containing the alms in little green and white and red and white purses were then horne on high by the Yeomen of the Guard.

The service proceeded and the Queen came down into the nave and gave away the litule purses to her people of Windsor.

The triumphant strains of Praise. my soul. the King of Heaven ended the ceremony and the Queen passed on her way leaving sunshine in the hearts of her people

The distribution of alms and the washing of feet on the Thursday of Holy Week is ol great antiquity. The Maundy can be traced back in England to the 12 th century, and there are records of the distribution having been made on Maundy Thursday from the reign of King Edward 1 .

The service derives its name from the Latin word 'mandatum meaning a commandment. and its opening words have always heen A new Commandment give I unto you, etc.

From the beginning of the 15 th century. the recipients have numbered as many old men and as many old women as the Sovereign is years of age. Fach of them receives, in the specially minted Maundy money, as many pence as the Sovereign is years of age. The Maundy is distributed in the traditional red and white purses. They are placed on the silver gilt Maundy dish which dates from the reign of King Charles 11 and is part of the regalia.
The Lord High Almoner and his assistants are girded with towels in remembrance of the feet washing which was once part of the service. and they carry nosegays of sweet herbs. The service used to be held whenever the Sovereign was in residence. For many years it took place in the old Chapel Royal (now the Banqueting Hall) at Whitehall Since 1890 it has usually been held at Westminster Abbey. In 1955. however, it was held at Southwark Cathedral to mark the golden jubilee year of the diocese of Southkark. and in 1957 at the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban.
In medixval limes the Sovereigns sometime:s - kept their Maundy at Windsor. but this would appear to be the first time that the service has been held in the existing Chapel of St. George. G. E BARKFR.

## SUNDAY SERVICE NEWS

## Sapente, Leies.

On April 3rd. six lady members of All Sitints. Sapcore. Sunday service band rany a course of Cambridge Surprise Minor. They were: Dorothy Page 1. Mrs. M. E. Brown 2. Christine Stralford 3. Jennifer Siratford 4. Dorothy Stratford 5. Rita Stratford 6. Five of the above also rang a touch of London Surprise Minor, with Michael Brown to make the sixth. Our ladies grace our belfry with brains as well as beaty: writes M. F. B.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK

We continue our new series of arricles dealing with terms and words met in change-ringing which will be of great help to beginners and also to many other readers. This list has been compiled by a member of the Central Council. who would like in the preparation of this glossary to acknowledge the help given by other well-hnown ringers.

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS. - This is an advisory hody which meets annually. its deliberations and conclusions being designed for the benefit of the Exercise ats a whole. The Council consists of representatives members elected by affiliated societies; honorary members: and life members. Affiliated societies are required to subscribe to an undertaking loyally to abide by the rules and decisions of the Council. The first mecting of the Council was held on Easter Tuesday. 1891. and-well much more can be read in the Central Council Handbook containing seventy pages. on sale at two shillings and sixpence per copy.
CHANGE:-A change implies a different order in which the bells strike-a change from the previous order. To explain with figures 123456 or rounds
214365 first change as in Plain Bob Minor 213456 is also a change from rounds and could be rung in a tower where call changes are used to produce the music of the bells In method ringing the rules require that to produce a change any bell may move only one striking position at each change.
CLEAN PROOF SCALE.-This term is applicable to Treble Dominated methods: that is, to methods in which the treble takes on a special work, different from that of the other bells, defining the structure of the method by periodically returning to lead. The LEAD is used as the unit for the proof of such methods, the process of proving being essentially that of determining whit leads contain changes common to the first lead of the method: i.e.. the lead beginning with rounds.
Confining our attention to symmetrical methods, the arrangement of places in the second half of the lead is a mirror image of that in the first half. This symmetry always makes it possible to ring one and the same lead both forwards and backwards. To put it another way. it is always possible to choose two leads beginning with different rows which are actually identical. the rows in one being arranged in the opposite order to those in the other.

Now in the case of methods where the treble plain hunts it is easy to show that the above kind of repetition is the only one that can occur-apart, of course, from the even more obvious pne of ringing the same lead over again in the same direction. Such methods. e.g.. Double Norwich Court Bob Major. are said to have a Clean Proof Scale and this is the first sense in which the term may be used. The second sense, which is more complex, concerns methods where the treble hunt contains dodges. It is then possible for duplication of rows 10 occur by a mechanism different from that described above. The process of proof is still the same in essentials but more complicated in practice since it will often be found that there are many leads which share rows with the first lead. When these leads have been found the proof of the methods is strictly finished. but it is usually convenient to proceed a stage further and rearrange the information so that it is known to what courses the leads belong which are false against the leads contained in the plain course. Sometimes it will be found that no falseness occurs in courses where the tenors occupy the same relative position as they do in the plain course. In such cases. e.g.. Bristol Surprise Major. the method is said to have a Clean Proof Scalc with the tenors together. or often more briefly. it is simply said to have a Clean Proof Scale.
It should now be easy to understand other more specialised uses of the term. As an
example, consider London Surprise Major If calls are made at In and Fifths a composite course is formed comprising a section with the tenors parted sandwiched between two sections with the lenors logether. This arrangement has the property that none of the leads false against the course beginning with rounds occurs in any of the other possible courses. Thus. provided only this type of course is employed, there is no possibility of falseness. This is expressed by saying that - In and Fifths London has a Clean Proof Scale.'

COURSING ORDER.-Coursing order is one secret ol success. so if you have desires of becoming a complete ringer. study this subject as much as you can by grasping the fundamentals from available literature, putting your pen to paper and then applying your knowledge in a practical way in the ringing chamber. It is an interesting subject and undoubtedly adds pleasure in the execution of ringing, moreover, it is so important that if each ringer knew only his coursing bell then there would be just nothing (indisposition. a broken rope, conductor miscalling, or the like excepted) which could go wrong in the completion of any touch or peal. Coursing order simply means the order in which the various bells are coursing each other. Admittedly it becomes complicated in some methods, particularly Surprise methods. but it will grow with you as you gain experience.

Write out the Plain Hunt or Original on six bells and you will see that the bells come to lead in the order 2.4.6.5.3, 1. This is the coursing order. Imagine you are ringing the second, you will see that the fourth takes you off lead, you then strike over or after the sixth. then the fifth. then the third, then the treble. when you will be up behind or at the back striking last. As you hunt down to lead you again strike $4.6,5,3,1$, in that order which is the coursing order to the exclusion only of your bell. Now, imagine again that you are ringing the second, still to Original, and, we will say, the fifth took you off lead. you would be entitled to call to the fourth to take you off lead and to call to the fifth that he should be behind and coursing the sixth and certainly not be taking you off lead. To press one of my points, the fifth would not attempt to take you off lead if he knew the coursing order as the only bell he takes off lead is the sixth.

Have a look at Plain Bob-which is similar to Original up to the time the treble gets back to lead-but do not include the treble as this hell continues plain hunting and does not do the work of the method as the other bells.

CROSS SECTION.-This term means the point at which the treble passes from one dodging position to the next. e.g.. from 1-2 to 3-4 going up or in reverse when coming down to the lead. The following diagram should make it clear:-


## OBITUARY

## MR. ROBERT J. ANDREWS

In our last issue we briefly announced the death of Mr. Robert J. Andrews, of Addlestone, Surrey.
Mr. Shepherd writes: Mr. Andrews came to Addlestone from the Dorking district and was a keen worker and supporter of the Chertsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. While working as a welder he met with a serious accident in a gas explosion and this affected his eyesight, caused a serious illness and cut short his ringing career.
Affectionately known as 'Boh.' he did what he could in his quiet, but thorough, way and his love for a quarter peal on six or cight bells was great. He was only 48 when he was called to higher service and he was silently remembered on the day of his funeral iApril 2nd), when his District met at Ottershaw, the tower where he loved to help. teach and conduct.

## MR. H. E.. WILLS AN' APPRECIATION

In our issue of March 25th. R.F. L. paid tribute to the memory of Mr. H. E Wills. who died on March 5th. Mr. T. A. Blow. leader of St. Peter's Society, South Croydon. sends the following appreciation of Mr. Wills' work for ringing during the years he was at Croydon:
For many years Mr. Wills was a member of St. Peter's band. South Croydon, joining in 1916. He held. at different times, all the offices of the Society and was elected leader in 1939. When the war came. he had to go to Yorkshire on Government work. During the periods he was able to spend in Croydon. in those years. he taught some of the members of the Girls' Club, attached to the church. to ring handbells and siient bells. This was of great help in forming the nucleus of a band to ring the open bells immediately it was allowed: the 1939 team being weakened through losses by death and members being retained in the forces.
In the belfry of St. Peter's Church. his name is recorded as having rung a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal in May. 1931, and a peal of Stedman Caters in November, 1935. There is no doubt that he rang other peals. but his great interest was to help keep a band logether for service and practice ringing.

## MR. W. BAYLISS

With the death, at the age of 80 . of Mr. W. Bayliss. Bradley. Staffs, has lost the last remaining link with past activities at St. Martin's Church.

Bradiey Bill. as he was affectionately known locally. was a most conscientious service ringer. and until a few years ago could be seen at every meeting in the district. Although not a great peal ringer himself, his love of bells would take him almost anywhere to hear a peal.'
As the only survivor of the Bradley band. his joy was unbounded when, after a silence of some fifty years. the bells rang out again from this tower. just over two years ago. and a long cherished ambition became a reality as he took part in a few rounds on the new cight.

The same eight bells rang out half-muffied. for the funeral service, which took place on March 25th. conducted by the Rev. J. F. Heighway. Vicar of St. Martin's, assisted by the Rev. C. H. Barker, honorary clerical secretary. of the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society.

Later in the evening a last tribute 10 his memory was paid by the ringing of a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells halfmuffled. Those taking part were W. Davies (first quarter) 1. E. E. Speake 2, C. R. Godfrey 3. E. Stitch 4. A. D. Collins 5. G. Hughes 6. J. D. Holden (cond.) 7, F. Holden 8.

The sympathies of his fellow ringers go out to his two sisters with whom he lived throughout his life.
J. D. H.

## THE BELLS

Miss Jean Sanderson has compiled a brief history of the Church of St. Nicholas, Norton, Hertfordshire, which has been published by the Friends of the Church. With the growth of Letchworth Garden City this old church, dedicated between 1109 and 1119, is likely to be engulfed in the spread of urbanisation.
The tower was not built directly against the west end of the nave. but about eight feet away. and by 1453. when the towers three stages were completed. the natve had been lengthened to join the tower. the extension giving more than forty square feet extra space. The tower has an internal staircase as far as the bells, after which access to the low, pyramidal roof with what is commonly called it Hertfordshire spike, is over the bell-frame and up ladders. In common with the rest of the church the tower was repaired in 1908.

## THREE ORIGINAL BELLS

The bells of Norton have rung for centuries and their history is quite well recorded. In 1552 there were iij helles in the steple and : Siutice Bell.' W'as this Sanclus bell hanging in the cote above the chancel arch?
The bell which is now the seventh of the ring of eight was certainly one of the original three. This is one of the earliest bells of the Four Evangelists. so described because on its crown it bears four emblems. a man. a lion. an ox, and an eagle. It is dedicated: Sancte Petre ora pro nobis.' Between 1420 and 1440 lived Richard Hille. a London bell-founder. He died and his wife continued the business, placing a lozenge-shape above the founder's stamp. This bell has the diamond above the cross and ring' shield. so it should really be credited to Joanna Hille.
The present tenor is unlikely to be one of the bells there in 1552, although it is impossible to tell exactly when it was cast. or by whom. From its lettering and ornamentation it is probable that Robert Oldfield ( $1605-1640$ ) cast it. perhaps using a relative's stamp, for the style of the IHS closely resembles that of Henry Oldficld II, who died in 1619.

There is a long gap; then a treble bell was cast by John Briant, a Hertfordshire founder of very good reputation. The inscription is short: John Briant Hertford Fecit 1815.
This may have been the original treble recast and not an entirely new bell, because in 1813 the Archdeacon recommended that 'a new bell be also provided in the room of the old one which was crackt and spoilt.'
In 1827 the bell-frame was repaired by William Saville, of Barley.

Apparently the bells did not form a regular sict of three. for the interval between the rrehle and tenor was a major third, and between treble and second a minor third. Perhaps this grated upon someone's ears, for in 1908 a suggestion was put forward that the bells should be rehung and new ones should be provided. Nothing more happened until 1940. when the estimates were revised for work including turning and tuning. and the belfry steps were repaired. The bells and frame were dismantled and rehung.

## AUGMENTATION

In 1946 five more bells, were cast by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. and were hung in June. 1947.

The new five all have inscriptions. Each has the inscription John Taylor and Co., Founders. Loughborough. 1946, in addition to the individual one.
Treble: In loving memory of Polly and Cornclius Smith. the beloved parents of Gypsy Sniith. the Evangelist.

Second: To the glory of God and a thank-offering for our mother and father. Thomas B. Raban and Margaret. his sister.
Third: This hell was presented by Mrs. Annie Elizaheth Ashton (nee Chamberlain) in memory of the Chamberlain family, of Norton.
Fourth: Given by the people of Norton and their friends to the glory of God and in thankful remembrance of the men and women who served during the war, 1939 to 1945

Fifth: Presented by the British Tabulating Machine Company and their employees in this Parish, as a thank-offering to God, for

## OF A HERTFORDSHIRE TOWER


preservation from injury during the years of war, 1939-1945, and for ultimate victory.

A large share of the credit for this augmentation must be given to the late Thomas Werrett, whose enthusiasm did much to kindle local interest.

There are a few local customs at Norton. The 'sermon bell,' a single bell sounding just before the service begins, was rung here even in Elizabethan times. The bells were rung for the New Year, as in many places, but less common usage was the "vestry bell" chimed
before the annual vestry meeting. This has had to be abandoned in the last few years ats the meetings have been held in St . Georges Hall.
Details of the first peal on the bells, in 1948, are given on the memorial tablet to Mrs. 11. Banley on the east face of the tower arch. The oak board, bearing details of the Coronation peal. hangs on the south wall above the ringers gallery. This gallery was erected late in 1950: access to it is by a vertical ladder as it was inadvisable to pierce the wall of the internal steps.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR

It is greatly to be desired that suitable prayers be used before ringing for service, and before practice. It is suggested that the captain of each tower shall use one or more of the following prayers. and that on some occasions all present shall join in the Lord"s Prayer.

## BEFORE RINGING FOR SERVICE

Almighty God. may the sound of these bells. which we ring 10 Thy glory, cheer the sick. comfort the sorrowful. warn the heedless, and call all willing hearts to praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God. who by the mouth of Thy servant Moses didst command to make two silver trumpets for the convocation of solemn assemblies. grant that the church bells may continually call together Thy faithful people 10 praise and worship Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant. O Lord. that whosoever shall be called by the sound of the bells to Thine House of Prayer. may enter into Thy gates with thanksgiving. and into Thy courts with pratise: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Grant. O Lord. that all who are hindered by sorrow or sickness. or any other adversity. from assembling themselves together for Thy worship may, hy the bells. be reminded to their exceeding comfort. of the prayers of the church. and may rejoice in the communion of saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## BEFORE PRACTICE

Almighty God, who hast called us to fulfil the office of bell ringers in the Church: grant us to be of one heart and mind in Thy service, that the pealing of the bells may be dedicated to Thy glory and to the benefit of

## BELFRY PRAYERS

Thy Holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
Grant. O Lord. that they who with their outward ears shall. in their daily calling, hear the sound of the bells, may be stirred inwardly in their hearts. and draw nearer in spirit unto Thee, the God of their salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant. O Lord. that all they who shall minister to Thy service by ringing the bells of Thine House of Prayer may be filled with all reverence and godly fear; and, mindful of the sacredness of Thy Housc, may both in the discharge of their service, and in the whole course of their daily life, keep themselves pure. both in word and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Almighty God. giver of strength and skill. who alone makest men to be of one mind: Bless we beseech Thee, the work of our Association. Do Thou so guide us in the excrcisc of our art. that we may ring prosperity to Thy Church. peace and good ncighbourhood to all our menibers. and cternal glory to Thy Holy Name: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## GENERAL

Prevent us. O Lord. in all our doings. with Thy most gracious favour : and further us with Thy continual help: that in all our works begun. continued. and ended in Thee, we may plorify Thy Holy Namec, and linally, by Thy mercy. oblain everlasting life; through Jesu Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. and the love of God. and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost. he with us all evermore. Amen.

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Michacl. Michael.

## FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

WOODHAMS LOVELL.-The marriage of Denis Woodhams to Miss Maureen Lovell will take place at Immanuel Church. Streatham Common. on Saturday. April 23 rd, at 1.45 p.m. All ringing friends are welcome at the
church. church.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr and Mrs. G. Marrmer is now 6. Leach Grove. Leatherhead, Surrey.

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## MEETINGS

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL -Practice on Saturday, April 16 th. $6-7.30$ p.m. All welcome. 5651

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A.G.M.. Bridgwater, Easter Monday. April 18th. Service 12 noon. St. Mary's. Lunch 1 p.m.. Tudor Cafe. Meeting at St. Mary's Hall, 2.30 p.m. The following rings are available: Ashcott ( 6 ), 10 to 11 ; Huntspill (6). 10 10 11 : North Petherton (6) 10 to 11 ; Cossington (6), 10.30 to 11.30 : Woolavington (6), 10.30 to 11.30 ; Bridgwater (8), 10.30 to 12 , 4.30 to 5.30 and 7 to 8 ; Chilton Trinity (5), 5106 ; Durleigh (6), 5 to 6; Cannington (6) 6 to 7; Spaxton (6), 6 to 7; Wembdon (6), 7 to 8 . Tickets for luncheon, 6 s . (which are essential), can be obtained upon receipt of a S.A.E. (send no money now) from D. Hoare. 13, Coombend, Radstock.

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## EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS

 ASSOCIATION. - Annual meeting Easter Monday. April 18th. to be held at Sutton-in-Ashfield. Bells 2.30 p.m Tea 5. Bells $6.30-8$ p.m. Sorry for lateness of notice, previous one inadvertently omitted at ${ }^{\text {R }}$. W.' office. Names to B. A. Sollis. Pendene. Haddon Street. Sutton-in-Ashfield. Notts.-B. A. Sollis. Hon. SecELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will take place on Easter Monday. April 18th, at Ely. Ringing arrangements: Swavescy (6), 10 to 12; Over (8). 10 to 12; Longstanton (8), 10.30 10 12.30; Willingham (6), 11 to 1 : Coltenham (6). 12 to 2 : Swaftham Prior (6), 12 to 2: Burwell (8), 12 to 2: Soham (10), 1, to 3: Wiljurton (6). 1 to 3: Haddenham (6), 1.30 to 3 : Stretham (6). 2 to 3.30 : Littleport (8), 2 to 3.30. Service in Ely Cathedral 4.15 p.m. Gencral business mecting after iea. Towers available after tea: Stretham, Wilburton. Littleport and Sution (6).-H. S. Peacock. Gen. Scc.. 8. Roscrea Terrace. St. John's Sirect. Huntingdon.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnham District.-Combined practice at Worplesdon (8). Monday. Api it 18th. 6-9 p.m.-W. W Wright. Hon. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Annual mecting. Bromley, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon. Lunch I p.m. Bell Hotel. Reyuests for lickets at once 10 Mr. B. W May. Keithston. Keycol Hill. Bobbing. Sittincbourne. Towers available: Beckenham 10-11 a.m1.: Bromley SS. Peter and Paul, 10.30-11.45 i. .m. : Bromley. Si. I.uke, 10.30-11.30, $430-6.30$ : Chislehurst. The Annunciation: 4-5.30: Chislehurst. St. Nicholas'. 5.45-7 Greenwich 4-6: Hayes 10.30-11.30.46-7; Lewisham 4-6: West Wickham 10.30-11.30.E. S. J. Hatcher.

WORCESTERSHIRF AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.-Anuual meeting, Worcester. liaster Monday, April 18th. Service, All Saints 11.15 am . Business meting. College Hall, $12.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.n. Bulls ayailable:

Cuthedral (12) 6-7.30 p.m.. All Saints' (10) 10-10.30, 11-11.10 a.m. and 7-9 p.m. Claines (10). St. John's (8). S. Swithun's (6) and Kempscy (6) all 2.15-4.30 p.m.-J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow, Evesham. 5635
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-Mecting Easter Monday, April 18th. Felixkirk (6). Bells from 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Selected method, Cambridge.-Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec., Singleton Cottage, Sharow, Ripon.

HATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Axbridge Deanery. - Quarterly mecting at Compton Bishop. Saturday, April 23 rd . Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting to follow.-David H . White.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Bosley (6), on Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m.. Service 4.30. Tca 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. April 19 h . to H. C. Lonyon. 8. Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. Huses Macclesfield - Leek route.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Crewe Branch.-Wrenbury. April 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by April 20th. No name no tea-W. Kerr. 102. Moreton Road. Crewe. 5699
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual general meeting. Coventry. April 23rd. St. Michael's. Stoke. Coventry. bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service in the Chapel of the Cross in the new Cathedral. Coventry, at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the Huts in the Cathedral precinct after the service. Business mecting will follow in the same huts, at which proceeds from the Television Raffle will be handed over to the Provost. All Saints', Allesley. bells will be available after the meeting. Names for tea must be in by April 19th at the latest. to me. J. L. GarnerHayward. 8. Orchard Crescent. Coventry. No names no tea
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Annual general meeting. Derby. April 23rd. Committee St. Peter's Parochial Hall. 3.15 p.m. Service. Si. Peters Church. $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher. the Lord Bishop of Derby. Tea. St. Peter's Hall. 5 p.m. for those who send in names by April 19th. 10 B. P. Morris. Gable End. Greenway. Ashbourne. Derbyshire. Bells: St. Luke's (8) $2.30-4$ p.m.. Si. Peter's (8) $3-4.15$ p.m. and after mecting. also Cathedral (10) after meeting.
DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Meeting. Tickhill. April 23rd. Bells (8) 3 n.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, nlease. by Thursday, 21st. to Mr. I. Cannings. 15, Northgatc. Tlekhill.-R. J. Sanderson.
ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech BranchMecting. Terrington St. John. Saturday, April 23 rd . Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tei 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.W. District.Quarterly meeting, April 23rd. Walthamstow. Bells (10) 3 n.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in nearby hall. Names for tea, please. to Mr. H. Rumens. 32. Woodstock Road. E.17. 5674
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Annual meeting. Saturday. April 23rd. 2.15 p.m. at Christ Church Parish Hall. Devizes Road. Swindon. Lunch 5s. 6d. at 1 p.m. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p.m}$ 2s. 6 d . only for names received by April 16th. Names to E. Sutton. 15. Springfield Road. Swindow. Service at Christ Church 4.30 p.m. Ringing arrangements: Christ Church $11-12.30$ and 6-9. St. Mark's 10.30-12.30. Rodbourne Cheney 10.30-12.30. Siratton St. Margaret 10-12 noon. -Charles Rouse. Hon. Sec.. Churchdown. Glos. 5666
GUILD OI: DEV()NSHIRE RINGERS.-Snuth-West Branch.-Quarterly meeting. April 23rd. Ugborough ( 8 bells) from 2.30 p.m. Tea and meeting. Anchor Inn. 5 p.m. Names by April 18th to T. G. Myers, 79. Regent Street. Plymouth.

GUII D OF DFVONSHIRF RINGFRS Fieter Brameh-Meeting. Newton Si. Cyres. Salurdas: Aptil 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 o.m.-W. J. Aindrews. Broad. park. Brampford Speke.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Guildford District.-Meeting at Puttenham, Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Look up Double Court and Wells. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to S. Pontings, Highdown, Milford Heath. Milford. Godalming 2176.
HALIFAX ASSOCIATION -Ringing meeting Elland. April 23rd. Bells available 3-4.30 and 6.30 to 8 p.m. Teas previded at 2 s . 6 d . each. Please notify by April 16th, Mr. F. Linfoot. The Mouth. Wistons Lane, Elland,
No names no tea.-A. Farrand, Sec.
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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Clun District-Quarterly meeting. Knighton. Saturday. April 23 rd. 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please inform, by 21 st. Thomas Davies. No. 1. Church Street. Craven Arms. All welcome

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -

 Annual general meeting on Saturday, April 23 rd , at Watford. Service 4.30 p.m.. Tea 5.15 p.m. Important Business: (1) Proposed that the Benevolent Fund be wound up. (2) Alteration to Rule 10. Proposed that all peal fees. lack of Guild interest. Bells available: Langleybury (6) 9.30-11. Rickmansworth (10) 11.30-1, Bushey (8) 10-11.30. Elstree (6) 2-3. Aldenham (8) 2-3.45. Watford (10) 3 p.m. onwards. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 20th, to R. G. Bell, 131. Hamper Mill Lane, WatfordKENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterhury District.-Quarterly meeting, Teynham (6) Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 2 p.m., Service 4, Tea ( 2 s. per person) 5 p.m. Names together with cash by Tuesday, April 19th, to Mr. V. Page, No. 1, The Crescent. Teynham, Sittingbourne.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-Meeting at Great Chart. Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, to | Mr. L. Day, ${ }^{3 .}$ Ivy Cottages, Great Chart. |
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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District. - Quarterly meeting Tunstall. Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to T. Barton, 30, West Ridge, Sittingbourne. 5676
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Rossendale Branch.-Meeting at Helmshore, on Saturday. April 23 rd. Ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m.-J. Porter. Branch Sec. 5706
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.-Meeting at Deane. Saturday. April 23 rd . Bells 2.30 p.m. Business follows tea. Tea 5 p.m. Cups of tea only. Look up York-shire.-Thornley. Hon. Sec.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY-The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, April 23rd, at Leeds Parish Church. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at local cafe.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Annual general meeting, Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells available: Sileby (8) 10.30-11.30, Cossington
(5) $11.45-12.15$. Syston (8) 12-1, Kibworth (8) (5) $11.45-12.15$. Syston (8) 12-1, Kibworth (8)
$12-1$. Great Glen (6) $1.30-2.15$, Oadby (6) 2.30-3.15, Leicester All Saints' (8) 2-3.30, Leicester St. Margaret's (middle 8 ONLY) 2-3. Leicester St. John-the-Divine (10) 2.30-3.30, Leicester Cathedral (12), 3-3.55. Aylestone (8) 7-8.30, South Wigston (8) 7.30-8.30. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting, in Aylestone Parish Church Hall 5 p.m. A bus will leave Cathedral at 4.40 p.m. Aylestone. Numbers for tea, anticipated cost 2 s .6 d ., and numbers of seats on bus to undersigned hy first post Friday. April 22nd (none accepted later). General Committee meet in Vestry of St. John-the-Divine. Wednesday, April 20th, 7.45 p.m.-B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills. Leicester. (Tel: Wigston 3244).

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cicester. (Tel: Wigston 3244). SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.-Meeting Linton. Saturday. April
23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Please bring sandwiches. 23 rd . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Please bring sandwiches. invited.-Pamela J. Usborne, Sec.: 315, Loose Road. Maidstone. 5621
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD-Next meeting, Netherseale. Saturday. April 23 rd.
Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. All welcome. 5700

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONWestern. Branch.-Interim meeting at North Creake. on Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring your own teas.-C. Tovell. Branch Sec. 5679
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Southern Branch.-Meeting. Saturday, April 23 rd . at Pulham St. Mary. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Tuesday. April 19th. 10 Mr. E. Whiting, 25, Norwich Road. Pulham St. Mary, Diss, Norfolk-C. F. W. Phillippo, Hon. Sec. 5660

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-E. Berks and S . Bucks Branch.-Annual meeting Saturday. April 23 rd, at High Wycombe. Ringing. Hughenden, 2.30 p.m. Service, Wycombe, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Annual meeting 6 p.m. Names for tea by 19th.-Butler. 10. The Avenue, Old Windsor

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Banbury and District Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Somerton (6). Saturday April 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m.. Service 4 p.m. followed by tea and business. Afterwards Steeple Aston (6) 7 p.m. Names for tea by April 20th, to H. L. Roper. Adderbury. Banbury

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PETERROROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDRutland Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Empingham ( 6 bells). Safurday. April 23rd. 3 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday, to W. Clark. Middle Street. Wing, Oakham.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Culworth Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Moreton Pinkney, on Saturday. April 23rd. Service 4 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea not later than Tuesday previous. to A. E. R. Walker. Hon. Branch Sec.. Eydon, Rugby.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDPeterborough Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Castor (6). April 23rd. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday previous. please. to G. S. Bush.
18. Princes Sireet. Peterborough.
5658
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salisbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting. April 23rd, Tisbury. Service 4.15 p.m.. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by April 19th,
to Miss Eloie, 8. Albany Road. Salisbury. 5671 to Miss Eloie, 8. Albany Road. Salisbury. 5671
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.Dorchester Branch.-Quarterly meeting.
Preston on Saturday. April 23rd. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, April 20th. to G. H. Perry, 65. Preston Road. Preston. Weymouth.

## Dorset

SALISBURY GUILD - West Dorset Branch -Meeting at Whitechurch Canonicorum. Saturday. April 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please.-Barrett, 120. Gerrards Green. Beaminster.
SOUTH WALES NOMADS.-Practice meeting. Llancarfan. Glam. Saturday. April 23rd. Bells (4) 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. especially learners.-D P.. Hon. Sec. 5690

SOUTHWELL GUILD.-Annual meeting. April 23rd. Towers open: Mansfield 2.30-4.15 and 6.30-8. Warsop and Mansfield Woodhouse 2-3.45. Service at Mansfield 4.15 p.m. Tea in Church Hall. Mansfield 4.45 for those who notify by Wednesday previous. Mr. S. W. Fossey. 2. Patterson Place. Ravensdale. Mansfield. Business meeting following tea.-

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SUFFOLK GUITLD. -Annual general meeting. Bury St. Edmunds. Saturday. April 23rd. St. Mary's (8) 2-3 p.m.. Cathedral (10) 3-4, Service Cathedral 4. Tea 5 o.m. Palmers Restaurant. Business meeting 5.45 p.m., Abbot Anselm Institute. Cathedral 7-8 p.m. St. Marv's 8-9 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Adril 20th. to me-J. W. Blythe. Gen. Sec.. 29. Holton Road. Halesworth. Suffolk. 5664

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Eastern Division $\rightarrow$ Practice meeting at Ewhurst on April 23rd Tea 5 p.m. Please send names for tea to
F. Beeney. Sec.. Hillhrae. Carters Corner, Hailsham.
WTNCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUII. D. - Basingstoke District. - Quarterly meeting at Wootton St. Lawrence. on Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to J. Chesterman. Leacroft. Sherborne St. John. Basingstoke.

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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Micheldever. on Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells ( 6 ) available 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Village Hall at 2s. 6d. each. Names for tea essential by previous Tuesday, to $P$. Dickinson. Riverbank Cottage. Cheriton, near Alresford, Hants. 5719

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Quarterly meeting, Howden. Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells (8) 2.30 till 9 p.m Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall Names by April 20th, to Mr. E. A. Newham 31 Pinfold Street, Howden, near Goole. York shire.-H. S. Morley. Hon. Dis. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Chew Deanery.-Corporate Communion at Yatton on Sunday, April 24th. Bells 7 a.m Communion service 8 a.m. followed by breakfast.-D. G. Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec

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ANCJENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Meeting at Derby, Saturday, April 30th. Lunch (8s.) will be arranged at St . James' Hotel. St. James' Street, 1 p.m.. for those notifying, by April 25 th. Mr. J. F
Smallwood. Heatherbrae. South Park Avenue Darley Dale. Matlock. Towers available: St Alkmund's (8) 10.45-11.45 a.m., Cathedral (10) 11.45 a.m. -12.45 p.m.. St. Peter's (8) 2.30-3.15. St. Luke's (8) 4-5.30. St. Andrew's (10) 5.30-7.30 p.m. Business meeting 3.15 p.m at St. Peter's Parochial Hall. Train departs
St. Pancras 7.55 a.m. due Derby 10.21 a Party rate tickets available for those notify ing me by April 25th. John Chilcott. Hon Sec.. Kirklake. 67. Farley Road, Selsdon Surrey.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.W. District.Meeting at Littlebury (6) on Saturday. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed bv tea. New incumbent. please support.-G Blake. Dis. Sec., Roydon Hamlet. Harlow.

5704
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Lewisham District) and THE LADIES' GUILD.Ouarterly meeting. St. Martin of Tours* Chelsfield. Saturday. April 30th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 27 th . In Miss M. R. Andrews. 43. Wansunt Road Bexley.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONAnnual general meeting at Norwich on Saturday. April 30th. Service. St. Peter Mancroft Church. 4.15 p.m.. conducted by the Rev Michael Pavev, address by the Rev. Gratton Guinness of Starston. Tea. Chantry Hall. 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow immediately after tea. Ringing arrangements: St. George Colepate (6). St. Giles (8). St. Miles' (8). 2-4 and 7-8 p.m. if required. St. Peter Mancroft (12). 3.30-4.10 and 7-9 0.m. Names for tea hv Wednesday. April 27th. to Mrs. F. N Golden. ?6. Brabazon Road. Cromer Road Norwich. Cost 2s.-W. Love. Gen. Sec. 5705
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. Meeting at Sandiacre. Abril 30th. Bells 3 p.m Tea arrangements. Ringing evening at Stapleford Names fni tea early, Dlease.-A. Henson 23. Seymour Road. West Bridgford.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District -Meeting. Buxhall (6). Saturday. April 30th Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 D.m. Great Finhorough ( $\kappa$ ) evening. Names for tea must he in by April 27th.-H. Mitson. Sec.. Buxhall Stowmarket

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SUFFOLK GUILD-S.W District -Meet ing at Hartest (5) on Saturday. April 30th Bells 2.30 o.m Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. April 27 th. to Mr . George Garwood. The Green. Hartest. Bury 5686 Edmunds.

SURREY ASSOCIATION - The annual general meeting will be held at St. John's Croydon. on April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{0} . \mathrm{m} .$. followed hy tea and meeting in new hall adjoining. Notification for tea by April 2kih. to F. F., Collins. 17. Hamition Road. Thornton Heath.-R. I. F. Parsons. Hon. Gen. Sec.

## NOTICES-Continued

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Annual general meeting at Sheffield on April 30th. Bells available : St. Marie's R.C. ( $8,25 \mathrm{cwt}$.) 3-5 p.m. St. John's, Ranmoor ( $10,17 \mathrm{cwt}$ ) $3-4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cathedral ( $12,40 \mathrm{cwt}$.) $6.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea ( 2 s .6 d . per head) served in the Wolstenholme Hall at 5.15 p.m., followed by the husiness meeting. Names for tea by the 28 th inst., to Mr. H. O. Chaddock, 1, Hemsworth Road, Sheffield 8. Subscriptions are now due, and reports will be available.-L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road Bradford 9.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E District.Meeting Purleigh, Saturday, May 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 5712
HOLY TRINITY, HULL-An open invitation to an augmentation and rededication service on Saturday, May 14th. Service commencing at 2 p.m. Bells (12) available until 9 p.m. Teas available at Manor Cafe ( 2 min . from tower) until 5.30 p.m. Approx. numbers to F. G. Reed. 127, Holmgarth Drive, Bellfield Avenue. Hull.

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SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY-Est. 1623.-Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 25th. Bells (12) available from 11 a.m. 12 bell ringing guaranteed. Outing secretaries. please note.-L. E. Pitstow, Sec.. 4. Highfields.

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## LATE NOTICES

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Southern District. -April 23 rd meeting. Holy Trinity, Darlington, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Numbers for tea by April 21 st, to Mr. W. N. Park. 20. Bracken Road. Darlington. LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual meeting. Lincoln. April 30th. Cathedral Evensong $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in The Chapter House 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow in The Consistory Court. Those requiring tea, notify by Wednesday previous, Mr. J. A. Freeman, 95. Sincil Bank. Lincoln. Usual ringing arrange-ments.-J. Bray, Hon. Sec.

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## RINGING IN SUFFOLK

THE year 1960 is an important year in the annals of the Suffolk Guild of Ringers, as it saw the birth of the reorganisation of the Districts. From 15 the number has been reduced to six. Some of the old Districts were woefully short of members-Hadleigh had six, Framlingham eight and Eye nine. Organisation on such basis is not justified. The new arrangement has the full backing of the members, and the general secretary (Mr. John W. Blythe) reports: 'Officers have been ready and willing to undertake the duties involved, and I wish them every success; if all members play their part the seal of success will be guaranteed.

The past year has been 'full of life and promise.' An increase of over 30 brings the total of honorary and ringing members to 493. The report continues: 'There are signs of youth coming along in many parts of the diocese, and it is up to the more experienced ringers to help, instruct and encourage them in the art and so build a foundation which will enable our work to be carried on in sure hands in the years to come.'

Mr. Leslie G. Brett, the Ringing Master, reports 78 peals rung for the Guild in 1959. These came from 39 towers in the county and five on handbells. Although four of these were peals of Doubles and one of Plain Bob Major, it is most encouraging that this interesting technique of the art has again been revived. The total for the year falls below that of the last four years-four less than in 1958 - and much below the vintage year of 1957, when no fewer than 135 peals were rung.

No ringer rang 25 peals for the Guild during the year. Heading the list is Robert E. Lester, of Stowmarket, with 18, while the table of conductors was headed by John W. Blythe with 11 peals, followed by Roderick W. Pipe with 10. Peals were called by 25 ringers. As to the quality of peals, these were rung on all numbers of bells, except Cinques. Worthy of comment was the peal of London Surprise Royal at Grundisburgh; although rung by a mixed band it was the first for the Guild. Personal praise goes to Frank C. Pipe in ringing $9-10$ and conducting Bob Royal, also at Grundisburgh. The report also congratulates George E. Symonds on again calling Holt's Original.

Financially the Guild is in a sound position, with a balance on the General Fund of $£ 152$, some $£ 4$ less than last year. The major expense is printing the Guild report, £63, but towards this cost peal fees produced $£ 1116$ s. and advertisements $£ 12$ 10s. In the Bell Restoration Fund there is a balance of $£ 366 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$., grants having been made to Marlesford ( $£ 1010 \mathrm{~s}$.) and Offton ( $£ 55 \mathrm{~s}$.). These were the only two restorations to take place during the year, but
it is hoped in 1960 to complete both Aldeburgh and Eye At Aldeburgh the work consists of rehanging in a new frame capable of taking another two bells, and retuning. It is hoped that the bells will be reinstated by the middle of this year. There was also a new treble to make six at Great Thurlow.

The Guild is fortunate in having a technical adviser in the person of Mr. R. W. M. Clouston. During the year he has submitted a further 46 reports on the church towers in the diocese, making a total of 187 . Of these reports, 15 covered rings of bells and, alas to state, only six are ringable. One of these towers was Covehithe, where changes were rung for the first time since 1939. Mr. Clouston's report concludes with this appropriate observation: " There are now quite a number of parochial authorities in no doubt about the unsatisfactory state of their bells. It must be the duty of every member of the Guild to do what they can to get the necessary work undertaken and to see that the bells are in good order and regularly rung for Sunday services.'

## ST. SIDWELL'S, EXETER

THE dedication is quite unusual and the writer has failed to trace a similar one. In 1942 the church was severely damaged and the tower had a hit which tore away half of it from top to bottom. The fine ring of ten bells fell and was buried in the debris, but the front nine were taken to Loughborough without the tenor, which remained buried for some years until discovered during clearing operations.

To see St. Sidwell in stained glass I used to visit Exeter Cathedral and look at the east window, where she could be seen with a scythe at her side and a well behind her. This window was a replacement (1381) of the original window, and the only other place where this British lady of high rank in the 8th century is commemorated in stained glass is in the north transept at Wimborne Minster

In order that readers can know something of St. Sidwell herself, the church now being restored, together with some bell history, here is the result of some amateur researches.

In Leland, Volume III, folio 34, the following is recorded: "The Suburbe that lyith without the East Gate of Excester is the biggest of al the Suburbes of the Towne, and berith the name of S . Sithewele, where she is buried, and a Church dedicate ther to her name.' St. Sidwell, or St. Sativola, was an Exeter saint, the eldest of four sisters. the others being Juthwara, Wilgitha and Eadwara. Baring Gould says she had a brother named Paul who founded the church of St. Paul in Exeter. Benna, her father, appeared to be a man of wealth who lived outside the city
walls early in the 8th century. After his death her stepmother coveted the fortune left to Sidwella by her first father, so she arranged with one of the servants, a reaper, to kill her. Tradition says that this was done while she was engaged in devotion at a spot beside a well near the church. Her head was cut off with a scythe in the year 740, but Professor Freeman gives the date as 678 . St. Sidwell was a Britisher who died for her faith, and a church was erected to her memory about the year 749 .

Bell history does not tell us much, but during the siege by the Parliamentarian Army the ancient church of St. All-hallows-on-the-Wall had a culverin (long cannon) placed on it by the Royalists, and it was practically demolished in the fight. Afterwards the Republican Governor ordered the three bells in its ruined tower to be melted down for cannon. Then it was that a worthy brewer of St. Sidwell's, a churchwarden named George Cheeke, went privately by night with his dray and several horses and, helped by some enthusiastic parishioners, carried them to his own belfry for safety. In the records of Allhallows-on-the-Wall. three bells, formerly in the old tower, were sold for $£ 30$, about 1657.

Those who assert that St. Sidwell's obtained the back eight bells from the old Allhallows Church in Goldsmith Street have overlooked one point. viz.: Did this church ever have eight bells? Tiverton had the first eight in the county. It is on record that Allhallows sold their bells to St. Sidwell's in 1767 because they were in debt, but the actual number is not known. That St. Sidwell's did have eight bells at that period is confirmed by an entry dated February. 1774, where a licence was decreed by the Bishop to take down the eight old bells and recast them into eight. Pack and Chapman supplied the back eight in 1773, and two trebles were added by Mears and Stainbank in 1891.

I hope the day is not far distant when the bells of St. Sidwell's Church will ring again.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

## TEN BELL PEALS

CREWE. CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat.. April 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 20 cwt . in E
Richard D. Langford. Treble tFrank R. Murion..
*Michael Aliman
+Roy Worrall . 3 Geurge A. Packer John E. Brough ... 4 Bernard J. Ongley

Bernard J. Onglle
Ivor R. Nichols Ernest Pimlotit ... 5 Ivor R. Nichols . . . . Tehor
Composed by J. Reeves. * First peal of Royal. † First on ten bells.

## CULLOMPTON, DEVON

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Sal.. April 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Mintles, At thy: Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 19 cwt 2 qr .4 lb .
 Composed by W. P. Whitrhead. Conducted by Reginald G. Hooper. Composed by W. P. Whitrhead. Con
Rung by members of the Society of Friends of the Exercise as at wedding compliment to Mr. Brian Bladon and Miss Lesley Hawes, who were marriç on April 2nd.

GRUNDISBURGH: SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., April 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRUNDISBURGH SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 8 cwt .23 lb . in G .
Jamlis Bennett .. .. .. Treble Frank G. Bloomfield Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 John R. Mayne. Charles J. Stidgley. . 3 Hilda G. Snowden G. William Critchiey . . 4 Roderick W. Pipe .. James B. Murley .. .. 5 Cecil W. Pipe .. .. .. Tentor Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peal in the method.
A birthday compliment 10 George W. Pipe
GRUNDISBURGH SURPRISE ROYAL
-30-4-12-1230-14-30-16-5-16-5
10ths place lead-end 1426385079. 4ths place bob.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CHERTSEY, SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minules.
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt .14 lh.
Sallie Buchanan
Dennis G. Blows
John F. M. Maybrey
Treble *Martyn W. Harboit
Stanley G. Ponting
David G. Wright .... 4
Composed by Arihur Knights.
Roy Collins $\quad+7$

* 25th peal

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Chijrch of St Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter's variation.
Harold Hamer
Michael D. Fishwick
John P. Partington.
Treble Gordon Roihwell

Joseph Thornley
2 Philip J. H. Hudson Philip J.
Ivan Kay Colin S. Taylor
enor 18 cwt .

Rung as a welcon Conducted by IVan Kay
Rung as a welcome to Eileen Elizabeth Ann, daughter of the sixth ringer, born February 28th, 1960. Also as a 32nd wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor and Mrs. Kay.

> NORTON MALTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
Olt Sat.. March 26. 1960 , in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.
Af the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{3}{6} \mathrm{cwl}$. in F .
Fred Hodgson
Treble $\mid$ *William Hudson
Harold Spencer..
Harold Parker

| Willam Fay | . | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas M. Cox | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

John A. Roberishaw .. 4 Bert Sutton ................... Ber
Composed by J. Howlett. Conducted by Berr Sulton.

* First peal of Bob Major 'inside.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE,
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn Branch.)
On Sat.. April 2, 1460, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.
AI the Calhedral Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Teilor $25 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
Arthur Tomlinson .. . Treble John Pilkingion
Brian A. Tomlinson..
2
3 Vicior J. C. Worman Smish ..
Laurence J. Williams
Charles Clegg .. .. .. 4 Ernest I. Gower .. .. Tenor
Composed hy C. Midulfion. Conducted by Norman Smith.
Rung to mark the wedding of M. John. Halliwell (the local captain) and Joan Wilkinson.

BOLSOVER. DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 2. 1900 , in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At ihe Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 $\frac{3}{3}$ cwt
Mrs. B. Holmes
Pat A. M. Halls
Treble Iohn R. Ketibiringham
Howaris Scoll

W. Fric Critchley

Composed and Coirducted by W. Eric Critchley.

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## ECCLES, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$
Carol Fernley
Treble A. Peter Whitehead Neil Bennett

## FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .8 lb . in G.

| arold Hamer .. . . Treble | *Gordon Rothwell. |
| :---: | :---: |
| John P. Partington . 2 | Geoffrey S. Mills |
| *Michael D. Fishwick | Roger Leigh |
| Geoferey Fothergill | J. Barry Pickup |

Geoffrey Fothergill
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

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

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., April 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes, At the Church of St Giles.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In seven methods. comprising 1,280 Rutland, 960 London, 640 each of Wembley. Yorkshire and Bristol, 480 each of Superlative and Cambridge. with 129 changes of method. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb . in E.
Claire Dillamore ...Treble Margaret A. Swann Norah M. Randles

* Peter A. Sharp

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

## George H. Randles

 Geoffrey R. Parker John Walder 6Jack L. Millhouse . . . Tenor Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Tues., April 5, 1960. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middeton's.
Muriel R. Page
Willam J. Button
James M. Bailey
Walier W. Miler

Treble
2

Tenor 16 cwt . in F

A hirthday complinducted by Li:slie G. Brett. tower 'twice

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., April 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5184 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . 1 yr. 22 lb . in F
Blrnard F. L. Groves .. Treble Carol Fernley William H. Dowse .. ...
Eilelen M. Fearn
Basil Jones
Composed by J. Parker.
*Roland F. Eccles. 5
6 Peter Laflin
Brian Harris
Tenor
Conducted by Brian Harris.

* First peal of Superlative Surprise Major

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter (Elizabeth) to Shirley and Brian Harris.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs.. April 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes. At the Church of St. Pi:ter.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Tenor 18 cwt .3 qr .11 lb . in E.
*hristine B. Clayton .. Treble *Klith Abbuit
F. John Nilson
tJohn P. Partington Gordon Ruthwell.

Michael. D. Fishwick
Derek Ogden
John Robinson ... Tenor
Composed by J. Carier.
Conducted by Dlrek Ogden.
First peal in the method. $\dagger$ 25th peal together

## ANDOVER. HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. April 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5184 AT IHE CHURCH OF ST. MARY. ENGLAND TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .
Maurice J. Butler
Treble
Reginald W. Rex
Margarei E. L. Beamish reble

Adrian J. Tumber Geoffrey K. Dodd Tom Chapman
Robert C. Kippin
Composed by Nolan Golden. R. Roger Savory . . . Tenot Conducted by R. Roger Savory. First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

Rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret Rose. Also its a hirthday compliment to Maurice J. Butler

## ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,


Composed and Conducted by Denis R. Carlisle.

## BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pritchard's Four-part.
Tenor $12 \mathrm{cWL}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .13 \mathrm{lb}$. in F sharp.
*Joan Bacon (14)
Howard Oglesby
George Coussins
Mary R. Jaycock

Edgar G. Swift Richard E. Dean William Henley
Gordon W. Limmer..
7
*First attempt for Major. First attempt as conductor to Major.
A birthday peal (14th) for Miss Jaycock.

## CHESWARDINE, SALOP

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Swithun,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Bruerton's Twelve-part
Ann Tyler
Elizabeth Roberts
Albert Lawton.
Treble
G. Arnold Moore

Tenor $9 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Harold Roberts

> Conducted by

Eric Young
William Talbot
Wililam Watkin $\qquad$
A 75th birthday compliment to Frederick Cope, a life-long worker
at this church. ELHAM, KENT,
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKCHITRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Ian H. Oram Tenor 16 cwt. in F .

| Ian H. Oram | . . Treble | Ralph Bird |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *A. Patrick Cannon | 2 | John R. COOPER. |
| Crawford T. Hillis | 3 | Dennis A. Chapman |
| Thomas E. Sone | 4 | Mark W. Marshall. . . Tenter |
| Composed hy Siephe | IN. | Conducied by Ralph Bird |

Composed hy Siephen Ivin.
Conducied by Ralph Bird.

* 775th peal

GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt

| -Rachael Newstead |
| :--- |
| - William J. Brunt ... Treble |
| + |
| +Doren A. Fairhead |
| +Dener G. Barnes |

†Doreen A. Fairhead
3 †Frank G. Oliver
Dennis M. Whent . . . 4 Bernard W. Fairhead .. Tellor Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Bernard W. Farrhead. * First peal. † First of Plain Bob Major.

Rung by the Sunday service ringers of the Church of St. Lconard-at-the-Hythe, Colchester.

## GUISELEY, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minules
A PEAL OF 5280 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Ernest H. Simpson Tenor 16 cwt 3 qr in F. Treble *Gturfrey P. Coopler

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { *Rita M. Joweit } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 3 \\ \text { *John H. Fielden } & \text {. } & . . & 4\end{array}$
Composed by T. B. Worsley.
. Tenor

* First peal in the method.

Conducted by Ernest H. Simpson.
Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. H Simpson, a 20 th wedding anniversary compliment 10 Mr . and Mrs. Schoticld, a birthday compliment to Mrs. Schoficid and her daughter. Gillian, and for the birth of a daughter (Elizabeth Anne) to Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Cooper.

## HERSHAM. SURREY

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat.. April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt .2 gr . in $G$ sharp.
 Gifoff. Pratt N. J. Pitsiow. 4 Philip M. J. Gray .. Conducted by J. Michael Lakin.
Composed by N. * 75th peal. First in the method by all the band except the treble and tenor ringers.

HOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 GRUNDISBURGH SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt . 11 lb . in $F$

| Phyllis M. Mayne | Treble | Roderick W. Pipe |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles J. Sedgley. | 2 | Cecil W. Pipe |
| Claudia A. Critchley | 3 | *Hilda G. Snowden |
| G. William Critchley | 4 | John R. Mayne |

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. * 250 th peal. First of Major in the method.

A birthday compliment to George W. Pipe.

## KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 11 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 22400 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $9 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Ronald W. Steward . . Treble Dennis A. S. Symonds

Alan R. Andrews Peter J. Eves Norman V. Harding Composed by J. A. Trollop:

Conducted by Frank b. Lulikin. The greatest number of changes rung by one set of ringers on church bells.

ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At 1he Church of St. Cuthbert
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
 Conducled by Eric N. Harrison.

* 50th peal logether.


## PULHAM ST. MARY. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pauline Adocok
Cecil A. Thompson
E. Ausin Head

Treble Leonard J. Minns
Anthony Roberts .. $\quad 3$ Ernest Whiling ..
Composed by Nolan Goldin L. EdWard Ethfridge Wenor

* First peal on eight bells.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of Sr. Matihew.
A PEAL OF 5088 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .14 lh . in F sharp

*Gordon T. Brown .. .. 4 Geoffrey J. Hemming . . Tellor Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. Conducted hy Geoffrey J. Hemming.

* First peal of Gainsborough Surprise.

SHIPLAKE, OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At THE CHURCH OF SS. PEIER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt . 2 gr .15 lb . in F sharp.

Composed by E. W. Tipler.
Conducted by Noel J. Diserens.
*irst peal of Surprise.
Rung for the wedding of Mr. Derek Healey to Miss Olive Smith, a ringer at this tower.

## SHIRLEY. SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sat.. April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

> AI THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES- THE-GREAI, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $6 t \mathrm{cwt}$ in B flat.

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\text { Tenor } 6 t \text { cwt. in } \mathbf{B} \text { flat. }
$$

Vinceni A. Ilemming
Priter S. Bennett
*Roger E. Tallis
*Pamela M. Turner.
Composed by John Carter.


* First peal on eight bells


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BRAUNSTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Edward M. Thresher . . Treble
Gillian A. Tavener
*Malcolm R. Hensher ... 3 John E. Goddard ... .. Tenor
Conducted by Edward M. Thresher.

* First peal.

HARLESTONE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. March 18, 1960, in 3 Hours,
Ar the Church of Sr. Andrew,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 20 cwt .
Edward M. Thresher . . Treble Eric E. Billings
Edward A. Gautrey .. 2 Robin Wilson .. ... .. 5
Martin J. Bailey .. .. 3 Michaei. R. Bennet .. .. Temor
Conducted by Edward M. Thresher.

## ADDINGTON, SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 14 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Ipswich Surprise, (2) Single and Double Oxford, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob

Tenor 6 cwt .3 qr .9 lb .


CRANFORD. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minuies,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Childwall, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Raymond Henman
John E. Godoard
Bernard E. Frost
Treble
$\frac{2}{9}$
Eric E. Billing
Alian Jones
Conducted by Edward M. Thresht:

MONKS-ELEIGH. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., April 2, 1960. in 3 Hours and 13 Minures,
At the Churth of St. Peier
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Harry Why
.. . . Tr

Treble
Kfith W. Whittle ... 2 Alan R. Andrews
Harry D. Lister
Conducted by Harry D. Lister.
Rung to the memory of William Stiff. some time a ringer at this church who, in April, 1922. with the same treble ringer, conducted the first peal rung by the ringers of 2,3,5 and 6 .

STEBBING. ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 2, 1960. in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court. Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
William Chapman
Alan R. Syder
George Saunders


Alfred H. Liftle H. Walter Smith Petle L. Wood .

Tenor Conducted by Peter L. Wood
A birthday compliment to George Saunders.
ULCOMBE, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saf., April 2. 1960 . in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

## At the Church of All Sainis, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents: (1) Double Bob and Single Oxford. (2) St. Clement's, (3) Double Oxford. (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford T.B. (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

8ths place lead-cnd 14263857. 4ths place bob.

## CHART SUTTON, KENT

THIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 50.40 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of York. Beverley, Surfleet, Annable's London, Norwich. Ipswich and Cambridge. A. Patrick Cannon... .. Treble lan H. Oram $\quad . . \quad . . \quad .$.
 Conducted by ian H. Oram.
First peal of Minor on the bells.
Rung as a compliment to Brian Bladon and Lesley Hawes, married this day at Broad Blunsdon, Wiltshire.

WOODHOUSE EAVES, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church or St. Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being nine methods in seven extents: (1) York, (2) Chester, (3) Munden. (4) Cambridge, (5) Primrose, (6) Berwick and Hexham, (7) Beverley and Surfleet.

| G. E. T | Treble | Joyn A. Ul |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\pm$ Celia Cowiey | 2 | $\dagger$ Frank Chambers |
|  |  | Rolan |

* First peal. $\ddagger$ First in nine Surprise Minor methods. $\ddagger 25$ th peal.


## SELATTYN, SHROPSHIRE

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., April 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 11 extents each of Stedman and Grandsire, and 20 of Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt .2 qr. 3 lb.
Colin Smith
Guy Pickavance
. Treble Valerie Lee
Roger
W. Powell
2 John R. Thoma
Conducted by Colin Smith.
First peal of three Doubles methods by all the hand. First of Doubles as conductor. First on the bells.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., April 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford T.B.. Cambridge Surprise, Childwall Bob, St. Clement's College Bob, Double Oxford, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob
 Gfoffrey S. Milis .. ..

Tenor
Conducted by Roger Lizg.
First peal in seven methods for all except the conductor
SWEPSTONE. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Tues., April 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: (1) Single Court, (2) St. Clement's. (3) Single Oxford. (4) Cambridge. (5) Oxford T.B.. (6) Plain Boh. (7) Kent T.B. Tenor 10 cwt . 2 qr. 24 lb.

Conducted by Derfik P. Jones.

## LANGHAM, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., April 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Single Court and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Urban W. Wildney .. .. Treble kban W. Wildney... .. Treble *Adrian Semken

Felix H. Erith
Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Evelyn R. M. Cansdale.. 2
Felix H. Erith
Bi:Rnard W. Fair

| . .5 |
| :--- |
| . | alien W. Cansdale.... 3 Bi:rnard W. Fairhead ... Tenor Conducted by Bernard W. Fairhead.

*First peal in four methods.
Rung as a birthday compliment to A. W. Cansdale.

SADDLEWORTH. YORKSHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., April 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes

> At the Church of St. Chad, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and five different extents of Plain Bob.
extents of Plain Bob.
UN. .. .. 4

| John P. Partington | .. | .. | 2 | Treble | Allan Smith, Jun. .. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Pilkington | .. | 4 |  |  |  |

F. John Nelson .. .. 3 Keith Abbott .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Keith Abbott.
First peal in three methods as conductor
Rung to welcome Jeremy Amos, grandson of the Rev. R. E. Rodgers, Vicar of Saddleworth; also for the successful conclusion of the
Christian Giving Campaign recently held in the parish.

## CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH. DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Themas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure, Sandal, Capel and Oxford T.B.; (2) Kingston T.B.; (3) Capel T.B.; (4) Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure, Sandal and Capel T.B.;
(5) Cambridge Surprise; (6) Kent T.B.; (7) Oxford T.B.

Tenor 11 cwt in G .
Robert B. Smith . . ... Treble John R. Kennett Dorothy M. Stafford .. 2 Bfrnard F. L. Grovf. William H. Dowse .. .. 3 Frank Osbaldiston Conducted by Frank Osbaldiston.
Mr. Dowse has rung each bell in this tower to a peal
Rung in memoriam William Willett.

## DUNSFOLD, SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sar., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent of London Surprise and two each of Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 10 cwt 3 qr .21 lb . in A flat *Jill M. Lane .. .. .. Treble *Stanley G. Ponting -Edward J. Bragg ... .. 2 "Tom Page... .. .. .. 5 William T. Beeson .. 3 *Harold A. May .. . Tenor

* First peal in four Surprise Minor methods. First of Surprise Minor as conductor.


## IGHTFIELD. SALOP.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minures. At the, Church of Sr. John-1he-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising one extent of Kent Treble Bob and six of Plain Boh, differently called. Tenor $11 \mathrm{cwt}, 1 \mathrm{qr} .16 \mathrm{lb}$. in G .
*TONY White

| Treble | F. Hector Bennfti.. | .. | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Riginald H. Newton | 5 |  |

$\begin{aligned} & \text { Harold F. White } \\ & \text { Phillp Evans }\end{aligned} . .$.

> Conducted by Harry Poyner.

First peal. +200 th peal.
Rung to welcome the Rev. Mr. Upton-Dawes, who was inducted to the living of Calverhall and Ightfield on March 31 st .

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## STOWTING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in'2 Hours and 26 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Eingle Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor $6 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$. Nichoias J. Davies.... Treble Ian H. Oram Rita A. Gower .. .. 2 Crawford T. Hiliis..... s Raiph Bird. . .. .. .. 3 A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tellor Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.
The conductor's 100th peal - all rung in Kent for the above Association.

## WESTON UNDERWOOD. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Eric E. Billings . . . Treble
-Anne Fowler .. .. ... 2
Conducted by

* First peal in the method.

Rung in honour of the christening of H.R.H. Prince Andrew.

WORMINGFORD. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9. 1960. in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: (1), (2) and (3) Plain Bob, (4) and (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) Cambridge Surprise. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt . Mary Roast .. .. .. Treble | \#James Towler .. .. .. 4 Richard J. Harrison .. 2 Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. 5 A. Edward Leggett. . .. 3 Joe E. G. Roast .. .. Tenot

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* First peal in more than one method "inside."


## HaNDBELL PEALS

## SELBY.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sat., March 26, 1960, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.
In the Ringing Chamber of the Abbey (SS. Mary and Germanus). A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in five methods: six extents each of St. Simon's. St Martin's and Reverse Canterhury Pleasure, and 12 extents each of Plain Bob and Grandsive. Tenor size 8 in C .
Aran Grundy
l-2 | Ronalid R. Warrord .. 3-4
Betiy Martinson .. . 5 -6
Conducted by Ronald R. Warford.
First peal in five methods by all.

## SELBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sun.. April 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.
In the Ringing Chamber of the Abbey of SS. Mary and Gfrmanus,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in three methods: 12 extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob and 18 of Grandsire.
Alan Grundy
Tenor size 15 in C.

Conducted by Ronald $R$. Warford.

* First peal.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. April 6. 1960, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes,
At 19. Cromley Road.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 40120's (ten callings) and one 240 (Morris's). Tenor size 15 in C. Robrri B. Smith .... 1-2| Bernard F. L. Groves.. 3-4 +Brian Harmis .. .. .. 5-6

Conducted by Brian Harris

* 200th peal. +200 th peal for the Guild. First in the method "in hand 'by all.


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## LOUGHBOROUGH

## Half peal

HAREHAM, HANTS.-On Feb. 27th, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: Doris Bray 1. J. H. Hunt (cond.) 2. P. Richardson 3. J. Ball 4. G. Miles 5. E. 「reagus 6 . A. Surgess 7. M. Marshall 8. Kung for the wedding of Margaret Marshall and David Jones, married at Havant earlier in the day.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.-On April 10th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: R. Fletcher 1. Ruth Perrin 2. J. C. Perrin 3. P. J. Milton 4. A. M. Macve (cond.) 5. C. F. McGill 6. A! 'so on Feb. 17ch. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. McRale 1. Ruth Perrin 2. J. C. Perrin 3. P. J. Milton 4. A. M. Macve 5, C. F. McGill (cond.) 6.

ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.-On April 9th, 1.280 Pla:n Bob Major: P. Brand 1. F. Southgate 2. A Cole 3. A. Semken 4. M. Bantick 5, F. H. Erith 6. D. C. Andrews 7, B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 8. A farewell to D. C. Andrews, who is leaving the district.
BARKING SUFFOLK.-On Mar. 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Davidge (first quarter) 1. Mrs. R. E. Lester 2. C. Snowden 3. J. J. Prentice 4. R. E. L.ester (cond.) 5. H A. Mitson 6. For Mothering Sunday.
BOW, LONDON.-On April 10th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: S. Penfold 1. J. Carrott 2, A. Grainger 3. F. . V. Gant (cond.) 4. M. Bland 5. T. East 6. A. J. Salisbury 8. For Matins.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX-At the Church of St. Peter. on April 9th. 1,350 Grandsire Caters: Betly Stephenson 1, G. North 2, C. W. T Riddleston 3. W. A. Riddington 4. H. W. Woolven (cond.) 5, A. Griffin 6, P. F. Romney 7. F. Page 8, A. W. Bond 9. F. Lewis 10. Rung for the institution and the induction of Rev. John Nevill Keceling. M.A., as Vicar of Brighton.
CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.-On Mar. 29th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Bonam 1. B. Edwards 2. Mrs. Pamela Crackneli 3. Peler Atkins 4. B. Cracknell (cond.) 5. J. Onians
and 6 . First quarter first attempt for
Rung as a compliment to Mr . G. S. and 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. S.
Strode on the occasion of his retirement. Believed to he the first quarter hy a local band since the war.
CHLLSFIELD, KENT.-On April 3rd. 1.272 Plain Bob Minor: A. Smith 1, Ann Buncombe 2. D. Parker 3, N. Martin 4. J. Parher 5. D. Manger (cond.) 6. First of Minor by the local band. Rung to commemorate the birth of a daughter. Katherine Elizabeth. to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker.
EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Mar. 23 rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Mills 1, R. Blackshaw 2. R. Wilde (first quarter) 3. D. Armstrong 4. F. Bradley 5. J. Higgs 6. Conducted by F. Bradley and D. Armstrong. Also on April 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Mills 1. R. Blackshaw 2, N. Wilde (first Higes 6. Conducted by F. Bradley and D. Armistrong.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.-On Dec. 30th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Sheila P. Miller 1. G. F. Tizzard 2. Evelyn D. Wallis 3. Evelyn M. Hicks 4. J. A. Howard 5. R. H. Peters 6. F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7. J. Leppard (first quarter) 8. First of Grandsire Triples by 1. 3.-4. 5 and 6 . For the golden wedding anniversary
of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Tizzard (December of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Tizzard (December
$25(\mathrm{~h}$ ). Also on Feh. 7h. 1.200 Grandsire and Plain Boh Doubles (with 6. 8 behind): Christine M. Morrison (14. first quarter) 1 M. P. Howard 2. Patricia M. Howard 3, F. H
Hicks 4. J. A. Howard (cond.) 5, Sheila P Miller 6. O. J. Walden 8 . For the 21 ist birthday of the conductor. Also on Feb. 28th. 1.188 Plain Bob Minor: G. F. Tizzard 1 . Patricia M. P. Howard 2. Evelyn M. Hicks 4. M. P. Howard 5, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 6. J. A. Howard 7. R. H. Peters 8. For the Royal birth and for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong Jones. Also on March 20th. 1,152 Plain Bob Major: G. F. Tizzard 1: M. P. Howard (first of Major) 2, Patricia M. Howard (first of Major) 2, Patricia M.
Howard 3. E. R. Rapley 4. F. Roberts 5 . R. H. Peters 6. F. H. Hicks 7. J. A. Howard (first of Major as cond.) 8 . For Evensongto welcome the Vicar home from Switzerland.

## QUARTER PEALS

EVESHAM, WORCS.-On April 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. G. Haines 1. D. C Gould 2, R. J. Gould 3. G. J. Hemming (cond.) 4. G. C. Hemming 5. M. J. Butler 6. First yuarter for 1, 2, 3 and 6.

FARNWORTH, LANCS.-On Mar 5ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Froome 1. J. Thornley 2. Elaine A. Richardson 3. Christine B. Clayton 4. J. P. Partington 5. M. I). Fishwick 6. P. J. H. Hudson (cond.) 7. G. Rothwell 8. Rung as a welcome to Eileen Elizabeth Ann. daughter of 7 th ringer, born February 28th, 1960.
HAXEY, LINCS.-On Mar. 5th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. H. Baker 1, Miss P. Bull 2 , Miss D. E. Smith 3. J. Underwood 4, T. A Gilbert 5, G. L. A. Lunn (cond.) 6. Rung as a welcome to the new Rector. Rev. Mr. Stocks, on the day of his induction.
HOL.ME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On April 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Meredith 1. D. Armstrong 2. R. Blackshaw 3. M. Harrison 4. A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley (cond.) 6 For the wedding of Miss Margaret Elsie Tye and Mr. Robert Hemphrey Brown. married at the above church this day. Also on April 3rd. 1.260 Minor ( 540 Plain Boh. 720 Oxford Treble Boh): S. Meredith and R. Blackshaw 1. R. Blackshaw and D. Armstrong - B. Mills 3. M. Harrison 4. D. Armstrong and A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley (cond.) 6. For Evening service

KIRK ELLA, YORKS.-On April 10th. 1.260 Minor ( 720 Cambridge Surprise. 540 Plain Bobl: I. N. Goldthorpe 1, J. R. Perrett 2. J. S. Rank 3, P. J. Came 4, K. Goldthorpe D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

LITTLE HORKESLEY, ESSEX.-On Mar 24 th. 1.260 Doubles (Winchendon Place Bob. Reverse. Canterbury Pleasure Bob, St. Nicholas'. St. Simon's Bob. St. Martin's Bob, Si. Osmund Bob. Grandsire. Stedman and Plain Bob): A. E. Leggett 1. Marian Mills 2. B. E. Gibbons 3, U. W. Wildney 4. B. W. Fairhead (cond.)
LONG BUCKBY, NORTHANTS.-On Mar 27th. 1.260 Doubles ( 240 each of Spliced, St. Simon's. Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob and 300 Grandsire): R. M. Partridge (first quarter) 1. E. A. Gautrey 2. J. E. Goddard 3. E. M Thresher 4. M. J. Bailey (first as cond.) 5.


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LITTLE SHELFORD.-On April 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Sibson 1, A. R. Hurst 2. 1. Sherman 3, G. Easy 4, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 5. For Confirmation service.
MERROW, SURREY,On April 11 th , 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire): Susan A Bull (most methods) 1, Jill M. Lane (cond. first 480) 2. Valerie A. Bundy 3. A. Pamela Warren (cond. last 780) 4. D. A. R. May 5, B. A. Todd 6 . For Evensong. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Doubles St. Simon's Reverse Canterbury, Reverse St. Bariholomew. April Day and Dedworth, Plain Bob and Grandsire) : B. A. Todd (first away from tenor) 1. Jill M. Lane 2, P. G. Smart . D. A. R. May (cond. first 600) 4, R. I. Vaughan (cond. last 660) 5. R, F. Warren 6. First in 7 methods by all. For Evensong. Also on April 13th. 1.440 Surprise Minor Wells and Cambridge): Valerie A. Bundy 1, Jill M. Lane 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, R. I. Vaughan 4. D. A. R. May 5. P. G. Smart (cond.) 6. First extent of Wells by all. For Evensong.
NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Reay (first quarter) 1. J. Murphy 2. Miss B. Forder (first quarter) 3. C. Taylor 4. R. H. Reed (cond.) 5. J. Dacombe 6. For family service.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HANTS.-On April 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Gladys D. Kitcher (first of Triples) 1. M. D. G. Northway 2. Mavis P. Coffin 3, M. L. Northway (cond.) 4. Audrey J. Knight 5, K. J. Jacobs 6. C. J. Herbert 7. R. Buchanan 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Mr. M. D. G. Northway.
STOKE-NEXT-GCILDFORD, SURREY:On April 8 th . 1.440 Surprise Minor (London and Cambridge): Janet Cleeve 1. Jill Lane 2, Angela Martin 3, E. J. Wells 4, D. A. R. May (cond.) 5, P. G. Smart 6.
TARIETON, LANCS.-On Mar. 28th. 1.260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Crossthwaite 1, Miss J. Moir 2. S. Walmsley 3. J. Couperthwaite 4. K. Durow (cond.) 5. D. Lawson 6. First of Doubles for 1. 2 and 6. A birthday compliment to Mr . D. Lawson.

THORPE-LESOKEN, ESSEX.-On April 10th. 1,260 Minor ( 720 St. Clement's, 540 Plain Bob): P. W. Mills 1. Mrs. P. W. Mills 2. Mrs. R. Rouse 3. E. E. Davey (cond.) 4. F. Harvey 5. W. Downs 6. Rung for service of the cantata, 'Olivet to Calvary,
WEST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.-On Feb. 9th. 1,280 Grandsire Doubles: D. Slater (first quarter) 1. Evelyn M. Hicks 2, J. Leppard (first 'inside ') 3. J. A. Howard 4. F. H. Hick: (cond.) 5, Sheila P. Miller 6. For the birth on February 4 th . of Alison Hilary. daughter of the treble ringer and Mrs. Slater.

WHITCHURCH, OXON.-On April 3rd, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: C. Carter 1. J. A. Harland 2. Mrs. Pamela S. Cracknell 3, R. K. Russ 4. J. F. Carter 5. B. A. Cracknell (cond.) 6. First of Minor at first attempt for 1 and 5. Rung for Matins on the occasion of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Oxford.
WITHINGTON, HFREFORDSHIRF.-On April 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Dunicl: 1. L. T. Mainwaring 2. Miss R. Bray 3. R. J. Herbert 4. L. Evans (cond.) 5. R. J. Herbert sen.. 6. Rung for the Royal Christening.
WOLVERHAMPTON.-On April 10th, at St. Peter's Collegiate Church. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Stallard 1, H. Boswell? F. Brotherton 3, E. E. Speake 4. A. D. Collins (cond.) 5. A. Richards 6. H. Griffiths V. Thompson 8. First quarter 1 and 8.

WOOLTON HILL, HANTS.-On April 5th. 1.440 Surprise Minor ( 720 Durham Surprise, 720 York Surprise): E. Woolgrove 1 , Miss H . White 2. Miss C. White 3. B. Mills 4, R. W. Rex 5. G. K. Dodd (cond.) 6. First quarter in these two methods by all the band.
WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.-On April 2nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. 2. M. C. Hughes 3, P. S. Bennett (first in method as cond.) 4, R. E. Tallis jun. 5, J. Stockley 6 A 21st birthday compliment to Miss J. Morrison, daughter of the treble ringer and a ringer at this church.

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The peal at Norton, Yorks, though not arranged as such. was in a sense a farewell peal

## BELFRY

 was in a sense a farewell peal for the ringer of the second-Mr. Harold Spencer, of Scarborough-who is returning to Somerset after 14 years in Yorkshire. The peal also marked 50 years of ringing by Mr. John A. Robertshaw, the ringer of the fourth.The peal rung at Cullompton, Devon, on April 9th, was the third for the Society of Friends of the Exercise. It was a wedding compliment to two members, Mr. Brian Bladon and Miss Lesley Hawes.
The Central Council publication 'On Conducting' is now out of print.
One of those unexpected pleasures befell Mr. G. Arnold Moore, and his band after ringing a peal at Cheswardine. Staffs, as a 75 th birthday compliment to Mr. Frederick Cope.
Dr. R. J. Brocklehurst, president of Bristol University Society, who has been vicar's warden at Stoke Bishop, Bristol, for 21 years, has retired from office. He rang in a quarter peal to mark his retirement.
A sign of good progress comes from Woolton Hill, Hants, with the ringing of a quarter peal of Durham and York Surprise Minor, the outcome of regular practices in Surprise Minor. The band hope eventually to score a peal of seven Surprise Minor methods.
What we hope wilt be regarded as a 'good relationship, quarter was rung at Chalfont St. Giles, Bucks, on March 29 th. It was a compliment to Mr. G. S. Strode, general manager of B.B.C. Publications, on his retirement after 35 years' service. Will our friends at the B.C.C., please note!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Simpson, of Saltaire, Shipley, on their golden wedding anniversary on March 26th. The happy event was commemorated by a peal at Guiseley on April 9th. Mr. Simpson joined the Yorkshire Association as far back as 1906, being a member of Bradford Cathedral band. He has rung about 169 peals for the Association.

GOSSIP for eight weeks owing to a fall and ringit keep his legs up all day. His deputy at Burnham, Mr. Gordon Limmer, who hesitated to conduct in the presence of George, called a good peal of Bob Major on April 9th.
Mr. Yeter N. Bond is entering Rochester Theological College next September. He is an active licensed lay-reader.

Will the organiser of the outing party, who wrote to the Rector of Alverstoke, asking permission to visit St. Mary's, later in the year, please contact H. A. Nobes, 26, Peel Road, Gosport.

The tower of St. Mary's Church, Ely, is undergoing a repair which is estimated to cost about $£ 3,000$, and for which an appeal has been launched. The top 11 feet of the spire has to be rebuilt and this is now removed. Consequently, all ringing is suspended until the repairs are completed.
The veterans reunion being arranged in London on June 18th, by Mr. John Euston. is not a new venture to those most successful gatherings promoted by Mr. Albert Coles. What has happened is that the mantle of Elijah has falfen on Elisha. We hope the same enthusiastic support will be accorded to Mr. Euston as to his predecessor.
The fact that Mr. A. P. Cannon's braces broke during the peal at Stowting on April 9th was more probably due to the quality of the elastic rather than the weight of the tenor ( $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.). In spite of this, and a five mile walk to Elham for a peal of Yorkshire, the tenor king produced a fine burst of speed when sprinting to catch his train home from Ashford.
An attempt was made at Hughenden on April 2nd to ring a new Plain Major method. The peal unfortunately was lost, but a good quarter "peal was rung. Our correspondent
writes: "As the peal "went west" we felt we couldn't name the method, and to send up the quarter as 1,260 C.C.C. 158 sounded a bit barmy, so we decided to forget it as far as official publication was concerned.'

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

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## LONGEST PEAL EVER RUNG

A great achievement was accomplished at St. Michael's Church, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex, on Saturday, April 2nd, when a record length peal of 22,400 Plain Bob Major was rung, conducted by Mr. Frank B. Lufkin. This is the greatest number of changes ever to be rung to a peal. The time taken was 11 hours 45 minutes.
All peal ringers will join with us in giving our warmest congratulations to the band.

The full story of the peal has been promised for our next issue.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Dear Sir,-On behalf of the band who rang 21,600 Bristol Surprise Major on November $4 t \mathrm{~h}, 1950$, at Over, Cheshire, we congratulate Mr. F. B. Lufkin and his band on ringing the 22,400 Plain Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken.-Yours respectfully,

JOHN WORTH.
Macclesfield, Cheshire.

## FORMER RINGER'S GIFT

The five bells at St. Peter's Church, Bentley, near Doncaster, are to be removed to the Loughborough Foundry shortly after Easter, where they are to be retuned and overhauled.

The present 3rd bell was cast by J. Warner and Sons in 1896, and the remaining four bells were cast by Mears and Stainbank Ltd., in 1902, with a tenor of almost 6 cwt .

The cost of the work is being met by a bequest from the late Mr. Percy Elton, onetime ringer at this church.

It was hoped to add a sixth bell, but owing to the Church Council's heavy financial commitments, it was not possible to augment the bequest.

## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

## Andover District

One of the most successful meetings in recent years was held at Thruxton on April 2nd, the fine weather and three towers open for ringing drawing a big crowd of over 60 ringers during the afternoon and evening.

Ringing took place during the afternoon on the good six at Thruxton, followed by the service conducted by the Rev. Mr. Crecy, Vicar. A good tea was provided by the local ringers and their wives.

Mr. A. W. Alliston presided at the business meeting. There is to be a three district combined meeting at Stockbridge on May 21st. when it is hoped to have eight towers open for ringing and a combined meeting with the Newbury District on June 18th, at Highclere, Thatcham, and, it is hoped, Newbury.
A motion brought by Mr. G. Dodd to alter Rule 18 so that members need no longer pay the 6d. peal booking fee unless they wish their peal to appear, in full, in the triennial report. was heavily supported and this will go before the annual general meeting at Whitchurch. on July 2nd.

Ringing followed at Amport and Abbot's Ann.
G. K. D.

## Tips For Beginners-17

When ringing Cambridge Major you will find knowledge of your course bell and after bell helpful. These are the only bells you dodge with out behind and are met in $3 / 4$ and 5/6.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 17



## MR. GEORGE E. SYMONDS,

## Ipswich.

Mr. George E. Symonds is living proof of the truth of the old assertion 'Ringing keeps you young.' He has been active in the art for 74 years, and is still able-even eager to learn and ring peals in new methods. Together with another famous Ipswich ringer (who will appear in this series shortly) he led the Ipswich band to such heights of achievement that could hardly have been dreamed of by Motts, Pemberton and others well-known in Ipswich history.

Born at Oakley, North Suffolk, in 1875, he learned to ring at Brome, in 1886, and took part in the ringing for Queen Victoria's Jubilee in 1887. He went to live in London in 1895, and rang his first peal at St. Giles',

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

 Tonbridge DistrictThe fair number of members who attended the Tonbridge District meeting at Penshurst on April 2nd noticed that the bells sounded much more pleasant outside the tower now that the louvres had been partially blocked up. Inside. however. the bells are still spoiled by a long draught, and they are very difficult to hear because of the rattle of the ropes in the rope-guides.
In spite of this, ringing was enjoyed until 4.15. when a service was held, conducted by the Rector. the Rev. W. S. Pears.
At 5 o'clock, 38 sat down to an ample tea in the Village Hall. and the large proportion of young members was very noticeable. After tea. the business meeting was held, and Mr. P. A. Corby was elected to the chair. A record number of new members was elected$25!$ Belfry elections prior to peal attempts of two non-resident members were also confirmed. Of the new members, a large number are from the new tower of St. Mark's, Biggin Hill. To these we extend a welcome, and hope to see them at our district meetings in the

## uture.

For the by-meeting in May, Sundridge had been afranged. and after some discussion it was agreed to include Brasted, if possible. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Rector and to Mr. L. Goater, for making local arrangements.
Members returned to the tower for further ringing, which ranged from rounds and callchanges to Bristol and a course of London, which produced the best striking of the day.

Camberwell, which was Kent Royal, conducted by H. N. Davis.

On returning to his native county he had, by 1919 , rung no less than 130 peals, of which he conducted 81 . He joined the St. Mary-leTower Society, Ipswich, and was appointed tonorary secretary, a position he has held for 40 years. On the death of James Motts he was appointed conductor of this famous 12 bell Society. Mr. Symonds has conducted all the different lengths up to 5,184 of Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Kent and Oxford T.B.. and Cambridge Surprise Major, also peals of Plain Bob on all numbers of bells from 5 to 12. He conducted the first peals ever rung of Superlative, New Cambridge, Pudsey and Rochester Surprise Maximus, and Little Albion Treble Bob Maximus. In 1926 he conducted three unique peals of Maximus. Short Course Plain Bob, Forward, and Duffield, which require 448 bobs and 6 singles, and peals of T.B. Maximus in 5, 6, 7 and 8 courses.
Early in his career he took part in Holt's Original (non-conducted) at St. John's, Waterloo Road, S.E. (1898). He conducted a 'George, peal of Kent T.B. Major on St. George's Day in 1927, and a peal of Double Norwich C.B. Major at Stowmarket in 1931, in which all the ringers were named Symonds. His peals total to date is 439 , conducted 253 , including, on handbells 37, conducted 27. He has conducted, on handbells, peals of Grandside Triples, Caters and Cinques, Plain Bob Major. Royal and Maximus, and Kent and Oxford T.B. Major, Royal and Maximus. The peal of Oxford T.B. Maximus was the first on handbeils for 112 years. From 1948 until 1957 he was a representative of the Suffolk Guild on the Central Council.
Mr. Symonds has travelled about the world, and a few years ago had the pleasure of listening to the carillons at Bruges, and at the Victory Tower. Niagara Falls. He has also rung on the Whitechapel bells at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, Vancouver Island. B.C. Mr. Symonds is the possessor of a yery deep sonorous voice, and the late Fred Tillett (famous tenor man) used to say he could see George's chest begin to swell in readiness for calling a deep down bob! What a pleasure it is to have known such a man as George $\mathbf{E}$. Symonds, and what a privilege to write about only a few of his wonderful achievements! He has set a most inspiring example to us all.

JAFUS.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD <br> Mansfield District

Forty ringers, representing 10 towers, attended the Mansfield District meeting held at Farnsfield on March 26th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. and continued until $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., when a short service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. A. Medforth, with a local ringer, Mr. J. Bradbury, playing the organ. A very good but inexpensive tea was served in the Church Hall by the local ladies.

Mr. J. Raithby took the chair at the short business meeting. Apologies for absence were received from the chairman, Mr. S. W. Fossey, and the secretary, Mr. D. H. Rooke. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Selston on May 28 th . The Bell Fund collection amounted to 12 s .
Mr. J. Raithby showed members present the design for a new badge. It was agreed that the design was good but the size should be considerably reduced. Five new ringing members were elected viz:-Miss J. Robson and M. Bennett (Warsop), N. Cracknell. J. Bradbury and M. Clayton (Farnsfield). Votes of thanks were recorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the ladies for providing tea.
Handbells were rung as an accompaniment for the singing of grace and also after the meeting, both in changes and tunes.
Ringing again took place until shortly after 8 p.m. Methods rung during the day included Plain Bob, Grandsire, St. Simon's, Stedman. and Reverse Stedman, with rounds and call changes for the learners.
S.J.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

"D"
DELIGHT Method-is a Treble Bob method having an internal place made at all but one cross-section in each half lead.

DODGING.-One essential condition of change ringing in order to produce anything more than a plain course of Original is what is termed "dodging." It has no sinister meaning such as dodging the column or dodging the truth in order to free oneself of some unwanted imposition or situation, but it means, correctly, by forethought and design. changing the striking position in a reverse direction for one blow only, at either handstroke or backstroke. Refer to Plain Bob Minor, which is the simplest variation of Original on six bells, and you will see that two changes before the first lead end of a plain course- 315264 -the second bell is fourth in order of striking. The next change -1 32546 -the second bell strikes third, the change following, which is at the lead end, it strikes fourth once more-1 35264 -and the next change- 312546 -the bell is once again the third to strike. This sequence is known as dodging in 3-4 down-down because the path of the bell is going down to lead. A bell. of course. cannot dodge on its own so now study the fifth bell and you will see that in these four changes it strikes third, fourth, third and fourth. This is known as dodging in 3-4 up-up because the fifth bell has just come from the lead and is hunting up to the back. Remember that dodging occurs only when a bell is hunting up or down as it moves from one striking position to the next at each successive stroke.

DOUBLE Method.- What may be the simplest way to explain a double method is by stating that the work the several bells do at the lead end so they do "upside down' at the half lead, but this may not be the simplest way to understand.

Assume that seconds place is made at the lead end whilst two bells dodge in thirds and fourths places from the front (a normal 3-4 dodge) as actually happens in Plain Bob. Now turn this upside down and you will get the treble lying at the half lead with one bell making a place under it-seconds from the back so to speak-and two other bells dodging together in thirds and fourths places from the back. An illustration will perhaps help:

> a b $1 \cdot \cdot \cdot 1$ b a
> $a 1 b c \cdot c b b 1 a$
> 1 acb - bca
lead end $0^{-1} 1 \mathrm{a} \mathrm{b}$ c. . c b a 1 half lead

$$
\text { a } 1 \mathrm{c} b \cdot \quad \mathrm{~b} c 1 \mathrm{a}
$$

## a c 1 . <br> 1 c a

Double Bob and Bristol Surprise Major are the best examples of Double methods.

IDUTY.-Progress in the art of bell-ringing depends so much upon team spirit wherein all who take part show a sense of duty. As a Christian you should work for God and His Church, and 1 always like to think we are each chosen to help in doing a certain section of this work. If you appreciate that the person who taught you to ring a bell was doing his part of a duty and that he was endeavouring to encourage you to make a better ringer than he. why not take up the challenge? But you will have to honour authority, do your best to comply with instructions, be reliable punctual and regular in attendance and exhibit keenness. And these attributes are catching you know.
A learner who starts with a local company having a good team spirit soon falls in line. or if the learner is of the "wrong type" he soon disappears, thus saving much valuable time to the instructor.

## AUSTRALIAN RINGERS OF MAXIMLS STANDARD



The band who rang the first quarter of Maximus outside Britain at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, in 1959 for the 25th anniversary of 'The Great Adventure.' Left to right: C. H. Bagot (Adelaide) 8, J. J. Cummins (Sydney) 9, W. Watson (Sydney), A. H. Fisher (Melbourne) 5, Miss E. L. Roberts (Adelaide) 4, G. W. Heyes (Melbourne) 10, R. Ferris (Sydney) 7, J. J. Roper (Melbourne) tenor, Mrs. G. W. Pipe (Melbourne) 3, G. W. Pipe (Melbourne) conductor 2, and daughter, Miss B. J. Beeson (Melbourne) 6, K. J. Minchinton (Melbourne) treble, J. Fryer (Sydney), T. W. Goodyer (Sydney) 11.

Just imagine eight ringers in an eight bell tower and the captain calls for a touch in a certain racthod which would be creditable for the band to ring but one, and only one, certain member does not care for the method and says, "No. I am not going to ring that.' So it is decided to ring the same method to Minor instead of to Major. compelling one other ringer to sit out. The alternative is to change the method to suit the one person who shows the least team spirit-not a happy situation, so please do not be anything like this one person.

Above all. as part of your duty, attend as regularly as possible the services for which you ring but do not stay away from ringing just because you will not be able to attend the service which follows. Silent bells give no message.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Devizes Branch

The quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at Holy Trinity. Bradford-on-Avon. on April 2nd. when 30 members attended with visitors from Swindor. The Guild service was conducted by the vicar, the Rev. Mr. Osborne.

At the business meeting new ringing members were elected from Melksham and Erlestoke. It was decided to carry on with the weekly practices for the month of April. Meetings were arranged for Chirton (June) and Westbury (July). Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the ladies for providing tea. After tea the bells of Christ Church were available for ringing. Methods rung ranged from rounds ringing. Methods rung ranged from
to Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

## REDEDICATION

## LANGDALE, WESTMORLAND

An important event in the life of Holy Trinity Church. Langdale, took place on the evening of April 4th with the service of dedication of the new frame and the rededication of the rehung ring of six bells. The church was packed to capacity, with parishioners, friends and visiting ringers
The service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. G. W. Ellison, assisted by the Vicar of Hawkshead, the Rev. R. Lindsay, and the dedication was performed by the Rt. Rev. S. Bulley, Bishop of Penrith.
These bells were found to be in bad condition about two years ago, and have been silent for over a year. Langdale is a very thinly populated country parish, and it looked a formidable task to try to raise the $\$ 1,300$ required to carry out the necessary work. However such was the interest aroused and the willing effort of everyone concerned that the required amount was to hand before the completion of the work by Messrs. Jolin Taylor and Co.. of Loughborough
After the service the bells were made available to visiting ringers, about 30 of whom had gathered from a wide area. Everyone was delignted with the improved "go of the bells. Refreshments were provided by the ladies of the parish. for all who cared to partike.
N. M. N.

## A DATE TOUCH

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.-On April 10th. 1.960 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Spring (first guarter) 1. Ann George (first in the method inside ') 2. G. Fry 3. Margaret A. Ladd 4. E. J. Ladd 5. E. J. Jenner 6, S. Jenner (cond.) 7, B. V. Collison 8. For Evensong.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## NOISE ABATEMENT BILL

Dear Sir.-Officers of the Council, together with Mr. W. B. Cartwright, have given serious consideration to the above Bill during the past few weeks. A Diocesan Bishop was ilso consulted. It was decided that as bells are a matter of concern to the Church as at whole. the best course would be to ask the Archbishop of Canterbury if he would be good enough to arrange for a watch to be kept on the Bill during the remainder of its passage through Parliament. I am glad to say the Archbishop's secretary has replied that His Grace bade him say he would certainly do so.
We are most grateful to Mr. W. B. Cartwright for his advice and assistance in this matter.-Yours faithfully,

## E. A. BARNETT. <br> Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

## A REQUEST TO LEICESTER GUILD

Dear Sir.-I must thank Mr. Mayne for correcting me regarding the Surprise Royal methods rung by the Leicester Diocesan Guild. As he points out, Lyme and Whitwick Surprise Royal are not extensions of Lyme and Whitwick Surprise Major. but Morecombelake and Coalville Surprise are extensions of Lyme and Whitwick Surprise Major. The late Harold J. Poole conducted a peal in a new method and named it Rutland Surprise Maximus. The Methods Committee informed him that it was not an extension of Rutland Surprise Major or Royal, so he changed the name to Belvoir Surprise Maximus. Is it too much to hope that the present leading conductor of the Leicester Diocesan Guild will change the names of the above Royal methods, thus following the excellent example set by his truly great predecessor?

Mr. A. Cutler and Mr. J. Mayne have informed me of the following important corrections which should be made in Corrigan's Collection and also in Campanologia.
Woodston Surprise Major:
-58-16-56-36.14-14.58.16-16.h.1. 78, 1.h. 12d Elstree Surprise Major:
-38-14 58.12-38-14-38-16.34 h.l. 18. 1.h. 12a Napsbury Surprise Major:
$-38-14-56-16-14-5814.56 .14$ h.l. 38 , l.h. 12 e
Mr. Mayne has given me a complete list Mr. Mayne has given me a complete ist methods 1821 to 1950 . and I can let others have this if they will send me a stamped addressed envelope.

Regarding Derwent Surprise Major, regardless of Professor Dodge's statement, this was the first published regular Surprise method. being given by Stedman in his Campanologia of 1677 under the title of Imperial Major. Mr. Moreton is correct in saying that this method has been included in peals. but as far as being renamed a precedent has already been set. by the Yorkshire ringers, when they unnecessarily renamed Lindoff's London as Elford Surprise Major.
Mr. G. B. Thompson should realise that hunt controlled methods are no longer invented or composed, hut are simply written down. Of the methods he gives. the first is useless, the second is absolutely irregular. and the third was first rung several years ago. spliced with Stanwell Litile Bob, and has been included in four peals, as Shepperton Alliance Doubles. These and other Little and Alliance Doubles have been published and are still available from me.
Mr. York-Bramble is correct in his criticism al Professor Dodge's Questionnaire. Also it should be pointed out that Cambridge Surprise Minor was not the first published regular Surprise method. The first was Derwent Surprise Major. Also it is impossible to prove that peals of Grandsire Triples without singles are not possible. Shipway composed 5.040 without singles before 1813 . W. H. Thompson proved that 5.040 could not be obtained using common bobs only, but we should remember that Rev. C. D. P. Davies arrived at the same result just after Thompson.-Yours sincerely,

FRANK T. BLAGROVE.
57. St. Andrew's Crescent,

Windsor.

## BAKEWELL BELLS AT FOUNDRY

Dear Sir.-Bakewell. Derbyshire, will be without their octave (tenor $17 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$. ) for nearly six months. The bells have been removed to the foundry of John Taylor and Co., at Loughborough, for retuning, quarter turning and to be fitted with new headstocks. Owing to being unsafe the tenor has not heen rung since last October. Water dripping from the spire has rotted the headstock and tne seventh was being affected.

There is a record that The new bells were opened by the Sheffield ringers on February 2nd, 1797, so these bells will be approximately 160 years old.-Yours truly,
c. COMAIN.

## Bakewell, Derbys.

## AND IT WAS GOOD

Dear Sir,-My exhortation- Ring what you like. so long as it is good'-quoted on page 250 of The Ringing World, in the account of the visit of the Manchester University Guild to Scotland, requires the addition of three words: 'It was good.'
It was a pleasure to have our bells rung on a Sunday morning as, unfortunately, our ringing has been limited to Sunday evenings for many years.

Thank you. Manchester. Come again.Yours faithfully.
E. BOUMPHREY.

St. Mary's Cathedral.

## Glasgow

## A WRONG NAME

Dear Sir,-In reply to Mr. Woodruffe's request for details of Northchurch Surprise Major. it was originally rung as Lessness at Erith on February 22nd. 1937, and then as Northchurch, at Northchurch, on February 11th. 1939.
Lessness: $-38-14-56-16-12-58-14-58$. 1.e. 2 nds pl . Yours sincerely.
Prittlewell. - D. E. BELCHAM.
NOTE.-D.' Peter J. Bruce, of Idle. gives the method as -38-14-56-16-12-58-14Editor.

## NETHERTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir-In reply to Messrs. Pattison and Woodruffe. I would like to say that the above method was first rung to a peal on October 14th. 1954. But it had previously been rung and published as Oxfordshire. There is no 8 ths place variation of the latter method. The notation for Wicken is correct. (See page 253.) --Yours sincerely.

Lutterworth.
E. W. TIPLER.

## HERTFORDSHIRE GRIEVANCE

Dear Sir.-Is it not time to bury the Hatchett?-Yours, etc..
S. E. DARMON. K. R. DUNSTAN,
N. JENKINS. J. E. ROOTES.
C. F. WHITFELD.J. M. WILCOCKSON,

The White Hart.
Bushey

## DOSTOXEVSKI AGAIN

Dear Sir--Sceiry that Mr, R. G. Leale and Mr. P. I. Chapman have. in past issues of The Ringing World: both made use of the term - Bolshevik revolutionary in connection with Dostoyevski and the Rothwell peal, I am at a loss to fathom out why Mr. Wilfred E Box has thought fit to pick on myself in particular to refute this.
Is a little bit of spite or personal prejudice behind his letter in your issue of April 8th? If this be so. he'd best put it in a Box. (Dostoyevski with it), tie it with a ribbonyes you know the rest of the sentence I suppose. Wilfred?
Or perhaps he would oblige by putting in writing what his 'spite,' 'prejudice, or otherwise is. in the form of a letter to me personally.-Yours sincerely, P. AMOS.
Weston Favell.
NOTE.-Had we thought there was spite behind Mr. Box's letter we would not have published it. It was, in our opinion, a gentle leg-pull.-Editor

## THE BOOMERANG

Dear Sir.-I have just visited the Professor in order to ascertain his views on 'the Boomerang ' in the issue of April 8th. To my surprise i found him quite unperturbed. I would like to make public the gist of his observations on this unprovoked aggression.

He is very grateful to Mr. York-Bramble for his masterly interpretation of the rules of the C.C. with respect 10 Grandsire and similar methods and for his quotations from the Handbook.
Had he been aware of the correct position of the lead-heads and lead-ends in such methods, his statement No. 7 in his Questionnaire would have been worded quite differently. e.g.
(7) There are methods in common use to-day that (a) ring the last row before the first. or (b) do not begin with rounds, or (c) start with the treble in 2nds place or similar apposite, but cqually stupid statements.

He has no doubt, he says, that this would have showered upon him a whole series of Boomerangs (including one from Mr. YorkBramble). not that this would have worried him but. he maintains. he always likes to upset the minimum of people and is very sorry if he has upset Mr. York-Bramble.

It amuses me." said the Professor. 'to speculate in my idle moments (and he has very few) whether Mr. York-Bramble would have had to refer to the answers to see what on earth I was talking about!'
In view of the now evident correct position of the lead-heads and lead-ends he wonders (he says) why all publications containing Grandsire. including those of the C.C., still continue to print rounds at the head of the column of figures. Surely this is now an unnecessary, illogical. not to say misleading, procedure?
Concerning the effect of a 'Single' in Plain Bob he says that Mr. York-Bramble's arguments are based on mere word-quibble. He is. however. quite prepared to believe that after the first Single, has been called in Bob Minor. Mr. York-Bramble will continue 10 ring in-course lead-ends whilst everyone else rings out-of-course lead-heads.

In reply to Mr. York-Bramble's generous offer with regard to joining the College of Campanology, he is, he says, prepared to take over the leadership of the college when the present Principal relinquishes it. The instruction. he says. might not be quite so erudite but he will endeavour to make it more interesting.-Yours sincerely,

Ryhill. Wakefield
H. CHANT.

## NEW CUMBERLAND SLIRPRISE

Dear Sir-New Cumberland does appear in Corrigan's Collection under the list of lrregular Methods. Its notation is
j $56 \times 56.8 \times 56 \times 36 \times 34 \times 1.34 \times 34.7$
What makes New Cumberland an irregular method. apart from the fact that Corrigan indicates a fiths place hob (i.c. similar to Kent Treble Bob)? If a tiths place bob is used. surely there isn't anything irregular about the method.
Rarely) Mr. Amos, have I read such unmitigated nonsense as your concluding paragraph in the current 'Ringing World' (April 8th) How can you possibly compare April Day and Plain Boh with Yorkshire and Braunston? April Day is a variation of Plain Boh Doubles in that the former is the latter with a Grandsire Douhles bob. Braunston is a variation of Yorkshire in that the construction of the plain courses differs and therefore the two qualify as different methods.
Therefore. Mr. Amos, back to your variations and let those who want to ring on higher numbers without interruption from jealous five-bell ringers get on with it.-Yours sincerely.

Bedford.
BRYAN PATTISON

## ON THE USE OF CALLS

## BY 'JUNIOR'

When the handstroke of the whole-pull lead of the treble has been rung, the next blow may be one of two, according as we elect to pass by the mode termed "bob" or by that termed "plain-lead," but when once this has been settled, we have entered on a new lead. and nothing can infringe its integrity. .

This passage. from Davies' 'Surprise Methods,' sound though it is, leaves untouched, or only hinted at, the fact which forms the basis of my argument: namely, that, except in the case of a plain-lead, no rules of the Exercise govern 'the changes by which we elect to pass,' and that for this reason there would appear to be no valid argument against ranging the form of bobs and singles. or introducing new and even revolutionary calls into our methods in the interests of music, interest. or variety. The main innovation, needless to say, would be free licence to use 4ths place and 6ths place bobs indiscriminately in methods with either 2nds or 8 ths place at the lead-end. The newfangled bob, I would call a 'hic,' borrowing an expression from the primitive practice of Grandsire, and its corresponding single, a "double." A few examples will make this clear:

| Bob Major: | Bob | Single |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Handstroke | 13254768 | 13254768 |
| Backstroke | 12357486 | 13257486 |
| Double Norwich: | Bob | Single |
| Handstroke | 16847253 | 16847253 |
| Backstroke | 18674235 | 18674253 |

To these calls I will return later. However, more unusual lead-end combinations are possible, and are denoted below, the figures referring to the places made at the lead-end.
(a) In-course changes: $12,14,16,18$.
(b) Out-of-course, or single changes:
1456. 1458 , 1478 , 1678.
(c) In-course stagnation changes: 123456.123458 .123478 . 123678 $1234.1236 .1238 .1256,1258,1278$ $125678 . \quad 145678$.

While, of course, most of these calls will never or only seldom be used. some very pretty touches are possible by their employment. of which 1 give some specimens below:

96 changes Bob Major
12345678
$13527468 \quad 1278$
135724681458
Twice repeated.
128 changes Bob Major
12345678
$12354678 \quad 1458$
123547681678
$12346578 \quad 1478$
$13246578 \quad 1238$ Repeated.
Such calls could. of course, also be used as openings to touches or peals. But to return to the more serious business of using 'hics' (for which there is precedent in a peal of Cambridge by Thackrah). I believe that the music. the flexibility in composition, and the interest offered by these calls is more than adequate justification for their introduction The hic 1 mark, eitner by a double dash similar to an 'equals' sign. or where more than one is in question (as in the case of calls Before, by Roman numerals to distinguish them from bobs. The touch of 832 changes which is given below illustrates, I think, the merits of this type of call when used together with common bobs. The touch may be extended to 1.664 changes, by calling single for bob ' W' at corresponding positions in the two halves of the touch. or may be shortened by calling W. 2B. H for the last two courses of any part. which cuts out 112 changes. By this
means, an excellent quarter peal of 1,328 changes may be had.
832 changes Bob Major
W B I
W
I
I
-
I
-
I

A neat bob-course may be had by calling the same bell to make the place at a bob and a hic and several variants of this 128 are shown below:
23456
23456 W . I with a hic
23456 V with a hic, M .
23456 B . H with a hic (or B with a hic, H)
Variants and extensions of these touches may be rung by the substitution of singles and doubles for bobs and hics: such touches could provide a uscful introduction into the use of unorthodox calls.

The use of hics 10 provide new and more varied peals is a field of study rewarding both in interest and in music. A peal of Major (any method with a 2nds place lead-end) may he had by the use of calls ' $H$ ' alone, and in methods, with an 8ths place lead-end by calls at ' B alone. The peal of Major given below is on this plan, and contains the 6th

| Hic | Double |
| :---: | :---: |
| 13254768 | 13254768 |
| 12345786 | 12345768 |
| Hic | Double |
| 6847253 | 16847253 |
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her extent right and wrong with each of 3, 4. 5, 6, and 2 never in 5-6.
6.048 changes Major (by 'Junior")

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$64235=$
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3 and 6 .
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It proved impossible to obtain a regular 5-part peal of Cambridge using calls $\cdot \mathbf{H}$, alone, but while experimenting with this end in view, I stumbled across the following. which. as may be seen, will go true to Superlative

5,600 changes Superlative Surprise Major
23456 H
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$34562=\quad$ Four times repeated.
These few notes are 100 scanty 10 do more than throw a few ideas haphazardly into circulation. in the hope that some of our more penetrative composers may make better use of them than myself. But if they lead only to more interesting touches and peals of Bob Major for a few enterprising. if not expert, bands. I shall be amply rewarded. One further note. If any of the peals I have composed should prove to be false I would be grateful if someone would publish this fact as soon as possible, to avaid a mournful 'peal withdrawal. For the reward of the enterprising should be distinction. not ignominy, and I would be unwilling so to 'let down' any band hold enough to attempt one of these compositions.

INVITATION TO EVESHAM
Come on Cannon, on your toes,
Let's see how Evesham tenor goes,
The quickest time is three thirteen, For real fast ringing she's a Queen.
You ring a good peal, not too slow, And strike the tenor, 'Go man, go.'
The Cannon time should be three ten,
If not give up and chime • Big Ben.
And with the energy still in store,
Do your usual hand presses on the floor,
There's only been one Tenor King,
Who can a heavy tenor ring.
It's all laid on, we only wait,
For you to hurry and choose the date;
Until that time the record stand,
With Stephen Ivin and his band.

\section*{5,184 ROSE OF ENGLAND TREBLE BOB MAJOR By NOLAN GOLDEN <br> | 23456 | M | B | W | H |
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| 23564 | - | - | - | - |

Contains all combinations of 4,5 and 6 in 5-6. Rung at Andover, April 9th, 1960 . Conducted by R. R. Savory

## ANOTHER CLARE

Dear Sir.-This comes by way of letter, In lyric form, by far the better; Both strong and loudly to disclaim The poem written in my name: Alas, my rhyming's not so hot, In fact. my metre's gone to pot; All friends and comrades. please take notc. I that Clare poem never wrote, Please believe me, please be fair,
1 must have been another 'Clare.
CLARE.
St. Albans.

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RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On April 10th. 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Sandwell 1. Miss E. Hatch (first in method) 2. Miss V. Hester 3. F. May 4. E. Blower 5, R. Tomlin 6. M . Hallett 7. A. House (cond.) 8. Rung for Evensong
RUNCORN, CHESHIRE,-On April 5th. 1.280 London Surprise Major: J. Hayes 1. Mrs. Dougles Lowe 2. D. Maddock 3. J. E. Bibby 4, C. Valentine 5 . W. E. Allman 6. D. Lowe 7. W. Allman (cond.) 8 . First in the method for 1,2 and 7.

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## FENLAND TOWERS

## BY T. A. BEVIS <br> ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, SUTTON-IN-THE-ISLE

IN an area famed for the excellence of its church towers, a place to the fore must undoubledly be given to St. Andrew's Church Sutton-in-the-Isle. Greatly enhanced by its prominent position on a high ridge of landan island in mediaval days-this immensely impressive tower lends strength and grace to the countryside and its unique silhouette is quite oulstanding from great distances in the surrounding fen
The tower. with the church nave, was crected in the 14 th century and consists of four stages. surmounted by an octagonal stage o which is added a small lantern structure The bell-frame is a good example of the olden-day bellhanger's craft. and several of the timbers are at least three-hundred years old. They support a heavy ring of six bells (tenor 18 cwl. 2 yr. in E), and these, with the frame, were last overhauled by A. Bowell, in 1931. The tower clock occupies an uncommon position, being contained in a cage above the bells.
Four founders are represented at St Andrew's. The oldest bell (the second) was cast in 1654 by Miles Graye, who had his foundry at Colchester. Charles Newman cast the third and fourth bells in 1691 and 1700 respectively, the latter bell hearing an ornate border. This ounder was introduced into the craft by Christopher Graye at the Haddenham foundry and after a time moved to King's Lynn.
Henry Penn. of Peterborough, made the fifth and tenor bells in 1722, and inscribed them (5) 'I call the people, convoke the priests'; (6) 'I bewail the dead. I warn the living.

Penn had a very unfortunate end to his career. He was responsible for casting a ring of bells for St. Ives, Hunts, but the parishioners were evidently dissatisfied with the bells unreasonably so) and a tedious lawsuit commenced between Penn and the churchwardens After a time it was decided in favour of the founder, who had ridden from Peterborough to St. Ives in order to be present at the Assizes. As Penn mounted his horse for the journey home, he fell down dead from over-excitement at his acquittal.
The treble is by William Dobson, of Downham Market. Norfolk, 1819
A peal in seven methods (believed to be the first on the bells) was rung on Sunday. Apri 29th. 1934. and was conducted by the late Frank Warrington

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, HADDENHAM

HADDENHAM also occupies an 'island ' in the Fenlands. and is situated but a few miles from Sutton. It is regarded by many as being the most attractive village in the Fens.
Thomas Nowman had a soft spot in his heart for this place, and considered it to be a suitable locality for his thriving bellfoundry business.
The fine tower of Holy Trinity marks the highest and southernmost part of the Isle-ofEly and is attached to a church (mostly rehuilt) founded in 673 A.D. by Ovin, steward to Etheldreada of Ely. Originally consisting of three stages built in the 13 th century, the tower was completely taken down and rebuilt with the old material in 1876, and it is adorned with very elaborate tracery and ballflower decorations.

The spacious ringing chamber is reached by climbing a turret stairway entered from the church exterior
Four of the six bells (treble, second. third and fifth) were cast by Thomas Newman in 1706. and the fourth was cast in 1741 by Jeseph Eayre. who had a brick foundry at St. Neots, Hunts. in the shape of a bell; he has been referred to as being a first-rate founder of dish-bells, and he had a tendency to inscribe his bells with 'Labor Ipse Voluptas "(Work itself is pleasure), as is the case at Haddenham.
The teno: (14 cwt. in F). inscribed 'All glory be to God on High " carries the stamp of G. Oldfield. Nottinghanı.


St. Andrew's, Sutton-in-the-Isle.
[Photo: A. M. French.

It is unusual that a founder cast his bells in a church. This occurred at Haddenham. where there has been found evidence of foundry work beneath the tower. when during renovations a certain amount of mussel shells and bell metal was brought to light. The founder concerned was most probably Thomas Newman who resided at Haddentham for several years in the late 17th and early 18 th centuries. Originator of the Haddenham foundry is supposed to have been Christopher Graye. who passed on the business to Charles Newman. Thomas Newman, born at Haddenham in 1682, toek over the foundry from his father.

An amusing incident is recorded as having taken place in the village to the effect that there lived a bell founder in this place in the olden times and that on one memorable occasion, when the operation of melting the metal had reached a critical stage. it was found that there was a deficiency in the supply of materials: a few moments more and the process would he endangered if not ruined. Acting at once oll the maxim "The end justifies
the means.' our traditional man of metal rushed frantically from his foundry and made his way to a neighbouring inn. making an unceremouions raid on the establishment, -whipping up' the pewter pots and measures as. well as the culinary vessels available for the purpose. These were hurriedly conveyed home and east into the furnace, in time, let us hope, to meet the exigencies of the case

## BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY

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## GOLDEN WEDDING

HISCOTT-SEARLE-On April 19th. 1910. at St. James Parish Church. Torpoint. Cornwall (by the Rev. C. Vincent Kennerly) William George, of Plymouth, to Florence Annie. of Torpoint. Cornwall. Present address: Addington. Liskeard. Cornwall.

## DEATHS

BIFFIN-Edward W. (Ted), at Exeter on April 8th. 1960. Ringing Master, Exeter St. Thomas': and Exeter Branch. The Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

FIELD.-Florence, the much beloved wife of E. T. Paul Field. Marshfield. Knole. l.angport. suddenly at Haresfield, Glos, whilst on holiday, on Easter Eve. 1960. aged 51.
The end of a perfect course of Spliced.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Tine address of Mr. Howard Howell is now: 85. Link; Road. Penn Wolverhampton, Staffs 5665
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I AM the Resurrection. and the Life: He that believeth in Me. though he were dead. yet shall he live.' (John ii, 25.)

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## MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Bosley (6), on Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Buses Macclesfield - Leek route.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual general meeting, Coventry, April 23rd. St. Michael's, Stoke. Coventry, bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service in the Chapel of the Cross in the new Cathedral Coventry, at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Huts in the Cathedral precinct after the service. Business meeting will follow in the same huts, at which proceeds from the Television Raffle will be handed over to the Provost. All Saints' Allesley, bells will be available after the DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Annual general meeting. Derby. April 23rd. Committee St. Peter's Parochial Hall, 3.15 p.m. Service St. Peters Church. 4.15 p.m. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Derby. Bells St. Luke's (8) $2.30-4$ p.m.: St. Peter's (8) 3-4.15 p.m. and after meeting. also Cathedral (10) after mceting.

ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch.Meeting, Terrington St. John, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec. 5718 Quarterly meeting, April 23rd. Walthamstow Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in nearby hall.
GUIL OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS -
5674 GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS Exeter Branch.-Meeting. Newton St. Cyres,
Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.-W. J. Andrews. Broadpark. Brampford Speke.
GUIKDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Guild ford District.-Meeting at Puttenham. Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Look up Double Court and Wells
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONAnnual general meeting on Saturday, April 23 rd , at Watford. Service 4.30 p.m., Tea 5.15 p.m. Lmportant Business: (1) Proposed that the Benevolent Fund be wound up. (2) Alteration to Rule 10 . Proposed that all peal fees.
ctc.. be sent to the Peal Secretary. (3) Alleged clack of Guild interest. Bells available: Langley. hury (6) 9.30-11. Rickmansworth (10) $11.30-1$, Bushey (8) 10-11.30. Elstree (6) 2-3, Aldenham (8) 2-3.45, Watford (10) 3 p.m. onwards. -H. V. Frost. Hon. Gen. Sec. 5668
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford District-Meeting at Great Chart, Saturday, April 23 rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m., Service 4.30 p.m.-C. T. H.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { KENT } \\ \text { Rochester } & \text { COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- } \\ \text { District. - Quarlerly meeting, }\end{array}$ Rochester District.- Quarterly meeting,
Tunstall. Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. meeting. Netherseake. Saturday. April 23rd. Bclls (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tca $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome. -J W. Cotton. Southern Branch.-Mecting. Saturday. April 23 rd. at Pulham St. Mary. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p-m.-C. F. W. Phillippo Hon. Sec. 5660
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-Annual meeting Saturday. April 23rd. at High Wycombe. Ringing Tea 5 p.m. Annual meeting 6 p.m. 5713 PETFRBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDWellingborough Branch.- Quarterly meeting. Saturday, April 23rd, at Wilby. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. W. Partridge. The Bakery, Wilby. Wellinghorough. 5659

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILDDorchester Branch.-Quarterly meeting,
Preston on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 3.30 Preston on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m

SALISBURY GUILD.-West Dorset Branch -Meeting at Whitechurch Canonicorum, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5683 SOUTHWELL GUILD-Annual meeting April 23rd. Towers open: Mansfield 2.30-4.15 and 6.30-8. Warsop and Mansfield Woodhouse 2-3.45. Service at Mansfield 4.15 p.m. Business meeting following tea.-J. W. Raithby, Gen Sec

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Annual general meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, April 23rd St. Nary's (8) 2-3 p.m., Cathedral (10) 3-4 Service Cathedral 4, Tea 5 p.m., Palmers Restaurant. Business meeting 5.45 p.m., Abbot Anselm Institute. Cathedral $7-8$ p.m. St Mary's 8-9 p.m.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division.-Practice meeting. Wivelsfield (6) Saturday. April 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 Service 6 p.m. Please notify numbers to George North, 11 Richmond Terrace, Brighton. 566 ?
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Ewhurst on April 23rd. Tea 5 p.m.

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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Basingstoke District. - Quarterly meeting at Wootton St. Lawrence, on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District. Quarterly meeting. Curdridge. Saturday. Apri 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mrs. Pritchard. The Burns, Lake Road. Curdridge. Southampton. 5663
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Micheldever, on Saturday. April 23 rd. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. in Village Hall a 2s. 6d. each

5719
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Quarterly mecting. Howden, Satur day. April 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 till 9 p.m Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall -H. S. Morley. Hon. Dis. Sec

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.A.G.M.. Clare College. Wednesday, April 27 th. 9 p.m.- J. R. Taylor. Sec.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Meeting at Derby, Saturday, April 30th. Lunch (8s.) will be arranged at St James' Hotel, St. James' Street, 1 p.m., for those notifying, by April 25th. Mr. J. F Smallwood. Heatherbrae, South Park Avenue, Darley Dale. Matlock. Towers available: St. Alkmund's (8) 10.45-11.45 a.m.. Cathedral (10) 11.45 a.m. 12.45 p.m.. St. Peter's (8) 2.30-3.15. St. Luke's (8) 4-5.30, St. Andrew's (10) 5.30-7.30 p.m. Business meeting 3.15 p.m. at St. Peter's Parochial Hall. Train departs St. Pancras $7.55 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. due Derby 10.21 am Party rate tickets available for those notifying me by April 25th, John Chilcott, Hon Sec.. Kirklake. 67, Farley Road, Selsdon. Surrey.

ON -
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Chew Deanery.-Quarterly meeting at Wrington (10). Saturday. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Divine service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and business meeting.-D. G. Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONFrome Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Wanstrow (6). Saturday. April 30th. Usual arrange-ments.-E. Chivers. Chilcompton. Bath. 5678 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Brancis.-St. Bridget's. West Kirby. April 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea provided fiee for those notilying by Wednesday previous. Alexander J. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.

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CHESTER GUILD.-Stockport Branch Meeting New Mills. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea. please. inform Miri G M. Comicy Peak House, Spring Bank. New Mills, Nia Stockport.-

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD Southern District-Meeting, Saturday, Apri 30th. Brailes ( $6.31 \mathrm{cwt}$. ) 3 p.m. A challenge to Surprise method ringers.' Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Sutton-under-Brailes if miles (5,9 cwt.) also available $3-4$ and $6.30-8$ p.m. Names for tea to P. A. Oram, 15, Henley Road, Leaming ton Spa.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIA TION.-Eastern District.-Bishopwearmouth Saturday, April 30th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than April 27 Lh . to Mr. R. Bell, 22. Brinkburn Street, Sunderland. 5676
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District-Meeting Hemingford Grey, Saturday April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Hemingford Abbots available atter tea-Michael J. 1 Dyer, Dis. Scc. 5688
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - N.W. District. Meeting at Littlebury (6) on Saturday, April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. New incumbent, please support.-G
Blake. Dis. Sec.. Roydon Hamlet, Harlow.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Rural Branch.-Meeting at Bitton (8), April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tca and meeting to follow.-F Hussey, 39. Gordon Avenuc, Whitehall, Bristol
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Stroud Branch.-Meeting at Eastington, April 30th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. T. Price, 12, Regent Street. Stonehouse. Glos
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cheltenham Branch Monthly meeting Bishop's Cleeve (8). April i0hh. 3 p.m. Names for tea by April 26th.Mary. Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheltenham. 5683 GLOLICESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-South Forest Branch.-
Meeting Hewelsfield. Saturday, April 30th. Meeting
Bells (5)
3 Names for tea to Coombe, Oaklands Farm. Newnham. Glos.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Farnham District.-Meeting at Bentley (6) on Saturday. April 30 th . from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by previous Tuesday, to W. W. Wright. Grange Hostel. Hawley Lane. Farnborough. Hants. 5694 HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Ludlow and Church Stretton District-Quarterly meeting. Cound. Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas.-G. Randle Ashford. Ludlow.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Lewisham District) and THE LADIES' GUILD,Quarterly meeting. St. Martin of Tours', Chelsfield. Saturday, April 30th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 27 th . to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road. Bexley
LADIES' GUILD.-Beds and Northants Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. April 30th, at Daventry. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by April 27th, to Mr. P. Chapman. 50. High Street, Daventry.Kathleen A. Rivett.
LADIES' GUILD -Midland District-The meeting at Melton Mowbray, on April 30th, is now cancelled, but will be held instead on May ${ }^{21 \text { sIt. }}$ LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD 564 Hinckley District.-Meeting Barwell, April 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tca 5 p.m. Names for tea. please. by Wednesday previous. to Mr. C. R. Belton, Westgate. triking contest will take place in the evenstriking contest will take place in the even-
ing following the business meeting. Further details and copies of the rules may be ohtained from the District Secretary.-M. Vernon. Dis. Scc. 5687 I.EICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Melton Mowbray District.-Mecting, Saturday. April 30th. at Harby. Bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tca and mecting in Harby Village Hall at 5
p.m. Names for tea, please. by Wednesday, p.m. Names for tea, please. by Wednesday. Harby.-T. Templeton. Hon. Dis, Sec. 5672 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual mecting. Lincoln. April 30th. Cathedral Evensong $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in The Chapter House 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow in The Consistory Court. Those requiring tea. notify by Nednesday previous. Mr. J. A. Freeman, 95. Sincil Bank. Lincoln. Usual ringing arrange-
5723

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD Annual meeting at St. Catherine's, Feltham, on Saturday. April 30th. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Parish Hall Business in Church Hut Ringing arrangements: Bedfont and Stanwell. 2.30 to 4 p.m. Feltham 3 p.m. onwards. T J. Lock. Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Annual general meeting at Norwich on Saturday. April 30th. Service, St. Peter Mancroft Church. 4.15 p.m.; conducted by the Rev. Michael Pavey. address by the Rev. Gratton Guinness. of Starston. Tea, Chantry Hall, 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow immediately after tea. Ringing arrangements: St. George Colegate (6). St. Giles'. (8). St. Miles' (8), 2-4 and $7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. if required. St. Peter Mancroft (12). 3.30-4.10 and 7-9 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. April 27th, to Mrs. F. N Golden. 26. Brabazon Road. Cromer Road, Norwich. Cost 2s.-W. Love, Gen. Sec. 5705
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-V.W.H. Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Stanford-in-theVale, Saturday. April 30th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please by Wednesday, April 27th. to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec.. Fernham. Faringdon. Berks.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting. April 30th, at Lambourn. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m East Garston bells available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. April 27th to the Rev. D. Tyndall. The Vicarage. Lambourn, Newbury. Berks
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Northampton Branch.-Meeting at Brixworth, Saturday. April 30th. Bells ( $\$$ ) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. to E. Billings. 61. Melville Street. Northampton

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDOundle Branch.-Meeting Benefield. April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Teas and transport from Oundle arranged on request. not later than Tuesday previous, Mrs. P. E. Clarke. 7. Bassett Place. Oundle. 5709

SALISBURY GUILD--Calne. Branch Wootton Bassett. April 30th. meeting arranged as a compliment to Mr. Wilson on his diamond wedding anniversary. Usual arrangements. Names for tea please E. Brooks, 14. Templars Firs. Wootton Bassett. Wilts.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Quarterly meeting at Brentwood. on Saturday. April 30th. Bells available from 3 D.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ., followed by tea and meeting.
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. Meeting at Sandiacre. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea arrangements. Ringing evening at Stapleford. Names fo: tea early, please.-A. Henson. 23. Seymour Road. West Bridgford. 5703

SUFFOLK GUILD - West Central District -Meeting. Buxhall (6). Saturday. April 30th Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Great Finhorough (6) evening. Names for tea must he in by April 27th.-H. Mitson. Sec., Buxhall. Stowmarket
SUFFOLK GUILD - S.W. District.-Meeting at Hartest (5) on Saturday. April 30th Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday. April 27th. to Mr. George Garwood. The Green. Hartest. Bury St. Edmunds. 5686
SURREY ASSOCIATION - The annual gencral meeting will he held at St. John's Croydon, on April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Servicc 4.15 n.m.. followed by tea and meeting in new hall adjoining. Notification for tea by April 26th. to F. E. Collins. 17. Hamilton Road. Thornton Heath.-R. I. F. Parsons Hon. Gen. Sec
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Annual
eneral meeting at Sheffield on April 30th general meeting at Sheffield on April 30th
Bells available: St. Marie's R.C. $(8,25 \mathrm{cwt}$.) Bells available: St. Marie's R.C. ( $8,25 \mathrm{cwt}$.) $3-4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cathedral (12. 40 cwt .) $6.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Tea (2s. fid. per head) served in the Wolstenholme Hall at 5.15 p.m., followed by the husiness meeting. Names for tea by the 28 th inst.. to Mr. H. O. Chaddock, 1. Hemsworth Road. Sheffield 8. Subscriptions are now due and reports will be available.-L. W. G Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road Bradford 9.

GNOSALL, STAFFS.-Sunday, May 1st will be observed as Ringers' Day. Ringing: $7.30-7.55$ a.m.; $10.15-10.55$ a.m.; 5.30-6.25 p.m., and after Evensong. Special preacher at 6.30 p.m. the Bishop of Shrewsbury. Visitors cordially invited.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.E. District.Meeting Purleigh, Saturday, May 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead Dis-trict.-Meeting at Ashtead, Saturday, May 7th Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m Names for tea by previous Thursday, please, to J. Symonds, Sherborne. West Farm Avenue, Ashiead.

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LADIES GUILD.-Central and Southern Districts.-Joint meeting. May 7th. St. Peter's. Staines, 3 p.m Service and tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday. May 5th. to Mr . Ron Shepherd. 17. Wheatsheaf Lane, Staines. Middlesex. St. Mary's. Staines, avail able 6.45-8.15 p.m. Everyone welcome. 5671

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Southern Branch-Quarterly meeting. Saturday, May 7ih. Rippingale. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday. May 2nd. Bourne I incs -F Marsh Vickers. Hon. Sec

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. 5689 and District Branch.-Quarterly .-Biceste Souldern (6) on Saturday, May 7th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by May 2nd, to C. Kinch. Causeway, Bicester Oxon
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY President 3 p.m. Cups of tea available. Bring own food

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY. Annual general meeting. St. Olave's Parish Hall Mark Lane. E.C.3. Saturday. May 7th. at 5.45 p.m. Ringing at St. James', Clerkenwell. p.m. St. Olave's 3.30 p.m. WINCHESTER AND 5700 GUILD.- Christchurch District.-A practice meeting will he held at Bournemouth on Satur day. May 7th. Ringing at St. John's Church from 3 p.m.. and at St. Peter's Church from 6 to 7.15 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea. W. T. Godfrey

DO NOT FORGET-City of Bristol
Festival of Ringing. Saturday. May 14th
Luncheon tickets (8s. 6d.) and pro grammes essential, before May 9 th.-A Bennett, 151, Kingsway. Bristol 5. 5697

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual
festival. Eccleston, near Chester. Saturday May 14th. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. in the Parish Church. preacher The Lord Bishop. Tea 5.15 p.m.. in the Village Hall, followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 3 s . 6 d . each if purchased before May 7th. 4s. afterwards obtainable from Branch Secretaries or Mr R. C. H. Sibley. 35. Appleyard Lane. Hand bridge. Chester. Towers available: Eccleston (8) 2-4 p.m. and after tea, Handbridge (8) after tea or by arrangement. before the service Pulford (8) 2.30-3.15 p.m.. Dodleston (6) 2.30-3.15 p.m.-Henry O. Baker. Hon. Sec

THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD-Annual general moeling. Birmingham. Saturday, May 14th. Bells available: 11 a.m. -12 noon Fdghaston (8). 12.15-1.15 p.m. Lunch in City $1.30-2.15$
St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral (8)
$2.30-3.15$ Cathedral (12). $3.30-4.30$ p.m. Aston (12). Tea at the Co-operative Restaurant in High Street. 5 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's (12) after meeting. Will those who are attend ing, please advise Hon. Gen. Sec. giving B.R.S Association No - J. Arthur Hoare. 6. Gendros Crescent. Fforestfach. Swansea.

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## QUARTER PEALS

ASTON, WARWICKS.-On April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor; R. C. Ingram 1, A. Burbidge 2, M. Ingram (first 'inside') 3, D. Ingram 4, W. Pettigrew 5, E. J. Franklin (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.-On April 11th, 1.440 Surprise Minor (Cambridge, London, Wells, York, Durham, Surfleet): J. Riley 1, N. Sherratt (cond.) 2, W. Sherratt 3, R. Challinor 4, P. Mason 5, R. Worrall 6
COMBE MARTIN, DEVON.-On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Rooke 1, K. Walters 2, Linda Kew 3, C. Rook 4. L. Walters 5, F. Yeo $6, \mathrm{~F}$. Sangwin (cond.) 7, A. Smallridge 8 . For Evensong

OXFORD.- On April 6th, at the Church of St. Aldate, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Godwin 1. D. P. Tocock 2, P. R. Tocock (first inside ${ }^{\text {') }} \mathbf{3 ,} \mathbf{J .}$ H. Gardner 4, P. H. Tocock (cond.) 5, R. Allsworth 6. For Confirmation service.

QUEDGELEY, GLOS.-On April 2nd, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Peggy Clark 1. Ann Cox (first of Minor) 2, S. Pugh 3, T. Hurcombe 4, G. Green (cond.) 5, C. Wixey 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam John Pitts, for many years Rector's warden.
SEVENHAMPTON, WILTS.-On April 9th, 1.320 April Day Doubles: P. Naylor (first of Doubles) 1, T. R. Collins 2, J. Sawyer 3, M. J. Stanley (first of Doubles) 4. A. T. Collins (cond.) 5, I. Hawkins 6. First quarter in the method by all the band and on the bells.
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On April 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Adamson (first of Grandsire Triples) 1. J. K. Ward 2, F. R. Scott 3. Pamela M. Jervis 4. B. T. Lister 5 , J. C. Birt (cond.) 6, W. Birmingham 7, E. L. A. Hudson 8.

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## ANOTHER RECORD

THE tale of progress in human achievement seems continuous, and we as ringers can take a just pride in the performance of Mr. Frank B. Lufkin's band in giving to the Exercise a new long-length record peal by ringing 22,400 Plain Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken on April 2nd It will be talked about for a season wherever ringers meet. It has taken nine-and-a-half years to surpass the record of 21,600 changes of Bristol Surprise Major rung at Over by Mr. John Worth's band, and the first letter of congratulation we received on the performance was from Mr. Worth. Such is the friendliness and chivalry of the Exercise.
Apart from bell ringers, Mr. Lufkin has received the congratulations of the people of his own county. The East Essex Gazette ' devotes its first leader to the performance and appropriately heads it 'Well done-long may they ring!' Their congratulations are happily phrased as follows:
' The sound of church bells ringing has been one of the pleasantest sounds associated with the English scene for many years. In town and country, city and hamlet alike, their melodious message is heard-but never before so continuously as at Kirby-le-Soken last week-end.
' On Saturday last bell ringers at Kirby played 22,400 changes of Plain Bob Major-a record. Congratulations to them. Not merely upon their record, though that is a fine achievement, but also because they are exponents of an art which is being threatened, as so many traditional arts are, by way of " progress."
'Soon after the Kirby triumph, one of television's most popular programmes. "To-night," was talking about the decline of "live " campanology. The ringers are being superseded by electronic bells. What a horrid substitution-and how pleasant to know that at Kirby at least there are still men who take pride in this ancient and honourable art.
'Long may they ring.'
Straight away we refute the suggested decline of 'live campanology.' Had any of these electronic people examined the issues of this journal dealing with the congratulatory ringing for the birth of H.R.H. Prince Andrew they would have taken a different view. True, they have a wonderful field for exploiting their mechanical contrivances in the tiny turrets of many of our new churches. but the ringers' meetings of today, with eager and enthusiastic boys and girls joining our art, speak volumes as to the continuity of the Exercise. And after all, change-ringing
is not an art where proficiency is gained in six lessons. It is a long and arduous process.

Is the hold that change-ringing has today associated with the fact that ringers are the servants of the Church? We know that there are black spots over Sunday service ringing and much spade work has to be done before all the ringable bells of this country sound out on Sundays their call to worship. On the other hand we are encouraged by the large number of proficient Sunday service bands as the Survey indicated. Not all bell ringers are peal ringers: there are some people who take an uncharitable view about peal ringing and do not hesitate to condemn peal ringers. If they had their way, the performance at Kirby-le-Soken would be relegated to a paragraph in small type, and the part peal ringing has played in the advancement of the art completely ignored.

These people, who profess to be so keen about the ringing of bells on Sundays, are not behind the Sunday Service Survey. This survey, one of the biggest things the Central Council has undertaken, was initiated by ardent peal ringers. A member of the small committee who undertook this work was Mr. Frank B. Lufkin, the conductor of the Kirby-le-Soken peal. In fact, if the personnel of this committee is examined. there is not a man who is not an ardent peal ringer and an enthusiast in the art of instruction.

We are living in a period when a number of eyes and hearts are fixed on the possibility of achieving the extent of Major. One effort has reached 28,500 changes, which is a longer ring than the latest record, but it was not a true peal. There are certain lessons to be learnt from Mr. Lufkin's performance. The first was the discipline while ringing, when for hours the only voice heard was that of the conductor. There are some people today who do not approve of this strict discipline; we have heard of peals being rung where there was quite a conversation between ringers. The writer might be old-fashioned but he was brought up in the traditional school that in all ringing. whether for Sunday service, peal or practice. the conductor was the only person allowed to speak, and if any correction was necessary it would be done by him.

The next thing was in the selection of the men who participated. The average age was 42 years. In the recent attempts at Loughborough the average age of the bands has been very much lower. The youngest ringer at Kirby-le-Soken was 23 and the next 30 . while the senior member was 58 . and he, incidentally, had already a long length of 18.000 to his credit. While in no sense disparaging the young ringers of today-and this age has as fine a coterie
of young ringers as in any period-we are of opinion that the age range between 30 and 45 is the best period of life for entering upon such an exploit. Maturity and discipline are very big factors as an aid to concentration.

Many peal ringers would question the selection of the method. 'The monotony of ringing Plain Bob Major hour after hour would cause me to break down,' remarked a well-known peal ringer. 'Why did they not attempt Bristol like John Worth's band?' Is the idea of selecting Plain Bob to turn the ringer into an automaton that would eliminate mental fatigue? We do not know; but this we do know, it was a jolly fine performance, and congratulations to all the band. In the present mood of the Exercise we feel certain that the laurels of Kirby-le-Soken will soon be wrested from them-perhaps even by a young band to refute the arguments mentioned above!

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## READING, BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minures, At the Church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Comprising 1.920 Pudsey, 1,920 Yorkshire and 1.440 Cambridge, with 100 changes of method. Tenor 23 cwt . Ruth M. Border Treble Wilfred Williams

William T. Cook 7
8 Tudor P. Edwards John D. Rock Ronald F. Diserens Alan F. Thirst.. 3 Philip Mehew 8
9 5 Arranged by George E. Feirn. Conducted by Wilfred Williams First peal of Spliced Surprise Maximus by all the band, and by the Guild. First of Maximus in these three methods.

## NORWICH.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Easter Monday, April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter Mancroft.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 37 cwt .

Charles J. Sedgley
Michael P. Moreton J. Richard Castledine Roderick W. Pipe Edward P. Duffield Derek P. Jones

Treble $\mid$ Terry Earle
reble Terry earle ...
Chris. M. P. Johnson Stewart F. Kimbe Cecil W. Pipe Frederick E. Collins John H. Crampion
hin H. Crampion.
Conducted by John H. Crampion.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., March 31, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt . 21 lb . in D.

| Muriel Reay | Treble | Michael Elson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUIH M. BORDER | 2 | Norman J. Ggodman |
| Roderick J. Lees | 3 | John McDonald |
| Juhn Pinfold | 4 | John Anderson. |
| George E. Fearn | 5 | Peter Border |
| Composed by WII | Pye. | Conducted by Pe |

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., April 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version. Anthony Ager
*Elizabeth M. Yardley. . Treble

Ruth M. Border
Juhn Pinfold
Michael Elson
Conposed by C. K. Lewis.

* First peal of London Royal.

Tenor 31 cwt .21 Jb , in D

| George E. Fearn |
| :--- |
| Norman J. Goodman |

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Ralph G. Edwards } & \text {.. } & . . & 8 \\ \text { John Anderson } & . . & . . & 9\end{array}$
Plier Border .. ..... Tenor
Conducted by Peier Borver.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 Cambridge Sampanile,
PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Sidney Harrison ... .. Treble Joseph W. Cotton
Derek P. Jones
Ernest Murris
Frederick E. Wilshaw
\#John A. Underwood ..
\#J

| *John A. Underwood | .. | 4 | Russell. S. Mor |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Francis R. Lowe .. | .. | 5 | John M. Jelley |

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.
John M. Jelley . . Tenor
Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Surprise Royal. First of Surprise Royal for the Guild.


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 YOLLRKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C .
Ernest Morris... ... Treble Joseph W. Cotton
Alan E. Hartley $\quad . . . .22$ Gordon A. Halls
John M. Jelley
Richard J. Clifton..
Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls John A. Acres Jussell S. Morris 6
7
8
9
Tenor
Composed by Charles J. Sedgley (Circuit A-X).
Conducted by John M. Jelley.
NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 18. 1960, in 3 Hours and 35, Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 32 cwt .3 gr .27 lh.
Dfnnis Simpson ...Treble Geoffrey R. Parker
Margaret A. Swann .. 2 Harold Stevenson
Jack L. Millhouse.
John Walden
Frederick G. Hooper ... 4 William L. Extion
James W. Raithby .... 5 | F. William Midwinter .. Tenor
Composed by Chas. W. Roberis. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. First peal of Stedman on the bells.
Rung for the Easter Festival.

## BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon.., April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.
Ar the Campanile of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWt}$. in D flat.
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { George W. Howlett } . . \text { Treble William B. Duncan } & \text { B... } & 6 \\ \text { Edwin R. Goate } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Petfr G. W. Newstead } & 7 & 7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Edwin R. Goate ... } & 2 & \text { Peter G. W. Newstead .. } & 7 \\ \text { Mrs. Olive L. Rogers. . } & 3 & \text { Rev. Giles Galley .. } & 8 & 8\end{array}$
*Christopher Rogers .. 4 Harold W. Roliers
Francis R. Lowe ... 5 Sydney J. Merry ... Tenor
Composed by Edgar Guise. Conducted by Edwin R. Goate.

* First peal of Grandsire.

A birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble, second and seventh.

BEDFORD
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon.. April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minufes. At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 28 cwt 3 gr .6 lb . in D.
Helen Nevin .. .. .. Treble Keith Wakefieso
Bryan Paitison. . . . . 2 Frank E. Darby
Angela Grainger
Jennifer M. Davies
Ronald J. Sharp
Composed by Albert M. Tyler.
James R. Taylor
James H. Edwards . . . Tenor Conducted by Bryan Paitison.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peifer and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 40 cwt .
Ronald H. Bulle, .. Treble John A. Anderson
W. Eric Critchley .. 2 Norman V. Harding Ian M. Holland
H. David Holland
*John S. Seager
Composed by WM. PYe. Barry Holland
Ralph G. Edwards...... 9
Richard E. Price ... . Tenlor

* First peal of Surprise Royal.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes, At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB CATERS
Tenor 243 cwt. in D.
Thomas Barker .. .. Treble Cyril Crossthwaite
*Mrs. M. Crossthwaite. .

* Maryl R. Crossthwaite
* Betty Faunch.
- Lawrence Walmesley

Arranged and Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite.

- First peal on ten bells. +25 th peal logether. $\ddagger$ First peal. First in the method for all the band

Rung for the Easter Festival.
STAFFORD.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Collegiate Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 19 cwt .11 lb .
Cynthia Bibby
Frederick E. Wilshaw.
*Charles A. S. Webb
Barnabas G. Key
Robert J. Warrilow
Composed by C. J. Sedgley
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Treble } & \text { David W. Brunning } & . . & 6 \\ 2 & \text { \#Geoffrey Davies ... } & . . & 7 \\ 3 & \text { Richard J. Warrilow } & . . & 8 \\ 4 & \text { David W. Friend . . . } & 9 \\ 5 & \text { Arthur Pritchard . . . Tellor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Arihur Pritchard Society.

Rung for the birth of a daughter (Susan) to Mr. and Mrs. C. A Hone, both ringers at this church.

## LEATHERHEAD. SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., April 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes, AI the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt .12 lb.
A. II. Winch
R. Davies

Treble B. Hawkins
Mrs. H. Oatway
*Catherine Powell
*Rev. E. Wood
Composed by H. J. Tucker
3 *Rev. C. Marshall.
Conducted by A. H. Smith

* First peal of Royal. First of Royal as conductor. 60th peal on the bells for A. H. Winch

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. C. and Mrs. Marshall, who are leaving Leatherhead for Crewkerne, Som, in May.

WATFORD. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., April 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes
At THE CHURCH OF St. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5020 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 24 cwt 1 qr .6 lb . in E flat.
D. Kay Adkins

- Rosemary S. Hawkes Richard G. Bell
Raymond G. Smith
Walyer G. Paul

Dennis Laud .. Kenneth R. Dunstan Geoffrey W. Seaman George W. Dfebenham

* First peal and first attempt. + First on ten bells.

Rung on the day of the marriage in this church of Jane Downward daughter of the Rev. J. G. Downward (Vicar of Watford), to Duncan Stafford, as a compliment from the ringers.

WIMBORNE, DORSET
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. April 18. 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, At the Minsier Church uf Si. Cuihblrua. A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 29 cwt 2 gr .20 lb . in D .

Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay Treble
Dorothy T. Gardiner
Herbert H. Abrahams
Colin Conway
Philip N. Tubbs
Composed by A. J. Pitman.

James E. Danirls Frank L. Harris Michael J. Best Ronald N. Marlow

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sun.. March 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Mimules Ar the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.
*Linda M. Hugerfs

- Aima M. Griavis.

Ruth M. Border
Mtriel Reay

Tenor 12 cwt .1 gr. 15 lb . in $F$ sharp
Treble Geoffriy J. Hfmming George E. lemrv Gerald C. Hemming ... 7 Peter Border
Conducted by Peter Border

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Mon., March 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes, <br> At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MANOR

Ernest Morris Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr .13 lb . in C .

John M. Jelley A. James Poynor .. .. Treble 2 3 Richard J. Clifton Composed by Stephen IVin.

Joseph W. Cotion...
Alan E. Hartley.

## ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Roman Catholic Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund,
A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .3 gr .16 lb . in F .

| John Andlrson | Treble | George E. Fearn |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ann R. Barr | 2 | Michael Elson | - .. 6 |
| Elizabeth M. Yardley | 3 | Roderick J. Lees | 7 |
| Andrew N. Stubbs | 4 | John McDonald |  | Andrew N. Stubbs .. .. 4 John McDonald .. .. Tentor Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by John McDonald.

BOLLINGTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. John.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $16 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Mrs. A. Richardson .. Treble *John Robinson
Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 2 Brian Schofield
Carol Fiernley .. .. ..
Eileen Fearn .. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Composed by James Topp. }\end{aligned}$
Sidney Hough, jun . 7
Denis Mottershead .. Tenor
Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

* First peal of Major.

Rung to mark the coming-of-age of Miss Wendy Sage, of Wilmslow.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At rhe Roman Catholic Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .3 gr .16 lb . in $F$.

- Margaret A. Turner .. Treble Henry H. Fearn

George E. Fearn
Elizabeth M. Yardley.
2
3
4
Roderick J. Lees
Composer unknown.

* First peal of Major

HAYFIELD. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIAIION.
On Sat., April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Peier J. Skinner .. . Treble John Murfin ... .. .. 5
Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls . . 2 Wm. Arnold Morley .. 6
John R. Kenneti ..
Alex. Richardson
Composed and Conducted by Gordon A. Halls

* First peal of Surprise.

Rung to mark the engagement of Mr. J. Holland to Miss M. Archer.

## LOUGHBOROUGH LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sat.. April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5152 DERBY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb , in C .


Composed by C. Middleion, Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* 200th peal together. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours.
As the Cifuri of St. Thomas.
A PEAL IOF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE; MAJOR
In 11 methods. being 1,280 London. 960 Rutland and 320 each of Bristol. Cambridge, Cray, Lincolnshire. New Gloucester, Pudsey. Super-
lative, Wembley and Yorkshire. with 139 changes of method.
Tenor 14 cwt 1 gr . 22 Ih . in F .
Wuham II. Dowse .. Treble Bash Jonls
Fred Dunikerley .. .. 2 John Worih
bernard F. L Groves
C. Kennfith Lewis

Composed by A. J. Pirman. Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.


Conducted by Alfred H. Webb.

* First peal. + First of Triples "inside.'


## NORTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of Sr. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .2 lb . in A flat.
G. William Critchley .. Treble *Jack S. Dear

Jean Sanderson
*Colin A. S. Harwoou ... 6
June 1. Dear
Claudia A. Critchley
Composed by F. Hopgood Conducted by G. William Critchley.

* 50th peal logether.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. G. S. Kenyon and Mrs. Kenyon.
TANFIELD, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minules,

At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .
Kenneih W. Cheeseman Treble| Charles N, Lea ... .. 5
John E. Anderson . . .. 2 Robin G. Turner .. .. 6
George S. Deas .. .. 3 Kenneih Arthur .. .. 7
Eric N. Harrison ..... 4 J. Alan Ainsworith .. . . Tenor
Composed by C. J. Sedgley (No. 10).
Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworih.

## SIX BELL PEALS

CHURCH BROUGHTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN,
Orr Sat., April 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.

* David Parkins

Treble
$\dagger$ Dorothy Atrill
Christopher Hughes
enor 71 cwt .
Reginald J. Stretton
iEdward H. Willows .. 3 David K. Walklate ... Tenor

* First peal. "First of Minor "inside,' Walklate.
* First peal. " First of Minor "inside.'

WORTH. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. April 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr .14 lb . in A.
*SUSAN J. Beresford .rreble : Raymond A. Brown
Bryan C. Burrough $\ldots 2^{2}$ Robin J. Elliott $\quad . . \quad$.. 5
Geoffrey R. Crisp
Conducted by Frank H. Hicks.

* First peal at first attempt.

> KIRBY HILL, YORKSHIRE.
> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
> On Sut., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
> A1 thl Church of All Hallows,
> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 12 methods, being (1) Double Court, (2) Canterbury Pleasure and Reverse Bob, (3) College and Wavertree College, (4) St. Clement's and Childwall, (5) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (6) Double Bob and Fulbeck Bob. (7) Plain Bob.
*Margarer E. Wilkinson Treble
*Colin Reeves.
W. Eric Critchley

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

* First peal in 12 methods.

BEIGHTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN. On Sat., April 9, 1960. in 2 Hours and 56 Minures,

At the Church of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOR MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Edward H. Willows .. Treble
*David Parkins ... .. 3 David K. Wal.klate.. . Tenor

* First pe:ll inside.

THORINGTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On, Sat., April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods: (1) London. (2) Wells, (3) York, (4) Beverley, (5) Surfleet. (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge.
James Towier
Richard J. Harrison
4
 Ernest E. S. Johnson ... 3 Patrick W. Sai tmarsh .. Tehor Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

AMERSHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 16, 1960, it 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different, extents.
Mrs. E. G. Swift .: ... Treble
*Rosalind Hicks
Anthony K. Fortin
2
Condugar G. Swif
*First attempt. The conductor's first peal. Believed to be the first peal on the bells for 25 years.

## CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

 (Barnsley and District Society.) On Mon. April 18, 1960. in 2 Hours and 50 Mintites,At the Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being 720 each of Snowdrop, Sandal, London Scholars' Kingston. Woodbine. Kent and Oxford.
Douglas N. Stabies .. Treble Trevor Tarbair

* Rodney Pagden

Eric Stainrod.
3
Fric Stainrod
Conducted by Noel F. Moxon.
*First peal. 25th peal on the hells for the Yorkshire Association. Rung for the Easter Festival.

MANSFIELD WOODHOUSE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Aprin 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minules.
At the Church of St. Edmund.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven dilferent extents.

Treble | Arthur Brown |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| L. William Jacques | .. | L. William Jacques $\quad . \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad$ Bryinley A. Richards .. 5

> Conducied by Douglas H. Ronke.

First peal of Minor on the bells.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. L. Shorland-Ball, who is taking the living of East Retford. Also in honour of the birth of a son, Divid James, to the conductor.

## NEWTON HALL. NORTHUMBERLAND

THF DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., 4 pril 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Mimutes.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { AI THE CHURCH OF Sr. JAMES. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being one extent each of Beverley Surprise. Oxford Treble Boh. Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford. St. Clement's and Plain Boh.
Thomas Sewell
George S. Deas
Charles N. Lea

|  | . | Treble | K |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | J |
|  | $\ldots$ | 3 | E |

Kenneth W. Chiesemay
J. Alan Ainsworth. . .
5
Eric N. Harrison .. . . Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworih.

## OAKLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon.. April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At thf Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Pauline Adcock
Treble
2
Cecil A. Thompson
Ernest Whiting
Leonard J. Minns
Anthony H. Roberts
Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

SHARDLOW, DERBYSHIRE.
THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN.
On Mon.. April 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minules,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent Kent T.B. and six Plain. Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .14 lb . in G .
*Edward H. Willows . . Treble *Curistopher Hughes
Dorothy Atrill .. 2 Recinaid J Simetion

Conducted by David) K. Walktaie.

* First peal of Minor in iwo methods. The conductor has now ' circled the tower.

Rung for the Festival of Easter.

WIIITNASH, WARWICKSHIRE
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAI, OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Percy A. Oram .. .. Treble Jfan M. Addicoti.
*Stritia T. Trindalit.
*Christine Sanders
Tenor 10 cwt

* First Conducted by Widilam H. Male.
in the method
Rung in honour of the 25th anniversary of the Rev. C. H. Gleave as Rector of this parish.

ABBOTTS LEIGH, SOMERSET.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., A pril 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minures.

At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Tenor 12 cwt .
 †Gillian M. Hussey $\quad . \quad 3$ §D. John Huny .. .. Tenor Conducted by D. Iohn Hunt.

* First peal. †First of Kent. $\ddagger$ First of Minor and Kent. § First of Kent Minor.

LANGLEYBURY. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Wed., April 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minures.

At the Church of Sr. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 FLAMSTEAI) SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.
Tenor 8 cwi . 13 ib . in A
Phyllis M. Mayne
Treble Raymond G. Smith
4 John R. Mayne .. .. 2 Kenneth R. Dunstan .. 5 Dennis Laud .. .. .. 3 Christopher W. Woolley Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method.

WANLIP, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., April 20, 1960. in 2 Hours and 35 Minures.
Ait the Church of Our Lady and Se. Nichol.as.
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB DOLBLES
Being 42 extents (eight callings).
*Maicol.m D. Barsby. . . Treble
reble
2 Ernest Morris
Di:REK M Sawy

Tenor 7 cwl. 3 qr. 3. th.
*Maicol.m D. BarSby. .. Trebl
B. Sti:dman Payne... ..
2
J. C. Shiriey Scoit 3 . 3 Richa. Pawyer .. 5

Conducled by B. Stedman Payne.
*First peal on tower hells. First of Canterbury Doubles on the hells. and by all the band except the conductor.

A wedding compliment to Mr. Peter R. Johnson and Miss Patricia A. James, both of whom are connected with this church.

FLAMSTEAD SURPRISE MINOR
-36-14-12-1236-12-1
6ths place lead-end 142635

## handbell peal

DONCASTER. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., April 17. 1960. in 1 Hour and 47 Minules,
at 38, Castle Hills Road. Scawthorpe.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Being seven different exterts
*T. David Spencer .. ... 1-2| Howard Scott
W. Eric Critchley . . . 5-6

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

* First peal of Minor.


## half peal

QUENIBOROUGH, LEICS.-On April 16th, 2.520 Grandsire Doubles: E. F. Payne 1 . Payne (cond.) 4. R. Wilmore 5 .

AMERSHAM, BUCKS.-On Easter Day, 1.280 Little Bob Minor: R. F. Peers 1, Rosalind Hicks 2. D. C. Lawson 3, G. Orchard 4. A. K. Fortin 5, J. E. Camp (cond.) 6 First in method for all. Rung for Evensong
AUGHTON, LANCS.- On April 20th. at Christ Church. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. W Lunt 1, J. Marsh 2, A. L. Pearson 3. D Lawson (first of Triples) 4. K. Rothwell 5 J. Lunham (cond.) 6, K. Durow (first of
Triples) 7. H. Moorcroft 8 . Rung halfmuffled as a token of respect to the Vicar's mother who was interred this day.

BANSTEAD, SURREY. On Easter Day, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth Farrow (first quarter) 1. Elizabeth Layton 2, H. N Pitstow (cond.) 3, G. R. Smerdon 4, D. J
Pitstow 5, N. Hobden 6, M. F. Layton 7 A. E. Cheesman 8. For Evensong.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS. - On Easter Day, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. D Barsby 1, B. S. Payne 2, G. B. Lowe 3,
J. R. Perkins 4. G. J. Lowe (cond.) 5, M. Godwin 6. For Evensong.

BEDIINGTON, SURREY.-On April 10th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. K. Chilcott 1, Miss B. Holm 2, Miss J. Lavender 3. Miss J. Winchester 4, Miss E. Cooper 5, E. G. Talbot 6. L. Bance 7. 'L. A. Reece 8, S. F. Kimbe
(cond.) 9. F. D. Jennings 10 . For Evensong.

BEDFORD.-At St. Paul's Church. on Easter Day, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Helen Nevin (first of Stedman) 1, P. J. Shipton 2,
Jennifer M. Davies 3, J. H. Edwards 4, R. L. Piron 5. J. R. Taylor 6, B. Pattison (cond.) 7. D. Thompson 8. For Holy Eucharist. Also 1.260 Plain Bah Minor: D. Thompson 1 . Jennifer M. Davies 2, Helen Nevin 3, B.
Pattison (cond.) 4. R. L. Piron 5. J. R. Pattison (sond.) 4. R. L. Piron 5. J.
Taylor 6. On the front six for Evensong.
BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.-On Easter Day, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7. 4. 8 covering): Miss J. Kenwood 1, Miss A Eldridge 2, C. Johnstone 3, D. George 4, Miss
D. J. Pankhurst 5. C. E. Verdon (cond.) 6. J. M. Swift 7. C. Pilbeam 8. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of the Rev. H. B. W. Denison, M.A.. a former Rector

BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On Easter Day 1.260 Grandsire Triples: P. Corderoy 1, R. H Mills 2. Mary Wells 3. H. W. Dunsden 4,
E. J. Grace 5. J. P. Blond (cond.) 6, R. B. Blond 7. C. Corderoy 8. For Matins.
BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX,-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Brown

1. Miss L. Doone (first inside ') 2, V. J. C. IJale 3. W. R. Chandler 4. Miss B. Fisher (first as cond.) 5 For morning service.

BROMHAM, BEDS.-On April 13th. 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Philippa M. Stratton (first on eight) 1. Jennifer M Davies $\frac{2}{4}$. Kathleen A . Rivett (first in method) Eduards 5. R. L. Piron 6. J. R. Taylor 7. B. Pattison (cond.) 8 .

CLECKHEATON, YORKS.-On April 18 th 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: T. Stamp 1, Bery Abbott 2. Gael Brown (first quarter) 3. N Dyson 4. B. Dove (cond.) 5. G. Armitage 6
CRANFORD, MIDDN.-On Easter Day 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1. Josephine Pole 2. June Richardson (first as Goodfellow 6.
IJARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.-At St Cuthbert's Church. on Easter Day. 1.280
Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss J. Warwick 1. Miss P. Dowse 2. Miss B. Cooke 3. Mrs. T. Cooke 4. E. Pannell (first in the method) 5, T. Cooke (cond.) 6. W. E Mashiter 7 . F. Hodgson 8. For Evensong.
DRIGHLINGTUN, YORhis.-On April 18th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Stamp 1. Beryl Abbott 2. Gael Brown 3, N. Dyson 4. B. Dove (cond.) 5, G. Armitage 6.

Christ-the-Saviour. 1.260 Grandsire Triples:
Miss J. Scrutton 1. W. G. Wilson 2, D.
Morgan (first 'inside') 3, H. Eldred 4 , G.
Theedom 8. For Easter.

## QUARTER PEALS

EDGWARE, MIDDX.-On Mar. 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Christine E. Culley 1 Gillian Howells (first 'inside ') $2, ~ A . M$ Warris 3. D. J. L. Ward 4, H. E. Clayton (cond.) 5, P. Robinson 6. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Ann Mason and Mr. Tony Warris and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Christine Culley.
FENHAM, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE. On Easter Sunday, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Prophet 1. Mrs. R. W. Smith 2 E. N. Harrison 3. J. A. Ainsworth 4, N. H Hewett 5. P. Wishart 6. K. Arthur (cond.) 7. P. Reave 8. For children's service.

GREAT HALE, LINCS.-On Easter Day 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. I. Brown (firs on (reble) 1. Daphne P. Brown 2. A. Bird 3 R. Brown 4, E. A. Cole (first in method as cond.) 5. Sylvia A. E. Brown (first quarter) G. Rung for Evensong

HARBURY, WARWICKS.-On April 16th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: S. T. Hauley 1, R. J. Edden 2. Miss J. M. Addicott 3, G. H. Reeves 4. G. L. P. Aldhouse 5. H. M. Windsor (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1 and 4. Rung half-mufiled in memoriam Mrs. M. E Mackley.
HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDX.-On April 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Perrett 1. Miss J. Hitchicock 2. D. Morgan 3. D. Shaw' 4. G. Harvey (cond.) 5, J. Mudd 6. For Evensong, and as a 21 st birthday compiment to Miss J. Hitcheock.
HARSTON, CAMBS.-On Easter Day, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Turner 1, C. W Cook 2, I. G. Stracey 3. G. Turner 4. M Stracey. (cond.) 5, W. Hedger 6. For Choral Eucharist. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M Turner 1, C. W. Cook 2, G. Thoday 3, G. A. Lucas 4. D. F. Murfet 5. M. Ginn (cond.) For Evensong
HOOLE, CHESTER.-On Easter Day. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Maund (first of Minor) 1. Mrs. R. G. Corby 2. E. C. Crewe 3. T Holmes 4. S. W. R. Crewe 5. R. G. Corby (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong and also as farewell compliment to Brian Maund, a local ringer, who was to emigrate to Edmonton, Canada, on April 21 st.
KENT, CONNECTICUT, US.A.-On Easter Day, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B Hamilton 1, H. Hardcastle 2, D. Stuart 3 R. Crosbie 4. J. Headden. (cond.) 5,

Phyfe 6. First quarter for all the band.
KIMPTON, HERTS.-On April 17th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. W. Cull 1, Miss I. M. Lander 2. D. L. Cull 3, A. F. Cull 4. J. G Cull (cond.) 5. L. F. Cull 6. Rung prior to the baptism of Nigel Greenwood. son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cull.
LIGHTKLIFFE, YORKS.-On April 18th 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: T. Stamp (first quarter) 1. H. Renshaw 2, J. Pearson 3. N. Dyson 4. B. Dove (first quarter as cond.) 5 . G. Armitage (first quarter) 6.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Doubles in seven methods ( St Martin's, St. Nicholas. Winchendon. St, Simon's. Reverse St. Bartholomew. Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. J. Hill 1. J. B. Dinenage 2. D. W. Barr 3. E. W. C
fisey (cond.) 5. R. Paxton 6.

LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes. on Faster Sunday, 1.260 Stedman Triples: D. M. Salishury 1. Mrs. P. K. Salishury 2. F. G. Richardson 3. J. Fowler 4. A. J. Salisbury Ammerlann 8. For Matins.
MANSFIELD WOODHOUSE, NOTTS.On April 10th. 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Brown 1. L. W. Jacques 2, G.
Challans 3. D. H. Rooke (cond.) 4. B. A. Challans 3. D. H. Rooke (cond.) 4. B. A.
Richards 5. H. T. Rooke 6 . For Evensong. NORTHIAM, SUSSEX.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Hughes (first quarter) 1. Mrs. G. Reece 2. R. Seeley 3. R. Barnes 4. W. Button (cond.) 5. F. Tedham 6. For morning service. also for the engagement of Miss Janet Button and Mr. P. Sharples. of St. Albans. BERKS.-On April
OLD WINDSOR, 7 th . 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. H. Bates 1. E. Armstrong 2. J. Coombs 3, D. W. Stone (cond.) 7. To honour the 75th birthday of W, Welling

ORSETT, ESSEX.-On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. Mason 1, Mrs
F. W. Blatch 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3.D. G Mayell (cond.) 4, R. Hills 5, F. W. Blatch 6
PAUL, CORNWALL.-On Easter Sunday 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Christine Worth (iirst quarter) 1. Ethel M. Jones (first quarter) 2. Marlene Ladner 3. B. Rodda 4. W. R Curtis (cond.) 5. J. Ladner 6 . For morning prayer
PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-On Easter Day, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Collings (first of Stedman) 1, Miss Y. C Porter 2, F. E. Day 3. H. W. Milford 4 H. F. Myers 5. D. F. Wheeler 6. T. G Myers (cond.) 7. W. H. Marks 8. For Evensong.
REDRUTH, CORNWALL.-On Easter Day . 260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Williams (first quarter) 1. K. Ruscoe 2, A. Ince 3. P. R. C Williams 4. E. V. Williams (cond.) 5, R. Curnow 6. Rung after Evensong.
ROTHERHAM, YORKS.-On Easter Monday. 1.344 Yorkshire Surprise Major: R Woodward 1. Mrs. N. Chaddock 2, I. Tilling 3. Miss S. Chaddock 4. P. Coote 5, D.
French 6, J. N. D. Chaddock 7, N. Chaddock (cond.) 8. A compliment to the Rt. Rev. G. V. Gerard (Vicar of Rotherham) on his appointment as full-time Assistant Bishop of Sheffield. Rung by members of the Sunday ervice band.
SALEHURST, SUSSEX.- On Easter Sunday. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. T. Avery 1. A. H. Allcora 2. H. Edwaraes 3. A. Hoad 4. A. Smith 5, J. Harris 6. W. H. Hoad (cond.) 7. H. Hoad 8. For morning service. Also 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: H. Edwardes 1. A. H. Allcorn 2. E. T. Avery 3. A. Hoad 4 A. Smith 5. J. Harris 6. W. H. Hoad (cond.) H. Hoad 8. For evening service.

SAXILBY, LINCS.-On Easter Day, 1,320 Minor ( 720 Single Oxford. 600 Kent): Pamela Cox 1. M. Keyworth 2, M. L. Mann 3. H. W. Cox 4. J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6.
For Evensong.

SEALE, SLRREY.-On Easter Sunday 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Mills (lirst quarter) 1. M. Merritt 2. J. W. Carter 3. C. Poyntz 4. E. Gardner (cond.) 5. Mrs. C. Povntz (first quarter) 6.
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.On April 16th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: K. Welch 1. G. Monckton 2. F. Welch 3. J. Drew 4. R. Welch 5. G. Gaylard 6. T. Locke 7. H. Gaylard (cond.) 8. For the wedding of Mr. John Hawkins and Miss Norma Harris. Also on Easter Day, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles : K. Welch 1. R. C. Beale 2. J. Cornelius (cond.) 3. F. Welch 4. R. Welch 5. J. Stenner 6. For Evensong.
SHILTON, WARWICKS.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. Ginns 1,
G. Robhins 2. H. M. Windsor (cond.) 3. R. G. Robhins 2. H. M. Windsor (cond.) 3. R.
Hart 4. N. Knight 5. V. Newman 6. First guarter 1. 5 and 6.
SHIPIAKE, OXON.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: D. J. Bayliss (first quarter) 1. E. H. Smith 2. D. E. Cobb (cond.) 3. Diana Cobb (first of Triples 'inside ") 4. Lesley Roberts 5. F. G. Henbest 6. J. A. Cobb 7. F B. R. Bonsey 8. Rung by the local band after Evensong.
STEVENAGE, HERTS.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Doubles ( 780 Grandsire. 480 Plain Bob): Swain 3. D. Tapling 4. D. Gullick (cond.) W. Lawrence 6. W. Brown 7. W. Munson 8. Rung for the Easter Festival and as a
mark of respect to Mr. R. W. Smith. retiring after 33 years service as churchwarden.
TEWIN, HERTS.-On April 9th. 1.272 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Audrey M. Balley 1. Monica E. Horseman 2, P. Wooster (first
of Cambridge) 3 D. S. Harris 4. R. D. Short 5. M. J. Horseman (cond.) 6. Rung as a Ithth hirtidiav compliment 10 Mr . Harry Shire. WALKLNGTON, E. YORKS.-On April 18th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Ducker 1. K. Goldthorpe ${ }^{2}$ 2, Mrs. R. Ducker 3, J.
Perrett 4. R. Gibson (first of Minor) 5, J. Perrett 4. R. Gibson (first of Minor) 5, J.
Rank (cond.) 6. First quarter peal on the bells.

WOOLTON, LIVERPOOL.-On April 10th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples (from Hole's Original):
N. Ashworth 1. Miss W. Kenyon 2. M. N. Ashworth 1. Miss W. Kenyon 2. M.
Rogers 3. D. Jenner 4. D. Lyon 5, J. Wilton Rogers 3. D. Jepner 4. D. Lyon S, J. Wilton
6. E. L. Humphriss (cond.) 7, R. Glover 8. First quarter for all except 5 and 7.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

## 'E,

ERIN.-This arrangement is regarded a Principle. similar to Siedman, as distinct from a Method. The reason is that all the moving bells do the same work whereas in methods the treble does not do the same work as the remaining bells. Erin was composed by the late Gabriel Lindoff just over fifty years ago. but has so far not been popular. A few peals in this arrangement have been rung although touches of it are rarely called for at ringing meetings. I wonder why? The work is straightforward, there is enough movement with no long dodging on the front. it is not unmusical as the plain course of Doubles contains, the changes 153246.135426 and Triples 13572648 , and there is the tenor behind to keep a beat. It may be said to be repetitive. but probably conductors in general have not sufficiently studied the arrangement from the construction and calling points of view. Erin is divided into "sixes. or six changes per round block. and herein is comprised the whole of the work. A plain course of Doubles contains $30(5 \times 6)$ changes: a plain course of Triples contains 42 ( $7 \times 6$ ) changes. The first six changes of Erin Doubles are-

## 12345 <br> 21435 <br> 12453 <br> 14235 <br> 41253 <br> 42135 <br> 24153

-continue this and see if you can get rounds at the end of the fifth 'six.' Also write or prick out the first six changes of Erin Triples and see if you get 2416375 if so. continue for seven 'sixes' when rounds should be the last change.

EROSION:-This word, meaning the state of being eaten away, is used in place of corrosion and also to even out the alphabet.

The actual belfry, being not very frequently visited by anyone, is too often a place where destroying agents such as worm, beetle and rust are left to do their work undisturbed. Bells swing in frames and fittings made of timber and ferreous metal and these require a certain amount of attention from time to time. a minimum say of twice in a year or before and after the winter period. Timber can be adequately treated with a preservative such as paint or creosotc. whilst the fron and steel can. after scraping, wire brushing and cleaning free from rust deposits, be coated with an anti-rust paint or a bituminous solution. A word of warning must be given here, that hefore you enter the belfry for your own personal safety see that all bells are hanging down. and never attempt to go near a bell that is set up.

EXERCISE Method.-This Treble Bob method has an internal place made at all cross-sections but two. three or four in each half lead. In the 1907 Collection of Methods. those with an internal place at all crosssections but two were called Exercise Methods. those with an internal place made at all cross-sections but three were Pasallatria Method; and those with an internal place made at all cross-sections but four were Pasallatessera Methods. The present classification was adopted in 1956.

EXTENDING LEAD.-The many regular methods available. some of which have been rung and thousands more which have not yet been rung, have a limited variation in lead ends. Those methods which have 142635 in Minor 14263857 in Major: 1426385079 in Royal and 142638507 T 9 E in Maximus as the first lead end may be in the class of an extending lead method. The proof is that if a
bob is called at the first lead end, such lead end would be 142356 ; 14235678 ; 1423567890 and 1423567890 ET respectively. So. in other words, an extending lead method is one which brings all bells, except the bell making the bob and those below it. back to the same position they were at the previous lead end. As you will see from the above figures three bobs at successive leads will bring the bells back into rounds, and this would be known as a three lead bobbed course. Kent Treble Bob would, probably, be the best method to check up on this.

There are some methods with 142635 , etc., as the first lead end. but which are not extending lead methods. London Surprise is one and if you study the line diagram you will see why. Or. to be soft hearted, I will explain. At the critical moment the bells are hunting the wrong way-up instead of down-which prevents them dodging back to their previous lead end position. If the back bells did get to their previous lead end positions it could only be by jumping two places, and you know this is not permissible within the rules of change ringing.

EXTENT:-This term literally means the cmbodiment of all the possible changes, but it is sometimes applied loosely.
Extent of changes on 2 is

| $1 \times 2$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\frac{1}{6}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| $1 \times 2 \times 3$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 24 |
| $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5$ | $\cdots$ | 120 |  |
| $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6$ |  | 720 |  |
| $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 \times 7$ | $\cdots$ | 5040 |  |

I have stopped at seven, because a peal on seven bells (Triples) shall consist of 5.040 changes. whilst a peal on eight or more bells shall comprise not fewer than 5.000 changes. Peals of Doubles and Minor shall consist of 5.040 or more changes, and there is no provision for peals on four or less bells. The loose application of the term Extent is when used instead of the word peal.

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The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association has decided as from January 1st

## BELFRY

 next to issue a further minimum charge of 6 d per rope for every peal rung for the Association. the money to be forwarded to. The Ringing World, to help the paper in its financial difficulty. Thank you, very much, Bath and Wells.Congratulations to Kent School. Connecticut. U.S.A., on their first quarter peal for 26 years.
Mr. Charles J. Sedgley rang his first peal of Surprise Maximus on the treble on Easter Monday. He has, however, rung 62 peals of Surprise Maximus inside!
Five years ago Northiam. Sussex, had a call change band. On Easter Day Wendy Hughes was the 13 th member of the tower to ring her first quarter. Six members have also rung their first peal.

The clergy are not placed in charge of cures to run parishes to recruit ringers; their job is primarily to take care of the souls of the ringers and parishioners.'-Irish Bell News.
The peal of Stedman Caters at Newark-onTrent on Easter Monday was the first peal at Newark since 1897 when Grandsire Caters, conducted by Gabriel Lindoff, was rung. Only five peals have been rung at Newark, the other three being Grandsire Triples-last in 1913.

Artful Dodger,' of Huddersfield. writes for confirmation of the rumour he has heard during the past week that the six-bell contest to be held at Felkirk, Barnsley, on June 11th. is to decide who are the champions of England. He asks if 'Bill Sykes' or himself or anyone else interested could compete in this championship contest for a small fee.
Mrs. P E. Marriott and not Mrs. P. J. Staniforth was the youngest lady to ring a peal of Maximus. As Miss Phyllis Tillett she took part in a peal of Oxford Treble 12 at Ipswich on November 18th, 1933, at the age of 14 years 10 months. and her first of Cambridge 12 at the same tower just under at year later.

## GOSSIP

The Guild of Clerical ancashire their ringing week in Aotel. Iytham headquarters at Fairhaven wim St. Anne's. The party consists of: the Rev. J. H. B. Andrews, E. G. Benson (Presteigne). N. F. D. Coleridge (Tatworth). Canon C. C. Cox. Preb. E. V. Cox (Axminster), $\mathrm{K} \quad \mathrm{C}$. Davis (Nateley Scures). S. E. Evans (Ramsgate), K. W. H. Felstead (Southampton), J. B. T. Homfray (Cheltenham). M. C. C. Melville (London), I. J. Richards (Llanarth), G. Ruming (Penzance). F. A. Sanders (Overion), Canon B. F. Sheppard (North Petherton), R. D. St. J. Smith (Astley Bridge). A. Webb (Kidderminster) and E. B. Wood (Leatherhead). Mrs. Felstead. Mrs. Richards. Mrs. Sanders. Mrs. Wood. and Miss Homfray accompany the the party.
By missing the peal at Blewbury. Berks, on Easter Monday. owing to being on holiday, Mr. A. R. T. Greenough broke a run of 28 consecutive peals on these bells with Mr. R. B. Blond.

Mrs. Mary Wells, who took part in the quarter peal at Blewbury. Berks. on Easter Sunday, was one of the post-war band of girls taught by Mr. George Gilbert at Burnham. and it can be confirmed that. although her opportunities for ringing these days are infrequent. her ringing is still of a high standard.

A band of Newcastle on Tyne ringers made an attempt for three peals in a day on Easter Monday. Two were successful but the third at Newburn on Tyne failed at the beginning of the fifth 720 after $1 \frac{3}{7}$ hours owing to a movement of the clock hammer throwing the treble rope off the wheel.
At the tenth or twelfth attempt Woolton. Liverpool. ringers have rung a quarter from Holt's Original, which is the first quarter by the local band since 1930. All the other attempts were called off with a single and the bells brought round except one which came round at the end with a bit of straightening up. It was decided not to claim this. For six of the band it was their first quarter.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


## CONDUCTOR'S INSIDE STORY OF RECORD PEAL OF 22,400 CHANGES

The fine performance of establishing a new. record length of 22.400 Plain Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken. Essex, on April 9th, was briefly referred to in our last issue. Today we give the inside story of this great achievemeent, written by the conductor, Mr. F. B. Lufkin. This peal is the longest yet recorded by the same band of ringers.

## THE CONDUCTOR'S IMPRESSIONS

I ARRIVED outside the church, on a nice sunny morning, at 7.40, to find five of the band already waiting. The other two members arrived before 7.45, the appointed time, which I considered a good omen. Everybody was fit and well, so without delay we entered the belfry for a punctual start.
There was. little to do as the tower captain (Mr. Urban Wildney) and I, the previous day, had prepared everything as far as possible. Whilst Urban gave a spot more oil to the plain bearings, a photographer appeared and took two pictures. I was rather short with him and said I would be more pleased to see him after the peal.

A few rounds were rung, and after a few adjustments, and some instructions to the band and the photographer, Urban went down and locked us in. We pulled off into changes at 8.10 a.m.
At once the bells settled down to a nice heat and not too fast, my thoughts being, - Take it steady, there is a long way to go.' The clock striking gear told me that it was 9 o'clock, and then 10 o'clock was on us, very quickly it seemed. The speed of ringing quickened and between 12 o'clock and 1 o'clock it really was going apace until I thought, but did not say, a trip and all would be up.

## REFRESHMENTS

Most of us had something to eat on small tables placed around the belfry, and I at one oclock thought fit to partake of a little refreshment. which brought smiles from the remainter of the band. I was worried in case everyone thought of having some refreshment, which may have been disastrous. However this was not so. Peter Eves. Dennis Symonds and Howard Egglestone seemed experts in taking refreshments and they in turn took scme.

About 2.30 p.m. Ron Steward took something to eat and his rope jumped around, which made me feel required to say something. "Tenor go down after the 4 th,' who I thought was a little out of place. These were the first words spoken other than calls. Even these words may have not been necessary.
Everybody had had enough refreshment and they settled down. and the ringing went on and on very well indeed with no incidents, except once, when I called a bob slightly late. and I said Sorry!, but the band seemed to take no notice, in fact I think one or two of them had the composition in mind. I noted Norman Harding had one of his sweets. All he had were two or three sweets during the whole time.

## SCATTERED ON THE FLOOR

The next incident was provided by our tenor ringer. Walter Arnold. He had some eats on his table. but all he had done was several times to have a look at them. About 6 p.m. he made a grab for a piece of chocolate. which he was unsuccessful in getting. but scattered the food on the floor. No comment from the rest of us. Ten minutes or so later he successfully got a piece and put it in his mouth. and from somebody. I think Peter Eves, we heard. - Cheers.

Everybody had the eye on the finish and the ringing progressed very smartly. and I thought fit near the end to say 'Steady lads. don't chase it.' but perhaps I was nervous, getting near the end
The peal came round at 7.55 p.m.. all the ringing in my opinion been excellent. not one bad trip throughout, and I should think there were only about six missed dodges, and the very few bad blows were caused by members getting refreshments. We congratulated each


The band who rang the record length at Kirby-le-Soken (left to right): Norman V'. Harding, Howard W. Egglestone, Frank B. Lufkin (conductor), Peter J. Eves, Walter Arnold, Ronald W. Steward, Alan R. Andrews and Dennis A. S. Symonds.

IPhoto by W. P. Mullen, 99, Vista Road, Clacton-on-Sea.
other, the younger ones saying they could have gone on further. and I ought to have extended so we could have at least run round the clock. but I explained we must keep to the published figures.

## TAPE RECORDING

After a little while the vicar (the Rev J. W. Thomas) came into the belfry, followed by many ringers who had been listening for some time. One of them had taken a tape recording of the last hour of ringing and soon we were hearing some of it.

Now for a pint, and for tales to be told in the local. Discussion took place about whether it is a fiddle to put a course of Oxford T.B. with the London Scholars group. or to include methods of Alliance and little methods in multi-method peals of Minor. Soneone said it was more worthy to have a course of a real method such as Oxford T.B. than two methods which individually would not produce a 720 .

How nice to see all the young folk from the Chelmsford and Danbury area to welcome us down and their enthusiasm speaks well for future ringing in their area. Then the band from St. Leonard's, Colchester, a 6 bell tower. came in. after successfully ringing an 8 bell peal at the next tower at Great Holland. What a happy day it was, and such an enjoyable time we all had. and although sometimes we think these long peal attempts silly, the enthusiasm it makes and calls for I feel is well worth while in the interest of ringing generally and in helping to maintain Sunday Service ringing.
The Vicar asked us to give him the details as he wishes to place the performance on record in the church. so the enthusiasm has spread to him as well.
When all tales had been told and I made my way home. I thought just another peal for the book and wondered what next we must do and there is much. and I thank God for all his goodness.

## THE BAND

Treble rung by Ronald W. Steward. Aged 39 years. Learnt to ring at All Saints . Sproughton. Suffolk, during 1936. under the guidance of the late Charles Mee, and his first peal was of Minor in 3 methods. August. 1937. He has rung 264 peals ranging from Doubles to Royal and his longest previous length was of 10.080 of Minor. Being, a blast furnaceman on night work, his ringing is limited, but he is a Sunday service ringer of St . Mary's, Grundisburgh, and also a member of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich.

A pleasing feature of Ron Steward's ringing is that he is ever willing to do that bit extra to make ringing comfortable; overalls, the oil can, spanner and rope splicing seem part and parcel of his work to the general benefit.

Second rung by Alan R. Andrews, aged 43 years. He is a native of Thorington, Essex. where he learnt to ring under his father. at a very early age, and rang his first peal in 1929. and his first as conductor in 1933. He has since rung some 200 odd peals, in methods ranging from Doubles to Surprise Maximus. His previous longest length was one of 6.000 of Grandsire Doubles, 50 different 120 s .

Alan is a farm worker. Like his father before him. he has maintained an excellent Sunday service band at Thorington. A visit to his practice on a Wednesday provides a surprise as to what methods are rung by this local company.

Third rung by Peter J. Eves, aged 30 years. Commenced ringing in 1945 at Galleywood. Essex. after interest was aroused with lunchtime handbell ringing with a schoolboy band at the Mid-Essex Technical College, under the late A. L. Simmonds, Engineering Master. Now belongs to the Chelmsford Cathedral band.

He has been a trustee of the Essex Association for six years and in 1959 was elected as a Central Council representative. Has rung 129 peals from Doubles to Cinques. including Spliced Surprise Major and up to 60 multi-method Minor, and has conducted 10 peals. His previous longest length was that on the second in Bob Royal. 12.740 changes, at Prittlewell. 1950.
He is employed at Marconi Works, at Chelmsford. as a test engineer in the Radar department.

Fourth rung by Norman V. Harding, aged 51 years. Began his ringing at the age of 12. at the then 6 bell tower at West Clandon. Surrey, under the stern guidance of Fred Bennett, and later learning eight bell ringing at Holy Trinity, Guildford. under Alfred H. Pulling. Rang his first peal in 1927 and has now rung 260 peals. of which 57 he has conducted. He rang in the 11.568 Double Norwich at Debenham in 1950.

Norman has been in four attempts to ring the 40,320 at Loughborough, having failed at $20.000,21.800,28.500$ and 5.000 . so he has had wide experience recently in long peal ringing.

## RECORD PEAL-Cont.

He has represented the Norwich Diocesan Association on the Central Council for six years, and was captain of St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, from February, 1952 to February, 1960. He is a local government official employed by the Freebridge Lynn Rural District Council.
Fifth rung by Dennis A. S. Symonds, aged 44 years. Started ringing at Lavenham in 1925. and rang his first peal on handbells in 1932 and on tower bells in 1933. He has now rung 191 peals. He is a member of the famous ringing family of Symonds and his father still leads the ringers at Lavenham, Suffolk

He works at the Marconi Works, Chelmsford, and he is one of the leading peal ringers of Essex, and is a member of the young Essex multi-method Minor band.

Sixth rung by Howard W. Egglestone. aged 23 years. He has been ringing 11 years and was taught by Sam Everitt at Boreham. Essex. At present he is captain of a young band of ringers at Purleigh. Essex. Has rung approximately 150 peals and called about 30 of them. Very keen on the multi-method Minor. and most of his peals have been on 6 bells. but he has rung peals on all numbers: His previous longest length was 18.000 Minor rung at Stisted in 1957.

Howard was the main enthusiast for this long peal attempt. and it is anticipated that much more will be heard of this young man in Essex ringing.

Seventh rung by Frank B. Lufkin, aged 49 years. He was taught ringing by William Judd, at Prittlewell, in 1928, and has since rung 470 peals. of which he has conducted 307. from Doubles to Maximus. His previous long lengths have been 9.000 and 12.740 of Bob Royal at Prittlewell. 11.568 Double at Debenham in 1950 and 18.000 Minor in 25 methods in 1957. He was Ringing Master at Prittlewell for 25 years until leaving there in 1955.

He has represented the Essex Association on the Central Council since 1945 and serves on the Sunday Service Committee. He has served on the Essex Association committee for many years and is at present its peal secretary. His employment is that of an officer in the Essex County Fire Brigade, which, because of shift work restricts his opportunities for much ringing. His chief delight in ringing is that of Grandsire Caters on a moderately heavy ring of bells.

Tenor rung by Walter Arnold, aged 58 years. He has rung between 300 and 400 peals and has been ringing at Earls Colne since 1914 where he is verger. His previous longest length was that of 18,000 Minor at Stisted. in 1957. He has rung many peals with the late William Keeble and with Lewis Wiffen and he is a most reliable method ringer.

## NO TALKING

Mr. Norman Harding informs us that he wishes it to be placed on record that in his opinion the success of the long peal was entirely due to the capable way in which the conducting was carried out. coupled with sheer determination by each member of the band. and the fact that during the whole of the peal the only words that were uttered were those of the conductor, and when he called the Bobs, and Singles. He thinks this last little bit is very important.

Mr. Lufkin comments: "My impressions give exactly what things were said, which was very little indeed, but it appears to Norman Harding that the absence of any talking and incident was a feature of the peal, and I agree with him.'

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 18


## MR. JOHN E. CHILCOTT

Secretary, Ancient Society of College Youths
There was a time when mention of the College Youths conjured up in certain minds visions of ancient. greybearded gentlemen, fierce and formidable, who did not approve of the "goings on' of the younger generation. This idea is an entirely erroncous one, and hardly does justice to the present day Society.

Mr. John E. Chilcott. who typifies the younger men now in control of the Society's affairs, is one of the most popular young men in the Exercise. He entered into ringing when it was easily possible to capture the fine traditions of the Ancient Society and he is making a first class job of not only maintaining-but even enhancing them.

Born in 1931, he was educated at Isleworth Grammar School. learned to ring at St. Leonard's. Heston. in 1944, and rang his first peal (Boh Minor) in 1946 at St. Dunstan's. Cranford, conducaed by W. J. Paice.
Being a youth who showed great promise, he was quickly noticed by that great spotter of talent. Mr. Horace Belcher. who introduced him to London ringing circles in 1945. Under Mr. Belcher's able guidance John was very soon ringing Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's Cathedral. and proved himself to be an excellent exponent on 12 bells. Then service in the Forces interrupted his ringing somewhat, but not completely-as he was at the War Office from 1950 to 1952. He was able to continue (when his duties permitted) with his ringing activities.
In 1948 he rang his first peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's, which was conducted by Mr. H. Langdon. In 1949 he composed and took part in a peal of 5.000 Stedman Cinques at Birmingham. and in the same year he conducted a peal of Stedman Caters at Beddington when the average age of the band was $18 \frac{1}{2}$ years. Also, he conducted his own composition of 5.021 Stedman Cinques as an in memoriam peal for Canon Coleridge, at Southwark Cathedral.
In 1953 he conducted the Coronation peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's. and in 1956 a Past Masters peal of Stedman Caters at Stepney, followed in 1958 by a peal of Stedman Cinyues by Past Masters at Croydon. He was elected Master in 1953. being one of the youngest Masters the Society has ever had. carrying out his duties very efficiently and with the dignity customary in the Ancient Society.
He was elected secretary in 1957. in succession to Mr. A. B. Peck, and in 1958 he was elected conductor of the St. Paul's Cathedral Guild in succession to Mr. H. Langdon. His total peals to date are approximately 177. conducted 52.
In 1953 he married Eileen Mary Ricketts. whose father John E. Ricketts was at that time tower captain at Heston. She is also a ringer.

## SUNDAY SERVICE NEWS THORPE MALSOR

The six bells of All Saints'. Thorpe Malsor. Northamptonshire. were rung by a resident band of ringers for the Sung Eucharist on Easter Sunday. This is the first time that all the bells nave been rung for a service since before the 2nd World War. although for the past two months some of the bells have been rung for both services on every Sunday. The newly formed band hope to report further progress in the field of change ringing in the not too distant future.

## Suffolk Guild

It was disappointing that the attendance was low at a mecting of the North-East District held at Bungaty or April 2nd, hut the bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening. The Rev. Mr. Tarvis, Vicar, held a service for the few and had also obtained an organist.

At the business meeting after tea it was proposed to hold a District full day's outing on Saturday, July 9th. if sufficient names were received. Next meeting, July 23 rd, at Southwold. and a practice meeting at Theberton and Yoxford, on June 25th.

Writing in appreciation of the Easter Message that appeared in "The Ringing World.' a reader orders three copies to be sent to friends who have lost dear ones lately-in preference to Easter cards.

## Tips For Beginners- 18

If you can ring Cambridge and want to learn Yorkshire, you may find it helpful to realise that the work in both methods is identical above the treble.

## OBITUARY

## MRS. E. T. P. FIELD

It was a great shock to us at Kenwyn to hear of the sudden passing of Mrs. 'Flo' Field, wife of E. T. Paul Field. of Langport, Somerset.

Although herself not a ringer. Mrs. Field was an ardent supporter of her husband's art. and often accompanied him on his numerous marathon outings. She had an appreciative ear for good striking and was always ready to give a word of praise as we came out of some lonely country church after, quite often. disturbing the rooks in a long silent belfry.

All who knew her will. I am sure, remember her ready hospitality of a cup of tea and a bite to eat at a moment's notice.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Paul at his sudden sad loss and assure him of a warm welcome in Cornwall when next he visits us.
R. A. S.


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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY SOCIETY'S INJURED PRIDE

Dear Sir- $\because$ response to Mr. Johnson's glowing account of the Manchester University Guild's progress and ringing standard. a full apology is surely all that can sooth their injured pride in being compared with societies such as London and Bristol. which cannot boast of 12 -Spliced on practice nights.
However. I would submit, with all respect to Manchester's secretary: that he has strayed from the point of my so inept description. As Master of the University of London Society. 1 received a complimentary ticket to the annual dinner of each of the other three societies embraced by the hapless description which has offended Mr. Johnson. The same courtesy is accorded to the other three Ma ters and this practice has been regular for about ten years. Thus perhaps I may be granted the right to say that some form of closed shop exists? I wonder.
The benefit of these dinners comes from discussion with members of whichever society is host at the dinner, in which interesting and instructive differences in the running of the various societies are often discovered. This year I discovered several.
Therefore. tentative plans were put forward 10 include on the list of guests members of University Societies which had been formed recently or were small and unnoticed by the larger ones. Of course. Mr. Johnson. though you are welcome to London at any time. this category of infant societies' is not applicable to Manchester and no umbrage need be taken on behalf of other societies I do not agree with you that my theory can be scotched by other University Societies in a position similar to your own, if indeed there are any.
My impression is that the Societies of Southampton. Birmingham. Leeds, Durham and Leicester. to quote a few. are small and could benefit from discussion with contemporaries of larger size and thus more advanced organisation. Naturally any of the above five societies who feel that I am being unjust to them are also offered my apology.
If Manchester University Guild wishes to ignore the opportunity of even offering help to these societies, I think it has little to be proud of. In fact, I believe the Universities Association-in its other role than as a marriage bureau-has approached Manchester and sought to make this a centre for a dinner, at which some of the other Northerners could convene. Certainly the University of London Society will include at least two of the smaller University Societies at its dinner next year. unless of course. there are no small ones by then, and I feel sure that no harm and a lot of good can come from this custom. which is also being adopted by Oxford. Cambridge and Bristol.-Yours sincerely.
J. M. LAKIN

## Brixton, S.W.9.

## YARMOUTH BFLLS

Dear Sir, - Yarmouth bells. recorded on Easter Day, will be heard at the beginning of the Epilogue following the 11 p.m. News on Anglia I.T.V.. May 2-8 inclusive: rounds only. I fear. as time permitted is short on these occasions.
I wonder if Todmorden ringers realised what a thrill they gave Yarmouth. when they joined with the locals in early morning ringing on Easter Day-the first here on Easter Day since 1440 .-Yours sincerely.

GILBERT THURLOW
Great Yarmouth.
Vicar.

## JUDGING RINGING CONTESTS

Dear Sir.-Since Mr. Harold Chant, as a contest judge. may be assumed $t 0$ be inipervious to defamatory remarks ' (to quote his words in his article in the ' $R$. W.' for April 8th. page 246). perhaps he will not mind this expression of opinion on one paragraph in his article. This paragraph reveals how it is possible for a team which all but 'fires out ${ }^{\text {to }}$ win a contest. judged under Mr Chant's system.

Most contest rules state that the test piece (normally 360 changes at least) must be rung true. Yet Mr. Chant is prepared to pass a piece in which there is a succession of jumbled changes,' 'loud bangs, and 'martial music, and what is more. never to give more than two faults for such changes-even if shots are included. I fail to see how such a piece can be true, or how a row, where all the bells come down nearly together, can have more than one bell in its correct place. Yet Harold has no intention of ever giving more than 2 faults for such changes. His argument for doing this is that he concludes that at least four people know what they are doing in these jumbles-or the conductor would stop the ringing, i.e. four must be right. so will only give two faults. It is just as sensible to argue that the ringer who makes sensible to argue that the ringer who makes
a had blow KNOWS where the bell SHOULD be. but the fault is counted just the same.
Granted. these contests are striking contests. Striking requires much concentration and uses mental energy. but so does ringing the method.
If a ringer concentrates on one of these requirements. to the exclusion of the other, for instance, on striking. until he forgets what he is doing in the method, the faulty changes resulting should be given, if necessary , 3. 4. or 5 faulis per change. It is up to the judge to assess the exact number.-Yours etc.

Rotherham.
N. CHADDOCK

## PEALS OF MAJOR AT WOOLTON

Dear Sir.-Your correspondent (page 162) is quite right. In reply to him and numerous others who have contacted me, there have been many peals of Major in this tower during the last 30 years. The mistake was made on the Saturday the young Liverpool University ringers rang a peal there.

Speaking to some of the residents near the church on the evening of the peal. I was seriously 'taken to task" for not providing tea for the visitors. I was told very definitely. - If in future you won't. let us know. and we will."

The church at Woolton would he horrified if they knew that some our towers actually charge for a rope. (Correspondence page 74). I can only think that where a peal rope charge is made the striking must be bad.

May I also thank those writers whose exchange of derogatory personalities has helped io amuse us during the last three months.-Yours faithfully,

Woolton. Liverpool. E. L. HUMPHRISS.

## BFLFRY' PRAYERS

Dear Sir--Reference ' Suggestions for Belfry Prayers. ("The Ringing World page 269). I still have copies of these prayers and a few others on foolscap paper. suitable for mounting on a card. I shall be pleased to send a copy to anyone on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.-Yours etc..

N. CHADDOCK

17. Herringthorpe Grove, Rotherham.

## IRISH ASSOCIATION

## Southern and Eastern Districts

THHE annual meetings of the Southern and Eastern Districts were held jointly in Kilkenny. on St. Patrick's Day (March 17th). In the unavoidable absence of the president (Mr. W. Pratt). through illness, who had been invited to preside over the joint meeting. the chair was taken by Mr. Cyril W. Galbraith (chairman, Southern District), supported by Mr. James McManus (chairman, Eastern District).
The following towers were represented amongst the 110 members present: Bandon. Bray. Cork. Doneraile. Drogheda. Dublin (SS. Augustine and John's and St. George's). Kilkenny, Limerick (Mount St. Alphonsus and St. Mary's Cathedral), and Waterford.

The bells of St. ${ }_{6}$ Canice's Cathedral (8) were put to good use prior to the meeting and afterwaras the contests for the R.R. Cherry and Gabriel Lindoff Cups were held.

After lunch in the Clubhouse Hotel, Kilkenny. the Dean of Ossory (the Very Rev. John G. Gash) welcomed the visiting ringers. to which Mr. James McManus suitably replied. The business meeting then proceeded during which much was agreed to in quick time. This did not mean that everybody agreed with everything. There were some controversial issues which were amicably settled.

Both District Committees had done good work. such as electing new members. nominating persons for various offices. They also had the minutes, reports and accounts printed. These were all taken as read and adopted.
Greetings were brought from the Northern District by Mr. J. T. Dunwoody, and at telegram of good wishes was sent from the meeting to Miss Jean Stewart, who was married on that day.

NEW OFFICERS
The chairman of the Southern District then dealt with the election of the officers for the Eastern District. which resulted as follows: Chairman. Mr. James. McManus: Ringing Master. Mr. Paddy Mills: secretary. Mrs. F. E. Dukes: assistant secretary. R. Huber: treasurer. W. D. Graham; vice-president for Eastern District on Executive Council, Mr. H. J. Johnson: two other members to act with secretary, Messrs. J. McManus and G. McGregor

The chairman of the Eastern District presided over the election of the officers for the Southern District. which resulted as follows: Chairman. Mr. C. W. Galbraith; Ringing Master. Mr. Richard Walsh: secretary and treasurer. Mr. G. Bingham: assistant secretary. Mr. P. Hanley: vice-president of Executive Council. Mr. F. Bogan: two other members to act with secretary, Messrs. C. W. Galhraith and G. H. Ellis
The judges for the cup contests were Messis J. T. Dunwoody. R. McCormach and J.
McManus. Eight teams competed and the results were announced as follows:
R.R. Cherry Cup (Southern District) Bandon (holders) and Mount St. Alphonsus, Limerick, tied with 11 faulis each: St. Mary's, Limerick, were second with 19 fauls.
G. Lindoff Cup (Eastern District): Drogheda (holders). for sixth year in succession. 42 faults St. George's. Dublin, second, with 94 faulis.

The test was a real one. as three bells gave trouble due to ropes slipping wheel. also the lower is very noisy.
The three winning teams will compete with the winners of the Northern District for the Murphy Cup on May 14th in Dublin

After tea in the Clubhouse Hotel. the two cups were presented 10 the winners by Miss Daphne Sunderland, local tower secretary. She also presented the Attendance Shield to Mount Si. Alphonsus. Limerick, and Bandon. hoth of whom scored 100 per cent along with St Mark's. Dundela. Belfast.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL MINUTES

The first session of the 24th Council (63rd annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday. June 7 th . 1960, in the Town Hall. Folkestone, at 10 o'clock.

Will members please sign the roll and be in their seats by $9.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

The morning session will be adjourned at $12.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and the afternoon session will commence at 2 p.m.. or as may be decided. AGENDA
Report of the Hon. Sceretary as to representation of Socicties and as to subscriptions

Application by the University of Bristol Society to affiliate to the Council.
Apologies for absence.
Presentation of new members to the President.

1. Election of President for 1960-1963. Mr. F. Sharpe, pronosed by Mr. E. H. Lewis, seconded by Mr. A. A. Hughes.
2. Election of Vice-President for 1960-1963. Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow. proposed by Mr. R. S. Anderson. seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs
3. Election of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for 1960-1963. Mr. E. A. Barnett. proposed by Mr. J. F. Smallwood, seconded by Mr. A. A. Hughes.
4. Election of Hon. Librarian for 1960-1963 Mr. F. W. Perrens, proposed by Mr. F. I. Hairs. seconded by Mr. J. F. Smallwood.
5. Election of Honorary Members.

The following retire and are eligible for re-election:-The Rt. Hon, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Messrs. J. T. Dyke, J. P. Fidler. A. A. Hughes, D. Hughes, Mrs. C. C. Marshall. Messrs. C. W. Roberts. E. C. Shepherd, R. F. B. Speed, L. Stilwell. P. L. Taylor. A. Walker T. W. White and J. Willis. There are threc vacancies.
6. Election of Hon. Auditors. Messrs. A. A. Hughes and H. N. Pitstow retire and are eligible for re-election if still members of the Council.
7. Loss of members through death.
8. Minutes of the last meeting.
9. Report of the Hon. Secretary
10. Report of the Hon. Librarian.
11. Balance sheet and accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1959.
12. Report of the Trustees of the Carter Ringing Machine.
13. To receive. discuss and, if thought fit, 10 adopt the reports of the following committees :-
To pass such resolutions as may be necessary on matters arising out of the reports.
To reappoint the committees or alter the constitution as may be considered desirable.
(a) Standing Committee

The following retire and are eligible for re-election if still members of the Council:-
Messrs R. S. Anderson. W. B. Cartwright. P. A. Corby. F. E. Dukes, J. T. Dyke. J. Freeman. F. I. Hairs. C. K. Lewis. T. J. Lock and A. Walker
There are two vacancies
The ex-officio members are the President. Vice-President. Hon, Secretary Hon. Librarian. Hon. Auditors, Conveners of Committees and past holders of the office of President Hon. Secretary or Hon. Librarian of of the Council.
(b) Other Committees.

In all cases the members retire and are eligible for re-election if still members of the Council.
(i) The Ringing World Committec.
Messrs J. F. Smallwood. F. I Hairs. R. S. Anderson and W. N. Park.
(ii) Literature and Press Committee. Messrs. E. C. Shepherd and F. E. Dukes.
(iii) Biographies Committee.

Messrs. A. C. Hazelden. W Viggers. L. Stilwell and J. Willis
(iv) Peal Boards Committee

Messrs. J. W. Clarke, W. Ayre and J, P. Fidler.
(v) Broadcasting and Television Committee.
Messrs. H. J. Sanger. N Chaddock. G. E. Fearn, J. T Dunwoody. A. A. Hughes and the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow
(vi) Records Committee.

Mrs. G. W. Fletcher and Mrs. C. C. Marshall.
(vii) Peals Analysis Committce. Mr. W. Ayre. Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Messrs. H. Miles and H. L. Roper
(viii) Peal Collection Committee Messrs. W. E. Critchley, G. E. Feirn. C. W. Roherts and A. J. Pitman.
(ix) Sunday Service Survey Commiltee.
Messis. N. Chaddock. P. M. J Gray, Dr. D. N. Layton. Messrs. F. B. Lufkin. W. F. Moreton. the Rev. J. G. M. Scott and the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow.
(x) Towers and Belfries Committee Messrs. F. Sharpe. J. W. Clarke. F. E. Collins. J. Freeman. E. H. Lewis. W. Osborn and the Rev J. G. M. Scott.
(xi) Methods Committec. Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Messrs. F. N. Golden. C. H. Kippin and C. K. Lewis.

## ALTERATION TO RULES

14. To amend the Rules as follows:-
15. To add the following new Rule 2, and re-number the existing Rules 2 to 18 as 3 to 19 respectively:-
16. The Council shall:-
(i) Use its best endeavours 10 guard the rights and generally promote the welfare of the Exercise both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of church work
(ii) Encourage and assist the development of the Art in its scientific, matnematical and historical branches. (iii) Arbitrate so far as may be deemed advisable in such matters of dispute or perplexity as shall submitted to its judgment.
17. To amend Rule 14 (Procedure at Meetings) by inserting the words representing Territorial Societies ' between the words " Twenty members ' and shall:
The Rule to read:-At the meetings of the Council and President or VicePresident siall take the chair, and in the
event of their absence the members present shall elect a Chairman for that mecting. The Chairman shall have a casting vote. Twenty members representing Territorial Societies shall form a quorum. Every new member. whether Representative. or Honorary or Life, shall. before taking his seat. be introduced by a member to the President or Vice-President. or, in the absence of the President or Vice-President, to the Chairman of the meeting.
Proposed on behalf of the North Staffordshire Association by Mr. R. S. Anderson seconded by Mr. E. H. Edge.

## MOTION

15. This Council reaffirms the principle that a peal may not be credited to more than one affiliated Society, It accordingly instructs the Editor of The Ringing World and affiliated Societies to keep their records in line with the Council's Peals Analysis, adopting the procedure laid down in the Councils handbook of 1956.
Proposed by Mr. D. A. Bayles, seconded by Mr. W. Ayre.
16. To fix the place of the next meeting.
17. Any other business.
E. A. BARNETT.

Hon. Secretary.
26 Iron Mill Lane,
Craylord. Kent.

## Ringers In Timken Factories

Timken. the illustrated monthly of The Timken Roller Bearing Company with factories at Duston and Daventry, has a well-written article on Campanology in its March issue.
It is surprising the number of ringers employed by this company. Perhaps the best known is Mr. P. I. Chapman. Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, of Daventry. In his tower are also Messrs. F. Hutt, S. E. Smith. D. Jones and C. Ashworth. At Duston Parish Church there are Messrs. S. Mundy (31 years a ringer). H. C. Downie (40 years). and G. J. Smith ( 17 years).

Other Timken employees who are ringers at other Northamptonshire churches are Messis. S. Sibley ( 35 years). E. Jones 132 years). E. Watson (is years). G. Roome (16 years). A. Hammons (5 years) and W. Waldon (5 years).

In an appeal to would-be recruits, the article assures the reader that in the company of church bell ringers he (or she) will find a warm welcome and a great feeling of comradeship. - Moreover. while participating in a most enjoyable pastime. he will be helping to preserve, a well-loved part of our English heritage:


## K.C.A. PROMISE WARM WELCOME TO CENTRAL COUNCIL

THE year 1960 is a great year for the Kent County Association and the large attendance of members at the Association's annual meeting at Bromley on Easter Monday, heard from Mr. John Willis. whe presided, of the warm welcome the Central Council would receive when they met at Folkestone at Whitsun.

I feel it will be a very warm welcome,' said Mr. Willis. 'and I hope many of you will come along and see the Central Council at work. I think the Mayor and Corporation are being very liberal to the Council. They have granted them free privileges 10 many things under the control of the municipality. and their generosity has lightened the load on the funds of the Association.'
The service was held at Bromley Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (Canon W. H. Murray Walton) and attended by the Deputy Mayor of Bromley (Councillor G. W. Brown) and the Deputy Mayoress. Mr. John Willis read the lesson and Mr. J. R. Cooper was the organist. The Canon preached from the text. Let us make a joytul noise unto the Lord. "If we remember that text, said the Canon, we would get very few complaints about church bells. It is very natural in our Christian faith that we should have church bells, for after all Christianity is a religion of joy, It was the poet Hood who said that bells are music's laughter.",
The Associations luncheon followed at the Royal Bell Hotel. The chairman. Mr. John Willis. welcomed the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress. Canon Murray Walton, the Rev. J. B. Short (West Wickham), Mr. Ivan Page of St. Patrick's R.C. Cathedral, Melbourne, ringers from Colchester. Essex, and the Editor of "The Ringing World:
In reply the Deputy Mayor recalled the last visit of the Association to Bromley in 1954 and how on that occasion handbells were rung. Short speeches were also made by Canon Murray Walton and Mr. T. W. White.

## LOSSES BY DEATH

Mr. J. Willis presided at the business meeting. and following the minutes the honorary secretary read the list of those members who had died since the last report, the company standing in silence. They were: the Ven. W. M. Brown (Tunbridge Wells), a vicepresident: C. Farnsworth (Ospringe). M. J.
Holness (Herne). W. J. Jarman (Aylesford), R. A. Constant (Gravesend). G. Billeness (Hawkhurst) and H. Markwell (Tunbridge Wells). Non-resident life members included: G. F. Carter (London), C. V. Ebberson (King's Lynn). G. King (Salehurst), C. J. Matthews (Southfields). G. N. Price (Watford) and A. H. Pulling (Guildford).

The report gave the names of 26 members who had completed 50 years' membership. Hopes were entertained of ringing a peal by 50 -year members during 1960.
Regarding the report of the Central Council Committee on Sunday Service Ringing, a request was made that all members of individual lowers consider how best the recommendations may be implemented. 'If the spirit is right.' (said D-. Hatcher) 'all else will follow. which is not to deny that good insiruction, leadership. enthusiasm, hard work, perseverance. tradition. discipline. opportunities. all the myriad components of human activity, all have their part to play. Rather. if there is a fecling that "it does really matter that some bells are not rung on Sunday" then everyone. ringers. clergy and congregation. will do all in their power to see that they are all rung. In such an atmosphere all the many facilities available through the Association can be tapped most effectively and technical progress made.'

## INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY

That there are many and varied hindrances to the effective engendering of this "right spirit" is only too evident, and my plea now to each individual member of the Association is to examine his own heart-motives and to rededicate himself to the office of ringer, that the bells may each Sunday more adequately ring forth their message?

By the end of the year subscriptions had been received from 1,034 practising members 11 fewer than last year. New members totalled 142-Ashford District 7 adults, 5 juniors, Canterbury 20 and 15, Lewisham 14 and 1, Maidstone 15 and 19, Rochester 21 and 18, Tonbridge 6 and 1.

The report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. B. Collinson, seconded by Mr. G. H. Spice.
Mr. B. W. May (hon. treasurer) presented the accounts. which were adopted. These showed the following balances: general account $£ 151$ 4s. 2d.. Belfry Repair Fund $£ 266$ 19s. 3d.. Benevolent Fund $£ 179$ 15s. 6d. The total assets of the Association were $£ 1.1639 \mathrm{~s}$. 5 d .

## LOW PEAL TOTAL

The peal secretary (Mr. Ian H. Oram) reported 106 peals rung for the Association during 1959, the lowest total since 1945. There were no handbell peals, and all but one of the tower bell peals were rung in the county. the exception being a peal at Addington. Surrey. Eighteen members rang their first peal. There were 31 conductors, six less than last year, three of whom were conducting their first. Pliilip A. Corby headed the list of conductors with 17 , followed by Ralph Bird (a non-resident member) with 15 , Ian H. Oram 13 and George J. Butcher 10.
The peal at Biggin Hill was the first on the bells. at Great Chart the first since restoration. and at Frinsted the first since 1927. Of special interest was Holt's Original at Eltham by the local band in which the lady conductor (Brenda U. Slack) was calling her first peal, and the longest peal yet rung of Cambridge Surprise Major. 13,280 changes at Quex Park.

The President (the Archbishop of Canterbury) and the vice-presidents were re-elected en bloc. On the proposition of the chairman. Mr. A. G. Hill. who had retired from the honorary secretaryship of the Lewisham District after 35 years, and Mr. B. J. Luck, who retired after 23 years as honorary secretary of the Canterbury District, were elected vice-presidents, in appreciation of the long service.

CHANGES IN CENTRAL COUNCIL
With the best thanks of the meeting Dr E. S. J. Hatcher was re-elected honorary secretary, Mr. B. W. May honorary treasurer. and Messrs. F. S. Macey, G. H. Spice and J. Willis trustees. Messrs. E. Barnett, G. J. Butcher. P. A. Corby, E. J. Ladd, A. E. Richards (hon, auditor) and A. J. Russell were elected to the committee. There were seven nominations for the Central Council and the following were elected: Messrs J. R. Cooper 90 votes. I. H. Oram 84. P. A. Corby 79 and T. Cullingworth 79. Unsuccessful candidates included two former members-Dr. Hatcher and Mr. T. E. Sone

Mr. C. T. Hillis announced that Mr. E. Ruck, the only surviving foundation member of the Association, desired to present his copy of - Clavis ' to the Association's library. The offer was accepted with gratitude.
Mr. M. Downes reminded the meeting that the 200th anniversary of ringing the extent of Major at Leeds Parish Church would take place on April 7th. 1961. He hoped the Association would mark the occasion by a commemoration peal.

The chairman thought it would be a fine thing if a number of commemoration peals were rung. The Association maintained the grave and headstone of the conductor James Barham. If he had still been alive. he felt certain that Philip Corby would make the greatest use of his services.
A vote of thanks, moved by Mr. G. H. Spice. to all who had assisted in the meeting included Mr. Percy Spice and Miss H Andrews for local arrangements, the incumbents of the 11 towers open, Canon Murray Walton for conducting the service and Mr. John R. Cooper, the organist.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham, was enjoyed by a numerous assembly of ringers in the pleasant old town of Solihull on April 2nd.

Full use was made of the fine ring or 10 bells. ringing ranged from rounds to Spliced Surprise Major, and for the first time at a meeting of the Guild a course of London Surprise Royal was rung.

The Guild's Form of Service was conducted by the Curate. the congregation being seated in the beautiful chancel.
The following were elected full members: V . Roy Tallis and Victor H. Nash. of Packwood. Roderick W. Pipe. Bournbrook. Tonie J. Critchley. Linda M. Hughes, Susan Funnell. and Veronica M. Miles. all of Kings Norton. Margaret Bragg. Shirley, and David J. Purnell. of Birmingham Cathedral.
Mr. A. J. Pitman, of Leamington, who was a welcome visitor. was elected a life member. and the tower elections, also as life members, of Philip G. K. Davies, Nuneaton. R. George Morris. Malvern, and Miss Eileen Fearn. of Hazel Grove, were duly ratified.
The next meeting of the Guild will be held at Shirley on July 2nd.

The Youth Hostellcr; official publication of the Youth Hostels Association, has an article by Hugh Makins, of Nazeing. Essex. describing a 'learners' ringing tour during which 27 churches were visited. Three photographs illustrate the article-a ringer demonstrating handstroke. a picture of the party in the massive ringing chamber at Milton Abbey. and of a raised bell at Whitechapel Foundry. We feel certain that such propaganda is helpful to the Exercise.

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## ENGAGEMENT

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## PERSONAL

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## MISCELLANEOUS

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Annual Reports for 1959 now available. price 2s. 6d.. from General Secretary. F. V. Gant. 3 Central Drive. Harnchurch. Essex

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CHANGE OF SECRETARY - The Hon. Gencral Secretary of the Hertford County Association is now Mr. A. R. Agg. 76. Wymondley Road. Hitchin. Tel.: 3612. 5822

BETCHWORTH. SURREY -As from Tuesday. May 3 rd. practice night, will be on Tucsday at 7.30 p.m.

5817 C.C. MEETING.-Keen young ringer wanted in E. Hampshire area for pillion passenger to Folkestone. Away two nights. Return Monday: Write to Box No. 5851. - Ringing World. Guildford.

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Meeting at Derby, Saturday, April 30th. Lunch (8s.) will be arranged at St. James' Hotel, St. James' Street, 1 p.m., for those notifying, by April 25th. Mr. J. F. Smallwood. Heatherbrae, South Park Avenue, Darley Dale, Matlock. Towers available: St. Alkmund's (8) 10.45-11.45 a.m., Cathedral (10) 11.45 a.m. -12.45 p.m., St. Peter's (8) 2.30-3.15, St. Luke's (8) 4-5.30, St. Andrew's (10) $5.30-7.30$ p.m. Business meeting 3.15 p.m. at St. Peter's Parochial Hall. Train departs St. Pancras $7.55 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. due Derby $10.21 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. -John Chilcott. Hon. Sec.. Kirklake. 67. Farley Road. Sclsdon. Surrey.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Frome Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Wanstrow (6). Saturday, April 30th. Usual arrange-ments.-E. Chivers. Chilcompton. Bath. 5678

CHESTER GUILD.-Stockport Branch.Meeting New Mills. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.-C. K. Lewis, Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting Hemingford Grey, Saturday, April 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Hemingford Abbots available after lea--Michael J. Dyer, Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - N.W. District. Meeting at Littlebury (6) on Saturday, April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. New incumbent, please support-G. Blake, Dis. Sec., Roydon Hamlet, Harlow.

5704
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Farnham District-Meeting at Bentley (6) on Saturday. April 30th. from 2.30 p.m. Service 430 . Tea 5 p.m.

LADIES GUILD.-Beds and Northants Branch.-Meeting, Saturday, April 30th, at Daventry. Bells (8) 3 D.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-Kathleen A. Rivett. 5660 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Reminder. Annual general meeting at Morecambe. April 30th All towers have been circulated. 5645

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern District. - Quarterly meeting. St. Mary's. Leyton (Church Road). Saturday. April 30th. 3-4.30 p.m Tea. own arrangements. Meeting. Vestry. 5.30 p.m. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Everyone welcome. A good altendance. please. Note the date. April 30th.-
L. W. Bullock.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILDAnnual meeting at St. Catherine's. Feltham, on Saturday. April 30th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall Business in Church Hut. Ringing arrangeinents: Bedfont and Stanwell. $? .30$ to 4 p.m. Feltham 3 p.m. onwards. T J. Lock, Sec.

5667
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Annual general meeting at Norwich on Saturday, April 30th. Service. St. Peter Mancroft Church. 4.15 p.m.. conducted by the Rev. Michael Pavey, address by the Rev. Gratton Guinness. of Starston. Tea, Chantry Hall. 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow immediately ifter tea. Ringing arrangements: St. Genrge Colegate (6). St. Giles' (8), St. Miles' (8), 2-4 and $7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. if required. St. Peter Mancroft (12). 3.30-4.10 and 7-9 p.m.-W. Love, Gen. Sec 5705 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIID-V.W'H Bratheh Quartetly aneeting. Stanford-in-the Vale. Saturday; April 30ih. Bells (6) 2.30 p.nı. Service 4 p.m. Nannes for tea, please to R I. Gilling, Hranch Sie., Fernham. Fariqgdon.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS--Quarterly meeting at Brentwood, on Saturday. April 30 th . Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.
SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD OF RINGERS.-Meeting at St. Augustine's. Thorpe Bay. Salurday. April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea 5 p.m. 5827 SUFFOLK GUILD-S.W. District-Meet ing at Hartest (5) on Saturday, April 30th.
Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m.
5686 Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. 5686 SURREY ASSOCIATION-The annual Croydon, on April 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in new hall adjoining.-R. I. F. Parsons.
Hon. Gen. Sec. Hon. Gen. Sec. GRAMMAR SCHOOLS
WATFORD SOCIETY - Meeting St. Stephen's (6), St Albans, on April 30th. 3 p.m. Names for tea to Miss G. Graney, Hyde Lane. Kings Langley, Herts. A. Hickson. Sec.

5803
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION:Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields ( 1 min . from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday. May 2nd, 7 p.m

5815
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDKettering Branch.-Evening practice meeting on Tuesday. May 3 rd , at Corby (6), 7.30 to 9 p.m. All welcome.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Wednesday, May 4th, 6.30 p.m Visitors welcome

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-

 Newark District.-Evening practice. Whatton on Thursday May 5th. Bells 7.30 p.m. Methods: Oxford Treble Bob. Cambridge. London and London Scholars Pleasure-W. L. Exton. Hon. Dis. Sec., 60. Albert Street. Newark. Notts.5810
ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.-Meeting at Sowerby. Saturday, May 7th. Names for tea to Mr. G. Briggs. Faircroft, Sowerby New Road, Sowerby Bridgc, Look Cambridge Major and Double Norwich up. please.-D. Smith.
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONGlaston Branch-Quarterly meeting, West Pennard. Saturday. May 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Please notify for tea before Tuesday. 3rd.-William Marsh. Dovecotes. Street. 5816 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bridgwater Branch. - Quarterly meeting at Spaxton. May 7th. 3 p.m. Names for tea. please.-R. Short. Chilton Trinity.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. DistrictMeeting Purleigh, Saturday, May 7th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Scrvice $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Danbury GUILDFORD GUILD -Leatherhead Dis-trict.-Mecting at Ashtead, Saturday. May 7th Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, please. to J. Symonds, Sherborne, West Farm Avenue Ashtead.
BFDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Bedrord District-Meeting at Turves. Salurday Alay 7ih. Bells (s) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 pm . Names fol tea by Thursday, to Mr J Hilson. Hiph Street. Turves, Bediord. All

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting, Rise, Saturday. May 7th Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m.
Names for tea by May 5th, to Mr. C. W. G. Names for tea by May 5th, to Mr. C. W. G.
Nicholson. Hind's House. Park Farm, Rise. Hull.
Hull. CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Chester Branch. -The joint meeting with the North Wales Association at Pulford, arranged for May 7th. has been postponed to Saturday May 28th. Further details later.-R. C. H Sibley. Hon. Sec.
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 0 TION-Wouton Branch-Monthily meacing, Slimbride. Saurray, May, 7h, Becls (o) 3 p.m. Names for rea by May sht, to B Bo Coopes. 14. Scombere Road woult
 Tin. Brameth Corponate Communion wis Stepheris. 8 a.m. Members please supporit itis Alll ringets and friends welcome:- Ah Beaneat
GLOOCCETTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCCAA TION.-Tewkesbury Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Chaceley (6). Saturday, May 7th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by May 5th, to W. H. Lane. Chaceley Hall. near Gloucester.-Nadine Price, Branch Ses.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting at Anstey on May 7th, at 5.30 p.m.-E. G. Buck, Dis. Sec
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
5707 Watford District.-Meeting Bushey Heath (8), May 7th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by May 4th. to F. Morris, 7. Vega Road. Bushey Heath.-G. W. Seaman. Dis. Sec. 5830 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Ton7 th . Sundridge (6) $3-5$ p.m. Brasted (6) 6-8 p.m. Please bring own tea.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Maidstone District combined with Rochester District.-By-meeting may 7th at Frinsted (5). from $3-5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and Tunstall (8). after tea. Sec.

LADIES GUILD.- Central and Southern Districts.-Joint meeting, May 7th. St. Peter's, Staines. 3 p.m Service and tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, May 5th, to Mr. Ron Shepherd. 17. Wheatsheaf Lane. Staines. Middlesex. St. Mary's. Staines, available 6.45-8.15 p.m. Everyone welcome. 5671
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughhorough District) and SOUTHWELL
DIOCESAN GUILD (Nottingham District). Joint meeting Saturday. May 7th. Ringing 2.30 to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Prestwold (8). Wymeswold (6), 3.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after tea. Service
Wymeswold $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Village Hall. Wymeswold $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Village Hall.
Wymeswold. 5 p.m. Names by Wednesday. May 4th. to Mr. W H. Mackley. Wymeswold. Leics.-C. W. Hall. S. Adams. 5679

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - Southern Branch,-Quarterly meeting. Saturday, May 7th, Rippingale. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday. May 2nd. to Mr. W. Marsh, Rippingale. near Bourne. Lincs.-F. G.
Vickers. Hon. Sec.
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION -Meeting at Draycott-le-Moors. Saturday May 7th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. May 4th. to Mr. F. Shelly. Cressuell Farm. Blythe Bridge.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Bicester and District Branch-Quarterly meeting at Souldern (6) on Saturday, May 7th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea hy May 2nd. to C. Kinch, Causeway, Bicester.
OXon. and Woodstock Branch. - Northmoor (6), May 7th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Also Standlake (6) 2.15 and Aston (6) 6.30 p.m. Tea reservations by May 4th.-David Smith. Merryfield, Witney.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Reading Branch.-Quarterlv meeting. Pangbourne, Saturday. May 7th. Note change of date. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Whitchurch (6) after tea. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, o Mr. J. Carter. Hartslock House. Horseshoe Road. Pangbourne. Reading.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Guilsborough Branch.-Meeting. Long Buckby, Saturday. May 7th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Thresher, 22. Watson Road, Long Buckby, near Rughy
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.
-Cup Contest meeting and election of President at Beighton, on Saturday, May 7th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea available. Bring own food.
5686
JUFFOLK Seager, Sec. Meeting Offton (6). May 7th. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., only by notification to G. Goodship. Pipers Ley. Burstall Hill. Ipswich.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern Division.-Practice meeting, Cuckfield (8). Saturday. May 7th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. May 4 th, to Mr. G. Apps, 24. Chatfield Road, Cuckfield.-Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY
5829 Annual general meeting. St. Olave's Parish Hall. Mark Lane. E.C.3. Saturday. May 7th, at 5.45 p.m. Ringing at St. James'. Clerkenwell. p.m.. St. Olave's 3.30 p.m. PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Christchurch District.-A practice meeting will be held at Bournemouth on Saturday. May 7th. Ringing at St. John's Church from 3 p.m.. and at St. Peter's Church from 6 to 7.15 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea. - W. T. Godfrey.

5684 GUIID-Alton and Petersfield DistrictQuarterly meeting. East Meon. May 7th. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4. Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Numbers for tea by May 4th.- C. E. Bassett. Sunnybrook. Brook Lane. Warsash. Southampton.

5825
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONTaunton Branch.-Ringers" service. Ashbrittle (6). Sunday May 8th. Bells 1.30 p.m. Service $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Thursday, May Sth. to Mr. Bristowe. Kyrle. Ashbrittle. near Wellington.-A. Reed. Hon. Sec.

## ASH.-The May Surprise Minor practice is

 on Monday, May 9th. Methods: Beverley, Bourne, Ipswich, London, Norwich, Surfleet,York and Wells.

DO NOT FORGET-City of Bristol
Festival of Ringing. Saturday, May 14th. Luncheon tickets (8s. Kd.) and programmes essential, before May 9th.-A. Bennett, 151, Kingsway. Bristol 5. 5697

DEVON GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch.Quarterly meeting. Cornworthy. Saturday, May 14 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 11th. to D. Roberts. 84. Westhil Road. Torquay

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual festival. Eccleston, near Chester. Saturday, May 14th. Service 4 p.m.. in the Parish Church. preacher The Lord Bishop. Tea 5.15 p.m.. in the Village Hall. followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 3 s . 6d. each if purchased before May Secretaries or R C. H. Sibley, 35. Appleyard Lane. Hand-2.30-3.15 p.m.-Henry O. Baker. Hon. Sec. 5670

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District -Meeting. Saturday. May 14th. Dunmow Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please. to H. W. Smith, 11, The
Causeway. Dunmow. ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W.-Crusade meeting. High Ongar. May 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please to Mr. C Willmington. 79, Wallwood Road. Leytonstone. E. 11
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Sarratt. Saturday. May 14th. Bells (5) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 pm . Names for tea by Tuesday May 10th. to Miss J. Chilton. Virginia Cottage Sarratt Green. No names no tea.-I. Good LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Rochdale Branch-Meeting. Saturday, May 14th, at Heptonstall. Bells 3 p.m. Business. if necessary at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea.-Hudson.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Coningsby, Saturday May 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, May 9th, to Mr. E. Flintham, Harrowdenc, Thorpe Road, Tattershall, Lincoln. 5840 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Winterton (6) May 14th, usual arrangements. Names for tea by May 11 th, to Mr. Brumpton, 23B, West Street. Winterton, Scunthorpe. 5805 LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Monmouth Branch. - Meeting May 14th. at Skenfrith and Grosmont Skenfrith (6) at 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business at Bell Hotel, Skenfrith. Names essential please by May 10 th. Both towers available after meeting.-J. S. King.

5814
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch.-Meeting at Cromer, Satur day. May 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by May 11 th please, to W. H. Holdom, 17, Shipden Avenue Cromer $\rightarrow$ C. Bird. Hon. Sec

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. Daventry Branch.-Meeting, Byfield, Saturday, May 14th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to Mr. F. W. Hutt, Knowle Cottage Byfield. Rugby.-F. W. Hancock. 583

THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD.-Annual general meeting, Birmingham, Saturday, May 14th. Bells available: II a.m. -12 noon Edgbaston (8), $12.15-1.15$ p.m. Lunch in City 1.30-2.15 St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral (8), 2.30-3.15 Cathedral (12), 3.30-4.30 p.m. Aston (12). Tea at the Co-operative Restaurant in High Street. 5 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's (12) after meeting. Will those who are attending. please advise Hon. Gen. Sec. giving B.R.S Association No.-J. Arthur Hoare, 6, Gendro Crescent. Fforestfach, Swansea.

5674 Festival and A.G.M. will be held at Wimborne May 14 th , 1960 . Meeting in Assembly Hall of Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School at 2.15 p.m.. the Charman of U.D.C. will welcome the Guild. 4 p.m. Service in the Minster ccnducted by the Vicar. Meat tea in Grammar School at 5 p.m. Bells available: Wimborne Minster (10) 11.30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 6-9 p.m. Poole (10) 11.30-12.30, 6-8; Wimborne St. Giles (8) $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$; Cranborne (8) 11.30-1.30. 6.30-8.30: Wool (6) 11.30-1.30. 6.30-8.30; Wareham (8) 6.30-8.30; Hampreston (6) $11.30-1.30$. $6.30-8.30$; Canford (6) $11.30-$ 1.30. 6.30-8.30; Sturminster Marshall-tenor bell out of commission but is expected to be available in time for the Festival, if so ringing from $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$ p.m. Tea tickets 4 s .6 d . from F. Slatford. 35 , Westbury Road. Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge, before May 9th please.-W. C. West. Hon. Sec. 5813 WhROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Meeting Whitchurch (8). Saturday, May 14th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Further ringing from 6.15 p.m. onwards. Names for tea by Wednesday May 11th. to Mr. B. Malam. 13. Yardington. Whitchurch. Salop.-F. Cattell. Hon. Sec. 5856 SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD,-Quarterly meeting at St
Nicholas' Nicholas Church. Codsall, near Wolverhamp-
ton. Saturday, May 14 th . Bells (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wednes day. May 11 th, to Mr. A. Richards, Tralee, 6, Lane Green Road, Codsall, nr. Wolverhampton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.- North West District. Meeting. Euston (5). Saturday, May 14th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Meeting following tea. Names for tea by Wednesday. May 11 th. 10 Mrs. H. Ivings, Post Office, Euston near Thetford
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, A!. C.M. Saturday, May 14th, The Good Shepherd. Brighton. Ringing, afternoon till 4.15 p.m. The Good Shepherd and St. Peter's evening St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's 7.30-8.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea in Church Hall $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$..
3 s . per head. members under $16,1 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d . Individual names for tea. stating those entitled to allowances. to reach me by May 11 th. $-\mathbf{R}$. Percy. 47. Oldfield Road, Willingdon, Easthourne

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STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.-On April 2nd, 1,260 Double Court Minor: N. Buckland 1, Joan Gray 2, R. Brocklehurst (first in the method) 3, J. Laver 4, M. Hill 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and to mark the retirement, after 21 years, of the ringer of the third from the position of vicar's warden.
STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-At St. Thomas' Church on Good Friday. 1,260 Grandsire Triples : Mrs. R. Smith 1, M. J. Fellows (aged 12, first 'inside' of Grandsire Triples) 2. F. V. Nicholls 3, Jill Tombs 4, M. D. Fellows (aged 14, cond.) 5, F. B. Cookson 6, D. H. Watson 7, P. W. Webb 8. Rung fully mufled with tenor open at back stroke for the Stourbridge Council of Churches' united service at this church.
TARLETON, LANCS.-On April 19th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: J. Lunham 1, S. Walmsley 2, Miss J. Moir 3. J. Marsh (cond.) 4. E. Ashcroft 5, D. Lawson 6, K. Durow 7. K. Rothwell 8. First in method for 3, 6 and 7 .
TONG; YORKS. - On April 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Stamp 1, Beryl Abbott 2 N. Dyson 3. Gael Brown 4. B. Dove (cond.) 5. G. Armitage 6.

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## THE DUKE WHO LOVED BELLS

EATON HALL, situated in the parish of Eccleston. Cheshire, has been very much in the news of late and its fate the cause of much speculation. This stately mansion, completed in 1873, was built for the first Duke of Westminster by the famous Victorian architect Alfred Waterhouse and replaced a previous hall erected by Porden only 60 years previously. The present building shows Waterhouse in his most: flamboyant and expensive mood. The Duke was probably the richest man in England, and this fact was clearly expressed by the architect, the design being in the style of a French chateau with steep roofs and many gables. The dominating feature is the lofty clock tower adjoining the chapel and which in silhouette resembles Barry's tower at Westminster, famous as the home of Big Ben. The tower at Eaton, however, contains one of the few forcign carillons in the British Isles, the 28 bells' being. cast by Chevalier Severin Van Aerschodt of Louvain in 1877. The Louvain foundry was opened by Peter Van Den Ghein about the middle of the 16 th century and developed into one of the greatest of the Low Country bell foundries. In the 19 th century it was in the hands of Van Aerschodt, who succeeded to it by marriage.

In the tower at Eaton the bells are hung in a framework of oak which occupies the space between the operating room and the clock dials above, the bells being arranged in tiers with the bourdon at the base. An iron spiral staircase ascends through the centre of the frames, giving access for adjustments to the striking mechanism. Both clock and carillon are weight-driven, and 31 turtes can be played from the five hardwood barrels, each of which is'ten inches in diameter and studded with brass pins. Barrels 1 and 2 are set for hymn tunes (for use on Sundays) while the others produce secular tunes ranging from a Bach fugue to "The Bluebells of Scotland.' The carillon is set in motion by the clock mechanism which causes one tune to be played after the hour has struck. This music was formerly much enjoyed by the many visitors who walked in the park, but the cariiton has not been heard for a number of years now. The tone of the bells, however, can be judged from the chimes which are still heard from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily, and from the deep note of the bourdon as it marks the hours. All the bells are inscribed with an ornamental $W$ on the waist, and the bass bell bears the following inscription:-

## this pleal of 28 blles was cast at louvain fur

his grace the duke of wesiminster by van alrschodi a.d. 1877
The bourdon. which is 60 inches in diameter with a strike note $C$, must weigh at least three tons. In contrast, the smallest bell has a diameter of only 12 inches.

In 1884 it became necessary to create a new parish in Chester on the south side of the Dec, and the Duke immediately offered to build a church. largely at his own cost. He did not forget the bells, and at the dedication on June 18th. 1887. the fine cight were heard for the first time when, according to a contemperary report. "they attracted much favourabie comment for their remarkable sweetness of tone." They: were cast at Whitechapel and hung, in the iron frame which is still in use. In 1894 the Duke was considering the construction of a narrow-gauge railway to link the Hall with the Great Western mrin London line at the village of Balderton, some four miles distant. His arent was sent to Duffield to discuss the proiect with Sir A. P Heywood, Bart., who had for a number of years been experimenting in
this branch of engineering and had, in fact, laid down seven miles of track on his own estate. He had also designed and built the locomotives. The name of Sir Arthur is an honoured one among ringers for as a ringer and conductor he was outstanding, and in the field of composition no less distinguished. It was he who was largely responsible for the founding of the Central Council, and he became its first president in 1891, an office which he held for nearly 30 years. Sir Arthur readily agreed to visit Eaton to discuss the project. and so it was that a Duke who loved bells and a great ringer came together.

A careful survey was made and eventually Sir Arthur agreed to build a track of 15 -inch gauge, together with special rolling stock and locomotive, at an estimated cost of $£ 6.000$ ). The work of laying the track was completed within the year, using local labour under professional supervision. In the meantime Sir Arthur had designed and built the first locomotive, 'Katie.' One of the engineers associated with the project was Mr. Henry W. Wilde, and on the completion of the work he was appointed to the post of resident engineer, a position which he held until his death in 1932. Those who were present at the Central Council meeting held at Chester in 1925 will remember with pleasure the runs on this miniature railway which Mr. Wilde was able to arrange and which formed one of the distinctive features of that meeting. Henry Wilde was a talented ringer, composer and conductor, and was well known in ringing circles all over the country. His compositions are still popular. A house was built for him at Belgraver near the railway, and on taking up residence he joined the tower at Pulford nearby, where a keen band rang a variety of Minor methods.

In 1896 the Duke decided to build a new church at Eccleston, although the existing building had only been standing since 1802. Bodlcy was chosen as, the architeet, and the design was in the Perpendicular style, with vaialted roois, flying buttresses and a massive western tower. The old church-except part of the south wall, - which was left as a - picturesque ruin --was laken down to provide foundations for the new which was built on an adjoining site. As the building grew and Bodley"s drawings were translated into stone His Grace visited the site almost daily, frequently viewing the scene from a coppice opposite. As might be expected. the bells were given very careful consideration, and it has always heen held locally that Mr. John W. Taylor was summoned 10 Eaton to discuss the matter and confronted with the suggestion that a ring of eight should be cast with a tenor in C 10 match the lower bells of the carillon in Eaton tower. Mr. Taylor no doubt emphasised the fact that such a scheme was impracticable, with the result that a fairly heavy eight hung at one level wis decided upon. It is sad to relate that the Duke never heard these bells or saw his church completed for he died at Christmas. 1899. five months before the consecration. Neither mumlied peal nor passing bell was'heard when he was laid $t 0$ rest in the shadow of the harm sandstone wall which marked the stie of the ofd church.
The new church was completed in May of the following year and dedicated on Ascension Day with duc ceremony. At this disance of time it is difficult to understand why the organ bellows should be placed in the ringing chamber some 40 feet above the instriment and the bells sounded by a manual chiming apparatus, but such was, the case. It was not until seven years later that matters were put right. The organ was moved to the east end, the ringing clamber cleared, and at last this glorious cight was properly heard-a Taylor masterpiece. Mr. H. W. Wilde was invited to form a band: the invitation was accepted, and in due time the bells were rung regularly for serviecs. Mr. Wilde's death in 1932 was a great loss not only to this tower but to the Exercise generally.

Since that time ringers from far and wide have visited Eccleston, the picturesque village on the Dee. with its beautiful church and bells. Many more will visit it in the future. Before the peal or touch perhaps they will spare a few monments to think of Hugh Lupus, the duke who loved bells.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. April 16, 1960, in 4 Hours.
at the Town Hall,
A PEAL OF 5280 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 42 cwt .2 qr .25 lb . in B .
Edward Jenkins ... . Treble +William H. Dowse .. 7 *Frank Osbaldiston

Peter Laflin
8 Basil Jones 3 †Derek Ogden ... ... 9 Bernard F. L. Groves. . C. Kenneth Lewis John Worth Brian Harris .. .. .. Tenor Arranged by C. Kenneih Lewis. Conducted by John Worth.

* First peal of Belgrave Maximus "inside.' † First of Belgrave Maximus. First of Maxinus in the method for the Association.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes, at the Waterloo Tower, Quex Park,
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 153 cwt . in $F$.
Dennis Beresford
Walter H. Dobbie Treble

Joan Beresford
*Philip A. Corby
Shella M Dobbie
Doris E. Colgatis
Composed by C. W. Roblrts.

| Evwin A. Barnett ... |
| :--- |
| Arthur S. Richards |
| Wilfrid G. Wilson... |

* 600th peal.

WINCHESTER, HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sab.. April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At ihe Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity and Si. Swifhun, A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 35 cwt .
 Conducted by Wilfied Williams.

* First peal of Maximus. First of Maximes in the method in the county and by the Guild.

Rung to mark St. George's Day.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minute's.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5001 STEDMAN CAIERS Tenor $25!$ cwt.


Composed by Frank E. Darby.
Conducted by John Chilcoir.
EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 21 cwl . 17 lb . in E .


Anihony J. Sanger
5
Arihur Whire
Tellor
Composed by G. J. Hawkins.
Conducted by Gwilym Salmon.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

Rung on Si. George's Day. Also a 21 st birthday complinent to Mr. Anthony J. Sanger and Mr. Michael Rose.

GRANTHAM, INCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours aud 38 Minutes,
AI the Church of Si. Wulpram.
A PEAE OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 32 cwt .1 qr .11 lb . in C sharp.

Arihur Gibbs
.. .. .. Treble
James G. Nbwhan
Edwin T. Chapman
Rovaid J. Sharp
Ronald C. Noon
Composed by JOHN A... s

- Isuth peal.

Glofirly \$. Hemming .. 6
Allritil E. Rushion
*Gerald C. Hemming Patrick 1. Chapman bryan Patitison To Tomor Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

EAST CROMPTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .15 lb . in G sharp.
David Honcson
.. Treble
Geoffrey S. Mills .. 2 Derek Ogden
*John H. Fielden... .. 3 F. John Nelson
*Peier Scholfield . . .. 4 Michael D. Fishwick .. Tehor Composed by G. Williams. Witness: Gordon Roirhell.
Rung silent and non-conducted.

* 25th peat together. Believed to be the first non-conducted peal of Major rung for the Association.


## EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut.. April 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AI THE Church of SS. Simon and Jude,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 13 . 1 b . in $G$.
J. Edward Cawser ..Treble Marin C. Faulikes .. 5

Alfred Ballard .. $\quad .{ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 6

| *Beryl E. Cawser .. | . | 3 | Peter J. Staniforth | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- |
| W. Ernest Rawson |  |  |  |  |

Composed by C. Middleion
Conducted by J. Edward Cawslr.

* First peal in the method. + First of Major in the method.

GREAT DUNMOW, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minules,
At the Church of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $21 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $E$.


Composed by N. J. Pisisiow.
Conducted by Terry Earle.

* First peal in the method.


## HORSHAM. SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minute,
At the Church of Sir. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 23 cwt .1 qr. 7 lb . in E flat.
Leonard Sillwell. .. .. Treble Robin J. Elliott .. .. 5
Bernard G. Moore .. .. 2 Denis R. Mitchell.. .. 6

| Geoffrey R. Crisp .. | .. | 3 | Peter H. Langton | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.
First peal of Major by an Old Collyerians band.

> PRESTWOLD. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSSHIRE SURRERISE MAJOR
Paul Mariin .. .. .. Treble A. James Puynor
Patricia A. Wardle . ..
Ernest Morris ..
. .
E.
3 Brian G. Warwick .. .. 4 John M. Jelley .. . . Tchor

Composed by Ernesi W. Tipler (No. B.69).
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LHE CHURCH OF ST, EGWIN,
Gordon T. Brown Treble Geoffrey J. Hemming
Margaret E. L. Beamish
William B. Pomeroy

## OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Easter Monday, April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew.
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR
In two methods, consisting of 1.248 Little Bob, 3.840 Plain Bob, with 263 changes of method. Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .1 lb . in Aflat. *Brian G. Warwick.. .. Treble Ernesi Morris

 Composed by F. Nolan Golden. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* 50th peal tngether. $\dagger$ First of Spliced.

Rung for the festival of Easter: also for the wedding of Peter R. Jehnson (ringer at Wanlip), who was married earlier is the day to Patricia James, of Birstall.

PULBOROUGH. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Easter Monday, Apwil 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes. Ai the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Jean Horton
*Marian Skinner
Leonard Stilwell.
Winifred E. Keys.
$\dagger$ Geoffrey Rex Tenor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Raymond P. Wood Hemry C. Weaver Robin Heasman

GRAPPENHALL CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., April 20 , 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Mintues,
at the Church of St. Wilfrid.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr. 6 lb . in F .
Frank Taylor..
Treble John Ryder
*lan C. Potts .. .. .. 2
John C. Breeze .. .. 3
Roy Foster .. .. .. 4
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Clifford Shaw
Harold Worrall
Michael Thompson ... ... Tenor * First peal.

Rung in honour of the Queen's birthday.

## CROSS STONE, TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE, <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, Ai the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
*Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. Treble John H. Fielden .. .. 5
Peter Scholfield
..
B. Gillian Schofield

Derek Ogden
†Rita M. Jowett
*Harold B. Schofilld... Tenor
Composed by J. Carier. Conducted by Derek Ogden.

* 25th peal logether. $\dagger$ First of Stedman.

Rung in honour of the birthday of H.M. the Queen.
DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., April 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Helen.
a PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Marion Wall Treble Ronald H. Bullen .. ..

J. Frank Smallwood .. 4 Burley P. Morris .. .. Tehor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Burley P. Morris.
Rung in honour of the Queen's birthday.

## GOLDHANGER. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., April 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Mitutes,
At the Church of St. Peier,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J J. Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Alison M. Mann .. .. Treble

| *Alison M. Mann | .. | . Treble | Arthur Hubble |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alan R. Syder | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | \#Bernard C. Mann |

Tenor 81 cwt .
*Harry R. Appleton .. 3 Frank b. Lufkin ... .. 7
*Bernard W. Fairhead .. 4 Urban W. Wildney .. Temur Conducted ty Frank B, Lufkin.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung in honour of the Queen's birthday.
BARTON-UNDER-NEEDWOOD, STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sal, April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, viz.: 1,120 Rutland, 1,280 Cambridge, 1,280 Lincolnshire and $1: 440$ Yorkshire, being all the work of each method for every bell, with 69 changes of method. Edward W. Colley.. .. Treble muriel Reay Tenor 14 cwt .1 gr .26 lb . in $\mathbf{F}$.

| . | $\because$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 3 |  |
|  | . | . | 4 | Michael Elsun Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6 Anthony Ager

Edmund Malin
John A. Anderson .. .. Tchor
Conducted by John McDonald.
CHATHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours, At the Church of St. Mary hhe-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part.
Tenor 25 cwt .
*Mrs. Francis J. Cheal. . Treble Cyril J. Gould

Ronald E. Norris
Francis J. Cheal
Charles E. J. Norris 6
Alan Wrigley .. .. 4 Derek Norris .. .. .. Tentior

* 35 th peanducted by William A. J. Knighi.
* 35th peal.

Rung for the Queen's birthday ; also as a silver wedding compliment to Cyrit and Mabel Gould, and to Derck and Brenda Norris, on the birth of a daughter; also birthday greetings to the treble and fifth ringers.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BICKENHILL, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FQR THE मIOCFSE OF BIRMINGHAM On Thyrs., April 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 25 Mintues Ar the Church of Si. Peter, A PEAL OF 5040 APRIL-DAY BOR DOURLES Being 42 extents. Tenor 10 cwt Jant: R. SHaw Pamela M. Turner
Michael Hart .4

Michael Hart
Roger E. Tallis Rager E. Tallis
Máarice C. Huahe Victor H. Nash

Tenor

## Conducted by Roger E. Tallis.

## ARLEY. WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., April 8, $1 \% 60$, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Wilfrid,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
 Conducted by Roger E. Tallis.
Rurg for the christening of Prince Andrew.

> ASHBOCKING. SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thurs., April 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Mirutes,
At the Church of All Saints

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Oxford Bob, (2) Kent T.B and Oxford T.B., (3) St. Clement's and Double Oxford. (4) Double Court, (5) College Single Reverse, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . 21 1 lb . in A flat.

Ronald W. Steward .. Treble *Roderick W. Pipe
Roblert $F$ Lestir $\quad$ Urban W Wilder

*     + Hublert A. Mitson .. 3 Cecil W...Pipe.

Tenor

* First peal in nine nethods. +25 th peal.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (1) London Surprise, (2) Plain Bob, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Oxford Treble Bob (6) Plain Bob, (7) Kent Treble Bob.
Eric Woolgrove .. .. Treble | Ronald I. Disterens Reginald W. Rex .. .. 2 Reginald F. Crook Reginald W. Rex
Ernest J. Munday . .
E. $\frac{2}{3}$ Reginald F. Cloffrey K. Dodd

Tenor
First peal in more than one Minor method on the bells.

> FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Plter.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents (four callings). Tenor 12 cwt . 10 lb . in $F$ sharp. *Brian Schofield .. .. Treble Philip G. K. Davies †Brian Harris .. .. .. 2 †Blrnara F. L. Groves Join R. Kenneti .. .. 3 †t $\ddagger$ Roblri B. Smith .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard IF. L. Groves,

* First peal of Surprise Minor. + First of Minor in the method, having now completed the London 'fannily.' $\ddagger 200$ th peal.

PEASEMORE, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Man., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours ana' 39 Minules,
At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Plain Bob. (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob

Eric Woolgrove .. .. Treble| Ernest I. Munday
Reginhld W. Rex ... .22 Reginald F. Crook
Ronald F. Diserens .. 3 Geoffrty K. Dodd .. .. Tcnor Conducted by Georfrey K. Dodd. WHITTINGTON, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon.. April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being five extents of Oxford and Kent T.B. combined, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 93 cwt.
Frederigk H. Dickinson Treble Philip J. Evans
Roger W. Powell . . . 2 Colin Smith
Valerie Lee .. .. .. 3 F. Hector Benneit .. . Tenor
Conducted by F. Hector Benneit.
First peal of Minor on the bells.
NORWICH, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., April 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minules,
At the Church of St. George, Colegate,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one 720 each of Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob Tenor $9!\mathrm{cwt}$. in G.
 Arihur G. Bason ..... ${ }^{3}$ H. William Barrett . . Tenor A wedding compliment to Dr. David Heighton and Miss Bridget Mutimer, married at Saxlingham Nethergate the previous day.

STAVERTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE:
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., April 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two each of Oxford T.B: Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.
Michall R. Benneti .. Treble *Hilary M. Johnson
*Gillian Taverner .. .. 2 Eric Billings
*Hush M. Johnsun $\quad . .33$ Patrick I. Chapman
patrick I. Cha
Conducted by

## BUXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Wed.. April 20, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents, one each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt .7 lb . in F sharp.

| Robert E. Lester . . . . Treble | Hubert A. Mitson | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alice A. I. Lester. . . . 2 | Lesite N. Mfiton |  |
| *Roderick W. Pipe . . . 3 | Cecill W. Mipe: |  |
| Conducted by Ro | rrick W. Pipe. |  |

## MANCHESTER. LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wed., April 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At Emmanuel Unitarian Church, Brookfield, Gorton,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 30 six-scores (ten callings) and six different 240 's (Morris's). Tenor $13 \mathrm{cwi}, 2$ qr. in F sharp.
*Christine Livsey .. .. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves.. 3
*E. Michael Quinn ... 2 \#Gordon Rumney .. .. 4
$\dagger$ John Robinson .. . . Tenor
Ccnducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

* First peal. + First of Doubles. Believed to be the first of Doubles on the bells.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Thurs., April 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes. At the Church of St. Petfr.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
 Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First. peal.

Rung for the Easter Festival, and as a birthday complinent to H.M Queen Elizabeth II.

## MARKFIELD. LEICESTERSHIRE

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Thurs., April 21, 1960. in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, <br> At the Church of St. Michafl. and A1.i. Angeis, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 13 methods: (1) Fulheck, Reverse. Canterbury, Douhle and Plain Bob: (2) Cambridge Surprise: (3) Thelwall and Double Oxford Bob: (4) Childwall and St. Clement's Boh; (5) Kent. und Oxford Treble Boh; (6) Single Oxford Boh: (7) Plain and Double Bob.

| Brian M. Smith | Treble | Martin C. Faulkes. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Morris | 2 | A. James Poynor . . . 5 |
| John A. Arres | 3 | Brian G. Warwick . . . Tenor | John A. Arres .. ...... 3 Brian G. Warwick

Conducted hy Br
Festival of Easter.
Rung for the Festival of
HACKWOOD WARWICKSHIRE
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Fri., April 22. 1960. in 2 Hours and 32 Mimutes, At the Church of St. Gilies.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Conducted by John McDonal.D.

* First peal of Surprise. : First of Minor in the method. Last peal on the bells prior to being augmented to eight.


## STISTED. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Frl., April 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules,
At the Churcil of All Saints.
Being seven extents in 44 methods: 11) Fulbeck, Reverse. Canterbury, Double and Plain Bob: (2) Newdigate. Marple, Old Oxford. College Bob IV. Humber. Willesden. Braintree, Clarence, Charlwond. Neasden, St. Albans. Wragby, Taxal, Morning Siar, Elston ( 15 methods by A. G. Driver): (3) Beverley. Hexham. Surfleet. Durham. York and Berwick Surp-ise : (4) Cambridge. Norfolk, Ipswich. Hull, Primrose and Bourne Surbrise: (S) College Exercise. Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob: (6) London Sctolars ${ }^{\circ}$ Pleasure, Kingston. Sand al and Capel Treble Bob: (7) Thelwall, Double Oxford, Childwall and St. Clement's.


Conducted by Ior E. G. Roast

* Most methods yet rung to a peal

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. R. J. Harrison and Miss J. Scales; also birthday compliments to H. W. Egglestone and Siedman H. Symonds.

SALTER STREET. WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Fri., April 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Patrick,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Tenor 8 cwt .21 lb . in A .
Jane R. Shaw
Pamela M. Turner..... 3
V. Roy Tallis
.-. 2
Roger E. Tallis
Conducted by $R$
BIRSTWITH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIKE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Plain Bob and Oxford T.B.. and three of
Kent Treble Bob.
Tenor 11 cwl. 2 qr. in $G$.
Joan M. Dawson . . . Treble *Michael S. Bruce .. .. 4
*Shelagh M. Bruce. . . 2 Peter M. Dawson .. .. 5
*D. Petfer J. Bruce .. ... 3 John Rhodes .. .. .. Tenor

## Conducted by Peter M. Dawson.

* First peal.

For the wedding anniversary of Joan and Peter Dawson.

## EAST PECKHAM. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 2 Hotrs and 45 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Michafl,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods: (1) Plain Bob, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Kent I'B., (5) St. Clement's, (6) and (7) Plain Boh.

*Isobel Inman .. .. .. 3 ! Alan E. Bagworth .. . . Tehor Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* First peal in five methods.


## MARPLE, CHESHIRE

THE CHESIER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF AIL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extentra (four callings). Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lh .
Robert B. Smitia ... Treble Micharl. W. Crowider
 Frederick Shalcross .. 3 . \#William H. Dowse ... Tenor Conducted by Robrri B. Smith
*First peal of Surprise Minor. +25 th peal. $\ddagger 150 \mathrm{th}$ peal. First in the metnod on the bells, and by all the band.

SHIPBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the. Church of St. Giles,
A PFAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being an extent each of Ipswich.: London, York, Beverley, Surfleet. Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 113 cw . in G.
*Ann Georse.
.Trable. Andrew M. Macve.
$\mathrm{in}_{4} \mathrm{G}$.
*Staniey Jenner ... .. 2 I年 Ian H. Oram ... .. .. 5
Alan E. Bagworth 3 Ralph Bird .. .. .. Tenor
Conducled by Ian H. Oram.

* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods.


## handblel Peals

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Mon.. April 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules,

## A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor size 14 in D.

Composed by WM. Kent
Barnes

$$
9-10
$$

Conducted by Joseph D. Johnson.
A farewell peal to Mr.. and Mis. D. J. Marshall, who are leaving the district for Long Eaton.

## CLEATHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes, At Cleatham House Farm.
A PEAL OF 5016 SPLICED MAJOR
Being nine methods: Double Bob. Reverse Bob, Plain Bob, Gainsborough Little Bob. Wellington Litlie Court, Little Bob, Crayford Little Court, Bastow Little Court and Kent Little Court: 461 changes of method.
A. Robin Heppenstall... $1-2$ ! George E. Feirn .. .. 5-6
*W. Eric Critchley ... 3-4| Jack L. Milhouse .. .. 7-3

> Arranged and Conducted by George E. Feirn.

* First peal of Spliced Major 'in hand.' This is the greatest number of changes of method that have been made in any peal.

ALTON, STAFFS,-On April 18th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: E. H. Willows 1. D. Atrill 2. Miss R. M Bull 3. C. Hughes 4, D. Parkins 5. J. F. Murfin 6. R. J. Stretton 7. D. K. Walklate (cond.) 8. First on cight for 1 and 5

AMBROSDEN, OXON.-On April 18th. 1.26 n Grandsire Trinles: Mrs. E. Sayer 1. J. Coggins 2 C. M. A. Coxxins 3. B. J. Coxsins 4. A. Sayer 5 B Coggins 6, B. R. White (cond.) 7. W. Haynes \&

APPLETON, BERKS.-On Amril 23rd. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: N. Leslie 1. D. Leslie 2. J. Drewitt 3 E. Drewitt 4. M. Edncy 5, E. Moore 6. N. Allnatt 7. F. C. White 8. F. A. White (cond.) 9. B. R. White 10. First of Caters for 1, 2, and

BALDOCK, HERTS.-On April 10ih. 1.280 Kcm Treble Bob Major: R. Castledinc 1. M. Honkins (first in method) 2. June Dear 3. D. Sutcliffe 4. P. F Lack 5. L. Scone 6. J. Dear 7, C. Harwood (cond.) 8
BARKINGSIDE. LONDON.-On April 23rd. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: G. Lonsdale 1, 1. Atwater (82) 2 I.. Prior 3. J. Barrance 4. D. Ellisdon 5. L. W. Eullock (cond.) 6. D. Runchman covering. For St
George's Day.
BODENHAM. HEREFORDSHIRE.-On Easer Day. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: G. D. Thomas (firs nuater) 1. Mrs. T. Rushton 2, Miss D. M. Rushton 3. R. Billings 4, A. E. Rushion (cond.) 5. S. G Malmer 6. For murning service.
RRAY: BERKS.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Dnubles (1, 2 leading): Maureen Charlewood (first quaner) 1. Janct Barker (first quarter) 2. Wenda Harris 3. Diana Harris (first ' inside ') 4. T. Mitchell 5. B. May (first inside') 6. Dorcen Hague (cond.) 7. J. Norsworthy \& For Evensong.

RRAYWOOD, HERKS-On April 22nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: D. G. Rnwlands 1. Anna C. Smith 2. P. A. Lawrence 3.) E. Rung as a four:h wedding anniversary complimen to Mr . and Mrs. E. R. Gotham (S.. Margarer'я, Uxbridge).
CHEDDINGTUN. BUCKS.-On April 181h. 1.26t Plain Bob Doubles: M. D. Pearson 1. Joxic Hurching 2. W. Sear 3. I. Pell 4. F. K. Williamson (cond.) 5 ,

DANEHILL. SUSSEX.-On April 24th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Marlene $P$. Robbins (firsi quarter) 1, Peggy M. Butcher 2, A. W. Fuller 3 June F. Carter (first as cond.) 4. A. J. Butcher W. J. Sale 6. For Evensong.

DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.-On Mar. 27ih 1.260 Plain Bnb Minor: Elizabeth A. Negus 1. Gillian Tavener 2. Hilary M. Johnson 3. P. I. Chapman 4. H. M. Johnson 5. D. J. Marshall (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday.

EPSOM, SURREY. - At Christ Church, on Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Adrienne Gibson 1 W. Parroll 2, Carolyn D. Cockman 3. Sylvia Marsh 4. N. D. J. Webb S. G. A. Cockman G. F. 10 mark the completion of the belfry redecorations.
FARINGDON, BERKS.-On April 23rd. 1.260 Plain Boh Triples: Miss A. Cox 1. M. Ling 2. Miss S. Parsons 3. 1. Goulter 4. C. A. Wratten 5. F. E. T. Tatinter 6. P. T. Hurcombe (firse in method as cond.) 7. L. Edwards 8. Firss of Bob Triples for 1. 2. and 8.
FORDHAM, CAMBS.-On April 24h. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubleq: R. Munns 1. A. R. Mann 2, R. Palmer 3. R. Morley 4. M. J. Tester (first as cond.) 5. D. Morley (first quarter) 6. Rung for the induction of the Rcy. R. J. Cole on the srevious Friday.
HARESFIELD, GLOS.-On April 191h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. T. Price 1. B. Williams 2, D. Priday 3. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4. H. Leses S. F Brookings 6. Rung half-mufled as a loving tribute of respect in Flo. wife of the conductor, who an Easter Eve naseed away very suddenly at the Beacon Hotel. Haresficld, where she was stopping on holiday with her husband. The conductor's gratefu thanks 10 the band who made this tribute possible.
HFRSHAM, SE'RRES:-On April 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: D. Gcorge 1. J. Martin 2. Gwen May 3. Joan Smith 4. J. M. Maybrey 5. C. N. Chinnery 6. J. King (cond.) 7. S. Davies 8. A farewell tribute to the Vicar. the Rev. St. Ciair Gower Williams on his retirement.
HONITON, DEVON.-On April 10th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Stedman Morris (cond.) 1. J. E. Looker 2. C. Webb 3, H. Kecley 4. J. Manley 5 G. Gaylard 6, H, Gaylard 7. W. Webb 8.

IIUTTUN CRANSWICK, YORKS.-On ABril 20th. 1.296 Minnt $(5 \% 6$ Cambridge Surprice, 720 St . Clement's): Miss J. Porter 1. J. R. Perrett 2. K. Kitk 3. J. S. Rank 4, D. S. Johnson 5, R. Ducker (cond.)

KIRK ELLA, YORKS,-On ATril 24th. 1,3k0 Minor 1640 Spliced, Plain and Little Bob. 720 Plain Bob): Mess N. Bond 1. 1. N. Goldthorpe 2, K. Kirk 3. J. R. Perrett 4. D. S. Johnson 5, J, S. Rank (cond.) 6. For Matins.

## QUARTER PEALS

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.-On Oct. 11th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: G. D. Whallcy 1. Pat Robinson (first 'inside ${ }^{\circ}$ Grandsire) 2, P. S. Whalley 3. R. Arrowsmith 4. L. Whalley 5. C. W. Biddulph 6 D. R. Whalley (cond.) 7. A. Heath 8. For Harvest

## Festival.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.-On Easter Day, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: L. Fox 1. Miss P. Heather 2. L. Batley 3, Miss V. Hester 4. C. Willmington 5 H. Neill (cond.) 6. For Evensong

LONG SUTTON. SOMERSET.-On April 22nd 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Sclway 1, P. Cox 2 . S. White 3. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, W. E. Turner 5. Rung "open" to the Glory of God and as a thanksiving for the life and devotion of Flo, wifs of the condsctor, who was laid to rest at Long Sutton earlier in the day. Sicep on now and take thy rest.
MALDON, ESSEX.-On April 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Mann 1. B. Mann 2. 1. Panton 3. S. Easter 4. J. Clarkic (finst in method) 5. J Towler 6, A. Hubble (cond) 9, F. White 8. For Evensong.

NASEBY, NORTHANTS.-On April 191h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Rarion 1. F. Lane 2. D Griffin 3. W. Cropley 4. A. Millward (cond.) 5. For the golden wedding of the parents of the rehle ringer.
NORWICH, NORFOLK.-At St. Peter Mancroft. ur. Easter Das. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: A. G Bason 1. S. Boar 2, M. T. Sprackling 3. S. Brothers 4. C. Curson 5. J. Cox 6. W. Love 7. D. Heighton (cond.) 8. C. Bird 9. C. Goodman 10. For Evensong.
NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS- $\mathbf{1 . 2 6 0}$ Grandsite Doubles: L. W. Stead 1. W. C. Buchanan 2. Mavis P. Coffin 3. C. Taylor 4. J. Harless (cond.) S. R Buchanan 6. Rung as a triture to Mr. R. H. Reed for his services in the art of change ringing from 1434.

## OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.-On April 16th.

 Turner 2, J. Ayres 3. J. Uuick 4. E. Marks S. J Turner 2, J. Ayres 3, J. Uuick 4. E. Marks 5. J.Arbury 6. C. C. Decm (cond.) 7. R. Wood 8. Rung as a diamond wedding compliment to Mr . and Mrs. Louis A. Wilson, of Wootton Bassett, a former member of this band. Also on Easter Day. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Kemp 1. J. Ayres 2 L. G. Hine 3. C. C. Turner 4. F. Sheaherd 5. E. J. Manley (cond.) 6. 1. Artury 7. C. Clanville 8. For Evensong and also in honour of the christening of Neil Ernest. son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Deem.
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Good Friday, 1.260 Oxford Bob Trimes: R. Tomlin 1. Miss E. Hatch 2 A Boyack 3. P. Avev 4, E. Blower 5. D. Belcham 6. A. House (cond.) 7. W. Ward 8. Rung halfnuffied.
ROCHDALE, LANCS.-At St Chad's Church, on Aprit 18th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. Hamer 1. B Wild (first of Sicdman) 2. J Mcadoweroft 3. K. Abbne 4. M. D. Fishwick 5. I. Kay 6. P. J. H. Hudson (cond.) 7. C. S. Taylor 8
ROOS, YORKS.-On April 21 st. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman. Grandsire. Reverse Canterbury. Clifford's Pleasure, St. Simon's, St. Martin's. Plain Bob. April Day): Mrs. R. Ducker 1, R. Ducker 2. J. R. Perrett
. D. S. Johnson 4. J. S, Rank (cond.)
ROYDON. ESSEX.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Howard 1, R. Sams 2, W. P. Sams (cond.) 3, F. Wright 4, A. A. Livings 5. N. Ward

## For Evensong

RUISHTON. SOMERSET.-On April 21si. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1. M. Baker 2. A Williams 3. J. Ford 4. E. J. ford (cond.) 5, C. Trenchars 6.
SHARNAROOK, BEDS.-On Easter Day, 320 Kent T.B. Minor. 540 Plain Bob: R. Forder 1. Miss B Parcons 2. Miss B. Lovell 3. T. Braga 4. P. Starr 5 P. Makeham (cond.) f. For morning service.

SHIPDHAM. NORFORK.-On April 19th. 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: H. A. Bernell 1. W. G. Heyhoe 2. S. H. Waterfield 3. W. J. Bailey 4. P. J. Woodcock (cond.)
STAVERTON, NORTHANTS.-On April Oqh. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Graham Bnnoor 1. Elizaheth A. Negus 1. 1. Frances Johnson 3, Gillian Tavener 4 H. M. Johnson 5. D. J. Marshall (cond.) 6. Birthday complintents to ringers of 4 th (17) and tenor (15).
STRATTUN, CORNH ALL.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Heard 1. W. G. Lavers 2. H. Siacey 3. H. Trewin 4. M. Sinden 5. C. Taylor (cond.) 6, J. W. Sangwin 7. S. T. Siacey 8.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On April 0hh. 1.264 Plain fonh Major: M. Stanley 1, V. Grifin 2. Miss M. Wright 3. S. J. Withcy 4, E. Surton 5 . A. R. Peake 6. A, T. Collins 7. C. G. Jones (first as cond.) B. For chudren's service,

STRENSHAM, WORCS.-On April 8th. 1,260 Single Oxtord Bob Minor: C. Haylings 1. F, Lawrence 2. J. Firkins 3. D. Price 4. F. Hawkes 5.
M. Hawkes (cond.) 6. First in the mcihod hy all

SWINDON, WILTS.-AI Chris Church, on Faster Day. 1.259 Giandsire Caters: Miss M. Wriaht 1 . W. W. T. Daniel 2. Mrs, P. Minchin 3. Rcv. R. C. Bryant 4. Mrs. B. Bladon 5, A. G. Wells 6, P. Minchin 7, E. Bladon \& E. Sutton (cond.) 9. E. Vincent 10. For Evensong.
TENTERDEN, KENT.-On March 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Meynell 1. Kathleen M. Yeo (cond.) 2, Violet I. E. Relf 3, W. Tickner 4. P. Relf 5. A. E. Slanger 6. For Evensong and as birthday compliments to Miss K . Yeo and Mr. P . Relf. Also on April 9th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Winifred Millen 1, Kathleen M. Yeo (cond.) 2. Violez 1. E. Relf 3. W. Tickner 4. P. Relf 5. A. Gorham 6. Rung for the institution and induction of the Rev. Canen Harold Willis. M.A.. as V'icar.
TETBURY, GLOS.-On April 23rd. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: D. Wond (first of Major) 1. M. Ling 2. Miss S. Parsons 3. P. T. Hurcombe (cond.) 4. C: A. Wratten 5. L. Edwards 6. F. E. T. Tranter 7. G. P. Green 8. For St. George's Day.
THORNER, YORKS.-On April 16th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Beryl Hartley 1, R, J. Lum'cy 2. Shirley hiudd 3. A. E. Hartley (cond.) 4. 1. Sheare 5 . Rhodes 6. For the festival of Easter.
TILEHURST, BERKS.-On Easter Das. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: B. Haines (first quarter) 1. H. Hunt 2. A. Haines 3. Mrs, A. Fevre 4. K. Chambers 5, D. Drayton (first - invide') 6. W. Marsh (cond.) 7, G. Runham 8.
TOPSHAAM. DEVON.-On Eager Day. 1.269 Grandsire Doubles: K. Wannell 1. Miss M. Browne 2. P. Jupp 3. F. Bye 4. R. Coles (cond.) 5. R.

TWYNING. GLOS.-On April 22nd. 1.260 Reverse St. Banholomew Bob Doubles: A. Halling 1. M. lawkes 2, J. Firkins 3. C. Haylings 4. E. W. Penn (conj.) 5. D. Williams 6
UPPER CLAPTON, LONDON.-Ai the Church of St. Matthew, on April 3rd, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: C. F. Nea1 1. Mrs. G. L. Neal 2, W. F. Jarvis 3.
Miss N. Hales 4. J. A. Hales 5. J. M Steele 6. Miss N. Hales 4. J. A. Hales S
D. W. Gray 7, D. Neal (cond.) 8 .
WARBORULGH, UXON.-On April 22nd. 1.260 P'ain Bob Doubles: G. Mcllhone 1. Jean Exon 2. Heien Butler 3. Margaret Thewlis 4. F. Absolom (cond.) 5. A. Howes 6. V. Fox 7. First quarter for all except conductor.
WATH JUXTA RIPON, YORKS.-On April 8th. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Plcasure. Clifford's pleasure. Plain Bob. Aprit Day. Grandsire): J. Lumb I. R. D. Gibson 2, J. S. Rank (cond.) 3. K. Goldhorpe 4. I. N. Goldthorpe 5. J. Singleton 6
WELLS, SOMERSET.-On Easter Day, at the Cathedral, 1.277 Grandsire Caters: K. Prime 1, Miss A. M. Bailey 2. M. Rase 3. G. Salmon 4. V: Roberts 5, P. Wright (cond.) 6. M. Stone 7. C. Clarke 8. R. D. Short 9, D. Purncll 10. For Even-
song. also a compliment to Miss Audrey M. Bailcy and Mr. Ronald $D$. Short on their engagemint.
WEST TANFIFID, YORNS.-On April 8ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doublex: J. Lumh 1. J. I. Booth (firit quarter) 2. R D. Gibson (first as cond.) 3. J. Singleon 4. J. S. Rank 5, K. Goldthorpe 6.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Adril 5ih. 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. A. Yaies 1, J. Linncll 2, R keeves (first of Stedman) 3, G. E. Green 4, F. C. Case s, C. E. Truman 6. T. E. Robers (cond) 7. G. Foddy 8. Also on April 121h, 1.260 Double Court Bob Minor: F. C. Casc 1, T. E. Robens 2, E. Truman 3. D. Taylor 4. J. Linnell 5. G. E. Green (cond.) 6. First in method for 3, 4, 5 and 6. WILLINGTON, BFDS.-On Amil 21st. 1.260) Minor ( 720 Single Court. 540 Plain Bob): C. Lean 1. Mrs. R. G. Corby 2. Miss D. Hopkins 3. L. E. Duffield 4. J. H. Edwards 5. R. G. Corby (cond.) 6. A acddina compliment to $\mathbf{M r}$. and Mrs. R.J. Harrison. of Chelmsford. who were marricd carlice in the day:
WIMBLEDON, SURREY:-On April 24th, 1.296 Cambridge Surnrise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1. 4. A. Bagworih 5. A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Eversong.
WOLSTANTON, STAFFS-On Sepr. 28ith, 1.260 Plain Bob Major: L. Walley 1. Miss P. Robinson (first quarter) 2. Miss R. Snell 3. Miss R. Mitchell 4. Biddulph 7. D. R. Whalley 8
WRITTLE, ESSEX.-On Anril 24ih. 1.152 Grandsire Maior: S. Penfold 1. F. G. Richatdson 2. J. Cartott 3. Mis J. Peacock 4, A. J. Salisbury S. J. Fowler 6. I, Eass 7. F. V. Gant (cond.) s. For Matins,

## KENWYN RINGERS' OUTING

There is a saying. 'The devil looks after his own.' and this certainly rang true when Easter Monday dawned fine and clear. A coach wending its way through the deserted streets of Truro at 07.30 hours announced the commencement of a pilgrimage of ringers to England. The Kenwyn band were supported by members of the "enemy" tower of the Cathedral. and of Kea. St. Gluvias. Carbis Bay. Redruth. Cheltenham and Hartley. Kent (no bells). Indeed they needed "supporting." for it wis a haggard lot that met outside the post office, the six o'clock ringing on Easter Sunday morning having had its effect.
We soon crossed the border to the cheers of the Englishmen and the groans of the Cornish peasants. Our first call was at Appledore (8. tenor 10 cWt .) a picturesque church situated near the water's edge and with an almost "al fresco' belfry. I think these bells grow on you after a while and we succeeded in ringing quite a respectable touch of Stedman. On then a mile or so 10 Northiam ( 8 , tenor 17 cwt.). One or two of these fine bells are a little tricky to handle but I don't think we actually disgraced ourselves. We discovered the second stay missing. so our poor long suffering Vicar was put to work on this
A highlight of the day was the glorious octave (tenor 18 cwt .) at Bideford. "Scientific. ringers catch hold here in fear and trepidation after viewing the numerous first class. ringing certificates on the walls. Here we met Norman Mallett. who. complete with tape recorder and seemingly miles of cable, asked if he could make a recording of a touch. We obliged with a quite good touch of Grandsire. Afterwards we proceeded to lower vast quantities of roast chicken. 'idddy oggies ( (pasties to you!) and ale.

Next came the only six bell tower of the day, at Fremington (tenor 9 cwt .). These bells are somewhat out of tune and one or two go a bit sluggishly. As one remarked. Those bells have characier.: he didn't say what sort of character though!

To get to Tawstock (8. tenor 17 cwt ) we had to make a detour to avoid a low bridge. The ringing chamber situated in a central tower is reached via a curious gallery and a narrow chute through the tower wall. It was here we met the rivals of Bideford as the bells are magnificent. both in 'go. and tone. The church possesses a quaint two and a half-gallon ringers" "jugge* decorated with paintings of bells.

Our next hells were the heaviest of the day. the octave (tenor 25 cwt.) at Pilton. They can be described as a becfy. full toned ring, which cannot be hurried. It was here that one young lady. in the words of Dorothy Sayers. got "embrangled" with the tenor. and had to be relieved while the bell was still double clappering.

By this time our capacious appetites had once more been aroused. and a move was made to Barnstaple for food. A slightly longer run now to our last tower. and after crossing a deserted airfield. we arrived at Winklcigh (8, tenor 20 cwt ).

All too soon it was time to leave, and after a lamentably brief stop for liquid refreshment at Okehampton we eventually arrived in Cornwall's sprawling metropolis it midnight. Our thanks are due to the incumbents and ringers of the various towers visited, for their welcome, and last but not least to our vice-gaffer Alan Carveth. for so kindly making all the necessary arrangements.
R.A.S.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Silent tribute was paid to two well-known and loved mombers at the Salisbury Branch meeting at Tisbury on St. George's Day. They were Mrs. Blanche Hibberd, a benefactor of ringing. and Mr. Frank Taylor. of Wylye. Certificates of proficiency were presented to Mrs. M. Baverstock (Damerham). Alan Chalk (Broadchalke) and Terry King (Hindon). Denis Chalk gained his during the afternoon's ringing. Thare was also ringing at Barford St. Martin.

## DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The Lord Bishop of Derby (the Rt. Rev. G. F. Allen) preached at the service in St. Peter's Church. Derby. held in connection with the annual meeting of the Derbyshire Association on April 23 rd. Ringers from all parts of the county attended and visitors from Manchester. The bells of the Cathedral. St. Peter's and St. Luke's Churches were availahle.
Tea was served in St. Peter's Parochial Hall and was followed by the business meeting with the Very Rev. R. A. Beddocs, Provost of Derby, who is president of the Associstion, in the chair. In his address he stressed the importance of recruitment and giving publicity to the art.
The Bishop was elected patron and Messrs. A. Mould and G. A. Halls Central Council representatives.
The general secretary (Mr. B. P. Morris) in his annual report referred to the Association's performances in peal ringing. of which he said it could feel justly proud, but, at the same time if the Association was to flourish all must play their pars in encouraging new members. A grant of $i 5$ was made from the Bell Repair Fund to Chelmorton, where the ring of four bells was being restored and augmented to five.
Mr. D. A. Carlisle said the Association was very honoured by the forthcoming visit of the Ancient Society of College Youths to Derby. On behalf of the Ancient Society Mr. J. F. Smallwood extended an invitation to Associa: tion members to attend the luncheon at which the guests would be the Mayor and Bishop of Derby.
The president presented a watch to Mr. A. B. Cooper as an appreciation of his services as general secretary of the Association over a period of eight years.
Thanks to all who had contributed to the success of the ineeting were expressed by Mr. smallwood.

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Mr. George E. Feirn has set handbell ringers a new objective. A peal of Spliced Surprise Major in nine methods has been rung with 461 changes of method. No other peal has yet been rung with so many changes of method.

The successor to Miss Evelyn Steel as president of the Bedfordshire Association is president of the Bedfordshire
Mr. Alfred Rushton. of Luton.

The latest addition to the list of school peals at was that at Horsham on April 3th by ex-members of Collyers Grammar School, Horsham.
Mr. G. Dodd points out that the composition of Mr. Nolan Golden for Rose of England Treble Bob (page 284) is also true to Rutland Surprise.

Mr. J. W. Clarke has written Part VI of 'Cheshire Bells ' dealing with the deaneries of Mottram and Stockport. They make interesting reading and we hope to publish a review it a later date.

Next Sunday morning service from Waltham Abbey. Essex. is to be televised on I.T.A. (all regions). Prior 10 the service, which commences $2811.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .$. the twelve bells will be rung by the local band.

A peal of Yorkshire Surprise was losi at Oswaldtwistle on April 20th, which was to have been a silver wedding compliment to Mr . and Mrs. T. Ogden. of Oldham. To them the band offer their congratulations.

Hurstpierpoint ringers appeared on B.B.C ; Television recently in "Town and Around ; programme. Three of the tower's four veterans were shown ringing-Harry Richardson (started 1898). Charlie Diplock (1898) and George Mansbridge (1911). Jack Dearlove unfortunately was unwell.
Amongst the first to congratulate Mr. Henry O. Baker. general secretary of the Chester Diocesan Guild. on his election to the office of churchwarden. were the members of his own tower at St. Mary-on-the-Hill. Chester, who prefaced their ringing on Palm Sunday with an expression of good wishes.

Members of St. Mary's. Handbridge, tower rang changes on handbells from bchind the organ screen before the consecration, by the Bishop of Chester (Dr. Gerald A. Ellison. who is himself a ringer). of the new Church of Holy Trinity-without-the-Walls, Chester. on Easter Even. as a compliment to the Rector. the Rev. Arthur L. Minns. a ringing member of the Chester Diocesan Guild. The church. which is situated on a new housing estate, is of traditional design, with the fabric clad in brickwork, and has a tower designed to accommodate six bells.

Congratulations to Mr. Albert Walker on his 84 th birthday last Tuesday. On Saturday he will have completed 63 years' service at St. Martins. Birmingham.
St. John's. Eastbourne, which was badly damaged during an air raid during the war. has been fully restored and the Parochial Church Council have under consideration the installation of a ncw ring of bells.
An interesting peal at East Crompton, Lancs. on April 9th was a silent and nonconducted peal of Plain Boh Major. The band believe this is the first non-conducted peal of Major for the Lancashire Association.
The beautiful bells at Godshill. Isle of Wight, have been recorded by the B.B.C. and will be included in a programme to be broadcast next Sunday at $9.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on the West Regional programme. The broadcast is an excerpt from the quarter peal.

Mr. Norman Chaddock writes enthusiastically about the success of the course at Grantley Hall. near Ripon. His regret is that so many students had to be turned down. but the warden. Mr. C. Rigg. has promised another course next year. Full story later on.

When Mr. Geoff. Parting, of Dodleston. Ringing Master of the Chester Branch, leaves to start his National Service at the haginning of May, he will take with him to Aldershot the good wishes of a host of ringing friends in Cheshire and North Wales.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL <br> Arrangements For Whitsun

Headutarters will be the Princes Hotel, Boutcric Road West. and all members and friends wiil be welcome there during the week-end.

WHIT TUESDAY
Holy Communion in the Parish Church at 7.3 C a.m. Council Meeting in the Town Hall at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Members are asked to be in their places by $9.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
Civic :eception in the Sun Lounge of Leas Cliffe Hall at 5.45 p.m. Admittance by ticket only ( 2 per member) available from Mr. A.
Berry. 7. Quenn's Sireet. Folkestone. Please Berry, 7. Quenn's Sireet. Folkestone. Please
state your Association or whether Honorary or Life.

## RINGING TOURS

The following coach fours have been arranged. and applications for tickels. accompanied by remittance. should be made as soon as possible to Mr. J. R. Cooper. 8. Birling Road. Ashford. Kent.
SUNDAY. JUNE 5th.-Leaving Headquarters $18 . m$. Ringing at Ashford (8) 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. Wye (8) 3 to 4 p.m. Tea at Wye Hill Cafe 4.15 p.m. Ringing at Chilham (8) 5.15 to 6.30 p.m. Elham (8) 7.45 to 8.30 p.m. Total cost 10s.
MONDAY, JUNE 6th-Leaving Headquarters 9.30 a.m. Ringing at Lenham (8) 10.30 to $11.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Harrietsham (8) 11.30 to 12. 15 p.m. Lunch at the Flower Bow Cafe, Maidstone 12.45 p.m. Ringing at Maidstone (10) 2 to $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Leeds ( 10 ) 3.15 to $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Beams Cafe. Headcorn 4.45 p.m. Ringing at Headcorn (8) 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Biddenden (8) 7 to 8 p.m. Total cost 15 s .
MONDAY. JUNE 6th-Leaving Headquarters 9.30 a.m. Ringing at Dover (8) 10 to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Walmer ( 8 ) 11.15 to 12 noon. l.unch at the 16 th Century Tea House. andwich 12.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Lawrence-in-Thanet (10) 2 to 3 p.m. Margate (8) 3.30 to $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Make own arrangements for tea in Marrgate. Leave 5.30 p.m. Ringing at Quex Park (12) 6 to 7 p.m. Wingham (8) 7.30 to $8.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Total cost 14 s .

## RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

SATURIDAY, JUNE 4(h.-Folkestonc (8). Hythe (8), Cheriton (8). Sallwood (6). Newington-next-Folkestone (6) all 9.30 a.m. 10 12 noon. Elham (8). Lyminge (8). Burmarsh (6). Lympne (6) all 2 to 4 p.m. Brookland (5). Appledore (8) 4 to 6 p.m. Lydd (8). New Romney (8) 6 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
SUNDAY. JUNE Sih-Folkestone (8) 9.30 to $10.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5.30 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cheriton (8). Hythe (8) 10.15 to 11 a m . and 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Canterbury: Cathedral (12) 2102.45 p.m. St. Stephen (8). St. Dunstan (6) 10 to 11 a.m. and 5.45 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. St. Alphege (6) 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. St. Lawrence-in-Thanet (10) 9.45 to $10.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5.45 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Great Mongeham (6) 9 to $9.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5.45 in $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. St. Peter-in-Thanet (8). Birchington (8). Margate (8). Walmer (8). Deal (6), kingwould (6). Thanington (5) all io.15 to 11 a.m. and 5.45 to 6.30 p.m. Quex Park (12) 2 to 5 p.m. Petham (6). Littlehourne (6) 5.45 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Wickhambreaux (6) 6.30 to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
MONDAY. JUNE 6th.-Elham (8). Lyminge (8) 10 a.m. 1012 noon and 7 to 9 p.m. Wingham (8). Barham (5). Bekesbourne (6). Deal (6). Eastry (5). Goodnestone (6). Great Mongeham (6). Northbourne (6). Ringwould (6) 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Canterbury: Cathedral (12) 4 to 5.30 p.m. St. Alphege (6) 2 to 4 p.m. St. Dunstan (6) 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. St. Stephen (8) 6 to 8 p.m. Chartham ( 6 ). Petham ( 6 ). Thanington (5) 7 to 9 p.m.
All ringing at lyminge is subject to the bells being rehung by Whitsun.

## PEAL ATTEMPTS

Members and visitors wishing to take part in peal attempts are requested to communicate as soon as possible with Mr. J. R. Cooper at the ahove address. stating any preference regarding method. number of bells. etc.

## NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES

Would Secretaries who have not
forwarded their Representatives hames and addresses for the new session. please do so at once. or papers will be sent to last year's members.

Hon. Secretary.

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 19


MR. E. MORRIS,

## F.R.Hist.S., F.R.G.S., M.R.S.L..

Mr. Ernest Morris can be described as the undoubted historian of the Exercise. For years he has been a kind of Public Relations Officer between ringers and the public. His books are well known amongst the older members, but for the benefit of new-comers his work on - The History and Art of Change Ringing is outstanding. It is a mighty tome and represents many years of hard and painstaking work Others of his works are "Legends o' the Bells. Bells in English Life. . Chimes and Chime Tunes. and Towers and Bells of Britain. Ilis latest work "Tintinnabula," is the most authoritative work yet published on bells. He has witten articles dealing with door knockers. fire backs. horse brasses. wool weights. locks and keys. church fonts, and village crosses
Mr. Morris had only the advantage of elementary schooling at St. Margaret's. Leicester. He left at the age of 14 and went to work in a leather warehouse. His father was not in a position to send him 10 high school. being a shoemaker by trade. His mother died when he was only eight years old. So it can be scen that Ernest Morris is a self-taught

## WEDDING OF DR. D. HEIGHTON <br> AND MISS B. MUTIMER

The wedding took place on Easter Monday at Saxlingham Nethergate of Dr. David Heighton. son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heighton. of Thorpe Hamlet. Norwich. and Miss Bridget Mutimer. daughter of Mrs. Mutimer and the late Mr. H. F. Mutimer, of Saxlingham.
Dr. Heighton, who is now at Bristol, commenced his ringing at Norwich and was also a server at the Cathedral at the time the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow was Precentor. His bride has been a regular Sunday service ringer at Saxlingham and took an active part in village affairs including the drama group. The Saxlinghan ringers gave her a barometer.

The Rector (the Rev. C. T. Hearn) and the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow. of Great Yarmouth. officiated at the service. The bride was dressed in full length white flowered perlon over nylon taffeta. nine yards round the hem, and her headdress was a coronet of motherof pearl with elbow-length veil. There were five bridesmaids. Dr. Michael Sprackling was best man and Dr. Tudor Edwards and Mr. Patrick J. Bird ushers.
Saxlingham ringers, assisted by Mr. H. W. Barrett (Ringing Master of Norwich Diocesan Assn.) and Mr. A. G. Bason, rang before and after the ceremony. Later. a well-struck peal of Plain Bob Major was rung. the band including the best man and two ushers. The reception at. Caistor Hall Hotel was attended by over 100 guests and the honeymoon is being spent in the Lake District.
man. He did not have the facilities which were available to J. A. Trollope-another famous seli-taught historian. for Trollope was able to make countless visits to the British Museum, where he was able to get invaluable information, which made his work much easier than was the case with Ernest Morris. Josiah Morris. his father, was once dubbed by the late Harold Poole • The Rhythm King.' for his stıiking was faultless, and he always insisted on a very high standard.
Born in 1889. Ernest learned to ring when he was 13 years old. His first peal was at Grimsby in 1906. He has always borne in mind his father's advice and instructions which were - I want you to make the name of Morris revered here in the Church, up there in the belfry, and in the Ranging World: Everyone will agree that Ernest has lived fully up to that advice. for he has been always at the forefront in helping struggling tands in and around Leicestershire and has been equally happy to ring in Doubles and Minor as in Cinques and Maximus. He has been a devoted Sunday service ringer, hefore. during and after his 21 vears service as verger of Leicestershure's bargest church
He served as general secretary of the old Midland Counties Association for 20 years. and is now treasurer of the Leicester Diocesan Guild. He serves as consultant for bells on the Diocesan Advisory Committee. He is now rapidly approaching his 2.000 th peal (second only to the record of the late William Pye). and he has conducted over 670 of them. Included in these are 10.912 Kent T.B.. 7.840 Oxford T.B.. 6.720 Litte Bob, 6.720 Little Canterbury. 9.120 llkeston T.B.. and 9.600 Worcester T.B. He took part in the records of 12.896 Cambridge Major. 12.663 Stedman Cinques at Oxford, and 10.976 Bristol Surprise Major, also a peal of Stedman Cinques at Southwark, by 12 secretaries, and a peal of Cambridge Maximus on the old Bow bells: a peal of Stedman Caters on the old ten at Manchester Town Hall. conducted by James Washbrook. and a peal of Cambridge Maximus on the new bells there

Alhough now 70 years old. Mr. Morris is still actively taking part in many paals, and his enthusiasm is unabated. He has a truly remarkable record. and is well on the way to achieving the record of having rung more peals than anyone. We heartily wish him cuery success, and if his father were still alive, he would be the first to admit that his boy had not let him down.

JAFUS.

## Tips For Beginners-19

If you are able to ring Double Norwich and Cambridge you will find it easy to pick up Superlative, which is a double method like Double Norwich, and the places are like Cambridge with the addizion of an odd place and a dodge.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Through Mr. David Jewell. calling • This is all instead of "boh' at the end of the final lead a quarter of Grandsire Triples was lost at Stratton. Cornwall. It was to have been in honour of the birth of the first grandchild to the Vicar. the Rev. L. Dodid.

The ten bells of St. Michael's Church. Aylsham. Norfolk, are at present being yuarter turned. retuned and fitted with ball-bearings. and structural alterations are also being made to the frame. The date of the rededication service will be announced in The Ringing world.
A new serics by John Betjeman on B.B.C Television will commence on Sunday, May 15th at 7 p.m.. entitled. The A.B.C. of Churche:- The first talk will be on Aldbourne Parish Church. Wilts, and shots of the church and bells will be shown. The Aldbourne band of ringers has been grievously depleted since the photographs were taken and are indebted to the ringers from Swindon and district who supplemented the ringing, which consists of a bob course of Stedman Triples.

## NOT A DYING ART

The following correspondence, between the College of Campanology and the B.B.C., speaks for itself

Dear Mr. Michelmore.-In the television programme "Tonight" on Tuesday. April 12 th you included an item on the chiming of bells by one person (not unique) in which item it was stated-" Bellringing is a dying This
This. in fact, is far from .. the truth: particularly if, by " bellringing " is to be understood the more appropriate phrase-changing-ringing
This is a uniquely British art. dating from the middle of the 171 h century. since when there has been steady development not only in its practice but also in its science. It is true that in some rural areas difficulty is experienced in getting recruits: but changeringing, as such, is still advancing in what are known as the "higher methods": and ringers of all ages. in both sexes. and in all walks of life. are to be found.

There is country-wide organisation of ringers into " associations" - territorial. occupational and university: and their activitics are knit in the * Central Council of Church Bell Ringers." of which there is a Literature and Broadcasting Committee.

This College of Campanology: a voluntary organisation founded in 1956. exists to collect and disseminate information on the art and science of bellringing in all its branches. working in conjunction with ringers associations generally.

If further information is of interest we shall be most happy to co-operate.-Yours sincerely. A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

April 13th. 1960. Principal.
BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION

- Dear Mr. York-Bramble.-Thank you for your letter of April 13th addressed to Mr. Michelmore about the item in "Tonight " on bellringing.

Your letter is being brought to the attention of the Editor of the programme in case it is possible to make us of the information it contains. for which we are most grateful. You will. however. appreciate that we receive a great many more suggestions for the programme than we are able to use and it is not often possible for us to return to a subject for this reason.

If, however. we are able to take advantage of your kind offer of assistance the producer concerned will get in touch with you direct.Yours sincerely. P. JOAN HYMANS,
April 19h. 1960.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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## EAST RIDING RINGERS ON TOUR



DICTURED above, outside East Witton Church. Yorks. are the East Riding Ringers during their successful tour. Left to right: J. Lumb (Rise). J. S. Rank (Kirk Ella). I. N. Goldthorpe (Kirk Ella). R. D. Gibson (Cottingham). J. I. Booth (Cottingham). J Singleton (Hessle) and K. Goidthorpe (Kirk EHa).

The tour started from Beverley on a typical East Yorkshire April morning-cloudy and windy. After an hour of steady cycling. Market Weighton was reached. Grandsire. Bob Doubles. Clifford's Pleasure and April Day were well struck despite the numerous fies which persisted in crawling up the legs of ringers wearing shorts. Ringing was not so good on the livisy six at Acomb. At Huntington. Peter Came joined the party and night was spent at York Youth Hostel.

There were more flies the following morning at the first tower. Whixtey ta very fine light six), where St. Martin's Bob Doubles was added to the repertoire. At Aldborough we were joined by our seventh member. who had cycled that morning from Sunderland. Stedman Doubles. Bob Minor and St. Simon's were rung on this delightful ring of six. After lunch at Boroughbridge. the noise of the clock in the church nearly overuhelmed a good touch of Stedman. At Kirkby Hill the rise and fall were good. but the band fell away in the middle. The night was spent at Ellingstring Youth Hostel. but the adjournment to the 'Boot and Shoe gave the party a shock: it turned out to be the pub with no beer. as only the first two could be served.

The nexi day was warm and sunny and a short ride brought us to East Wilton. After some well-struck louches there was an invitaion to tea and biscuits at the vicarage which was much appreciated. The fine eight at Middleham were much enjoyed. A hearty meal of youth hostel sandwiches and beer in an
ale-house ' was followed by the heavy and awkward eight at Bedale. where flies did not improve the ringing. Masham proved to be like Bedale and we were ready for the excellent meals there. where we stayed the night. There was an evening visit to Kirkby Malzeard.
On the next day at West Tanfield. R. G. called his first quarter and the band were so excited that at the next tower they repeated their performance with some perfect striking. After lunch at Ripon. Brafferton-Helperby bells proved to be an awkward ring. This was our last tower before our long ride to York and later to home. Thanks are due to I. G. and J.R. for their organisation and all the clergy and tower captains.
R. D. G.

## IN LIGHTER VEIN

A curate took his Sunday School class to a country village noted for its scenery and beautiful church. Walking along a lane the party met a very old man with a bent back trudging along. The curate plied him with questions and eventually asked him his age. Said die old man: 'I be nointy next birthday:' Whereupon the curate remarked: "I suppose they don't die very often in this part of the country: With a wry smile. the old man replied: No sir. only wonce.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE AND APRIL DAY

Dear Sir.-When 1 read Mr. Pattison's letter. I straightway thought of that old saying aboul the pot calling the kettle black. for il ever there was any unmitigated nonsense printed in your journal, it is those last two paragraphs of his ietter on page 283.

Where be gets the idea from. that five bell ringers are "jealous" of nis peal performances. really gets me guessing. Is there any money or other prize at the conclusion of ringing a real. or any record value attached these days? The argument sounds very childish and unworthy of Mr. Paltison. who should also bear in mind that hecause one lives in a parish or altends a church on Sundays with only five hells it does not necessarily brand him ' a five leell ringer." If he goes to a parish some 12 miles from here he will find almost every nember of the rand rings peals on 6,8 , and some have dunc so on 10 and 12, yet five bells is their lot on Sundays-there is no slur 13 ringing five bells.
Mr. Paltison would do well to read (if he hasn't already done sol the opening words of Mr. Boumphrey's leiter on the same page is his own! The parable of the man with ten talent and the man with one has probably never struck Mr. Paltison-just as he has probably never recognised the stark fact. that not every church can have 8, 10 or 12 bells. or the tower built for these numbers?
Mr. Pattison is but a youth. with big ideas of himself. who would have done well to have lived in the days of the late William Willson. the Rev. A. Law-James. and a few more I well remember. These would soon have told him he was merely juggling with words to get round things-his favourite being the word variation.
I say again in reality, whether you alter a structure by way of the plain course by a mere difference of a place. or by a hob. does not alter the fact. that one is merely changand the position of the bells from that structure, and therefore creating a variation in both
instances. We can ignore the old worn-out argument about plain courses. as having little bearing on the truth of the meaning of the word variation.-Yours faithfully.

## Weston Favell.

NOTE.-Mr. Pattison desires to make a correction to his letter. The reference to April Day should read: 'April Day is Plain Bob Doubles whose Bob is a Grandsire Doubles single."-Ed.

Dear Sir-I am sure that Mr. P. Amos did not have any jealous nature in mind when he suggested that there was no more difference in the variation of Braunstone Surprise to Yorkshire than April Day 10 Plain Bob.

As one of the few ringers-in fact I would go so far as to say the only ringer-who has rung a full peal of April Day and Braunsione Surprise. I have always felt that there is more difference in the Doubles Variations than in these Yorkshire Surprise Variations of Braunstone and Biddenham (or should it be Biddenden? ) which only differ in the Yorkshire So6 triple dodge: in fact a number of the so called different Surprise methods only differ in the intermediate work in 1-2 and 3-4 places in Minor and 1-2 and S-6 places in Major.

The majority of the so called upper class of Surprise ringers look down on the Doubles rilggers, such as Mr. Amos, who practise these Doubles Variations, the only difference between them and the parent method being the type of bob used. However, as one staunch eight bell ringer once said. it lakes a really
good bind to ring a peal on five bells and strike them properly: he has never done so yet.

1 have the greatest admiration for conductors such as Brian Warwick. Pat Cannon and Derck Jones who have called peals on five bells including these Doubles variations and are also capable conductors on up to 12 bells. but none of whom comes under the category of ringing snobs.

So. Mr. Pattison, 1 agree with your explanation on the differences of Yorkshire variations and April Day, etc.. but still maintain that these Surprise methods are only slight variations of one another and to ring them is only just a matter of changing the name: the method is the same. the places difterent. - Yours sincerely.
Highclerc.
Dear Sir.-I hope I don't step on anybody's toes hy writing this letter. but I should like 10 fire what I hope will be the last bullet in the war between Mr. P. Amos and Mr. Pattison.
Perhaps Mr. Amos didn't chose a very good illustration of a viriation when he compared April Day and Plain Boh with Yorkshire and Braunstone hut I think we all know what was in his mind. and 10 my way of thinking a variation is a variation, whether the slight dalference be in the plain course or the call. Surely what's good for the goose is good for the gander.
Mr. Pattison. I thought. finished off his last letter in rather a distasteful way. He gave the imjacssion that ringing fancy Surprise Major methods is the thing and that ringing Doubles is something to be looked upon with contempt. but if the one peal of Surprise Major that I've rung, with what was supposed to be a crack band. is anything to go by then I'd rather ring a peal of Doubles any day.

One thing we should appreciate. whatever our stage of attainment. is that so much depends on opportunity. Some of us have been lucky and others not so lucky. but before we siait thinking less of the not so skilful in our noble art let us remember. There. but for the grace of God. go I.'
Finally, this childish 'slanging of paople is surely something to be deplored. It's so very unnecessary and what's more very unchristian. It's not a very good example of Christian charity and tolerance to set to our younger readers when the more mature of us have $t 0$ embark upon these nasty little outbursts of spite.-Yours sincerely,

## MICHAEL F. AMOS. C.A.

London. N.W. 1

## HANDBELL RECORDS

Dear Sir.-Further to my letter in your issue of February 19th. about the gramophone record of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells, I am pleased to say there was a good response and the records are now in my possession. The price (including postage) is 18s. 6 d. . and remittances should be made out to :The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers and not to me personally.
If anyone else is interested there are a number of spares available.

As this is a husy lime of year for me I must apologise in advance for any delay which may occur in despatch. hut perhaps anyone who does not hear within three weeks of writing would get in touch with me again.Yours faithfully. F. A. BARNETT.
26. Iron Mill L.anc.

Crayford. Dariford.
K゙ell.

## RINGERS AND BELFRY <br> MAINTENANCE

Dear Sir.-At the annual meeting oi the Worcestershire and Districts Change Ringing Association held on Easter Monday. I made at statement about ringers contributions towards rope maintenance ind general tower expenses when peals are attempted at this church. and I expressed the wish that such contributions should be made at the rate of 2 s . 6 6 . a rope.

This was reported, as I knew it would be, and I am told that such headings is "Mean ringers attacked by Rector of Hanbury ' have appeared. The popular press is already on the telephone and the usial storm is about to brehk. I shall not how my head to 11 . I did not use the word 'mean, nor did I intend to imply it. I merely pointed out that ropes are expensive, and that the cost of renewals (ahout $£ 36$ ) falls heavily on a country P.C.C.
I am always glad to welcome visiting ringers here. But let us face facts. Some people play golf, or cricket, or bowls and such like as a hobby. Ringers who come here on a Salurday afternoon ring mainly for their own enjoyment and for the pleasure of achieving a peal. Golf would cost them 10s. 6d. a head: the cinema at least 2s. 9d. A half-crown is a moderate contribution to ask for three hours ${ }^{\circ}$ enjoyntent. and I expect it to be honoured when a peal is booked.
My relationship with ringers in general, and the members of our Association in particular. has always been cordial. and I cannot see why my request should impair it. I stand by my statement. The bells at Hanbury are generally readily available for those who will co-operate with us. Others must ring their peals elsewhere-Yours sincerely.

LEONARD J. BIRCH Rector.
Bromsgrove. Worcestershire
NOTE--Interviewed by a Birmingham newsnaner. Mir. G. E. Fearn is quoted as saying. I think sixpence from each ringer is as much as the Kectur can reasonably expect."-Ed.

## A NEW NOTATION

Dear Sit.-I thank the correspondents who commented on my recent letter. If Mr . Wratten has a system of listing in Notation Order. the simple example he gives is not sufficient to show how he deals with the $x$ rows and double places. Perhaps he would give further details.

Mr. Pattison offers a logical system of classification. but as it takes the form of groups. each with branches, it is essentially a 'Filing Cabinet' system. and unless it could be adapted for printing. it would not serve the purpose I envisaged. of a single list in a known order.

Meanwhile, another critic has pointed out that recent methods have three adjoining places, and these should be included where applicable. The following amendments should therefore be made to the original Table of Places:
Change $\quad \underline{\text { Amendment }}$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 4-5 } & \text { Add } 1456 . \\ 6.7 & \text { Delete } 1258 \text { already lettered } \mathrm{rt} \text {. } \\ 8-9 & \text { Add } 1236.1238 \text {. }\end{array}$ 12-13 Add 1238. 1258, 3458 .
Should the system of lettering be adopted. would need extending accordingly.
Would one of your correspondents, please. verify that the Table of Places is now com-plete.-Yours faithfully.
T. G. HAWKINS.

Windsor. Berks.
NOTE:-For original letter see page 235 of March 25 th issue.-Ed.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

FALSE COURSE END.-The matter of proving the cruth of any composition is. to say the least. confined to those ringers who are used to putting pencil to paper. And. it need hardly be said, one finds that the first occasion a compusition is checked is tar more laborious than. for instance, the one hundred and firs!. Betore each compasition examined for truth certain preliminaries are necessary. For example, has the method to which the composition will be used a clean proof scale or any internal falseness? In Treble Hob and Surprise methods falseness may occur when the treble bell strikes in any similar position when going up away from the liad or coming down to the lead. To put it another way. in a lead of a reble hob method the treble bell strikes lour times in any one pasition so there are four rows which have to be examined for falseness or repctition. It thus may mean a detailed examination of the method, which entails marking the In course and Out of course rows. usually done with the signs $\%$ and - respectively. The next step is
to find the false lead heads, which are quite often numerous. But the majority of these false lead heads are when the two heaviest bells-the 'two tenors -are other than in their natural coursing order. and as nearly all compositions for cight bells and over are rung with the tenors not affected in their coursing order. the number at issue is very much reduced. Moreover, as we are now under the heading of False Course End we look down the list of false lad heads to see which of them have the tenors in their home positionthese are the False Course Ends.

To illustrate the diversity and complexity of falseness you will read in the article - Double Norwich Court Bob Caters " written by Edgar C. Shepherd that whenever a start is made to ring Double Norwich Court Bob Caters on the thirds place bob variation. threc rows occul that belong to the first lead 123456789 Thev are 214365879 .
241638597 and 426135879 These 241638597 and 426135879 . These three rows must inevitably be rung. for no calls can affect the method until the tourth row is reached. The false leads against these
three rows are two in number. 132645879 three rows are two in number. 132645879
and 152648379 . These two leads must never on any consideration appear in any composition.

FIRING.-If you have not yet heard firing. heing done properly, on bells you have. I think, a treat in store. Firing is when the
tenor takes the lead in striking and all the tenor takes the lead in striking and all the
other bells follow in quick orderly succession with trible last. It is done so quickly that it takes less than a second for all the batls to he heard at each stroke and the effect is. on a well tuned peal. a very pleasant reception in the ears of a humming octave. The firing can, of course, continue indefinitely with everyone following the lead of the tenor but it is not rung or practised much becalise. for one reason, much greater stresses and strains are set up in the bell frame and in the tower which would cause undue wear and tear and eventual damage.

FIXED BELL.-To produce figures for a peal a composer has certain matters to consider and certain conditions to comply with before the composition is proved true. But apart from these obstacles he usually strives to produce as musical a composition as is possible. This often means that at certain points in the composition the grealest number of the bells are kep: in their coursing o:der for as long as can he. For instance, in Major, the sixth could be a fifths plice bell in the ccursing order whilst the fifth and then the fourth would be called to bz sixths place bell in the coursing order, thereby producing, frrstly, as many changes as possible with course Inds this case the sixtli would be a fixed bill or, in other words. a bell undisiurbed in its coursing order by any calls.
A very good example for you to study is Superlative or Yorkshire Surprise Maior. It will be seen that the call Before is the only

## The Royal Wedding

Today (Friday), in Westminster Abbey, is being solemnised the marriage of H.R.H. The Frincess Margaret io Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones. While the Abbey bells will be rung for the service, ringers everywhere will during the next yew days be ringing in celebration of this, the second big Royal event of 1950.
It seems especially appropriate, hou'ever, that the be!ls which will be heard during the Royal processions through Parliament Square io the Abbey will be those of St. Margaret's. Westminster. Since the time of Elizabeth I the bells of Si. Margarer's have been rung whenever the Sovereign has been going past the church, whether on the way in the Abbey; to the opening of Parliament or in commertion with State visits from foreign powers. Indeed, the last occasion was when H.M. the Queen was cscorting President De Gaulle from Victoria Station 10 Buckingham Palare.
St. Margaret's is also the parish church of Parliamemt. One of the first acts of eiery new Farliament is that the Lords and Commons proceed to their parish church for a service to ask God's blessing in their deliberations. As Parliament is the representative body of every one of tus in the United Kingdom of Great Briain and Northern Ireland. St. Margarei's can be said in onle sense to be a parish church for all of us. The ringers of St. Margarer's, under their conductor, Mr. W. H. Hewelt, will therefore be expressing the loyal sentiments of us all and our wishes for the future happiness of the Princess and her groom.
$W, G . W$
one to allect the sixits place bell. also that the sixth is the fixed ball in this position for one part. like fourth is the fixed $b=l l$ in this position for another part. and the fifth is the fixed bell in the remaining part.

The state of being a fixed bell can be protracted to a touch of three leads of. say. Kent Treble Bob Major, which can be brought into rounds by calling a bob at every lead end and in which the liith. sixih, sevantl and tenor would be said all to be fixed bells.
FORWARD HUNTING.-I have noted hefore that the treble is always considered to he a forward hunting bell with handstrckes making the odd numbers of changes and backstrokes the even numbers. Siedy the Plain Bob method and you will see that all the halls do forward llunting. It is most usually not until you have hid fair experience in change ringing that you will depart from forward hunting, but the departure should not worry you. in fact to many it presen:s no difficulty whatsoever, and even the mixture of forward and backward bunting will come and go as a matter of course.

FLRNITERE.-The contents of a ringing chamber does create impressions good or otherwise and to this extent has an effect upon the ringers and consequently upan the ringing. Some ringing chambers. even excepting those where ringing takes place around the font or imongst the choir stalls. have no room foi furniture thut where some is passible, do not croud it in. A table with drawers and a chair or two, seats or benches to provid: accemmodation for people numbering say three times as many ropes, plenty of hat and coat hooks (but not against a nonsashable distempered wall!) a rotice board fixed at the right height for all to read should be a mmimum aim. Items such as carpets. mats. lino. bookcases, cupboard, means of adequate lighting, lidded boxes or plat forms on which ringers of the beavy bells can stand. peal boards and tablets. lavatory accommodation are all incidental to each ringing chamber, but. ladies. don't you like to see a vase with a lovely spray of flowers in it?

## OBITUARY

## MR. E. W. BIFFIN

The funeral service for Mr. Edward W Biffin took place at St. Thomas' Church. Excter, on April 12th. Those present included the president and general secretary of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. the chairmen of the Exeter and Mid-Devon Branches of the Guild, and many ringing friends and sympathisers. Muffled touches ware rung on the bells after the service.
Mr. iziffin came to the district about 1920 from Milverton. Somerset, being employed. until his retirement. as a railwayman of the Western Region. He joined St. Thomas' Exeter, band at the time of the restoration of the bells in 1923, and three years after was elected Ringing Master, a position he had most ably filled up to the time of his death He was also church councillor and sidesman.
Whilst there are no dates or figures avaitable immedrately. his other offices connected with ringing include being Central Council representative for about 20 years and Excter branen Ringing Master for about the same time. He has rung about 80 peals and con ducted quite a half of them. He was particularly proud of the peals of Stedman Triples he had called and his one and only of Surprise Major he had rung in the company of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Poole. His last peal. which he also conducted. was at St. Thomas'. Exeter, of Grandsire Triples, in honour of his golden wedding on June 18th, 1958.

Ted had done more than his share of teaching recruits. travelling many miles to local struggling towers. and many of the leading exponents of the art in the Exeter districs owe much of their success the tarly ground work provided at St. Thomas The vicar. the Rev. J. P. Henton, who conducted the funeral service. apily summed up the life of Edward W. Biffin as one of Ioyalty - loyal to his church and family, to his own band, and to his Guild. St. Thomas'. Exeter and the Guild of Devonshire Ringers will find the gap, created ty his passing, ditficult to fill.

MR. GEORGE BLRDFIELD
Hurstpierpoint. Sussex. has lost a sincere churchman and loyal ringer by the death on April 7th of Mr. George Burdfield. aged 77.

His punctual attendance for both service and practice ringing perhaps sprang from his work as a railway signalman. He was a most genial companion Previous to coming to Hurstpierpoint he lived at Three Bridges and while there for over 30 years served Worth Parisl, Church as a chorister and bell ringer (His grandson is now carrying on in choir stall and belfry.)
It was at Worth that he was laid to rest on April llth. and as a token of respect-for he left behind an example worthy of emulation -that the bells of both Worth and Hurstpierpoint were rung half-muftled
S. W. B.

## MR. E. J. GOLDSTONE

Portishead has lost its oldest ringer and the Bath and Wells Association one of its longest serving members by the denth of Mr. Ernest J. Goldstone, following a short illness.

A life-long resident of Portishead. Mr. rioldstone had recently completed 60 years as a member of the local band. In recent years. he was partially crippled by a rheumatic complaint yct. despite this. his enthusiasm for ringing never diminished. Peal boards in Portishead belfry testify to Mr . Goldstone having taken part in about a dozen peals in his own tower, mostly of Grandsire Triples. several of which he conducted. As a lad of 14. he was present in the ringing chamber when the first peal of Triples on the bells was rung in 1900.
During the evening. on the day of the funeral. the Portishead bells were rung halfmuffled to some well struck Triples, as a token of respect to one who had. in all respzets. proved himself worthy of his calling as a ringer in God's service.
A.J.G.

## BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

SUPPORT FOR 'RINGING WORLD

Bridgwater was chosen as the venue for the 70th annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Association. and on. Easter Monday the lurgest company of ringers present for many years met there. Doubtlepsly, they were atracted by the glorious sunshine. the accessibility of the town, and the numerous
six bell towers available for ringing.
The servicc in St. Mary's Church was conducted by the Vencrable G. F. Hilder (Archdeacon of Taunton) who is a vice-president of the Association. and he was :assisted by the Mastor, the Rev. H. F. Warren. In his address, the Archdeacon traced the origin of change ringing, reminding those present boih of the integral part it plays in the preparation for worship, and of the great responsibility placed upon all ringers. Their duty was not complete when the last bell had sounded but they should he present for divine worship. regularly kneeling at the altar to receive their Holy Communion
After the service, members partook of luncheon at the Tudor Cafe. and from there made their way to St. Mary's Hall for the mecting, which was excellently conducted by the Master. who opened proceedings with prayer. Apologies for absence were received rom he Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, the Bishop of Taunton, Messrs. J. T. Dyke.
R. O. Fry. W. A. Prescott. W. A. Osborn, E T. P. Field and Miss N. Williams
The secretary (Mr. D. Hoare) read the minutes of the previous annual mceting and hese were duly signed and adopted
In his remarks the Master expressed regret at his inability. through ill-health. to take a very active part in the affairs of the Association. However, he was delighted to say that he hud naw completely recovered. During the past year, he had been kept well informed of happenings in the Diocese by the secretary. who had. he said. spared no effort to keep the Association's affairs in good order.

ANOTHER RINGING PARSON
He then told members that their secretary had felt God's call to serve as a priest and was therefore commencing his training for Holy Orders later in the year. It was unfortunate that the Association would lose his services after only two years, but one more ringing parson would be a valuable asset! He wished Mr. Hoare well in his new-found vocation and coupled with this his sincere thanks on behalf of all for the work which he had willingly undertaken during his term of office
The secretary presented his report for 1959 which showed great activity throughout the Diocesc in all directions. Because Parochial Church Councils had responded so well to the requests for increased affiliation fees. the committee had been able not only to produce a booklet on the elementary principles of ringing ('Ringing a Bell.' price 6 d. ) but also to reintroduce organised courses of instruction which had so far been granted 10 four towers. Grants, too, had been increased and one P.C.C. had received a substantial amount which would be a great help in rehanging the bells. Mr. Hoare mentioned a restoration contemplated at Hemington.

One brunch. he said. 'which rcally deserves congratulations is the Glaston. It had for some years been a depressed are 1 but. due to local enthusiasm. it was now very flourishing.
In conclusion. he said that it had been a pleasure and privilege to serve as general secretary and thanked members for their unfalling support which hád greatly helped him.

## FINANCES BETTER

The treasurer (Mr. G. Salmon) presented the balance sheet which proved to he outstanding. Branch returns were considerably up and the general fund balance had increased bv about $£ 50$. Affiliation fees had totalled 885 . $50 \%$ of this had been retained for instructional purposes. while a similar ampunt had been transferred to the bell fund. which had also benefited by three branch collections totalling E 5 . Strangely enough, the pinted report had cost $£ 25$ less. This was
due to an increased number of advertisements and a change in printers.
Mr. Harry Sanger (peal secretary) reported that nine fewer peals had been rung during 1959 than during the previous year. Neverheless, the all round standard had greatly improved and this was very pleasing. The highlights were a peal of Doubles in 18 nethods at Ashcott, conducted by Mr. George Prescott. several peals of Surprise Major, conducted by Mr. John Gilbert. and a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal at Yeovil. Mr Sanger explained that the drop in numbers was due to certain members commencing study in connection with their careers and the transfer of affections by some members from the Doubles field to the Minor. He felt that the organised instruction would provide a good grounding for the future generation and secure an even higher all-round standard

## OLD BELLS AND SCRAP

Finally, the Tower Advisory Expert (Mr R. H. Gardiner) told members that he and Mr. W. A. Osborn had visited ten lowers during 1959 and in a comprehensive report he gave full details of the recommendations which he and his colleague had made. He impressed members that they should. as ringers. always condemn the selling of bells for scrap as they were often irreplaceable. They had succeeded in persuading one P.C.C. from doing such a thing and impressed upon that body the desirability of the use and purpose of bells.
Mr. S. G. Coles then proposed that the reports be adopted en bloc with grateful thanks to the officers for their able administr: tion. This was seconded by M
Mogford and carried unanimously.

## PEALS AND - RINGING WORLD

The Master then placed before the meeting the following resolution which was proposed by Mr. E. J. Chivers and seconded by Mr. R. G. Beck. That on January lst next. this Association institutes a further minimum charge of 6d. per rope for cvery pcal rung for the Association: the money to be forwarded to "The Ringing World "to help this paper in its financial difficulty. Also that no peal be recorded for the Association unless the peal booking fee and ". Ringing World" fees are fully paid. Considerable discussion followed and. in the course of this. it was pointed out that a good $60 \%$ of the Diocesan ringers already made a voluntary contribution and so this would no more than regularise what was happening alrcady.
Mr. Brain fel! that while the idea was admirable. a better alternative would bs for the Association to make a straightforward grant which could be reviewed annually. However. after onc or two other points had been clarified. he allowed his suggestion to remain open for the time being. It was interesting to note that not one parson present expressed unwillingness to co-onerate and so the motion was carried with great enthusiasm.
It should be placed on record that some months previously the subject of The Ringing World had appeared on the agend:a of every branch mceting and so the motion placed before the annual meeting hid been well discussed at a branch level and a real well discussed at a branch levil aind a real
inferest and feeling of responsibility towards the ringers' own paper had been created.

## P.C.C. AFFILIATION FELS

Mr. Hoarc then proposed and Mr. Salmon econded the following amendment to Rule 4. That the word's "Each tower is asked to pav an afiliation fee of not less than 2s. annually be deleted and the following words substituted That every Parochial Church Council be asked to pay an annual affiliation fec. the following amounts being the recommended sums: half-guinea for towers containing five or six bells and one guine: for towers conlaining eight bells or more.
The proposer explained that the purpose of this proposition was merely to regularise what was now handening because under that new scheme the old rule was obsolete.

The Rev. Dr. Pollard said that his own P.C.C. had raised no objection and that they had said that a body asking for only 2s. was not worth supporting. The resolution was therefore carried unanimously.
In the course of the annual elcctions, the fo!lowing officers were appointed to serve for the next twelve months. all of whom were recommended by the General Executive Com-

The Rev. H. F. Warren (Master): Mr. G. Salmon, of 9 , Kennion Road, Wells (general secretary): Mr. E. Naylor. of 7. Priory Close, Ralph Allen Drive, Combe Down. Bath (treasurer), Mr. F. Andrews (auditor): Mr. H. J. Sanger (peal scerctary) : Mess rs. R. H. Gardiner and W. A. Osborn (Advisory Expert and Assisiant. respectively): Messrs. G. $\underset{\mathrm{N}}{\text { Salmon. H. Williams (Central }}$ J. Souncil representitives).
Under Any Other Busincss. Mr. S. G. Colos proposid that the secretary be granted the usual honorariun, and coupled with this his thanks for past work. Mr. D. White seconded and the proposition was carried. Similarly. Mr. Chivers proposed a gramt of $£ 20$ towards the Central Council representatives' expenses. Mr. A. Lee seconded and this. too was carricd. In conclusion. Mr. H. Sanger thanked Canon Swan for so readily allowing members the use of the bells and church. the Archdeacon of Taunion for conducting the servico and speaking so delightfully, the organist for his kind help. Mr. R. Short. the local secretary, for making the many arrangements. and finally the Master for conducting the meeting.

After the Master had closed proceedings with prayer. members adjourned to the many neighbouring towers where ringing continued until 8 p.m

## EAST DERBYSHIRE \& NOTTS ASSOCIATION

Visitors from Lincolnshire. Lancashire Leicestershire and Staffordshire augmented members of the East Derbyshire and Nouls Association to enjoy the fine eight at Sutton-in-Ashfield on Easter Monday, when the Association's meeting was held. Young lady ringers of the home tower. under the guiJance of Mrs. B. A. Sollis, wife of the lozal captain. served a sumptuous tea.
At the bus:ness meeting the president (Mr. J. W. Price) presented the shiefd for Sunday setvice ringing, progress and attendance it meetings to Sutton-in-Ashfield. who has won it for the fourth year. It was receives by the youngest pup:l. Miss B. Gascoigne.

There was a change in the election of officers. Mr. C. M. Incathcote, who for almost 2 yuarter of a century had been honorary treasurer. retired owing to his iccent illness. and Mr. R. Mason. oi Shirland. was elecied as his successor. Mr. B. A. Sollis was again elected secretary and Ceniral Council represertative. Two ladies were added to the Execu: ve Committee - Miss Ashby (Shirland) and Miss Wharton (Sulton-in-A shlield).

Two very old members of rver 50 yzars' standing. Mr. A. Elliott (Kilturn) and Mr. W. Dobb (Selston). mored that the title of the Association oe changed from East Derbysinire and No:ts Association of Change Ringers to that of Church Bells Ringers and this was agreed to. Honorary life membership was conferred on Mr. J W. England and Mr. clected. Heathcole and 12 new members were clected. Further ringing ended a remarkably hanpy mecting.
A.B.S.

## Joint Mecting At Darlington

A most enjoyable inccting of the Southerm District of the Durham and Newcastle Association was heid at Iloly Trinity Church, Darlington. on April 23 rd . The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. N. Goldie), who at the tea table afterwards stid the sound of church bells was one of the things lic missed most when awas from this country. He was delighted to find on coming to Holy Trinity. that it had a line ring of bills. A joint meeting with the Yorkshire Association at Barnard Castle was innounced for July 2nd. Ringing ranged from Pkin Bob to London Surprise.

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## BIRTH

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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## MEETINGS

GUILDFORD GUILD.-Lcatherhead Dis-trict-Meeting at Ashtcad, Saturday, May 7th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - Ely District-Meeting at Burwell. Saturday, May 7th. Bello (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea S $\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ -D) I. Murfet, Dis. Sec $\$ 846$ Northera District.-Practice meeting at Anstey in May 7 th, at 5.30 p.m.-E. G. Buck, Dis Sec. HERTHORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION:Watford District.-Meeting Bushey Heath (8), May 7th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.-G. W

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ton. bridgc District.-By-mecting Saturday, May 7th. Sundridge (6) 3-5 p.m. Brasted (6) 6-8 p.m. Please bring own tea.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCJATION-Maidstone District combined with Rochester District.-By-meeting may 7th at Frinsted (5), from 3-5 p.m. and Tunstall (8), after tea. Please bring your own tea.-R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec. LADIES' GUILD.-Central and Southern Districts.-Joint meeting. May 7 ih . St. Peter's, Staines, 3 p.m. Service and tea 4.30 p.mn. St. Mary's, Staines, available $6.45-8.15$ p.m Everyone welcome.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughhorough District) and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Nottingham District)Joint mecting Saturday, May 7th. Ringing $\frac{2}{3} .30$ to $4 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Prestwold (8). Wymeswold (6), 3.30 to 4.30 p.m. and after tea. Service Hymeswold $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Village Hall, Wymeswold. 5 p.m.-C. W. Hill. S. Adams. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-North Bucks Branch.-Monthly practice. Saturday, May 7h. 5 p.m. Shalstone (5). 4 miles Buckingham. 4 miles Brackley.-F. Vickers.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading
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Ipswich. PSwich.
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Sheffield. AND WELLS ASSOCIATION- 5869
BATH AND Ilchester Branch.-Quarterly meeting. East Coker (8). Saturday May 141h. Service 4.30 n.m. Nntify for tea.-R. 3. Fox. 109 Middle Stect. Yeovil

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Cary Branch - Quarterly meeting. Charlion Iforcthorne (8). May 14th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tca and meeting 5.-L. McCreadic. Level Lane. Charlton Horcthorne. Sherborne. Dorset. 5865 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Bath Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Freshford. Saturday. May 14th. Usual arrangements. Names for lea to J. Simpson. The Inn. Fresh-ford,-A. Lee. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Biggles wade District.-Mreting at Blunham. May $14 t h$ Bells (6) 3 n.m. Tea 5 d.m. Special methods Canterhury Pleasure and York Surnrise. Your mresenct will be appreciated.-A. Smith. Dis. Sec.

DO NOT FORGET-City of Bristol Fistival of Ringing, Saturdiay, May 14 th . Luncheon tickets (8s. (fd.) and programmes essential, before May 9th.-A Bennett, 151, Kingsway, Bristol 5. 5697

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN

 ASSOCIAIION.-Half-ycarly mecting at Consett on Saturdav. May 14th. Cominittec 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 万.m. Beils available: Benfieldside (6) $\quad 2-3$ p.m. Rlackhill St . Mary's R.C. (8) 3-3.45, and St Aidun's (8) 3.30-4.15: Consett (8) 3-3.15, 4.15-4.30 and $7-9$ p.m. Names for tea to $R$ Oliver, Aldington, Wesley Terrace. Cistleside.Conself.
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EAST GRINSIEAD GUlLD.-Mecting at Ciedstonc. Saturday. May 14th. Tea at Curds tea rooms.-C. A. Bissett. 5889
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge District.-Meeting at Ickleton. Saturday. May 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business includes election of one representative to Diocesan Committee.-E. W. Bullman.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Meeting, Saturday. May 14th. Dunmow. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Scrvice 4.30 p.m. Names
for tea. please, to H. W. Smith, 11, The Causeway, Dunmow.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W-Crusader mecting. High Ongar. May 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. Willmington, 79, Wallwood Road. Leytonstone, E.11.

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GUILDIOORD DIOCESAN GUILDChertsey District--Meeting at Walton-onThames on Saturday, May 14 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr, P. Alderton, 4. Churchfield Road, Walton-on-Thames.

HERTFORI) COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Sarratt, Saturday. May 14 th. Bells ( 5 ) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, May 10th. to Miss J. Chilton. Virginia Cottage Sarratt Green. No names no tea.-J. Gond.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Eastern District.-Mecting. Standon, Saturday, May 14th. Mainly for beginners. For tea. please inform: Mr. J. Little. New Strect. Standon. near Ware. Herts.-Durrant. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-Meeting at Ribchester. May 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Mecting to follow. Buses from Blackburn at 26 mins. past each hour.-John Pilkington. 5864 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-Practice meeting. Crosthwaite. near Kendal. Saturday. May 14th. 2.30 p.m. Names to R. Hudson. Fell Side Farm. Crosthwaite. near Kendal.-N. W'. Newby.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Fylde Branch.-Meeting at St. Chad's Church. Poulton-le-Fylde. on Saturday. May 14 ih. Bells (8) 3 p.m.-J. F. Turner.

5875
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Liverpool Branch.-Next mecting at St. Luke's. Crosby. M.y 14th. Bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. May 11 th. to Mr. E. Porter 1ir. Endbutt Lane. Great Crosby. Liverpool 23.-T. E. Radcliffe. 5888

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Preston Branch.-Meeting at Chipping. Saturday, May 14th.' Bring own food. Buses from Preston Coach Station No. 10 direct 1.38 . No, 8 chinge Lougridge 2.23.-L. Walmsley. 5818

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Syston District-Meeting at Mountsorrel on Saturdav. May 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.mi. Names by the previou; Wednesday. please, to Mr. R. Wilmore. 80 Hawclific Road.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Coningsby. Saturday, May 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15: Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday. May 9th, to Mr. E. Flintham, Harrowdene, Thorpe Road. Tattershall, Lincoln. 5840
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-North I.indsey Branch.-Mecting at Winterton (6) May 14d, usual arrangements. Names for tea hy May llth. to Mr. Brumpton, 23B, West Strect, Winterton, Scunthorpe.

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LLANDAFF AND MUNMOUTH ASSO-ClATION.-Monmouth Branch. - Meeting, May 14 th. at Skenfrith and Grosmone Skenfrith (6) at $=30$ p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tca and business at Hell Hotel. Skenfrith. Names essentsal please by May 10th. Both towers available after meeting.-J. S. King. 5814 LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION Saturddy, May 14th St Mary's. Barnes. S.W.13. $3-4.30$ p.m. Tca and cakes available in Church Hall from 3 to 5 p.m. Business 5.30 p.m. in St. Nicholas Church. Chisuick. ringing 6 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Fivervone welconu.-Rogers. ISI

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - $N$. and E. District.-Meeting at St. Gabriel's. Warwick Square. S.W.I. Saturday. May 14th. Further details next week.-D. T. C. Smith. Hon Dis. Sec.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Northern Branch.-Meeting at Cromer, Saturday, May 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea bv May 11th, clease, to W. H. Holdom, 17, Shipden Avenue, Cromer,-C. Bird. Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Central Bucks Branch.-Monthly practice at Quainton (5) on Saturday. May 14 ih , at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Refreshments available at 8 p.m. for those notifying mee by Wednesday previous.-D, G. Wheeler, 47. Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury, Bucks. 5866
THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD-Annual

THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD-Annual 14th. Bells available: 11 a.m. -12 noon Edgbaston (8), $12.15-1.15$ p.m. Lunch in City, 1.30-2.15 St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral (8), 2.30-3.15 Cathedral (12), 3.30-4.30 p.m. Aston (12). Tea at the Co-operative Restaurant in High Street, 5 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's (12) after meeting. Will those who are attending, please advise Hon. Gen. Sec. giving B.R.S, Association No.- J. Arthur Hoare, 6, Gendros Crescent, Ffores Rach, Swansea

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Festival and A.G.M. will be held at Wimborne,
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-The May 14th. 1960. Meeting in Assembly Hall of Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School at 2.15 p.m., the Chairman of U.D.C. will welcome the Guild. 4 p.m. Service in the Minster. conducted by the Vicar. Meat tea in Grammar School at 5 p.m. Bells available: Wimborne Minster (10) 11.30 a.m. to 2 p.m., 6-9 p.m.; Poole (10) 11.30-12.30, 6-8: Wimborne Si. Giles' (8) $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$; Cranborne (8) 11.30-1.30, $6.30-8.30$ : Wool' ( 6 ) 11.30-1.30, 6.30-8.30; Wareham (8) 6.30-8.30; Hampreston (6) $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$; Canford (6) $11.30-$ $1.30,6.30-8.30$; Sturminster Marshall-tenor bell out of commission but is expected to be available in time for the Festival, if so ringing from $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$ p.m. Tea tickets 4s. 6d. from F. Slatford, 35, Westbury Road, Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge, before May 9 th. please.-W. C. West, Hon.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Meeting. Whitchurch (8), Saturday, May 14th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Further ringing from 6.15 p.m. onwards. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 11th, to Mr, B. Malam. 13, Yardington.
Whitchurch. Salop.-F. Cattell. Hon. Sec. 5856 Whitchurch. Salop.-F. Cattell, Hon. Sec, 5856 OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting at St. Nicholas Church. Codsall, near Wolverhampton. Saturday. May 141 h. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wednesdily, May 11 th. to Mr. A. Richards, Tralee, 6, Lanc Green Road, Codsall, nr. Wolverhampton.

SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District Meeting. Euston (5). Saturday, May 14th, 2.30 n.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Meeting following tea. Names for tea by Wednesday. May 11 th . to Mrs. H. Ivings, Post Office, Euston, near Thetford
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION A!.G.M. Saturday, May 14th, The Good Shepherd, Brighton. Ringing, afternoon till 4.15 p.m. The Good Shepherd and St. Peter's : evening St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's 7.30-8.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. 3 s . per head. members under $16,1 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. Individual names for tea, stating those entitled 10 allowances. to reach me by May 11 th.-R. Percy. 47. Oldfield Road, Willingdon, Eastbournc. WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-Southern Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Norton. near Evesham. Saturday. May 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business mecting. Names for tea by May 12th Evesham.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE and YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS-Joint meeting at Carlton-in-Cleveland on Saturday May 21 st . at 3 p.m. Method for practice: St Clement's Major. Names for tea by Tuesday May 17th. to P. W. B. Semmens. 52. Belle Vue Grove. Middlesborough.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.E. District Meeting. Thorington. Saturday, May 21 st. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea by Wednesday. May 18th. please. to Mr. A. R. Andrews. Hall Cottage. Thorington. 5879

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS Annual meeting and dinner. Salurday. May 21st. Ringing Benington (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Aston (6) available after tea (bring sour own). Dinner 7.15 p.m. Coach and Horses. Stevenage. Names to D. L. Gullick. Mount View, Sievenage.

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LADIES GUILD.-South Wales District.Meeting at Abergavenny. May 21 st. Bells (i0) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Gentlemen welcome. Names for tea by May 18 th. please. to Miss L. Temlett, Park Villa. Hereford Road. Abergavenny.-J. S. King. 5882
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-West Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Belton. Saturday. May 21st. Bells (6) afternoon. Epworth evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who no ify ne by previous Tuesday. George L. A. Lunn. Crow Garth. Lea. Gainsborough Tel. $26 \geq 3$.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-North Berks Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday May 21st. at Blewbury. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. May 17 th to A. E. Lock. 35. East St. Hekn Street. Abingdon. Berks.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Newark District.-Meeting. Barnby-in-theWillows (6). Saturday. May 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Look up Sandiacre Surprise. W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec. 586 ? SURREY ASSOCIATION - Northern Dis-trict.-The Annual Striking Competition will be held at Christ Church. Epsom. on May 21 st. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entries welcomed from any Sunday service band in the county. Forms on request from Secretary. Names for tea should be sent by non-competitors by Thursday previous. to Frank Oakshott, Downsview. Lewins Road, Epsom. Surrey. Quarterly business meeting after tea followed by ringing.-W. Parrott. 19. Eastdean Avenue. Epsom. Surrey. Hon. Sec. 5863
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Southein District.-Annual meeting joint with DONCASTER DISIRICT SOCIETY, at Arkwey, near Doncaster. May 21 st . Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names by 19th. to Mr. R. E. Cooper. 6. Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey. Doncaster. Barnby Don bells, (6) will also be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due and annual reports will be available. A good attendance is hoped for. All welcome.-J. J. L. Gilbert. 5885

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD The annual general meeting will be held. D.V. on Saturday. May 28th. at Potterspury. Committee meeting at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. the preacher being the Archdeacon of Northampton. Tickets for tea at 3 s , each C.W.O. from Mr. W. A. Yates. 4. Bannerlands. Dadford. Buckingham. before May 21st. Ringing will be available at the following towers: Gayton 6. Alderton 5. Grafton Regis 5 11 a.m. 1012 noon: Towcester 6. Cosgrove 6. Stoney Stratford. 12 to 1 p.m.: Eiston Neston 8. Whitllebury 5. Paulerspury 6. Wicken 8. 1.30 to 3.15 p.m. All except Easton Neston open after tea. Potterspury 6. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Green's Norton 6. 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. $-\overline{5833}$
G. W. Jelfs.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

## Invitation To Central Council Under Consideration

IN beautiful weather the 67 th annual meeting of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association was held at All Saints*. Newport on Easter Monday. The attendance-about 7 -was not quite as large as usual. The bells were made good use of and Mr. G. I. Lewis. the Mister, saw to it that all had a chance to ring. The service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. H. R. Sproule-Jones, who wel comed the Association. Visitors were entertained to tea in the Parish Room, kindly catered for by the ladies of the parish.
The business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar. The treasurer, the Rev. I. J Richards. presented the balance shect. which showed a credit balance of $£ 12 \quad 13 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d on the year's working. He pointed out that the officers, including the Central Council representatives. had not claimed their expenses. If they had done so there would have been a debit balance.

The secretary in his report. stated that the membership at 286 was about stationary. but pointed out there must be a lot of wastage bearing in mind the number of new members elected at the quarterly meetings. He deplored the number of towers that were silent through lack of ringers. Thirty-seven peals had been rung, 26 by resident members and 11 by visiting bands.

Mr. G. Wiard. of Abergavenny, was elected Master for the ensuing year. The general secretary. C.C. representatives. auditors, and treasurer were ail re-elected. Mr. D. King reported that the annual dinner at Newport was a success-about 60 members having an enjoyable cvening.
The finances of 'The Ringing World' were discussed. The secretary read an answer to the questionnaire he had sent to the Editor regarding circulation. subscribers. etc. He appealed to all who did not already take a copy to start doing so and detailed the advantages of heing a postal subscriber.
It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Cardiff. Mr. Clive Bryant asked if Abergavenny could nol be included in the rota for annual meetings in place of All Saints and at the next annual meeting he would muve that Abergavenny be included. Mr. D. King suggested that the Central Counct be invited to hold its annual meeting It Cardift in 1962. It was decided that the three secretaries. C.C. representatives. Masters and treasurer be appointed as a committec to make inquiries and report on the matter.

Mr. 1. M. Roderick said there were prospects of 2 extra bells being installed at Newton Nottage in the near future.
The secretary brought up the matter of doing something to accommodate the books left by the late J. W. Jones. No action was taken. He also sand that stocks of badges and - Beginners Handbook' were running low and asked for permission to order more.
Mr. D. King proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the ladies for the tea. and the Rev. I. J. Richards thanked the Vicar for taking the sergice and presiding at the mecting. Four niw miembers were elected.
F.J II.

The latest news of Eiaton Hall, the home of the Duke who loved bells.' the subject of our front page article, is that the chapel and belltower are to be left standing-the remainder demolished.

## QUARTER PEALS

ASFORDBY, LeICS.-On April 21st, 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: Miss C. Wheeler 1. R. Smith 2. J. H Cook (cond.) 3. H. T. Bonshor 4, R. H. Cook 5. K. J. Panter 6. Rung for the birthday of H.M. the Qucen.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On April 24ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: D. R. Ingram 1, A. S. Burbage 2. M. G. Ingram 3, R. C. Ingram 4. Mrs. J. Atherley 5. A. Shor 6. E. J. Franklin (cond.) 7, D. J Atherley (first quarter) 8. First of Triples for 1.2.3 and 5. A 2 ist birthday compliment to Mrs. J. Atherley
BUSHLEY, WORCS.-On April 14ith, 1.260 Reversc St. Bartholomew Bob Doubles: D. Penn 1. J. Firkins 2. A. Halling 3. C. Haylings 4. M. Hawkes (cond.) 5. E. W. Fean 6. First in the method by all the band Rung hall-muflied during Holy Weck.
CAMBRIDGE.-On April 24th. git Great St Andrew's Church. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: T. S. Page 1. Frances Suker 2. Hilary Muirhcad 3, H. Bishon 4, J. Schoficte 5. A. J. Grifiin 6. 11 Neill 7. P. H. Langton (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge for 4 and 6 .
EMNETH. NORFOLK.-On Easter Day, 1,26n Jlain Bob Doubles: A. K. Phillips (first quarter) 1 P. A. S. Minall 2, Elizabeth Brown (first - inside') 3 M. R. Reed 4. G. J. Mann (cond.) 5. First known quarter on the bells. Rung on the retiremear of Mr A. Image as churchwarden. Also on April 24th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubies: A. K. Phillips 1, P. A. S. Mirall 2. Elizabeth Brown 3, M. R. Recd 4. G. J Mann (cond.) 5. For the Boy Scouts service
Great wymondley, herts.-On Mar. 27th 1,260 Plain Buo Minor: F. Croft (cond.) 1. Miss M. Preece (first -inside') 2, Miss J. Croft 3. G. Cnerry \&. A. Harris 5, L. Runnacles 6. For Mothering Sunday

KINGS LANGLEY, HERTS.-On April 2 thh. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. W. R. Picton 1. K. Waples 2. Miss G. Graney 3. Miss M. Erik 4, A. Hil! 5 R. J. Picton (cond.) 6. B. M. Barker 7, G. E Hazlewood 8. For morning scrvice.
SHELFORD. NOTHINGHAM.-On Easter Day, 1.260 , Doubles ( 480 Plain Bob. 780 Grandsirc): Susan Meridith 1. Rober Mills 2. Ruth Blackshaw 3. M. Harrison 4, B. Mills (cond) 5. Rung for the silver weddings of Mr. and Mrs. R. Mills and Mr. and Mrs. W. Meridith.
SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.-On April 19th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Judy Robinson 1. V. A. Hemmins (cond.) 2, Linda Heıghes 3, Pamela M. Turner 4 M. S. Hari 5. R. C. Warburton 6. R. E. Tallis. Jun. 7, P. S. Benneti (25th quarter) 8 .

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## BRISTOL CATHEDRAL <br> THE BELLS OF THE CENTRAL TOWER

TNTIL recently. Bristol Cathedral had been listed as our only cathedral church with less than five bells, having four "unringable bells in its central tower. This position has happily been rectified by the installation of the ring of eight in the north-west tower. The history and details of the new ring have already been published, and this has led to a study of the old bells, revealing a story much more interesting and reaching much further into the past than that of their successors.
Unfortunately, the Cathedral records yield Iftle information on the bells, but some references have been obtained from other sources. One of the earliest references appears in the settlement of the accounts of one Richard Poulet, Esq., who had heen 'generall receivor. concerninge all leads and belle metall' at the time of the Dissolution of the Monasteries by Henry VIII in 1539. It reads thus: "of the late monasterye of Seincte Augustyns by Brystowe in the Countie of glouc. x belles.' However it seems that the Receiver allowed the Cathedral to retain her ten bells for a time, as we read later: *The belles of the late monasterye of Augustyns in brystowe in the countie of glouc. remayning in the steple of the churche ther beinge a cathedrall churche being in nombre $x$ amounting in weighte to $x^{m l} v^{l i t}$.
Presumably the Cathedral kept these bells untit the time of Edward VI, as a receiver's account, dated May 27th. 1553, states that the Lord Mayor and Crown Commissioners allowed the Deane and chappitor wf the Cathedrall churche of Bristoll' to keep and sign for "One great belle for the clocke and iiij other belles."
Later 16th century accounts show that these bells were in frequent use, c.g., in 1581 -

> To Sadler for kecping the clock.......2-6 To him for rynging to sermons........ $1-6$.

## and later in 1591 -

Pd to the ringers on the Queene's daye 5
of them at $\mathrm{xx}^{d}$ a pece..................4.
The next recorded change is in 1670. when the present tenor was cast, or recast, hy Roger Purdue (the Bristol, hell founders), probably to replace the "great belle for the clocke." abqut which there is no further evidence.
In 1789 the historian William Barrett records that there were five hells in the tower, although his account of their origin is rather inaccurate, as is his explanation of the absence of the five confiscated bells: . . . here were designed to be five more as appears by five more vacant frames, out of which there is a tradition the bells were stolen. but others say they were sold to the church of Redclift. These five bells remained in the tower unti] 1802, when one of them was said 10 be cracked and useless and was sold by the Dean as scrap. In an invoice dated July 17th, 1802, we read: "for an old cracked bell wt 11-0-17@10 per lb 52-0-10.
The other bells were undoubtedly rung after this date. but only on half wheels: only the present tenor was ever hung for full circle ringing, and then only in a crude manner compared with present day standards. It is recorded that in 1859 a Christmas drunk got into the tower and tried to raise the tenor bell, but he had little success as the rope became entangled in the wheel. Could this have been our friend Arney, whose exploits were published in a recent Ringing World and who recorded a similar incident in the Cathedral?
A recent study of the belfry has revealed several interesting features. The bell frame itself is a massive structure ( $21 \mathrm{ft} . \times 26 \mathrm{ft}$.) of ancient design, and almost certainly dates back to pre-Reformation times. It appears to stand on the floor, supported by massive beams beneath. having no lateral support whatsoever. One visualises that with a ring of eight or more bells swinging, the frame might walk around the floor:- The structure is composed of five separate wooden bays running east-west, and two long bays running north-south. The frame is about 7 ft . high, and of the first five bays, three are 3 ft . 10in. in width, one 4 ft . 5 in ., and the other, containing the Purdue tenor, is 4 ft . 8 in . wide. The two long bays measure 2 ft . 11 in . and 3 ft . 4 in . respectively, and
each is long enough to accommodate two lighter bells, as indeed the smaller does at the present time.

A comparison of the sizes of the remaining bells, with the weight of $10,00 t \mathrm{lb}$. or about 90 cwt . suggests that in 1539 there was a ring of eight bells with two small bells, one possibly a Sanctus. These two * could have been hung in the ninth bay, but at no time could there have been ten bays as Barrett suggests. Eight bells would be an unusually large number for a church in 1539 : five was the usual maximum; but St. Augustine's was one of the great Abbeys of that time.
The history of the bells remaining in the rower is reasonably well known. The two smallest bells were cast in about 1500 by Abbot John Nulande (1481-1515). This appears from the embossed initials (I.N.) on the treble's side: also on this bell appears Nulande's 'rebus' -a bleeding heart pierced by three nails.

Treble (E flat).-Diameter $28 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$.. height 25 in . (first of clock quarters).
Sancte: Clement: ora : pro: nobis.
Second (D).-Diameter $31 \frac{1}{2}$ in., height 28 in .
It is believed that the bell sold in 1802 was a sister bell to these two as (according to Barrett) it bore the inscription. Sancta Catharina ora pro nobis.

The third is a tall, straight-sided bell with a rounded crown and thick lip. It has unusually well-spaced lettering and a peculiar Lombardic cross; it is said to date from about 1300 and 10 be the oldest inscribed bell in the county.

Third (C).-Diameter $35 \frac{1}{2}$ in.. height 33 in . (second of clock quarters).
+CLARA: VOCOR: ET: CLARIOR: ERO.
The tenor was cast with canons but has since lost them. This would seem to suggest a subsequent rehanging. of which there is no record. The bell is hung on a large wooden headstock and is the only one of the four bells without canons.
Tenor (E).-Diameter 49in., weight 20 cwt . (hour bell).

+ ECCLESIA + CATHEDRALIS + BRISTOLL + DOMUM + DUMINI + $1670+$ RP
+ +CONGREGATE + CETUM + SOLENNEM + IN + DOMUM + DOMINI
$1670++$ RP +
Our examination of the bells has raised more questions than it has answered. How and when were the bells last rung? Each bell, except the third, still has its clapper, hung by the hook and eye method. with at peculiar wooden sheath near the top. Only one of the three older hells now has a wheel ( $\mathrm{a} \frac{4}{8}$ wheel), but the tenor has a complete wheel and a pulley block in the floor. This was obviously rolled in the 1850 's, but it would have been impossible to ring it a full circle because of the short metal stay and peg to prevent it lurning over. It has recently been fixed to avoid damage to the electric chiming apparatus. Before the war the three old hells were 'clocked' by the verger scated in the lofty ringing chamber below. For at least the last cenfury the tenor would have been 'unringahle' as it is badly cracked.
Lying in one of the vacant hays is a huge oneel, luft. 3 in . in diameter. There is no evidence to show that this wheel was ever used. hut-it has been suggested that it may be the wheel from the great belle for the clocke.
The central hole through which the bells are drawn up is 4 ft .4 in . in diameter, and the beam of one of the 3 ft . 10 in , bays has been slightly cut away to accommodate this. Thus it appears that the "great belle could not have been much larger than the Purdue tenor.

On the inside of the third bell faint chalk marks have been found. These have teen deciphered as 'R. (P?) Taylor 1809 ' (59?) and "Feb 28.82.' The first agrees with the founders' family tree, but Taylor: have no record of anyone being sent to Bristol Cathedral in any of hese years.
There is still much work 10 he done on the history of these old bells, and many hlanks need to be filled in. Because of the lack of adecuate records much can only be theory, and we would welconte any opinion from other students of beil history. It is hoped that the bells will be open for inspection by anyone interested during the Bristol Ringing Festival on May 14th.
(Thanks are due to C. Godman and R. Gilbert, of the sixth form, Bristol Cathedral School, and to Frank Carter and other colleagues on the stalf. by whom researc! ior this article was largely carried out; also to John Taylor and Co. for information.) P. B. B.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 25. 1960, in 3 Hours and 34 Minates, At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt .20 lb


## TEN BELL PEALS

STEPNEY, LONDON
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. April 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minures, At he Church of St. Dunsian,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor $28 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{CWt}$.
Pleter J. Eves
Treble Maurice E. Downs
Frank B. Lufkin
s.
.. 6
Joe E. G. Roast $\quad$ Frank B. LuFkin


- Peter L. Woous 5
Composed by F. Nolan Giolden.
Huward W. Egglesionl.. Tenur Conducted by Frank B. Lurkin.
* First peal on ten bells.


## WELLS, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sar., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours' und 39 Minules. Ai ihe Cathedral Church of Si. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 56 cwt I yr. 14 lb . in B


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

HETHERSETT. NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon.. April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Remigius.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

## Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

*Henry Touke
Thumas E. Spight
Treble PETER ADCOCK

+ Percy Squires. Bevan W. Willgress Geuffrey R. Drew.. . . Tehtor
Raymond Lofiy Prichard. Conducted by Glortrey R. Drlw Composed by J. R. Prichard. First of Major as conductor and 50 th for the Association.
Rung to mark Charles Moore's 25th year as Master of this tower.

ALTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
IHE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sur. April 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .2 qr. 2 lb .


Composed by Arimur Knighis. Conducted by Derle P. Jones.

* First peal of Bristol.

A 17th birthday compliment to Divid W. Brutming.

FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat. April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 5? Minutes.
Ai ihe Church of St. Lahrence
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOF
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON
Oswald Claybrouk
Cinihia Bibby.
*Roberi J. Warrilow Treble

John E. Bibby Dfins Maddock Cril. Vallinilni Walier Allman Francis Bibby Tenor Composed hy J. W. Wasmbrook. Conducled by Walter Allimax.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. April 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$
Oswald Claybrook .. Treble Frederick Jackson
*Cynthia Bibby
Walier Allman
$\frac{2}{3} \quad$ John E. Bibby
$\dagger$ Denis Madoock
Francis Bibby
6
Conducted by Walter Allman
"First peal in the method. +75 th peal for the Guild
SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .
*Michall J. Sianley Treble

Eric J. Suiton $\dagger$ A. Terence Collins Anihony R. Peake. . Brian Bladon

Conducted by Bri... Tenor
Lesley J. Bladon
*Ronald A. Wright *Ronald A. Wrighi Composed by N. J. Pisiow. Conducted by Brian Bladon. * First peal on cight. † First of Surprise Major. First in method by all except the conductor. First of Surprise Major as conductor. Rung for the Patronal Festival.

CIRENCESTER. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
IHE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sur., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minules,
at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Watermoor.
A PEAL OF 5056 COTSWOLD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt 2 yr .22 lb.
 Composed by E. W. Tipler. $\ddagger$ Brian bladon .. .. .. Tenor * First peal of Major + First Conducted by Anihony R. Peakl. peal logether. First of Mujor as conductor. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.
Rung as a welcome to Richard John, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Griffin, born April 27 th, 1960.

COSELEY. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY HOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sal.. April 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## At Christ Church. <br> A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Eric E. Splakl .. .. .. Treble *J. Di:nnis Holdin
(LIFPORD SKibmort.
Ihlde. E. Wilshaw.
Arihur V. Pi:arsun.
Composed by H. Law Jamis.
Arther Pritchard
Fom
erirst peal in Conducled by eric e. Speake. on the bells.

## ESHER, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. April 30, 1960, in: 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt 1 gr .14 lb . in A flat.
Catherine M. Powell..Treble ${ }^{\text {* }}$ Chrisiline M. Harbuit.. 5
*John F. M. Maybrey .. 2 *Rev. C. I. B. Marshall
Frank Oaksholt .. . 7
*Anthony V. Qulen
3
4
4
Composed by A. P. Heywuod.
A. Patrici Cannon Tehor Composed by A. P. Herwood.
*First peal of Double Norw

Conducted by A. Pairick Cannon. of Double Norwich on the bells.
Rung as a farcwell to the Rew. C. and Mrs. Marshall. who are leaving for Crewkerne. Somersel. in May.

HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Luke.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
*Tony White
†Richard E. Morris
Mary C. Poyner
Treble Rlginald h. Newion

Frederici Leech
Composed and Conducted byld T. White

* First peal on cight bells. First of Major.

A 57 hh hirthday compliment to Brig. A. G. W. Heber-Percy, of Hodnet Hall.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE WORCESTERSHIRE. ASS DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minues.
A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's yariation of Middleton's.
Tenor 35 cWL 20 lb . in C sharp.
Jacqueline A. Roberts .. Treble ${ }^{\text {I }}$ William B. Pomeroy .. 5
Ann M. Cox
Martyn Hawkes
Gordon T. Brown
Gerald C. Hemming
Geoferey J. Hemming...
Conducted by Geoffrey J. Hemming,
First peal in the method by all the band except ringer of second, and for the Association.
Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Selwyn Charles-Jones (the younger son of the Vicar of Evesham) and Miss Sara Egglesfield. which took place at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, this day.

> HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of Sr. John-the-Baprist.
$\triangle$ PEAL OF 5184 DERWENT SURPRISE MAJUR
Brian Smith .......Treble A. James Puynur
John M. Jelley.. .. .. 2 Russell S. Morkis
Mrs. b. G. Warwick .. 3 Alan E. Harilly
Ernesi Murris
4 G. Ronald Edwards. $\quad . \quad$ Tenur
Composed by Siephen Ivin.
Conducted by John M. Jllley.
First peal in the method.

## KNEBWORTH. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Or' Sal., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At ihe Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thumas-a-Beciklt,
A PEAL OF 5024 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

| G. William Critchley.. Treble | Colin A. S. Harwoon | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Eric Edmondson | George A. Spencer .. | .. |


| Eric Edmondson | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | George A. Spencer | . |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Claudia A. Critchley | $\ldots$ | 3 | Jack S. Dear | 6 |  | Euwin G. Buck $\quad .$. Composed by Frank Blineetr. Conducted by G. William Critchley. First peal in the method by all the band. Tenor 12' cwt.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PLAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Mrs. C. W. Lawion .. Treble Barry Corbishley .. .. 5
*Edward Purts.. .. .. 2 harold E. Lonyon ... .. 6
*Eknisi Pimloti..
*Dennis Henshaw ..... 4
Composed by J. W. Washbruok.

* lirist peal in the method.

JUHN WORIH
Tener
Conducted by John Wurim.
TOTTENHAM. MIDDLESEX
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules,
at the Church of St. Ann. Stamford Hill.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr. 1 lb .
E. Jane Langton .. .. Treble N. David Robinson .. 5


Composed by I. Michail Lakin. Conducted by Derik E. Sibson.

* First peal in the method. First of Surprise on the tells.

Rung as a compliment to Marcus P. Barton (secretary of the Sosicty) and. Marilyn March on their engagement, and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Marcus P. Barton.

THE BATH AND WELLS DOMERSET. DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Parker's Twelve-Part.

JOHN W. OWEN.
Thomas W. Harris
Marjorie Legg
Roberi H. Brice


Conducted by

* First peal of Triples on a working bell.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Simith. DERWENT SURPRISE MAJOR
$-56-14-56-36-34-58-34-\quad$ H.L. 78 L.H. 12

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## CHELFORD. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Onl Mon.. March 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES


* First peal of Doubles.

PARRAMATTA. NEW SOUTH WALES.
THE NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 9, 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. Ar the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| obert Ferris | Treble | John Cummins | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Audrey Peters | 2 | George Pipe | 5 |
| *Robert Klima | 3 | *John Fryer | Terror |
|  | ucted | John Fryer. |  |

* First peal of Minor. First as conductor.

COUNTESTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues.. April 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: Two each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob, one each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's College Bob.
 Conducted by A. James Poynor.

## THURNBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., April 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR


Conducted by Pitier J. Sianiforih.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.


## LEA. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
(West Lindsey Branch.)
On Wed.. April 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of St. Helen,

$$
\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
$$

Being two extents each of St. Clement's and Kent T.B... and three of Plain Bob.
Joseph A. Lunn
Pauline Bull Treble Charles H. Baker Tenor 121 cwl .

Conducted by G. Leslie A. Lunn.
A golden wedding compliment to the parents of the rirgers of the treble and ienor.

EDLESBOROUGH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
D. Knox ...........Treble
Josie R. Hutchings
Michael D. Pearson

* Ian Knox

Tenor 13 cwt .

Tetlor

> Conducied by John W. Sinfield.

* First peal. First in the method as conductor.

LYTCHETT MATRAVERS. DORSET
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. April 23.1960. in 2 Hemers and 46 Minutes,
Ar the Church of Sir. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Christopher T. Brown. . Treble
LOUIS J. LOCKyER
*AUdrie Samson
3
*Ross G. $\dot{\text { W. }}$. Robertson. Tenor 4 William C. Shute. Lionel H. Pink

5

* First peal.


## REDBOURN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minties,
Ar the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being .42 extents (ten callings).

* Joyce Dodds .. . . Treble
+Christine M. Harboit 2
\#Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 3

Tenor 15 cwt 3 gr .18 lb . in $\mathfrak{F}$

* +Christopher E. Hiyter 4
* $\ddagger$ §Gerald Penney
§Stanley Huckle.. .. Tenor Conducted by Gerald Penney.
* First peal of Doubles. + First in the method. $\ddagger 25$ th peal together. $\$ 25$ th peal together. First of Stedman Doubles by all the band. First in the method as conductor. The ringers of 3 and 5 have now rung Stedman from Doubles to Cinques.
Rung for St. George's Day.


## BROADWAS-ON-TEME, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,
On Wed., April 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 19 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 14 extents each of Grandsire, April Day and Plain Bob.
Tenor $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwl}$. in D flat minor.
Heaiher M. Pullon .. Treble | Michael J. Fellows .. 4
James E. Pullon ... $\quad . \quad 2$ Martin D. Fellows
Paul Caltermole
.. . Tenor
Conducied by Paul Caitirmole.
First peal on five by all except conductor. First peal on the bells since 1919.

Average age of the band 15 years 5 months.
Rung within the Octave of St. George's, Day.

## WAREHORNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matihew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Single Oxford, two of Kent Treble Bob and threc of Plain Bob. each called differently.
reble Bob and threc
Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.
Maisie Vaniom
JOHN R. COOPER
*Mrs. R. Wraiten ....... 2 Crawfurd T. Hillis
Violet I. E. Relf . . . 3 | Robert Swift .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

* First peal in three methods.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Brian Watts and Yvonne Rye, ringers at Burmarsh.

## GREAT HORKESLEY. ESSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minues.
Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Court. St. Clement's, Oxford Treble
Boh. Kent Treble Bob and 'three of Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt .
Walter D. Balley.. . Treble! A. Edward Leggetr 4
*Adrian Semken - . 2 Barry E: Gibbuns
David Culbam .. .. 3 Bernard W. Fairhead .. Tenor Conducicd by Bernard W. Fairhead.

* First peal in five methods.

STONE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thur'.. April 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes, At the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 14 extents cach of April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in B.
Paul Catiermole .. ..Treble Michall J. Fellows . 4
*Heaiher M. Pullon .. 2 Maritn D. Fellows
James E. Pullon ... 3 | 3 Peier J. Brown .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Paul Caitermole.
*First peal 'inside.' † First in three methods. Average age $15 \frac{1}{2}$ years. Youngest band to ring a peal on the bells.

Rung within the octave of the Feast of St. Mark.

BEKESBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Anril 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, Al the Church of St. Peter. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob. two of Oxford Trehle Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. with $5-6$ the right way throughout.
JOhn R. COOPER
*Pauline Fennell
Treble
*Pauline Fennell
*Mary S. Taylor
2 Nicholas J. Davies
Crawford T. Hielis
Dennis A. Chapman
4
*Mary S. Taylor .iducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

* First peal in three methods.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son (Stuart Christopher) to Mr. and Als. W. S. Palin, ringers at Faversham.

COPT OAK, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., A pril 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 12 methods in seven extents: (1) London: (2) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham, York and Durham: (3) Bourne; (4) Chester; (5) Munden; (6) Cambridge and Primrose; (7) Bourne. Tenor 10 cwi . G. E. Tebbatt ... .. Treble John A. Underwood .. 4 *Cecelia Cowley .. .. 2 *Frank Chambers C. William Hall .. .. 3 Roland Beniston .. .. Tehor Conducted by Roland Briniston.

* First peal in 12 methods.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to the Rev. F. R. S. and Mrs. Byfield.

HOLKHAM PARK. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
OI: Sat.. April 30, 1980, inl 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Withiburga,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of one exient of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford Treble Boh. Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh.

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lh . in E .
Wilfred L. Robinson ..Treble Norman V. Harding
Edward Howes .. .. 2 Tony Owen
Sidney Marshall .. 3 John Wil.son ..
Conducted by Wilfred L. Robinson.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Lady Carey Coke (daughter of the Earl of Leicester) and Mr. Bryan Ronald Bassew.

KELVEDON. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINUR
Being one extent Cambridge Surprise and two each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt . in E. Alan R. Elliott .....Treble Andrew Beckwith .. .. 4 $\begin{array}{llll:llll}\text { Joseph Papworth } & \text {. } & . & 2 & \text { Charles Burton } & \text {.. } & \text {. . } 5 \\ \text { Winifred Elliott } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 3 & \text { Ernest Bright } & \text {. } & \text {.. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Charles Burton.
First peal as conductor. The ringer of the treble has now 'circled the tower.'
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Joseph Ellidt, the tower captain.

WISTASTON. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minules.
At the Church of Syr. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
John E. Broush .. .. Treble
Herbert Sutton
*Michici Ail Sutton .. 2 Ivor R. Nichols .. .. 5
Conducted hy Frank r. Morton.

* First peal on six bells. First of Minor as conductor. The treble ringer has now "circled the tower "twice.

WRAGBY. YORKSHIRE.
L.EFDS UNIVERSITY UNION CAMPANOLOGICAL SOCIETY. Oll Sal.. April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51, Minutes. At the Church of Si. Michaei. and Our Lady,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods. being one extent Cambridge Surprise, one of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B.. one of St. Clement's and two of Plain Boh. *Grace M. Bfardow Tenor 10 cwl . in G.
 Conducted by F. Krith Williamson.

* First peal in more than one method. First as conductor.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Beardow (parents of the treble ringer).

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., May 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minules, At the Church of Ail Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
G. Maurice Turner. Charles W. Cook Grahame Turner

Tenor 9 cwt 1 qr .24 lb .

Conducted by John G. Gipson
Rung as a farewell tribute to the Vicar, the Rev. H. MansfieldWilliams.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Cuthbert, Stella,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Beverley Surprise, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Boh. Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
John E. Anderson .. .. Treble Kenneth W. Cheeseman. in 4
Gforge. S. Deas .. .. 2 J. Alan Ainsworth.
Marion S. Ainsworth in 3 Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor
Conducted by J. Aian Ainsworth.
Rung as a 70th birthday compliment to Robert $\mathbf{W}$. Leighton.

## HANDBELL PEALS

BURWELL. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Easter Day, 1960, in 1 Hour and 32 Minutes,
At Hillcroft, Toyse Lane,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor size 16 in B flat.
Anthony R. Mann .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Richard J. W. Housden. 3-4 W. John Couperthwaite 5-6 Rung non-conducted and silent.
First non-conducted peal by all the band.
GROOMBRIDGE. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., April 19, 1960. in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes, At Norman's Cottage.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

| Mrs. F. I. Hairs | $\ldots$ | . | $1-2$ | J. Freeman | .. | .. | .. | $5-6$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| E. A. Barnett | . . | $\ldots$ | . | $3-4$ | F. I. Halrs. . | . | .. | . | $7-8$ |

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted, hy J. Frfeman.

## SELBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Thurs., April 21. 1960, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes,
In the: Ringing Chamber of the Abbey (SS. Mary and Germanus), A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Thomas H. Foster
$1-2 \mid$ Ronald R. Warford Barbara Hall .. .. .. 5-6 Conducted by barbara hall.
First peal as conductor.
BARROW-UPON-SOAR. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Humphrey Perkins School Cimpanological Society.)
On Mon.., April 25 , 1960, in 1 Hour and 27 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Tenor size 15 in $C$.
Derek M. Sawyer . . . $1-2 \mid$ B. Stedman Payne
Malcolm D. Barsby .. 5- 6
Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.
Rung for the Feast of St. Mark.
half peal
OTTERY ST, MARY. DEVON.-On April 30hb. 2.520 Grandsire Triples: C. J. Turner (cond.) 1. I. Arl:ury 2. I. Ayres 3, J. W. Manley 4. E. H. Marks 5 C. C. Deem 6, C. C. Turner 7, C. W. Glanville
8. Rung on the nceasian of the marriage of Mis: Sara F. W. William-Powlett to the Hon. E. David Bruce

ADELAIDE. SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At st. Peter Cathedral, on Anzac Day. April 25th. 1.264 Plain Hoh Major: W. B. Pitcher (first of Maior) 1, K. J. Minchinion 2. H. Greenhalgh 3. Diana M. Pipe 4. 11 Enid Linyd Roberts S, C. H. Bagnt 6, J. J. F. Roper 7. G. W. Pipe (cond.) 8. The first quarter neat of Major rung on the helts.
BACKWELL, SOMERSET,-On April 25th, 1.260 Stedman Trinies: 1. Brain 1, Mary Powell (firss of Stedman Tripies) 2. Mariorie leegs 3. Monica Horseman 4, G. Prescott 5. N. Coomties 6. M. Horseman (firs of Stedman as cond.) 7. J. Phillins 8.
HEOLEY, WORCS - On April 20th. 1.260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Boh and Grandsire): Heather M. Pullon 1. J E. Pullon 2. M. J. Fellows 3. M. D. Fellows 4. P. Cattermale (cond.) 5. L. H. G Gittins 6. Rung on Wychbold ringers' nour as a 15 th hirthday compliment in M. D. Fellows.
HOBBING. KENT,-On April 30th. 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss D. Southam (first of Doubles) 1. Mrs. F. J. Cheal 2. C. Manncring, jun. 3. F. J. Cheal 4. A. J. Dunk (cond.) 5, K. Young (firsi quarter) 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. F. J. Cheal.
BROOMFIEILD, ESSEX.-On Easter Day, 1.260 Flain Boh Minor: Miss E. Frith (first quarter) 1. A. R. Groves 4. C. Nichels 5, 1. R. Panton (eond.) 6. For the Easter festival, also a compliment to Mr . and Mrs. G. Nichols on the birth of a daushter (Wendy Helen).
CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.-On April 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Hughes (first c'arter) 1. E. G. Swift 2. Mrs, E. G. Swift 3. Miss 1. Badcock 4. C. J. Shepherd 5. E. J. Briden 6 .
CHOBHAM, SURREY. On April $24 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: C. J. Hudson 1. C. Hill (first quarer) 2. Sallie Buchanan 3. D. G. Blows 4. R. Collins (cond.) 5. Ron Collins 6.
CHURCHSTANTON, SOMERSET,-On April 25 ch . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss $\rfloor$ Harlow (first guarter) 1. W. H. Tarr 2, E. Langley 3. A. Reed 4, R. Shepherd (first quarter) (cond.) 5. P. Tubbs 6. Also 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss V. Churchill (first quarter) 1. A. Reed (cond.) 2, W. H. Tarr 3. E. Langley 4. P. Tubbs 5, R. Shepherd 6.
CLEEVE PRIOR. WORCS.-On April 21st. 1.260 Plain Bot Minor: Heather M. Pullon 1, J. E. Pullon 2. M. J. Fellows 3. M. G. Selby 4, M. D. Fellow:
P. Cattermole (cond.) 6. Rung on Wychhold Tingers , 10 ur
COSGROVE, NORTHANTS.-On April 29hh. 1.260 Ilain Boh Minor: K. Tomnkins 1. 1. Lambert 2. (cond.) 6. Rung for the licensing of the Rev. A. E. Bransby as priest-in-charge.

FDHONTON: MIDDK-On May lst, 1.260 Stedman Triples. E Rowe 1. Pat Rowe - 2. Trudy Newcombe 3. D. Langdon 4. T. Hawkins s. T. | Bailey 6. |
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ERCDVOR.
ERDION. BIRMINGHAM.-At Si. Barnabas Church, on April 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: S J. Barker (first quiamer) 1. Miss P. Scdgwick 2 , Miss J. V. Morgan 3. D. Ingram 4. C. M. Smith (cond.) 5. First on five for 2 and 3.
FYNING, SUFFOLK. - On April 3 rd .1 .260 Plain Bnb Dautles: Miss H. Crass 1. 1. Y. Parker 2. 1 Genteman 3. 「. Jaggard 4. A. R Mann (cond.) 5 .
For marning service Alsi on Easter Day. 1.2tio Doubles (360 St. Martin's. 360 St . Simon's, 240 Grandsire, 300 Plain Bob): Miss H. Cross 1, J. Gentleman 2. W. J. Couperthwaite 3. R. 1. Palmer 4. A. R. Mann (cond.) 5. Firat in four methods hy all the band and on the bells. For Evensong.
GOOLE, YORKS.-On April 23rd, 1,280 Plain Bnh Mainr. Mre. J. J. Taylor 1. H. Drake 2. J. Thorley 3. James Thorlcy 4. A. H. Hawcroft 5. J. J. Taylor L. M. Wondhead 7. W. Stote (cond.) 8 .
GREAT BADDOW. ESSEX. - On Mar. 27 th.

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Minor ( 720 Kent T.B. and 540 Plain Bob): L. Ainger 1. A. S. Hudion (first quarer) 2, J. P. Brandon (first quarter) 3. Dr. P. T. Spencer-Phillips 4. H. Carter 5. 1. R. Panton (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment io the ringer of the 2 nd.
GREENWICH, LONDON.-On April 26ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Brown 1, Isohel Inman 2, (cond.) 5, J. Machell 6. M. R. Dakshell 7. I. Dafters 8, Rung on the eve of the Paironal Festival.

## QUARTER PEALS

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS.-On April 25th, 1.272 Litlle Eob Major. Miss M. Stapleton 1. Mrs. E. Grey 2. Miss D. Smith 3. Mrs, J. Bull 4. C. H. Baker 5 8. Johns 6. J. Underwond 7. A. R. Hepnenatall (cond.) 8. A silver wedding comnlimene to the Vicar, Canon J. E. Roherts, and Mrs. Roherts,
HINTON WALDRIST, BERKS.-On March 27\%h. 1.260 C:randsire Doubles: F. Moland I. N. Leslic 2 R Hayden 3. M. Edney 4. D. Leslic 5. A. O Shaughnessy (first cuarter) 6. For Motherins Sunday.
HITCHIN, HFRTS - On May 1st, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: H. H. Starte (first on treble) 1. Miss M. E Preece 2. Mrs. C. A Ags 3. F. J. Plummer 4, W. F. Todd 5, A. R. Ags (cond.) 6. M. D. Triga (covering)

HUNTINGDON.-At Alt Saints Church, on Easter Sunday, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. T. Hinwes 1 1 R. G. Spicer 2. Miss D. Robinsan 3. H. S. Peacnck 4. A. J. Davey 5. M. J. Dyer 6. For morning service.
HORSELL. SURRFY.-On April 17hh. 1.260 Plain Boh Double:: C. Cobhett (first quarter) I. Miss J Drury 2. J. Martin 3. B. Priestley tfirst in methnis inside ') 4. G. Dliver (cond.) 5. Miss P. Drury 6
ISL.EWORIII. MIDDX.-On May 1st. 1.20 in Grandsire Triples: L. C. Way 1. S. 1. Way 2. Miss J. Creak 3. C. H. Rogers 4. Miss B. Hummhrey 5 . H. W. Rosers (cond) 6, J. Mudd 7, N. F. Felton 8. For Evensong.
KELSTON, SOMERSET.-On April 25ih, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob, Grandsire): L. R. G. Taylor 1 A. F. Lee (cond.) 2. C. J. Barrable (first in four methods) 3. B. Davis (first in four methods) 4 , J. J. Jefferies 5, S. Carner 6. Rung on Anzac Day. for the Festival of St. Mark. Also as a birthday compliment to Mr. R. Webb, of Warmley.
LEA, LINCS.-On Easter Day, 1,26 M Minor (Cambridec and Plain Bob): Miss M. Stapleton 1 Miss P Bull 2, Miss D. Smith 3, G. L. A. Lunn 4. C. H. Baker 5. A. R. Hedpenstall (cond.) 6. Prior to Communion. Also on April 27th, 1.296 Minor (Cambridge, Plain and Double Bob): Miss P. Bull 1. Mrs. E. Grey 2, C. H. Bater 3, Miss D. Smith 4 G. L. A. Junn 5, A. R. Heppenstall (cond.) 6. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Hudson.
LEICESTER.-On May 1st, at the Church of St Saviour. 1.080 Plain Boh Minor: G. Mason 1. K Mason 2. J. M. Jelley 3. K. Townsend 4. A. J.
Poynor 5. A. E. Hartley (cond.) 6. For Feast of SS. Poynor 5. A. E. Hartley (cond) 6. For Feast of SS. Philip and James
LITTLE SHELFORD, CAMBS.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Cirandsire Doubles: Miss 1. King (first quarter) 1. D. E. Sibson (cond.) 2. T. Sterman 3. A. R. Hurst 4. C. A. Hurst 5
LYME REGIS, DORSET, On May IsI, 1.260 Stedman Triples: C. W. Powell 1. Mrs, C. W. Powell 2. R. N. Pituman 3. S. Brixton 4, H. J. Gaylard 5. F. Knizht (first quarter) 6. R. Kecley (cond.) 7 H. C. Kecley 8. For the Feast of SS . Philin and Iames.

## MACCLESFIELD. CHFSHIRE.-On Easter Sundav.

 a quaner peal of Sedman Caters: May Lomas 1. Mary Worth 2. J. Worth (cond.) 3. F.. Potts 4. D. Henshaw 5. A. A. Potts 6. W. Stevenson 7. H. Farrar 8, G Farrar 9, D. Pearsen 10. For Evensong. Also on May 1st, 1.248 Double Norwich C.B. Major: Mary Worth 1, E. Potts 2, D. Henshaw 1, J. Worth (ennd.) 4. W. Secvenson 5. H. Farrar 6. G. Fartar \%. A. A. Potts 8. For Sunday schonl service,MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.-O April 30th. 1.760 Oxford Trehle Boh Major: Miss F. C. Townend (first cuarter) 1. Miss D. M. Hea, - R. J. Warrilow. jun.. 3. P. Warson 4. A. P. Whitchead 5. R J. Johnston f. T. Tasior (eond.) 7. D. Taylar 8 . A 21 se kirthday complimese in
the second ringer. the second ringer.
OATLANDS PARK, SURREY.-On May 1sf, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. N. Broadbridge 1. Gwen May 2. Mrs. P. Bird 3. Joan Smith 4. H. Colcombe

Mrs. V. Smith 6. J. King (cond.) 7. V. Smith 8.
OTTERSHAW, SURREY. (On April 12 h .1 .260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh Doubles: Miss P. Drury 1. Miss B. Loveland 2. R. Collins 3. J. Marnin 4, D. Wright (cond.) 5. H. Kingston 6. Rung halfmuffled in memoriam Mr. R. Andrews, ringer of this church.
PASSENHAM. NORTHANTS,-On May 1 st , 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Case 1, T. Roberis 2 . 15. Chance 3. E. R. Lambert 4. G. Green (ffrst of Grandsire as cond.) 5. A welcome to the Rev. A. E. Bransby to the livings of Cossrove with Passenham and Deanshanger.

PAKENHAM. SUFFOLK.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Fordham 1, L. Pierce 2, H King 3. L. Sharpe 4. K. G. Brown (onnd.) 5. For Evensong.
PORTSAOUTH.-Al the Cathedral, on Mar. 27ih 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. York-Bramble Lawrey 2. D. P. Jones (fircs of Grandsire) 3. W. A. K Gray (first of Grandsire) 4. R. Baldwin S. D Emmerson (firal of C.randslre) 6, S. K. M. Knigh (cond.) 7. A. E. Hoodless (8)
PCRTBURY, SOMFRSET.-On April 22 nd, 1,710 Cambridge Surnrise Minor: Monica Horseman 1. W Kingcott. 2. D. Cobh (cond.) 3. D. Yeo 4. J. Brain 5. M. Horseman 6. Rung by West Country Roving Rinacrs as an engagement compliment io Ronald Short, secretary of the Bridgwater Aranch of the Bath and Wells Association, and Audrey Bailey, of Towin. Herti, joint secretary of the Snciety of Roving Ringers.
PUBLOW: SOMERSFT,- On April 271h. 1.260 Doubles 1720 Plain Bob. 540 Grandsire): R. W Treasure 1. Mrs. A. J. firith 2. L. B. Coles 1. C Allward 4. F. C. Mogford (cond.) 5, L. Batien 6. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Mr. Edgar King whose funcral took place at this church
PUTNEY: LONDON.-On May 1st. 1.380 Grandsire Doubles: L. Allen 1. C. Mew 2, R. Daw (first - inside - in method) 3. B. Rull (first inside ') A.
B. Coatsworh (cond.) 5, A. Clayion 6. For Evensons.
OUEENBOROUGH, KENT.-On March 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob: P. Nexus 1. Miss J. Wallace 2. S. Rayficld 3. H. Blackeih 4. G. Hawke 5. W. A. Wood (cond.)

Farewell suarter in Miss Wallace who was married on Saturday.
RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.-On May 2nd. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain and Grandsire): Miss B Carter 1. R. Thatcher 2. D. Hoare (cond.) 3, E Brown 4. F. Caricr 5. 1. Holbrook 6. Rung halfmuffied as a roken of gratitude for the life and ministry of the Right Rev. H. W. Bradficld. Lord Bishop of Bath and Wels.
READING, BERKS.-At St. Mary's Church, on Easter Sunday. 1.312 Spliced Surprise Major (London. Bristol. Cambridge and Superiative): K. Cotterell

Mrs. W. C. Allaway 2. A. Diserens 3. M. J. Thurmott 4. F. W. Lewis S. R. F. Discrens 6. C. E.
Lewington 7. N. J Diserens (cond.) 8. Also on April 24th. 1.280 London, Surprise Major: Mrs. A. Diserens 1. Jennifer M. Davies 2, R. K. Russ (first inside') 3. N. J. Diserens (cond.) 4. E. J. Munday 5. T. P. Edwards 6, C. E. Lewington 7. R. F.
Diserens 8. Both rung as a weicome to Antony Paul Diserens.
RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS. - On April 30th. 1.2 k 4 Plain Bob Major: A. Gibbs 1. S. Hodgkins 2. I. Clifton 3. B. Whitworh 4. J. E. Skerritt 5. A. L. Priestley 6. C. M. Payne 7. M. A. Coleman (cond.) 8. First of Major for 2, 3, 4 and 6.

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT,-On May 1st, 1.260 Canterbury Minor: S. Hardy 1. F. Gorringe 2. R. Beard 3. F. G. Whe!ler 4, B. Aldridge 5. P. G. Braund 6. For Choral Communion, alio at a golden wedding anniversary compliment

## and Mrs Ward

LPPPER CIAPTON. LONDON.-At the Church of St. Matthew, an Mas 1st. 1.260 Piain Bob Minar: Mrs. D. Neal 1. W. F. Jarvis 2. 1. A. Hales 3 . 6
Walkfrillle, sol'th al'stralia, - On April 24th. 1.410 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Monica Collin. 1. G. W. Heyes 2. Diana M. Pipc 3. Barbara J. Beeson 4. G. W. Pipe (cond.) 5. J. J. F. Roper is Rung by visiting Melbourne ringers. Frst quarte: in the method 1. 2. a ar.d 6. Relieved to br the first quarier in the methad in Ausiralia
WAITHAMSTOW, FSSEX. -On May 1it, at the Chureh of St. Mary. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C Digrins 1. F. C. Maynard 2. H. Rumens 3, D. A. Hewitr 4. P. D. Chapman S. B. R. Downes (cund.) 6. A. J. N. Boyack 7. F. C. Taslor 8. For Evensons.

WIMRIFDON, SURREY,-On May 1st, 1.296 Cambridse Surprise Minor: M. H. Sinden 1. Caroline
Carpenicr 2. Barbaza Manshig 3. G. Condman 4. Carpenicr 2. Barbaza Manship 3. G. Gondman 4. song.
WOng. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Turner 1. H. V. Young 2. F. Castey 1. G. Sparkes 4. W. G. Hannell 5. W. J. Nurenmbe 6. C. Tarr (cond.) 7. A. Gale 8. Rung as a compliment for the engagements of Miss Pamela Stevens and Mr. Anthony Jenkins Miss Pamela Stevens and Mr. Anthony Jenkins
and Miss Barbara Stevens and Mr. H. L. M. Morrish.
WGODDITTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.-On Good Friday, al Sunny View. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. Watson (first on eight) 1-2. A. E. Austin 3-4. A. R. Mann 5-6, W, 1, Couparthwaite (first as cond. on eisht) 7-8.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The annual meeting of the East Devon Branch was held at Honiton on Easter Monday and about 60 ringers attended. The service, which was held in St. Paul's Church. was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. A. A. Fane De Solis. At the business mecting four new members were elected - three from Buckerell and one from Honiton. Proficiency certificates were presented by the president. the Kev. Preb. E. V. Cox. to nine members.
Mr. G. C. Woodley was elected chairman. Mr. F. Paw vice-chairman. Mr. W. Webb secretary and treasurer. Mr. C. D. J. Wehb vice-secretary, and Mr. C. C. Turner Ringing Master. It v:as arranged to hold the next annual meeting at Sidmouth and the quarterly meering at Stockland.

Ringing at St. Paul's and St. Michacl's Churches included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. Cambridge Minor. Grandsire. Siedman and Spliced Diford and Grandsire Triples. Plain Bob and Kent T.B. Major.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The first meeting of the Ashford District since the restoration and rededication of the bells at Great Chart attracted some 40 visitors to what is now one of the finest rings in the district. Ringing throughout the day was generally of a high standard. The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. D. Stowell. and the excellent tea was organised by Mrs. Day.

## A CANTERBURY OUTING

Organised by Miss Wendy Palmer, six ringers from Canterbury, later joined by two from Ashford. had a day's ringing around Tunbridge Wells on April 20th. Towers visited "ere Couden (6). Leigh (6). Brasted (6). Seal (6). Seal Chart (6). Shipbourne (6) and Peckham (6). Seven Minor methods were in the ringing programme.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN

Members of the Eastern Branch were particularly pleased to see their president (Mr. Nolan Golden) at their spring meeting at Acle on April 9th. as this was the first Eastern Branch meeting he had attended since his illness. Mr. Golden thanked the branch for inquiries made about him and congratulated the Rector on his ringing progress. He referred to the appeal being made throughout the Association for a memorial to the late Mr. C. V. Ebherson.

A silent tribute was paid at the meeting to Mr. George Crowe, of Gorleston and Basingstoke. Messrs. L. Raphael and B. Hinder (Lowestoft) were elected new members and Miss F. Woodgate (Reedham) a probationer.
Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector (the Rev. E. W. Alexander) who conducted the service and the organist (the Rev. M. Galley). Mr. H. W. Lidbetter, the hranch's youthful veteran. Who left a sick bed to be present, and the Misses Lidbetter for the ta arrangements.

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The quarterly meeting of the West Dorset Branch was held at Whitechurch Canonicorum on St. George's Day. Six towers of the Branch were represented with visitors from Yeovil. Yetminster. Leigh, and Corfe Mullen. The beautifully toned eight sounded at their best to Double Norwich. which was the method chosen for the day.
Canon Cox conducted the Guild service, while the Vicar of Whitechurch gave the address. He said that since he had arrived in the parish he had been taught to ring. He had learnt with some difficulyy to control his bell. and to make it fit in with the other seven. This he likened to our lives which we should control, and fit them in with the rest of mankind:
Mr. C. W. Powell presided at the business meeting. Arrangements were confirmed for travelling to the Guild festival at Wimborne. The next monthly practice will be at Netherhury on May 20th, and the next quarterly at Thornecombe on July 16 th . Chardstock iower also will be open.

## BISHOP'S DAUGHTER MARRIED

On April 26th. Miss Elizabeth Jane Leonard, second daughter of the Rt. Rev. M. P. G. Leonard. Bishop of Thetford, was married in Norwich Cathedral, to the Rev. Allen Rutter. son of the Rev. and Mrs. Norman Rutter, of Bickley. Kent.

Miss Leonard is a member of the St. Peter Mancroft Guild and fellow members rang handbells as the bride and bridegroam left the Cathedral.
In the evening members rang 1.260 Plain Bob Royal. at St. Peter Mancroft. The band was S. Boar 1. A. G. Bason (cond.) 2. C. Bird 3. S. Brothers 4. C Curson 5. S. Gall 6 W. Love 7. C. Goodman 8. W. Barrett 9, B. Gogle 10 .


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Peal ringers will note the achievenient of Mr. Peter Border in ringing the 56 cwt . tenor of Wells Cathedral to a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. College Youth friends speculated at Derby on April 30th whether Mr. Wilfred Williams, the conductor, would have reserved the tenor for himself. There was certainly no dallying to bring the peal round in 3 hours and 39 minutes.

The bells of St. Mary Redcliffe. Bristol, will be heard prior to the evening service to be broadcast from there in the West and Midland Home Services next Sunday at 7.45 p.m. The captain of the ringers is E. F. Hancock.
The quarter peal al Braywood. Berks. was arranged by Mr. W. Birmingham so that some of his ringing friends could ring there before the church is demolished.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild's week-end ringing course at Big Wood was highly successful. There were 52 present all the time and four part-time. The demand already exists for inother course.

- The Ringers' Magazine for the April quarter contains articles hy Norman Phillips. Victor Shepherd, William Butler, Ernest Morris. A. James Glass. John F. Williams, William Birmingham and William Shepherd. All are very readable.

For the time being the treble and sixth bells at Tenterden are considered to be unsafe for ringing. It is hoped to launch an appeal shortly to have the repairs done. The quarter peals published this week were rung without these bells.
We are sorry to learn that Mr. Albert J. Hughes, of Bangor. who is now in his 791 h year, is shortly to be admitled to Bradford Royal Informary for an operation. He sends his congratulations to the band who rang the 22,400 Plain Bob Major
A new edition of 'Who's Who in Music' is in course of preparation for publication in early 1962 . Musicians among our readers who would like to be considered for inclusion in the biographical section should write to Burke's Peerage Litd.. Mercury House, 109-119. Burke's Peerage Lid.. Mercury
Waterloo Road, London S.E.I

The monthly practice meet ing at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London, is maintaining its

## GOSSIP

 popularity and usefulness. We hear that at the last meeting a touch of Six Spliced was rung by a band comprising officers of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. the Ladies Guild and the Middlesex County Association IVlembers of the London County Association and the University of London Society were also present. Alick Cutler. Ringing Master, also afforded one visitor rounds and call changes. in his endeavour to extend courtesy to all comers.An anonymous donor has given $£ 425$ to Aldeburgh Church. Suffolk, in order to procure a new eight-bell frame.
The silver wedding anniversary of the Vicar of Copt Oak, Leies, the Rev. F. R, S. Byfield. and Mrs. Byfield was honoured by a peal on his bells on April 30th. Mr. Byfield, who is chairman of the Loughborough District of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, is a ringer at his church.
After an hour and 40 minutes ringing, the Universities Association lost a peal attempt of Stedman Caters at Saffron Walden on April 30th. One of the party was not told to change at Audley End and was taken on to Cambridge. With considerable enthusiasm she chartered a taxi to drive her out on to the Saffron Walden road and then hitch-hiked.

Of the tive bell towers in Worcestershire. only Breden. Berrow and Broadwas have had peals, and none since 1938 (at Berrow). The silence was broken by a peal at Broadwas, the first since 1919. Of the unpealed fives in the county. only Birlingham's and the heavy hells at Honeyboume are now ringable. At Broadwas, the tenor was cast in about 1346: the front four were added by Carr. of Smethwick, in 1822. The bells are not in tune, but are more minor than major, and are somewhat oddstruck. Before the peal could be attempted, the bells were well oiled and ropes were replaced. When the band had lecome used to the unusual music of the bells, guite a good peal was rung.

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## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD <br> REVIEW, 1959

A
COMPANY of 150 ringers and wives attended the annual meeting of the Leicester Diocesan Guild at Aylestone on April 23rd. Some 11 towers were open for ringing and the service in the Cathedral was conducted by Canon F. W. Pratt with the Provost (the Very Rev. R. J. F. Mayston) as preacher. A special double-decker 'bus transported members after the service to Aylestone where an excellent tea was provided.
Opening the business meeting the president (Mr. Peter J. Staniforth) apologised for the absence of the Bishop and the Archdeacons and had a special word of welcome for Mr. W. H. Clarke, of St. John the Divine. Leicester. Twenty certificates of membership ere presented.
The secretary (Mr. Brian G. Warwick) in presenting the committee's report stated that 726 members paid or joined the Guild in 1959 and there were 115 members who owed one year's subscription The most outstanding event was the annual dinner with the Lord Bishop of Leicester as chief guest. A new venture during the year was the introduction of striking competitions.
From the District reports Hinckley District mentioned the performance of Martin Faulkes, of Hinckley, who rang 27 peals during the year. His first peal was rung as recently as December 30th, 1958. The Leicester District recorded with regret the deaths of Mr. John O. Lancashire and Mr. E. J. Jelley., and Loughborough District that of Mr . Charles Allsopp. Two old stalwarts of the Melton Mowbray District. Mr. Evandon Littlewood (Asfordby) and Mr. Joseph Gilson (Melton Mowbray), had been created life members. The Syston District mentioned that three members-Mr. W. Bott (Thurnby), Mr. P. Plowright (Rothley) and Mr. F. Bindley (Thurcaston), had been transferred to the honorary life members' list in recognition of long and valuable service to the Exercise.

Mr. Ernest Morris (the honorary treasurer) in his report mentioned that 1959 could be put down as a successful year, financially, as the General Fund of $£ 9316 \mathrm{~s}$. 1 d . had ended up with $£ 96$ 12s. The Bell Repair Fund slood it $£ 15014 \mathrm{~s}$. 3d and the Catering Fund $£ 114 \mathrm{~s}$.

## 186 PEALS

Mr. Shirley Burton presented the peal secretary's report, which recorded 186 peals ( 153 on tower- and 33 on handbells) during the year. Methods rung for the first time were Liversedge variation of Kent and Oxford Royal. Biddenden Surprise Royal, Braunstone Surprise Royal. Lyme Surprise Royal and Whitwick Surprise Royal. An 'Ernest', peal of Royal was rung for the first time, the Guild contributing five 'earnest' ringers. peal of Doubles was rung at Kirby Muxloe by a band whose average age was 15 years 2 months. A Sapcote ringer. John Watkins. aged 11. rang his first peal at first attempt.
The general secretary was the leading conductor with 47 peals called for the Guild. followed by John M. Jelley. 21, and John A. Acres and B. Stedman Payne with 13 each. The reports were adopted.
Officers re-elected were Mr. Peter J. Staniforth. president: Messrs. P. L. Taylor and F. K. Measures. vice-presidents: Brian $G$. Warwick. general secrelary: Ernest Morris. treasurer: and Colin Harrison and J. P. Fidler trustees. Mr. Shirley Burton asked to be relieved of the office of peal secretary, largely owing to his wife's illness and Mr. John A. Acres was elected his successor on a ballot. The other nominee was Mr. John M. Jelley. Conductors are reminded that peal fees and all compositions should be sent to 52. Luther Street. Leicester, within four weeks of a peal being rung. Messrs. W. J. Root and G. M. Brewin were elected auditors.
The election of 22 ringers. one non-resident. one honorary and one rejoined member was confirmed.
The Bishop and Provost had accepted invitations to the annual dinner at the Shakespeare Hotcl. Braunstone. Leicester, on October 29 hh . It was decided by a large majority that the dinner should not be known as the
Harold J. Poole Commemoration Dinner.' A grant of $£ 21$ to Blaby, towards the rehanging of the five bells, was confirmed.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 20



LESLIE W. G. MORRIS,

## Secre:ary, Yorkshire Association.

Mr. L. W. G. Morris has been for over 22 years secretary of the Yorkshire Association. He is the second Worcestershire man to serve in the capacity, and follows a line of distinguished men who have been secretary, such as Harry Williams, Clement Glenn and Percy Johnson. The Yorkshire Association has always possessed the knack of finding able and conscientious officers, and. having found them, soes not easily release 1 hem from office. Mr. Morris is no exception to the rule and there is no doubt that he holds the respect and admiration of all Yorkshire ringers.

He was born at Bromsgrove. Worcestershire. in 1909. and was educated at the Cathedral King's School. Worcester. He is an accountant by profession. He became interested in ringing when he was 13. and learned to ring at Upton Snodsbury. where Grandsire Doubles was the only method practised. He called his first 720 in this method when he was 14. Finding the orthodox six-scores rather monotonous. he started delving into the field
of figures, and eventually produced the double six-score, or 240, now generally accepted and rung, known as Morris's arrangement. There was some opposition at the time of its introduction. and prolonged controversy at Council meetings. round about 1930.
His work took him to the County of Broad Acres, and he joined the Yorkshire Association in 1927. He was soon ringing peals with the late George Barraclough, of Leeds, who was a founder member of the Association, and a close associate of Jasper Snowdon. Mr. Morris is proud to belong to that steadily diminishing coterie of ringers who form a link with those who founded the Yorkshire Association in 1875 . Since he was made secretary he has attended every general and committee meeting. He was elected to the Central Council in 1939, and has never missed a single meeting since his election
His interest in composition is mainly confined to peals of Surprise Royal and Maximus. and he has a peals total of over 640. of which more than 500 have been in Surprise methods. Of his peals 327 of them have been rung for the Yorkshire Association, and he has conducted 137. He has rung no less than 126 peals on twelve bells, in 47 different towers. and they include 86 peals of Surprise Maximus. Notable amongst these are Cambridge at Exeter. in 1949, the firsts of Cambridge Maximus at Wakefield (old ring) and the present ring at Leeds, Sheffield (conducted). St. Nicholas". Liverpool, Buckfast Abbey and Evesham (conducted). He also conducted the first of Yorkshire Maximus at Evesham, the first in the same method at Trowbridge, and the only peal of Southwell Surprise Maximus ever rung. This was at Halifax in 1954.
In 1959 he took part in the first peal of Londinium Surprise Maximus, and conducted the first of Cambridge Royal at Wells Cathedral. He has since rung London Surprise Royal there. In Scotland he took part in the first of Surprise Royal (Yorkshire) at Inveraray, and in the first of Royal (London) at Glasgow Cathedral. He was one of the hand which rang in William Pye's last peal at Heavitree. Mr. Morris holds the view that in the field of Spliced Surprise. the only plan that is worth while is that in which all the bells do all the work of each method. He has taken part in the whole Pitman series on this plan from four to nine methods and has conducted peals in up to seven methods.
In 1945 he rang peals on the four standard method plan in England. Wales. Scotland and Ireland. and in 1959 took part in a strictly silent and non-conducted peal, in which all but the treble ringer were members of the Central Council.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

## Presentation To The Rev. R. H. Nind

The Elloc deaneries branch met on Easter Monday at Pinchbeck. where the service was conducted by the Rev. R. W. H. Nind. who gave an address. The organist was Mr. North.
Tea and business meeting were at the Bull Inn. during which Mr. Nind was presented with a two tier filing cabinet. subscribed for by members. in appreciation of his services during the past four years. In making the presentation. Mr. J. G. Ames thanked Mr. Nind for all the good work he had done for the branch during his curacy at Spalding. wished him cvery success in the mission fields of Jamaica. and hoped that when he returned he would find time to visit the branch where there would always be a warm welcome.

Mr. Nind thanked all who had subscribed for such a wonderful and unexpected gift and said it would always be a reminder to him of happy times at Spalding and the many friends he had made during his curacy there.

Four new members were elected. all from the Pinchbeck tower. Mr. Ames proposed a vote of thanks to all concerned in the arrangements for the meeting.

Good use was made of the bells of the Parish Church in a variety of methods. There were many visitors.

## Tips For Beginners-20

If youl have a company capable of ringing Cambridge and Superlative bua experience difficulty in getting on to Landon and Bristol, you may find Ashtead very useful, particularly as it can be rung to very similar rules to Double Norwich.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

One minute's silence was observed at the quarterly meeting of the Halifax Association, held at Elland on April 23rd. to the memory of Mr. Harry Roberts, of Kirkburton, a member and judge in contests for many years.
The president (Mr. E. Earnshaw) was in the chair and Mr. Trevor Tarbutt asked why so much Oxford Treble Bob was rung at Association meetings. The president summed up a lively discussion by stating that in some towers +Cambridge and similar methods were out of reach of many members and this precluded them from obtaining a thorough grounding.

The annual meeting will be held at Hoylandswaine on July 15 th . Mr. Frank Linfoot was thanked for the excellent arrangements for the meeting.

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS VISIT DERBY



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'HE country visit of the Ancient Sociely of College Youths to Derby on April 30th was made memorable by the cordiality of the welcome arranged by Mr. J. Frank Smaliwood a trustee of the Society, and Mr. B. Morris, the secretary of the Derbyshire Association.
No organisation could have received a better welcome for at the dinner, held at St. James's Hotel. the Master (Mr. J. G. A. Prior) was received by the Mayor (Celr. G. A. Collier), the Bishop (the Right Rev. G. F. Allen) and the Provost (the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes). The London contingent. which accompanied the Master. included Mr. A. A. Hughes and the honorary secretary, Mr. John Chilcott, and they were joined by car loads from Birmingham. among whom was Mr. Albert Walker. In all about 60 members of the Society sat down to luncheon.

Wearing his chain of office, the Master said he would like to say how honoured they were to come to Derby and to be received by the Mayor, the Bishop and the Provost. Why had they come to Derby? About two years ago a well-known figure in London ringing circles came to live at Darley Dale. He wrote to the Society early in the year suggesting that shey should hold a meeting at Derby and that was the result. Frank Smallwood and Burley Morris had done all the work to make their visit most enjoyable.

## THE MOST OBJECTIONABLE BELL

The Mayor in his welcome said Mr. Smallwood had sent him their handbook giving the history of their old and very great Society. They thought of the part they had played over the centuries in the history of the country Without hells he thought they could not appreciate the traditions of the country

- I have tried to think of the first bell I heard: it was one I never liked to hear-the school bell. Now I think the bell I object to most is the telephone bell. It was very pleasant this morning, between telephone bells and people calling at the Mayor's parlour, to hear the bells of Derby ringing out their music
The Bishop said. "I know how much your work means in the life of the Church and 1 would add a very warm word of welcome to that of the Mayor's.
The Provost gave to the Society not only a personal welcome but one on behalf of the Derbyshire Association, of which he is president. It was often assumed, he said, that the clergy were not very interested in bells and ringers but they must not go away with the idea that they never did anything for them. When the Mayor asked for the bells

In the centre are the Mayor of Derby, Councillor G. A. Collier, and the Bishop of Derby, the Right Rev. Geofirey Allen. On the left are J. F. Smallwood and E. G. Fenn (trustees), the Master, J. G. M. Prior and M. F. Moreton (senior steward). On the right are the Provost of Derby, the Very Rev. R. A. Beddowes, John E. Chilcott (secretary), C. G. J. Watts (treasurer) and Burley P Morris (secretary, Derbyshire Association).

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Derby Evening Telegraph.
to be rung on royal and other occasions he always replied. Of course. Mr. Mayor. you will pay for the bells to be rung.

Conducted by Mr. Albert Walker a very good touch of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells, by: W. T. Cook 1-2, F. W. Perrens 3-4. A. Walker 5-6. J. F. Smallwood 7-8. M. V. Chilcott 9-10. J. Chilcott 11-12

## ELECTED AT 15

Later in the afternoon a meeting of the Society was held when the notification of the election of Mr. Roderick W. Pipe. prior to a peal took place. Other elections to membership were Harold Sherratt: F. N. Paling (aged 15) Nottingham: Brynley A. Richards. Mansfield: Frank Cook. Church Warsop: J. C Maxwell. London: William Sidwell. London.
The Master said he thought it would be very fitting if they entered in the minutes their proceedings that day. It was the first occasion they had beer to Derbyshire and it had been very successful. He thanked Mr. Smallwood and Mr. Morris for their work.
Mr. E. G. Fenn offered the Society's congratulations to the band who rang the peal at Norwich and the meeting joined in extending to Mr. Albert Walker hest wishes for an 84th birthday the following Tuesday
Mr. Walker said it was a real pleasure for him to be among them as he had heen a member for 63 years. Keeping good time and ringing had kept him reasonably fit.
Ringing during the day took place at St. Alkmund's, the Cathedral. St. Peter's. St. Luke's and St. Andrew's, and it was i reluctant party of happy ringers that said fircwell to Derby after a memorable day in the history of the Society.

Mr. John R. Mayne was elected Master of the Middlesex County Association at Feltham on April 29th.
During the Easter holiday Mr. Clive M. Smith. of Lichfield. rang in his 2.100th tower at Quedgeley. Glos

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The 14th annual meeting of the Southwell Diocesan Guild was held at Mansfield on April 23 rd. By permission of the various Apcumbents. Mansfield Woodhouse and Warsop and St. Peter's. Mansfield. towers were open and some good ringing was enjoyed.
A service was held in St. Peter's. Mansfield. conducted by the Rev. Hugh Pettinger. at which approximately 60 members were present. The hymns were accompanied by handbells rung by members of the Warsop band. Tea followed in the Church Hall.
In the absence of the chairman and vicechairman. the chair at the business meeting was taken by the Rev. Hugh Pettinger. A brief silence was observed in memory of Mr . C. Cook and Mr. William Stevenson.

The annual report having been in circulation for a month the various reports and accounts were adopted without comment. Grants of $£ 15$ each to Granby and Selston were made from the Bell Repair Fund during the year and the baiance now stood at $£ 88$ 12 s . 8 d .
The peal secretary's report showed that 53 peals were rung during the year. First performances were llkeston Surprise Royal and seven Surprise Minor methods. Seven members rang their first peals and the leading conductor was Mr. R. Hobbs with 23 peals.
The following new members were elected: Miss M. Rollin and R. Fanthorpe (East Retford). Miss E. McNeil, P. Halford. N. Pitkington. R. Pilkington and J. Womack (West Retford). and the Rev. John Banks (Warsop). Mrs. J. N. Keyworth. C. C. Keyworth. Miss N. Tasker. E. Tasker. D. Tasker and T. R. Cooke (Wheatley) and S. E. Denby (Mansfield). The Rev. Shorland Ball, of Mansfield, was elected a vice-president.

All the officers were re-elected and Mr. B. N. Buswell were elected Central Council represenMessrs. D. H. Rooke. J. D. Clarke and B. N. Buswell were elected Central Council representatives for the ensuing three years.

The design for a new hadge was approved and should be ready within the next six or eight weeks

Following a discussion on the Crawford Cup competition a commitiee, consisting of the vice-chairman of the Guild and the Ringing Master of each District. was appointed to run the competition. A collection for the Bell Repair Fund produced El 16s. 6d. A comprehersive vote of thanks 10 all concerned in the day"s proceedings was moved and honoured.
J. W. R.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

STRAIGHT WORDS ON VARSITY RINGING
Dear Sit.-In spite of Mr. Johnston's betict ( R. W. April 15th. 1960) I have never sitid the Universities Association provided iitle more than a marriage burenu. Moreover. "all its activities are " NOT" normally .... definitely southern .... in location. $w_{1}$ the fifteen tours, five have heen north of Birmingfitteen tours, ilve have heen north of Birming-
ham and both the next iwo will be.-Yours sincerelv
D. J. ROAF

Hon. Sec.. Universities Association.
Trinity College. $\qquad$

## HIS LESSON

Dear Sir--Life gets tedious. don't it? All one receives for honest toil in an attempt to lighten a correspondence that was threatening to become as serious as a Victorian Sunday School is an accusation of 'spite.
This'll larn me! Let them. say 1. crack one another's pates end saints preserve em.Sincerely.

## Harborne. Birmingham.

W. E. BOX.

## JUDGING WITH A BEGINNER

Dear Sir.-May I thank H. Chant very much for his most informative article on the judging of competition ringing. Jusging of a practice touch with a beginner as marker might well he another way of encouraging our beginners to listen to the bells rather than jusi pull ropes.-Yours faithfully.

Willesborough.

## R. J. CARLTON

P.S.- All methods rung by the Willesborough hand for service ringing are to be found in the Central Council's Collections.-R.J. C.

## A GREAT ADVENTURER'S

Dear Sir.-May I congratulate. through your wonderful journal. the Australian ringers on their first quarter peal of Maximus at St . Paut's Catheilral. Melbourne.
I was delighted to sce the photograph of these keen young ringers on the steps of Si. Paul's. where I once stood with a band of Australian and English ringers afier a peal of Boh Royal.
As a voice from the past may I offer my hest wishes to all Australian ringers for the future. I shall watch with great interest. having such happy memories of the past.--Yours
sincerely.

## Farchim. Hants.

## QUARTER PEALS

Dear Sir.-In recent weeks there have heen several performances published under. Quarter Peals: which consist of less than 1.250 changes. For inst.ınce, 1.200 Doubles were rung at Chesssield on March 20th. 1.000 at Old Headington on April 3rd. and 1.200 Doubles. 1.188 Minor and 1.152 Major at East Grinstead. As a peal on up to seven bells should contian 5.040 changes and on 8 or more bells a minimum of 5.000 changes. surcly the minimum nurnher for a quarter peal should he 1.260 or 1.250 if on more than 7 bells.

Ate most of us ringing longer yuarter peals than necessary or should these shorter performances not be published?-Yours sincerely.

> D. A. R. MAY

## East Clandon. Surrey

NOTE.- A sympathetic eve is passed over tire quarter peals published. Many would come under the definition of performances.

WILLIAM LINTER.

Ed.

## YOUNGFST IADY TO RING Maximus

## JUDGING RINGING CONTESTS

Dear Sir-Mr. Norman Chaddock in hrs criticism of a paragraph of my article on Judging Ringing Contests attributes virtues to me which I never claimed to possess. My enumeration of the qualities required to julge a contest was in relation 10 an ideal jujge. Far he utrom me to claim thu I am ideal anything! Morcover, the system is not my system. as he slates, but one which has heen used, so far as I can ascerrain, sinee contests started: I have morely modified it a litule ia order to try and make it more accurate, chiefly in order 10 sort out with greater certainty the leading teams. May I also point out that it is no part of the judge's work in assess the truth of the lest piece: he is there 10 assess the striking. The rules of the contest alnost invariably state that the conductor ol another team must be in the helfry to see that the lest piece is rung true, and infringement leads to disqualification.
If, as Norman implies. iruth means that every bell in every row must be heard absolutely clearly and distinctly in the order in which it should appear. then if this rule was implemented there would be far more room in the 'R.W': for articles and letters. I have no doubt that Mr. Chaddock is well aware of contest rules since he was. I helieve. the chief compiler of the rules of the Shettieki and District Socicty: I have no doubt also that he has often been in the belfry as the conductor who watches to see (and hear: presumably) if the test piece is rung 'true: I don 1 . however, cuer remember him demanding ine disqualification of another team hecause of a jumble -and he must have sat through one or two!
If with my system it is possible for a team which all but fires out 10 win a contest. it is possible with his for a tcam with only two taules to lose it?

He can take his pick. but. of course. he needn't worry; neither is likely to happen.

His argument that the number of faults allocated should be one less than the number of bells involved in the chord (or discord) is far more valid. The argument, of course. is not new. and I have both discussed it and heard it discussed. One well known judge. with whom I was acquainted. stated most definitely. Two s enough at once.

Apart from the difficulty of having to decide on the number of bells involved. the main reason. I think. for the rejection of this multifault system are twofold.
(a) it is extremely unlikely to affect the winning team.
(b) It tends to punish. quite severcly. the less advanced teams.
Of Clem. Glenn I have heard Alhert Nash say (and Sid. Palmer will also repeat). "He saw the mistake coming and corrected it before It was made. No doubl Mr. Chaddock will know (as I do) several conductors of similar calibre to whom conducting a comparative simple method such as Plain Bob. Grandsire or Oxford in a six-bell contest is mere child's plyy, so that with a team of proficient ringers thine, seldom. if ever, reach the stage that Mr Craddock envisages.
On the other hand. with a notso-sure conciuctor with one or lwo rervous young "uns ringing in their first contest. anything can happen-and often does. Many times have 1 beard after a coniest the remark by membery of such a team. Well. we got through. anyHay! sometimes said with a great deal of pride.

There are of course exceptions to borh these examples but. as I said before. no sysiem is infallible.
I am all for the underdog and so, in spite of Norman's logic. I shall still continue to give 'two for these chords. Even with this il is still possible to nave four faulis in one change.-Yours sincercly.
Ryhill. Wakefield

## TOWER CLOCKS

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## LETTERS-Continued

## A TEACHING AID

Dear Sir,-I have produced a script of over 30.000 words entitled 'Learning and Teaching How to Handle the Rope and Ring and Control a Church Bell.' This script contains clear instructions on a proved and successful system of learning and teaching bcll control, including raising and lowering the bell. In it will be found much useful advice on the methods of training a group of pupils, also some suggested exercises leading to better bell control. and a chapter on the use of handbells in initial instruction.

This script. which deals with the subject in detail. will be invaluable to anyone who wishes to improve their style, as well as to pupils and tutors.

Various sections of the script are numbered to relate them to a $35 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{m}$. film strip on the same topic and specially prepared to illu:trate the script. The film strip has 63 pictures and a list of these with short descriptions or captions is also available. A black and white print of the film strip is available too. The film strip is suitable for cutting up to make two inch slides which can be shown on most projectors or any of the simple devices used for viewing colour photos.
An advertisement about the above appears at the back of this issue.-Yours etc

## Rotherham.

## NORMAN CHADDOCK.

## ERIN

Dear Sir.-Mr. Lock in his interestıng articles. 'Alphabet for Beginners,' is not quite accurate when he credits Lindoff with composing Erin as a method. It is very much older What Lindoft did. I think. was to give it its name when he published a peal of Caters soon ifter the went to Dublin in either. The Bell News or "The Ringing World.
Seventy years ago this method was very popular in our tower as 'Stedman, all slow sixes' and as such five years later I took part in many touches of it. I think it was used as a stepping stone towards getting us on to stedman proper.
About filty years ago Law James took up nearly the whole of a Central Council meeting trying to persuade the Exercise that Stedman was composed as Erin and the quick six was the bob. He was finally silenced when an old ringer from Ashton-under-Lyne proposed 'that we continued to ring Stedman as our grandfathers tid. - Yours etc.
B.

## LEEDS \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Methods in Major and Royal were rung at the annual meeting of the Society, held at Leeds Parish Church on April 23rd. Mr. D. Thorp. the honorary secretary. reported that membership had increased and that the finances were healthy. New members ciected were the Misses Judith Green and Averil Woolston. Messrs. R. Brier. S. Rhodes, Ian Vicary, Tolly Stamp and S. Carson. The clergy and local company were thanked by Mr. K. Lumley and Mr. Arnold Cole replied.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

About 35 members attended the spring meeting of the Eastern District at Howden Minster on April 23rd. Mr. L. M. Woodhead presided at the business meeting in the absence of the vice-president, Mr. A. E. Sellers. Elected as members were Miss Mary Carpenter (Hessle). Miss C. N. Harrison. Messrs. J. I. Bath and G. W. Pybus (Coltingham). Bridlington was chosen for the anntial meeting on June 1lth.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY <br> GUILD

Officers of the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers for the year 1960-61 are: President. the Rev. A. C. Blythe (Selwyn): honorary treasurer. Mr. S. J. Ridgman
(Oueens'): Master. Mr. J. R. Taylor (St. (Queens'): Master, Mr. J. R. Taylor (St.
Cath's): honorary secretary, Miss F. A. Secker (Girton); Jibrarian, Mr. H. E. Bishop (Selwyn).

REV. DOUGLAS BALLARD
The beautiful old church at Stoke-underHam was almost full for the memorial service 10 its former vicar. held immediately after his ashes had been interred in the churchyard on April 27th. During Mr. Ballard's long incumbency. of 27 years. great improvement; had been made to the old Parish Church, and not least among them was the restoration of the bells in 1949 . Four of the existing five rells were retuned. one recast. and a new treble added in memory of the Rev. E.S. Jowell, and all hung in a new metal frame by Taylors. Since then the parish has been justly proud of its lovely ring of six. with a tenor of 17 cwt., and its well-kept belfry.

Completely uninterested in either bells or ringers up to that lime. Mr. Ballard found himself caught up in the local enthusiasm for the work of restoration, and finally asked to he taught to ring. For a man of 69 this was no easy matter, and few people can have worked harder than he did to make himself a useful meniber of the tower. After his retirement in 1954 he had more time to give to ringing, and until his last illness he was frequently to be found at neighbouring practices, always eager to learn just a little more.

Mr. Buallard found and gave much happiness in his comparatively shori career as a ringer. The friendship of his fellow ringers meant a great deal to him, and he himself was a uelcome visitor to any tower. It was litting that the bells of Stoke Church should be rung half-muffled before and after the funeral, ir memory of one whose joy it was to offer his humble service as a ringer to God.

## MR. F. W. CANNINGS

The Bath and Wells Association has lost one of its oldest members by the death of Mr. Francis Wilitam Cannings. of Bathford. Bath, at the uge of 95 .

Frank joined the Bath and Wells on June 6th, 1903, and in 1926 he joined the College Youths. He was towermaster at Bathford for nearly, 50 years and was verger from 1913-55. Frank's interest in ringing never faltered and although in the last few years he could not climb the belfry steps he always listened when the bells were rung. By trade he was a carpenter and joiner: an example of his skill are the altar rails in Bathford Church.

Frank was laid to rest on Easter Saturday in the churchyard and under the tower of the church he loved so much. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. K. B. Kenley). Ringers present included his old friends Horace Taylor, Jim and Maurice Smart and local ringers. A coursc of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Me:isis. S. A. Read 1-2, W. J. Prescott 3-4, K, O. Fry S. A. Read 1-2, W. J. J. Hawkins $7-8$.

## MRS. FLORENCE FIELD

On April 22nd the parish church of Long Sutton (Somerset), was still beautifully decorated for the Easter Festival when a large congregation assembled to pay their last respects to Mrs. Florence Field.

The service, which was fully choral. was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. H. S. Hale. Two of Mrs. Field's favourite hymns. On the Resurrection Morning and 'For all thy Saints, were sung. To the lovely strains of IIl walk beside you. the cortege left the church for the churchyard where the Ven. j. C. Chute (Archdeacon of Sherborne) conducted the committal.
It was at Piddlehinton. The Archdeacon's former parish. where Mr. and Mrs. Field first attended a service after their marriage. As reported elsewhere, an 'open' quarter peal Wus rung there later in the day. In accordance with her known wish, there were no wreaths but kind friends were asked instead to send a donation to the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals.

## MR. F. M. MITCHELL

With deep regret we report the death of Mr. Frederick M. Mitchell at Milton, Gravesend, on May 5th. He was 82 . His service to the Kent County Association was conspicuous and among the offices he had held were secretary. Rochester District, general secretary and treasurer. treasurer and vicepresident. The funeral was at Milton on Wednesdiay.

## MR. JOSEPH D. HARRIS

St. Marys. Portsea, has lost its oldest ringer by the death of Mr. J. D. Harris, who died on May 5th. a fortnight before his 88th birthday. About four years ago he met with an accident and this prevented him from doing any active ringing but before this he was a most regular and enthusastic member of the band.

He was very proud of the fact that during his 68 years as a ringer he had rung for the induction of six vicars of Portsea. including the late Archbishop of York and others who was subsequently elected Bishops. In the beliry of Portsmouth Cathedral is a framed copy of Holt's Original. written in full by him. which he was always proud to show to anybody visiting the belfry. He was a member of the Ancient Socicty of College Youths and manv Diocesan and County Associations. including his own Winchester and Portsmouth Criocesinn Guild.
F. W. R.

## MRS. ADA TAYLOR

Ringing friends in the Rochester District and Ladies Guild (Kent Branch) will be sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Ada Taylor. beloved wife of Thomas E. G. Taylor, on April 30.h.

Ada, as she was known to her ringing friends, came from a ringing family in Northern Ireland and learnt to handle a lell at Banger. where her brother $1 . s$ leader. For somic years. prior to her marriage in 1946. she was a Sunday service ringer at St. Thomas. Bclfast.

Her first peal (Grandsire Triples) was rung at Northfleet. Kent. in 1946 and a year later she rang her second peal. Grandsire Triples. at Lurgan. Northern Ireland. On Easter Monday she was present at Bromley. and Hie following Saturday attended the Rochester District meeting at Tunstall. On the Sunday prior to her death she rang for Evensong at Milton-next-Gravesend. where she rang regularly on the 2nd and 4 h Sundays in the month and at St. Cicorge's Chapel of Unity when a service was held there. She was a nimember of the Kent County Association. the ladics Guld, the Society of Royal Cumberlind Youths and the Irish Association. She look a keep interest in missionary work. and st. James Hospital where her cheerful and friendly manner will be sadly missed.

The funeral service took place at St. James (nitich. Uraveserd. on May 4th. conducted by Canon Selwyn Gummer. R.D. Cremation was at Eltham arid the ashes are to b: interred in the family grave at Bangor Abbey: Wicatls were sent from the ringers of Swanscombe. Northfleet, Gravesend and Milton.
T. E. G. T.

HOLME PIERREPONT. NOTTINGHAM.-On Easter Day, 540 Singla Oxford, 720 Oxford T.B : Sue Merideth and Ruth Blackshaw 1. Doreen Armstrong 2. B, Mills 3. M. Harrison 4. A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley 6. Corducted by F. Bradicy and D. Armstrong. For evening service.
SULTH WIGSTON. LFICS.-On Ap:il 3rd. 1,320 Plain Bob Doubies: Mary Norman 1. D. I. Boacicote (lirgt irside ${ }^{\circ}$ ) 2. Mrs. B, G. Warwick 3. B. G. Warwict (cond.) 4. B. M. Smith 5. M. G. Wood (first quarter) 6. To welcome Canon F. M. Cray (Rector of Ayiestone) who preached at Evensong, Also on Eastcr Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles:
M. G. Wood (first away from tenor) 1 D. J. M. G. Wood (first away from tenor) 1, D. J. (cond.) 4, B, M. Smith 5, P. Norman 6. For Evensong.

## ALPHABET FOR BEG <br> By T. J. LOCK <br> ' G "

GARTER HOLE.-There is one hole in the wooden wheel attached to the headstock to which the bell is fixed. This garter hole is made in the rim of the wheel to allow the rope to pass through and it is at this point where the rope is usually subjected 10 most wear. As the bell is rung the wheel turns in a complete circle. first in one and then in the opposite direction, forward and reverse continuously. Conscquently the garter hole goes with the wheel and the rope is bent one way on one side of the hole and then bent the other way on the other side. this being in addition. of course, to the strain on rope the ringer imposes in pulling the bell first at handstroke and then at backstroke. So it is important that the garter hole is properly formed and that the two sides in contact with the rope the hole has two straight sides and two curved sides) are rounded with the largest possible curves and finished with polished smontliness. Sometimes you will find wooden blocks fixed next to the garter hole to give greater bearing surface to the rope.

GLOSSARY of Technical Terms for the use of learners.' published in 1901 and now out of print. It was written by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, assisted by such eminent members of a committce as $\operatorname{Sir}$ A. P. Heywood. William Snowdon. Rev. C. D. P. Davies. H. Dains and N. J. Pitstow. The hook contains some 600 terms (some cross referenced and some described as obsolete) set out in Divisions-I. The Belfry and its contents : II. Preliminary Definitions: III. The Science of Change Ringing: IV. The Practice of Change Ringing. These Divisions are followed by an Appendix giving several systems and methods then practised.

GOLDSMITH.-This alphabet would not he complete without mention of John S. Goldsmith. who died in 1942 and who was the uriginal founder proprictor and editor of - The Ringing World. His pioneer work in the cause of campanology was immense hut cannot be assessed. for what do you consider is the value of this paper to you and to the Exercise? He was also a ringer of no mean ability and without the slightest doubt devoted a great deal of his lifetime towards the furtherance of our art. A sanctus bell in the new Guildford Cathedral is the memorial to this great man.
GLIDE-Guides arc very nice, aren't they? Think of the good work done by mountaineering guides. girl guides, guide dogs and even guides for our bell ropes. When ringing chambers have a very high ceiling. the length of rope left free is too long for the sally to fall straight down to enable the ringer to catch it properly and so maintain full control of his bell. Morcover. there could be the danger of two or more ropes becoming entangled in each other. So for the better. this with a limited application in some cases, guides are fited approximately half way between floor and ceiling. but always above the highest point reached by the sally. Unfortunately guides (for bell ropes) have their disadvantages. such as when they are set to cause the length of rope above them to rise and fall out of the perpendicular. this idea being to make a better circle at floor level where the ringers stand. and also such as when they are fixed to a not too robust iron frame the resultant noise making it difficult for the ringers to hear the bells striking.
The guides are made of iron or limber. though sometimes of hardwood set in an iron ring or collar, but when you get a number of ropes each in turn passing through their guides. the background of noise far 100 often prevents the ringers from hearing the bells at all clearly. Surely an improvement could be made if the hole in the guide could be made two or threc times larger and if a more resilent material, such as leather, rubber. cord or matting were uscd either instead of, or to line. the guide.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

Presentation To Mr. F. Skidmore MEMBERS from all parts of the territory of the Association-there were 175 present al tea-attended the annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association held at Swindon on April 23rd. The occasion was marked by a presentation to Mr . Frank Skidmore, who was re-elecled Master, of an armchair.
In making the presentation. Mr. W. H. Trueman said Mr. Skidmore had held every office in his own branch and all except that of treasurer in the Association. Mrs. Skidmore was given a handbag for her very great help to the Association.

The Master in his report said the affairs of the Association were in a very satisfactory state. the cotal membership being 1.212. of which 1.131 were riuging members. The treasurer reported an increase in finances.
Peal activities warranted special mention. as about 73 peals were rung on tower bells and two on handbells, an increase of about 50 per cent. of which total 41 were Doubles and Minor. Pride of place must go to the Swindon Wizards who rang the first peal of Swindon Surprise Royal and what is believed to be the first peal of London Minor. A handbell peal was rung for the Association in Aistralia.
There had been 15 losses hy death. viz: H. R. Acock (former captain. Fairford). O. G. Altwood (Ringing Master. Bredon's Norton, for half a century). Albert Ball (Coaley). Arthur W. Baldwin (Cirencester), D. Gardiner (Mangotsfield), Amos Hall (tower captain. Winchcombe). Alfred Pearce (oldest member. Bristol City Branch), Henry John Price (Bibury), Heatrice Emily Richards (Portishead). Horace V. Robinson (tower captain, Wickwar). Thomas Townsend (Swindon). H. J. Vallender (Hartpury), E. J. Webber (60 years servioc ringer at Purton). Dr. Clifford Salisbury Woodward (joint president of the Association for 20 vears). Canon Sydney Robert Wortes (Bristol Rural).

Mr. Philip M. J. Gray had agreed to organise a course of ringing instruction for the North Forest Branch

Mr. S. G. Riches, the honorary treasurer. in his report stated that the balance sheet showed an increase of the lotal funds of the Association to $\pm 500$ from $£ 416$ in 1958. This comnared with a total value of funds in 1952 of $£ 265$ points to a steady consolidation of the
finances of the Association during the past seven years.
All the officers were re-elected as were the vice-presidents with the addition of the Rev. W. A. Peel, of Tortworth. Central Council representatives are Messrs. R. Hooper. A. L. Barry. C. Wratten and W. B. Kynaston.
A number of alterations to rules were passed. The subscription is to be increased to 3s. 6d. next year (under 18 ls. 6d.) and new non-resident life members will have to pay 10s. $6 d$. (the committee are to consider giving them a certificate of membership).
The service was held at Christ Church, conducted by the Rev. R. Bryant, who gave an address relating the way of life to bell ringing. God was the composer and conductor, and ringers lives the peal, he said.

Tea was served in the Church Hall. and the next annual meeting will be held at Moreton-in-the-Marsh.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

## Lincolnshire Branch

Prior 10 the service at the annual meeting of the Lincolnshire Branch at Gainsborough or. April 23rd. an all ladies band rang a touch of Grandsire Triples as a silver wedding compliment to the Vicar and Mrs. F. P. Shepherd.

Mrs. Bray presided at tha business meeting and it was agreed to send a message of love and sympathy to Mrs. McGuiness on the illness of her husband. The officers were reelected. Mectings arranged were Gosberton, Junc 18th. Scunthorpe, July 23rd, and Butterwick, September 241 h .

## A CANADIAN VISITOR

A visitor to All Saints belfry. Belton. Isle of Axholme. on April 22nd, was Mr. Harry Bell of 4712. Victory Street. South Burnaby; Vancouver. B.C. Before coming to England. for six months holiday. the last time he rang was at Christ Church Cathedral. Victotia, 13 years ago when he covered with the tenor to Grandsire Triples. His previous last ring in England was in 1904. at his birthplace, Lower Pcover. Cheshire. Where he rang the tenor on Easter Sunday and at Belton he joined in some rounds. The genial personality of this old gentleman delighted the Belton ringers.


A HAPPY PICTURE at the wedding of Dr. David Heighton and Miss Bridget Mutimer, which took place at Saxlingham Nethergate, Norfolk. on Easter Monday. In the group are the Rector (the Rev. C. T. Hearn) and the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow (vice-president of the Central Council), who officiated. Dr. Michael Sorackling (hest man), Dr. Tudor Edwards and Mr. Patrick J. Bird (ushers), who discardeJ their frock coats after the ceremony to ring a congrat!latory peal, are also in the group.

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## BIRTHS

DARMON.-Oi May 6th. 1960. to Jean and Sitanley Darmon, a daughter. 5907 WILLCOX.-On May 15ih. 1960, to Sylvia (nec Beddow) and Ernest at 13. Priory Crescent. Aylesbury, a daughter (Hazel Dorne).

## ENGAGLMENT

GILES-GALE-The engagement is announced between Hazel, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Gale. 126. The Headlands. Northampion, and Peter. younger son of Canon and Mrs. M. F. Giles, of Wollaton. Notingham.

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## DEATH

MITCHELL.-Frederick M.. of 114. Sun Lanc. Gravesend. called home to rest Miy 4th. 1960. in his 82 nd year. 50 years a member of the Kent County Association.

MITCHELL-Frederick M.. at Milton. Gravesend, on May 4th. 1960 . Viec-president. Kent County Association of Change Ringers, formerly general treasurer, and general secretary and treasurer Remembered by all members with great affection and with deep sympatily to his wife and family.

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ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.-Forthcoming practices: Saturday. May 1 ist and Saturjav. June llith. 6 to $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welconc. 5920

ST. MARY CRAY PARISH CHURCHAnnual ringers service. Siturday. Muy 21 si. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Aames for tea by May 18th. to Mr. Braund. 12. St. George's Road. Foots Cray. $\$ 896$

THE VETERANS REUNION (London), June 18th. at Bishopsgate. Will all who hope to come please notify me within the next week. please.-j. Euston, 28 . Fairmile Avenue. Sitreatham. S.W.16. 5962
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## CANCELLATION

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Chesterfield District.-The meeting. arranged for Old Brampton on Saturday, May 14th, is cancelled owing to illness near church.-A. B. Cooper 5934

## MEETINGS

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Mceting at Godstonc. Saturdiay. May 14th. Tea at Curds tea rooms.-C. A. Basselt. 5889 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District-Mecting at Ickleton. Saturday. May 14 th . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business includes election of one representative to Diocesan Committce.-E. W. Hullman.

LSSEX ASSOCIATION,-Northern District. -Mecting. Saturday, May 14th, Dunmow. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5848 ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.W.-Crusader meeting, High Ongar, May 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. GUILDFOR ${ }^{\text {G.m. }}$ DIOCESAN GUILD. Chertsey District-Meeting at Walton-onThames on Saturday. May 14 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. HERTIURD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.-Mceting. Standon. Saturday,
May 14th. Mainly for beginners. - Durrant. May 14th. Mainly for beginners. - Durrant.
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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N. and E. District-Mecting at St. Gabriel's. Warwick Square, S.W.I. Saturday, May $14 \mathrm{i} h$. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m.. followed by busincss meeting and further ringing until \& p.m. SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The Festival and A.G.M. will be held at Wimborne, May 14th, 1960. Mecting in Assembly Hall of Queen Elizabeth;s Grammar School at 2.15 p.m., the Chairman of U.D.C. will welcome the Guild. 4 p.m. Service in the Minster, conducted by the Vicar. Meat tea in Grammar School at 5 p.m. Bells available: Wimborne Minster (10) 11.30 a.m. to 2 D.m., $6-9$ p.m.; Poole (10) 11.30-12.30. 6-8; Wimborne Si. Giles (8) 11.30-1.30, 6.30-8.30; Cranborne (8) $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$ : Wool (6) 11.30-1.30, 6.30-8.30; Wareham (8) 6.30-8.30; Hampreston (6) $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$; Canford (6) 11.30 1.30, $6.30-8.30$; Sturminster Marshall-ienor bell out of commission but is expected 10 bc available in time for the Festival, if so ringing from $11.30-1.30,6.30-8.30$ p.m.-W. C. West. 1 cn . Scc.
WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-Southern Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Norton, near Evesham. Saturday, May 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tca and business meeting.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Kettering Branch.-Evening practice meeting at Desbor Jugh (8) from 7.30 io $8.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . on Friday. May 20th. All welcome.

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIAFION Chew Deancry - Practice mecting at Ubley ( 6 ! May 2lst. Bells 5 to 6.15 p.m. Chew. Stohe
available 6.30 to 8 p.m.-D. G. Yco. Hon. available 6.30 to 8 p.m.-D. G. Yco. Hon. Branch Scc. 5930 BEDFORDSHIIRE ASSOCIATION - Luton District-Mceting, Eaton Bray. Saturday, May
? lst. General ringing 3-4 p.m. Ringing contest Ist. General ringing $3-4$ p.m. Ringing contest
4 p.m. Tca (approx. 3s.) 5 p.m.. Followed by judies flacing and comments. Names to Rev. p. Gratham. The Vicarage. Kitton Bray. Dunstable. Beds. No names no tea-Kenneth 6. Spavins. Dis. Sec CIfLSIER DIOCESNN GUILD-W irral Branch.-Upton. May 2lst. Fells (5) 2.30 n.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Shotwick (6) iffer tea (fare 3s. Gd. return). Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.-Alexander J. Martin. 19.
Falcon Koad. Birkeninead.
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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.Northern District-Meeting at Exhall on Salurday. May 21 st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Great Gransden. Saturday. May 21 st . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. Sec. 5937 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Wisbech
Branch.-Meeting. Watlington. Saturday, May ?|st. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis Sec. 5913 ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.E. District--
Meeting. Thorington. Saturday. May 21 st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea by Wednesday. May 18 th , please, 10 Mr . A. R Andrews. Hall Cottage. Thorington. 5879
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTUL ASSOCIA-TION.-Stroud Branch.-Meeting at Avening. May 2lst. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tca 4.30 p.m. Is each. Names for tea to S. T. Price. 12. Regent Street. Stonchouse. Glos.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIM
JION.-Stow Branch.-Mecting at Moreton-in-the-Marsh. Saturday. May 2ist. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to F. Newton. 44. Bishop's Drive, Bishops Cleeve Chelt-nham. Gilus

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GLUUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Chippenham and Swindon Branches -Joint meeting. Malmesbury, Saturday. May 2 ist. Bell's (8) at 2.30 p.m Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea essential by 19th. to H. G. Blanchard. Braemore. Filands. Malmesbury. Wilts.
GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILDFarnham District.-Combined practice at Crondill (6) on Saturday. May 21 st. 6-9 p.m. GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS--lst. Ringing Benington (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Aston (6) available after iea (bring sour own). Dinner 7.15 p.m. Coach and Horses: Stevenage. Names to D. L. Gullick. Mount View. Stevenage
HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting, May 2lst. Hawkhurst. Names for tea to A. H. Kemp. Lillesden. Cottages. The Moor. Hawkhurst. DEREORD DIOCESAN CUMLD 5919 HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-
Ledbury District-Quarterly meeting at Colwall. Saturday. May 21st. Service at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please. 10 J. W.ird. Wooficlds, Coddington, Ledbury. Herefords.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUIIDHereford District-Meeting. Fownhope. Saturday. May 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and mecting to follow. Names for tea to T. E. Wood. 75, Redhill Flats. Hereford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford District-Meeting at Lympne (6). Saturday. May 21 st . Beils 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for lea by previous Thursday to Mr. H. P. Yates. Long View. Berwick Lane. Lympne.-C. T. H. 5918 LADIES' GUILD.-South Wales District.-
Meeting at Abergavenny, May ?lst. Bclls (10) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Gentlemen welcome Names for tea by May 18th. pleasc, to Miss L. Temlett. Park villa. Hereford Road Abergavenny.-J. S. King.
LADIES
GUILD -Midand District Meeting at Melton Mowbray, on May 21st. bells 3 pm . Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by previous Wednesdity. to Mr. R. E. Manion. 11. Elms Road. Melton Mowbray. Leics.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton and Manchester Branches.-Joint meeting it Pendlebury, on Saturday May ?lst. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea 5. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea hy Monday. May 16 h , 10 A. Lomas. 47. Normanby Strect. Swinton.G. D. Fcarnehough.

5903 IUNCASIIIRE ASSOCIATION-ROssenSatc Branch.-Meeting at Haslingden. on Saturday. May 2list. Ringing it 3 n.m. Cups
of tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.- . Porter. Brianch Sec. 5927 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Market Harborough District.-Mceting Great Bowden, Saturday, May 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.L. W. Allen. 5943 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-West I indscy Branch.-Mceting itt Belion, Saturday, May 21st. Bells (6) ifternoon. Epworth evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who no ify ne by previous Tuesday. George L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth. Lea. Gainsborough.
Tel. 2623.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION -S. and $W$. District.-Meeting on Saturday. May 21st Ringing arrangements is follows: Harmondsworth $3-4.30$ p.m. Harlington $4-5$ p.m.. followed by tea and further ringing afterwards. Names not later than 18 th. 10 L . Grice. 15 . Burnham Gardens. Harlington.-E. R. Gotham. Hon Dis. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-North Berks Branch.-Annual meeting. Saturday May 2lst. at Blewbury. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. May 17 th. to A. E. Lock. 35, East St. Helen Street.
Abingdon, Beris.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Sonning Deanery Branch.-A combined practice will be held at Easthampstead. On May 21 st . at 6 p.m. Special method: St. Clement's Minor.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCFSAN GUILD.-

 Northampton Branch.-Mceting at Dallington (Northanipton). Saturday. May 21 st. Bells (6) ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tucsday previous. to E. Billings. 61.Melville Street. Northampton.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION -Annual mecting at St. James's. Underwood Road. Paisley,
on May 2 st. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for on May 2 Ist. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for 37 Main Road. Castlehead. Paisley.
SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETYMonthly meeting. Eastrington, Saturday. May 21 st . Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m Jligh tea 3s. 6 d . Names before 18 th . please. to Mrs. J. Bradshaw. High Street. Eastrington, -L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNewark District-Meeting. Barnby-in-theWillows (6). Saturday. May 2lst. Bells 2.30 o.m. Own tea arrangements. Look up Sandiitcre Surprise.-W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec. 5862 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNorth Notts District.-Practice meeting it
North Wheatley (6). Saturday. May 21 st. North Wheatley (6). Saturday. May 21 st.
I'lcase take own fond. cups of tea provided. -H. Denman
SUFFOLK GUILD-East Central District -Meeting. Fressingfield (8). Saturday. May 2 Ist. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. May 18th. to L. E. Ltheridge. Willow House. Fressingfield. Diss. Norfolk. To our Norfolk ringers, all will he made welcome.-W. J. Button. Hon. Sec. 5914
SUFFOLK GUILD.-Wenhaston. Suffolk. a service of thanksgiving for the restoration of the bells (the debt having now heen cleared). Saturday May 21 st. 3 p.m.. preacher Rev.
T. H. Child. Bells available after service until $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday May 18th. to C. J. Gtbson. I. Heath Road. Wenhaston. Halesworth.

SURREY ASSOCIATION:-Northern Dis-trict.-The Annual Striking Competition will bc held at Christ Church. Epsom. on May 2 lst. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entries welcomed from uny Sunday service band in the county. Forms on request from Secretary. Names for tea should be sent by non-competitors by Thursday previous. to Frank Oakshott, Downsview, Lewins Road. Epsom. surrey. Quarterly business meeting after lea followed by ringing.-W. Parrott. 19, Eastdean Avenue. Epsom. Surrey, Hon. Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western Division.-Quarterly meeting at Billingshurst (8) on Saturday, May 21 st at 3 p.m. Names for lea by previous Wednesday. to E. W. Keys. Greystones. Salthill Road. Fishbourne. Chichester.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, Southern Division.-Practice meeting. Buated 18). Saturday. May 21 st . Bells 3 p.m. Scrvice Ica 5 p.m. Pleasc notify numbers for tea hy Tucsudy. May 17 th .-George North. 11 Richmond Terrace. Brighton.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Winchester. Southampton and Andover Districts.-Joint meeting. Sturday. May 21st. Goodworth Clatford 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. Longstock 2.30 to 3.30. Kings Somborne and Stockbridge 3.30 to 4.30 p.m. Service Stockbridge 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tca. Four cafes available. Motisiont 6.15 to 7 p.m. E. Tytherley 7 to 8 . Broughton 8 to 9 p.m.-G. Dodd. P. Dickenson. I. Hartless. Hon. Secs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Southern District.-Annual meeting joint with DONCASTER [IISIRICT SOCIETY, at Arksey, near Doncaster. May 21 st. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names by 19th. $10 \mathrm{Mr} . \mathrm{R}$. E. Cooper. 6. Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster. Barnby Don bells (6) will also be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due and annual reports will be available. A good attendance is reports will be avallable. A good attendance is
hoped for. All welcome.-J. J. L. Gilbert. 5885

LADIES' GUILD.-West Midland District. -Quarterly meeting. Saturday, May 28th. at St. Nicholas: Kings Norton. Birmingham. Ringing 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 to 5 . Tea $\$$ p.m... followed by business meeting. Ringing from 6 to 8 p.m. approx. Notifications for tea not later than Wednesday. May 25th. to Miss M. Funnell. 7. Lanchester Road. Kings Norton. Birmingham 30

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Central Branch.-Annual meeting. Sleaford. May 28th. Tea for those who notify by Tuesday previous. Mrs. Wray, 16. Eastgate. Sleaford.-C. Brown. Hon. Sec. 5933
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-
Western Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Necton. Western Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Necton.
on Saturday. May 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. Names for rea by the previous Thursday, to Mr. G. Heyhoe, Necton, waftham.-C. Tovell. Sec.

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pping
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Enstone. on Saturday. May 28th. Reply numbers for tea by previous Tuesday:-J. Keyte. Hon. Sec., Rosemary. Freeland. Oxford.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDThe annual general meeting will be held. D.V.. on Saturday. May 28 th, at Potterspury, Committee meeting at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. the preacher being the Archdeacon of Northampton. Tickets for tea at 3 s , each. C.W.O. from Mr. W. A. Yates, 4. Bannerlands. Dadford. Buckingham. before May 21st. Ringing will be available at the following towers: Gayton 6. Alderton 5. Grafton Regis 5 $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .1012$ noon: Towcester 6. Cosgrove 6. Stoney Stratford. 12 to 1 p.m.: Easton Neston 8. Whitlebury 5, Paulerspury 6. Wicken 8. 1.30 to $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All except Easton Neston open after tea. Potterspury 6. $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 9 p.m.: Green's Norton 6. 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD -Salisbury Branch.-Practice meeting. May 281h. Britford. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Downton also available in evening. Please send names for tea by May 24th. to Miss Eloie. 8. Albany Road. Salisbury. 5909

## MANCHESTER UNITY ODD FELLOWS

A.M.C.. May 28 th to June 4th. at BRIGHTON. Sussex
Special scrvice. St. Peter's Church (10). Sunday May 29th. at 3 p.m. Ringing 2.30 p.m. when all Odd Fellow ringers-also visiting ringers-will be cordially welcomed.

> A. W. Bond. St. Peter's Ringers. Brother Frank Stenson. 5939

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.Notingham District.-Meeting on Saturday. June dth. at Granby. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for teat must be given by May 31st. to S. Adams. 54. Wilford Road. Ruddington. Nottingham.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Annual general mecting. Whit Monday. June 6th. at Cheimsford. Service in Cathedral 11 a.m. Preacher Archdeacon of Colchester. Annual meeting immediately after service in Chapter Housc. Coffce, ctc.. available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. lunch 1.30 p.m. cost 5 s . Teil 2 s a rurning buffet. cost 2 s . 6 d .. if purchased by closing date. June Ist. Later applications 6 s . 6 d . and 3 s . respectively. Ringing: Cathedral 9.30 to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. (Service touch at 10.45 ) and from 4 p.m. From 3 to 6 p.m. : Boreham (8). Great Watham (8). Broom-
ficld (6). Little Waltham (6). Springfield (6). Ford End (6). High Easter (6), and from 6 to $9 \mathrm{p.m}$ : Galleywood (8). Widford (8). Great Haddow (8). Danbury (6). Sandon (6). Little Baddow ( 5 ). Lunch and tea tickets from F. V. Gant. 3 Central Drive. Hornchurch.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-North-East Disirict.A district fuli day's outing is being arranged to the Spalding area. Lincs. on Saturday. July th. All who wish to take part please send


## OUTINGS

## BROMHAM, BEDS.

Bromham ringers, and friends had an enjoyable outing on April 23 rd . despitc the coach driver's theories of map reading which resulted in arriving at Chalfont St. Peter half an hour late. At Waltham St. Lawrence. a trade-mark was left by the coach on a gateway when turning. Ringing on the nine at All Saints". Basingstoke. after lunch somehow - didn't go. On the secast Farnham bells, the part rang for a wedding: but the best ringing of the day was at Dorking. After ringing at Redhill the party had their money's worth on the homeward journey when they managed to cross the Thames about four times. Thank you. Kathleen. for your good arrangements.
K. C. F.

## EMMANUEL, PLYMOUTH.

Several lovely old churches in North Devon were visited by the ringers of Emmanuel. Plymouth. during a half day's tour on April 30th. At Halwill there was not only ringing but cups of tea and cream buns ekindly supplied by a former Plymouth resident). An hour was spent on the beautiful eight at Holsworthy and at Clawton the Rev. John Scolt joined in touches of Grandsire. Stedman and Bob Minor. The last tower was Ashwater. Kinging was under the direction of Mr. J. P. Sims. and the arrangements were made by Mr. H. H. Thomas. A welcome visitor was Mr. Coles. of Hatield.

## STRATTUN, CORNWALL

Three car loads of Stratton ringers made all early start on Easter Monday to ring in three counties. The party was augmented at Ottery St. Mary. where well struck touches of Grandsire and Stedman were brought round. Some very nice ringing was enjoyed at Chard and also on the lovely cight at Crewkernc. At West Coker a death in the village prevented ringing

An adjournment was made to try some of Rene's Cornish pastics before ringing on the grand ten at leovil where a visitor comnented. Stratton boys certainly put their backs into it to make ringing enjoyable. Into Dorset and Sherburne Aobbey where Grandsire. Stedman and Plain Bob was the order of the day and the ringing was very good. The lozals eipresseci a wish to hear something at by calling some Cornish Bob.

On the homeward journey, a stop was made at Honiton where the Devon Guild meeting was being held and a nice touch of Stedman Triples was called by Tom.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The meeting of the S.W. Branch at Ugborough. last visited in 1934. on April 23rd. proved is great attraction and was attended by over 50 ringers. Ringing was under the direction of Mr. T. G Myers and included Grandsire. Stedman. Plain Boh and Kent. These bells. strangely keyed. have a tenor of 24 cwi . and two dating back to 176?

At the mecting memiers stood in symputhy for the passing of Mr. G. H. Myers. Mr. E. W. Biffin and Mrs. Paul Ficld. Mr. L. Cundy and Miss M. Shepherd were admitted members and Guild certificates were presented by the chair$\operatorname{man}$ (Mr. H. H. Thomas) to Mr. Gordon Gilley (Plympton St. Maurice) and Mr. A. J. Sandy (Launceston).

## QUARTER PEALS

CALVERLEY, YORKS.-On April 8th, 1.260 Treble Bob Minor: ( 720 Kent, 720 Oxford): P. M. Dawson 1. Jean M. Dawson 2, W. Lee 3, P. Wheatley 4, R. J. Lumley (first as cond.) 5, J. Rhodes 6.

CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Doubles (St. Simon's, Reverse Camterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Suzanne Baker (first quarter) 1. V. Cott 2, D. Parker 3, D. Manger (cond.) 4. 1. Parker 5. C. Rowe 6. For Evensong.

FRENSHAM, SURREY.-On Easter Day, 1.260 Duubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss P. Badlarid 1. Mrs. C. J. Beadle 2, Miss S. Thayer 3. C. J. Bcadle 4, J. E. Goddard (cond.) S, D. W. Shepheard 6.

IVINGHOE, BUCKS.-On April 18th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Josic Huchings 1. F. K. Williamson (cond.) 2. M. D. Pearson 3. I. Pett 4. W. Sear 5.
KILMERSDON, SOMERSET,-On Abril 21st. 8,440 Plain Boh Minor: C. J. Richards I, L R. G. Taylor 2, D. J. Barnetl 3. J. J. Jefferies 4, T. J. Milsom 5, A. F. Lee (cond.) 6. 50th quarier rogether for 5 and 6. A birthday compliment to Her Maiesty the Oucen.

NEWTON ST. CYRES, DEVON.-On Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Grace Cork 1, R. J. Brav 2. G. S. Luxton 3. G. Skinner 4. A. Newton 5. E. G. Cork 6, P. Newton (cond.) 7, A. C. Thornc (first of Trinles) 8. For evening service.
NORTHAMPTON.-At the Church of St. Edmund, on Easter Day. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. White 1, Miss D. M. Miller 2. Mrs. R. E. Roome 3. Miss J. A. Downing 4, R. S. Roberis 5, J. C. Rainbow 6, E. Billings (cond.) 7. G. F. Roome 8. Rung for $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Communion on Easter Day.
WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS, On April 18th. 1.440 Minor (Cambridge, Kent. Oxford, Plain Bob. Little Bob. Double Court): R. C. Warburton 1. 1. K. Foot 2, Pamela M. Turner 3, R. E. Tallis, jun., 4. P. S. Bennett (cond.) 5, M. S. Hart 6. First in six methods by all the band.

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## COVENTRY'S ANNUAL WAS ALSO A PILGRIMAGE

TTHE Coventry Diocesan Guild held its 53rd annual general meeting on Saturday, April 23 rd, in the centre of the City of Coventry, literally strrounded by bells, none of which could be rung. The tower of the destroyed Cathedral, which still stands intact, has a ring of 12 bells, with a tenor of 32 cwt . plus two semitone bells, making a total of 14. These bells are cast for ringing but at present are hung 'dead ' in the base of the spire, and apart from providing the quarters and hour bells for the clock-which incidentally has no external faces at all-are used as a chime, and play hymn tunes at intervals during the day.

On the opposite side of the street there is a wooden campanile, belonging to Holy Trinity Church, housing a ring of eight bells with a tenor of 24 cwt . These bells are in the original frame, complete with wheels and fittings to make them a ringable peal, just as they were taken out of the tower when it was declared to be unsafe. It is said that when these bells were tirst put in the campanile they were rung up in peal, but the structure started to rock so violently that the ringers let go and ran for their lives. As the tower still stands it obviously did not fall down. The present vicar has stated as recently as last month in the parish magazine that he hopes to do something about the bells as soon as the organ has been repaired.

Only a few yards away on the side of the bridge crossing Hertford Street there is the Lady Godiva clock, which has a single bell hanging on the outside wall to strike the hours. This bell was in the Market Hall Tower which was destroyed in the Blitz, but the tell was not damaged. Visible from Broadgate and about 200 yards to the west is St. John's Church with a ring of five bells in its tower. This tower has been unsafe for many years, and only complete rebuilding would make it possible to ring the bells. Coventry has two churches each with a ring of eight, both of which are about one-and-a-half miles from the City centre. These are All Saints', Aliesley, and St. Michael's, Stoke, both of which were available during the day for ringing.

So much for the belts. The business meeting was preceded by members attending Evensong in the Chapel of the Cross. This is a part of the basement of the new Cathedral and has been furnished so that services can be held: and but for the fact that the area is long and narrow, the authorities have produced a chapel with seating for about 700 people. The Provost, the Very Rev. H. N. C. Williams, in his address to the ringers said he wanted them to realise that they were a very important part of the churches they represented, and hoped they would do all they could to keep their office alive by bringing in new recruits to their art. He hoped they would make this an annual pilgrimage to their Mother Church.

Immediately after the service the Provost, at a very simple ceremony, was presented with a cheque for $£ 135$ as a gift from the ringers of the diocese. The president (Mr. F. W. Perrens) in making this presentation to the Bishop's Appeal Fund assured the Provost that the ringers of the diocese would be very ready to make a further contribution towards the Cathedral bells when necessary. In reply, the Provost thanked the president and the general secretary, who had organised the fund, for the very handsome donation to the Appeal, and said he did this on behalf of the Bishop, who was unfortunately out of the diocese and unable to attend.

The A.G.M. was held in the Cathedral Huts after tea. In opening the meeting the president thanked Mr. Hunt, of Stratford-on-Avon. for his very generous gift which had made the Appeal possible. He also thanked everyone who had helped to raise a sum of $£ 135$ cowards the Bishop's Appeal, and said that the sum raised was a credit to the Guild.

All the officers were re-clected, with Mr. H. Windsor as Ringing Master, for the ensuing year. The secretary reported progress in the Guild as far as recruits and ringing were concerned. Many towers that had been silent for many years were now very much alive, thanks to the Branch secretaries and their helpers who had made this revival possible. The election of nearly 100 new members from both Districts was confirmed, as was also ten new non-resident members. This surely speaks for itself, and augurs well for the future of the Guild. This Guild is not a peal-crazy one. and only 16 peals had been rung in the year past: the outstanding peal was the six-spliced by the Allesley band after many attempts, and they are justly proud of their achievement.

A committee was set up to look into the Guild rules, as these were now out of date and wanted revising. Many suggestions were put forward for this committee to work on. It was hoped that they would have their report ready for one of the early quarterly meetings so that it could be dealt with at the next annual meeting.

The treasurer reported that the finances of the Guild were sound and looked like remaining so. It was decided to liold the next quarterly meeting at Monks Kirby, if available. Before closing the mecting the chairman thanked the ladies for providing such a splendid tea.
J. L. G. H.

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## Peals rung in honour of the Wedding of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones



## TWELVE BELL PEALS

LINCOLN
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes.
In Si. Hugh's Tower at ihe Cathedral Church of the Blessed
A PEAL UF 5280 LYDDINGTON SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in D.
Claire Dillamore ... .. Treble A. Robin Heppensiall .. 7 Geoffrey R. Parker ... 2 Walter Tomlinson .. .. 8 Norah M. Randles. . .. 3 George H. Randles .. 9 Margaret A. Swann .. 4 John Walden .. .. .. 10 Peter A. Sharp.. .. ... 5 Raymond F. Smith .. .. il John Freeman . . . . .. 6 Jack L. Millehouse .. . . Tenor

First peal in this method.


Composed by C. H. Hariersley. Conducted by Thomas H. Francis. * First peal in the method, and on 12 bells. $\dagger$ First on 12 bells.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. May 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Mintutes,
Ai the Cathedral Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 25 cwt.
Richard Grant
Treble|Geoffrey M. Brewin
Philip G. K. Davies a 2 William A. Lacey .. .. 8
Doreen D. Duiton . . . 3 John A. Acres .. .. .. 9
Redvers F. Elkingion .2 4 Robert B. Smith $\quad .$.
Jack P. Kesterton .. .. 5 E. Alan Jacques .. .. 11
Herrick B. Bowley .. . 6 William J. Roor .. .. Tenor Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.

## TEN BELL PEALS

DERBY
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri.. May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.
At THE CHURCH OP ST. ANDREW.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr .23 lb . in E flat.
Pairicia A. M. Halls ...Treble Clive W. Walklate.. .. Charles W. Walklate .. 2 Gordon A. Halls *Sampson Walklate .. 3 Denis R. Carlisle *David K. Walklate .. 4 Harold Taylor.. .. .. 9 Michael Blore .. .. 5 Burley P. Morris .. . . Tenor Composed by George Freebrey, Conducted by David K. Walklaik. * 25th peal together. First of Surprise Royal as conductor.

HASLEMERE, SURREY,
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Sat., May 7. 1960. in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
PEAL At The Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 13 cwt .6 lb . in F .
William A. Theobald .. Treble Brian D. Threlfall .. 6
F. Eric Roberis .. .. 2 William T. Cook

Composed by $\mathbf{S}$ J. Ivini.
Conducted b) WuFred Williams.

## HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUICD On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 HAMPSTEAD SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 21 cwt .1 gr .22 lb . in E flat.

William H. Collis ... Treble N. David Rubinson .. 6 | Celia F. Whitfeld... | . | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur D. Barker | . | .. | 3 | Frank C. Price....... | . | 7 |

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Arthur D. Barker . . . } & 3 & \text { Albert R. G. Twinn } & . . & 8 \\ \text { Christopher W. Wuolley } & 4 & \text { Thomas J. Lock } & \text { Wher } & . & 9\end{array}$
John Hill
. Tellar
Arranged and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.
First peal in the method.

## LEICESTER

THL L.EICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., May 7, 1960, ill 3 Hours and 14 Mimut's, At the Chirch of St. John-the-Divine,
A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Trenor 21 cwt.
A. James Poynor .. . . Treble Keith B. Townsend.. .. 6

Pairicia A. Wardll .. 2 Mariin C. Faulkes.. .. 7
Peter J. Chilion .. .. 3
John M. Jelley. . . . . . 4 Ian J. Fraser Arihur Gibbs

Composed by G. Ronald Edwards.

| Russell S. Morris | .. | .. | 9 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alan E. Hartley | $\ldots$ | .. |  |

Alan E. Hartley ... Tenor

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 23 cwt .2 qr .23 lb .

Arranged and Conducted by C. Kennein Lewis.
First peal of Royal in the meihod for the Guild.

MAIDSTONE. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 32 cwt .21 lb . in C sharp.
Leonard Mannering .. Treble| George F. Cantrill .. 6
Olive D. COuchman $\quad . \quad 2 \quad 2$ Joseph C. Wallis
Joseph C. Wallis . .. 7
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 3 Maurice E. Downs
Fredertck C. Hogan ... 4 Thomas Cullingworth .. 9
Frederick A. Leeson ... 5 Colin A. Tester ... ... Tehor Composed by G. Hulifield. Conducted by Thomas E. Sune.

MARSDEN, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minules. At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5055 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 26 cwl 2 qr. 7 lb . in D .


ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued
ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 23 cwt

| Harold V. Frost | Treble | §Richard A. Porter |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Siliphen P. Darvill | 2 | Beriram C. Johnson |  |
| $\dagger$ Kenneth J. Darvill | 3 | Geoffrey Dodds |  |
| Joyce Dodus | 4 | Thomas J. Southam |  |
| ¢Christine V. Pullin | 5 | George W. Debenha |  |

Composed by George W. Dibenham.
Conducted by Thomas J. Southam.
*First peal. $\ddagger$ First in the method. $\ddagger$ First on ten bells. \& First "inside " and first of Royal.

SELBY. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. May: 7, 1961, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.
At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Germanus,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 25 cwt 2 gr .20 lb . in D .

| Plitr Woodwaris . . . Trebl | W. Eric Critchlay |
| :---: | :---: |
| Richard E. Price .. .. 2 | Gordon Benfield |
| Howard Scott | J. Henry Fielden |
| Thomas W. Str | Alfred Sm |

Thomas W. Strangeway..
Leslie W. G. Morris ..
Lised Arranged and Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat.. May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Collegiate Church of St. Petier, A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 33 cwt .

| Howard Howell | Treble | Francis Brotherion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barnabas G. Key | 2 | James S. Eastwoud |
| Albert D. Collins | - 3 | William Davies |
| Harry Boswell. | 4 | Frederick G. Handley |
| Griffiths | 5 |  |

Harry Boswell.
Harry Griffiths
Composed by James E. Groves. Conge W. Hughes. .. Tenor Conducted by Howard Howell.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BOLSOVER. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6. 1960, in ? Hours and 44 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{} \mathrm{cm}$.
 Mrs. B. Holmes ..... 4 Arthur B. Cooper... ... Tehor
Composed by 1. Nicholl. Conducled by Cyril Wrijht.

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


## BRIGHTON. SUSSEX

TIIE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. May 6,1960 , in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR


* First peal of Major. BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwl . 1 lb . in $E$ flat
"Mary Hall .........Treble
Patrick J. Bird Peter E. Parry ...

## BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. May 6. 1961), in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Edwin G. Townsend Tenor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Edinin. . Townsend | .. | Treble | Brian W. Hall ... | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Birnard J. Coggins.. | .. | 2 | Alan R. Cornish | . | . | 6 |
| Freuerick. W. Soden | .. | 3 | Thomas W. Timms | .. | . | 7 |
| Michael C. F. Collett | .. | 4 | William J. Dixon | .. | . | Teno |

Michael C. F. Collett .. 4 William J. Dixon ...... Tenor
Composed by J. E. Buriov.
Conducted by Thomas $\mathbf{W}$. Timms.
CONDOVER. SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes, At The Church of SS. ANDREW AND Mary. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

*First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First of Plain Bob Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal. First of Plain Bob Triples as conductor.

## DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN ROB MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt 3 qr 9 lb . in E flat.
*Elizabeth A. Negus ..Treble Hilary M. Johnson.
Sianley F. Webb
Patrick Ivan Chapman
Hugh M. Johnson .. . . 6
+Mary J. Marshall .. 3
Gillian Tavener .. .. 4
Composed by John Carter.
David J. Marshall.. .. Tenor
First peal of Major. + First Conducted by David J. Manshall.
as conductor (aged 15).
HARROW WEALD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Mintites,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $7 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{qr}, 3 \mathrm{lb}$. in A .


First peal in the method.

HIGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri.. May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. Ar ihe Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 11 cwt.
Treble
*Eric Woolgrove
Treble! Reginald W. Rex .
+Chirry White ... 2 \#Arthur Sayers ... 5
+Brian Mills
\$GEOFFREY K. DodD ... 7
\#Reginald F. Crook ${ }^{\circ}$
Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodor *First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First on eight bells. \$ First of Plain Bob Triples.

Rung also as a birthday compliment to the ringers of treble and 7 , both of whom celebrated birthdays the previous day.

## HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. May 6. 1960, in 3 Hours.
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt . 1 qr .8 lb .

## Vivien Barnes

. . Treble *WILliam Newman .. .. 5
Mrs. P. Harris
Mrs. J. Thomas
Joseph D. Johnson
Composed by J. W.
*irst peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

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## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued <br> HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Fri.. May' 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes. <br> at the Church of St. Michael and All angels, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES <br> Parker's Twelve-Part. <br> *Meryl Newton (16) <br> Roland Biggs . Wendy Hussey ( 13 ) <br> Percy Newton <br> Treble <br> 2 <br> Arthur Newton 14 cwt. 3 yr. 19 lb

Conducted by David A. Cornwa
*First attempt for a peal.
KINGSWINFORD. STAFFORDSHIRE:
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minules. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES


* First peal (aged 12). † First 'inside.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Fri., May 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter-in-Westminster
(commonly called Westminster Abbey),
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition.
harold N. Pitstow..
Treble George H. Cecil
Tenor $28 \leq \mathrm{cwt}$.
harold N. Pits
John Phillips George h. Cecil
Dennis Randall 5
6

William J. Rawlings
michael P. Moreton
John H. Crampion Jack A. Waugh. . Conducted by Harold N. Pitstow.
The peal commenced as the bridali pair left the Abbey
MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of St. Matthias.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt . 2 qr. 3 lb . in $F$ sharp.

*R. George Morris.
Mrs. E. Bowen
Derek Price
George E. Evenden
Composed by H. W. Wilde (C.C.C. 23). Conducted by George E. Evenden.

* 150th peal.


## NORTHAMPTON

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. May 6, 196(), in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
Ai thi: Church of St. Edmund, King and Mariyr,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 25 sb .
Robin Wilson .. .. .. Treble Michael R. Bennett
Percy amos 2 Robert S. Roberts
 Composed by J. Carter,
First peal as conductor.

## PUTNEY, LONDON.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES



TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
11. Hubbard's Ten-Part.

Tenor 12 cwt . 1 gr. 5 lb . in F sharp.
Hilelen M. Thacker
*Pamela M. Turner.
*Roger E. Tallis
*Maurice C. Hugh
Treble Richard C. Warburton James Corbetr. Peiter S. Benneti *Victor H. Nash
Conducted by peier S. Benneit
*First peal of Triples. First in the method by all the band.

## BOLTON, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
A1 ihe Church of Si. Mary. Deane,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Michael D. Fishwick | Treble | Geoffrey Fothergill |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harold Hamer | 2 | Gordon Roimwell |  |
| John P. Píringion. | 3 | Geoffrey S. Mills |  |
| Brian A. Tomlinson | 4 | Roger Leigh | Tenor |

Composed by Sir A. P. Herwood. Conducted by Geoffrey S. Mills.
First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major as conductor.

## BRIDGEND, GLAMORGAN

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
A1 THE CHURCH OF ST. ILLTYD,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Thomas Yeomans
Alfred Hannington
*William T. Petty
Frank Rowseli
. Treb reble 2
3 3 REVOR M. RODERICK GWYN I. LEWIS EDMUND J. MORRIS Tenor 16 cwt .

Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

* Has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

DEPTFORD, S.E
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
Ar The Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Thomas A. Easierby .. Treble Edwin A. Barnett. Edwin Barnett.
Sheila M. Dobbie Sidney J. Woodcock
We ... $\quad 3$
Composed by C. H. Martin.
Walter H Dobbie. Tener
*First peal on eight bells.
HASTINGS. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(Ol Sat., May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Mintites.
At Christ Church, Blacklands.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Six-Part (No. 2). Tenor 20 cwt 2 qr . 20 lb . in E.

* $\dagger$ Mrs. H. M. Downing. . Treble

Joan M. Downing .. 2
Daphne F. Lester .. 3
+Edward F. P. Bryant .. 4
Conducted by Edward F. P. Bryant.
*First peal on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First in the method. $\ddagger 25$ th peal.
LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb .
Joun M. Jelley
Peter J. Chilion
J. James Poynor
Aarin C. Faulkes ... ...
Man

lan J. Friser | Petir J. Chillon |
| :--- | :--- |
| Keith B. Townsend | Kelih B. Townsend

Russell S. Morris 4 Composed by Ernest Morris.
Alan E. Hariley
Tenor
Conducted by John M. Jelley.

LUGWARDINE. HEREFORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREALETEROB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .20 lb . in F .
John J. Webb .. .. .. Treble Jacqueline S. King .. 2 David King
*William F. Scudamore.. 4
Composed by T, B. Worsley.
*First peal of Major in the methenducted by Frank Reed. First of Major in the inethod as couductor

## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued

MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., May 7, 1966, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
at the Church of St. David.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}}$.

Charles G. Jones
*Sandra Lewis.
*Gloria M. Newion +Mrs. E. Sutton
Composed by H. J. Tucker.

* First peal of Major in the method Conducted by Eric Sution. peal on the bells since being recast.

OSWESTRY, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .
Mary C. Poyner
. Treble

- valerie Lee
tharry Poyner
*Phlip J. Evans
Composed by J. Nichoil.
F. Hector benneit

Composed by J. Nichol.... Conducted by Harry Poyner.
First peal of Kent T.B. Major. † First of Kent T.B. on tower
bells. First of Treble Bob as conductor
Rung also as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the second and seventh.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Wirral Branch.)
On Sut., May 7, 1961), in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
AI Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt . 1 gr. 25 lb . in F.
*Gillian Halford ... . Treble Ernest T. Carvell
*Kenneth C. Edwards
Mus. Carol Ferris
F. Robert Ferris

Composed by J. R Prificharid Condict by Alexander J Mirtor

* First peal of Major.

Rung also to commemorate the diamond jubilee of the foundation of this church.

SHIRLEY. WARWICKSHIRE
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., May 7. 1960. in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes. At the Church of St. James-the-Great A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES J. J. Parker's Twelve-Parı.

Vinceni A. Hemming .. Treble
*Judy Robinson
†Pamela M. Turner
2
3
Tenor 6 cwt . 1 qr . 1 lb . in B flat. enor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 1 ib. in
Richard C. Warburton Edward T. Lloyd +Maurice C. Hughes $\dagger$ Victor H. Nash Conducted by Vincent A. Hemming
*First peal "inside." + First in the method


Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by J. L. Garner-Hayward. *First peal and first attempt.

WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, At the Church of Ail Saints. Stranton.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .3 qr .4 lb . in F .
Mrs. W. Maughan.. .. Treble Ruth Anderson (17)
*John Pladoys (14)
†Jack Maughan
Janet Payne ...... $\quad \begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 4\end{aligned}$ Composed by Thomas B. Worsley. Conducted by William Maughan.
*First peal in the method inside. $\dagger$ First peal. *First peal in the method "inside." † First peal.

WICKEN. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5024 dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BÓB MAJUR $\begin{array}{llclllll}\text { Frederick C. Case.. } & \text {.. Treble } & \text { "James Linnell... } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Thomas E. Roberts } & \text {.. } & 2 & \text { Roger Cadamy } & . . & . . & 6\end{array}$

Herberr C. Edwards $\quad 4$ George E. Green ..... Tenor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by George E. Green.
*First peal in the method. Tenor 15 cwt . 1 qr. 20 ib . in F .
WIGSTON MAGNA. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
at the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5152 WINDSOR DELIGHT MAJOR
Cecil. h. F. Knighi .. Treble Richard F. Roe .. .. 5
Kenneit A. Roe .. .. 2 Andrew R. Carter
T. Maureen Lloyd .. ... 3 Samuel J. Haines 6
7
richard J. Carter ... .. 4 T. Edward Harrold... .. Temor Composed by John R. Mayne. Conducted by T. Euward Harrold. First peal in the method.

## WORCESTER

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt .6 lb . in E .


This is the first peal to be rung on the 'middle eight.' CHEPSTOW. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sun., May 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minules, A PEAL The Church of St. Mart, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twclve-Part.
*Joyce K. Johnson
*Barbara Sjoberg
Patricia H. Jones
Jacqueline S. King

Tenor 16 cwt .1 qr .24 lb.

* First peal. First peal


## ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. May 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR


WINDSOR DELIGHT MAIOR
$\times 58 \times 1458 \times 58.16 \times 14 \times 18 \times 14 \times$, 5
8ths place 1.-e. 15738264 . 6 ths place bob.
Composition
As rung to Clacton S. Major at Willesden, June 26th. 1958.

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## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## BICKENHILL WARWICKSHIRE

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

 On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minules,At the Church of Si. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


## CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, GLAMORGAN

THE SWFANEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Catwg,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being lour six-scores Kennington, six April Day, 12 Plain Boh and five 240 s and ten six-scores Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt 2 qr. 2 lb .
 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Harry Boyce ... .. } & . . & 2 & \text { Gwyn 1, Llewis } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Barry J. Couzens .. } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { tAlister Thumas } & \text {.. } \\ \text { thor }\end{array}$

* First peal away Conducted hy GwYN I. Lewis.
* First peal away fron tenor. $\dagger$ First peal.


## DARLINGTON

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minules,

At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
Being 720 each of Chester, Munden, Carlisle, Alnwick. Neweastle Lighifool and Wearmouth. Tenor 6 cwt .3 qr .9 lh . in B flat. Fred Hongson

Treble Thomas Cooke W. Norman Park

Richard Busby.. $\quad$ Conducted by Roland Park.
Tenor

EUSTON, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and' 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Genevieve,

$$
\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { DOUBLES }
$$

Being 14 extents each of St. Simon's, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

Conducted by Arihur F. Ballam.

* First peal 'inside.

EVESHAM. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

## At the Bfll Tower,

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven 720 s. Tenor 11 cwt . 16 lb . in G sharp

| le | †Gordon T. Brown.. .. 4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Roberts 2 | +William B. Po |

 Conducted by Geoffrey J. Hemming.
*First peal of Treble Boh Minor. and completes the method cycle from Minor to Maximus. \& First of Treble Bob.

## HASELBURY PLUCKNETT. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE IDOLBLES

## Being 42 extents (five callings).

Raymond P. Selway .. Treble
William E. Turne
2 *SidNEY W. Whitte
Michael E. Turner .. .. 3 Edward C. Lesiter.
Tenor 61 cwl .

Conducied by Michafl E. Turner.

* 5uth peal. First as conductor (aged 14).


## KIMPTON, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Chirgch of SS. Peter and Paul
A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SLiRPRISE MINOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720.
Claudia A. Critchley . . Treble
Helen Y. Price

* John G. Cull.

Tenor 10 cwl .2 gr. 15 lb . J. Richard Castledine .. 4 Donald C. Price
Jack S. Dear . Tenor
Conducted hy J. Richard Castledine.

- First peal of Surprise Minor. First in the nethod by all the band.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents of April Day, six Grandsire, 15 Plain Bob and 15 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Tenor 9 cwt . in A
*Leonard J. Waliers .. Treble
C. William Nutt .. .. 2 Joland Li:wis .. .. .. 4
†james Ranford .. .. 3 Frederick Merrick .. . . Tenor
Conducted by C. William Nutt.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First in four methods on an "inside bell

NASEBY. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being four six-scores each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Plain Bob and April Day, and 30 six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cWt}$. Frank Lani: ... ... ..Treble Arihur J. Milleward ... 3 William C. Cropley .. 2 William C. Brown .. .. 4

Derlik E. Grifein .Temor
Conducted by Derlk E. Griffin.

ODELL, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
*Phillippa Siratton
Kathiefn A Pivei
Frank W. Rivetr .. .. 3 | Colin Payne .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Roberi L. Piron.
*First peal. First as conductor.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents
Victor H. Nash
.Treble
V. Roy Tallis

Pamela M. Turner

Tenor 6 cwt 3 gr .14 lb
${ }^{3} \left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Roger e. Tallis } \\ & \text { Maurice C. Hughes }\end{aligned}\right.$. Tenur
Conducted by Roser E. Tallis.

STAMFORD, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGG DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ois Fri., May. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 2.520 Oxford Bob and 2.520 Plain Bob.
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$

| *ERNest TyERS .. | .. | . | Treble | Ronald Russell | .. | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John R. Nichols | . | . | 2 | Percy D. Baldock | .. | .. | 5 |

Cecil Matthew .. .. 3 John H. Bluff .. .. . . . Tenor Conducted by John H. Bluff.
*First peal and first attempt.

STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Fri., May 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 22 methods: (1) Lightfoot, Wearmouth. Rossendale. Stamford. Annable's London and Netherseale: (2) Beverley. Surfleet, Berwick. Hexham. York and Durham: (3) Chester: (4) Munden : (5) Wells : (6) Cambridge, Ipswich. Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne and Hull: (7) London.
Mary Roast
*John Warni:r
*Alan R. Syder
Treble
$\frac{2}{3}$ Tenor 9 cwt .1 qr .20 lb.

Conducted by Howard W. Eg

* First peal in 22 Surprise methods.


## WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minures. at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Claudia A. Crifchley .. Treble
June I. Dear
*Robert E. Day
Conducied by ${ }^{3}$

Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr .25 lb.
J. Richard Castledine .. 4 Leonard B. Scoot Edwin G. Buck.

* First peal of Surprise 'inside.'


## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued

WALSDEN. TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents Kent T.B. and five Plain Boh. Tenor 9 cwt 4 lh . in G .

| Roger Leigh | Treble | Jeffrey Kfrshaw |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F. John Neason | . .. 2 | John P. Partingion. |
| David Hodgson | . . . 3 | John H. Fielden | David Hodgson

Conducted by Roger Leigh.

First peal of Minor on the bells.
Rung also as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J Helliwell, of Walsden, and a 2lst birthday compliment to Mr. Donald Bateman, a local ringer.

## CHELFORD. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May' 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 840 each of New Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Boh. April Day, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire.

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\text { Tenor } 8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$

Brian Schofieid
George Forresier
.Treble Bfrnarl J. Ongley
2 * 2 Ernest Pimlott .. .. 5
Leonard Copnall .. .. 3 †\#Robert Barratt .. . . Tenor

## Conducted by Ernest Pimlott.

* 50 th peal. +25 th peal together. $\ddagger 25$ th peal. The tenor ringer has now circled the tower.
Rung also as a 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Joyce Newton. a member of the local band.


## COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mimutes,
At ihe Church of St. Leonard-at-the-Hythe,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Court. Double Court, St. Clement's, Single Oxford. Oxford Treble Boh, Kent Trehle Bob and Plain Boh. *Rachael Newstead Tenor 15 f cwt .


* First peal -of Minor.

ETWALL. DERBYSIIIRE,
TIE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOLBLES
Being two extents of Stedman and 40 of Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt .2 gr .24 lb .


Conducted by John Merfin.

- First peal of Doubles. First as conductor. First on the hells by tho Sunday service band.


## GLOSSOP. DERBYSHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIID.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


GRAFTON REGIS. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE, THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. At the Church of Sr. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOCBLES
Being 21 extents each of Plain Bob and Grandsire.
*CyRIL. J. Hall . . Treble + Frank E. Hall 9 cwt . *Cyril. J. Hall .. .. Treble tFrank E. Hall
 Robin H. Rosers .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Robin H. Rogers.

* First peal. + First inside. First as conductor. First peal by a

GREAT BROMLEY. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules,
At the, Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Single Oxford, (2) Double Court. (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) St. Clement's, (5) Double Oxford, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor $15 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$.

ADRIAN SEMKEN .. .. Treble WILliam I Brunt

- Bfrnard W. Fairmead .. 2 . Frank B. Lufkin ... .. 5

Urban W. Wildney .. 3 Edward E. Davey .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin

* 50th peal.


## HARDINGTON MANDEVILLE. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.
Dennis Randell.
Treble I Sidney W. White
Gilbert W. Rendell .. 2 H. Dennis W. Bishop
Raymond P. Selway .. 3 William E. Turner . . . Tenor
Conducted by Wifitiam E. Turner.
First peal in three Minor methods on the bells.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

IHE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in five methods, viz.: Two extents of Stedman, ten of St. Martin's Boh, ten of St. Simon's Bob, ten of Grandsire and ten of Plain Bob.
Keith B. Townsend .. Treble Martin C. Faulkes.. .. 3
John M. Jelley ... .. 2 A. James Poynor .. ... 4
Robert B. Smith ... Tenor
Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## MESSINGHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minules,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
a PEAI, OF 5040 Minor
Being two extents each of Single Oxford and St. Clement's, and three of Plain Boh.

- Audrey Bains . . . . Treble $\ddagger$ Michael. Whiting

Witliam Bains. . . . . 2 George. E. Fitrn

+ Rev. Michafl. Freeman 3 Harold Judd .. ... .. Tenor
* First Conducted by George E. FFirs.
* First peal. † First of Minor. $\ddagger$ First inside.


## OXENDON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

TIIE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Consisting of 720 of St. Simon's, 1.460 of Plain Bob. 480 of April Day and 2.400 of Grandsire.
*Alberr E. Storfy.
Tenor 7 cwt 2 lb . in A.
Derek E. Griffin ... ... Treble 2 William C. Brown ..
Arthur J. Millward . . Tenor
Conducted by Arihur J. Millward.

> First peal.

ST. MARTIN, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Sat.. May. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minules.

## AT THE: CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN. <br> A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE. SURPRISF, MINOR

Being seven extents.
Harry Poyner.
Treble
Mary C. Poyner
*Roger W. Powell
Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt.}, \mathrm{approx}$.
F. Hector Benneit
*Colin Smith

+ Reginald H. Newion .. Tenor Conducted by Harry Poyner
*First peal of Surprise. $\dagger$ First of Cambridge Surprise Minor. First of Surprise Minor as conductor.


## STOCKBURY. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Maj. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minules, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 1.440) Plain Bob (four callings) and 3.600 Grandsire (ten callings).
Tenor 15 cwt .
*Charles W. Mannerinas Treble William A. J. Knight
Alberi Dunk ...... Tenor
onducted by William A. J. Knish
Conducted hy William A. J. Knisht.

* First peal. † First of Doubles in two methods, also on five bells.

Rung also as a 21 st birthday compliment to Brenda, daughter-in-law of the ringer of the fourth.

## OTHER PEALS

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., May 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minures,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 31 civt in D .


Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Aibi:rt Wal.ker. * 550 th peal.

An 84 th birthday peal to the conductor.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 18. 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL


## BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 23. 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minures. At the Church of St. Botolph.

Composed by Edward Francis. Conducted by C. Harold Whitton. 50th peal as conductor.

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\text { Tenor } 21 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. } 1 \text { gr. } 20 \mathrm{lb} \text {. }
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LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minules.
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 gr .13 lb . in C .
Paul L. Taylor .. .. Treble Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 6

| Brian G. Warwick . . | . | 2 | John M. Jelley. . |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard J. Cliftoni . . . | .. | 3 | A. James Poynor |

$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Richard J. Cliftoni .. } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { A. James Poynor } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 8 \\ \text { Ernest Morris .. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 4 & \text { Russell S. Morris } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 9\end{array}$
Alan E. Hartiey $\because . . . \quad 5 \quad$ G. Ronald Enwards ... Tenor Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. First peal of Royal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild. A compliment 10 G . Stedman Morris on becoming a grandfather on Aprib 23rd.

## LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> TIIE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon.. May 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
A PFAL OF 5040 NELL FBOROUGGH SURPRISE. ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb . in C .


First peal in the method.
WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Ties., May 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and if Minuter.
At thf Church of Thi Holy Cross and Si. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor $38 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


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## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., May 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minufes,

At the Church of St. Stephen,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

## Tenor 21 cwt .

Albert M. Tyler
Treble *F. Cecil Mogford
Patrick J. Bird.. .. .. 2 Royston Blackler
D. John Hunt ..

Denis Randali.
Mary H. Hall.
Antony E. Cox
Jane K. A. Cook $\quad \cdots \quad . \quad . \quad$ Donald E. Cobb $\quad . . \quad$... Tenor
Composed by A. M. TYler. Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* 175th peal. † First of Grandsire Caters. First on ten bells as conductor.


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Mon.. May' 9, 1960), in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. Ai ihe Bell Foundry Campanile.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OSGATHORPE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C .
Richard J. Clifton.. .. Trehle Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 6
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 2 Gordon A. Halls
Alan E. Hartley . . .. 3 A. James Poynor Ernest Morris

| A. james Poynor |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Russell S. Morris | . | .. | 8 |

Mrs. G. A. Halls .. ... 5 |John M. Jelley
Composed hy Shirley Burton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. Witness: G. Ronald Edwards.
First peal in the method.
OSGATHORPE SURPRISE ROYAL.
$\times 30 \times 14 \times 50 \times 16 \times 1270 \times 38 \times 14 \times 50.78 .16 .78 .10$
L.-e. 12 1.352 F.C.E.s $24365,32546,46253$

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

NORTON-L.E-MOORS, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., April 7. 1960. in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*R. Gordon Shenton . . Treble J. Leslie Shenton ..

| Philip Wood .. | . | .. | 2 | Owen Williamis | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Annette Gratton | .. | .. | 3 | J. Micmafl Jack | . |

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Annette Gratton .. } & . & 3 & \text { J. Michael Jack } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\ 7 \\ \text { Alban J. Jack . . } & \text {. } & \text {.. } & 4 & \text { Charles S. Ryles } & \text {.. } & \text {. Teno }\end{array}$
Alban J. Jack....... 4 Charles S. Ryles ... ... Tehor
Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Charles S. Ryles.

* First peal.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to J. Leslie Shenton and a 70 th birthday compliment to James Walley.

ROSS-ON-WYE. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. April 18, 1960. in 3 Hours and 7i Minules,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $24 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.

| ohn J. Webb | Treble | F. Eric Roberts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mollie Tilibliry | 2 | Wil ilam E. Thompseit |
| Griorge Davis | 3 | Austin T. Wingat |
|  | 4 | Wil.frid F. Moreto: |


Arranged and Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First peal in the method.

Rung in honour of the Easter Festival

## MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., April 20. 1960 in 2 Hours and 54 Minules.
A PEAL OF S024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{d} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*M. Elaine Mitrcott ... Treble ¥Marion S. Ainsworth J. Alan Ainsworth $\frac{2}{3}$ Kenneth W. Chfeseman $\dagger$ John E. Anderson Nicholas I. Wright ... 4
Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. Composed by N. J. Pitsrow. Conducted by Grorge S. Deas. method as condictor.

## EDENHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. April 25, 19*1), in 2 Hours and 58 , Mimures. At the Church of Si. Michael and Atle Angels. A PEAL OF 5088 JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR


Composed by 4 Ronald C. Noon
Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.
First peal in the metbod by all.

> AMBROSDEN, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwt 1 qr .6 lb . in E flat.
Arthur Sayers $\ldots$
*Patricia Heather $\ldots$

Philip G. K. Davies .. 4 Philip H. Tocock .. .. Tenor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Philip H. Tocock. Rung on the eve of the Feast of SS. Philip and James, and after meeting short for Royal.
The treble ringer hails from Rotherham and the second from Oxford
CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGAN.
THE. LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Mimutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).
Tenor 13 cwt . in F
*Thomas Yeoman
William H. Harford
Magnus M. Peterson

| reble | M. Jack |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | Pryor ... |
| 3 | Willam | William Dare ..

David J. Llewelyn

6

Brian Kingston
Conducted by William Dare.
"Has now 'circled the tower.
Rung as a compliment to Miss Janet Harvey, of Radyr, Glam, on her engagement to Mr. Derek Saulke. of Sevenoaks, Kent.

HANDSWORTH. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., April 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5000 SPLICED MAJOR
Being 1.080 Little Boh and 3.920 Plain Boh, with 250 changes of method.
Cyril Rusby

| Peter Scholfield | . | . | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John S. Seager .. | $\cdots$ | . | 6 |
| W. Eric Critchley | .. | . | 7 |

Rita M. Jowrit
John H. Fielden
Composed by N. Golden.

## FULNEY. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., May 2. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 WYE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwi}$.

- John G. Ames
John E. Allen
Ronald C. Noon $\ldots$

BUSHEY. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Thurs. May 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .
H. George Hart

Kenneth R. Dunstan
*Jennifer Firth
Elsie K. Hart.

| Treble | Christopher W. Woolley | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | D. Kay Adkins.. | $\ldots$ | . | 6 |
| 3 | Geoffrey W. Seaman | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
| 4 | Neville Jenkins | $\ldots$ | . | Tenor |

Arranged and Conducted by Christopher W. Woclley (C.C.C. No. 14) * First peal away from the treble.

## HAWKLEY, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sun.. May 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .3 yr. 11 lb . in A .
John H. Hunt ... Treble
Herbert W. Woolven
Alan A. J. Buswell
2
3
*Bryan C. Burroujh
Composed by Thos. B. Worsley.
GIUfFrey C. Rix C. R. Chad Coussmaker Birnard E. Matthews R. Roger Savory ... . Tenor Conducted by John H. Hunt.

* First peal of Major 'inside. $\dagger$ First of Major.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr, Robert W. Pound (former ringer at this church and son of the captain of the local band) and Miss Muriel Hellyer.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

DUNKESWELL, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Saf., March 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

## At THE ChURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, one of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.
*Michael E. Turner
Treble Sidney W. White
Raymond P. Selway
2 Arthur H. Reed

Conducted by William E. Turner
*First peal in three methods. First of Minor on the bells.

BRIGHTWELL BALDWIN, OXON.
On Sun. April 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the: Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 IDOUBLES
In three methods, heing 31 extents Plain Bob, six Grandsire and five Reverse Canterbury.
W. Fulker. $\qquad$ . Treble
R. Baker

Tenor 9 cwt.
J. Godman
$\begin{array}{lll}. & . & \\ . & . & .\end{array}$
2
R. Tuckwell

Conducted by R. TUCKwELL.

* First peal.

Rung prior to Confirmation Service.

GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) St. Clement's College Bob, (4) Oxford Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kent Treblo Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt . 1 qr. 18 lb . $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { John Coates } & . . & . & \text { Treble } & \text { \#Malcolm P. Phipps } & . & 4 \\ \text { Katharine Burchnall } & . . & 2 & \text { Harold Denman } & . . & . & 5\end{array}$ Grace Burchnall .. ... 3 John R. Ketteringham.. Tenor Conducted by John R. Ketteringham.

* First peal in six methods.

ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues. April 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. John-the-Bapilst,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 15 methods: (1) London and Wells Surprise, (2) Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (3) Plain Double. Reverse, Fulbeck and Canterbury, (4) Oxford Bob. (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Kent Treble Boh. Tenor 5 cwt .1 qr .17 lb .
*John J. Webs
.. .. Treble $\dagger$ Mollie Tilbury

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* 1 50th peal for the Guild. + First in 15 methods.

HOAR CROSS. STAFFORDSHIRE.
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. Or Sat., April 23, 1961), in 3 Hours and 25 Minures,

At the Church of the Holy Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, viz.: One extent each of Beverley, Surfleet, London and Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob. St. Clement's Bob and Plain Boh.
Muriel Reay
Tenor 28 cwt. I qr. 7 lb . in D flat.
Roderick W. P
Treble
*Michael Elson Anthony Ager John McDonald John A. Anderson
. Tenor Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe

- First peal on six bells.


## HATTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minures,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Jane R. Shaw .
Helen M. Thacker
Helen M. Thacker
Pamela M. Turner
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb . in $F$ sharp.


Conducted by Roger E. Tallis.
CLOWNE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. April 26, 1961, in 2 Hours and 15 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt .2 qr .12 lb . in B flat.
John R. Ketteringham .. Treble George E. Hancock
Barry Holland...${ }^{2} \quad 2$ Leslie W. Bacon
Malcolm P. Phipps.. .. 3 Richard E. Price
Conducted by Richard E. Price.

## BUNWELL. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Apri! 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt . in A.
 Rung as a silver wedding compliment to the Rev. D. H. and Mis. Mee.

## MIDDLE LITTLETON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 six-scores.
*David E. Pomeroy

| . | .. Treble $^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 |  |

- Cyril Bickerstafe

Tenor $12 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$.

* Janet Baker
*Alec Tombs
William b. Pomeroy $\quad . .5$ Conducted by William B. Pomeroy.
*First peal at first attempt. First as conductor. First peal by a Sunday service band from the parish.
Rung to commemorate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. J. Brookes (a former Ringing Master) and Mrs. Brookes.


## ALGARKIRK, LINCOLNSHIRE

 THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed.. May 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents: Double Court, Oxford Bob, Court Boh, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. George W. Burrell .. Treble | Martin J. Thorley .. .. 4 William E. Clarke .. .. 2 Harold Barsley 5
Stanley E. Bennett .. 3 Cyril R. Burrell .. .. Tenor

> Conducted by Cyril R. Burrell.

Rung for the 25th anniversary of the first peal on the hells.

EARDISLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, ten of Plain Boh and 30 of Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr. 26 lb . in G. - Joyce Davies .. .. . . Treble "Reginald J. Hfrbert
*Rosemary D. Bray.. ... 2 Leslie Evans .. .. ... 5
Laurence T. Mainwaring 3 Sidney Daniels .. .. Tehor
Conducted by Leslie Evans.

* First peal in three methods.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Mrs. H. Evans, mother of the conductor.

PITSFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. MILES DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (different callings). Tenor 10 cwt 3 qr .11 lb .
John W. Hall .. .. Treble Timothy A. Wooding .. 3
*Percy Amos .. .. .. 2 *George F. Roome .. .. 4
Victor A. Perry .. . . Tenor
Conducted by George F. Roome.

- 25th peal together. First in the method.

Rung within the Octave of the Festival of SS. Miles Gerard and Francis Dickenson.

WENTWORTH YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
Or Saf., May 7, 1961, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, at the Church of The Holy Trinity. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Bcing one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and four of Plain Boh. Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lh . in G.
Gordon K. Chaddock ... Treble John S. SEAGER ...
David H. Buxton .. .. 2 Barry Holland
Dennis Holland .. .. 3 Richard E. Price .. . . Tenor Conducted by Richard E. Price.
The conductor's 250 th peal.

# Quarter peals rung in honour of the Wedding of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones 

## HALF PEAL

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On May 6ih, 2.528 Plain Bob Major: R, Dueshury 1, G. Button 2, B, W. Fairhead (cond.) 3, A. Semken 4, E, B. Smith 5, U, W. Wildney 6. L. E. Sharn 7, F. G. Oliver 8. OXTON, CHESHIRE.-On May Gth, 2.880 Minot ( 2.160 Kent Treble Boh and 720 Oxford Bob): Mis; C. Whitman (longest length) 1. Miss J. Eastwand (first inside ') 2. E. Britton 3. W. A. Boote 4. A. J. Marton (cond.) 5. E. T. Carvell 6. T. A. Morgan 8 (covering).

## DATE TOUCHES

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY, YORKS.-On May 6ih. 1.960 Minor (40 Litte Bob. 720 Sandal. 601) Duke of York, 600 Kent): W. Broadhead 1, E Stainrod 2. F. Cowling 3. D. N. Stables 4. H. Rusby 5. N. F. Moxon (cond.) 6.
COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.-On May 7ih, 1.960 Grandsire Triples: Valerie Edge (longest length) 1. Rosaline A Farlow 2, R. Evans 3. L. Evans 4. J. L. Stanier 5, H. Edge 6, A. S. Bayley (cond.) 7 F. Jones 8.

ST. KEA, TRURO.-On May 7th, 1.960 Grandsire Doubles: M. Trenoweih 1. Helen Hobbins 2. A Locke 3, Marian Driver 4, C. W. Jose (cond.) 5 D. Dunstan 6.

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.-On May 6ih. 1.4410 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire. Plain Boh. April Day): Mrs. A. Shackleton 1. M. W. Ford 2 J. H. Hayne 3. N. J. Hayne 4, H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, D. J. Wood 6

ABSON, GLOS.-On May 6th. 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: B. K. Lewis 1, J. Ferris 2, G. Sprules 3. H. Taysom (first of Kent as cond.) 4, J. Sprules 5 A. W. Gibbs 6 . First of Kent for 1, 2 and 5 .

ALDEBURGH. SUFFOLK.-On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Pitgrim 1, J. Bailcy 2, E. Bailey 3, R. Peck 4, A. R. Bridges 5, P. S. Bedford (cond.)

ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.-On May 7th. 1.440 Minor (Kent Treble Bob and Plain Boh): F. Sourheate 1. A. Cole 2, F. H. Erith 3. I. H. Gould 4, A. Semken S. R. Duesbury (cond.) 6 .

ASHBRITTLE, SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doublec: Mrs. F. Townsend I. R. Alderman 2. 5. N. Bristow (cond) 3. Mrs. P. Farley 4. H Bristow 5. J. Smith

ASHFORD, KENT.-On May 6th. I. 260 Grandsire Doubles: Rovemary E. Gould (first quarter) 1 Margaret M. Jones 2. R. Rundle 3. J. R. Cnoper (cond.) 4. H. S. Wickens 5. J. Bashford (first quarter)

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM-On May 6th, 1.277 Grandsire Caters: M. G. Inoram 1. A. S. Burbidge 2. A. Short 3. Mrs. J. Alhtriey 4. J. L. Gray s E. J. Franklin (cond.) 6. D. R. Ingram 7. D. T. Finnemore 8. R. C. Ingram 9. J. W. Pettiorew 10. First of Grandsire Caters for $1,2,4,7$ and 8.
AUGHTON, LANCS.-On May 6th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: J. Ellison (first quarter) 1. Honor Winter 2. J. Lunham 3. R. Larkey 4. T. Eason (cond.) 5. A. Draper 6.

AYLESTONE, EEICS.-On May Kih, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Maric Davenport I. Sandra Chesterton 2. P. Martin 3. Christine Wakefield 4. Patricia Wardle T. Roper 6. J. Poynor 7. R. Morris (cond.) 8.

BALDOCK, HERTS.-On May 6 th. 1.260 Plain Bub Major: R. Haynes 1, M. Honkins 2, P. Salishury 3. L. Hughes 4, D. Sutclifte 5, P. Flack 6, D. Salisbury 7. C. Harwond (cond.) 8. Also on May 8ith. 1.280 Bristol Surprise Major: P. Flack 1. J. 1. Dear (first in method) 2. L. Scuot 3. D. Sutcliffe 4. R Casiledine (cond.) 5. C. Harwond 6. E. Buck 7, J. Dear 8.
BARROW-IN-FURNESS, LANCS.-On May 6th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Richins 1. R. Witon 2. H. Barnes 3. F. H. Crawley 4. J. E. Burles 5. J. Basnall 6.
BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.-On May 7th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Boh and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1. W. R. Chandler 2. R. J. Brown (cond.) 3, V. J. C. Dale 4. Miss B. Fisher S

BICESTER. OXON.-On May 6ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Alsworih 1. A. Saver 2. C. H. Kinch 3, E. G. Jones 4, H. Hatield 5, L. Bushy 6, E. J. Smith (cond.) 7, C. East 8
BOCKING. ESSEX.-On May 7th, 1.440 Cambridke Surprise Minor ( $6-8$ covering): H. Pratr 1, Miss A. Lufkin 2. Mrs. H. Moore 3. H. Moore 4. C. Baricer 5. K. Lewsey 6. J. Brown 7. R. Suckling (cond.) \&. BOLTON, LANCS.-On May 6th, at St. Peter's Parish Church. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Froome 1. 1. Thorrwey 2, J. F. Wood 3. N. Tompkins 4. F. Brownlow 5, G. Fothergill 6, P. Crook (cond.) 7. 1. Smith (first quarter) 8.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.-On May 6th. at St. John's Church. Surrey Road, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: G. R. Boyce 1. Mirs. A. V. Davis 2, H. A. Mitchell 3, Miss D. Gould 4. Miss K. Fletcher 5, A. Coote 6. A. V. Davis (cond.) 7. G. Mitter 8.

BROADWOODWIDGER. DEVON.-On May 9h. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Johns 1, W. Manning 2. W. C. Boucher 3, J. H. Benay 4. D. R. Bould (cond.) 5, L. Cundy 6. Rung by the Lifton band.
BROMYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.-On May 61 h , 1.272 Minor (720 Oxford T.B.. 552 Kent T.B.): S. Wall 1. R. Price 2. A. Wall 3. D. Hinksman 4. C. Wall 5. T. Cooper (cond.) 6 . First in the methods by all.
BROUGHTON, LANCS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Couperthwaite 1. Maryl Crossthwaite 2. Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 3. Betty Faunch 4, J. Jolleys , D. Lawson (first as cond.) 6.
BUCKLEBURY, BERKS.-On May 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Carr 1, Alice Talbor 2. Joan Marshalı 3, Stella Davis 4, S. Miles 5. Dorothy Pearce 6. G. Stocker (cond.) 7, T. Goddard 8.

CAERLEON, MON.-On May 7th, 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: Dianne E. Edwards 1. Gillian M. Edwards 2. G: R. Marchant (cond.) 3. Jacaucline Pone 4. D. Pike 5. K. Edwards 6. First quarter at first attempt for 1. 2, 4, 6. Also on May 7th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Edwards B, Gillien M. Edwards 2, G. R. Marchant 3, Dianne E. Edwards 4. D. Pike (cond.) 5, S. Dean 6. First quarter for 1. 6. Average age of both hands. 16 years

CANNOCK, STAFFS. On May 6ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. E. Barker I, P. J. Barker (cond.) 2. H. Butter 3. M. Multard (first of Triples 'inside ') 5. A. Armstrang 5, W. Benton 6, G. Bradbury 7, D. Bnrley (first of Trinles) 8.
CANTERBURY.-On May 6ih. 1.440 Minor ( 720 Kent and Oxford T.B. and 720 Plain Bob): A. Butler 1. T. C. Phillimore 2. Mrs. J. Stockbridge 3. J. Stock bridge 4. D. C. Chatield 5. D. A. Chapman (cond.) 6. Ai St. Dunstan's
CARHAMPTON, SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Watts 1, Dorothy Williams 2. H. Lloyd 3. Ann Bryant 4, B. Williams (cond.) 5 . J. Cridland 6.

CHESHUNT, HFRTS-On May 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Mins B. Nicholls 1. W. Newnham 2, Miss C. Farrington 3, W. Foote 4. R. Durrant (cond.) 5. M. Hawkins (first guarter) 6. C. Campbell 7. D. Billimore 8.

CHESTER. - At the Cathedral, on May 6 th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Jones 1. 1. S. Dean 2. G. F Sperring 3. R J. Lee (first in method) 4. A. B Clase 5. J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 6. P. Swindley 7.

## . Pritchard 8

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKS.-On May 7th. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Suflolk (first quarter) . L. Trevor 2. 1. E. Lloyd 3. Miss K. Bell (tirsi on (en) 4. J. E. S. Moreton 5, Mrs. D. E. Beamish 6. J. Draycott 7, F. A, H. Beamish (cond.) 8, G. A. Rell Y. J. R. Vernon (first on ten) 10.
CIRENCESTER, GLOS.-On May 9th, 1.260 Grandwire Triples: A. J. Cox 1. F. J. Lewis 2. B. Wakcield (cond.) 3. H. L. Conke 4. E. H. Jefferics . P. J. Lewis 6. R. Wakefield 7. F. J. Lewis, iun. 8. COLCHESTER. ESSEX.-At the Church of St. Peter. on May 7th. 1,312 Double Norwich Court Boh Maior: A. Dale 1. Mrs. H. J. Millatt 2, B. W. Fairhead 3. H. Webb 4. K. Smith 5. E. Piper 6, E. P. Duffield 7, H. J. Millatt (cond.) \&.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.-On May 6th. 1.260 Crandsire Doubles: C. Harvey 1. Mrs. A. J. Frith 2, H. M. Swann (first inside') 3, C. Allward 4. F. C. Mosford (cund.) 5, L. B. Coles 6.

CONSETT, CO, DURHAM.-On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: G. Wall 1. E. Oliver 2. H. Atchison 3, R. B. Skelton 4, E. Hall 5, R. Oliver (cond.) 6. W. Tyson 7.
COOKHAM, BERKS.- On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, 1 and 2 leading: Mrs, C. Eldridge 1. J. Dieppe (first quarter) 2. Carolen Boxer (first quarter) 3. Janet Taylor 4, J. R. A. Muller 5, D. Kirkaldy 6. E. Eldridge (cond.) 7. B. Lake 8.

COSGROVE, NORTHANTS.-On May 6ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: E. J. Lambert 1. K. Stubbs (first quarter Minor) 2, R. Keeves 3. R. H. Rogers 4. E R. Lambert (first as cond.) 5, D. Taylor 6.
DANE HILL, SUSSEX.-On May 6th. 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Kennington. April Day, Plain Bob): G. Rose (age 14. first quarter) 1, Miss P. Butcher (age 14) 2. A. J. Carrer 3. Miss J. Carter 4. A. J. Butcher (cond.) 5. W. J. Sale 6. First quarter in two methods and three variations by all the hand
DARTFORD, MIDDLX.-On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Bailey I. D. Hall 2. Mrs. D. Hall 3, F. Taylor 4. A. Hall 5. S. Ball (cond.) 6. R. Rayfield 7. J. Merritt 8. Also for 21 st birthday of Miss J. Bailey.

DEDDINGTON, OXON.-On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles (with 7, 6. 8 covering): D. E. Saunders (first quarter) 1, E. E. Pcarson 2, A. W. Ivings (first - inside ) 3. J. D. Cowley 4. C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5. E. Honour 6. W. Ivings 7, B. J. Sykes 8

DUNHOLME, LINCS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Coddington (first of Minor) I. T. R. Smith (first - inside') 2, W. S. Smith 3, D. Drury 4, B. W. Smith 5, J. Blaikie (cond.) 6.

DUNS TEW, OXON.-On May 7th, 1.260 Doutles in nine methods: N. Deam 1, M. Ryan 2, E. Venn 3, C. Holloway (cond.) 4, R. Jones 6.
EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.-On May 6ith. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Gold 1. S. Delve 2. H. Riches 3, H. Carisson 4. F. Neate (cond.) 5,

## M. Horseman 6

EPSOM, SURREY.-At Christ Church, on May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Jill Oakshotl 1. Adrienne Gohson 2. Sylvia Marsh 3. W. Parroit 4. J. F. M. Maybrey 5, E. G. L. Coward 6, F. Oakshott (cond.) 7. D. Herschell 8.

EWELL. SURREY.-On May 8th, 1.260 Stedman Tribles: D. A. Carnenter 1. H. E. Gond 2. Margaret Howard 3. R. C. Snittle 4. A. S. Besant S, J. E. Bcams 6, C. W. Munday (cond.) 7. P. Ford 8.
FAREHAM, HANTS.-On May 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Smith 1. Mrs. M. Iones 2. 1. H. Hunt (cond.) 3, J. Stevenson 4. J. A. G. Ball 5. D. S. M. Jones 6, A. H. Sturgers?. G. Miles 8

FARNHORTH WITH KEARSLEY. LANCS.-On May 7th. 1.260 Plain Bob Major: M. D. Fishwick 1. B. A. Tomlinson 2, N. Tompkins 3. J. P. Parington 4. A. Greenhalgh 5. J. Thornley 6. G. Fothergill (first as cond.) 7. G. Rathwell 8.
FINCHLEY, MDDLESEX. - On May 8th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Miss F. Campbell 1, F. Barker 2. A. Richardson 3. A. Warren 4. Miss G. Icke 5. S. Wallace (first inside') 6, B. Willis (cond.)
L. Tuhb 8.

FREELAND, OXON.-On May 7th, 1.260 Doubles in 11 methods: N. Deam 1. C. Holloway (cond.) 2 , D. Woodward 3. E. Venn 4. R. Jones 5.

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS.-On May 6ih. 1.296 Spliced Plain and Little Boh Maiar: Miss P. Bull 1 Mrs E. Grey 2, Miss D. Smith 3, G. L. A. Lunn 4. C. H. Haker 5. B. Johns 6. J. Underwood 7 R. Heppenstall (cond.) 8.

GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.-On May $8 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Minor: L. Ainger 1. A. Hudson 2. F Brandon 3. D. Hodgson 4. P. T. Snencer-Phillips (cond.) 5. H. Carter 6.

GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX:-On May 61h, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: Joy Munson 1. P. Brand 2. A. W. Cole 3. J. Gould 4, G. W. Barnes S, F. H. Erith (cond.) 6.

GOLDINGTON, BEDS.-On May 6th, 1,260 Grardsire Doubles: C. Lean 1. Mrs. M. Marshall 2. D. Hopkins 3. E. White 4. R. G. Corby (cond.) 5. A. Lumbis 6.
GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.-On May 6th 1.296 Plain Bob Caters: C. W. Pipe 1. J. Bennett 2, L. N. Mellon 3, R. L. K. Whitell 4. C. R R. W. Steward 8. R. F. Downing 9. C. R. Loveit 10.

HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On May 7th 1,280 Cambridge Surnrise Maior: C. J. Gibson 1. Mrs. M. Page 2, W. J. Button 3. J. M. Bailey 4. W. Miller 5, A. R. Bridges 6, W. Ruffles 7, J. W. Blythe (cond.) 8.
HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKS.-On May 7th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. K. Font 1. Miss H. Thacker 2, C. J. A. Goy (first as cond.) W. B. R. Ellender 4. C. Petifore 5. R. Jones 6. HANBURY, WORCS.-On May 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: ( $6-8$ covering): P: J. Brown 1. J. E. Pullon 2.- M. J. Fellows 3. Heather M. Pullon 4, M. D. Fellows 5. P. Platt 6. P. Cattermole (cond.) 7. HANDBOROUG 8
Doubles in D. Floyd (first quarter) 3, N. Bridges 4, H. Floyd (cond.) 5, A. Franklin 6.
HARPENDEN, HERTS.-On May 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Dav (cond.) 1. D. C. Price 2. B. L. S. Hulatt 3. Mary A. Coburn 4. A. E. Rushton 5, F. C. Jacklin 6. H. Wood 7. R. Newson 8.

HATHERN, LEICS.-On May 6th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: B. H. Smith 1. V. Lacey 2, J. Exon 3. C. D. Cowley 4, D. Swift 5, T. Harris (cond.) 6.
HEREFORD.-At the Cathedral, on May 8th, 1.260 Grandsire.Triples: M. J. Read 1, Rosemary Jarrett 2. J. C. Eisel 3. T. Wood 4. F. Reed 5, G. Davis (cond.) 6, A. T. Wingate 7, M. Munn 8.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.-On May 6ih, 1.261 Plain Bob Major: R. Salter (first quarter, aged 15) 1. S. Cowell 2, H. Tooke 3, G. Moore 4, R. Wiles 5, P. Squires 6, R Lofty 7, C. Moare (cond.) 8.

HERSHAM, SURREY. On May 6th, 1.260 Oxford Bob Triples: D. George 1, Gwen May 2. Catherine Powell 3, Joan A. Smith 4, Pam Bird 5. H. Colcombe 6. J. King (cond.) 7. S. Davies 8. First quarter in the method by all.
HeYTESBURY, WILTS,-On May 7th. 1,260 Minor ( 720 London Surprisc, 540 Plain Bob): E. Woolgrove 1 Cherry White 2, R. W. Rex 3. B. Mills 4, R. F. Crook 5. G. K. Dodd (cond.) 6. Rung by a visiting mand.
HOLME HALE, NORFOIK.-On May 6th. 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: H. A. Bennett 1. Miss F. A. M. Frost 2. G. W. Heyhoe 3. W. J. Bailey 4. P. J. Wondrock (cond.) 5, R R. Harmer 6.
HURST. RERKS.-On May 6ith. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M:ss D. Gibbs 1. Mrs. B. C. Castle (cond.) 2, Miss S. A. Casile 3. R K. Rivers 4. B. C. Cast'c
5. R. J. Castic 6. C. A. Eele 7, F. J. E. Hicks 8.
HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.-On May 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): A. Kershaw 1. O. J. J. Rogers 2. R. A. Ward 3. W. Peacoek 4, R. Churchill (cond.) 5, P. Newins 6, D. C. Hall 8. KING'S L.ANGLEY, HERTS.-On May 6th. 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss 1. Chilton (first of Trigies) 1 Miss G. E. Graney 2. R. W. R. Picton 3, K. D. Waples 4. R. J. Pieton 5, D. J. Goodman 6, B. M Barker (cond.) 7. A. H. Hill 8.
LAUGHTON, SUSSEX.-On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Dcubles: B. Bnoth 1. R Hushes 2. M. Reed 3. S. Brook 4, B. Tumer (cond.) 5, R. Booth 6 First quarter on the be!ls with new rope guides. LAVENHAM. SUFFOLK.-On May 6th, 1.288 Kent Treble Bob Major: M. T. Symonds (cond.) I. R. Chambers 2, A. R. Knight 3, F. Hunt 4. S Smith 5. F. Boreham 6, F. F. Martock 7. L. Pryke 8.

LEIRE, LEICS. On May 9th, Plain Bub Minor: F. Watson 1. B. G. Warwick 2. G. Chartion 3. M. Stevens 4. E. Morris (cond.) 5. B. M. Smith 6
LICHFIELD. STAFFS,-On May 6th, at the Cathedral, 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: Miss P. Sedgwick

1. Miss B. Cawser 2. Miss J. V. Morgan 3, J. 1. Miss B. Cawser 2. Miss J. V. Morzan 3, J.
McDonald 4, J. B. Webb 5. B. J. Townsend 6. E. Malin (cond) 7. R. J. Warritow 8.
LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET. - On May 6th, 1,260 Granasire Trip:es: P. Bridle (first cuatter) 1. P. G. Yeo 2. W. P. Blase 3. J. H. Gibert 4. E. Abraham 5. N. H. Yeo 6. D. G. Yeo (cond) \% F. Bridle 8. Madeley, Sal.Op.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Pritchard 1. J. L. Stanier (cond.) 2. Miss E. Jones 3. Miss D. E. Lew's 4. F. W. Jones 5. H. Hyde 6.

MANGOTSFIELD. GLOS. On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Brown 1, C. E. Jefferies 2, T. Jefferies 3. J. W. Jefferies 4. M. J. Jefferies (cond.) 5, G. Blage (first cuarter). 6.

MARHAMCHURCH, CORNWALL.-On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Medland 1. Lesley Sherwin 2. R. J. Hicks 3. H. Trewin 4, C. E. Taylor (cond.) 5, F, J. Fry 6
MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.-On May 6th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: A. Hazcldine 1, E. Roberts 2. H. White 3. W. Tyler 4, T. Price 5, R. Hazeldine 6. B. Madeley 7. F. Price (cond.) 8

MELLS, SOMERSET.-On May 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Trip!es: Patricia Burt 1, A. F. Lee (cond.) 2. C. I. A. Brown 3. C. J. Richards 4, L. R. G. Taylor 5. J. J. Jefferies 6. H. L. Parirey 7. T. J. Milsom 8.

NAILSEA. SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Powell (first quarter) 1, L. Derrick 2, C. Kortright (cond.) 3, Mary Powell 4 H. Hardwidge 5, Mrs. D. Sirong 6.

NEATH, GLAM.- On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: D. J. Lewis 1. J. Matthews 2. G. J. Lewis 3. L. Jenkins 4. H. Boyce (cond.) 5. A. Thomas 6.

NETTLEHAM. LINCS.-On May 6ith. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. H. Jeffrey 1. G. A. Dixon 2, D. Birkett 3, M. A. Burton 4, W. R. Parker 5. J. M. Burton (cond.) 6. Also as a farewell compliment to D. Birkett.

NORTH NIBLEY, GLOS.-On May 6ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Rose (first quarter) 1. A. Evans 2. B. Cooper 3. A. Fidler 4, O. Mills (cond.) 5. P. Mills 6.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On May 6th. 1,440 Kent and Oxford T.B.: H. King 1. L. Cordeli 2, M. Mequistan 3, R. Bridges 4. J. Mc Phail (cond.) 5, W. Wenlock 6.

OUNDLE, NORTHANTS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (with 2 bel's covering): Miss $T$ Lovell 1. W. L. Ferrar 2, A. Wills 3, Miss P. E Clarke 4. C. Page 5. A. B. Clarke (cond.) 6, D. Vessey 7, A. Pywell 8.
PORTMURY, SOMERSET.-On May 6ih. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob. April Day): J. Riley (first quarter), 1, M. Horseman (cond.) 2, Monica Horieman 3, R. Gale (first of Doubles) 4, J. Brain R. Haskins 6

PRESTON, LANCS.-On May 6th, 1.264 Plain Bob Maior: G. A. Dimmock 1. Betty Faunch 2 Maryl Crossthwaite 3. Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 4. D. Lawson 5. C. Crossihwaite 6. A. Gardner 7. J. Couperthwaite (cond.) 8.
PRESTON, DORSET.-On May 6ith. 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): W. E. Watson (first quarter) 1, G. Cornick 2. Miss B. Marsh 3. Sylvia Watson 4. A. J. Slade (cond.) 5. H. T. Cornick 6
RAMSGATE, KENT.-At St. Lawrence-in-Thanet on May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. E. Miles 1. H. J. Webb 2. Mary S. Taylor (first as cond.) 3 Pauline Fennell 4. S. J. Gee 5. T. W. Edwards 6 First of Doubles for 1.3 and 4.
READING, BERKS.-At St. Laurence's Church. on May 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: B. Shingler 1. Jaret K. Secker 2, Felicity Webber (first of Triples) 3. Patricia Heather 4. Jennifer M. Davies 5. F. J Sage 6. P. M. Wilkinson (cond.) 7. V. Cherrill 8. Also at St. Mary's Church, on May 8th, 1,312 Cambridge Surprise Major: Patricia Heather 1, Janet K. Secker 2, Mollic Tilbury (first of Cambridge Major) 3. Jennifer M Davies 4. P. M. Wilkinson (first of Cambridge Maior) 5. R. F. Diserens (cond.) 6. C. E. Lewington 7. N. J. Diserens 8. Also at St. Giles Church. on May 8th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. J. Munday 1. A. Diserens (cond.) 2. F. J. Sage (first of Grandvire Triples) 3, M. H. Johnson 4. R. K. Russ 5. T. P. Edwards 6, F. W. Lewis 7. R. Hudson 8.

REIGATE, SURREY:-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Freda Hankey 1. Betty Saggers 2, G. West 3. W. Dunn 4. W. Inwond 5. A. T. Shelton 6. G. Oliver (cond.) 7. K. Game 8.

RINGWOOD. HANTS.-On May $\epsilon$ th, 1,250 Plain Bob Minor: D. Wilson (first-quarter) 1, A. Fry 3. C. Pring 4. R Hoare 5. R. Sherman (first in method) 6. W. Cheater (cond.) 7. E. Tumer 8 (coverin3). Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Triples
ROCHESTER. KENT. - At the Cathedral, on May 6th. 1.184 Grandsire Tripies: Miss A. Wrigby (first of Triples) 1. W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, Miss E. Wharton (first of Trip!es inside') 3. T. Beaumont 4. A. Wrigby 5, R, E. Norris 6, C. E. J. Norris 7 D. Norris 8

ROMSEY. HANTS.-On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. D. G. Northway 1. Miss M. P. Coffin 2. H. J. Page 3. M. L. Northway (cond.) 4. D. Greenlaw 5. C. T. Drew 6. C. M. White 7, R. C. B. Small-

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.-On May 6th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: R. Young (first quarter) 1. Christine E. Rodgers 2, Mary Alkinson 3, R. Woodward 4, Susan Chaddock 5. I. Tilling 6, P. Coote 7, N. Chaddock (cond.) 8.

ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.-As the Priory Church of SS. Mary and Bega. on May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Birney (first in the meihud) 1. Miss V. Bell 2. G. Tembey 3. G McKay 4. S. Richardson 5. J. Butterfield 6, T. T Jones (cond.) 7. H. Wilson 8.
ST. MARY CRAY, KENT,-On May $8 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Canterbury Minor: S. Hardy 1, F. Corringe (cond.) 2 R. Beard 3, F. G. Wheller 4. P. Braund 5. B. Aldridge 6.
SALISBURY, WILTS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Prout 1, Maraaret R. Paze 2. Ann Abrahams 3, B. J. Lawes 4, L. A. Page 5, H. H. Abrahams 6, W. A. Theobald (cond.) 7, E. C Read 8
SEALE, SURREY.-On May 6th, 1.200 Grandsirc Doubles: Miss R. Mills 1. Mrs. A. Merritt 2. Miss M. Davies (first attempt) 3, C. Poyntry 4, E. Gardiner (cond.) 5, Miss V. Martin (first attempt) 6.
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Welch 1, R. Pond 2. H. Bunghay 3, F. Welch (cond.) 4, J. Cornelius 5. J. Stenner 6.

Sheffield, YORKs.-On May 6th, at the Cathedral. 1.248 Kent Treble Boh Maximus: R. E. Price (cond.) 1. D. H. Buxton 2, F. Ward 3. D. Armstrong 4. K. Abboll 5. J. S. Rank 6. B. Balderson 7. R. S. L. Long 8. J. S. Seager 9, B. Holland 10. H. O. Chaddock 11. G. K. Chaddock 12.

SHENFIELD, ESSEX.-On May 6ih, 1.440 Soliced Surprise Minor (London, Wells, Cambridge. Norfolk, Ipswich and Primrose): G. Goldwin 1. J. Fennell 2, R. Isgrove 3, C. Tiffin 4, R. Tiffin 5, H. Turner (cond.) 6.
SOUTHGATE, LONDON.-At Christ Church, on May 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Spreadbury 1. S. G. Peck 2. Pam Miller 3. J. Perrett 4, D. Towers 5, H. Miller 6. C. Aldridge (cond.) 7, W. Wainwright 8. STAMFORD, LINCS, On May 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Tyres 1, J. R. Nichols 2, C. Matthews 3, F. Boyall 4, R. H. Knight 5, J. H, Bluff (cond.) 6. stourbridge, Worcs.-At St. Thomas Church. on May 6th, 1,332 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara Stephens 1, W. H. Cooper 2, F. V. Nicholls 3, Jill Tombs P. W. Webb (cond.) 5, D. H. Watson 6.
STRENSHAM, WORCS. On May $61 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Reverse St. Bartholomew Boh Doubles: Anne Broxion 1. F. Hawkes 2, W. Williams 3, A. Halling 4. M.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MDDLX.-On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): R. Jones 1. D Brock (cond.) 2. Janet Bailey 3. Doreen Gihbons 4. E. Pizzey 5. P. Brand 6. D. Boniface 7. D. Struckelt 8.
SWINESHEAD. LINCS.-On May 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. B. Dawson 1. Mrs. R. Reynolds 2, J. H. Taylor 3, N. B. Fovargue 4, R. Howard 5 . P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 6. J. P. Morriss 7. E. Wilson 8. TEWKESBURY, GLOS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Halling 1. M. Hawkes (cond.) . A. Halling 3, E. Leach 4, E. W. Penn 5, Anne Broxton 6.
TRULL, SOMERSET.-On May Gih. 1,260 Piain Bob Minor: Sylvia Vine 1. Mrs. B. Morris (first inside ') 2, R. Shire 3, E. J. Baker 4. B. Vine (first inside') 5. H. Churchill (cond.) 6.
WALTON-LE-DALE, LANCS.-On May 7th. 1.272 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Maryl Crossthwaite 1. D. Lawson 2. Judy Moir 3. Bally Faunch . F. Siead (cond.) 5. J. Couperthwaite 6.
WELLINGBOROLGH, NORTHANTS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Warwick (first quarter) 1. A. Plowman 2, A. Stone 3. A. R. Elliott 4 C. W. Partridge (cond.) 5, W. West 6. Also for the silver wedding on April 22nd of ringer of 4th. WELLINGTON, SOMERSET. On May 6th. 1.26.) Grandsire Triple: K. Ireland 1. G Salter 2. I. Hughes 3. G. Walford 4, W. Stevens 5, D. T North 6. C. Gammon (cond.) 7. C. Baker 8.
WENTWORTH. YORKS. on May fth. 1.440 Pla:n Bob Doubles: K. Wess (firs quarter) 1. Canon A. King 2, P. Thompson 3, M. King 4. M. Mzadows (first as cond.) 5. A. Beaumont (first quarter) 6. First quarrer by local band.
WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.-On May $6 t h$. 1,4so Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Browne 1, J. L. Glanvill 2. J. Arbur: 3, J. M. Carier 4, J. Mankey Rung after meeting shon for a peal of Grandsire Tripies.
WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.-On May 7th, 1,260 Minor 1720 Oxford T.B., 540 Plain): P. Perkins 1. A. Cansdale 2. Evelyn R. M. Cansdale 3, B. Gibbors 4. D Culham 5. E. Legrett (cond.) 6.
WYCHEOLD, WORCS.-On May 6th. 1.280 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): P. J. Brown 1. J. E. Pullon 2. M J. Fellows 3. Heather M. Pullon 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, L. H. G. Gittins 6.

ACTON, SUFFOLK.-On Mar. 26th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Webber 1. D. Culham
ALVASTON, DERBYS.-On May 1st. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss L, P. Hydes 1, D. F. Roberts (first - inside') 2, Miss B. A. Manning 3, E. Thomas (first 'inside') 4, B. R. Manning (cond.) 5, K. Whittaker (first quarter) 6. First quarter since band re-formed January, 1959. Rung for Sung Eucharist. AYLESTONE, LEICS.-On May 1st. $1,260 \mathrm{St}$. Clement's Court Rob Triples: Maric Davenport 1 . R. S. Morris (cond.) 2, Sandra Chesterion 3. Christine Wakefield 4. Patricia Wardle 5. T. I. Roper 6, A. J. Poynor 7, P. Martin 8. Rung to we'come Canon F. W. Pratt at sung Eucharist
BACKWELL, SOMERSET, -On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Audrey Hailstone 1. T. G. Phitlips (cond.) 2, Barbara Hailstone (first quarter) 3. W. P. Blake 4, D. Smith 5, J. Brain 6, J. Lott 7, P. Ogbourne (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffied by the Sunday service band in memory of the late Dr. H. W. Bradfie!d. Bishop of Bath and Wells, whose funcral took place this day.
BEDDINGTON, SURREY. On May 1sı, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss J. Lavender 1. Miss J. $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Winchester 2, Miss E. Cooper 3. A. Rogers 4, S. } \\ \text { Kimber 5. D. Parsons } & \text { (cond.) 6, L. Rece 7, } & \text { F. }\end{array}$ Jennings 8 .
BEXLEY. KENT.-On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doublas: A. Ferd 1. Miss B, Foster 2. Miss J. Jones 3. P. W. Hicks (first quarter) 4, Miss M. R. Andrews (cond.) 5, C. H. 1. Williams 6. For Evensong.

HIRLINGHAM, WORCS.-On May 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. J. Brown 1, J. E. Pullon 2, M. J. Fellows 3, M. D. Fellows 4. P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells, a ring a five, since 1695.
BISHAMPTON wORCS.
BISHAMPTON, WORCS.-On April 22nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. D. Fellows (cond.) 1, Heather M. Pullon 2, M. J. Fellows 3, J. E. Pullon 4. P. Cattermole 5, L. H. G. Gittins 6 . Rung on ringers ${ }^{\circ}$ tour.
RRISTOL. - At Christ Church (city), on May 5th. 1.440 Kent T.B. Royal: Elisabeth Bowden 1, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 2, Monica Horseman 3, R. G. Hooper 4. Joan Grey 5. B. A. Shackicton 6. R. J. Bowden 7. D. Y. Yeo 8, J. Brain 9, M. 1. Horseman 10. First of Kent Royal by all excent the treble ringer.
BURFORD. OXON.-On Mar. 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Trip.es: Christine Houiton (first quarter) 1. M. C. F. Collett 2. J. W. Dixon 3. T. J. H. Prince 4. W. J. Dixon feond.) 5, B. J. Hall 6. T. W. Timms 7. J. J.
Westmacott 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. Westmacott 8. Rung half-muffle
Boulter, former churchwarden.
BURWOOD. NEW SOUTH WAIES.-On Apri] 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Ferris 1. J. Fryci 2. Audrey Perers 3. W. Rowe 4. L. McQucen (first of Triples) 5, J. Curnmings 6. T. Goodyer (cond.) 7, K. Stracey 8. Rung on the nceasion of the dedication of the bells.
CAPEL, SURREY.-On May 1st, 1.260 Plain Hob Minor: K. Pearce (12, first quarter) 1. A. Harman (cond.) 2, Hannah Penfold 3, R. Tuilcit 4, Barbara Sheldon 5, P. Ede 6. For mornin? service.
CAPE TOWN. SOUTH AFRICA.-On May 1 st , 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: O. Lamb 1, W. Smith 2, J. Riley 3. V. Shenpard 4. R. Law (cond.) 5. J. Frnsizen
6. For Evensong and as a farewell to the Rev. P. Gibhs.

COLCHESTFR. ESSEX.-At the Church of St. Peter on May 1st. 1.260 Plain Bob Major: Branda Balls 1. G. Wondruff 2. A. Dale 3. B. Webb 4. K.
Smith 5. E. Pipcr 6. H. J. Milatt (cond.) 7. E. P. Dufficld 8. For Evensong.
CONSETT. CO. DURHAM,-On May 8th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Wall 1. J. Vickery 2, E. Oliver 3. N. Errington 4. R. B. Ske:ton 5. W. Tyson (cond.) 6. For Evensong and the 21st birthday of Miss Janct Errington.
CREWKERNE. SOMERSET.-On Easter Sunday. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7.6.8 covering) : K. Pinney 1. J. Hacking 2. M. Bart'ett (first inside ') 3, $S$. White 4. L. Wear (cond.) 5. Miss B. Branter 6. S.
Wills 7. R. Miller 8. The conductor thanks the band for this tribute on the birth of a dauzhter (Mary) to Mrs. Wear.

DOWNTON, WiltS.-On May rih, 1.260 Stedman Triples: C. M. White 1. Audrey J. Knight
M. D.
2. Northway 3. M. L. Northway 4. H. J. Pase 5, E. H. J. Mussel 6. R. N. Marlow (cond.) 7 . DUBLIN, EIRE,-At St. Patrick's Cathedral. on May 3rd. 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. W. Jones (first $\begin{array}{llll}\text { ot Stedman) 1. B. K. Lunn 2. W. H. Wilson 3. } \\ \text { C J. Reede (first of Sedman) } & \text { 4. D. Vokes (firsi of }\end{array}$ Stedman) 5, J. A. Alkinson 6. T. McMorran (cend) 7. G. S. Malone (first quarier) 8 . To mark the election of Mr. W. H. Wilson as president of St. Patrick's Cathedral Society.

## QUARTER PEALS

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On May 3rd, 1.260 Stedman Triples: W. White 1. J. Hibbert 2. Mrs. C. J. Hibbert 3. C. J. Hibbert 4, C. Garlick 5 . A. H. Webb 6, G. W. Bishop (first as cond.) 7, L Cox 8. First in method 2 and 5.
GREAT BARRINGTON, GLOS.-On Mar. 16th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Cambray (firsi quarter) 1. Brenda Hall (first of Doubles) 2, B. Hall 3. T. Stratford 4, T. W. Timms (cond.) 5, Mrs. K. Hall (first of Doubles) 6.
HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.-On April 3rd, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. R. G. Spice 1, F. K. Nichulls 2. Miss D. Robinson 3, M. J. Dyer 4. A. J. Davey 5. H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Easter Sunday, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. T Howes 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2. Miss D. Robinson 3, M. J. Dyer 4. F. R. Nichells 5. H. S. Peacock 6. For morning service. Also on May 1st. i,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. E. Wells (first of Surprive) 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2, A. J. Davey 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, M. J. Dyer 5 , H. S. Peacock 6. For morning service.

HERTFORD.-On May 4th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Tr.ples: J. W. Tharn 1, E. J. Philins 2. J. Kemp 3. A. S. Carter (cond.) 4. C. Syringham 5. C. E. Hayter 6, S. F. Carter 7, P. W. Saunders 8. Rung haif-muflied in memoriam Winifred Gill, wife of the Rector, whose funeral service too's glace this day.

HORNBY, LANCS.-On April 30th, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Maryl R Crossthwaite 1. W. G. Wilson 2, 1. P. Partington 3. F. Stead 4, G. Rothwel1 5, C. Crcesthwaite (cond.) 6, M. D. Fishwick 7, D. Butterworth 8. First of Surprise Major for 1 and 2.
KEA, CORNWALL.- On April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. R. Dunstan (first on treble) 1, A. J. Davidson 2, Miss J. G. Hobbins 3. Miss M. Driver 4. C. W. Jese (cond.) 5. To celebrate the installation

KINGS LANGLEY, HERTS.-On May 1st. 1.344 Plain Bcb Major: A. H. Hill (first of Major) 1. R. W. R. Picton 2. Miss G. E. Graney 3. Miss M.
Erik 4. D. J. Coodman 5, K. D. Waples 6. R. V. Erik 4. D. J. Coodman 5, K. D. Waples 6, R. V.
Wallis 7, B. M. Barker (cond.) 8. A farewell to Mrs. Doris Brittany, a loyal church worker, who is leaving the parish.
LEICESTER.-On May 8th, at St. Margarct's Church. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Mason 1. A. E. Harley (cond.) 2, E. Morris 3. K. R. Mason 4, J. Adams 5. G. Oliffe 6. For Evensong.

LEYLAND, LANCS.-On May 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson 1. W. H. Hunter 2. D. Lawson 3, D. Marsden (first euarter) 4, K. Durow 5, J. Owens (first as cond.) 6.
LONDON.-A1 St. Clement Danes*, on May 1st. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Jean F. Barnell (first quarter) 1. A. Boyack 2. Mrs. N. Barworth 3. I. H. Oram 4. N. Barworth 5. E. A. Barnett (cond.) 6. A. Bagworth 7, P. D. Chapman 8. For Evensong.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes', on May 8th. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: W. G. Wilson 1. Freda Greaves 2. Hilds Oatway 3. Catherine Powell 4. S. Croft 5. A. Strecter (first on ten) 6. R. Cadamy (first of Caters) 7, J. Marks 8, W, F. Oatway (cond.) 9. J. Tomsert 10.

IOWER HEYFORD, NORTHAMPTON,-On April 23 rd , 1.140 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Cooper 1. Mrs. W. H. Collins 2. E. C. Garret! 3. M. R. C. Hersher 4. R. Danby 5. W. H. Collins (cond.) 6. A
wedding compliment to Mr. Michael Turner and wedding compliment to Mr. Michael Turner and Miss Ruth Hensher, only daughter of the Rector.
NAILSEA. SOMERSET.-On May Sih. 1,260 Doubies (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Jennifer Brake (first quarter) 1. Mrs. R. Quint 2. Mrs. D. Strone 3. L. Derrick (cond.) 4. Mary Powell 5. Olwen Quinı 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Dr. H. W. Bradfield. Bishod of Bath and Wels.

NORTHAMPTON,-On Mar. 27th, at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: G. F. Roome 1. Miss P. F. Curtis 2. J. C. Rainbow 3 . Miss J. A. Downing 4, Miss D. M. Miller 5. T. Jennings 6. E. Billings (cond.) 7. Miss A. Shackshaft 8 .
First of Triples for 2 and 8. A compliment to Mr. First of Triples for 2 and 8. A compliment to Mr. Also on April 10th. at the Church of St. Edmund. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: G. F. Roome 1, R. S. Roberts 2, E. Thresher 3, Miss J. A. Downing 4 . Billings (cond.) 8 . For morning service.
OCKHAM, SURREY.-On April 3rd, 1.380 GrandOCKHAM, SURREY.-On April 3rd, 1,380 Grand-
sire Doubles: Miss J. Drury 1, Miss P. Drury 2, I. Martin 3. Miss D. Gibbons 4, B. Priestley (cond) 5. For morning service

PARRAMATTA, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRA LIA.-On April 23rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jan J. Gates (first quarter) 1, Audrey E. Peters 2, Wendy A. Nishols (first of Bob Doubles inside' on tower bells) 3, R. L. Clark (first as cond.) 4. R. W. Ferris 5. P. B. Gates 6. Rung for St. George's Day by members of the Order of the Comrades of St George.
PIDDLEHINTON, DORSET.-On Aprit 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Cheeseman 1, R. Surmey 2, Terha Barnett 3, J. W. Rose 4, E. H. Amev (cond.) 5, G. Lord 6.
RADLEY, BERKS.-On Feb. 28th, 1.320 St . Simen's Doubles: Catherine Capman 1, R. Raven 2. Daphne Pollard 3, Susan Alexander 4, Marie R. Cross (cond.) 5. M. Gilbertson 6. First cuarter 1 and 6; first in method 2, 3 and 4. Rung in honour of the birth of a second son to H.M. the Queen. Also on Feb. 28th. 1.320 Doubles (Plain Bob. Reverse Canterbury. St. Simon's and Grandsire): Catherine Chapman 1. R Grange 2. Daphne Pollard (first in four methods as cond.) 3. R. Raven 4. Marie R. Cross 5, M. Gilbertson 6. First in four methods 1,2 and 4. Rune for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margares and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.
ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bnt Minor: R. Greaves 1. A. Greaves 2. M. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, R. Rose (cond.) 5, E. Nice 6. Also, for Evensong, 1,440 Doubie Court: J. Wright 1, A. Greaves 2. L. Wright 3, L. Nice 4, R. Rose (cond.) 5, E. Nice 6.
SHOREDITCH. LONDON.-At St. Leonard's, on Abril 24th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surnrise Major: Miss J. R. Cox 1. Mrs. T. H. Francis 2. Mrs. R. F. Deal 3. P. Beresford 4, A. R. Ling 5, F. J. Matthews 6, B. F. Baker 7, D. Berestord (cond.) 8. For Evensons.
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Ap.il 24ih, 1.260 Stedman Tripies: A. D. Rivers 1. Pamela M. Jervis 2, Mrs Janet Livingston 3, Linda J. Kew 4. E. L. A Hudson 5, J. C. Bin 6, W. Birmingham (cond.) 7 D. Livingston 8. First of Stedman Triples for 2, 4 and 8. Rung for the 25 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. A. Hudson.
SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.-On April 10th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Annc Legg 1. M. J. Cook 2, B Wakefield (cond.) 3, P. Wakefield 4, R. J. Smith 5 R. Wakefield 6. A compliment to Mr. Alan Legg (brother of the treble ringer), on passing the entrance examination 10 Wadham College. Oxford
STORRINGTON, SUSSEX. On April 30th, 1.260 Crandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Chacksfield 1. J. Maple 2. J. Newall 3. Miss J. Horion 4. B. W. Farhall (cond.) 5. J. Chacksfield 6. Rung in memoriam Dr. G. A. Mitchel (priest), who was interred on April 28th.

SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.-AI St. Mary's Basilica, on Mar. 17/h, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: L. R. A. Curran 1. Audrey E. Peters 2. R. J. Klima 3. Wendy A. Nichols (first of Triples) 4. J. H. Fryer 5 , 3. J. Cummins 6, T. W. Goodver (cond.) 7, J. F Hammond 8. Rung for the Feast of St. Patrick and the silver jubilee of Cardinal Gilroy's consecration as a Bishon.
WELLS, SOMERSET.-At the Cathedral, on May 1st. 1.299 Stedman Caters: Bridget Sanger (first of Stedman) 1. A. J. Sanger 2, G. Salmon 3, P. C Wright 4, S. A. Read 5. R. J. Fox 6. D. Randall 7 E. Naylor (cond.) 8, H. 1. Sanger 9, T. Setter 10. For Evensong
WAREHAM, DORSET.-On May 8th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Orchard (first quarter) 1. R. S. W. Robertson 2. Judith Harding 3. A. Bull (first ${ }^{\text {( inside }}{ }^{\text {' }}$ ) 4. C. G. Cherrett 5. A. M. Cundingham 6. C. T Brown (cond.) 7, C. Hodse (first quarter) 8. For Parish Communion
WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On March 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Cattermole (completed circle as cond.) 1, Heather Pullon 2, Valerie Powell 3. J. E. Pullon 4, R. S. Smith 5. L. H. G. Gittins 6. Local band for Evensong. Also on Mar. 26:h. 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: Heather Pullon 1, J. E. Pulion 2. M. J. Fellows 3. M. D. Fellows 4. P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. M. T. Sprackling 6. A 13th birthday quarter for Jimmy Pulion. Also on March 27 $\mathrm{th}, 1.259$ Doubles (Grandsire. Plain, April Day): Valerie Powell 1, J. E.
Puilon 2, Heather Pullon 3, P. Cattermole (cond) Puilon 2, Heather Pullon 3. P. Cattermole (cond.) Mothering Sunday gift service. Also on April 3rd 1.259 Do.lbles (Grandsire. Plain, April Day): Valerie Powell 1. Heather Pullon 2. J. E. Pullon 3. A. D. Cook 4. P Cattermole (cond.) 5. L. H. C. Gittins 6. Rung half-mufficed for Passion Sunday. Also on Easter Day, 1.260 April Day: Valerie Powell 1. J. E. Pullon 2, V. Neale 3. A. D. Cook 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. Heather Pullon 6. For Evensong. Also on April 29ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Fellows (age 12. first as cond.) 1. M. D. Fellows 2, J. E. Pullon 3. Heather Pullon 4. P. Cattermole 5, B. M Gittins (age 13, first quarter) 6

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In an endeavour to maintain their bells and ropes BELFRY without asking the church authorities, Whiston, near Rotherham, bell ringers at their annual meeting decided to make a charge of 2 s . 6d. per rope for all peal attempts.
The Shropshire Association have this year rung more peals than in any complete year since 1954. It seems as if some of the Leicester Guild enthusiasm has reached this county.
Congratulations to Mr. John Fryer (15) on calling his first peal at Parramatta. He is the youngest person to conduct a peal in Australia. The peal was a birthday compliment to Mr. George Pipe, who was ringing in it and was on a business trip to Sydney.
'A splendid, well-struck peal was Mr. Albert Walker's opmion of the peal of Stedman Cinques he conducted at Birmingham Cathedral for his 84th birthday. The band wish to associate the name of Mr. George E. Fearn with the peal, as he arranged the tower and the bells.
Burghill, Herefordshire. ringers at their annual meeting, on May 3rd. decided on an outing in Breconshire and Monmouthshire, towards the end of June. Four new ropes are 10 be provided and an emergency light installed in the ringing chamber. Officers for next year are Mr. W. A. Stokes. captain: Mr. Ivor Probert, vice-chairman, and Mr. F. Morris. honorary secretary.
Although unable to ring since his illness last September. Mr. E. A. Stafford was present at the annual general meeting of Si. Maw's Cathedral Society. Glasgow. when he was re-elected honorary secretary and treasurer. Mr. Stafford's absence from the belfry has been a severe blow coming, as it has, soon after the band was depleted by the loss of other ringers leaving Glasgow. Four recruits are making good progress and joined in the ringing on the day of the birth of Prince Andrew and on the evening of the wedding of Princess Margaret.

GOSSIIP Mr. A. R. Peake, of Swindon, write: Mr. George E. Feirn's footnote to his peal of Spliced Major (see page 309) is not quite correct as at Cricklade. Wilts. on May 2nd, 1959, a peal of Spliced Doubles in 53 methods was rung containing 503 changes of method.

Visiting a particularly heavy five in the Vale of Evesham a touring party found several bottles of plum wine in the belfry.
A letter from Cape Town this week states that the state of emergency is over and practice has been resumed at St. Mary's, Woodstock.
With reference to last week's front page article. Mr. Patrick J. Bird asks us to state that it was the tower of Bristol Cathedral that was, for at least the last century, badly cracked and not the tenor, as was inadvertently printed.

While the restored Church of St. Nicholas, Great Yarmouth. will not be open for worship until next year, the new bells are rung each Sunday from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. to remind Christians of the time of evening services at other churches and chapels. Visiting ringers are cordially invited to take part in this Sunday ringing and also at the weekly practice on Thursdays at 7.30 p.m.
For the special service terminating Rotherham High School's Jubilee at Rotherham Parish Church. the ringing was done by girls and old girls with a little assistance on the two tenors from the local Ringing Master and son. The girls themselves rang Bob Minor. Grandsire Doubles and Little Bob Minor on the front six and the ringing concluded with call changes on the back eight.

Bro. W. Frank Stenson, P.P.G.M.. who for many years has organised bell ringing at the A.M.C. of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will. unfortunately, not be present at this year's gathering at Brighton, but he has made the arrangements. For the Sunday afternoon service ringing members should be at St. Peter's Church at 2.30 p.m. The secretary of St. Peter's band is Mr. A. W. Bond, 130, Poplar Avenue, Hove.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## THE ROYAL WEDDING

THE wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones on Mav Gth makes the year 1960 memorable in ringing history. Two big Royal occasions during the year gave the country at large an opportunity of knowing that the art of change ringing is not dead. A glance at our peal and quarter peal columns will reveal the large number of new ringers as indicated by first performances.
Naturally Westminster Abbey was the focal point and Mr. Harold N. Pitstow's band started a peal of Stedman Triples immediately the bride and bridegroom left. This peal was successfully brought round in 3 hours and 7 minutes. In the broadcast at the time the hells of Westminster were well heard. However, in relevision shots in the evening of the Abbey, the bells of St. Clement Danes' were used as a background. Mr. Pitstow's letter on the subject appeats on our correspondence page.
Apart from the Abbey only two other peals have heen recorded in London. The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths sang a peal of Cinques at St. Martin-in-the-Fields and there was a peal at Putney for the Surrey Associa tion.
At the • Britannia • passed St. Mary's. Wool wich, the bells were being rung under the direction of Miss M. R. Andrews.
The peal at South Wigston came round at 4.50 p.m. Probably this was the the second peal to be completed as the peal at Westmin. ster Abbey was undoubtedly the first.
A new method for the occasion was Windsor Detight Major, rung at Wigston Magna. The composition used was that rung to Clacton Surprise Major at Willesden on June 26th 1958.

At Lincoln Cathedral. Lyddington Surprise Maximus was rung for the great occasion This method is given as Oakham Surprise Maximus in Corrigan's Collection. As the extension from Royal does not agree with the new Council ruling another Rutland County name is given in Lyddington

Associated with the wedding will be the first peal on the bells of St. Mary's. Chepstow, since rehanging and augmenting to ten. The peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by seven regular Sunday service ringers and Mr. R. E Coles who stood in for Mr. John Sims. who is recovering from an operation. Steady progress is being made in ten bell ringing here. Chepstow ringers provide ten members of the choir and two Parochial Church Councillors.

## YOUNG PEOPLE

Fourteen year old Michael E. Turner called his first peal at Haselbury Plucknett, Somerset for the wedding. It was Grandsire Doubles with five callings.
Fifteen year old David J. Marshall conducted his first peal of Major for the Royal wedding at Daventry.
One of the youngest to ring a peal for this happy occasion was Antony Fasey at Kingswinford. Staffs. He is 12 years old and this was his first ' inside.

Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis. on May 6th. enabled four ringers to ring their first peal at Bowdon. The other experienced ringer with him was Mr. David Vincent.

Young people at lunch-time on May 6th rang the hells at Glaston. Rutland. for the wedding. They were Jennifer Barrett (13) Christine Russell (14). Philip Heath (15). Rodney. Todd (15). Robert Woodward (15) and Richard Busby (15). This must the youngest team to ring for the wedding

## AT CHICAGO

A chime concert and 'swinging peal' was rung from the Mitchell tower of Chicago University. on May 6th at 12.15 p.m. in honour of Princess Margaret's wedding

The Sunday service band at Middle Littleton, Worcs. have made local history by ringing their first peal as a band.

Packworth ringers scored three peals in a day (Saturday) for the Royal wedding. Two 17 year old ringers-Roger Tallis and Maurice Hughes-stood the test well

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 21



## MISS HILDA G. SNOWDEN,

## Vice-president, Essex Association.

Miss Hilda Snowden is the type of lady who. having determined on any course of action. tackles the joh with enthusiasm and attains her goal. Whether it is in the field of ringing. motoring, golf or music. she is right at the top. She is highly respected and admired in her native county of Essex. and her achievements are outstanding. She possesses a natural charm and speaks with a broad Essex dialect. which might incline people who did not know her to underestimate her ability. Her friendly disposition has endeared her to the Exercise. for she is well known all over the country
She was born at Halstead in 1916, and learned to ring there in 1931. Her early experiences were not happy, however. as ladies

The band who rang the peal at Hinton-on-the-Green. Worcestershire. for the Royal wedding would like to associate with it the name of Mr. W. J. Newman, who kindly stood down at the last minute to enable a local ringer who had just recovered from a minor illness to participate.

## CONDUCTOR'S GRAVEYARD

The Royal wedding peals include one at Condover. Salop, which was the first on the bells since 1952. despite the many attempts. Locally the tower is known as the "conductor's giaveyard.
At the conclusion of the peal at St. Martin's. Salop. on the Saturday. the band were very pleased to be met by the Vicar at the foot of the belfry stairs. especially as he had thoughtfully brought liquid refreshments with him.
It was not intended to ring Kent Treble Boh Minor in the bell tower at Evesham. hut Kent T.B. Major. This was necessitated by the company meeting short. However, the circumstances did enable Messrs. Geofirey and Gerald Hemming to complese the cycle of Kent from Minor to Maximus.

## SPLICED SURPRISE RECORD

Re-issue of the record, made by the Bushey band, of 4 spliced in hand is now available.
Price 18/6 (including post and packing) From E. A. BARNETT,
26. Iron Mill Lane, Crayford, Kent.
Cheques and Postal Orders made payable to 'Centra: Council of ('hurch Bell Ringers,' please.
in the belfry were not received with enthusiasm. But Hilda had decided to become a ringer and with her brother she cycled to all the neighbouring towers for practice. and obtained a lot of experience that was to prove very useful later. She rang her first peal in 1932. and has, to date. rung 248 peals two of them being silent, and 26 which she has conducted. She is of sturdy build, and has always been eager to ring at the heavy end.
Amongst many of her notable achievements are: ringing the 10th at Exeter ( 33 cwt .) to a peal of Grandsire Caters: ringing in the only peal ever rung on the back eight at the same Cathedral, and ringing the tenors to peals at Dunmow, $21 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.. Stowmarket. $24 \mathrm{cwt} .$. Woodbridge $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Debenham, $21 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. and Waterford. Ireland. 20 cwt. The last-named peal was the first time a lady had rung a tenor in Ireland. She is Double Norwich twice and London once. She rang the tenor to the first and only peal of London rung by the Ladies' Guild. conducted by Edith Fletcher. All her performances on the tenor have been with the tenor 'turned in. She has yet to ring a peal on the tenor 'covering.' Such was her determination to ring a peal of Cambridge Maximus that she travelled the 32 miles several times for practice at Ipswich. and, of course, achieved her object.
She was mainly responsible for the recasting and rehanging of Halstead's bells, in 1957. and she piloted an Appeal Committee through two years' very hard work. It was a terrific struggle to raise th:: necessary funds. but she won through and Halstead now possesses a musical ring of bells, well worthy of the church where they hang. Miss Snowden has taken an active part in the work of the Fssex Association. and was the first lady to hold office of any kind in Essex. She was secretary of the Northern District for 20 years. and Master for 11 years. This loyal service was recognised in 1959 by making her a life vice-president. She has represented the Essex Association on the Central Council since 1945. She loves good ringing, and she has a great regard for those Essex stalwarts. Lewis Wiffin (only survivor of the hand which rang the first ever of Cambridge Maximus) and Frank Claydon, both still going strong at 78 years of age.

## SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS

A warm welcome was extended by Mr. D. Carlisle when the Society of Sherwood Youths held their first meeting at Sandiacre on April 30 h . Mrs. Carlisle provided a very appetising tea for the members and visitors. In the evening Stapleford was visited and methods rung during the dax included London. St. Clement's. Cambridge and Double Court.

## Hints For Beginners-21

In Siedman, the basis of the method is that the three bells as the fromt ring alternately quick and slow sixes. Thus if you are delayed by bobs for an odd mumber of sixes, you must go in the same way that yon came out last time.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Lewisham District

The Lewisham District had a beautiful afternoon for their quarterly meeting-a joint one with the Kent Branch of the Ladies Guildat Chelsfield on April 30th
Between 40 and 50 members and friends enjoyed a very pleasant service conducted by the Rector (the Rev. L. R. King). who joined the company for an excellent tea which had been prepared and was served by memhers of his congregation. After tea and a short husiness meeting the gentlemen returned to the towe leaving the Ladies' Guild to have their meeting.

Ringing was under the leadership of Mr . I. H. Oram, District Ringing Master.

## GRaNTLEY HALL BELLRINGING COURSE

TWHE first course ever to be held in the North of England took place at Grantley Hall. near Ripon, during the week-end following Easter. After dinner on Friday evening the warden. Mr. C. L. Rigg. told the assembled students that the courses in session. Irish dancing and the art of bellringing, were entirely new ventures at Grantley and while as yet he was unable to discern any affinity between the two subjects he hoped something would emerge before the dispersal of the courses.
All the bellringing students then attended a lecture by Mr. Frederick Sharpe. who dealt in a masterly manner with the history of bells and ringing. illustrated by lantern slides: the students were greatly impressed by this talk as Mr. Sharpe was able to relate his personal experiences and draw on his vast knowledge of the various techniques in founding and tuning.
On Saturday morning the students divided into elementary and advanced groups ; this was accomplished uith some difficulty as the lectures were attractive to all. so whilst Mr. W. E. Moreton dealt with How 10 learn and teach Change Ringing ${ }^{\prime}$ Mr. N. Chaddock lectured on the first stage in conducting. Further lectures followed with Mr. Moreton developing conducting into more advanced stages, whilst Mr. Chaddock with the aid of a model hell in a frame and a film strip showed - How Bells are Hung and Rung.

## PRACTICAL WORK

After lunch the students leff the college for ringing on tower bells. Half the party stayed at Ripon Cathedral with Mr. Sharpe and Mr. Chaddock. The warden, who appeared anxiovs to delve still further into the mysterious art of bellringing. was also present. Provided with raw recruits. Mr. Chaddock demonstrated his system of teaching pupils how to handle a beli: later thic clappers were unlashed and toaches were rung on the ring of ten bells.
Mr. Moreton's party journeyed to Wath, a nearby villige with a beautiful old church having a liglt six where the Rector. the Rev. E. A. Hosband, welcomed the ringers. The instructor called touches of Minor. explaining the change in coursing order when bobs were called.

After dinner Mr. Sharpe gave his second lecture on the Care and Maintenance of Bells and Belfries: during which even the most enlightened student must have gained considerable knowledge ahout the subject. With the aid ofi a comprehensive set of slides the lecturer showed amongst other things the importance of correct positioning of bells in a tower. Owing to number of yuestions a he allotted time for the lecture was exceeded. the allotted time for the of some. Tykes ' who
much to the annoyance of subsequently discovered that the bar had closed! However. hearing the sound of music certain ringers invaded the large lecture room where they were invited to join in the Terpsichorean art and the sight of large hellringers cavorting around the floor in an Irish reel was a sight to be remembered.
Sunday morning commenced with family prayers conducted by the warden. introduced by a solemn louch of Grandsire Triples. tenor size 25 rung by R. A. Lennard 1-2, N.
Chaddock $3-4, ~ F$. Sharpe $5-6$, and W. Moreton Chaddock 3-4. F. Sharpe $5-6$. and W. Moreton
$7-8$ : this touch was repeated after the service. The advanced group joined Mr. Moreton who iectured on Composition and Methos Structure. The methods analysed were Double Bob and London Bob and he also explained Court and Double Court places. The system of checking the possinility of validity of a method at the half lead was
shown. As Mr. Moreton drew a line after
the hand stroke lead of the treble in Plain Bob we got the impression he favoured this point for the lead end. an opinion shared by at least one of his students.

## HANDBELLS-TUNES AND CHANGES

Meanwhile, tune ringing on handbells was in progress in the music room with Mr. Chaddock as tutor; he gave the method of tune ringing used by his band of ringers. This was the ordinary staff notation in four parts: each person had a sheet and rang two or four bells, the music having been adapled from piano scores by the conductor. Oiher methods of music notation were explained briefly, including that used. by Mr. Sharpe's famous band.
In the change ringing on handbells the three position system was advocated by Mr. Moreton in preference to the twin blue lines and he introduced a unique method of presenting his lecture : a tape recorder repeated the six places in Minor ad infinitum, whilst two bells rang in the particular position he was describing. Then the students were each issued with two handbells which were rung in the position required: $1-3,2-4,3-5$. etc. : the sound created by about 15 , hells striking together was remarkable! Mr. Sharpe. who took part, said nothing but like the parrot must have thought a lot! Unfortunately only one lecture could be devoted to this subject but a start was made.

## DEMONSTRATIONS

After lunch the handbell tune ringers gave a demonstration to the whole assembly, with Mr. F Sharpe and Mr. and Miss Chaddock rendering four in hand The Grandfather's Clock. followed by three novices who gave a very creditable performance of The Old Hundred. The dancers next took the floor to display intricate footwork in Irish reels and. not to be outdone, the bellringers followed with a surprise item. The Cumberland Square eight danced wilh great vigour.

Mr. F. Sharpe presided at the final discussion when comments on the course were given by various students. Everyone was unanimous on one point-that the week-end had heen a great success and another course should be arranged. The warden stated that it would be essential to cater for beginners in a future course or the venture would fall flat. Expressions of appreciation were cnthusiastically shown to the tutors. Mr. Sharpe. Mr. Chaddock and Mr. Moreton, also to the Dean of Ripon and the Rector of Wath for the use of the bells.
From a student's angle one was impressed by the preparatory work done by the lecturers and tutor, which portrayed how seriously they had undertaken their duties: Mr. Sharpe had brought his renowned collection of handbells. many founders marks, a model bell hung in a frame and iwo large bells. not forgetting a collection of slides and photographis which must be unsurpassed in the country. Mr. Chaddock presented copies of his conducting lecture. which ran into several pages. to the students and he brought along a goodly number of handbells, film strips and a model bell. The tape recordings used by Mr. Moreton were the outcome of much thought and endeavour as were the charts which he had carefully prepared. A word of thanks to the warden and his staff for our comfort over the week-end and I conclude with the mention of a classic remark made by Mr. Rigg shortly before we dispersed. Mr. Sharpe. in commending the Exercise. said that No two rings of bells are alike. Mr. Rigg retorted. And no two ringers are alike
N. F. M.

## DEDICATION

BURWOOD, NEW SOUTH WALES
The Archbishop of Sydney (the Most Rev H. R. Gough) dedicated the new ring of eight bells (tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.) at St. Paul's Church. Burwood. New South Wales, on April 3rd. in the presence of a congregation numbering 1.000 . The bells, cast by John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. are the gifts of parishioners and different organisations. The second bell is in memory of the late Archbishop of Sydney and Mrs. Mowell.
In his sermon. the Archbishop said that a ring of bells should perform three functions: to call men to worship. to sound a spiritual warning, and to mark times of rejoicing. The trumpet calls to the Hebrew people fulfilled the same purposes.
Worship was man's highest duty. and the bells had a noble purpose in providing the summons. the archbishop said.

They also served as a warning to the lapsed In Britain they would have indicated that the German invasion was imminent, and their role in marking national danger was a parallel to their announcement of spiritual danger for those who disregarded the call to worship.
Bells also indicated rejoicing and triumph Dr. Gough said. Their sound proclaimed the viciory of the Cross. The danger of a cracked bell, and a cracked message to the world. was one against which the congregation had to guard, he said.
Immediately after the service the bells were rung by K. Stacey, L. Macqueen. Audrey Peters. J. Fryer. T. Goodyer. J. Cummins, R. Clark and R. Ferris. A peal attempt failed but later a quarter peal was rung and a special supper provided at the Rectory for the ringers. All were highly complimentary it the 'go' of the bells. There is no shortage of recruits for St. Paul's bells and these include the Rector (the Rev. R. A. O’Brian).

## AMBITIOUS HOPES FROM SOUTH WALES

South Wales Nomads have taken a practical interest in the three bells at St. Mary's Church Panteg. on the Newport-Abergavenny road Two of the bells were cast by John Palmer in 1661 and were rehung and a new bell added by Llewellin and James. of Bristol, in 1885. Diligent work in the belfry has resulted in a half-hour's ringing for Sunday services instead of chiming, in charge of David Thomas (13). who has taught others to handle.
With the possibility of augmenting the ring to five or six bells the ringers have started : weekly savings scheme. The official opening of the fund will take place with a ringing festival and open day on July 2nd. Those who cannot attend are asked to send their gifts to the Rev. Mr. Curtis-Morgan. St. Mary's Rectory. Panteg. Mon.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The Society's annual cup contest, held at Beighton on May 7h. brought car loads and contestants and others to the small Derbyshire village.

The senior judge. Mr. H. Chant. gave his assessment as follows: Handsworth. 87 faults, time 12 ? mins: Warsop. 80.12 mins; Shelley 75. 13 mins: Sheffield University, 87. 13ł mins: Sheffield Cathedral. 54.11 mins ; Rotherham Parish Church. 63. $12 \frac{\downarrow}{2}$ mins.
Sheffield Cathedral were thus declared the winners. with Rotherham runners-up. The winners. who also had the fastest time. rang Plain Bob as did Rotherham and the University team. Handsworth rang Cambridge and the other two teams Treble Bob.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## THE ROYAL WEDDING

Dear Sir. On the evening of May 6th B.B.C. Television presented a telerecording of the Royal wedding, the opening shots of which depicted Westminster Abbey from various angles, accompanied by ringig on a ring of eight bells.
Viewers assumed, not unnaturally, that this was part of the wedding peal rung on the Abbey bells, but as a matter of fact the recording used was not of the Abbey bells.
I have protested to the producer of the programme and he admitted, rather reluctantly, that the recording used was of St . Clement Danes".
The most disturbing aspect of the conversation was his attitude towards bellringing. He stated that no one took any interest in bellsthey served only as background-which statemen I refuted, and he would not agree that anyone viewing the programme would associate the bells which they were hearing with the picture of Westminster Abbey appearing on the screen.

It would appear that the Broadcasting and Television Committee of the Central Councıl has a good deal of spade work yet to do to convince the B.B.C. that there is a public interested in bells.-Yours faithfully.
H. N. PITSTOW

## Banstead. Surrey

## DETAILS FOR 'ARTFLL DODGER'

Dear Sir-In reply to 'Artful Dodger (page 296), it is true the Barnsley and District Society hope to hold the annual shield contest at Felkirk. near Barnsley, on Saturday. June 11 th. This contest was formed in 1926. when 11 teams entered and was for towers within a 12 mile radius of St. Mary's, Barnsley. In 1934 this contest was made open to anyone who was a member of the Society. membership being Is. per year. Four members from one tower can be made up with two from any other tower providing they are all members. The entrance fee for the coniest is 10 s. per tower. with prizes according to the number of entries.
It is not for me to say that this contest is to decide who are the champions of England. Perhaps some of the other Societies may ask Why not all cup or shield winners meet at some central tower and then decide who are the champions? This would mean that two or more judges would take part. and be in different places. Our judge will be Mr . Harold Chant. Felkirk. I hope you all have heard about him, and hope this will satisfy Artful Dodger.' of Huddersfield.-Yours elc., JAMES W. BUXTON.
Shelley, Huddersfield.

## BALSHAM, CAMBS

Dear Sir.-Some of your readers might like to know that. after surves, it has been recommended that the five bells of Holy Trinity Church. Balsham, will not be rung again until a new frame and new hangings are provided. The tenor is 16 cwt . and the 4 th is by John Tonne, 1540, the only example of his work in Cambridgeshire. The oak frame is worn out.

The sum of $\$ 1.300$ has to he raised before we can welcome ringers again.-Your faithfully,

ALAN H. NEALE.<br>Churchwarden

## GREATEST NUMBER OF CHANGES OF METHOD

Dear Sir.-In the Belfry Gossip column of the issue of May 6th. you stated that the peal of Spliced Major rung at Cleatham on April 16 th contained the greatest number of changes of method yet rong (461)

A peal of Spliced Major containing 467 changes of method was. however. rung 'in hand by the Cambridge University Guild on November 28th. 1958.
This peal was noteworthy in that it was the first peal of Spliced for three members of the band.-Yours sincerely.
A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.

Gainsborough.

## AMERICAN SCHOOLS GET TOGETHER

Dear Sir.-It may be of interest to your readers that the bell ringers from Kent School paid us a visit recently, the second time we have rung together his academic year.
The Kent boys drove for nearly 200 miles, arriving here on Saturday in time for an hour's ringing before supper. There was more ringing atter supper and on Sunday morning for an hour and a half before the main service in the school chapel.

Also present was Mr. James Laker, an English ringer. originally from Kent (England). now residing in Orleans, Massachusetts. We are always happy to see Mr. Laker arrive as he has been one of the mainstays in maintaining liaison between England and America. He came to Groton as early as 1926 with Mr. Tony Price (Middlesex Association) and others. He also took part in a peal attempt at Kent School after the installation of their bells in the early thirties.

Other guest ringers this week-end were Dr and Mrs. D. H. Niblett, of Oxford University. now doing research at Cornell University in lhaca. New York. They drove forty miles from Boston on Saturday and again on Sunday.

The ringing consisted of Grandsire Doubles and Triples. Stedman Doubles and Erin Triples.-Sincerely yours

## Groton School (Mass.)

## DIARY CORRECTION

Dear Sir.-Over the years the 1.260 Stedman Triples shown at middle bottom. page 24 of the Ringers' Diary, has lost some bobs. viz.. one al 8 in the 7 th course, and one at 3 in the 10 th course.
I have not noted any comment on this hefore, and although it may be obvious to a great many. I hring it to notice for the benefit of others who may be perhaps calling their first quarter.-Yours faithfully.
D. SHORT.

## Bridgwater

## APPRECIATION

Dear Sir,-May I. through your columns of - The Ringing World, on behalf of the Shelles ringers. thank the Sheffield Society of Bell Ringers for the enjoyable afternoon at Beighton, near Rotherham, on May 7th, and congratulate the Cathedral ringers on their success. They will have to take the cup back next year.
We brought away with us happy memories of the church and new friends, which will not have to be handed back. Whenever we hear Beighton mentioned again this happy event will come back to our minds: so here's thank you to all who helped with this event and welcomed us into the Society.-Yours etc., Shelley. Huddersfield.

## THE MIDDLE EIGHT OF WORCESTER

 CATHEDRALDear Sir.-The original ring of 12 at Worcester Cathedral was cast in 1870 by J . Taylor and Co.. to the specification of Lord Grimthorpe. the designer of both bells and clock of Big Ben. The bells of Si. Paul's Cathedral were also cast to his specitication. The Grimthorpe 12 at Worcester however. were not a success from the point of view of quality of tone and in 1928 the ring of 12 . plus the three half-tone bells. were recast by Taylor's. resulting in the present grand $1 ?$.

The three half-tones are all hung for ringing and, in theory at any rate, allow quite is number of major and minor combination: from 5 to 12. Only the "flat 6 hh." however. is properly 'in the circle : this bell permits the use of a middle eight.

The other two half-tones are a flat 4 th and a "flat eighth." There bells are outside the proper circle and. as far as is known. have never been used for change ringing. They do, however. increase the scope of the tuncplaying machine which operates every three hours from 9 a.m io 9 p.m. Their use in change ringing is, nevertheless, not impossible and perhaps one day they may he heard. The major eight with the eleventh as the tenor (34-3-4 in C sharp) would surely be worth hearing.

About 23 peals have now heen rung in the tower but until 1957 no attempt had ever been made to ring a peal on the middle eight. as far as is known. The 1957 attempt was arranged as a welcome to the present Dean. the Very Rev. R. L. P. Milburn. hut was unfortunately unsuccessful. The next attempt was, however. and on May 7th a peal of Boh Major was rung to celebrate the marriage of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

The details of the 'middle eight' are as follows: Treble 7-3-16. 2nd 8-0-20. 3rd 8-1-25, 4th $9-0-19$. 5th $10-2-24$. 6th $12-0-1$. 7th 14-3-26. tenor 20-0-6 in E.
Following the example of other towers which possess a "middle eight" the question of naming it has been discussed though without. yet, arriving at a decision. Some sug gestions were the Cattley eight to commemorate Canon Cattley. through whose efforts the original 12 were put in the tower. and the 'St. Dunstan's eight.' St. Dunstan was Bishop of Worcester and patron saint of bell-ringers.-Yours faithfully.

Cheltenham.
DAVID BEACHAM.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

On April 30th the Royal Cumberland Youths held a quarterly meeting at Brentwood. Essex. and although not so strongly supporteu as was expected, an enjoyable time was had by those present.
Ringing in the afternoon was followed by Evensong, tea in the church hall. and a short husiness meeting with the Master. Mr. D. Beresford. in the chair.
Congratulations were extended to the Essex County Association on their recent achievement in ringing the new record peat of Bob Major, and to the conductor. Mr. Frank Lufkin. The Master was pleased to note that several members of the band. including the conductor, were also members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

Thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells. to the curate for taking the service and to Mr John Sitch and his helpers for arranging an excellent tea and having everything in readiness for the meeting. special word of thanks was due to Mr. Sitch for making the meeting possible.
Ringing up to Spliced Surprise then continued until 8.30 p.m.

# GUILD OF CLERICAL RINGERS 

RINGING WEEK
rIHE week after Low Sunday, which has by now become a traditional date. saw 17 members of the Clerical Guild, together with lour clergy wises and one 'clergy sister' (sic), assembled at a most comfortable hotel at Lytham St. Anne's on the Lancashire coast The day-outings took us to the Preston area, to Leyland and Southport and finally, after a diversion. into hillier country inland, to Blackpool. This part of the country is noted more tor industry than scenery, but it gave some rural clerics from Southern England a valued insight into churches, belfries, church life and the work of the ministry very different from their own.
The general verdict was that the ringing on the tour was of a higher standard than in recent years. Five Surprise Major method: were successfully rung. Cambridge at several towers, Superlative at St. Anne's, Yorkshire at Emmanuel Church. Southport. and St. John s Blackpool. The courses of London at Whittle-le-Woods and Christ Church. Southport, were, in the opinion of our worthy president, the first rung for a number of years, while Bristol at Penwortham was a first ever. There were 10 bell towers in the schedule. St. John s. Preston. and Leyland Parish Church. both excellent rings. At the former. well-struck Grandsire and Stedman led up to Kent Royal. At the latter. local ringers joined happily in the ringing. At the 8 bell towers, apart from the Surprise methods for the experts. Plain Bob. Stedman and Grandsire were assiduously attacked by the others.' A peal attempt on the splendid 8 at Bilsborrow came to grief iffer an hour's good ringing. Some of our peal-band are sadly short of practice.

## THE DIGNITARIES

We hope that ringers do not think of parsons as pompous and stuffy. Anyone who had this opinion would have revised it hastily had he shared the humour and good fellowship of the Clerical Week. We had a notable proportion of dignitaries-two canons. one prebendary. four rural deans and two proctors in Convocation-though there was some doubling " in the last two categories! In addition. we elevated one younger priest to the temporary rank of archdeacon because we are sure that his manner. figure and legs mark him out for high office. Despite such weight of authority there was much humour and laughter on the tour. Much was inevitably made of the fact that a body of respectable Anglican clergy was due to ring in two Roman Catholic churches. One incident will live long in our memories.

We paid a visit to Kirkham on our last evening together. We made our way to the belfry through a trapdoor and procceded to raise-or more accurately to try to raise-the ring in peal. The bells are fairly heavy and very temperamental: ropes flew in all directions: some went up quickly. o.hers did not. The result was chaotic. We rang some very erratic Grandsire Triples and then found that the hasp and staple device for locking the belfry had. of itself. locked us securely in! We thoughi of "firing the bells but decided that this would differ so little from our previous efforts that nobody would notice. Our only hope seemed to be to go on ringing (!) until the locals were driven to haul us out of the belfry to stop the din. But the resourcefulness of the clergy triumphed in the end. A mysterious cupboard in the capacious belfry was ransacked and a long nail found. We had no idea of jts original purpose hut in the hands of a young priest who must have had training in housebreaking before ordination it released the catch and we were free-almost helpless with laughter.
The impact of our visit on Lancashire was varied. This year we hade no publicity from radio or television though our arrival was noted in one national newspaper of immense circulation. Our selfestcem at this was destroyed when we read that we were going to ring tunes on handbells as we journeyed from tower to tower. We were photographed twice for local papers. In one the photographer

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insisted on the whole party gazing with rapt admiration at four handbeil ringers operating outside the conch-as though we would do this when we could get inside and go off to another tower! While some very creditable ringing was going on at St. John's. Preston, we received a plaintive message imploring us to stop soon as people in an office on the other side of the strect were trying to work. As a result of this-or perhaps because the path of our coach did a neat single dodge with the Preston Motorway and so was inspired to speed-we were early at our next tower. Walton-le-Dale and Higher Walton, a very unusual circumstance on any tour.

## EXPERTS AT WORK

At Christ Church. Southport. we needed the fermission of the Chief Constable to be set down outside the church in the well-known Lord Street. but though our ringing matched the bells and their aristocratic environment. little wis heard of them outside above the roar of the traffic. Enough was audible, however, to draw from an old lady a comment which all ritigens might like to hear. It was to the effect :hat she loved to hear the bells because they showed that we still live in a Christian country. It was otherwise at St. John's. Blackpool, where the 8 are so loud in the main street that one unfortunate police constable was seen trying to shut out the extrancous sound as he tried to report by telephone to headquarters. Whether he was asking for authority to stop us we never knew. At all events we were allowed to complate an enjoyable visit. Later that afternoon at South Shore (Blackpool) one local opined that we were doing 'a reet bit o good ringing' while another constable confided to our coach driver that he thought experts were at work on the bells.

At the business meeting only one change was made in the officials of the Guild, K. W. H. Felstead replacing A. G. G. Thurlow on the committee. It needed skill on the part of our respected president. in the chair. and slick work by members of the meeting to effect the re-election of J. H. B. Andrews before he had time to refuse to be nominated iggain to the post of secretary and treasurer. All was well. however, and we have the satisfaction of knowing that the affairs of the Guild and in particular the arrangement of rext year's week. which is to be in Hampshire, are still in his capable hands.

It would be indeed churlish to conclude the account of so pleasant a week without expressing our gratitude to all who made it possible. Our secretary had the local help and knowledge of R. D. St. John Smith in making all his preparations. They were successful in every respect. Without exception our welcome at towers was all that one would expect of warm-hearted Lancashire. Incumbents or tower captains and sometimes both were at hand waiting our arrival and all seemed pleased to see us. At Leyland and Tarleton the local clergy had arranged sumptuous teas for us with great generosity. Had we not used up many calories in qur exercise we should have been hard put to it to do them justice. We are genuingly grateful for so much kindness and shall look back to our Lancashire visit with many pleasant memories.
F. A.S.

## ST. MARY'S, FLINT

The bells of St. Mary's. Flint. which have been silent for nearly 30 years, may ring again next year.. There are six bells in the tower. five of which require retuning and the tenor recasting. Messrs. John Taylor and Co. have been approached and work suggested includes that mentioned ahove. the provision of two additional trebles and rehanging of the bells in a steel frame instead of the present oak structure. The estimated cost is $\mathfrak{t 1 . 6 0 0}$ and this. states 'The Chester Chronicle.' is to be submitted to a public meeting. Another ring of eight in North Wales will be most welcome

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD <br> Secretary's Hint Of Increased Subscriptions

THE annual meeting of the Suffolk Guild was held at Bury St. Edmunds on April 23 rd . Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening at the Norman tower of the Cathedral and at St. Mary's. in a variety of the standard methods from Triples to Royal.

The Guild service was held in the Cathedral. and conducted by the Precentor. The Ven. H. R. Norton (Archdeacon of Sudbury) gave the address and extended a most cordial welcome to the 60 members and visitors present. In his address he emphasised the importance of bells in the life of the Church and expressed the appreciation of the clergy for the work of the ringers and the faithful manner in which it was carried out. At tea, which was served at Palmer's Restaurant. Archdeacon Norton and Canon R. C. R. Godfrey (Vicar of St. Mary's) were the guests of the Guild.

## OPEN HANDSTROKE LEADS

The business meeting was held in the Abbot Anselm Institu!e. The chairman. Mr. C. W. Pipe (vice-president). welcomed the members and visitors and said how glad he was to see many friends from Cambridge. Essex and Norfolk and hoped they would enjoy their ringing. He reminded members of the need to maintain good striking. There was, he said. a tendency nowadays to overlook the open handstroke lead. Suffolk had always enjoyed a tradition for good striking and he hoped that the members would strive to maintain it.

Once more a number of members had passed to higher service during 1959 and the meeting stood in silence in their memory -

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. C. J. Sedgley (vice-president) and Mr. C. R. Lovett.

The general secretary and treasurer ( Mr J. W. Blythe) presented his report and accounts which were adonted. Mr. Blythe added a note of caution that it might prove necessary to consider increasing the subscription before long.

The Ringing Master (Mr. L. G. Brett) reported that 79 peals were rung during 1959 and that although Sunday service ringing was by 110 means perfect. every effort was being made to improve $1 t$.

The technical adviser (Mr. R. W. M. Clouston) stated that he was still carrying out his inspection of the bells in the diocese and hoped to complete it in due course in spite of the fact that he now resided outside the diocese.

Mr. G. E. Symonds (Pearson handbell trustee) reported that four sets were out on loan and that the remainder were in the St Mary-le-Tower belf:y.

## NEW VICE-PRESIDENTS

The meeting unanimously agreed to elect Mr. G. E. Symonds and Mr. B. Chilvers as vice-presidents. Both had devoted many years of service to the Guild. Mr. Symonds having held various offices in his 74 years as a ringer. whilst Mr. Chilvers had been a District secretary for some 30 years. The existing vicepresidents were all re-elected.
The Ringing Master (Mr. L. G. Bretı). general secretary and treasurer (Mr. J. W Blythe) and honorary auditor (Mr. J. W. H. Preastner) were all re-elected.
The committee was re-elected with one exception. Mr. A. R. Mann replacing Mr R. W. M. Clouston. The secretary pointed out that this would be the last occasion on which the committce would be elected by the annual general meeting if the proposed revision of the rules was accepted as the districts would then elect their own representatives.

The Central Council representatives elected were Miss Rosemary Seabrook and Messrs J. W. Blythe. L. G. Brett and C. W. Pipe. The Pearson handbell trustees (Messrs. C. J. Sedgley and G. E. Symonds) and the technical adviser (Mr. R. W. M. Clouston) were all reelected.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE CRITIC

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$S$ anticipated. the annual meeting of the Hertford County Association. held on April 23 rd. was well supported. including a coach party from the Northern District led by Mr. E. G. Buck. Towers open were Kings Langley. Rickmansworth. Busliey. Elstree, Aldenham and Oxley.
The annual service was held at St. Mary's, Watford. and was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. J. G. Downward. who gave an interesting and amusing address. Tea was arranged by Mrs. R. G. Bell and other local ladies at the old Free School, where some 120 members and friends were well catered for.

After tea, the president (Mr. G. W. Debenham) welcomed the visitors and opened the business meeting with a reference to the loss by death of Nathan Patmore (Great Munden), G. N. Blake (Cathedral Society). Vic Neale (Hertford steeplekeeper). A. Blakeley (Bengeo). H. Jones (Rickmansworth). H. W. Holland (Tring). W Milton (Wation-at-Stone), A. Wright (Hertford).
New members elected were: Messrs. R. Wilkie. N. D. Cleland and F. Walters (Rickmansworth). Miss M. Gauntett (Cathedral). Mrs. C. M. Harbott (Ashtead). Miss C. White and Miss R. Fleming (Harrow Weald) also Ian D. Zass-Ogilvie (Hampstead).

ALLEGED LACK OF GUILD INTEREST
The president gave an account of information received at the Watford District annual meeting relating to an application by the Rickmansworth band to join the Oxford Diocesan Guild and followed this with a
summary of the recent correspondence in summary of the
Ringing World.,

Mr. Hatchett, after being asked if this Wals at true statement of the facts and being asked for his comments. agreed that the statement was true but explained that there had been a misunderstanding about the application to the Oxford Diocesan Guild. This had not been intended as an application but as an inquiry as to the Oxford Diocesan Guild's views on the subject. He apologised for the apparent lack of normal etiquette in applying for membership of a neighbouring Association prior to notifying the Hertford County Association.
Mr. Hatchett continued. presenting his ideas of how an association should function and in which manner he felt that the Hertford County Association failed.

The subject was then thrown open to discussion. Many members expressed their views and the general consensus of opinion was that as Mr. Hatchett's views of the Association were the result of a very limited experience. he could not possibly be in a position to chastise the Association as a whole. It was felt that the few meetings he haf attended even in his own district did not entitle him to criticise even the functioning of the Watford District. It was pointed out that Mr. Hatchett's correct procedure was to attend meetings of the Watford District and if dissatisfied make an eflort to improve that district; if he should then meet with complete dissatisfaction. then was the time to consider criticism of the Association rather than the district. Many of his suggestions, it was stated. had already been considered by bath the Association as a whole and by individual districts. Some had been discarded as impracticable. some shelved for further consideration and some were actually in operation in some districts.

Mr. Hatchett agreed with the general line of reasoning adopled by the members to his actions and apologised for going into print somewhat too hastily. A full discussion of his proposals would obviously prolong the bu: iness in hand considerably and Mr. Hatchett agreed that they be brought up under any other business.

## BENEVOLENT FUND

Mr. C. W. Woolley proposed that the Benevolent Fund be wound up and that the money at present in the fund be transferred
to the General Fund. Mr. K. K. Dunstan to the General Fund. Mr. K. K. Dunstan
seconded and after a short discussion. the motion was put to the vote and carried with only one dissentient.

The committee's recommendation that all peal fees, compositions and details be sent to the peal secretary and not to the district secretaries was proposed by Mr. H. V. Frost, and seconded by Mr. B. C. Johnson. After long discussion and three amendments, the meeting voted in favour of the committee's recommendation.

The committee's report recorded the success of the 75th anniversary dinner, attended by 170 members and the summer festival with the Bedfordshire Association at Hertford.

Mr. B. C. Johnson, peal secretary, in his report stated that 93 peals were rung during 1959. an increase of seven over the previous year. Leading peal ringers were Mrs. C. A. Critchley 29, G. W. Critchley 27. K. R Dunstan 27. Leading conductor was Mr J. R. Mayne (19). During 195911 new Minor methods were rung and six of them were the first in the method as peals. Major methods rung for the Association for the first time were eight, of which four were new methads.
The accounts showed that the $£ 75$ in the Voluntary Bell Fund had been divided between the five districts and each was now managing its own fund. The Benevolent Fund amounted to $£ 10819 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d.. and this would he transferred to the General Fund. which stood at $£ 355$ 6s. Arising from the librarian's report it was decided to go ahead with the scheme for an extra bookcase for the library.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were clected: President, Mr. W. C. Hughes (Hemel Hempstead): honorary general secretary. Mr. A. Rex Agg (Hitchin): assistant, Mr. H. V. Frost (St. Plummer (Hitchin) : peal secretary. Mr. G. W. Debenham (St. Albans): honorary librarian, Mr. C. F. Sayer (St. Albans); honorary auditors: Messrs. Mercer and Hole (St. Albans): Central Council representatives.
Messrs. W. Ayre, R. G. Bell. G. W. Critchley, G. Dodds.

The Association agreed to hold over the question of a summer festival until next year.

The position of The Ringing World was discussed and our Central Council representatives were instructed to vote against any levy on peals that might be proposed. The Kimpton annual ringing competition was discussed and the meeting expressed itself in favour.

Mr. Hatchett proposed an instructional course to be held at Rickmansworth and the Association agreed on its usefulness and was prepared to support it. The matter of Mr. Hatchett's membership was cleared up and he agreed to withdraw his remarks in The Ringing World:
The president (Mr. W. C. Hughes) after making very good use of the new gavel and stand, presented to the Association by the retiring president (Mr. G. W. Debenham). proposed a vote of thanks to the clergy of the district. for the use of the bells and to the Vicar of Watford for his address. Mr. R. G. Bell also thanked all others by name who had helped towards the success of the meeting.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN <br> ASSOCIATION

## Southern Branch

For their spring meeting the Southern Branch visited Pulham St. Mary, where the attendance was not quite so large as had been expected.
The service was conducted by the Rector. Rev. J. Huggins, who welcomed the ringers to his church. This was followed by a most enjoyable tea arranged and served by the local ringers and their wives.
In the absence of the chairman. Mr. A. G. Harrison (vice-president) presided over the business meeting, at which three new memhers and the Rector (honorary member). were elected.
It is hoped to visit Attleborough on July 2nd for the ne t meeting where the special methods will be Beverley Surprise and College Exercise

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Annual Meeting

Easter Monday again dawned bright for the Ely Association annual meeting which was held this year in the Ely District. Swavesey (6) and Over (8) were both open for ringing at 10 o'clock and over 60 ringers were at these towers awaiting the start. Many well known ringers were present from a long distance, including one who left home at $6 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on a cycle but later found comfort in a car.
Again the printed direction routes proved a great help and ringers were soon able to speed to the other towers in the order of Longstanton, Willingham: Cottenham, Swafiham Prior, Burwell. Soham, I.ittleport, Haddenham, Wilburton and Stretham.

Over 150 ringers and friends assembled in Ely Cathedral for the ringers' service which was held in the Lady Chapel. This was conducted by the president of the Ely District. the Rev. D. Foulds. with Mr. M. J. Dyer as accompanist.
Tea folluwed after which the business meeting was held with Mr. W. W. Cousins in the chair. The officers were re-elected with the exception of Mr. R. J. W. Housden. peal secretary, who will shortly be leaving the district. Mr. C. W. Cook was eleçted to this office. It UR.s proposed to visit the Cambridge District in 1961. After tea Littleport. Haddenham. Wilburton. Stretham and the Sutton towers were again open for further ringing.
It was very pleasing to note the good following of the members of the Association. Two buses were run from around the Hunts and Wisbech districts and visitors included nere from the following areas: Essex Lecestershirc, Lincolnshirc. Suffolk, Peterborough. Lancashire. Worcester. Hoddesdon Surrey, Hertford. London and Middlesex.
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## UNIVERSITY NEWS <br> \section*{BRISTOL}

The University of Bristol Society at their annual meeting on May 3rd elected the following officers for 1960-61: Master. Mr. John C. Baldwin: secretary. Mr. Ian C. Maycock: tower secretary, Mr. Edward G. Mould! treasurer. Miss Mary Busch. A first year representative is to be elected at the first general meeting next session.

## READING

At the annual general meeting of Reading University Society, on May 5th, the following were clected to serve on the committee for the session 1960-61: Master, Peter M. Wilkinson: secretary. Jennifer M. Davies: treasurer. Patricia Heather: lay members, Felicity Webber and Frederick J. Sage.

## LONDON

About 30 ringers, including visitors from Wolverhampton. Winchester and Birmingham. but not including Manchester University, attended the annual meeting of the University of London Society on May 7th. Ringing was at St. James". Clerkenwell. and St. Olave's, Hart Street, and ranged from rounds to five Spliced. A service at St . Olave's preceded the annual meeting.
Officers re-elected were: Mr. P. M. J. Gray. president: Messrs. David Martin. D. Layton and Alan Thirst. vice-presidents: Marcus Barton. secretary: Michael Rose. treasurer : Peter Layton. auditor: Derek Sibson, committee member. New elections were: Geoffrey Pratt. Master: Miss June Langton and J. Michael Lakin. committee members.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD <br> Bicester Branch

Mambers of the Bicester Branch, when they met at Souldern for their quarterly meeting on May 7th, were encouraged to learn that these bells werc again being rung for Sunday services. Ringing ranged from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Major.
Six ncw members were welcomed (three from Fritwcll. two from Souldern and one from Brill). The Branch chairman (the Rev. J. H. B. Elkerton) conducted the service and preached. Tea was given by Mrs. W. Deeley and her lady helpers and a collection was taken for the World Refugee Fund.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

BY. T. J. LOCK

HALF LEAD.-Although this term is not used very much, it is none the less of considerable interest to the few. As you study method construction you will soon appreciate that whatever work is contained in the first half of a lead in any symmetrical method is repeated in reverse in the second half. In other words. the line diagram showing the work of a bell in the second half of the lead is a mirror image of that of the work of a bell. most likely another bell. in the first half. Proof of this is given by referring to the Collection of 370 Surprise Major Methods bv Andrew J. Corrigan. wherein methods are given by notation up to the half lead only.
So you will see that if you are given figures for only half a lead of any symmetrical method you would have enough information to complete a whole lead, after knowing whether it was a seconds or an eights place method.
HANDBELLS.-One would imagine that to be able to gather at home. but barring the snug comfore of an arm-chair. with only half the number people that would be required to ring in the tower and to sit comfortably to ring a pair of handbells would be most popular. but in practice this is not the case. Although there is a totally different approach in learning double-handed change ringing on handbells to that of learning change ringing on tower bells. it is no more difficult. The trouble really is in trying to learn changes in handbell ringing after and on the same principle that one learned changes in tower bell romging. The experts say it is quite uscless to attempt to split the mind into two and follow the work of each of the pair of handbells separately. The average mind is incapable of maintaining two separate chains of thought simultaneously for any length of time and no amount of mental effort will make this possible. Much more can be read in the Central Council guide entitled Change Ringing on Handbells. price two shillings and sixpence per copy.

HOLT'S ORIGINAL -John Holt, a London horn ringer who died at the early age of 27 years. made a momentous contribution just over two hundred years ago by producing a one part peal of Grandsire Triples, it being the first peal of such composed with ordinary bobs and two ordinary singles only. This composition, containing 150 calls, has but one nameHolt's Original. John Holt was the first person to call it although, because it was then considered to be too complicated and difficult to ring and conduct at the same time, he made the calls from manuscript. seated in the ringing chamber whilst eight other ringers made the performance. The composition cannot be divided up into similar of regular parts but the surprising thing remains that there are so many milestones or checkpoints. including the second and sixth bells never being called before except near the very end, that any mistake in the ringing would soon reveal itself. Also. there are several touches and quarter peals which can be extracted from the composition.
Even today the best advice to the conductor calling the Original for the first tume is for him to ring the treble. to save confusion of mind. The generally accepted way of calling this peal is by the bells "before. and where there are two calls at successive leads to use the letter $D$ meaning doubje, c.g., 7 in the hunt with a double call.
Holt also composed a well known ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples but a special Holt's Boh-Single must be used at halfway and end. Ihis special call may be used instead of the two singles in the one-part peal.
HOME.-We have already referred to ons calling position. Before. The next. in alpabetical order. is Home-sometimes called Right.

Home is the label given to a call (Bob ot Singie) when the observation bell is in the position of the heaviest working hell at the inme it is ahrout to commence changes from rounds lismples would be hellet llian to irs and clatily this explanation. In IPlais Foh

Minor the Home position is when the observation bell is dodging in 5-6 down: in Grandsire Triples the Home position is when the observation bell is dodging in 6-7 up: in Plain Boh Major the Home position is when the observation bell is dodging in 7-8 down.

The effect of a call at Home depends upon the method being rung and whilst I venture to suggest that to make your life more interesting you look up in a textbook a Home in the particular method you have in mind. I would have you know that in methods with 13527486 at the first lead end the Home comes at the end of a course but in methods with 14263857 at the first lead end the Home sometimes comes at that first lead end see Kent Treble Bob Major and Bristol Surprise Major
In setting out some compositions. figures. instead of letters, are resorted to, such as in Double Norwich Court Bob Major where a Bob at 5 (the fifth lead in the plain course) has the samse meaning as a Bob at Home.

## THREE COUNTIES TOUR

Four ringers from Suffolk joined young members of the Kent and Sussex Associations for a tour of towers in Kent. Sussex and Surrey on Apill 30th.
Ringing began early in the morning at Wrotham (8), and from there we travelled with much speed to Sevenoaks (8). Brasted (6), and Westerham (8). Then into Surrey where we were welcomed to ring at the two six bell towers of Limpsfield and Limpsfield Chart. After a picnic lunch on Limpsfield Common we made our way to Chiddingstone (8). where we were joined hy friends from Tenterden and Tunbridge Wells. Then on to Edenbridge (8). and East Grinstead (8). With the help of - Dad Ladd. a good course of London Surprise Major was rung at Coleman's Hatch (8) and we finished the day by ringing at Rotherfield (8), and Mayfield (8).
We wish to thank all incumbents and tower captains for helping us to enjoy a good day's ringing.

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## VICTORIAN RINGERS VISIT ADELAIDE

$I^{\mathrm{T}}$is often said that to travel hopefully is better than to arrive. But we take leave to doubt that this applies to visiting ringers. Certainly the 15 ringers from Victoria who visited Adelaide over the Anzac week-end (April 23rd-25th) seemed pleased to have arrived and were very soon in action.
George Pipe and eleven of his merry men (and women) from St. Paul's Cathedral. Melbourne. came together with three from St. Paul's, Bendigo. led by Warne Wilson.
Although Adelaide has only two towers to offer-St. Peter's Cathedral with a heavy Taylor octave ( 41 t cwt . in C. 1946) and the suburban church of St. Andrew. Walkerville. with a light Mears six ( 13 cwt . in F sharp. 1886)-a lot of good ringing was indulged in at both churches.

On Saturday morning at St. Peter's (during uhich we had the television cameras whirring in a corner) Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were enjoyed. Enjoyed is the operative word. for these really are lovely bells-full. rich and sonorous in tone. We, at St. Peter's. are naturally biased in their favour but the visitors were so enthusiastic in their praises that it must be granted that Taylors have given us a magnificent eight.

The chime of 13 bells (Taylor 1932-33) at St. Augustine's Church. Unley. were inspected early in the afternoon and a great gathering of ringers met at St. Andrew s, where the first ringing was for a wedding. Before the bells were stood for the night, methods up to Cambridge Surprise Minor had been rung. In the cvening the home of Bill Pitcher, the St. Peter's secretary, was the scene of a convivial gathering which was helped along with handbells, a tape-recording of some of the afternoon's ringing. and food and drink.
On the Sunday, at morning and evening services at both churches the bells were well and truly rung. At St. Andrew's. before Evensong. a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor was successfulty brought round by a band
of St. Pauls. Melourne. ringers. This is belicved to be the first quarter of Cambridge Surprise Minor rung in Australia. certainly in South Australia. There was additional ringing at St. Peter's during the afternoon whel another event of note was the ringing of the first course of Double Norwich Court Bob Major on the bells.

## ANZAC DAY

Monday. Anzac Day, started with an hour's half-muffied ringing while the march was in progress. During the memorial service ill the gardens below the Cathedral the muffles were removed and the end of the devotions was marked by a burst of open-bell ringing. This was closely followed by another first-the first quarter peal of Major on the bells. rung by tour Adelaide and four Melbourne ringers. who also happened to be four Englishmen and four Australians. The method was Plain Bob. conducted by George Pipe from the tenor. What a joy it was to hear this 41 cw . bell weaving in and out among the others. dominating the music. and to see George's masterly handling of it. Ringers throughout Australia uwe a great debt to George Pipe: he never ceases to encourage us towards greater things. his enthusiasm is highly infectious. and his great abilities as ringer and conductor are a universal inspiration.
After lunch we dashed back to St. Andrew s for Stedman Doubles and Plain Bob. Kent and Cambridge Surprise Minor. and a last ring at St. Peter's produced a final first on the bells-a course of Kcmt Treble Bob Major
A busy and highly enjoyable week-end finished when the visitors were farewelled on the Overland for their 500 -mile journey back to Melbourne (it is the distance of Zurich from London). We in Adelaide know from our interstate trip last year that such a journey for a ringing week-end is well worth while. Apart from the stimulus it gives towards hetter ringing. the friendships made and strengthened in the helfry are of great value.
W. B PITCHER

## TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## By T. A. BEVIS

(Continued from page 285)

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, WHITTLESEY

This is a very handsome church.' wrote Cole, during his travels through the Fenlands, with ye most beautiful spire I ever beheld placed on a square noble tower adorned al aboul with fine curious work after ye cathedral fushion; the tower is very lofty, and ye spire of stone. exceedingly taper and elevated. is adorned with leaf work in a most expensive manner. The church is by no means answerable to ye magnificence of jts tower and spire, which may vie with any in England for beauty and strength. All leaded and in good repair

Cole's description is most appropriale for the tower of St. Mary's is regarded as being the finest in Cambridgeshire, and Dr. F. J. Allen has described the spire as the latest and most brilliant spire in cur county, and one of the finest spires in England.

Built in the 15th century and rising in three richly ornamented stages to panelled battlements, the tower has crocketed pinnacles at the angles from which spring flying buttresses to support the spire. Black panels above the west window once contained a Calvary, but this, with attendant figures of Mary and John, was removed under Puritan influence. It may well be that this steeple, adhering as it does to the Northamptonshire style, originated at the Oundle School of Masons.

We read from the Inventory of Church goods, taken July 27th. 1552, that the tower contained at that time " iij great bells, a sanctus bell and ij handbells and a sacrey bell.' In 1544 a parishioner. John Cammings, bequeathed his 'sowl to Allmightie God, to our Ladye St Mary and to all the company of Heaven.: His largest charitable bequest was 'to the bells 2 s .'

If we walk into the church we may see a fine engraving of the building enclosed within an oak frame which was carved from the ancient bell frame, on the occasion of the bells being rehung in 1902. Chimes play lunes four times a day. In 1767 they were arranged to play four tunes on the six bells then existing. They were later enlarged for six tunes on eight bells about 1803. and were rehammered by an anonymous gift in 1925

A newel stair climbs to the large. panclied ringing chamber. which is encumbered by an unsighty overflow tank for the church boiler. The clock is arranged in a box above the heads of the ringers

Before the year 1758 there were five bells in which year they were recast and augmented to six by Joseph Earye. Forty-five years later Osborne and Dobson recast two of the bells and added two more, making the present ring of eight.
The bells were rehung by Messrs. Taylor's in 1954. but have not left the steeple in the past 150 years, therefore the weights are uncertain. It is estimated that the tenor, which is' in the key of E , weighs 18 cwt .
The treble bas inscribed 'The Lord to praise my voice I'll raise.' and the third utters 'Peace and good neighbourhood.' Sound advice is also exhorted hy the fourth, Do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with thy God, and number six gives us useful information. "The live old bells into six was run with additional metal near a tun. 1758: The seventin is inscribed Prosperity to the Established Church and no encouragement to enthusiasm (the last would should have been. I think. 'Fanaticism.

Incidentally. Whittlesey has 16 bells! eight others (tenor 19 cwt .) being contained in the tower of St. Andrew's Church. situated quite close to St. Mary's. The original five were supplied by Joseph Earye in 1759. Thomas Mears recast three of the bells in 1843. and the tenor was recast and two trebles added by Gillett and Johnston, in 1930 .

## WALPOLE ST. PETER

Whittlesey St. Marys is a typical Northamptonshire, church. despite its situation in the 'cold, damp, Fens.' If we would see a church built to an advantage provided by the nature of the land, then we would


ST. MARY'S CHURCH, WHITTLESEY
Photo: A. H. French.
do well to visit the scattered village of Walpole St. Peter. Norfolk.

In size and beauty, with the possible exception of Terrington St. Clement, it is without peer among the famous Marshland churches and is rightly styled 'Queen of the Marshes.' Passageways beneath towers are not uncommon. but at Walpole the case is reversed : the altar is raised so high in the chancel as to enable a passage bencath from north to south!

The tower is the oldest part of the church and is 600 years old: it is. however. plain in comparison with the breathtaking splendour of the rest of the building. The ancient sanctus bell at one time was used as a lime pot and was restored to its original cote over the nave in 1730

There are six bells which are rung from a gallery, the treble by Thomas Lester. of London, 1747. a founder, who experienced hard times until he took a partner, Thomas Pack. The second bell is by John Warner, and the third. fourth and fifth bells by John Draper. 1629. This gentleman became Mayor of Thetford, Norfolk. in 1592. at which town he was established, having moved his husinéss from Bury St . Edmunds. He is best known
for his quaint inscriptions. e.g. at St . Benedict's Church. Cambridge: ' Of all bells in Benet I am the best, and yet for my casting the parish paid less." Another: "This bell was broake and cast againe as plainly doth apeare, wich time church wardens were Edward Dixon for the one whoe stode close by his tackling. And he that was his partner then was Alexander Jacklin.

Thomas Osborne. of Downham Market. who created many bells of fine tonal quality, cast Walpole's tenor ( 12 cwt . in F ) in 1792

The treble of this ring was found to have a crack in the soundbow in 1919 but this was made right in 1939. Messis. Taylor rehung the bells within a steel frame in 1950. they having been proviously contained in a - more than substantial' frame.

EWELME, OXON.-On April 7th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. J. Winfield, jun. 1. Ann Winfield (first quarter) 2, Pas Reason 3. R. Baker (cond.) 4, R. Tuckwell 5. H. J. Winfield 6. Also on April 23rd, 1.260 Doubies (Grandsire and Plain Bob): W. Fulkner 1, Pat Reason 2, J. Godman (cond.) 3, F. Godden 4. R. Tuckwell 5, H. J. Winfield 6. Rung halfmufled in memoriam Sidney Winfiely for many scars cburchwardco.

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## BIRTH

HAW.-On Tuesday. May 10th. 1960. to Ruth and Jim Haw. Deeping St. James. son (Philip Hamilton), a brother for Carol.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

SCATTERGOOD. Ringing Master. Chesterfield Parish Church. Sincere wishes for your birthday Sam. on May 19th. May good health and happiness be yours always.-E.

## DEATH

DALE. John.-On April 28th. 1960. aged 95 years. Life member of the Essex Association.

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## PERSONAL

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| CH | ST. MARY CRAY PARISH CHURCHAnnual ringers' service. Saturday. May 21 st. Bells from ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Service 4.15. Tea ${ }^{5}$ p.m.

Names for tea 10 Mr. Braund, 12 , St. George's Names for tea to Mr. Braund, 12, St. George's
Road. Foots Cray. THE VETERANS REUNION (London). June 18th. at Bishopsgate. Will all who hope to come please notify me within the next week, please.-f. Euston. 28. Fairmile Avenue. Streatham. S.W. 16.
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Time of practice for Saturday. May 21 st . $7-8.30$ p.m. Owing to Choir Festival. 5962
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## MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts Districl.-Meeting at Great Gransden. Saturday, May 21 st . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. .Sec.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSSOCIATION - Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Watlington. Saturday, May 21st. Bells (6)
p.m. -30 . Fox. Dis. Sec. Service 4.30 . Tea 5
5913 ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.E. DistrictMeeting, Thorington. Saturday, May 2lst. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. DIOCESAN GUILDFarnham District.-Combined practice at Crondall (6) on Saturday, May 2 pst, $6-9$ p.m.
HAWK HURST GUILD.-Meeting. May HAWK HURST GUILD.-Meeting. May Ist. Hawkhurst. DIOCESAN GUILD -
HEREFORD Hereford District.-Meeting. Fownhope. Saturday, May 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.

LADIES' GUILD.-Midland District.Meeting at Melton Mowbray, on May 21 st . Bells ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. 5929
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION-S. and W. District.-Meeting on Saturday. May 21st. Ringing arrangements as follows: Harmondsworth 3-4.30 p.m. Harlington 4-5 p.m.. followed by tea and further ringing afterwards. 5923 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD--
Newark District.-Meeting. Barnby-in-theWillows (6). Saturday. May 21 st . Bells 2.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Look up Sandiacre Surprise.-W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec. 5862
SUFFOLK GUILD.-East Central District. -Meeting. Fressingfield (8). Saturday. May 21 st .3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. To our Norfolk ringers. all will be made welcome.W. J. Button. Hon. Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD - Wenhaston. Suffolk, a service of thanksgiving for the restoration of the bells (the debt having now been cleared), Saturday May 21 st. 3 D.m.. preacher Rev. T. H. Child. Bells available after service until 9 p.m. Names for tea to C. J. Gibson. 1, Heath Road. Wenhaston, Halesworth. 5908 SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western Division.-Quarterly meeting at Billingshurst (8), on Saturday. May 21st, at 3 p.m.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Southern Division.- Practice meeting. Buxted 18). Saturday. May 21 st. Bells 3 p.m. Service. Tea 5 p.m. WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Winchester. Southampton and Andover Districts.-Joint meeting. Saturday. May 21st. Goodworth Clatford 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. Longstock 2.30 to 3.30 . Kings Somborne and Stock bridge 3.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service Stock bridge $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Own arrangements for tea. Four cafes available. Mottisfont 6.15 to 7 p.m. E. Tyitherley 7 to 8 . Broughton 8 to 9 p.m.-G. Dodd, P. Dickenson, I. Hartless. Hon. Secs.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-Annual meeting joint with-DONCASIER DISIRICT SOCIETY, at Arksey, near Doncaster. May 21 st . Bells, (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m. Barnby Don bells (6) will also be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due and annual reports will be available. A good attendance is hoped for. All welcome.-J. J. I. Gilbert. 5885

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Practice meeting. Saturday. May 28th, at Burrington. Bells (6) 5 p.m.-David H. White. 5946 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Dunster Branch.-Branch practice at Selworthy. May 28 th. 7 p.m. Plepse note change of date.-A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec. BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District. - Meeting at Wilden. (5) and
Colmworth (5). Salurday. May 288 h . Widden hells $3-4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. followed by business mecting. Colmworth belli after meeting. Names for tea to me, please.-

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch.-Acton. May 28 h . Bells (6) ${ }^{3}$ p.m.
Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 2Sth. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 25 th. No name no tea.-W. Kerr. 102, Moreton
Road. Crewe.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch.-Joint meeting with the North Wales Association at Pulford. Saturday, May 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday. May 25 ih . please. to Mr. T. W. Stockton. 8. Wrexham Road. Pulford, Chester.-R. C. H. Sibley. Hon. Sec.
CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION and YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-Altered meeting arrangements. The joint mecting at Carlton on May 21st will now be held on May 28th, at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Whorlton, followed by ringing there. Names for lea by Tuesday. May 24th. to P. W. B. Semmens. 52, Belle Vue Grove. Middlesbrough.
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Derby and Ilkeston District.-Monthly meeting Duffield. Saturday. May 28th. Bells (10) 3 to 5 p.m and 6 to 8 p.m. Teas available at cafe.-W. A.
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Morley. Dis. Sec.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Mansfield District).-Joint meeting Selston. May 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. followed by meeting and service. Names for tea by Thursday previous. to Mr. L. Rawson. 14. Lindley Street. Selston.-B. A. Sollis. D. H. Rooke. Hon. Secs.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSO-CIATION.-Cheltenham Branch. - Monthly meeting, Childswickham ( 6 ). May 28 th .3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-Mary Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheltenham.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Rural Branch.-Monthly meeting at Byrham (6), May 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service. tea and meeting to follow. -F. Hussey. 39 . Gordon Avenue. Whitehall. Bristol 5. 5975
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-South Forest Branch. - Meeting. Newland. Saturday. May 28 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Coombs. Oaklands Farm. Newnham. Glos.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-The annual festival will be held at Presteign. Radnorshire. on Whit Monday, June 6th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m.. followed by husiness meeting. Bells available from 11 a.m. Knighton (8). Lyonshalt (6). Kington (6). Old Radnor (6). New Radnor (6). Eardisley (6). Those requiring tea should notify before Thursday. June 2nd. Rev. E. G. Benson. The Rectory. Presteign.-H. G. Thomas. Sec. 5953
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.St. Albans District.-Meeting at Essendon, Saturday. May 21 st. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5956
LADIES GUILD - West Midland District. -Quarterly meeting. Saturday, May 28 th . at St. Nicholas'. Kings Norton. Birmingham. Ringing 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 to 5 . Tea s p.m. followed by business meeting. Ringing from 6 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. approx. Notifications for tea not later than Wednesday. May 25th. to Miss M. Funnell. 7. Lanchester Road, Kings Norton. Birmingham 30.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY-Meeting at Guiseley. on Saturday. May 28th. at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea not later than Thursday. 26th. to Mr. A. C. Walsh. Dunstor. Oxford Avenue, Guiseley. 5944
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILDMeeting at Buckminster. Saturday. May 28th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Vicarage. Buckminster. at 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. May 25th. to Mrs. Smith. The Vicarage, Buckminster. Please do send names for tea. T. Templeton. Hon. Dis. Sec. 5955

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILDLeicester District.-Meeting at St. Saviour's. Leicester. Saturday. May 28th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea in Church Room 4.30 p.m. Ringing Humberstone ( 6 ) 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea by Wednerday, May 25 th. please, to Mr. W. G. Hand. 21. Halsteaci sitreet, Leicester.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.Hinckley District-Meeting. Peckleton. Saturday. May 28 th . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea. please. by Wednesday, 25 th. to Mr. E. A. Hall. Main Street. Peckleton.-M. Vernon. Dis Sec.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Branch.-Annual meeting. Sleaford. May 28th. Tea for those who notify by Tuesday previous, Mrs. Wray. 16. Eastgate. Sleaford. C. Brown. Hon. Sec.
Hon. Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, 5933 Western Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Necton,
on Saturday. May 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. on Saturday. May 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m.
Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by the previous Thursday, to Mr. G. Heyhoe. Necton. OXFORTD.-C. Tovell. Sec.

GUILD.-Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Enstone, on Saturday, May 28th. Reply numbers for tea by previous Tuesday.-J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., 'Rosemary, Freeland. Oxford.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting. Hambledon. May 28 th . Ringing $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 430. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 24th. to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road. Holyport. Maidenhead.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salishury Branch.-Practice meeting. May 28 th.
Britford. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Downton also available in cvening. Please send names for tea by May 24th, to Miss
Eloie. 8. Albany Road. Salishury.
5909 Eloie. 8. Albany Road. Salishury. 5909
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Calne Branch.-Meeting. Broad Hinton (6). May 28th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea,
nlease. Canon White. The Vicarage. Broad nlease. Canon White. The Vicarage. Broad
Hinton. Swindon.-W. Hacker. SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - North Dorset Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday, May 28th, at Lillington. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m. All welcome. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, May 25 th.Richard Longridge. Bourton Vicarage, Gillingham. Bourton 316.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNottingham District.-Meeting on Saturday, lune 4th. at Granby. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea must be given by May 31st. to S. Adams, 54. Wilford Road. Ruddington. Nottingham. 5938
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Eastern Division. -Please note: quarterly meeting at Bexhill.
on May 28th. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify for tea to F. Beeney (Sec.). Hillbrae. Carters Corner. Hailsham.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION Western Branch.-Practice at Hanbury. Saturday. May 28th. Bells (8) available 7.9 p.m.F. Hyde, Branch Sec.

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DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch.Meeting. Colaton Raleigh. Saturday. June 4ith. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 30 th , to R. T Perry. Redcliffe. Lympstone. 5948 ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W. - Crusader meeting. Havering-atte-Bower. June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Romford (8) will also be available at 6.30 p.m. Names for tea please. to Mrs. J. Branch, 91 . The Drive. Romford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-By-meeting. Hoo. Saturday. June 4 th. Bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please.
to Mr. A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse Farm. Hoo. 10 Mr . A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse Farm. Hoo.
Rochester.

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Ringing meeting Cheddleton. Saturday. June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m... in the Churnet Hall. Names for tea to Mr. J. Martin. 5. Vicarage Terrace. Cheddleton. Leek.-J. G. Burton Hon. Sec.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Monthly meeting at Dore on Saturday, June 4th. at 3 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday. June ?nd. to Rev. G. Heawood. Dore Vicarage. near Sheffield.
SUFFOLK GUILD-North West District. - Practice meeting. June 4th. at Horringer (8). Bells $6.30 \mathrm{p.m}$.-A. F. Ballam.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION-Annual general meeting. Whit Monday, June 6th, at Cheimsford. Servive in Cathedral 11 a m Preacher Archdeacon of Colchester. Annual meeting
immediately after service in Chapter House. Coffce, etc., available in Cathedral Hall from $10.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch $1.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. cost 5 s . Tea as a ruriring buffet. cost 2 s . 6 d .. if purchased by closing date, June 1st. Later applications 6 s .6 d . and 3 s . respectively. Ringing: Cathedral 9.30 to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. (Service touch at 10.45 ) and from 4 pm . From 3 to 6 p.m. : Boreham (8), Great Watham (8), Broomficld (6). Little Waltham (6). Springfield (6), Ford End (6). High Easter (6), and from 6 to 9 p.m : Galleywood (8). Widford (8). Great Baddow (8). Danbury (6). Sandon (6), Little Baddow (5). Lunch and tea tickets from F.V. Gant, 3 Central Drive. Hornchurch.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. - By-meeting, Goodnestone (6), Saturday, June 11 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the Village Hall, at 2 s . per head. Names, together with cash, please, by Wednesday, June 8th, to Mrs. R. Brett, Copmans Hall, Goodnestone, Canterbury. 5980

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

TMHE 63rd annual meeting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held at Feltham. on April 30th. when several of the company of eighty odd accepted the opportunity of ringing on the recently augmented ring for the first time. This is a case, not often to be recommended, where the bell founders did the specialists work of casting the bells and supplying frames and fittings. Whilst the fixing and hanging and other builders' work was entrusted to a "local man. But this man was Tony Price who. through being a competent engineer and knowing what he was doing, has made a first class job of augmentation from eight to ten bells. Also. he was inspired to do the work as a memorial to the late A. J. Lewis. who had lived the life of a generous Christian gentleman, including having interest in the scheme for the provision of the two new trebles. Other towers open for ringing during the afternoon were Bedtont and Stanwell.

The Rev. G. C. Taylor. president. officiated at the service with organist and choir, and gave the address.
At the outset of the business meeting. presided over by that president. a special welcome was given to Mr. W. Webb. Heston. who was present with his wife. Mr. Webb looked very fit and well again after his serious operation. The meeting stood in silence whilst the names of the following deceased members were read:-A. C. Chaplin. Dagenham: C. V. Ebberson. Snettisham: C. W. R. Grimwood Hersham: C', J. Matthews. Southfields: G Pidwell. Ruislip: C. G. Pitcher, Harrow-on-theHill: A. F. Pulling Guildford: H. J. Ranzetta, Buckhurst Hill; F. Shepherd. Sunbury-onThames; A. D. Stone, Brighton: A. B. Wiffen. Richmond: Mrs. Prockson, mother of Bill and Mabel Prockson. was also remembered-she had been a loyal friend of the Association and had on many occasions given assistance at ringers" gatherings at Clerkenwell.

## 50 NEW MEMBERS

In his annual report the honorary secretary listed the several towers where meetings had been held, including the five joint meetings which had again proved to be most successful. Fifty resident and fourteen non-resident ringing members had been elected. Thirty towers shared in the reported total of 135 guarter peals. practically all of which had been rung for Sunday services. One of the quarter peals was Grandsire Caters at St . Clement Danes. rung by a band from St.
John's Hillingdon. Fifty-two peals had been rung. nine of which were on handbells. Eleven methods had been rung to peals for the first time. and an Association record of 105 methods in a 5.040 Spliced Doubles was achieved. An augmentation. from six to eight. had been completed at Hendon and a
restoration finished at Edmonton. Work of restoration finished at Edmonton. Work of
restoration is also going on at Toitenham and restoration is also going on at Toltenham and
a scheme for a complete new ring at Harrow-on-the-Hill is being proceeded with
The honorary Ireasurer in presenting the annual statement of asounts regretted the fall in receipts from subscriptions, which
refiected itself through to the balance sheet. It was accepted that the fall was due to outstanding subscriptions which, it was anticipated, would be recovered.
Mr. Goodfellow reported on arrangements that had been made for the dinner to be held at Ealing on October 1st. to commemorate the life of the late J. Armiger Trollope, one time editor of The Ringing World.'

## SUNDAY SERVICE SURVEY

Mr. Lock gave some details submitted in connection with Survey of Sunday Service Ringing. This Association had returned 46 forms to the Central Council Committee. out of a possible of 64, and information given included 22 towers, where ringing was considered to be satisfactory, ninc towers where bands were depleted. 10 towers where the bells were silent through various reasons and 11 towers where the bells were unringable. Ringers in four towers rang call changes only and in 23 towers call changes and method. Ringing took place only once each Sunday in nine towers and help was required in 11 towers. There were 8 cases where the incumbent was not keenly interested in the bells and the ringers.
The Association officers were elected as follows: President. Rev. G. C. Taylor; Master, J. R. Mayne: treasurer, F. W. Goodfellow: secretary. T. 1. Lock: assistant secretary. Miss R. Foreman, librarian. G. A. Parsons: trustees, A. Cutler. F. W. Goodfellow, T. J. Lock: Fuditor. M. Hodgson. Messrs. F. T. Blagrove,
F. Goodfellow T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne were re-elected Central Council representatives. A sum of 15 guineas was voted lowards the cost of the new bells at Harrow-on-the-Hill.
It is hoped that the next annual general meeting will be held at St. John-at-Hackney.
Thanks were extended to all clergy for assisting the Association in its work, and to Tony Price and others for making arrangements for this particular meeting.
T. J. L.

> THE PHILIPS RING A PEAL The first "Philips, peal rung on the eve of the Feast of SS. Philip and James, at Birmingham Cathedral, was intended to be Plain Bob Maximus, but a series of unfortunate events reduced it in the end to Major. Firstly, business engagements reduced the band to Royal and then at the appointed time only nine arrived. After an hour's wait it was decided to go for Major. Later, it was learned that Philip Chalk lud met with a car accident near Coventry on his way to Birmingham and, although foriunately not injured, was fully occupied in getting his battered car back to Woodford Green. Philip Davies had produced both peals of Maximus and Royal, and indeed one of Major at short notice, hut to be doubly sure a more familiar composition was used. It is generally thought that the Philips are capable of something better another year.

## OBITUARY

## MR. J. W. BIFFIN

Mr. William A. J. Knight. of Gillingham, writes that he has been connected with Milverton and its ringers since 1900 and started ringing in 1905.6. He thinks Ted Biffin and Alf Harvey came to Milverton station in the latter part of 1912, when 'Old Tout' was stationmaster. Ted Biffin was transferred to Wiveliscombe during the war and started that band method ringing. During the 20 's Old Tout 'got together a Doubles band for peals and Ted rang in two Doubles peals at Chipstable and Ashbrittle. These were his first meals-not that at St. Thomas's, Fxeter, on hetober 25th, 1924, which was his first of Iriples.

## QUARTER PEALS

BEDFORD.-On May 4th, at St. Paul's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Katheen Rivett 1. F. Rivett 2, J. H. Edwards 3, R. L. Piron 4. J. B. Leng 5, S. Ivin (cond.) 6, D. Thompson 7. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Alderman Charles Naylor Barrott, Mayor of Bedford, who was cremated this day.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.-On Myy 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Jennifer C. Davey (first quarter) 1, Sylvia A. Hayward (firs of Triples) 2. E. Furbank 3. H. Turner (cond.) 4. E. Sitch 5. A. Pryke 6, B. Hines 7. H. Flanders 8. A birthday compliment to ringer of third
BREDONS NORTON, WORCS.-On May 1st. 1.260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: E. Cooke 1. R. Perḱs 2. R. Hickmott 3. 3. Firkins 4. F. Wood 5. J. Atwood (cond.) 6 . For Evensong.

BURES, SUFFOLK.-On Easter Day. 1,280 Kent T.B. Major (Ilkeston Variarion): D. W. Roots 1. Mrs. L. Mills 2. Miss E. Cansdale 3. Miss J. Spurgin 4. C. Bower 5. D. L. Mills (cond.) 6, L. D. Mills 7, A. N. Cansdale 8. For Evensong and a farewell to C. Bower, who, after 21 years at Bures, is leaving for Colchester.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.-On May 1st, $1,280 \mathrm{Kent}$ Treble Bob Major: Miss M. Bibby (first of T.B.) 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, J. Carrott 3. S. Penfold 4, J. Fowles 5. F. V. Gant 6. A. J. Salisbury 7, L. S. Woods (cond.) 8. Rung for Matins, ako as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th. IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Fordham 1, L. Pierce 2, M. Sharpe 3, H. King 1. L. Sharpe 5. E. Bishop (cond.) 6. For morning scrvice and a 30 th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr, and Mrs. Leslie Pierce.
KETTERINGHAM, NORFOLK.-On May 1st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Moore 1, S. Cowcll 2, R. Wiles 3, P. Squires 4. R. Lofty 5, P. Adcock (cond.) 6. For the Feast of SS. Philip and James.
LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.-On April 29th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Bell 1. A. H. Winch (cond.) 2. Mrs. Felicity Marshall 3, Rev. C. Marshall 4, G. Marriner 5, A. H. Smith 6, R. Davies 7. B. Hawkins 8. A farewell to Mrs. F. Marshall, It being her longest lenath of Triples 'inside.'
RADLEY, BERKS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Doubics ( 360 Plain Bob and Reverse Conterbury, 540 Grandsire): M. Cilbertson (first on working bell) 1, R. ). Crawford 2. R. Raven 3, R. Grange 4, M. R. Cross (cond.) 5, A. Vere Hodge (first quarter) 6. First in three methods by 2 and 4 . First in three methods by the Radiey College Society.

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## SOME CHESHIRE BELLS

THE names of Mottram and Stockport are familiar to our readers. It is an area where change-ringing has a long tradition, an area in which long-length peals have been scored. The bells of these two deaneries constitute Part VI of 'Cheshire Bells,' the work of Mr. J. W. Clarke, Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild, and the publication adds to the extensive records of English bells.

Throughout the last century this was a happy hunting ground for prize ringing and the spectacular side of our art. For example, the Rudhall eight at St. Michael's, Mottram, completed in 1805, were visited by the College Youths of Ashton-under-Lyne, and John Holt's Ten-Part of Grandsire Triples was rung in 2 hours $23 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes, and according to a scribe of that period was described as 'the best and quickest ringing ever performed in this kingdom.' It was also on these bells that the record length of 16,800 Kent Treble Bob was rung in 9 hours 40 minutes in 1906. The bells were recast in 1910, and in 1922 Mottram was again in the news with the peal of 18,240 changes rung in over 11 hours, which was later found to be false.

Nearby is Northenden, now in the county of Lancashire. having a six famous for prize ringing contests. This, as Mr. Clarke points out, is reflected in the inscriptions on the bells, quite different from the usual style. Thus the treble reads: 'Here goes my brave boys,' followed by ' I'll follow with spirit and pleasure,' and 'Hark how merry my friends are before me.' Finally, the Rudhall tenor of 1750 reads: 'When with my sweet tone your cover'd sir the generous subscription of $\mathrm{I}^{\text {no }}$ Worthington gent adds dignity to our sound.' These bells have been quarter turned and rehung.

On the subject of inscriptions, in these days, when Church unity is to the fore, the treble at St. Thomas', Norbury, was the gift of the Nonconformist of Hazel Grove, with the wording 'Behold how good and joyful a thing it is brethren to dwell together in unity.' In this tower the Ringer's Bell is the third and is in memory of Pte. Herbert Wilkinson; Loyal North Lancs Regt., who died on December 15th, 1918. The Freemasons of Hazel Grove gave the fourth. Those associated with the Girl Guide movement will like to note that the treble at St. Mark's, Bredbury, was the gift of St. Mark's Rangers, Guides and Brownies.

There are two cases in this area of the bells of one church being acquired by another. The old six bells from St. Mary's, Stockport, were purchased by All Saints', Marple. in 1813, and after the inscriptions had been 'edited' with hammer and chisel were duly hung in the
tower. The Stockport tower, it should be mentioned, was then in a ruinous condition and the bells had been removed. The worsening of the tower's condition is attributed to the prolonged ringing for Nelson's victory at Trafalgar in 1805. The tower then was cracked and was supported by rough buttresses. However, the tower was rebuilt in 1817, and Rudhall was commissioned to cast a new ring of eight at a cost of $£ 1,087$, of which Marple appears to have contributed $£ 407$. There is now a ring of ten at St. Mary's, Stockport, a restoration, including the recasting of the tenor and the adding of two new trebles, being carried out by Taylors in 1897.

The other case was not so much an acquisition as a presentation. In 1837 Thomas Legh presented the bells of Disley to the newly-built church at Norbury. They were an old six, four being recast in the 17th century by Oldfield. Legh then commissioned Thomas Mears to cast and install a new ring for Disley. The latter bells are still in use, but were rehung with new fittings and oak frame in 1897.
Probably the oldest bell in these two deaneries is a treble at Taxal which was recast from an older bell by Robert Quernby, of Nottingham. This bell is not dated, but the Tudor rose stamp used by Quernby indicates a date between 1570-1592. This bell is still preserved, hanging above the Taylor six of 1904. An interesting story concerns Poynton Church. In the 18th century St. George's, Poynton, was a chapel-of-ease, and the church bell was hung in an adjacent oak tree. This gave rise to the following local rhyme:-

The further you go the more you see
A church without a steeple and a bell hung in a trec.
The bell remained in the tree until 1887. A new church was built in 1859 and the tower added in 1885. Taylors were commissioned to provide a ring of six for the tower in 1887.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

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# Peals rung in honour of the Wedding of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones 

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
Ai Bishop Latimer's Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt , in $F$ sharp.


CLIFTON. BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Mintles,
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt.

| Brian F. Sims ... ... Treble | David Newis | .. | .. | . | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Geoffrey W. Mayes | $\ldots$ | 2 | John Hobson | $\ldots$ | . | . | 6 |
| Sheila Percival | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Percy W. Thompkins | .. | 7 |  |


| Sheila Percival | .. | . | 3 | Percy W. Thompkins |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jill Mayes.. . . 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | . | . | 4 | John P. Hulme .. .. . . Tenor |

Composed by J. R. Prifichard.
First peal as conductor.
Conducted by John P. Hulme.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Eri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
Ar the Church of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .
Vernon Forshaw Treble

Keith Newby 5
Mrs. Norma Wall William Wall
W. Thomas Turner.
A. Hedley WOOD

Nicholas M. Newby
Raymond Suart.. Ter
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Nicholas M. Newby. Rung by the Sunday service band.

HAGBOURNE, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. May 6. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-Part.
John H. Napper
Dauglas Jordan
George W. Bishop

*Clifford J. Garlick

William L. Gilks Alfred H. Webb William Corderoy. Douglas R. Bosley Conducted by Alfred H. Webb.
*First peal.

## SEVENOAKS. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri, May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .2 ar .2 lb . in Eflat.
 Richard V. Fuller $\quad .$. Composed by C. Middleion. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.
*First peal of Major.

AMBLESIDE, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Anne
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $32 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
A. Peter Whitehead . . Treble

Alan Capstick
-I hwrinct D. Citment +3
Sidney Hough. sex
Composed by Sir A P Herwood Conduct

- First peal in the method.


## ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .3 qr: 4 lb . in E .

* Jean Horton

Bernard E. Matthews
E. Winifred Keys Ernest Treagus
S. Kathleen M. Knight
*. R. Chad Coussmaker Richard G. Blackman. Composed by A. Knighis. Conducted by Raymond P. Wood. *First peal of Plain Bob Major.

LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt . 2 qr .11 lb . in A flat.
*Hugh Bishop (Selwyn) .. Treble | Alan Griffin (Trinity)
Frances Secker (Girton) 2 Stan Hood (Trinity Hall)
Terry Page (Downing) .. 3 Peter Langton (Trinity).
7
$\dagger$ P. B. Hodson (Emmanuel) 4 James Taylor (St. Cath.'s) Tenor Composed by Cornelius Charge. Conducted by Peter Langton.

* First peal of Major. † First 'inside.

SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minules,
A PEAL OF 5184 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .
*Frederick Pearson.
. . Treble Cyril Low
CyRIL LOW ..
Jack Ashcroft
5
Ronald Kenrick .. .. 2 Jack Ashcroft
+Patricia Buss
$\ddagger$ Margaret Forest

| 3 | Norman Heaps |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Joseph Ridyard |

7
Composed by Arihur Knights.

* First peal. † First of Surprise. \$ First of Bristol on an 'inside' bell.

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Mintles,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In three methods. being 1,536 Yorkshire, 2.208 Cambridge and 1,344 Superlative, with 132 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt .
*JOHN G. AMES.
..Treble Edwin T. Chapman
*John E. Allen
2 Stanley E. Bennett
6
J. Martin Thorley

* Cyril R. Burrell
*Albert W. A. Leggett... 4 *Ronald C. Noon ...... Tehor Composed by N. J. Pirsrow. Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.
*First peal of Spliced Surprise Major.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. May 9, 1960. in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . I qr. 22 lb . in F .
Carol Fernley $\quad . \quad$.. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. 5
*John R. Gilden … ... 2 B Basil Jones .. .. ..
$\begin{array}{llll:llll}\text { Mrs. L. Boumphrey } & . & 3 & \text { Leslie Boumphrey } & \text {. . . } & \text {. } \\ \text { Eileen M. Fearn } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 4 & \text { Brian Harris .. } & \text {.. } & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$
Composed by C. Middletion. Conducted by Leslie Boumphrey.
*First peal of Surprise.
BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenar 16 cwt 2 qr .


Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

* First peal in the method.

HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Tues.. May 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
Ait the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .1 qr .4 lb , in F starp.
F. George Balley
.. Treble
Richard J. Clifton. . . 2 John A. Underwood
Arthur F. Rowity . . . ? ? Joseph W. Cotton
John K. SMIII .. . . . 4 Derek P. Jones. .
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Bart. Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## BURBAGE BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minules, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven difierent extents in ten methods, viz. (1) and (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) College Exercise and Ockley T.B.. (4) Norbury and Duke of Norfolk T.B., (5) Kingston and Sandal T.B., (6) London Scholars' Pleasure and Capel T.B., (7) Kent T.B. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Gladys Richardson .. Treble| Henry Kirk

IT Dorothy M. Stafford .. 2 John R. Kennett .. 5 J. David Adams ... .. 3 Alex. Richardson .. . Tenor Conducted by John R. Kennett.

## IDLE, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 15 cwt .2 qr .16 lb .


KINGSTONE. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri.. May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being five extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh, Clifford's Pleasure. Southrepps, Plain Bob, April Day. Kennington, New Grandsire, Reverse SL. Bartholomew and two six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt .

| or G. Jones | .. Treble | Charles Phillips |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michael V. Powell. | .. 2 | Leslie H. Colcombe |
| eginald G. Pow |  | Alfred J. Williams. |

Conducted by Reginald G. Powell.
First peal in nine methods by all the band, and on the bells.

## SAPCOTE. LEICESTERSHIRE

1HE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. May 6, 1961, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. At the Church of All Sainis, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three 72n's Cambridge Surprise and four 720's Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb . in A flat.
 Keith B. Townsend. . .. 3 Michael E. Brown .. .. Tenor Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

SUTTON. MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
at the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor $12 t \mathrm{cwt}$.
Treble Hilary

* Peter Wm. Horn

Treble Hilary L. Kirkman
Patricia A. Hulley .. 2 Anthony Wm. Lawton
Charles Wim. Lawton .. $3^{3}$ Mrs. E. M. P. Lawton . . Tenor Conducted by Cuarles Wm. Lawton
*First peal. The ringer of the tenor has now "circled the tower" on a working bell.
Rung by the Sunday service band

## TYIHERINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James-the-Greater,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven different extents in two methods: Two of Kent and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt
*Hugh N. Evans .. .. Treble Cliff J. Richards
.. .. 4
†Gillian M. Hussey .. 2 ¥Anthony W. Gibbs... .. 5
Peter E. Parry .. .. 3 Patrick J. Bird .. .. Tehor Conducted by Patrick J. Bird.

* First peal. † First in two methods. $\ddagger$ First in two methods "inside.' First peal on the newly-augmented bells.

WEST HADDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Eri., May 6, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
Ar the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 extents of Reverse Canterbury, ten of Grandsire and 20 of Plain Bob.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Susan E. Adams .. ...Treble | Richard J. Danby .. .. 3 $\dagger$ J. Francis Johnson ... 2 William H. Collins .. 4 John E. Goddard .. . . Tenor Conducled by Richard J. Danby.

* First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First in three methods. First as conductor.


## CARTMEL LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Priory Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob
Nicholas M. Newby .. Treble| W. Thomas Turner... .. 4 James Blackburn $i^{\circ} \cdot{ }^{2} \quad 2$ Thomas F. Metcalfe .. 5
Keilh Newby .. ... .. 3 Frank Birketi .. .. . . Tenur
Conducted by Nicholas M. Newby.

GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb . in A
sidney Carnall .. .. Treble Eleanor Rose $\qquad$

| Valifie Waterfield. . | . | 2 | John Coates |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold Denman | .. | . | 3 | .. * First peal in Conducted by Richard Hobss.

*First peal in two methods.

## POYNTON, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minules,
At rhe Church of Si. George,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods: (1) and (2) Killamarsh T.B., (3) and (4) Kent T.B., (5) and (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Oxford T.B. Tenor 13 cwt 2 qr. 17 lb . in F sharp.

Conducted by John R. Kennett.

THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Double Court. Double Oxford. St. Clement's. Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob. Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .


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## ROYAL WEDDING PEALS - Continued

WEST TARRING, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR


W. Arthur Riddington.. 3 Mervyn Fromm.. .. .. Tghor Conducted by Mervyn Fromm.
First peal as conductor.

## APSLEY END. HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

## at the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Carlisle, (2) Beverley and Surfleet, (3) Cambridge and Primrose, (4) York, (5) lightfoot, (6) London, (7) Norwich. Tenor 14k cwt. *Edwin J. Upion .. . . Treble: Augustin V. Good Kenneth R. Dunstan
Walter Ayre .. .. .. 3 William C. Hughes. . . . Tenor

* 75th peal.


## Conducted by Walter Ayre.

## SEALE, SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of

Plain Bob.


Conducted by G. Kenneth Williamson.
First peal of Minor as conductor.
COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 15 extents of Plain Bob and two of Grandsire. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c} w t}$. *H. M. Peier Swann .. Treble "Colin Allward $\begin{array}{cccccccc}\text { *H. M. Peter Swann } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Colin Allward } & \text { Francis C. Mogford } & \text {.. } & 5 \\ \text { Monald W. Treasure } & \ldots & 2 & 3 & \text { Leslie B. Coles ... .. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$

## * First peal.

 Conducted by Francis C. Mogford.LANE END. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Mi
On Sal.. May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
PEAL OF 5040 pin


Kenneth Seymour
Conducted hy Rugier Hazell.

* First peal of Minor + First peal. I 50th peal. First as conductor. David A. Cornwall has now rung peals of Plain Bob from Minor 10 Maximus on even numbers.


## OTHER PEALS

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGIIAM. On Thurs:: April 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,

Ar ine Caithedral Church of Si. Philip.
A PEAL OF 50s0 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D .

| ar C. Shephird.. . . Treble | Michafl Elson |
| :---: | :---: |
| Muriel Rlay .. .. .. 2 | John McDonald |
| Ruit M. Bordir | Anthony Ager |
| Bryan D. A. Wuolity | Geurcle E. Fearn .. .. II) |
| Rudi rick J. Lilis . . . 5 | Juhn Anderson.. . . . 11 |
| John Pintoid ... ... 6 | Pliter Burdilr .. ... . Tenor |
| Composed by C. J. Sedgley. | Conducted by Plilr Burdler. |

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. Oif Euster Munday, April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
AI the Roman Catholic Church of SS. Thomas and Edmund,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Muriel Reay
Edgar C. Shfpherd
Roderick J. Lees
George E. Fearn
Composed by WM. Barion. Tenor $15 \mathrm{cwt}{ }^{3}$

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs., April 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules,

Ar the Church of Sr. Mary.
A PLEAL OF 5152 NORTHOLT SURPRISE MANOR
Tenor 9 cwt 3 gr .25 lb . in A .
Dennis Knox .. .. .. Treble Alick Cutler
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 2 G. William Critchiliy
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 Alfred J. House
Joan Biresford.. .. ... 4 John R. Mayne. . Composed and Conducted by Dennis Knox.
First peal in the method.

## ANSTEY. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., April 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minuses,
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

| Judith K. Harris | reble | Gordon H. Arguile. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reidvers F. Elkington | 2 | Ralph Elkingion |  |
| Alban Disney | 3 | Herrick B. Bowley. | 7 |
| David S. Harris | 4 | William A. Lacey | Teno |
| Con | d by | h. Hatiersley. ers F. Elkingion. |  |

100th peal on the bells.
Rung on the eve of the Feast of St. George-the-Martyr.

> NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
> On Tues., April 26,1960 , in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwl .1 qr. 22 lb . in F .
Lislie Buumphrey.. . Treble I Bi:rnard Gruves
*Eileen M. Flarn .. . . 2 *Roland F. Eccles
Charol Fernley $\quad .$. Robert B.
Brian Harris
William H. Duwse .. 4 Brian Harris .. .. . Tenor
Composed by J. Carter
Conducled by Brian liarris.

* First peal of D.N.C.B. † First of D.N.C.B. 'inside.'

Rung for the marriage of David John Hilton to Joyce Rothwell. a ringer at this church.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed., May 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, At the Church of St. Faith,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Dorothy K. Saunders
Alan A. J. Buswell
Leonard Stilwell
Treble

Ernest Treagus

Tenor 15 cwt . 1 qr . 11 lb .

Conducted by Raymond P. Wool.
A wedding compliment to David S. Jones: and Margaret E. Marshall, daughter of the ringer of the tenor.

## DONINGTON. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mont.. May 9, 1961), in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
Ay the: Church of: St. Mary and the Holy Ruod.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRAUNSTONF, SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John G. Ames . . . . . Treble Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 5
John E. Allen .....
Ronald C. Noon ....
Frank Taylur .. $\quad .$.
Composed by R. I B. SpetD.
first peal in the method by all.
FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. May 11. 1960, in 2Hours and 51 Minures.
A PEAL OF THF ChURCi OF Sr. LAWRENCE, YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Oswain Ciaybrook .. Treble Frederick Jackson
*Kexil. King .. .. .. $\quad 2 \quad$ Walilih Aliman .. ..

John E. Bibry. . . .. 3 Cyril Valenitne .. .. 7
Denis Madorke, 戶... 4 Firancis Bibby ......... Temor
Composed by N. J. Pisisiow. Conducted by Denis MadDock.
*First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.
WERRINGTON, DEVON
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
Ois Wed., May 11. 1960, in 2 Howrs and 46 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Maritn.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Grove's variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.
Wilfred C. Boucher .. Treble *D. Roy Bould.
Charles Sangwin ... .. $\frac{2}{3}$ A. William Myers.
H. Fridfrick Myfrs .. 3 Thumas G. Myiks

Harry Stacey
Conducted by Thomas G. Myers.
*First peal on eight "inside.

WIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN, AND LONDON DIO. GUILD On Thurs., May 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF $5: 20$ BRONDFSBURY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr. 25 lb . in A.
C. Edward Lankester .. Treble Dennis Knax

Alick Cutler Ciaudia A. Critchley Joan Berespord. .

| reble | G |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | T. |
| 3 | Jo | G. William Critichley Thomas J. Lock John R. Mayne

..

Composed and Conducted by John R. Maine.

First peal in the method. 400th peal on the bells.

HASELBECH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minuies Al ihe Church of St. Michafl and All Angi:ls,

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .12 lb . in. $\mathbf{F}$.

| Eward M. Threshirk .. Treble | Robin Wilson |
| :---: | :---: |
| -Patricia F. Curtis.. .. 2 | Michael R. Bennett |
| Eric Billings .. .. .. 3 | Ernest G. Orland |

Robrat S Roberts. 4 Composed by Stephen H. Wood. Conducted by Patrick I Chapman. * First peal of Major inside. First of Little Bob by all except the conductor.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. May 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
At he Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cWt .

Linda J. Kew
Sheila Wallace
F. Dennis Poole
*John E. Camp
Composed by John Carter.
Treble Sydney M. BaIley
RYDNEY M. BAILEY
ROODRUFF
Roy Woodruff
Roger Hazell
... 7
David A. Cornwall . Tenor

* First peal on eight.

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

BLOXHAM, OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes. At the C'hurch of Our Lady of Bloxham,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 28 cwt in D .
John T. Hibbert .. .. Treble Brian A. Cracknell. Cyril J. Hibbert .. .. 2 Arthur Sayers Brian Mills
Dranis C. Bowen
2
3
4
.. .. 4 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. . . Tenor R. Prilichard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A Sayers on their wedding anniversary.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE
THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY
(Yorkshire Association.)
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes. At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{\frac{c}{c}} \mathrm{cwl}$. in G.

* Raymonid Wondward Trehle Ian Tiliing.
Mrs. Eis sie Chaddock
Hrrbert O. Chaddock
tDavid G. Trench
Composed by JOhn Cox.
*First peal or:Treble Boh.
2 Philip Coote
3 John N. D. ChadDock 6
7

Norman Chaddock Conducted by Norman Chaddock.

BRONDESBURY SURPRISE MAJOR
$36-56.4 .58-58.36-14-3.16-36.1$.
8 ths place lead-end: 13527486. 4ths place bobs.

## SIX BELL PEALS

FITTLEWORTH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours andi 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent Treble Bob. Oxford Treble Bob. St. Clement's, Childwall. Double Oxford, Thelwa!l and Plain Boh. Tenor 7 cw .
$\begin{array}{lccccccccc}\text { Gfoffrey R. Crisp. . } & \text {. Treble } & \text { Raymond A. Brown.. } & . . & 4 \\ \text { E. Jane Langton } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Pritr N. Lanston } & \text {.. } & . & 5 \\ \text { Ediar R. Rapley } & \ldots & \ldots & 3 & \text { Bernard E. Matihfw. } & \text {.. Tehor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Peter H. Langton.

## RIPPINGALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents of Beverley, Surfieet, Durham. York, Inswich. Primrose and Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt 3 yr .2 lb William R. Marsh .. .. Treble L. Blanchard
James Haw .. .. .. 2 James H. Musson
Cectl Wade .. .. .. 3 Aibert Scott .. .. . . Tenor
Conducted by CECIL Wade.
Rung as a silver weciding compliment to Mr, and Mrs. Marsh.
BRISLINGTON, BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thurs., A pril 28, 1960, in 3 Hours, AI the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven different extents in four methods: One of Cambridge, one of mixed Kent and Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Boh.

Tenor 15 cwt.
Reginald G. Hooper .. Treble Brynley A. Shackleton 4
*Cliff J. Richards . .
D John Hunt. .
D
2 $\quad$ Patrick J. Bird. . .. .. . Tenor Conducted by Patrick J. Bird.

* First peal in four methods. First on the bells.


## DOWNHAM. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., April 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
*Vivien R. Matthews . . Treble Hermon J. Oiiver
Joan E. M. Hills .. .. 2 Laurence H. Turner ... 5
*Robert J. Halls .. . 3 Harry Turner .. .. . . Tehor
Conducted by Harry Turner.

## SWANMORE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sum.. May 1. 1980 , in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes. At the Church of St. Barnabas,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of St. Clement's and five of Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *Susan M. Haddelsey .. Treble Robert Wake
S. Kathleen M. Knight 2 E. Winifred Keys
C. R. Chad Coussmaker 3 Bernard E. Matthi: ws ... Tenor Conducled by Bernard E. Matthews.

* First peal.


## PACKINGTON. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Thurs., May 5. 1960, it 2 Hours and 38 Mimutes.
Ar the Chirch of she Holy Rood.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven differend extents. Tenor $6 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .19 \mathrm{lb}$. in B flat.
Derfk P. Jones .. .. Treble F. George Bailey .. .. 4
Joan Cotton .. .. .. 2 Joseph W. Cotton.
W. Geoffrey Hair.... 3 *Richard J. Clifton .. Tenor

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* 100th peal. The trehle ringer has now "circled the tower to peals.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. Eleanor Harriet Jones, grandparent of the conductor, who died April 22nd, aged 89 years, at Hitchin, Herts.

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## BOWDON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minules, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents called differently.
Tenor 14 cwt . 1 qr. 25 lb . in F sharp.

*Barry B. Ward .... * First peal. Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

MORECAMBE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Lancaster Branch.)
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
At Holy Trinity Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tener 10 cwt .
*Rosemary Harmsworth Treble Herbert Rainford

\$Mrs. Dorothy Eccles .. 3 Roland F. Eccles . Tenor
Conducted hy George E. Braithwaite.

- First peal. $\dagger$ First "inside." $\ddagger 25$ th peal together. § 25 th peal on the bells.
A farewell peal to Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Eccles, who are leaving the district.

WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sal., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being extents in seven variations of calling, with no $6-5$ 's at backstroke. Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr. 23 lb . in G.
 Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First 'inside.

Rung to mark the commencement of the centenary celebrations of this Church of St. James. Wollaston, opened in spring of 1860.

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and SI. Clement's, and four of Plain Bob.
Charles Perkins
Alan G. Payne..
Treble Frank Tayior.
Tenor $0 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cw}} \mathrm{t}$.
al.an G. Payne. .. .. .. 2 J. Martin Thorley.. .. 5
Joseph W. Batley
John G. Ames .. ... Tenor
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

* S0th peal on the bells.

SEDLESCOMBE, SUSSEX.
THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. On Mon.. May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Bapist.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.

| Joan V. Garnett | .. | .. Treble | William Button | Bargaret A. Lado | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

John E. Warner .. .. 3 Leslif: N. Mflton .. .. Tenor
Conducied by Leslie N. Melton.

## handbell peals

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., May 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes, at St. Margaret's Select Vestry Hall. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C .
Diana J. Perrins .. .. $1-2 \mid$ John A. Acres .. .. .. $5-6$
John M. Jelley.. .. .. 3 - 4 Ernest Morris .. .. ..
Composed by E. M. Atkins. Conducted by John A. Acres. BIRSTALL. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.
Ai 44. Beechfield Avenue.
A PEAL OF 5296 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Ernest Morris .. .. .. 3-4 *B. Stedman Payne .. .. 7-8
Composed by E. Maurice Atkins. Conducted by Derek M. Sawyer.

* 200th peal for the Guild, and 50th ' in hand. First as conductor.


# John Taylor \& Co. 

## LOUGHBOROUGH

## Quarter Peals rung in honour of the Wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones

## half peals

ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 2.520 Plain Boh Minor: M. Legs 1. K. Prime 2, H. Collings 3 D. White 4. S. G. Smith 5, G. Prescott (cond.) 6 BURGHCLERE, HANTS. -On May 11th, 2.520 Minor 1720 Surficet Surprise, 720 Beverley Surprise. 720 London Surprise. 360 Plain Bob): E. Woolgrove 1. Hazel White 2, R. W. Rex 3. B. Mills 4, R. F Crook 5, G. K. Docis (cond.) 6.
CHURCH GRFSLEY, DERBYS.-On May 6th, 2.520 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Rooboltom (14) 1 D. G. Brunning 2. D. Eames ( 14 , first - inside') 3 D P. Jones 4, J. K. Smith 5, Jointly conducted.

CLEWER, BERKS.-On Mav 10th. 2.520 Stedman Doubles A. J. Bird 1, Margarer Shutte 2, N. Phillips 3. W. Butier 4. J. Brooks (cond.) 5.

EALING, MIDDX.-At Christ the Saviour, on May 10th. 2.520 Grandsire Triples: W. G. Wilson (cond.) 1, G. M. Harvey 2, Miss J. Scrutton 3, W. Oatway 4, S. Croft 5. H. W. Rogers 6, D Thcedom 7. Miss E. Palmer 8.
LOWER HEYFORD. OXFORD.-On May 6th, 2.520 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. West 1, J. Elme 2. H. Adams (cond.) 3, H. Adams 4, R. Gardener 5, H. P. Adams 6.

APPLETON, BERKS.-On Myy 6ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. G. Winite 1, 1. Drewitt 2, F Messenger 3. E. Drewitt 4, H. C. White 5, F. A White 6. B. R. White (cond) 7, H. White
BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.-On May 10th, 720 each of Carlisle Surprise and Cambridge Surprise: Mrs C. B. Pemberton 1, Margaret R. Jeacock 2, D. G Marsh 3, 1. Fraser Clift (first as cond.) 4, G. M Roscamp 5. C. B. Pemberion
BRAMPTON, HUNTINGDON,-On May 6th, 1.250 Plain Bob Doubles: E. Bailey (first quarter) 1, R. F Baker (cond.) 2, Lucy Allen 3, E. S. Whiting 4 1. W. Allen 5. Atso on May 6th, 1,260 Stedman
Doubles; R. Cooper (first of Stedman) 1 , Lucy Allen (cond.) 2, R. F. Baker 3, E. J. Whiting 4, J. W Allen 5
RREWOOD, STAFFORiD. On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( $4,6,8$ covering): A. Allsop 1. H. Wakelam 2, C. S. Dumbell 3, M. Whiteman 4, R. G. W. Broughton 5, I. Rimmer 6, R. L. Hawksworth (cond.) 7. L. Roberts 8
BURSTOW, SURREY.-On May fith, 1,260 Plain Bob, Grandsire and Canterbury Doubles: Mrs, B. F Russell 1, T. Padbury 2, P. Booer 3, L. Penfold 4, A. J. Bull (cond.) 5. H. Paubury 6. Also 720 of Oxford Single Bob and Canterbury Minor: D. Wilson 1. 1. Penfoid 2, H. Parsons 3, G. Charlion 4, W. Slaughter 5. A. J. Bull (cond.) 6
BURTUN-ON-STATHER. LINCS.-On May 6ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. Gray 1. J. Bray (cond.) 2. R. Chafer 3. G. W. Moody 4. FI. Hall 5. C. A Harrison 6. P. Barnes 7. H. Baldwin 8.
CHELSFIELD. KENT.-On May 8th. 1.260 Doubles (600 Grandsire and 660 Plain Bob): Ann Buncombe 1. D. Manger (cond.) 2. Jillian Outhwaite 3. M. Legg (firve in 2 methods) 4. J. Parker 5. A. Smith 6 . CHISLET, KENT.-On May 15th, 1.260 Grandsire 3. A. Hinkley 4. J. A. Russell (cond.) 5. J. Tumber 6. Rung for the dedication service of this restored ring of six by Bishop Rose.
CUCKFIFLD, SUSSEX.-On May 8ih, 1.260 Grand sire Triples: R. Durnsford (first quarter) 1. R. A. Jeffery 5. E. Packham 6. F. Goulgmark (cond.) 7 .

## Jeffery 5. E. E. $J$. Brett 8.

DUNCHURCH, WARWICKS.-On May fith. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. J. Pinfoid 1. R. P. East 2. East 5, J. A. Holden 6. First quarter 1 and 2 EDIESBOROUGH, BUCKS.-On May 6ith, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J, W Sinfield (cond.) 1. Mrs. J. W. Sinfield 2, M. D. Pearson 3. I. Knox 4, W Sear S. F. Scar (first quarter) 6
EVERTON, NOTTS.-On May 7th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Ball 1. Mrs. N. Worsdall 2, F
Jackson (cond.) 3. A. Wilson 4. A. Jowift 5. R Jackson (cund.) 3. A. Wilson
Wondall 6. By Bawtry ringers.
FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.-On May $8 t h, 1,440$ Kemt Trebie Bob Minor: Miss M. A. Finch 1, P Treble 2, J, D. Cox 3, V. M. Cox 4, P. Joyce 5 W. W. Wright (cond.) 6.

GRANTHAM, LINCS.-On May 8th, 1,133 Grandsire Cazers: C. McCarthy (first of Caters) 1, D. A Frith 2, Miss M. Bailey 3, F. W. Pinchbeck 4, P. Slight (first of Caters (inside') 5, J. Watson 6, K. Ketteringham 7, H. R. Woods 8, J. M. Simpson (cond.) 9. J. Holmes 10. Before Evensong
GREENS NORTON, HANTS.-On May 8th. 1.260 Minor (Kent. Oxford and Plain Bob): A. A. Buoth 1. Sandra Freeman 2, C. Rigby 3. Betty Mansfield 4. W. F. Eydon 5, A. W. Mansfield (cond.) 6.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.-On May 6th. 1.260 Oxford T.B. Minor: W. J. Croft 1, Miss M. E. Preece (first in method) 2, Miss J. Croft 3, L. R. Runnacles 4. F. W. Croft (cond.) 5. G. Cherry 6.
HARWELL, BERKS.-On May 8th. 1.260 Grandside Triples: D. Jordan (cond.) 1, J. Napper 2, K. H. White 3. D. Bosley 4. C. J. Garlick 5. M. Bishod 6. W. Corderoy 7, L. F. Cox 8.

HARWORTH, NOTTS.-On May 7th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Bull 1. Mrs. N. Worsdall 2, R Worsdall 3, A. Jowitt 4. A. Wison (cond.) 5. F Jackion 6.
HALIFAX, YORKS.-On May 6th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Sheila M. Moulds 1. Parricia Reeve 2. R. E. Moulds 3. C. Sweeney 4. D. S. Hollas 5. N. J. Parkin 6. J. H. Fielden 7, G. F. Bryant (cond.) 8 By the Surday service band. HEYTESBURY, WILTS.-On May 7th. 1.260 Minor ( 720 London Surprise 540 Plain Bob): E. Woolgrove 1. Miss C. White 2, R. W. Rex 3, B. Mils 4, R. Crook 5, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 6

HEADINGTON, OXFORD.-On May 15th, 1.260 Doubles ( 300 Plain Bob, 966 Grandsire): R. Bruce (first on treble) 1. Jill Masters 2. Cherry Withell 3. E Parsons 4. Tom Smith (cond.) 5, J. Cruickshank 6
HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On May 6ih 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sue Meredith 1. Doreen Armstrong 2. Ruth Blackshaw 3, J. Woolley (first quarter) 4. M. Harrison 5, T. F. Bradiey 6

HONITON, DEVON.-On May 7th. 1.260 Girand sire Doubles ( 4,6 and 8 behind): Miss J. Real 1, C. Monley 2, C. Webb 3. J. Real 4, W. Baker 5 W. Sparkes 6. W. Webb (cond.) 7, T. Clousion 8.

HUTTON, ESSEX. -On May 7th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Friend (firss quarter) 1, C. Hill 2, W. Wright 3. W. Hill 4, R. Jones 5
KIRK ELLA, YORKS. On May 10th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. Irwin 1, 1. N. Goldthorpc 2, G. W. Pybus (first of Minor) 3. K. Kirk 4, D. S ohnson 5, R. Ducker (cond.)
LANCASTER.-On May 6 th, at St. Peter's R.C Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Crook 1 , T Jackson (first quarter) 2, R. Warden 3, R. Rainford 4. H. Rainford 5, J. Pye 6.

LONDON, E.C.-On May 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Williams (first quarter) 1. Miss E. J. Langton 2. D. E $\dagger$ Sibson 3. Miss P. Jervis 4. M. R Rose 5, G. Pratt 6, J. M. Lakin (cond.) 7. M. Taylor

LUPPITT, DEVON.-On May 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Middleton 1. A. J. Crabk 2. J. Sage 3. C Churchill (cond.) 4. L. Marker 5. T. E. Thorne 6. MALDON, ESSEX.-On May 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Christine Towler (12, first in method) 1. . Panton 2, F. White 3. S. C. Eacter 4, J. Clarke J. Towler 6. A. Hubble (cond.) 7. D. Shaw (first ir method) 8.
MILVERTON, SOMERSET. - On May 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1. W. Baker 2. Miss J. Taylor 3. E. Ford (first of Triples) 4, H. V. Young 5. C. Tarr 6, F. Casley (cond.) 7. H. Taylor 8.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.-On May 61h, at the Cathedral. 1,260 Grandsire Tripes: Miss M. E. Gauntlett (first quarter) 1. W. J. Arnoid 2, G. Dodds 3. B A. Cornell 4. W. Little 5, R. F. Ewer 6, G. Penney (cond.) 9. J. McClenahan 8.
SHALFORD, SURREY.-On May 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples- W. E. Enticknap 1. G. D. Enticknap 2.
E. Hunter 3. P. C. Saunders 4. J. Horsman (first inside ') 5. A. C. A. Hunter 6. L. C. W. Hunter (cond.) 7, A. G. Rooke 8. First quarter of Triples fo: 2. 6 and 8.
STAINES. MIDDX.-On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Boh Doubles: R. Wiggins 1, R. Shenherd 2, Jean Williams first ' inside') 3, E. Skipser 4, D. Hawkins (cond.) . B. Shepherd 6. First quarter first attempt for
STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On May 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubler: J. Chacksfield (first on treble) 1.
Mrs. J. Chacksfield 2. J. R. Maple 3. Jean Henson 4. B. W. Farhall (cond.) 5, K. Pritchard 6.

TOTTERNHOE, BEDS.-()n May 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. G. Newman 1. M. D. Pcarson 2. I. Knnx 3, R. J, Scott 4, W. Sear 5, J. W. Sinfield cond.)
UXBRIDGE, MIDDX.-On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Sheehan 1. Mrs. E. R. Gotham 2, D. G. Rowlands (first - inside') 3, H. W. Impey (cond.) 4s E. R. Gotham 9, F. Bedford 6.

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

BRIDGEND, GLAM,-On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): S. Henson 1, J. Hale 2. W T Pculy (cond ) 3, I. Groom 4, H. Preece 5 E. Hiddins 6, D. W. Davies 7, D. Bryant 8. For Evensoms.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOIK.-On May 15th. the Norman rower. 1.260 Plain Roh Rnyal: R. J. Stannard 1. C. Stannard 2, J. Stannard 3, W. Stannard (cond.) 4. A. W. Rolfe 5. D. Rowland 6. G. Jennines 7. W. Goodshin 8, F. Buckle 9, J. Banks 10. The conductor is father of the first inree ringers. Rung for evening service and as a farewell to Mr. J. Banks.
COGGFSHALL, ESSEK.-On May 11th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: C. Turner 1, W. G. Wade 2, A. T. Beckwith 3, W. C. Bilner 4, G. Everen (first as cond.) 5. D. B. Shepherd (first on a working bell) 6. F. Mead (first quarter) 7 (covering). First quarter neal by a local band for about 40 years.
EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On May 15th, 1.248 Little Bob Minor: Iris Gcorge 1, W, George 2. Trudy Newcombe 3. D. Langdon 4. D. Towers 5. T. Hawkins (cond.) 6 . First of Litte Bob Minor for all the band. For Evensons.
HALIFAX, YORKS.-On April 24it, at All Souls ${ }^{\circ}$ Church, 1.280 Dorchester Surprise Major: Patricia Reeve 1. Sheila M. Moulds 2. R. E. Moulds 3. M. V. Copping 4. E. M. Fielden 5. G. F. Bryant 6. C. Sweency (cond.) 7. J. H. Fielden 8. By the Sunday service band.
NORTH RRADLEY, WILTS.-On May 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1. M. Phillips 1. P. Harding 2. F. Slatford (cond.) 3, E. Norris 4, A. Knight 5, N. Knee 6, E. Hitchins 7, A. Bull 8. Rung for the wedding of Mr. J. Case to Miss M. Polden.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On April 24th. 1,440 Kent Treble Bob: Wendy Bowak 1. Ann Hancock 2. M. McOuistan 3. L. Cordell 4, W. Wedlock 5, J. McPhail (cond.) 6. For Matins. Also on May 1st, 1.260 Oxford Treble Bub and Plain Bub: H. King 1, Ann Hancock 2. M. McQuistan 3, R. Bridges 4, J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlock (cond.) 6. For family service. Also on May 3rd, 1.260 Oxford and Kent T.B. and Plain Bob: H. King 1, Ann Hancock 2, Wendy Bowak 3, M. McQuistan 4. L. Cordell 5. W. Wedlock cond.) 6. For Wendy Bowak's 21st birthday.
ORMSKIRK, LAYCS.-On May 10th. 1.280 Kent T.B. Major: J. Marsh 1, Miss J. Moir 2, J. Lunham 3. R. Larkin i. D. Heaton (first in the method) 5 , Couperthwaite 6, L. Pearson 7. S. Walmsley (cond.) Believed to be the first quarter of Major on the belis since they were recast in 1948.
PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-On April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: V. H. Nash 1, Pamela M. Turner 2. R. E. Tallis 3, M. C. Hughes 4, C, J. A. Goy 5. R E. Tallis, jın, (cond.) 6. For Matins.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-At Ss. Andrew's Church. on May 10th, 1,257 Stedman Caters: H. W. Milford 1. Miss Y. C Porter (first of Stedman Caters) 2. A. W. Coles 3. F. E. Day (first of Stedman Caters) 4. D. R. Bould (first of Stedman) 5. W. G. Lavers 6. A. W. Myers 7. D. F. Wheeler 8. T. G. Myers (cond.) 9. M. J. Bray (first on ten) 10. Arranged for Mr. A. W. Coles on holiday
SAXILBY, IIINCS.-On April 28th, 1.440 Minor (Single Court, Single Oxford): M. Keyworth 1. Shirley Guymer 2, Pamela Cox 3. J. M. Blaikie 4. H. Dove 5. J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. A tribuse so Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blaikie on the birth of a son (Robern Menzies).
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On May 8th. 1.344 Plain Bob Triples: C. A. Diggins 1. F. C. Maynard 2. H. Warboys 3. P. Chapman 4. F. Sykes S. A. J. Boyack 6. B. Downes 7. M. Hayes 8. For Evensong.
WARMIEY, GLOS.-On May 13th, 1.2601 Grandsire Doublev: J. E. Brook (first quarter) 1. A. W. Ginbs (cond.) 2. Myra J. Wilkins 3. Rita M. Webb 4. H. Taysom 5, B. K. Lewis 6. Rung half-mufiled in memory of Mrs. Kilmaster and Mrs. W. Hunt, hoth inierred this day.
WELLINGTON, SOMERSET.-On May Sth. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: K. Ireland 1. Mrs. A. Norih 2. G. Gammon 3. C. Wehber 4. I. Hughes 5. O. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Walford 6. D. T. North (cond.) 7. C. } & \text { Baker 8. } 8 . \\ \text { Rung half-mulfled as a tribute to } & \text { Dr. } & \text { Bradfield. }\end{array}$ Rung half-muffied as a tribute to Dr. Bradfield. late Bishop of Bath and Wells.
WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS. $-1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: J. Linncll 1, G. Linnell 2, D. Burbidge 3. D. R. Truman (first inside") 4. C. E. Truman (first of Doubles as cond.) 5. First quarter by a local band.

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS,-On April 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (4. 6. 8 covering): Miss A. Bird 1. L. A. Wilson 2, C. Dunford 3. L. Beazley 4. P. Spackmen 5, N. Osbourne 6, E. F. Brooks
(cond.) \%, J. Amor 8. First quarter 1 and 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. L. Wilson, who celeDrated their diamond wedding on Aprit 16th.

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A farewell peal was rung on the bells of Holy Trinity, Morecambe. on May 7th to Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Eccles. Mr. Eccles was the honorary secretary of the Lancaster Branch of the Lancashire Association, and Mrs. D. Eccles was tower secretary at Holy Trinity. They will both be very much missed. They are now living at 53, Alexandra Road, Sale,
Thomas Jackson, aged 14. is the youngest ringer in Lancaster ever to ring a quarter peal. His keenness is a great encouragement to his tutor.
Canon C. Carew Cox, Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, marks his fiftieth year in the priesthood on Sunday. Our congratulations to him on reaching such a significant landmark.
The 'Yorkshire Post's' cartoon on the College of Campanology, A.D. 1542, has caused amusement to many north country ringers.
The Warminster and District edition of 'The County Churchman' has a delightful sketch of Mr. Louis Wilson. Ringing Master at Wootton Bassett Church, a post he has held for 63 years. Now 84, he has been ringing for 72 years.
A welcome home peal to D. W. Kerley, after his world's cruise on H.M.S. 'Centaur.; was lost at Aberdare at the end of the 11th part of Parker's 12 part. Honours were, however, done by a quarter peal on May 15th.
Four members of the Rowe family of St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, have rung their first quarter together. This was on May 15 th when Paul, aged 12, rang his first. In about two years time the family hope to ring six beils to a quarter.
A band of youngsters, with the help of Mr. E. M. Atkins and Mrs. Hood, rang the bells of St. Michael's, Teignmouth, immediately after the Royal wedding. The young ringers were Philippa Russell (13). Ian Hay (13), Michael Colquhoun (15). Elizabeth Rossiter 113). Danny McCollough (17). Ian McCollough (18) and Andrew Mackenzie (15).

## GOSSIP

After two hours' ringing in . shire, the seventh bell broke a gudgeon pin and crashed into the pit. The bell was nol cracked, but considerable damage was done to the fittings. The bells are now out of commission until they have received the bell-founders' attention.

The first peal on the bells of Brislington, Bristol, was rung on April 28th.

The latest addition to our press secretaries is Miss Sheila Percival, of The Elms, Pedley Lane, Clifton, who represents the Biggleswade District of the Bedfordshire Association.

Who was the ringer who took the band in his ban for a peal attempt. and, over the usual drink afterwards before a long return journey, said he would rub some grease on his hands and tell his wife he had had a puncture. only to find when he returned to the parked van that he had got-a puncture!

The Misses J. C. Davey and S. A. Hayward. of Brentwood. Essex, visited St. Paul's, Bedford, on May 8 th. and impressed the local band by the way they rang their first course of Grandsire Caters. 'A credit to their instructor and themselves,' comments our correspondent.

Mr . J. Euston. of 28, Fairmile Avenue. Streatham. S.W.16. who is organising this year's veterans' reunion in London in place of Mr. Coles. on June 18th. explains that the date was chosen to give the most hours of daylight. Any of the younger generation who can provide transport or bring or escort a veteran will be welcome.

Unfortunately a quarter peal of Minor only could be rung to celebrate the return of Wakefield Trinity R.L.F.C., following that team's victory over Hull in the Rugby League Cnampionship Cup Final. A break followed ringing on ten bells, and when it was time to begin a quarter peal only six ringers could be mustered, others being presumably lost in the vast crowd ( 40,000 strong according to some reports) which thronged the team's route through Wakefield from the railway station to the Town Hall.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD'S GOOD YEAR

THE 61st annual mecting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held, as always, at Lincoln. on April 30th. whell over 150 members enjoyed he usual warm welcome from the city clergy and ringers. There was ringing for all tastes at the Cathedral, St. Giles's, St. Peter at Gowts and Si. Botolph's.
Those attending Cathedral Evensong heard an interesting address given by the Archdeacon of Lindsey, the Ven. E. L. Marsden. Tea was served in the ancient Chapter House by ringers' wives and friends. The Dean. who is president, thanked all who had helped with the preparations of a most enjoyable tea.
At the business meeting, the president presided and all the officers were re-elected. Mr. J. A. Freeman notified the meeting that this would be the last time he would offer himself for re-election as Guild Master. He felt that the time had come when someone better able to keep in touch with all the branches should hold the office.
This was heard with regret and the president expressed the feelings of all when he said that it was typical of the Master to take this difficult decision in this way. Mr. Freeman had felt it was the right thing to do so he must do it

Messrs. John Freeman, G. E. Feirn, J. L. Millhouse and J. Bray were elected representatives on the Central Council for the next three years.

After some discussion it was agreed to include the Guild Librarian on the Guild Committee with the necessary change of rule. Notice was given that a proposal would be put forward at the next annual meeting to include Central Council representatives also on the committee

The president spoke of the successful jubilee dinner and congratulated those responsible for its organisation.

The Master, in his annual report, also referred to the dinner and expressed appreciation to Messrs. J. Bray and J. Freeman for their work in this connection. He repeated what he said ten years ago, that they could look back with satisfaction at the steady progress which had been maintained and they still held a prominent place in the Exercise.

Our record of Sunday service and peal ringing is of a high standard and here let me make it clear that the former should be our first duty as church bell ringers, with regular and punctual attendance. Nevertheless. peal ringing has its place in our life and is a measure of the vitality of the Guild.

Our peal total for the year is 131, much higher than last year. and has only been surpassed twice before, and while no particularly outstanding peal has been rung. I think this has been a very successful year throughout the Guild.'

During the year Coningsby bells have been rehung and Belton bells have been augmented from four to six.
A very pleasing feature of the meeting was the number of young members present.

## A BROADCAST FROM FENLAND

On May 13th. listeners to 'East Anglian Highlights heard an interview between four of the bell ringers of St. Wendreda's Church. March. Cambs. The interview, which took place on the Thursday previous to the broadcast. centred chiefly around the younger ringers. of whom there are 15 , and during the recording the six bells could be heard in the background. ringing to Bob Doubles. Opening the interview. the reporter stated that the hells were not the oldest in the Fenlands but were regarded by East Anglians as possessing fine tonal qualities.
One of the ringers described to listeners the method Bob Doubles, and the difference between full peals and quarter peals, and the younger ringers (two boys and a girl) spoke of their ambitions with regard to bellringing. and told of why they were attracted to the art. It was the first time that the bells of St. Wendreda's Church had been 'on the air.'


## MR. JOSEPH T. DYKE,

## Hon. Member, Central Council.

Mr. J. T. Dyke is one of the great stalwarts who has pionecred for a good standard of ringing in Somerset. Like so many other highly distinguished members of the Exercise he is a teacher by profession. He is amongst that gifted band of people who can not only show how ringing should be done-but can teach how to do it; for as we all know, it's not always the best ringer that makes the best teacher.

His greatest joy is teaching six and eight bell bands to ring, and teaching their conductor the art of conducting a peal. The result of some of his efforts is reflected in the remarkably good ringing which is broadcast on Sunday mornings in the Light Programme. Although Joe is not completely satisfied with
it, there is no doubt that many bands, up and down the country, wish that they could ring half as well Joe Dyke's was the inspiring influence which produced such a satisfactory result.

He was born in 1892 at Burton-on-Trent, and educated at the Grammar School there, and Cheltenham Training College, matriculated at London University in 1910, and commenced teaching in 1912. He learned to ring at Burton, in 1908, and rang his first peal there in 1909. How fortunate he was to be in Burton at that time, for they had a remarkably high quality company with the standards laid down by the Wakleys, Joe Griffin, John Austin, and others in that famous band, which made ringing history in those days! He joined H.M. Forces in 1914, and served overseas in the Gloucester Regiment during the war, transferred to the Machine Gun Corps in 1916, and became a prisoner of war in 1918.
At the conclusion of the war he returned to teaching in Somerset, and he made a great impact on ringing in that county. His ability was soon recognised, for he became a branch secretary of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, and was elected general secretary in 1925. serving in that office for 28 years. His peals total is about 700, of which he has conducted 400 . Amongst his notable achievements are turning in the tenor at St. Mary Redcliffe to Cambridge Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus, Queen Camel tenor to Minor, and Sherborne Abbey tenor to Major. He even rang Redcliffe tenor to Major before the bells were rehung, a colossal job at that time. He also took part in the record peal of 15.312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Ashton-under-Lyne, conducted by William Pye. On several occasions he took part in two peals of Cambridge Maximus in one day.
He has been a member of the Central Council since 1927, serving on the Standing Committee. and was also a member of "The Ringing World' Committce until illness overtook him. He was mainly responsible for the first beginners instruction book put out by the Council. All his friends in the Exercise will wish him well.

JAFUS.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

The usual warm welcome awaited the ringers of the Northern District of the Essex Association and their friends, when they met at the Church of St. Mary, Great Dunmow, on May 14 th.

The Vicar, the Rev. D. Callum, conducted the service, which was choral, and Mrs. Coates was at the organ. An excellent tea was provided in the Church Hall by the local ringers and friends.

Fifty-one members were present in the afternoon and they represented eighteen different parishes. One new ringing member was elected, Mr. R. Martin, of Halstead.

It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Colne Engaine on July 2nd.

Votes of thanks were expressed by the District Master, and Dr. Castleden replied on behalf of the Dunmow ringers.

## THE PROFESSOR WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

If it was pure coincidence that. on the day of the Rugby League Cup Final. a pack of Wakefield ringers descended upon Hull to ring at the reopening of the Holy Trinity's bells?

He understands, however, that there is no truth in the rumour that a little "loose forward' was rung to celebrate the occasion. or that one ringer during a temporary lapse in Stedman was instructed to carry out a 'stand-off half-turn.'
He also dismisses as sheer fabrication the report that a furore was created by the omission of an aspirate when someone suggested it was about time to 'Turner in.'

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Presentation To Mr. R. F. Eccles

 THE annual meeting of the Lancashire Asso1 ciation was held at Morecambe on April 30th. Ringing commenced at 10.30 a.m. and the following towers were available: Lancaster Cathedral R.C. (10), Lancaster Priory (8) and Holy Trinity, Morecambe (8).The annual service was held in Holy Trinity Church, the preacher being the Rev. G. Snowdon.
An excellent tea was enjoyed in the Parish Hall, immediately after which a presentation was made by Mr. John Woods, of Lancaster, on behalf of the branch and friends from an adjacent branch, to Mr. R. F. Eccles. of Morecambe. who had resigned from the secretarysnip of the branch owing to his leaving the district. Mr. Woods thanked Mr Eccles for all he had done for the branch and wished hime every success for the future. Mr. Eccles suitably replied.

The general secretary thanked the Rev. G Snowdon for the welcome extended to the Association. and asked him to convey thanks to the organist and choir for their services.
The honorary vice-president (Mr. P. H Derbyshire) opened the meeting in the absence of the president. The minutes of the last annual general meeting were confirmed, and it was proposed that a vote of thanks be recorded to Mr. G. Thwaites for the tremendous amount of work he was carrying out on the 'Woodhouse Ringing Machine.
Mr. J. Ashcroft was elected vice-president Mr. F. Dunkerley re-elected secretary. and the Rev. R. D. St. John Smith, Messrs. P. Crook, F. Dunkerley and J. Ridyard re-elected representatives to the Central Council.

SOUTHPORT APPRECIATED
The report of the committee stated that it was very gratifying to the Association and to he secretary to have received so many compliments, paid by members throughout the Exercise. on Lancashire's welcome and efforts in making the Central Council's visit to Southport a great success. In this matter Miss P. Grimme had given valuable service and it was unanimously agreed to record appreciation to her. The report on expenses incurred for the Central Council's visit was approved, and gratefulness was expressed to those who gave donations.
The report recorded, with sympathy to the relatives, the following losses by death: nonresident, Herbert Knight. Wolverhampton; life ringing member, E. Roger Martin. Preston (former vice-president and branch secretary) ; ringing members: Joseph Leatherbarrow, Newchurch, former vice-president and for 48 years tower-keeper, captain at Newchurch; Charles W. Blakey, Accrington. a capable organiser who contributed to the success of the visit of the Central Council.
The membership of the Association was made up of honorary life members 68. new 1: non-resident members 633, new 38 ; rringing members 1.116 . new 91 .

MISSING DETAILS OF PEALS
The peal secretary's report recorded 110 peals rung during the year, a decrease of 15 per cent on the previous year. Conductors were reminded that it was their duty to give full particulars of peals rung. Six peals had been received giving place. date and method only. These peals were not included in the report because of lack of information and he had not been able to trace them in The Ringing World.

Twenty-four members rang their first peal: 183 their first in some particular method or on higher numbers ; one first as conductor. In all. 262 members took part in peals, which was 17.1 per cent. of total resident members. Leading conductors were Derek Ogden 11, Edward Jenkins 10 : leading peal ringers. John P. Parkington 36, Edward Jenkins 19, Roger Leigh 19.

## RINGING CHORISTERS FROM LINCOLNSHIRE



The team which rang the quarter peal on Aprit 28th at Saxilby to commemorate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blaikie. As Mr. Blaikie is organist-choirmaster at Saxilby it was thought fitting to choose a team of choristers to do the ringing on this occasion. Back row: M. Keyworth (bass), J. B. Nicholson (bass), H. Dove (tenor). Seated : Shirley Guymer (soprano), J. M. Blaikie (organistchoirmaster), Pamela Cox (soprano). All are members of the Saxilby Sunday service team and the Saxilby church choir. Mr. Blaikie is also a member of the P.C.C. and Lindsey Branch representative to the Lincoin Diocesan Guild.

The following firsts for the Association were rung: Cholmondley Surprise Major; Spliced Plain Major, 9 and 15 methods; Londinium Surprise Maximus

The reports and the audited balance sheet were approved.

The tollowing members were transferred to life membership: Mr. W. H. Fowler. Brindle; Mr. J. Wilson. Kendal: Mr. F. T. Postlethwaite, Lancaster, and Mr. W. H. Ratcliffe, St. Anne's-on-Sea.
The general secretary. on behalf of the Association, closed the meeting with a vote of thanks to all who had in any way contributed to the success of the day, which. he was sure, had been enjoyed by all present.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The attendance at the Chew Deanery quarterly meeting at Wrington on April 30th was disappointing during the afternoon and at tea but the tower was filled to capacity in the evening. This was referred to at the business meeting with Mr. H. W. Knight in the chair, when it was decided that members and visiors should signify their names for tea at the quarterly meetings in order that a reasonably accurate estimate for catering could be obtained.

Three new members and one lapsed member rejoined from Portbury: two lapsed members from Clapton-in-Gordano and one new member each from Yatton and Nailsea were elected.

The Rev. C. S. L. Alford conducted the service and ringing reached Cambridge Surprise Royal.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Dorchester Branch

Sunny spring weather was the setting for the spring quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers. at Preston. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. P. H. W. Isdell-Carpenter, who spoke of the wonderful heritage in the bells of parish churches. Mr. J. Slade (Deputy Ringing Master) was the organist.
The business meeting was conducted by the chairman, the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth. The honorary secretary. Mr. R. H. Duke, mentioned that a message of congratulations had been sent to the Queen on the birth of Prince Andrew. and that a reply had been received from the Palace.
There was a new appointment. said Mr. Duke. that of Guild Librarian. a post filled by the Rev. W. Uphill, formerly vicar of Stower Provost and honorary secretary of the North Dorset Branch. New members elected were Mr. M. Thomas (Ringing). Mrs. H. Howard and Mrs. A. Timms, of Wyke Regis (Associate).
The next meeting was fixed provisionally for Bere Regis in June. Branch practices wero arranged as follows: Litton Cheney, Wool. Fordington. Cattistock. Piddletrenthide, Upwey. Abbotsbury, at fortnightly intervals. from May 7th. subject to confirmation.
The chairman thanked the ladies who had served tea. and Mr. J. Rose (Deputy Ringing Master) moved a vote of thanks to the Yicar for his welcome and to the organist
R. H. D.

## LETTERS <br> MORE ABOUT BELL BROADCASTING

Dear Sir. -1 compliment B.B.C. T.V. on the All Your Own programme in which the youthful ringers were interviewed on Sunday afternoon (May 15th). What a contrast in the evening (after fixing up new batteries for my wife to enjoy hearing St. Mary Redclife), and tuning to Home Service in good time wc were rewarded with the last blow only of the tenor of these bells.
Similarly, a week ago, four Isle of Wight peals were broadcast for which my help was enlisted in arranging the recordings. The whole of these were allowed about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 2 minutes and one. Godshill. partly obliterated by a voice. while an organ had 4 to
5 minutes. as also a choir of monks from Quarr Abbey. Never again do I put myself out to arrange another recording.-Yours.

## Newport. Isle of Wight.

## 「HEOLOGICALLY INCORRECT•

Dear Sir, - The letter from Mr. W. E. Strawson. of Sarratt. makes strange and dislurbing reading. One hears occasionally of resirinions placed on ringers in their towers by various incumbents with their own individual ideas. but this is. I think the first time that we have hearc of a young ringer (who is. by Baptism, a full member of the Church of God) being forbidden to ring, simply hecause she has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Neither the Roman Church nor any of the Churches of the Anglican Communion have ever taught that one is not a full member of the Church until one is confirmedindeed. in the Roman Church. Confirmation is not considered essential for the reception of Holy Communion. As one is made a member of the Christian Family through Baptism, I am convinced that the action of the Rector of Sarratt is theologically completely incorrect. It should. cbviously, be the ideal to have a band of ringers all of whom are regular communicants. but surely it is not essential for a young ringer to be a communicant before being allowed to ring for services-particularly when we gather that the young ringer in question regularly attends service after ringing.
It is very difficult in a case like this to
uggest what action Mr. Strawson could take. suggest what action Mr. Strawson could take. as unyuestionably the Rector has the legal right to decide who shall or shall not ring in his tower: but 1 venture to suggest that if action of this kind should become widespread large number of towers which rely on young boys and girls to keep their bells going will soon become silent if Confirmation should hecome an essential qualification for admission to the belfry. Obviously it should be the ideal for all baptised Christians to receive Confirmation and become regular communicants. but in my opinion to apply such a restriction. as is apparently being applied at Sarratt. is going much too far. 1 wonder if one of our more senior clerical ringers could suggest a solution to what is certainly a
dificult question? As the bells at Sarratt have dificult question? As the bells at Sarratt have only very recently been augmented to five. and there is presumably a new band. it would be a great pity if their enthusiasm should be damped so early in their ringing career by completely unnecessary restrictions.-Yours
sincerelv. sincerely.

PETER N. BOND.

## Fordcombe. Kent.

NOTE-We thank other readers who have written on this subject. but at the request of a Heriford County Association official we are closing the correspondence.-Ed.

## LOUGHBOROUGH COMMENT ON KIRKBY-LE-SOKEN RECORD

Dear Sir.-I should like to make a few comments on the reports of the 22.400 Bub Major at Kirkby-le-Soken. I am sure many ringers will agice with me that this peal was but a poor performance compared with the 21,600 Bristol rung by John Norton and his band, even of it was a few changes longer.
Great emplasis was laid on the aspect of progress made-this is doubtful to say the least. Why did they not ring Bristol? you ask. There is an easy answer to that. I think. All this would be excused with good grace. hut for the fact that their conductor and your leader writer have taken the pains to preach a sermon to those of us who have attempted to ring 40.320 Bob Major at Loughborough.
In the first place. we rang 28,000 odd on one occasion. The reason this came to grief sounds to be extremely like one event reported hy Mr. Lufkin. One of the ringers. attempting to snatch some food, momentarily lost control. He 'thought fit' to say ' 4 th after tenor:' or some such thing-like me. I consider he should have thought fit to say - Stand: Their comments upon discipline and talking seem rather superfluous, when it is shown that the old. old bogy-playing around with food -marred their own performance. No. Mr. Lufkin-you have not reached the dizzy heights yet-take your band to Loughborough. and do what we have done, for a startthen learn Bristol and give us something to congratulate you upon.-Yours etc..

## STEPHEN IVIN.

Houghton Conquest.

## CHARGES FOR PEALS

Dear Sir.--In reply to the Rev. L. J. Birch. who thinks a fee should he charged for the wear and tear of ropes and other gear when peals are rung. I should like to pass on to him what arrangement we have with peal hands here at Dorchester St. Peter's.
For an attempted peal rung by a band outside the membership of the tower. there is a fee of $£ 11 \mathrm{~s}$. to be paid. In this way the number of peals that are rung are few, which perhaps is a good thing. as the people living nearby cannot complain that the bells are rung too often. Ariy who do ring a pcal here usually pick a band that is reasonably sure of scoring the peal. and in that way we usually maintain a nigh standard of ringing and striking.
The rule of this fee for peal ringing was made in 1913 when the rules of the St. Peter's Society were drawn up. This rule still stands. although some of the other rules have been revised recently 10 bring them into line with these modern times.
If more towers were to charge a fee as we do. there would be fewer peals rung, which would give more experienced ringers more tume to help the less experienced, and so improve the standard of ringing in their own particular locality.
Whilst on the subject of peals-1 have occasionally noticed reports of peals rung half-muffled in a Major method. How can anyone bear 10 listen to a half-muffied tenor turned in with all the other bells? Any bells always sound their hest half-muffled whether ir be six, eight. ten or twelve, but to do them justice and to appreciate the grandeur and solemnity of half-muffled ringing let us have the tenor covering.-Yours sincerely.
R. H. DUKE

St. Peter's. Dorchester.
Dorset.

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## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## Economy Over Report Produces Healthy Balance

FORTY-SIX members and friends sat down to tea ir the brand new hall of St. Johnthe Baplist, Croydon, ort April 30ih, for the annual meeting of the Surrey Association. The Vicar welcomed us and was thanked for taking the service and for his address. The service was read from the Association's new book for the tirst time.

At the business meeting. the committee reported little change in the health of the Association during the past year, but the treasurer announced a $20 \%$ increase in the General Fund bilance to ovei £153. chiefly due to the Central Council representatives paying their own expenses, and the homemade annual report. Three new members were elected.

Before dectaring Mr. F. E. Darby the new Master. Mr. Fr, E. Collins said how much he had enjoyed his term of office, and wished his successor every success. Mr. Darby than took the chair, and declared the following re-elected for 1960: General secretary, Mr. R I. F. Parsons; treasurer, Mrs. K. Chilcott; auditor. Mr. T. A. Blow; assistant secretary. Mr. F. E. Roherts; C.C. representatives. Messrs. A. P. Cannon. F. E. Collins. W. F. Outway, liaison officer to Guldford Guild. Mr. F. E. Collins. It was agreed 10 move the library from St. John's, Croydon, to St. John's Church. Redhill, with Mr. F. E. Roberts as librarian.

Several alterations were made to the rules. including one permitting certain district and general offices to be held by one person beiteen the District and Assuciation annual mectings: and another 10 make the balance between district and general funds more flexihle.

The new Association service hook was next discussed and members complimented those responsible on its excellent contents, style and printing. The bell on the front cover was a drawing of St. Lawrence, Jewry tenor, and also appeared on the report circulated at the meeting. The next annual general meeting was fixed for Reigate. on April 15th. 1961.
A sub-committee of six was appointed to meet the Guildford Guild for discussion on their latest proposal, which suggested exploring ways and means of associating the work of the two bodies. The meeting stood in memory of Mrs Marjoric Kitchen, of Thames Ditton, who had died in February, and after the usual votes of thanks to the retiring officers. to the tea-providers (and a jolly good tea it was!). to the vicar and organist, members returned to the tower to ring anything from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Maximus.
F.E. R.

## YOUNG RINGERS IN THE VALE OF EVESHAM

During the Easter holidays young ringers from Wychbold and Stourbridge toured the Vale of Evesham with the blossom on the trees at its hest.

At St. Stephen's. Redditch. they were told they were the youngest hand to ring the bells. Belfry prayers. led by the Vicar. preceded a good quarter of Doubles at Beoley. The rarely-rung old six at Coughton (Bagley 1686) were raised and rounds rung. The night was spent at Birom Hall Youth Hostel.
With the help of Michacl Sclby, a quarter of Boh Minor was scored at Cleeve Prior the next day. The heary five at Honeybourne went very hadly and only a few rounds were rung. The Vicar remarked that the band's efforts were well up to the average. Lower Quinton was thought to have one of the best sixes in the Midlands. Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung and there were compliments from local residents on the striking. The light six at Clifford Chambers and the eight at Bidford-on-Avon finished the day s programme and night was spent at the youth hostel.

The route on the last day was through the orchards of the l.ench Hills to Salford Priors (a beautiful eight). Church Lench. Bishampton (where a quarter was rung), Upion, Snodsbury and Crowle were visited. The average age of the band was only $14 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

## A ROYAL WEDDING TOUR

On May 7th a party of eight ringers set of at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in two cars, one starting from Andover. the other from Thatchum, to visit seven six-bell towers in Wiltshire and Somerset The object was to ring a 720 in each tower and a different method in each.
This was successfully achieved, and ended with a quarter peal. All the ringing was in honour of the Royal wedding.
Towers visited and methods rung were as follows: Devizes St. Mary's, 720 Kent T.B.: Kilmersdon. 720 York Surprise: Radstock, 720 Durham Surprise; Croscombe, 720 Oxford T.B.: Bruton. 720 Cambridge Surprise: Sutton Veny, 720 Plain Boh: Heytesbury, Wilts, 720 London Surprise and 540 Plain Bob.

Taking part were Miss C White. Miss H White. E. Woolgrove B. Mills. G. K. Dodd (conductor). R. Crook and R. W. Rex. At each tower Grandsire Doubles was also rung with Miss Jill Jarrett taking part.

A most enjoyable day ended at 11.30 p.m., with thanks 10 all incumbents and to all who met us.
R. W.R.

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## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD DINNER

A change of venue for the second annual dinner enticed 31 members and guests 10 gather together for a sumptuous meal. After the coffee, the president, Mr. D. Ferguson, expressed his delight at the growth of the Guild from it: small beginnings. 13 years ago, and then proposed the loyal toast. The secretary, Miss P. Walker. welcomed the visitors and singled out Mr. George fearnehough, who had opened his house (and larder!) to the Guild on many Sunday evenings. Mr. D. Taylur replied for the visitors.

Belying his assertion of not being a good after-dinner speaker. Mr. Fearnehough proposed the toast of The Guild. He was grateful to the Guild-not least for providing his son with a fiancée and for visiting himin spite of the interminable argument which took place whenever ringers met. The Ringing Master. Mr. David James, replied and expressed the hope that visiting would still be allowed.
After the pleasantries, the annual general meeting was held. The Master asked the president about his insignia of office-including the famous mat emblazoned with Parker's twelve-part. Mr. Ferguson oftered the mat to the next president. since he felt that after 13 years he should retire. The Master thanked Mr. Ferguson for his services to the Guild. before giving his report. The year 1959-60 was one of the Guild's best years: twelveSpliced Surprise had been rung at practice night and there had been six peals (so far!). Two memorable ones had been the Rutland, at Hawkshead. and the Yorkshire, with the freshers. Trevor Taylor (unfortunately absent) was congratulated for leaching learners at Hulme and handbells at *Tech.- not forgetting the eleven-hours marathon in Piccadilly on Rag Day.
Presenting her secretary-lreasurer's report. Miss Pat Walker was thankful for the low lavel of illumination-members present could not notice her new dress and "hair-do" or scrutinise the balance sheet.
The following elections were then made Patron: The Bishop of Manchester: president Mr. Derek Ogden: vice-presidents: Mr. D. Ferguson. Mr. G. Fearnchough. Canon R. H. Hussey; Ringing Master: Mr. Robert J. Warrilow: secretary-treasurer: Mr. Ronald J. Johnston: honorary auditor: Mr. Derek Taylor. Committee: Messrs. Trevor Taylor, John Soanes and Barrie Sheppard.
The members of the Guild would like to thank the retiring officers and committee, and especially at this time George Nix for making all the arrangements for the dinner.
B. A T.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

A most enjoyable time was spent at Sowerby. set on the top of the Pennines, by the Archdeaconry of Halifax Guild on May 7th. Ringing was well struck and was in boih Minor and Mlajor Surprise methods. Three methods of Triples were rung and of the Minor ringing both open lead and closed lead ringing was 10 be had.

The local hand provided a well laid out tea.
At the business. meeting the committee asked for younger ringers to the encouraged to Guild meetings. About 15 methods were rung and the committee were well pleased with the steady progress being made. Next meetings: Almondsbury (evening). June 4ih: Northowram. July 2nd.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Meeting at St. Marv's. Fcclesfield, sometimes called the Minster of the Moors: on May 14th. the Barnsley and District Society elected three new members and Mrs. Doris Kelley, of Handsworth. as the first lady honorary member. Details were given of the outing into Yorkshire (fare and two meals 25 s .). Felkirk was selected for the next meeting, which will be the shield contest. Mr. Noel F. Moxon thanked the local company for making the arrangements and Mr. Jeslic Smith replied.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK
" I"
IN COURSE.-For the purposes of composition, method construction. proof, ctc., it is assumed that there are two kinds of rows. This combination has been described as the - in and out of course , of the rows. To distinguish the two rows their kinds are known as-in course and out of course; even and odd: in phase and out of phase : positive and negative. The term used matters little if the idea is clearly understood and this we hope to explain briefly.

First we assume that rounds is in course even. in phase or positive. To determine the nature of any given row we must find out how many pairs will need to be changed to get back into rounds. If it is an even number then the row is positive or even and if it is an odd number then the row is negative or udd. For convenience we use the plus and minus signs of mathematies to denote even and odd rows.

In actual practice it is not necessary to go back to rounds cach time as we proceed from row to row determining the nature as we go along. The rule of mathematics applies, thatEven plus Even gives Even. Even plus Odd gives Odd. Odd plus Odd gives Even. Odd plus Even gives Odd
The following example will probably make it clear-
Rows Nature

## Explanation

123456 t. Even Assumed to be Even.
214365 - Odd Odd number of pairs change. 241635 - Odd Even number of pairs change. 426153 - Even Odd number of pairs change. 452513 + Even Even number of pairs change 645231 - Odd Odd number of pairs change.
IN THE HUNT.-A bell which is coursing the path of the treble is said to be in the hunt. It would naturally be the second bell in at plain course but, of course, could be any of the working bells in a touch. although in order to get the bells back into rounds the second would be the last bell to be called into the hunt. The term is restricted to a very select few of the Plain methods such is Grandsire and Double Norwich Court Bob when rung on an odd number of bells.
INSTRUCTOR-Under this term I want to consider the importance of an instructor, and discuss generally but very briefly some necessary qualities he should possess. Instruction in practically anything has far reaching results within the extent of the subject taught. and with bell ringing there is much at stake.
The ringing instructor 'moulds' his learners and when, as is usual. he is tower captain as well there is the safc conclusion that a competent and thorough instructor will produce competent and thorough ringers-providing le gets the right metal to mould! On the other hand. an incompetent and slovenly ringer reflects bad instruction and his pupils would not reap the enjoyment of good ringing. It follows then that an instructor would be at an advantage if he possessed personality, patience. perseverance and an optimistic outlook. and also the ability to control in a firm but kindly manner all kinds of youthful characters. He should himself handle a bell properly, strike it correctly, be able to conduct and. preferably from experience. have a good hnowledge of the technical terms and various methods. One other vital matter is that he must encourage progress and never. never attempt to stop any of his band becoming a retter ringer than inimself.

## A PRE-REFORMATION FOUR

The four pre-Reformation bells at Spetchley, Wercs. were rung on May 6th to salute the Royal wedding. They had not been raised sine about 1940 and before this was done ropes were fitted and the bells well-greased. The bells went very well and a quarter of Spetchley Minimus was rung. despite the odd rope circle and showers of rubhish descending through the holes in the ceiling. The treble ringer found it necessary to wear a sou-wester' for the quarter.

## OUTINGS

## CHESTER AND DISTRICT

Ringers from Chester, Buckley, Dodleston and Flint had a very enjoyable outing in Shropshire and Staffordshire, on April 27 th when ringing was enjoyed at Oswestry. Westbury. St. Chad's. Shrewsbury. Hodnet, Neweastle-under-Lyme. Tunstall and Crewe.

Four members of the party placed cars at our disposal and in addition to the pleasure of ringing at fresh towers, the bells in each case giving satisfaction in every respect, we fully appreciated the journey through the spring countryside.

A good standard of ringing was maintained throughout the day, and it was very pleasing to note that the younger members, who had never previously rung on 12 bells. acquitted themselves very well at Shrewsbury. Special thanks are due to the Rector of Westbury, who entertained us to mid-morning coffec and cakes, which were most acceptable. J. W. G.

## WYLYE VALLEY TOUR

A company that included such personalities as A. Patrick Cannon, Peter N. Bond, Bill Stote and Clive Smith, all with over 1.000 towers to their credit. met at Wilton. Wilts, on May 7th for a tour of the Wylye Valley.

Towers visited were South Newton (6). Wishford (5), with iron poker stays and the tenor rung from the stairway. Steeple Langford (5) Wylye (5). Chitterne (5), Shrewton (5). Boyton (5). Sutton Veny (6). Norton Bavant (5). the only tower new to all the company Heytesbury (6). the best bells of the day Dinton (6). Compton Fhamberlayne (6) and finally St. Thomas'. Salisbury.

## Even plus Odd gives Odd.

Odd plus Even gives Odd.
Odd plus Odd gives Even.
Even plus Even gives Even.
Even plus Odd gives Odd.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Members of the Biggleswade District met at Blunham on Saturday. May 14th. and were pleased to welcome visitors from the Bedford and Luton districts and also from the Ely Diocesan Association.

It was rather a warm afternoon for ringing the heavy six but various methods were rung. including the special methods. York Surprise and Canterbury Pleasure Bob. a method rarely rung in this district.

Ringers joined the local cricketers in the village hall for an excellent tea arranged by Miss J. Harding, one of the local band. After tea. Mr. B. Sims took the chair for the husiness meeting at which threc new members from Blunham were elected. Next meeting at Eaton Socon on June llth
S. P.

## MERROW, SURREY

Organised by Valerie Bundy. Merrow ringers had an enjoyable outing on May 7th, the first tower being the six at Kingsclere. where London Surprise was rung. The ringers of Highclere were enjoying their own outing but left a note of welcome in the belfry. Kintbury was the last lower to be visited before lunch at the Red Lion. Lambourn.

A good course of Cambridge brought the best out of Lambourn bells. The ringing at Newbury (10) was good for six-bell ringers and included Plain Bob. Kent Royal and Grandsire Caters. After tea came Thatcham (8) and the new church at Silchester (5). most difficult to find as it is built on the Roman ruins several miles from the village. The day concluded in prayers led by the Rector.
D.A.R.M.

## PUT'NEY

As usual Putncy ringers, with friends from Barnes, Kingston and Wimbledon, picked a fine day for their outing on May 7th through Hertfordshire and Essex.
Ringing started at North Mymms followed by Walden, where, according to the Rector s instructions. the lock was filed off the belfry door! Yorkshire was managed at Knebworth. where the church has an ideal parkland setting. A cross-country journey followed to Great Hormead where Wells 'was tried.

Saffron Walden, after tea, gave many of the party their first chance of ringing on 12 bells. The bells at Bishop's Stortford were found to be rather hard to handle At the last tower. Much Hadham. most of the party were too tired to do real justice to this long draughted octave. Sincerc thanks go to all clergy and ringers who made such an enjoyable day possible.

## ORSETT, ESSEX

The Constable country was selected by Orsett ringers for their outing on May 7ih. with a picnic lunch by the famous Flatford Mill.

Ringing started on the light six at Wormingford followed by the pleasant eight at Ardieigh and the six at Siratford St Mary. After lunch Easi Burgholt ringers kindly gave az demonstration on their unique bells hung in a hell-cage in the churchyard. With our cars still ringing from these five great bells we went on to St. Peters. Colchester. where on this fine eight our 11 -year-old surprised us all by ringing the treble perfectly to Grandsire Triples.
After tea came the heavy six at Kelvedon and Coggeshall-and who would not enjoy ringing this new eight in the rebuilt church? We are all very grateful to Mr. and Mis. Blatch for organising the day, the incumbents and ringers who met us.
J. E. H.

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## BIRTH

PAWLEY.-To Julian and Margaret, a son (Richard Julian). at Leicester. May 2nd, 1960. a brother for Sarah.

## CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that I, Roger Wetenhall Daniels. of Shatton Lodge, Cockermouth. Cumberland. have by a Deed loll. dated March 22nd, 1960. renounced the use of my surname of Daniels and have adopted and assumed the surname of Wetenhatl and in future will be known as ROGER WETENHALL DANIELS WETENHALL. Dated May 11th, 1960 --Roger Wetenhall Daniels Wetenhall, formerly Roger Wetenhall Daniels. 5981

## PERSONAL

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of you.' (Matt. xviii. 20.)
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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at "The Rising Sun.' Carter Lane. E.C., Saturday May 28 th . 6 p.m. Ringing at Si. Matthew's. Bethnal Green, 3.30 p.m.-John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. 5987 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Derby and
District.-Monthly meeting Duffield. Ilkeston District,-Monihly meeting Duffield, Saturday. May 28 th. Bclls ( 10 ) 3 to 5 p.m and h to 8 p.m. Teas available at cafc.-W. A.
Morlcy. Dis. Sec.

SSOCIATION and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Mansfield District).-Joint meeting Selston. May 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. followed by meeting and service. 5951 GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester Branch.-Kindly note that tomorrow's meeting (May 281 h ) will he at Arlingham, $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Not Moreton Valence, as notitied. Iike pienic tea. Drink will he supplicd.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Guildford District. - Meeting at Cranleigh. Saturday, May 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Look up Oxford Bob Tripies and Double Oxford Bob Major.-S. J. Ponting. Hon. Sec.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. -Please note: quarterly meeting at Bexhill. on May 28th. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify for tea to F. Beeney (Sec.), Hillbrae, Carters Corner, Hailsham.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Wednesday, June 1st, 6.30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Newark District.-Evening practice. North Muskham. on Thursday, June 2nd. Bells 7.30 p.m. Methods: Oxford and Kingston Treble Bob, Cambridge and Wells Surprise.-W. L. Exton, Hon. Sec., 60, Albert Street, Newark. Notts.

5986

CHESTER GUILD-Grappenhall Branch-A meeting will be held at Frodsham, on Saturday, June 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-C. Raddon. 5995

DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch Meeting. Colaton Raleigh. Saturday, June 4th. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by May 30 th, to R. T. Perry, Redcliffe, Lympstone. 5948
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District-Meeting at March, Saturday, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.D. L. Murfet. Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.W. - Crusader ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W. - Crusader
meeting. Havering-atte-Bower, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Romford (8) will also be available at $6.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Names for tea please. to Mrs. J. Branch, 91, The Drive,
Romford.
5968

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN 5968 ASSOCIATION.-Bristol City Branch.-Saturday. June 4 th. Abbotts Leigh (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those notifying by June 2nd. Mr. N. Coombs. 1 Glen Cottage, Abbotts Leigh. near Bristol.
$\begin{array}{r}\text { bbotts } \\ 6008 \\ \hline\end{array}$ GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wotton Branch.-Meeting. Cromhall (6). Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service. Tea. Please attend.-B. T. Cooper. Flat 2. Rangers House. Dursley. T. 5912 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting at Offley, on June 4th, at 5.30 p.m.-E. Buck. Dis. Sec. KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-By-meeting. Hoo, Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday. please. to Mr. A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse Farm. Hoo. Rochester.
KENT
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Tonbridge District.-By-mceting at East Peckham, Saturday. June 4 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by June lst. please, to Mr. T. Saunders. East Peckham, near Tonbridge.

5983
LANC.4SHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-Meeting at St. Philip's. Nelson. on June 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow.-John Pilkington, Sec. 5988 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster
Branch.-Monthly meeting at Melling. on Sat-Branch.-Monthly meeting at Melling. on Sat-
urday. June 4th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m Names for tea to Mr. R. Gibson. Brentwood, Melling. Carnforth.-P. Handlev. Branch Sec,

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Ringing meeting Cheddlcton. Saturday, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m., in the Churnet Hall. Names for tea to Mr. J. Martin, 5. Vicarage Terrace. Cheddleton. Leek.-J. G. Burton. Hon. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - South Oxon Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Thame. Saturday. June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Junc 1st. OXFORD 22 Sunnyside, Benson. 6014 Bucks Branch. - Annual meeting. Buckingham (81. Saturdav. June 41 h . Bells 230 p.m. Service 3.30 i) m . Names for tea not later than June 1st--1. Vickers. 64. Bourtonville. Buckingham. 6007

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Monthly meeting at Dore on Saturday. June 4th. at 3 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, June ?nd. to Rev. G. Heawood, Dore Vicarage. near Sheffield.
SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District. -Practice meeting. June 4th. at Horringer (8). Bells 6.30 p.m.-A. F. Ballam.

5961
SUFFOLK GUILD-West Central District. -Evening meeting. Hinderclay (6). June 4th Bells 6.30 p.m.-H. Mitson, Dis. Sec. 5999
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern Division. - Quarterly meeting Withyham (8). Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea only for those who notify by Wednesday. June 1st. Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage. Park Corner, Groombridge.

5997
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District. -Quarterly meeting. Saturday, June 4th. Bells 6 p.m. Guild service at Sopley 4 p.m. Tea at Ringwood 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. W. E. Cheater, 43, Addison Square.
Ringwood, Hants.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Walpole St. Andrew, Whit Monday. June 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox, Dis.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Annual general meeting. Whit Monday, June 6th, at Cheimsford. Service in Cathedral 11 a.m. Preacher Archdeacon of Colchester. Annual meeting Coffee, etc., a vailable in Cathedral Hall from $10.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch 1.30 p.m. cost 5 s . Tea as a running buffet, cost $2 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .$, if purchased by closing date, June 1st. Later applications 6 s . 6 d . and 3 s . respectively Ringing: Cathedral 9.30 to 10.45 a.m. (Service touch at 10.45 ) and from 4 p.m. From 3 to 6 p.m.: Boreham (8), Great Watham (8), Broomficld (6), Little Waltham (6). Springfield (6). Ford End (6). High Easter (6), and from 6 to 9 p.m: Galleywood (8). Widford (8), Great Baddow (8), Danbury (6), Sandon (6), Little Baddow (5). Lunch and tea tickets from F. V Gant. 3 Central Drive. Hornchurch.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Presteign Radnorshire, on Whit Monday. June 6th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Bells available from 11 a.m Knighton (8). Lyonshall (6), Kington (6), Old Radnor (6). New Radnor (6), Eardisley (6) Those requiring tea should notify before Thursday. June 2nd. Rev. E. G. Benson. The Rectory. Presteign.-H. G. Thomas, Sec. 5953

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Shield Contest (with prizes). Felkirk. near Barnsley. on Saturday. June lith. Draw $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Teas. Please notify, not later than June 4th. Rev. T. Boyard Webster. Felkirk Vicarage South Hiendley. Barnsley. Entrance fee 10 s Names to be in by June 4th.-James W. Buxton, 21 Royd House. Shelley. Huddersfield. 5996 GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Summer Festival. Saturday, June 11th. Ringing arrangements: Capel 10.30-12 noon, Ockley 11-12. Ranmore 11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.. Cobham and Stoke D'Abernon 2-4 p.m. (probably) Epsom Christ Church 3-4. Leatherhead from 4 p.m.. Dorking 7-8 p.m. Service at Leatherhead. following by tea in St. Nichalas' Hall. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday. to G. Marriner, 6. Leach Grove. Leatherhead.

6005
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western Districl.-Meeting at Apsley. Satur day. June 11 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tucsday. Junc 7hh. 10 Mr. A. Good. 44. Belmont Rond Hemel Hempstcad.-J. Good. Dis. Sec. 5994 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterbury District. - By-meeting, Goodnestone (6), Saturday. June 11 lth . Bells 7.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. the Village Hall. at 2 s . per heidd. Names, logether with ecash. pleake, by Wednesday, June 8th. to Mrs. R. Brett, Cop mans Hall, Goodnestone, Canterbury. 5981

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Daventry Branch.-Meeting, Weedon, Saturday. June 11 th. Important-names for tea by Saturday previous. to 1. Nightingale, 11A, New Croft. Weedon.-F. W. Hancock. 6009 SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD-Annual general meeting, Lichfield. Saturday. June 11th. Service at St Michael's Church 3.45 p.m. Tea in St. Michael's Hall 4.30 p.m.: followed by general meeting. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 2.30-3.25 p.m. and $6.30-7.30$ p.m., St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) during afternoon and evening. Also Little Aston (6), Elford (6). Kings Bromley (6), Yoxall (6). Longden (6), from $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .-12.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $7.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea (limited to approx. 125) to Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36 , Seven Acres. Aldridge. near Walsall, by Wednesday, June 8 th at the Yatest. District- Annual meeting. Bridlington, on June 1 ith. Beils (8) 2.30 p.m. Service in Church 4.30. Tea in Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names, please, by June 10 th, to Mr. J. A. Parker. Newhaven. 188. Queeensway, Bridlington, E.
Yorkshire.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5989

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION-Annual meeting at Machynlleth. Saturday. June 18th. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Please notify for tea by June 11 th. to W . Cathrall, 19. Cunlifle Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 6006

## 'Prelude ${ }^{\text {' }}$

'Catch hold, then. please!' the Ringing Master calls.
So. jackets pegged. or handbags chaired-they turn
To face the ropes, mute-hanging from the walls.
And first one, then another (with concern
For well-struck go-off) grasps the tufted strand Awaiting now - 'Look to!' - that first command.
Then silence falls, and eyes aside are swung
To upstretched hands, upon the sallies clung.
Now 'Treble's Going!' warns. and ropes grow taut.
As bells on balance poise. before they hurl
Their swinging hammer-tongues each to be caught
Gainst bold metallic lips-in noisesome swirl. Yet one more call. before these sounds come on-
Uncompromising. final-' Treble's Gone!'
1960.

MR. R. BOYLETT
We regret to announce the death. on May $1 /$ hh. of Mr. R. Boylett, of Pirbright. Surrey. aged 51. A loyal and faithful Sunday service ringer he will he missed. Fellow ringers from Pirbright and Worplesdon attended the funeral on May 17 th and rang 720 Grandsire Doubles, half-mufliled, directly after the service.

## OBITUARY

## MR. F. M. MITCHELL

The death occurred in Gravesend Hospital on May 4th of Mr. Frederick M. Mitchell, of Milton-next-Gravesend, after a long illness, at the age of 82 years.
As a young man Mr. Mitchell came in contact with a Rector of Milton, who was a great worker among the youth of his parish. who brought him into the Church of England and introduced him into the belfry. Some years later Mr . Mitchell called a peal of Minor at Milton. in which those taking part had all been baptised and prepared for Confirmation by this Rector.
Somewhere about the end of the 1914-18 war Mr. Mitchell lost his first wife and in 1923 he married Miss Ethel M. Goodship. of Reading, who was one of several gifted lady ringers in that area. After her marriage Mrs. Mitchell kept up her interest in ringing and is now an honoured vice-president of the Ladies' Guild.
In 1930 Mr. Mitchell was instrumental in increasing Milton bells from six to eight and in this connection his name is recorded on one of the new trebles. For twenty years he was in charge of Milton as a six bell tower and during this period he had (except perhaps for Lamberhurst) the most progressive six bell band in the county.
As a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths he was Master of the Society in 1932. This he was extremely proud of.
It is, however, in his work for the Kent County Association that Mr. Mitchell will be remembered for no Association ever had a more faithful servant. He was elected a member in 1908. From 1914-19 he was a district representative on the central committee. For the next ten years he was secretary of the Rochester District, and in 1929 he was elected to succeed Canon Helmore as general secretary of the Association. To accept this office, knowing the man he had to follow. required some courage, but Mr Mitchell filled it with dignity and distinction for 17 years until 1946, when, to the regret of all concerned. due to advancing years and failing health he had to resign.
In 1930 he combined the office of treasurer with his secretaryship and he retained this office after his resignation as secretary until 1956 when his health would no longer allow him to continue. From 1930 to 1950 he also represented the Kent County Association on the Central Council.
His total number of peals is in the region of 250 , most of which were rung in Kent.
The funeral service took place at Christ Church. Milton. followed by cremation at Rochester. Among the family mourners was Mr. Gilbert R. Goodship (brother-in-law) Other ringers present were Mr. E. Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett. Mr. J. Burles. Mr. G Butcher. Mr. F. Cullim. Mr. R. Furminger and Mr. G. H. Spice. Mr. C. J. Norris was present at the crematorium.
E. B.

## MR. C. E. AUSTIN

With great regret the Devon Guild, and particularly the Mid-Devon Branch. heard of the death of Mr. Charles F. Austin, of 2, Quarry Terrace. Paignton, which occurred on April 27th. and it was unfortunate that this was not known until after his burial.

Charlie.' as he was always known. was about 85 years of age. and it was only recently that he was made an honorary life member of the Devon Guild. He commenced to learn change-ringing soon after the first world war under the tutorship of the late Mr. Frederick T. Gover. and he was always a good striker. As far as can be ascertained, he took part in four peals of Grandsire Triples. the first one heing in 1928 in his own tower at Paignton (the first peal on the bells). The writer is now the only survivor of that band. For some years he was steeplekeeper at Paignton. and he attended the annual branch meeting at Paignton as recently as. March 19th last. He is survived by a married daughter who learnt to ring in the early twenties.
A. L. B.

## QUARTER PEALS

bridgerule, devon.-On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Hicks 1, J. H. Bowden 2, C. Sangwin 3. R. Hill 4, H. Slacey 5, C. E. Taylor (cond.) 6, J. W. Sampwin 7, O. Gittens 8

CHEDZOY, SOMERSET.-On May 10th, 1.440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. Best (first of Treble Bob) 1. D. Miller 2, K. Prime (first in the method) 3. M. Stone 4, C. Clarke (cond.) 5, F. Sweet 6.

GREAT HALE, LINCS.-On May 13th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Bird 1, Daphne Brown 2, J. W. Bailey 3. L. H. Taylor 4, H. Barsley 5. J. M. Thorley (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.
HASLEMERE, SURREY.-On Easter Day, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: F. Bowden 1, C. Johnstone (firse of Major inside') 2, Miss J. Miles 3, Miss A Carpenter 4, Miss E. Pearson 5, Y. L. Queen 6, A. V. Queen 7, J. P. McDermott (cond.) 8. For Matins.

LONDON.-At St. Giles-in-the-Ficids. on April 24th 1.260 Stedman Triples: E. Talbot 1, C. Wood 2, J. Hayns 3, Miss C. Harbot 4. G. Parsons 5, D. Sibsun 6. J. Euston (cond.) 7. M. Harbot 8. First of Stedman Triples by 3 and 4, who are from Ashtead, Surrey.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes, on May 8th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: S. Penfold 1, D. Mitchell 2 J. Carrott 3, A. H. Worboys 4, M. Bland 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, J. Fowter 7, A. Boyack 8, A. J. Salisbury 9, L. S. Woods 10. For Evensong. Also on May 8ih, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss E. J. Langton 1, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 2, C. Wood 3 J. A. Hales 4, G. Parsons 5, G. Pratt 6, L. Bullock 7. J. Euston 8. For Matins.

## Tips For Beginners-No. 22

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MILVERTON, SOMERSET.-On May 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1. W. Stevens 2, Miss J Taylor 3, F. Casley 4, G. Sparkes 5, W. Nurcombe 6, C. Tarr (cond.) 7. H. Taylor 8. Rung half-muffied in memoriam the Bishop of Bath and Welk (Dr. H. W. Bradfield). Also on May 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: E. Quicke 1, S. N. Bristow 2, Miss J. Taylor 3, D. T. North 4, W. Stevens 5, H. V. Young 6. C. Tarr (cond.) 7. H. Taylor 8. First of Bob Triples for $1,3,5,6$ and 8.
NORTHAMPTON.-On Easter Day. at the Church of St. Edmund, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. White 1, Miss D. M. Miller 2, Mrs. G. F. Roome 3, Miss J. A. Downing 4. R. S. Roberts 5, J. C. Rainbow 6, E. Billings (cond.) 7, G. F. Roome 8 . For the 7 a.m. Holy Communion. Also at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, on Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs, G. F. Roome 1, J. C. Rainbow 2, G. F. Roome 3, Miss J. A. Downing 4, R. G. Chater 5, T, Jennings 6, A. R, Jones (cond.) 7, Miss A. Shackshaft 8. To mark the christening of Kathleen Lestey Johnsos. Also on May 8th, at the Church of St Edmund, 1,380 Doubles (Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Martin's. St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place Bob, April Day, Plain Bob. Reverse St. Bartholomew. All Saints, and Grandsire): E. Billings 1, Miss J. A. Downiag 2. G. F. Roome 3. J. C. Rainbow 4. R. E. Roberts (cond.) 5, R. S. White (first quarter) 6.
STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-At St, Thomas' Church, on May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jill Tombs 1 , M. J. Fellows 2, Barhara Stephens 3, F. V. Nicholls 4. R. Smith (cond.) 5, P. W. Webb 6, D. H. Watson 7, M. D. Fellows 8. Rung halfmuffied as a last tribute to Mr. C. E. Cookson, a member of the Parochial Church Council.
SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.-On May 7h. 1.260 Minor ( 720 Oxford, 540 Plain Bob): J. Prentice 1. R. Taylor 2, R. E. Lester 3, H. Mitson 4, E. A. Cracknell 5, R. W. Steward (cond.) 6. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Joyce Steward and Mr. Bryan Taylor.
STRATTON, CORNWALL.-On May 8th, 1260 Crandsire Triples: S. T. Stacey 1. A. E. Bissett 2, H. Trewin 3, H. Stacey 4, H. Heard 5, C. Sangwin 6. J. W. Sangwin (cond.) 7, G. Halford (firs quarter) 8. A birthday compliment 10 the treble rineer and also his first quarter away from the ener. Also the 70 birihday of conductor
TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSET.-On May 2nd, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew. Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Patricia Burt (flrst in 4 methods) 1. A. F. Lee (cond.) 2, D. F. Barnell (first in 4 methods) 3, J. J. Jefferies 4. T. J. Milsom 5, D. F. Jefferies (first in 4 methods) 6. Rung half-muflied as a tribute to the Bishop of Bath and Welts.

## QUARTER PEALS

Aberdare, GLAM,-On May 15th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: P. Jones (first quanter) 1, W. Harford 2. D. L. Kerley ?. D. W. Kerley 4, Geoff Keriey 5, Geu. Kerley 6. G. Hopkinson (first as cond.) 7, 1. Scott 8. For Evensong and a welcome home to D. W. Kerley after his world cruise on H.M.S. Centaur.
BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.-On May 15th, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles Miss L. Doone 1, V. J. C. Dale 2, R. J. Brown (cond.) 3. Miss J. Wood (firse quarter) 4. Miss B. Fisher 5. For Matins.
BODENHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE. On May 15th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. D. Thomas 1, Mrs. T. Rushton 2, Miss D. M. Rushton 3, A. E. Rushon (cond.) 4, R. Billings 5, A. E. Holder 6. For morning service and as a birthday compliment to ringers of 3 and 4.
BRISTOL. On May 8th, at St. Stephen's Church. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Beryl Abbott 1. Elizabeth Jackson 2, Angela Grainger 3. J. A. Bennett 4, M. J. Austin 5, P. J. Bird (cond.) 6, Jane Cook 7, R. Blackler 8, J. C. Baldwin 9. I. Maycock 10. First of Grandsire Caters for 2, 4, 5 and 10 . Rung by the U.B.S.C.R. fur Evensung.

DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.-On May 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: G. Bonsor (first of Major) 1, J. F. Johnson 2, Elisabcth A. Negus 3. Mary J. Marshall 4. Gillian Tavener 5. Hilary M. Johnson 6. H. M. Johnson 7. D. J. Marshall (cond.) 8. Average age of band 17. Also on May 8th. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: J. F. Johnson 1, Elisabeth A. Negus 2. Mary J. Marshall 3. Hilary M. Johnson 4, Gillian Tavener 5, P. J. Chapman 6. H. M. Johnson 7. D. J. Marshall (cond.) 8. First of Treble Bob by all the band except 6 .
DONCASTER. YORKS.-Un May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Ayres 1, Margucrite Battram 2, Kathleen Mallender 3, S. Boyes (first inside ') 4. W. E. Critchley (cond.) 5, H. Wagstaff 6, J. McCluskey 7, G. White 8.
EDMONTON, MIDDLESEX.-On May 8th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: W. George 1, Pat Rowe 2, H. Rumens 3, Trudy Newcombe 4, D. Langdon 5, F. Gilbert 6, J. Weeks 7, T. Hawkins (cond.) 8. Rung for Evensong at the commencement of Christian Aid Week.
GREAT MARLOW. BUCKS.-On May $8 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Oxfurd Boó Triples: P. R. Dean 1. Jitl Cook (first in method) 2. E. D. Poole 3, J. Young 4, Mrs. E. Mead 5, L. J. Young 6, R. E. Dean (cond.) 7, E. Silvey 8. For Christian Aid Week service.
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## THE GLORIES OF KENT AND ITS RINGING

TTHE appealing title was culled from the letter inviting this article to mark the occasion of the Central Council's third visit to the 'Garden of England.' The writer, of West Country origin and domiciled for a mere two decades, is less likely to look through rose-coloured spectacles than some proud Man of Kent or Kentish Man (or Maid of Kent or Kentish Maid). The distinction, one should explain, is between those born east of the River Medway and those born to its west. though few are ever sure of the correct way round, which is surprising since this same river is the boundary between the dioceses of Canterbury and Rochester, and goes to show that two dioceses or no there is a unity about Kent naturally preserved among its ringers through their county Association.

The county town of Maidstone is itself astride the Medway, and the Maidstone District is the central one of the six into which the county has been divided to give workable units for ringing activities. Londonwards lies the Lewisham District, north and south the Rochester and Tonbridge Districts respectively, matched by the Canterbury and Ashford Districts as you go eastwards. Their boundaries were fixed when railways were enjoying their heyday, but any inclination to revise them in the light of the present day is heavily affected by the weight of tradition. For all the Districts are very different and individual but nevertheless form a cohesive county 'commonwealth' in quite a literal sense. One pertinent reason for thismuch to the credit of the founders of the Association 80 years ago-is that there is a composite and not particulate financial structure, with no continuation funds from year to year in the individual Districts. We sink or swim together. and take pleasurable interest in the variety of activity across the District boundaries.
To reach Folkestone, Central Council members will traverse eastwards through Kent and soe it fresh in its new mantle of green growth the orderly fruit trees. their young fruit beginning to swell, and the hop binds racing up their strings. Free of the outskirts of the Metropolis the rural scene predominates - oast houses and village churches sprinkled around, fringed in the north by the chalky Downs, revealed nostalgically in the white cliffs at Dover. But if the heart of the Kent countryside is the Weald. there is a different loveliness in the wilder Romney Marsh which skirts it in the south. Here sheep abound, with an occasional field of tulips giving an attractive patch of colour. The fine church of Lydd, the 'cathedral' of the Marsh, is a dominating feature, and here one is right away from the holiday crowds. In bygone years the smugglers favoured this outlying corner.

At Folkestone itself another contrast presents itself, between the harbour area and the heights of the Leas Cliff, from where, on a clear day, the coast of France is plainly visible. It is an ideal conference and holiday centre, and non-ringing wives and younger members of the family will have all they need to entertain them while ringing matters are in progress. Fortunately the conference proper is restricted to a single day, so we trust that members, despite all the attractions, will put in a hard day's work.

Already I have hinted that the Kent County is celebrating its 80th birthday, for it was on Whit Monday in 1880 that the foundation meeting was held in the Chapterhouse at Canterbury Cathedral. The two previous meetings of the Central Council in Kent were, not surprisingly, held in Canterbury, the cradle of Christianity, and in 1960 it is hoped that many will include a visit to this most wonderful city. The Archbishop is the Association's president, and we recall with pleasure a recent Association dinner at Rochester when His Grace joined with us and his 'unruly ' Bishop of Rochester.
All members of the Kent County are extremely proud of our one remaining foundation member, Mr. E. S. (' Old Ted ') Ruck, of Willesborough, and it is no coincidence that this tower has such a remarkable record of Sunday service ringing. And here it is appropriate to mention a few names which live in the annals of Kent ringers, beginning with James Barham, of long ago, whose band, the Lenham Youths, displayed remarkable prowess. The ringing of the full extent of Bob Major ( 40,320 changes) at Leeds in 27 hours or so, admittedly with reliefs, was a superb enterprise, and Barham's tombstone in Leeds Churchyard is now maintained by the Association.
As for the Kent County itself, it was built up around the exertions of Canon Helmore, who for 40 years was its general secretary and treasurer. His immediate successor in office was Mr. Fred Mitchell. who has, just died. Ringing is often a family affair. and to exemplify this in Kent who better than the Council's most efficient secretary. Mr. E. A. Barnett. of Crayford, whose father and grandfather achieved distinction before him?
Finally, the bells of Kent, truly a wonderful and varied array. How difficult to pick out individual towers; but the various excursions planned over Whitsun include a goodly sample, ranging from the ring of five in the wooden campanile at Brookland. and the light 12 in the Waterloo Tower at Quex Park, to such lovely octaves as New Romney, Ashford and Headcorn, and the recast ten at Maidstone itself.
Kent, its countryside, its maids and men, its churches and bells, every member of the Kent County welcome the ringers of England to this Garden of England!

## Peals rung in honour of the Wedding of Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., May 6, 1960. in 3 Hours und 16 Minules.
At 1 he Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS Tenor 26 cwt .11 lb . in D.


* First peal on 12 bells.


## TEN BELL PEAL

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Mon., May 9, 1960, ill 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

At the Church of Si. Matthew,
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 26 cwl . 18 lb . in D.

| Mrs. G. W. Hughes | .. | Treble Arihur T. Dution .. | .. | 6 |  |
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| Howard Howell | $\ldots$ | . | 2 | Roger W. Barrer ... | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| M. Jill Fisher.. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | James S. Easiwoud... | .. |

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

DARESBURY, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
-At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5088 ILKESTON, KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Conducted by Harold Worrall.

* First peal in the method.


## OLD WINDSOR. BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Mimules,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MANOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .21 lb .
Anihony K. Fortin .. Treble J. Keith Ward

> Derek W. Stone

Christopher M. Bloomer 2 ROY B. Wawman
William Butler
Frederick R. Scoit..... 4 *Colin J. Watson ... . Tenor
Composed by John Howls. Conducted by Willim Builer.

* First peal.


## GUILDFORD. SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

Ai the Church of Si. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .1 gr .10 lb . in E .

Edward J. Bragg Tom Page.
*Dennis G. Blows Shelagh R. Collins

Treble
2
3
4

Stanley G. Ponting -G. Kenneth Williamion + Ror Collins .. E. John Wells $\quad . \quad$. Tenor mpirsed by Sir A. P. Herwood. Conducted by E. Juhn Wells. * First peal in the method. $+50 t h$ peal. First in the method as conductor, and 75 th peal as conductor.
Hung also to celebrate the hirth of a daughter (Margaret Anne) to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wells.

MORPETH. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Watch Tower,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSFIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .26 lb . in G
Marion S. Ainsworth .. Treble John E Anderson George S. Deas
Bryan Patitison .. .. 3
Robin G. Turner
Kenneth W. Cheeseman
Eric N. Harrison
J. Alan Ainswurth .. .. Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

## WYMONDHAM. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
Af lhe Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Blecikei,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 25 cwt .
Willam Clover .. ...Treble Charles H. Moore ... 5
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Geoffrey R. Drew. . } & . . & 2 & \text { Peter M. Adcock } & \text {.. } & \text { B. } & 6 \\ \text { Thomas E. Spighi } & \text {.. } & \text {. } & 3 & \text { Henry Tooke } & \text {.. } & . . & . & 7\end{array}$
7
renor

Rung also as a birthday compliment to W. Clover.

HERTFORD. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sut., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .22 lb .
E. Jane Langion .. .. Treble *Patrick Collins .. .. 5
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Mikaela Erik ... } & \text {.. } & . & 2 & \text { Christopher M. Pain } & . . & 6 \\ \text { Marcus P. Barion } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { Derek E. Sibson } & . . & . . & 7\end{array}$

| Marcus P. Barion ... .. |
| :--- |
| Dr. D. J. Neal Smith |
| D. | Derek E. Sibson .. .. . Tenot 7

Composed by J. R. Prichard. Conducted by Direi E. Sibson.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First in the method.


## SIX BELL PEALS

CROMER, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In two methods: One extent Kent T.B., six Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . John R. Smif ....... 2 Thomas E. Spight $.^{\ldots} . .$. Philip J. L. Pursiow .. 3 Geoffrey R. Drew .. .. Tenor Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
Rung also to mark the birth of a son (David George) to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Balls.

## SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents Single Oxford and three Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr .18 lb .
John F. Wright
....Treble j. Evward Erown $\qquad$
Frederick Derry
Henry P. Collin
Walier Wesion
.. ..
James H. Musson ... ... Tenor
Conducted by James H. Musson.

## SOHAM. CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours und 44 Minutes,
At the church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.

- Barry Bass

Geoffrey D Watis ... Treble

Conducted by Richard J. W. Housde.n.
*First peal and first attempt.
Rung by Soham Grammarians.
BISHOPWEARMOUTH, COUNTY DURHAM
THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Rob. Single Oxford Bob, Si. Clement's Bob. Double Court Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . 2 qr . 7 lb . in F sharp. Keith Ward (King's)

Treble John Thorley (King's) . $\quad 4$ DrNnis Eilispoy (King's) Chisis. J. Mitrberi (S. John's) 5 Bryan Patitison (Bede) Nichol.as Webs (King's). . Tenor Conducted by Bryan Patilison.

| ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE <br> THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sar., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, <br> at the Church of All Saints, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Conducied by William L. Exton. <br> *First peal. + First 'inside. $\ddagger$ First in two methods. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| GRAPPENHALL CHESHIRE <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Sar., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, |  |  |  |
| A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR <br> Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt 2 4r. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Eric Bailey .. .. .. Treble Roy Foster |  |  |  |
| Frank Taylor .. .. .. 2 Michael Thomele |  |  |  |
| John C. Breeze .. .. 3 Harold Worrall .. .. Tehor |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

NEW BUCKENHAM, NORFOLK
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, Ai the Church of St. Martin
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall. Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in G. Wilfred G. Saunders ..Treble|F. Charles Goodman C. Frank W. Phillippo ... 2 Frank C. J. Arnold arihur G. Bason .. .. 3 H. Williamb Barrett

Tenor
Conducted by H. William Barrett.

## NORWICH. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mon., May 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes
Ai the Church of Sr. George, Collgaie, A PEAL OF 50.40 MINOR
Being 720 each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, Childwall, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G .
 Conducted by H. William Barrett. MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.
THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.
Or Tues., May 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Tenor 11 cwt. in G sharp.
 Diana M. Pipe .. 3 *John J. F. Roper Conducted by George W. Pipe.

* First peal of Surprise. First of Surprise in Australia

BRANT BROUGHTON. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules. At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. each called differently. Tenor 23 cwt 2 yr. 26 lb . G. Culin Jackison ... .. Treble J. Edward Brown Ronald G. Russell.. .. 2 Frederick Derry Percy D. Baldock .. .. 3 Jamis H. Musson .. .. . Tenor Conducted by James H. Musson.
PETERCHURCH. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minuses.
At the Church of Sr. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOLBLES
Bcing 42 extents (four callings).
*Arihur E. Kinsey. , Treble
*Joy Smith.
Reginald G. Powell
Charles Phillips
Charles Phillips
*Leonard Smith
Conducted by Reginalid G. Powell.

* First peal in the method.


## LEIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. May 18, 1960, in 2 Hourst and 25 Minules. At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOCBLES IN SEVEN METHODS
Bcing 42 extents: (1) to (4) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. (5) to (8) Southrepps. (9) to (12) Cliford 's Pleasure. (13) to (16) Plain Bob, (17) 10 (20) Kennington. (21) to (24) April Day, (25) 10 (32) Grandsire, (33) 10 (34) Plain Bob. (35) and (36) Kennington, (37) and (38) April Day,
(39) and (40) Plain Boh. (41) and (42) Grandsire.

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{5}$ cwt. in A flat.
lredertck Watsun
Ervest Morris
Treble Marcus G. Stevens
Brian M. Smith
Brian G. Warwick
William C. Kilifer
Tenor

Conducted hy Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal of Doubles. First of Doubles on the bells.


## OTHER PEALS

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BUCKFAST, DEVON
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes,
Af the Benedictine Abbey of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 41 cwt .1 gr .3 lb . in C .
John Phillips .. .. .. Treble William T. Cook .. .. 7
Wilfred Williams .. ... 2 R Roger Savory ...
Tudor P. Edwards
Dennis Randall $\quad .-\quad . \quad 9$
Arthur H. Reed
Mrs. P. Lewingion ..
William Hibbert $\quad . \quad . \quad 10$

Composed by John Carter.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Thomas J. Southam } \quad . \quad 11 \\ \text { Thomas } \\ \text { J. Setter } & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducied by Wilfred Williams.

LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sut., May 14. 1960, in 3 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 41 cwt .3 qr .15 lb . in C.
G. William Critchley . Treble
Claudia A. Critchley..${ }_{2}$

Claudia A. Critchley .. 2
Philip A. Corby
*arthur S. Richards .. 7

Frank W. Perrens
JOHN Macdonalp .. .. 8
John A. ANDERSON $\quad . .10$
Philip G. K. Davies ${ }^{\circ}$.. 5
Thomas J. Lock .....
Frank C. Price .. .. 11
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

* First peal of Cambridge Maximus

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Alice Lester, of the local band.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## MANCHESTER

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat.. May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minules
At the Cathedral Church of the Virgin Mary, SS. George and Denys.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL


| *Barry S. Sheppard | .. | 2 | Robert J. Warrilow | .. | 7 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\dagger$ Cynthia Bibby | .. | . | 3 | David W. James | .. | . | 8 |

Derek Ogden
*John H. Soanes
Barrie Hendry.
Tenor
Composed by H. J. Tucker.
Conducted by Derek Ogden.
*irst peal on ten bells. + First of Bob Royal.
LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUJLD.
On Mon.. May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Bell foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt .2 yr. 13 lb . in C .
*John M. Jelley ... ..Treble JOSEPH W. Cotton.. .. 6
tRichard J. Clifion .. 2 Brian G. Warwick.. ... 7
*Alan E. Hartley .. .. 3 *John A. Acres .. .. 8
Ernest Morris .. .. 4 Russell S. Morris .. 9
*Ralph Elkington .. .. 5 G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenor
Composed by Shirley Burton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal of Royal in the method. i First of Royal in the method - inside.


## BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Mav 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.
At the Caitedral Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5028 SPLICED ROYAL
Being 928 Little Bob and 4,100 Plain Bob, with 209 changes of method. Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
S. Barry Schofield .. Treble Peter Scholfielo .. .. 6

| Rita M. Joweit .. | 2 | Juhn H. Fielden | .. | . | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Frederick A. Munday .. | 3 | Norman Smith . . | . | .. | 8 |

W. Eric Critchley..
B. Gillian Schofield .. $\quad 4$ Ian M. Holland $\quad . \quad$ Richard E. Price $\quad .$. Composed and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

* 150th pesal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CALDICOT, MONMOUTHSHIRE
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sal.. April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Bartholomew. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt .9 lb .

Nigel Lamping .. .. Treble Meivin Edwards

- Edmund J. R. Hartley..
* Roger G. Havard

Geoffrey J. B. Stickland
Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Anthony M. Coombs.
2 Adrian F. R. Hariley
Brynley Taylor
Anthony M. Coombs ... Teno

- Firsi peal of Major. First of Major as conductor.

Rung to congratulate Miss Janet Harvey (a ringer of Radyr) upon her engagement to Mr. Derek Faulke, of Sevenoaks:

WINDSOR. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 7, 1960. in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, Ait the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's Four-Part.
A. James Glass .

Monica M. Blagrove
Glyn I. Jenkins
J. Ketth Ward

| . Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\therefore \quad 2$ |  |
| $\therefore \quad 3$ |  |
| . | 4 |

Kenneth Buckingham Howard Oglesby Frederick R. Scuit. Frank T. blagrove.

Tenor 17 cwt .

Rung for the christening of Mark Thomas Blagrove.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
Ai the Church of Si. James,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJUR Tenor 18 cwt .2 gr .12 lb


Composed by William Barion. Conducted by Colin A. S. Harwood. First peal in the method as conductor.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minures

Ar the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .

| *Edward H. Willows | Treble | *David Parkins |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| David K. Walklate | 2 | Edwin Walklate |
| * Norien Wickham | 3 | $\ddagger$ Reginald ${ }^{\text {J }}$. Sireition |
| Michael Knight | 4 | John F. Murfin | $\dagger$ Michael Knight

Composed and Conducled by David K. Walklate.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside.' $\ddagger$ First of Major.

ST. NEOTS. HUNTING DONSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ont Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 29 cwt .2 qr .14 lb. in D flat.

Alfred Ballard
J. Edward Cawser

Frederick E. Wilshaw W. Ernest Rawson .. .. 4 Composed by W. E. Critchley

John M. Jelley.
Robert B. Smith
5
6
7 E. Alan Jacques William J. Root $\quad$. . . . Tenor Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

SHEPSHED LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sit., May 14, 1960. in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .


Philip Webster ... .. 4 Roland Beniston .. .. Tenor
Composed by H. Howleit.
Conducted by Roland Benistun.

STOKE PRIOR, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, On Sat.. May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At iht: Church of: Si. Michalel and Aid Angifls.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwl}, 3 \mathrm{yr} .18 \mathrm{lh}$. in A .
*Martin D. Fellows . Treble Mariyn Hawkes
†Mrchali. G. Saliby..
+Paul Cattermule .
$\begin{array}{l:c}2 & \text { +William B. Pumiroy } \\ 3 & \text { Gerald C. Hemming }\end{array}$
Gerald C. Hemming
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Tenor Componed by C. H. Hatiersley. Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming * First peal of Surprise. *First 'touch' of Yorkshire.

Rung as an 18 th birthday compliment to the ringer of the sixth.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14, 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt 1 qr .11 lb . in G
Grace Burchnall Treble
William L. Exton

* Lavina Mumford
. .. $\quad .{ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Katharine Burchnall
ERFIELD
Composed by J. E. Burton.
3 Harold Denman
4 Richard Hobbs .. .. ... Tenor
- First peal of Major. t First on eight bells. First 8-bell peal as conductor.

Rung to mark the completion of 20 years as Vicar of Sutton-on Trent
by Canon R. T. Keal.

## WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Duuglas R. Whalley .. Treble $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Ronald Barlow
Philip Mason .. .. .. 22 †leslie Whalley
Harry Roberts
Albert lawton
Composed by H w...
4 Alan D. Silele ... ... Tenor
Composed by H. Whitile. Conducted by Douglas R. Whalley.
A birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes
At the. Church of St. Remigius.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
 Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Peter M. Adcock
Tenor

* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Ted Curson. of Harlow, on the birth of a daughter.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor. 14 cwt . 1 qr .22 lb . in F .


ASH-NEXT-SANDWICH, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.
AI ihe: Chirch of Si. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICEI) SURPRISE, MAJOR
In four methods. comprising 2.496 London. 1.216 Eristol, 9601 Cam-
hridge, 384 Superlative, and 118 changes of method.
Tenor 21 cwt i 4 c .18 lh , in E flat.
Domis Li. Culgail: .. ...Treble Sianiliy Jinnt:R .. ... .. 5
Rubleri Cullins. . . . . 2 Ian H. Oram
Arihur S. Richards .. 3 Mark W. Marshall... ... 7
Ralph Bird. .. .. .. 4 Philip A. CORBY .. .. Tenor
Composed by A. J. Pirman. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.
For composition, see 'Ringing World,' November 6th. 1959.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

NASH, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sar., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minufes, At the Church of Sr. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Adirian. F. R. Hartley . . Treble Melvin Edwards
Brynley Taylor

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb . in 8.

Anthony M. Coombs .. Tenor Conducted by Edmund J. R. Hariley.

* First peal of Minor. First as conductor. Fastest peal on the bells, and hy all the band.

Rung to mark the christening the previous day of H.R.H. Prince Andrew.

MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Easter Monday, April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At ihe Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 ALL SAINTS' DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.
Noel D. Deam.
Aifec Gammon
Tenor 5 cwt . in C .

Ci.ivf Holloway Roy H. Jones

Ciive Holloway

Conducted by Cuse
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. David Pullin. of Stanton Si John.

PENARTH, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon.. April 18, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 48 Mimutes. At the Church of Sr . Augustine of Canterbury,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob Minor. Tenor 12 cwt . 2 qr .9 lb . in C . Edmund J. R. Hartley .. Treble Adrian F. R. Hartley $\begin{aligned} & \text { Roger G. Havard } \\ & \text { Brynley Taylor }\end{aligned} \cdot . .$. Brynley Taylor Anthony M. Coombs

Tenor Conducted by Anithony M. Coombs.
First peal of Minor in two methods for all the band.
Rung for Easter.

## ST. HILARY, GLAMORGAN

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tues.. April 19. 1960. in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes. Ar the Church of St. Hilary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being eight extents each of Antelope, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh and Plain Bob, four each of Reverse St. Bartholomew and April Day, and two each of Stedman, Grandsire. Kennington Bob, Clifford's Pleasure Boh and Southrepps.
David J. Lirwellyn .. Treble I James W. Goodfellow... 3
Edmund J. R. Hartley.. 2 | Adrian F. R. Hartlfy

> Anthony M. Conmbs . Tenor

First neal in ten methods on the bells, and by the band.

## WINTHORPE, NOTTINGHAMSIIIRF.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., April 21, 1960. in 2 Hours and 36 Minules,

## Ai the Chlirch of Sr. Mary and Abll. Saints. <br> A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOLBLES

Being one 240 and 40 extents of 120 (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt.. approx. F. Wilitam Midwinier Treble *\#John R. Praicheit - Ivy Roe .. .. .. .. 2 Dennis Simpson +William L. Exton.. .. 3 +Mark W. Lewis .. . Tenor Conducted by WILLIam L. Exion.
*First peal "inside. $\dagger 25$ th peal together. $\ddagger$ First of Doubles. Mr. F. W. Midwinter has now" circled the tower.

Rung for the hirthday of Her Majesty the Queen.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and. 41 Minules,
At the Church of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 OFFLEY SURPRISF, MINOR

Being seven different extents
Catherine White
Frank C. Price.
Dennis Laud
Treble

## Nist peal in

 Raymond G. Smith John R. Mayne.Kenneth R. Dunstan Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method

## RAYNE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35, Minures.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of (1) Alnwick, (2) Chester, (3) London, (4)
York, (5) Beverley. (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 7 cwt.
James L. Towifer .. . . Treble Peter Wood .. .. .. 4
*Dennis A. S. Symonds ..
Alan R. Syder
al Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

* Soth peal together.

A birthday compliment to Johr. Symonds.

## BRILL, BUCKINGHAMSIHIRF

THE UXIFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising an extent each of (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Single Oxford, (5) Double Bob, (6) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt . in $G$.
Ernest G. Jones
-Treble William Birmingham
Robert A. Reeves
Michael Hatcheti
$\because \quad 3$ Alan R. Pink
. 4

Conducted by Alan R. Pink
First peal of Minor on the bells.
Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. H. M. Norton.

## CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THIE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Mdy 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 11 Minules,
At the Church of Sr. Michal:l and All Angel.s,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOLBLES IN 21 METHODS
Being 42 extents: (1) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (2) S:edman, (3) Reverse Si. Bartholomew, (4) Stedman, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kennington. (7) April Day, (8) St. Simon s , (9) St. Albans, (10) Eynsham, (11) St. Martin's, (12) St. Paul, (13) St. Leonard. (14) Southrepps. (15) Reverse Canterbury. (16) Clifford's Pleasure. (17) St. Giles, (18) St. Nicholas. (19) St. Andrew, (20) St. Miles, (21) Winchendon Place, (22) St. John, (23) Grandsire, (24) Plain Bob, (25) Kennington, (26) April Day, (27) St. Simon's, (28) St. Alhans, (29) Eynsham, (30) St. Martin's. (31) St. Paul. (32) St. Leonard. (33) Southrepps, (34) Reverse Canterbury, (35) Cliftord's Pleasure, (36) St. Giles, (37) Si. Nicholas, (38) St. Andrew. (39) St. Miles, (40) Winchendon Place, (41) St. John. (42) Grandsire. Tenar 6 cwl . qr .6 lb . in B .
Mrs. B. G. Warwick .. Treble Brian M. Smith
Ernest Morris .. .. .. $\frac{2}{3}$ Roland H. Cook
Brian G. Warwick
Conducied by Brian G. Warwick
The treble ringer has now "circled the tower," being the first lady to do so. Quickest peal on the bells.

Rung for the 32nd anniversary of the dedication of the hells: also a 40 th wedding anniversary to the rector's warden and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bottrill.

OFFLEY SURPRISE MINOR
$36-36.4-12-123-14-5$.
2nds place lead-end: 164523 .

BARKING. SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minufes, At the Church of St. Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court. Cambridge. Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh Tenor $11 \mathrm{cwt}, 1 \mathrm{qr} .7 \mathrm{lb}$. in G .
 Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

* First peal in seven methods "inside.

Arranged and rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Alice E. J. Lester, a member of the local band.

BLACKROD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Bolton Branch.)
On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Catharine,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Carol Knight. . . . . Treb
reble Fred Brownlow
$\dagger$ David Young .. .. .. 2 ¥Albert Greenhalgh ... 5
†Joseph Thornley .. .. 3 Geoffrey Fothfrgill . . Tenor Conducted by Geoffrey Fothfrgill.

* First peal, aged 14 . +25 th peal logether. $\ddagger 100 \mathrm{th}$ peal. First as conductor.
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. F. Horton.


## HARTLIP, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven 720 s in 11 methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham, (3) Beverley and Suıfleet, (4) Bourne, (5) Annable's London, (6) Norwich and (7) Cambridge and Ipswich.

Tenor 12 cwt .20 lb . in F sharp.

|  | M |
| :---: | :---: |
| Crawford T. Hillis .. 2 | Ralph Bird. |
| , |  | Andrew M. Macve. . .. 3 Mark W. Marshall.. .. Tenor Conducted by Ralph Bird

First peal in 11 Surprise methods by all the band. Mr. A. P. Cannon's 600th tower for a peal.
ascemen menemin CLOWNE, DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb . in B flat.
*Linda M. Jones (13) ..Treble qr. 12 lb . in B flat.
†Ian A. Richardson (14).. 2 Malcolm P. Phipps ...... 5
Mrs. Bessif. Hoimes .. 3 John R. Ketteringham ... Tenor Conducted by John R. Ketieringham.

* First peal. † First 'inside.

NEWINGTON-JUXTA-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being an extent each of London. Ipswich. Beverley, Surfleet. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . 14 lb . in G . Ralph Bird .. ..... Treble Andrew M. Macve
 Crawford T. Hillis .. 3 *A. Patrick Cannon .. Tenor Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods.


## HANDBELL PEAL

## CLEATHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.
At Cleatham House Farm
A PEAL OF 5160 SPLICED MAJOR
In 42 methods: Single Oxford, Single Norwich. Montgomery Little Boh, Ellesmere Little Court, Marlborough. Highbury, Longney, Winchester, Shipway's, Edmonton, Lavenham, Chesterfield, Maidstone, Ashhourne, Spalding, Richmond, New London, Double Bob, Reverse Boh. Plain Boh, Gainsborough Little Bob, Wellington Little Court. Little Boh, Crayford Little Court. Bastow Little Court, Kent Little Court, Little Oxford Bob, Victoria Little Court, Colville, Romsey, Cheltenham, Leamington, Pulford, Avalon, Painswick, Kidlington, Double Oxford, Pershore. Hereward, Double Norwich, St. Clement's and Crayford College: 359 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C. *A. Robin Heppenstall... $1-2$ George E. Feirn .. .. 5-6 *John Freeman .. .. 3-4 †Jack L. Millhouse

Arranged and Conducted by George E. Feirn.

* First peal in 42 methods. + First in 42 methods "in hand.


# John Taylor \& Co. 

## Quarter Peals rung in honour of the Wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones

## DATE TOUCH

WOODCHESTER, GLOS. On May 6th. 1,960 Grandsire Doubles: A Howell 1, F. Garland 2, M. Simpson V. Deane 4, R. Thain (cond.) 5, J. Higgins

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1 Gwendoline Reeves 2. Dorothy Fletcher 3, Ann Shies 4, R Ernadley 5. M. Broadley 6. A. Bridges 7, S. Hatfield 8 BI.ACKBCRN, LANCS.-At the Cathedral, on May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (on the back six): 3 Fromme 1, G. Wignall 2. M. J. Halliwell 3. W. Tyson 4, P. Crook (senior) 5, J. F. Wood 6. BOUGHTON, NORTHANTS. On May 6th, 1,260 Cirandsire Doubles: E. Elkington (IIrst quarier) 1 W. Batnett 2, R. Hodnett 3, R. Pritchett 4, R. Chater (first as cond.) 5

RREDENBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.-On May 6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. Thomas 1, F. J. Bedford 2, J. Clements (cond.) 3, W. Mantle 4, R Bethel 5. G. Corbett 6.

CIDWBRIDGE, GLAM.-On May 6ih, 1,260 Doublea, in three methods: H. Blick 1,=A. W. Thomas 2. R. E. Coles (cond.) 3, S. Lunn 4, J. Thomas 5, E. Carter 6, L. Groom 7, I. D. Davies 8. Rung with 6 and 7 covering alternatively.
FARNHAM, SURREY.-On May 6th, 1.280 Kent Treble Bub Major: Mrs: D. Symes (first of Kent) 1, (. W. Denver 2. Miss W. R. Hide (first of Kent - inside ') 3, E. Box (first of Kent) 4, S. Meadows 5 , J. W, Marr (first of Kent) 6, R, North (first of Kent) 7, E. J. Wells (cond.) 8.

FOLKINGHAM, LINCS.-On May 6th, 1,260 Cirandsire Doubles: C. Hollingshead 1. Miss I. E. Lindsey 2, C. T. H. Aradley (cond.) 3, J. Lindsey 4, C. Wilkinon 5. 1. Machin 6.

GRIMSRY, LINCS.-On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (renor covering): N. Pashley 1. C. Moon 3. H. Mingay 4. F. Kennington 5,
Pashley (cond.) 7, H. Hadwick 8 .

HENLOW, BEDS.-On May 6th. 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: R. Mcausures 1. P. Rogers 2, M. Major 3, J. Church

## Bywater (cond.) 6

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.-On May 6th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: W. Oxenham (first quarter) 1 , Rosemary Brown 2, G. Mansbridge 3, J. Norris 4, S . Brown (cond.) 5. M. Wonldridge 6.

REDGRAVE, STAFFS.-On May 6th, 1,440 Plain Boh Moror: A. Driver (first quarter) 1. H. Fuller 2. N. Watson 3, S. Holman 4. A. Foreman 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6.
RYE. SUSSEX.-On May 6ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: (6-7-8 covering): Rosemary G. Hicks 1, Noreen Winter 2, M. Winter 3, A. Hicks (cond.) 4 J. Small 5. M. Hodsaon (first quarter) 6. D. Jackson A. Jackson 8.

SILSOF: BEDS.-On May 61h. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Janct Wilkinson 1, B, A. Martin 2, B. V. Har 3, T. P. Harris 4. D. R. Brazier (cond.) 5 Julic Bell (first quarter) 6.
TVFRTON, BATH, SOVERSET.-On May 7th. 1.280 Rurland Surprise Major: R. J. Bowden 1. D. I Hunt 2. A. F. Lee 3, Joan Gray 4. B. A. Shackleton 5. R. G. Hooper 6. D. Hoare 7. 3. H. Gilher (cond.) 8 First in method for 1. 2. 3. 5 and 6. Also for wedding of Don C. Exell and Miss Kalheen Reeves,

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.-On May 6h, at Christ Church Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mies P. Horne 1. Miss J. Midgley 2. Miss M. Horne 3. Dr. A. Batien 4. Miss M. Izard 5, A. Jzard 6, F. W. Izard 7. B. Guthrie 8.
W. Whard 7. B. Guthric 8 .
WARBROUGH, OXON.-On May 8th, 1.26t Plain Boh Doubles (with 7. 6, 8. covering): Jean Exon 1. G. Mcllhone (first -inside ") 2, Helen Butler 3. A. Howes (first - inside ') 4. F. Absolom (cond.) 5. M. Thewlis 6. V. Fox 7, D. Exon (first quarer) 8 WHITBY. YORKS.-On May 12th. 1.260 Grand ide Triples: J. Lamerton 1, A. V. Coates 2, 3. Waller 3. J. Hodrson 4, 6 . White 5, June Mallinson 6, R . Elwick (cond.) 7, F. Lamerton \&.
WHITCHIRCH, GLAM,-On May 6th, 1.440 Kent Treble Rob Minor: B. Taylor 1, E. J. R. Hartley 2. R. G. Havard 3, A. F. R. Hartley 4. J. W. Goodfellow 5. A. M. Coombs (cond.)
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-0n May 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Pitson 1, C. Truman 2, I. Linnell 3. F. C. Case 4, W. A. Yateq 5, T. E Roberts (cond.) 6, G. E. Green 7, G. Foddy g.

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

manchester. - At Brookfield Unitarian Church on May 19th. 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: C. Livesey 1 G. Rumney 2, P. Dale 3. E. M. Quinn 4, B. Rumney (longest length) 5, W. H. Dowse (cond.) 6

ALGHTON, LANCS.-On May 1st. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Marsh 1, W. Rimmer 2, Mrs, R. J. Pearson 3. J. R. Lunham 4, S. Walmesley S. K. Rothwell 6. A. L. Pearson (cond.) 7. A. Lyon (first quarter) 8. On the baptism of Alan Geoffrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pearson.
BECKLEY, OXON.-On May 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (300 Grandsire and 960 Plain Bob): J. S. Walkes (first quarter) 1, 1. M. Ryan 2, G. Larbalestier 3. E. Venr (cond.) 4, R. H. Jones 5. For Rogation Sunday.
BURTON UPON TRENT, STAFFS.-()n May 1lth, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $6,4,8$ covering): Janct Cochrane 1. G. Harrison 2, Jill Cochrane 3. G. Brown (first quarter) 4, T. Pryce (cond.) 5, W. A. Corten 6, J. H. Brittan 7, R. A. Welton 8. Rung 10 mark 60 years' service by J. H. Brittan as a chorister at St, Modwer's.
CAMBRIDGE.- On May 8th, at Gt. St. Andrew's, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Griffin 1, F. A Secker 2. J. Schofield (cond.) 3, T. G. Page 4, D. Davies (first of Triples) 5, J. R. Taylor 6, D. J. Kuby 7, H. Muirhead 8.
CLERKENWELL, LONDON.-On May 15th, at St. James', 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss M. Prockson 1, Miss D. Prynn 2, A. Lewry 3. J. Hayns 4, G Parsons 5, W. Prockson 6. D. Sibson 7, J. Euston (cond.) 8. For morning service.
CLIFTON, BEDS.-On May 8th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor ( 7,8 covering): J. P. Hulme 1, Miss 3. Mayes 2, A. W. Dilley 3, G. W. Mayes 4, D. Newis 5, P. W. Thompkins (cond.) 6. T. Dilley 7. S. Bywaters 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. L. Hibbs, member of Parish Council.
dUblin, EIRE.-At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on May 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples (on the light eight): E. G. Buchanan 1, R. 1. George 2, W. H. Wilson 3. D. Vokes 4, C. J. Reede 5, J. A. Alkinson 6. T. McMorran (cond.) 7. V. R. McCormick 8. Rung by St. Patrick's Cathedral Society as a birthday compliment to E. G. Buchanan
FARNHAM, SURREY.-On Mar. $13 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples; L. Balchin (first of Triples) 1, Miss S. Curtis (first inside') 2, Miss W. R. Hide 3, S. Meadows 4, K. Daw (first of Triples) 5, 1. W. Marr 6. R. Norih 7, C. W. Denyer (cond.) 8. Also on May 8ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Curtis 1, Mrs. C W. Denyer 2, C. W. Denyer 3-4, E. Box 5. R North 6, E. J. Wells (cond.) 7, J. W. Mart 8. Rung on the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. Meadows.

GOODWORTH CLATFORD, HANTS.-On May 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Jill Jewitt 1. Hazel White 2. Cherry White (first as cond.) 3, B. Mills 4. G. K. Dodd 5, G. Dowling 6. First quarter for 1 and 6. Rung for the wedding, this day, of Miss Dorothy Aldridge, at Andover Parish Church, of which tower she is a member.
GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.On May 22nd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. H. Roger 1. I. W. Neale 2, F. E. Hall 3. C. E. Hall 4, G. A. Athins (cond.) 5. For Rosation Sunday and the third anniversary of the induction of the Rev. E. Goodman.
HADDENHAM, CAMRS.-On M3y 8th. 1.260 Plain Bot Minor: T. Howe 1, H. Sharpe 2. G. Markwell 3. 1). Murfite 4. G. Walker (first as cond.) 5, A. Yarrow For Confirmation service
HEENF. WORTHING, SUSSEX.-On May 22nd, . 260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Funt 1. M. Froome 2. D. Weaver (first 'inside') 3. R. P. Wend (cond.) 4. R. Wilmon 5. J. Still 6. H. Weaver 7, L. Stilwell 8. A farewell quarter to treble ringer, who is leaving the disurict
LEIRE. LEICESTERSHIRE.-On April 18th, at St. Peecr's Church, 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire: J. H.
Dove I. C. W. Carr 2, N. W. Price 3, M. Stevens Dove 1. C. W. Carr 2, N. W. Price 3, M. Stevens 4. W. Johnson (cond.) 5, F. E. Dove 6. Rung halfmuffled in reapect of Mrs. E, W. Duve, mother of the ringers of the treble and tenor.
MARCH. CAMBS.-On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ann Unwin (firse quarter) 1. Jennifer Lewis (first quarter) 2. D. Feek 3. J. Payne (first 'inside') 4. T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, M. Jones 6. For morning prayer: also on the occasion of the baptism of Lesley nn, infant daughter of Kenneth and Peggy Jennings.
MARYSTOWE, DEVON.-On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Johns 1, W. A. T. Brimacombe 2, W. Manning 3, J. Rich 4, D. R. Bould (cond.) 5, L. Cundy 6.

MILDENHALL, SUFFOLK.-On May $15 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Royal: J. E. Ivings (first of Royal) 1, H. A. Mitson 2, E. R. Nice 3, Miss D. M. Reeve 4. J. Nice 5, H. Fuller 6, R. Rose (cond.) 7. A. F Ballam 8, J. W. Paul 9, E. A. Cracknell 10. For Evensong.
PENMARK, GLAM.-On April 19th, 1.980 Plain Bob Minor: A. M. Coombs 1, A. F. R. Hartley 2. N. Lamping 3, D. Llewellyn 4, E, J. R. Hartley (cond.) 5, W. J. Goodfellow 6.
PILTUN, DEVON.-On May $12 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: L. Walters 1, D. Jewell 2, C. Sanswin 3. F. Yeo 4, F. Sangwin 5, 1. Phillips (cond.) 6, I), Randall 7. H. Stacey 8. First quarter pual on the bells. A birthday compliment to C. Sangwin.
PUTNEY, LONDUN.-On May 15th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Martin 1, A. Clayton 2. L. Allen 3. C. Mew 4, B. Coatsworth (cond.) 5, B. Bull 6. For Evensong ard to mark the engagement of Susan Goddard, a member of the local band.
RADWAY, WARWICKS.- On April 30th, 1,440 St. Miles' Doubles: J. W. Hall 1, P. Amos 2, V. A. Perry 3, A. R. Jones 4, G. F. Roome (cond.) 5. Rung on the Festival of St. Miles Gerard and St. Francis Dickenson
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On May 1st, 1.260 Spliced Grandsire, St. Clement's, Oxford Hob Triples: Miss E. Hatch 1. D. Belcham 2, M. Hallett 3. F. May 4. E. Blower 5, R. Tomlin 6, A. House (cond,) ? W. Ward 8. For Evensons.

SHARNRROOK, BEDS. On May 7th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Mimor and 540 Plain Bob Minor: T. Brage 1. R. Lucas 2, Miss B. Lovell 3. Miss B. Marsh 4. P. Starr 5, B. Makeham (cond.) 6 tribute to Mr. T. Bragg, who has left Sharnbrook for Australia.
SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.-At the Minster, on April 30th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia Wright 1. G. E. Foster (cond.) 2. F. L. Hemstock 3. D. Simpson 4. J. R. Pratcheti 5, A. R. Fowkes 6. Firs quarter peat on back six. A birthday compliment to ringer of 5 .
STAMFORD HILL, LONDON,-At St. Ann's, on May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. B. Rowe (first quarter, age 12) 1, Miss P. Rowe 2, M. J. Rowe (cond.) 3, E. J. Rowe 4, H. Howson 5, L. Green 6.
SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.-On May 22nd, a: St. Mary's Basilica, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: 1. F. Hammond (first of Minor) 1, Audrey E. Peters 2, Wendy A. Nichols 3, R. L. Clark (first of Minor) 4, T. W. Coodwer (cond.) 5, 1. C. Sheehy 6. A helcome home to Ann Brown, after five months in England.
TWICKENHAM, MIDDX.-On May 8th. 1.260 Kent Treble Bob Maior: Elizabeth Hill Brown 1, Jill Barron 2. Gillian Neal Smith 3, Ann Muir 4. A. J. Muir 5, D. J. Neal Smith 6. M. D. Hill Hrown 7. D. Hill Brown (cond.) 8. A farewell to M. D. Hill Brown, who left for Momreal, Canada, the following evening.
LPPER CLAPTON, LONDON,-At the Church of St. Mathew, on May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Mrs. C. F. Neal 1. Mrs, R. K. C. Wilkings 2. Mrs. D. Neal 3. R. K. C. Wilkings 4. D. W. Gray 5, D. Neal (cond.) 6, C. F. Neal 7.

WAKEFIELD, YORKS.-At the Cathedral, on May 16th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss L. Gort (first quarer) 1. Mrs. W. F. Moreton 2. W. F. Moreton (cond.) 3. 1). Cubill 4, K. Park 5. G. Townend 6. For the triumphal return of Wakefield Trinity R.L.F.C. with the Rugby League Chalienge Cup.

WALTHAMSTOW: ESSEX.-On Aprit 26th, 1.260 Plain Boh Royal: Margaret Westcott 1. D. A. Hewitt 2. Gillian Neal Smith 3. H. Rumens 4. R. Gondman 5. A. S. 3. Boyack 6. E. Holman 7, B. Downes 8, Dr. D. 1. Neal Smith 9, R. G. Leale (cond.) 10. First of Royal for 1,3,5 and 9. Rung by a band from Wallhamstow and Richmond on the necasion of a visit by the choir from St. Matthias'. Richmond. to Walthamstow to give a recital of Easter music WARMLEY, GLOS. - On May 22nd, 1.260 Doubles (April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Lock (firy quarter) 1. Myra J. Wilkins (firsi of 3 Doubles inside ') 2. Gloria M. Newton 3. H. Taysom 4. WHITCHURCH, SALOP.-On May 14th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. E. Morris 1, Mrs. H. Payner 2. F. Leech 3, H. F. White 4. F. H. Benneti 5, E. V. Rodenhurst 6. H. Poyner (cond.) 7, B. Malam (lirsi guarter) 8. For the wedding of the Rector. Preb. J. Hall.

WILIESROROUGH. KENT, On May 16th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss P. Lowes 1. Rita Gower 2, Rosemary Gower 3, L. T. Pope 4, W. P. Gemer S. C. T. Hillis (cond.) 6. Rung half-mufied in memory of Mrs. Harriet A. Carlon, mother of Raymond fo Cartion, tower secretary.

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## BELFRY

 of ringing at Christ Church. Calgary, flew over the Rocky Mountains to take part in a quarter peal at Christ Church Cathedral. Victoria, on May 6th, in honour of the Royal wedding. She was also able to take part in the ringing for Sunday morning service before flying back to Calgary. The opening of the bells in Calgary, in September, 1958, was attended by Mr. Izard and Miss Margaret Izard, who made the journey by air.Mrs. B. G. Warwick is the first lady to circle Croft, Leicestershire, tower to peals.

Our W'elsh friends inform us that the first peal for the Royal wedding was completed at 12.50 at Cadoxton-juxta-Neath. It started before the wedding ceremony at $10.10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

The 12 -year-old who rang so competently in the Royal wedding peal at Kingswinford (see page 340) was David Downing and not Antony Fasey. Sorry, David!

The peal rung at Sapcote for the Royal wedding came round at 4.14 p.m. 36 minutes before South Wigston (see page 351). They were 20 minutes late in starting as our correspondent had the cows to milk!

Commenting on 'Alphabet for Beginners' 'H for Home, a varsity ringer writes. ' If Mr. Lock rang Reverse Bob Major he would find 13527486 at the first. lead-end, but the Home "position does not come up at the end of the course.'

Particularly welcome at the Morpeth Watch Towet on May 21st was Mr. R. H. Dove's party from Leeds. When the name of Miss Jennie Aimstrong, who incidentally was celebrating her birthday, was mentioned one lady remarked, 'O yes, we see her name in "The Ringing World."

Miss Monica Collins, of Guildford, and now of the Bush Narsing Hospital. Lilydale. Victoria, tells us that she has already developed an 'Aussie" accent and has also a brand new car to cover the 23 miles to Melbourne. Our peal columns reveal that she has rung two geals in two successive weeks.

## GOSSIP

Mr. George Pipe, from Melbourne. writes: "You might like to record Australia's appreciation of the efforts to improve "The Ringing World." which several ringers here now enjoy. I think that on its present form it has never been better, especially when the 24 page issues appear.
Soham Grammarians finished their peal for the Royal wedding on May 6th at 2.39 p.m.

A peal attempt for the Royal wedding of Bob Royal at St. Peter Mancroft came to grief half-way through owing to a shift course.
Mr. Roy D. Tomlin has called his first peal -Holt's Original! He acknowledges the inspiration of the Beddington. Surrey, band in learning the composition, which he called at the first attempt.

When St. Matthias' choir, Richmond, visited Walthamstow to give a recital of Easter music on April 26th, five members of the local band and tive from St. Matthias': Richmond, Guild (four of whom were choristers), rang in a quarter peal of Plain Bob Royal.
Mr. H. W. Barrett, Ringing Master of the Norwich Diocesan Association, calls our attention to the faultless ringing of three ladsMichael Utton. Richard C. L. Brown and Michael J. Parker-in their first attempt for a peal at Lowestoft on May 21 st.
Mr. Michael Hill Brown, who has left Twickenham for Montreal, Canada, has been a ringer at Twickenham since the installation of the bells in 1950 and a member of the choir since 1948. After the quarter peal the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. A. Charles) presented Michael. on behalf of the choir. with a book and a record of the choir singing a hymn during a broadcast service in which he took part.

Chelmorton. near Buxton, bells are being rededicated on June 26th. Two of the old four have been recast and in order to make a ring of five. Col. J. C. Cavendish. of Derwent. has given two of the old bells from Derwent. One of these has been recast and the metal of the others gone into the new tenor at Chelmorton. There is a frame for six hells.

## THE WHITE CHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

# Folkestone's Welcome To The Central Council 

## By JOHN WILLIS

Vice-President and Acting Chairman, Kent County Association
Members of the Kent County Association, and especially those residing in East Kent, are particularly pleased that this year, on Whit Tuesday, the Central Council will meet at Folkestone.

Folkestone is well accustomed to conferences of all kinds, and to please the eye of the visitor there are lavish displays of flowers to beautify a naturally lovely locality.

The Council will be honoured by a civic welcome from the Mavor of Folkestone (Ald. F. W. Archer), and the Church will be repkesented by the R1. Rev. the Bishop (Suffragan) of Tonbridge and Canon J. F. Hough, M.A., Vicar of Folkestone.
Hotels and guest houses of all types will seek to provide pleasure 10 the palate and restful comfors for weary ringers.

Weary they will indeed be if they visit all the towers-about 50-listed in 'The Ringing World ' (May 6th, 1960, p. 313) where, through the work of the District secretaries, Messrs. Hillis and Phillimore and Mr. J. R. Cooper (Ringing Master) the kind co-operation of the clergy and other authorities has been secured. Dr Hatcher has been in general charge of arrangements with Mr. A. Berry taking care of reception tickets.

Ringers, old and young, will join in welcoming the Central Council, and they confidently expect to hear striking worthy of such an exalted body.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL VISIT

## Additional ringing arrangements

Owing to a wedding. Newington bells will be available only from 9.30 to $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on Saturday. June 4th. and not as previously stated.

Folkestone Parish Church will be available on Saturday. June 4ih from 7.30 to 9 p.m.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Dr. D. J. Neal Smith learnt to ring at All Hallows. Twickenham, and not at St. Catherine's. Felstead, as has been previously stated.
Tenterden ringers appreciated Mr. Paul L. Taylor standing in a quarter peal on May 14 th in place of Miss Yeo, who had strained her shoulder. Mr. Taylor had been inspecting the bells. which require attention

A peal board has been placed in the ringing room of St. Mary's. Hampton. Middlesex. 10 commemorate what must be the campanological performance of the past-quarter century the peal of Scientific Triples rung in July, 1958, under the conductorship of Robin G. Leale
An officers peal of the Kent County Association for the late Mr. F. Mitchell is being arranged to take place at Milton in the near fulure. On the evening of his funeral the whole pull and stand was rung at Milton Parish Church.

After losing a peal of Kent T.B. Minor at Whitchurch. Glam. on the day of the Royal wedding. the band made a second attempt at Peterston-super-Ely on the following Tues day. After about 20 minutes ringing, the Vicar. who had another key. entered the church and asked the band to stop for about 20 minutes. When ringing was resumed there was enly time for a quarter peal.

Among the recent group of registrations of membership of the College of Campanology is yet another overseas one-that of Mrs. Valhalla Grossmith. of Umvukwes (P.O. Box 43). Southern Rhodesia. She will be better remembered as Miss V. Hill. and she sends grectings to all old ringing friends, especially those of whom she has peal-ringing memories, in Oxford and Leicester.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 23



## MR. (HARLFS J. SEJ)GLEY

## St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich.

Mr. Charles J. Sedgley. although born in Norfolk, has spent most of his life in Suffolk and to him, together with G. E. Symonds, must go the credit of not only maintaining. tut greatly enhancing. the very high standard of ringing established by the late James Motts and his contemporaries in the St. Mary-leTower band at Ipswich.
Mr. Sedgley has excelled in the art of composition. and his contributions have been timely and exceedingly useful. He has some very strong views on how peal compositions should be set out when published and would

Miss Judy, Robinson was ringing her first peal inside, on eight bells and not first inside 'at Shirley (see page 341 ).
The treble in the quarter peal at Bures (see page 360 ) was rung by D. W. Brooks and not as stated. Mr. C. Bower who is leaving for Colchester has resided at Bures for 71 years.
With the peal at Leire on May 18th, Mr. Ernest Morris has rung peals of 5.000 changes and over in every possible in tower in Leicestershire with five bells and over. These comprise: 30 rings of 5.58 of 6.41 of 8 . 4 of 10,2 of 12 a total of 135 . There are four impossibles - Church Langton (8). Shawell (5). Skeffington (5), Stapleford (6 hung dead).

## SHEBBEAR COLLEGE

Shebbear College Society had an enjoyable week-end leaving the College at 4 p.m. on Friday. May 13 th. and arriving at Haslemere at $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Met by Philip Stevens and a local schoolboy the party set off for London the next day and had the great privilege of ringing at St. Clement Danes' and a visit to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, where they were conducted around by Mr. A. A. Hughes. The evening was spent at Maresfield. Sussex. where there was ringing before being hospitably entertained by Peter Turner's family

On the Sunday the return journey was broken at Calne. Wilts, for ringing on the eight hells. Junch with the Slee family at Bristol. ringing for Evensong at Minehead with the local band and a late tea with Mr. Clifford. College was reached at 10 p.m. The kindness of the many friends who made the trip possible will not be forgotten. Thank you all.
like the notation to be placed before the resulting course end-not after as is the general practice. Indeed, so strongly is he convinced of this that in 1946 he moved a resolution to get the system changed when the Central Council met at Norwich. Tradition in ringing, however, dies hard, as it does in many other things, and his resolution was not passed.
Born in 1887 at King's Lynn, where his father was a ringer. he learned to ring there, and he rang his first peal at Stow Bardolph in 1906. This was Bob Major. conducted by Frederick R. Borrett. He moved to Ipswich in 1909. where the first peal ever of Cambridge Surprise Maximus had just been rung, and such was his ability that when the second peal was rung, a year later, he took part in

He was in the forefront in developing Surprise Maximus ringing at Ipswich and, jointly with George Symonds. increased the range of methods to an astonishing degree, thus placing Ipswich at the very top, by ringing the first peals ever rung of Superlative. New Cambridge. Yorkshire. Pudsey. Rochester and York Surprise Maximus. This was the position for several years, until the Birmingham men. under the leadership of G. E. Fearn, and the Leicester men, under Harold Poole, took up the challenge.
Mr. Sedgley's first peal as conductor was Cambridge Surprise Major at Henley. Suffolk. called from the 4 th. But 12 bell ringing has been his greatest delight. and of his total of 324 peals. 125 have been on 12 bells. He has conducted 86. He composed and conducted the first peal of 5.040 Cambridge Maximus ever rung. and of his 12 bell peals, no less than 61 are of Surprise Maximus in eight different methods. He was elected Ringing Master of the Suffolk Guild, when it was founded in 1923, and he served in that capacity until 1956, when he resigned. He was also a member of the Central Council from 1927 to 1956 . All his working life was spent in the printing indusfry until his retirement in 1957

Mr. Sedgley is very proud of the performances of the Ipswich company in 1938. when 10 peals of Maximus were rung, which included six of Cambridge, two of Superlative and one each of Rochester and Double Norwich. In addition they rang a peal of Yorkshire Royal. He conducted the first of Cambridge Maximus at Saffron Walden, and the last peal. again Cambridge Maximus, at Great Yarmouth in 1939. These bells were destroyed by enemy action. and have now been replaced by a new ring.

JAFUS.

## Hints For Beginners-23

You can ring more comforiably by standing so that the rope falls in a straight line from the boss-hole and is not pulled at an angle.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Ashford District

The first meeting to be held by the Association at Lympne attracted some 40 visitors to this quiet backwater off the A20. on May 21 st. It was held under the auspices of the Ashford District.
The church. with its fine Norman tower. overlooking Romney Marsh. completes an impressive mediæval group with the castle beside it. 10 which it was attached for centuries.

The service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. J. W. Neilson. Mr. R. Brotherston read the lesson. and Miss M. Atkinson was at the organ. Afterwards an excellent tea was enjoyed in the Village Hall. At the business meeting, nine new memhers were elected to the Association. including five from the local band.

The bells. which were restored in 1928 and augmented to. six by the addition of a treble in 1952, are rung from the centre of the church floor. Ringing was under the direction of Mr. L. T. Pope, of Willesborough.
P. P. and R. D.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Associate Membership

$T^{\text {H }}$HE annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Sheffield on April 30th when, by kind consent of the respective clergy. the fine ring of eight at St. Marie's and the modern light ten at Ranmoor were available during the afternoon, and the Cathedral (12) following the meeting till 9 p.m.
An excellent tea was enjoyed at the Wolstenholme Hall. followed by the business meeting at which the chair was taken by the president (Archdeacon C. O. Ellison), supported by the general secretary (Mr. L. W. G Morris), the honorary peal secretary (Mr. W. E. Critchley). and Mr. A. E. Marsh, who deputised for the honorary treasurer. Apologies for absence were received from the honorary treasurer (Mr. G. Benfield), also Messrs. E. Hudson. H. Chant. W. F. Moreton, B. Sutton, S. H. Steeel and M. Phipps.

An omnibus vote of thanks to the Cathedral authorities. St. John's, Ranmoor. and St. Marie's R.C. churches for the use of their bells was accorded on the motion of Mr. V. Bottomley, seconded by Mr. P. Birkett. This was acknowledged by Mr. H. O. Chaddock. A similar vote of thanks to the respective local companies was unanimously accorded on the motion of Miss M. E. Wilkinson, seconded by the general secretary. Mr. J. Seager replied
In presenting the 84th annual report, the president said they welcomed 53 new members. who had joined during the year, but they had still a long way to go before the position could be considered as being satisfactory. There were many towers without members, and consequently not affiliated to the Association. This indicates the desirability of some form of Associate membership to attach to the Association those ringers who have not yet mastered the art of change-ringing to the point where they can fulfil the requirement of 720 changes. This and various ancillary matters were now being considered by the committee.
A revision of the rules was also being undertaken. but as yet it was incomplete. So far it has been decided to make no alteration in the title of the Association, and not to relax the conditions for full membership. In future nominations for delegates to the Central Council will be received every third year at the September general meeting. to be followed by election at the ensuing January meeting prior to the first meeting of a new Council. This will transfer the responsibility for the election of representatives from the committee to the general membership of the Association
The peal secretary's report showed that 118 peals had been rung on tower bells. and 18 on handbells. making a total of 136. and of
which the conducting had been shared by 46 which the conducting had been shared by 46
conductors. Thiry-ihree members had rung conductors. Thirty-three members had rung
their first peal. and five had conducted a peal for the first time. Peals had been rung on all numbers from Doubles to Maximus. and Surfleet Surprise Minor. Wath Delight Minor and New Cambridge Surprise Maximus figured in the lists for the first time.
While the balance sheet showed a gain for the year of $£ 17$ 6s. $8 \mathrm{~d} .$. the committee were aware that some difficulty was still being caused by the late payment of subscriptions by some members. and pointed out that a considerable amount of extra work and anxiety is caused by laxity in these matters. The remedy is an easy one. and is in the hands (or rather in the pockets) of the members. Mr. W. Barton gave the auditors report. and
formally moved adoption of the report. Mr. formally moved adoption of the report. Mr .
I. Slack seconded. and the report was unanimously adopted. with thanks to the principal and District officers for continuing to serve the Association so faithfully and well.
The next business was to re-elect the president for the following triennial period. The
general secretary said that no other nomination had been received. and the committee unanimously recommended the re-election of Archdeacon C. O. Ellison. who had now guided their affairs with commendable skill and courtesy for the past 13 years. He had great pleasure in moving that Archdeacon Ellison he re-elected. This was seconded by Mr. A. E. Marsh. and carried with acclamation. In acknowledgment. the president thanked the members for their continued confidence, adding that he would be pleased to do his hest in the interests of the Association at all times.
Mr. W. E. Critchley was unanimously reelected peal secretary, coupled with thanks for his exacting work in the past year on the motion of the president. seconded by Mr.

## J. Seager

It was unanimously decided to accept an invitation to hold the next meeting at Hull on September 171h on the motion of Mr. H Walker. seconded by Mr. I. Slack. The president reminded the meeting that arrangements were in hand concerning the Snowdon Dinner. which would this year be held at Rotherham on October 22nd. Members were asked to note the date, and help to ensure its success by giving it their support.
Miss Carol Fernley, of Hazel Grove, and Mr. E. Bennett. of Ulverston. were elected cut/county members on the motion of the general secretary. seconded by Mr. I. Slack. This concluded the business. and ringing at the Cathedral followed until 9 p.m

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

The bright sunshine and horse chestnut trees in full bloom created a perfect setting for the meeting of the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society at Codsall, near Wolverhampton, on May 14th. A varied programme of ringing on the excellent light eight was ably supervised by Mr. E. Malin, the Ringing Master. The Society has. indeed, a bright future with the large number of young ringers present.
The service was conducted by the Rev. Gilbert Smith and in his address he spoke of the part bells played throughout the ages They formed. he said. an historical background going back 600 years and their message was still the same today as long ago.
Tea followed in the church hall where more than 96 meribers and friends sat down to enjoy the hospitality of the Codsall ringers. Accommodation. needless to say, was rather cramped ind many people were unable to sit at tables. We were indebted to Mr. Albert Richards. the Codsall ringers and their many lady helpers for the excellent meal provided.
Ringin's continued after tea until about 8.30 p.m. Ringers were left with pleasant memories and we look forward to holding further meet ings at Codsall in the future.

## 'LEARNING AND TEACHING BELL CONTROL'

Mr. Norman Chaddock's script of 'Learning and Teaching Bell Control (see Notice page 358) has a preface written by Mr. Edgar C Shepherd who writes: The course itself is thoroughly and thoughtfully prepared, and is clearly planned to provide for the quick learner and the slower student. The material is obligingly selective, and so are the pictures and the experience of a skilled teacher is plainly reveated in such features as suggestions for questioning. paragraphs on stance and poise. and practical hints. The script is valuable without the illustrations. and the illustrations may be used in any normal form of instruction, but the course and the illustrations together make an impressive and valuable addition to the instructor's resources.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

## "J"

JANGLE, JAR, JEER, JERK, JOG, JOLT, JUGGLE, JUMBLE.-Don't, in the interests of all that life stands for, avoid all these things. There seems to be a complete scarcity of technical terms relating to ringing which commence with the letter J. but something has got to be written in order to continue and complete the alphabet. Some of the above words can be applied to human character. inasmuch you will find no jeering, jolting. juggling or jumbling in a happy, well organised and progressive band. If you feel like committing any of these things at any time. please don't. Endeavour to find a better solution to the situation. Of the other words. jangling. jarring, jogging and jerking can be applied to your success or otherwise at ringing. If you manage not to jangle, jar. jog or jerk you will be making good progress towards becoming a competent ringer. As an aid to achieving this, when you are preparing to ring, stand easy with one foot slightly in front of the other and a few inches apart (all to suit your own stature): stand with your nose not more than six inches from the natural position of the rope; face the centre of the circle of ropes so that you can see them all with the minimum of movement : stretch your arms so that you catch hold of the sally as high as you are able comfortably to do and then when you pull at the sally, make a smooth and straight-down-towards-the-floor movement with your hands. retaining hold of the sally in its downward movement for as long as you can. Your grip of the rope at tail-end will also be at the position. when the bell is at back-stroke. that your arms are again comfortably straightened. When you pull the bell from back-stroke. repeat the smooth and straight-down-towards-the-floor movement as far as you can. Always keep your elbows in to your body, no jogging your colleague on the next rope. never raise your heels off the floor and never twist your body one way or the other. Hold the rope firmly and do not let it slip through your hands. Several photographic examples of correct holding and handling of a bell rope are to be found in - An Elementary Handbook for Beginners in the Art of Change Ringing. issued by the Central Council, price one shilling. When you meet the ringer who does not do any of these Js quoted above, judge him and make him your pattern.
JOHNSON.-Henry Johnson. 1809-1890. one of the illustrious men of the Exercise, is remembered regularly by the annual dinner held in Birmingham, where he spent most of his life. At the age of twenty he called his own 720 changes of Grandsire Minor and at the age of 35 he was an acknowledged leader. He stimulated and sustained Thomas Thurstans in a great struggle for a peal of Stedman Triples and he was the first person to call the famous four-part extent in this method. Johnson composed a notable 26.016 Stedman Caters containing the 120 course ends and wihout a fixed bell in seconds place. He produced compositions in various standard methods. gaining merit with his originality and it was he who first showed how Middleton's composition of 5.600 Cambridge. Surprise Major could be reduced to a convenient 5.056 . To celebrate Johnson's eightieth birthday Sir A. P. Heywood gave a dinner in Birmingham to which all the prominent members of the ringing societies were invited and during which the broad scheme for the formation of a Central Council for Ringers was outlined. Henry Johnson was buried in Aston churchyard and the Exercise showed its raspect and appreciation to a remarkable character by erecting a tombstone on his grave

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## WHEN YOUR OUTING TAKES PLACE

Dear Sir.-I have again been asked to assist in arranging outings in this area. which is becoming increasingly difficult, so I am making an appeal to visitors of all towers. Please remember peimission is granted to ring: the hells are not yours to bang about. You are in God's house and if you were downstairs you would act as such. You are in strange surroundings so why try methods too ambitious for your company?
Here in Bures we try to keep our tower as good as the rest of our church. but last year we had the paintwork all scratched with shoes, a low ceiling so three tailends cut to pieces. three cracked stays and our Vicar has asked me if visiors could be a little quieter. We had five learners in at one time-four could not even catch the sally: the din outside was unbearable. Parishioners have every reason to iry and stop visitors.

Some towers have already been closed on Saturday mornings. The fashion seems to be to grab a quick pull instead of enjoying a nice course of good striking. Can we blame some clergy for thinking we are a company of heathens? Please try to keep our towers open fo: our fellow ringers who wish to come later.-Yours faithfully.

Bures. Suffolk.
LESLIE D. MILLS.

## THE BROADCAST-

## "ONE SOLITARY DONG'

Dear Sir.-Seeing the letter by H. N. Pitstow in a recent Ringing World about the B.B.C. s attitude to ringing reminds me that from church to hear St. Mary Redcliffe. Bristol, bells before the 7.45 p.m. service on the West of England Home Service, as was stated in the then current issue of . The Ringing World:
After some trouble in 'tuning in.' we heard the announcer say that they were just going over to Bristol for the evening service. We did not hear Redcliffe bells, but one solitary dong. As one who spent three years in Bristol and frequently rang at Redcliffe. it is an understatement to say that I was a little disappointed!-Yours faithfully.

## Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.

## EAST ANGLIAN DIALECTS

Dear Sir-On page 351 JAFUS refers 10 hroad Essex dialect. This is the first time I have heard of such existing Of course. with Folks to the north-east. a pair of Shires to the west. Dons in the south and Sex in between. there's hound to be some smattering. The vaice I heard at Yarrmuth bell oupnun, I agree. had a slight Suffolk flavour but no more than a little "Scud orf tha wort'ur' and would certainly be treated as furren in a good many places between the Waveney and Deben valleys. I niver knew she wuss a sarrvunt thom!

## BOR DEARVUD.

## PEAL CORRECTION

Dear Sir.-1 recently sent in a report of a neal of Kent and Oxford combined. rung at All Sainis Church. Dareshury, on May 6th. The names of the ringers should read:
Cecil Raddon treble. Denis Maddock 2 , Harry W. Howard 3. Michael Thompson $\overline{4}$. Mrs. D. Lowe 5. Douglas Lowe 6. Harold Worrall 7. Roger King lenor.

I regret the error-Yours faithfully.
Warrington.

## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD NOT UN-CO-OPERATIVE

Dear Sir.-One can obtain an impression from recent correspondence in "The Ringing World:" particularly from the impertinent comment in the report of the London University Guild annual meeting, that the Manchester University Guild has purposely been an aloof and unco-operative member of the Universities Association. This impression is most certainly not a true one. We have never refused to help other Universities in our own area. and any member of other Guilds, including London University, are always welcome in Manchester.
The purpose of the letter from our secretary was to correct a false claim regarding a bigfour group amongst the University Guilds, and to stress that with as many Guilds north of Birmingham as south of it. the viewpoint of certain southerners who consider the northerners as remote outsiders is now quite unjustified.

We have invited the Universities Association to hold a dinner in Manchester, and I believe that if it takes place it will be the first annual dinner held north of Birmingham. We shall certainly do all we can to help if in future members of southern Universities wish to come "up North more frequently than in the past.-Yours faithfully.

DEREK OGDEN,
President.
The Manchester University Guild.

## BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL

Dear Sir.-May I express, through your columns. my sincere thanks to the Bristol City Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. for the welcome received at their ringing festival on May 14th.
Like many other visitors. I was much impressed by the excellent arrangements and the willingness of local ringers to act as guides, etc.. and this great occasion. given civic recognition by the presence of the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Bristol at the official luncheon. will long he remembered by those privileged to attend.-Yours faithfully,
Luton. Beds.
A. E. RUSHTON.

## PERFORMANCES

Dear Sir.-I was interested to read Mr. May's letter headed "Quarter Peals, in which he mentions 1.000 changes at Headington.
This, of course, was a performance encouraging to the young ringers included. but, of course. was not intended to be claimed at any time as a quarter peal.- Yours sincerely,
Headington, Oxford.
TOM SMITH.

## METHOD SPLICING

Dear Sir-Although Method Splicing ' has been out of print a good number of years. a copy is at Stockport Central Library. This is recorsed at the Central Library in London and is available for use in any library in Great Britain.-Yours faithfully.

## Loughborough.

One Sunday morning, whilst listening to the broadcast of one of those excellent recordings of Evercreech bells, a prominent North Country ringer, as he lieard the tenors dodging behind. exclaimed. "That's a hob there! His thrifty wife immediately began to search the floor in the hope of finding a shilling. and it was several minutes before he could subdue his laughter enough to explain to her just what kind of a boh ' he meant!

## BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL

BRISTOL'S first festival went off very well indeed. How could it have been otherwise when you have the loveliest city in England on a glorious spring day, many fine rings of hells and the whole show organised hy one so able as Bert Bennett, assisted by his committee. We've never had it so good! It is said we had 200 ringers there, but it seemed a lot more when they were all crowded into the belfries at Redcliffe, Kingsdown, or the Cathedral. It was a day for the tenor ringer. for from his lofty elevation he alone could see which of the crowd had a bell-rope and which had not. More than once an innocent bystander was fiercely told to dodge before the conductor realised he was not actually ringing!
It was a hey-day for the tower-grabber, but 140 took time of to lunch informally with Bristol's Lord Mayor. His Worship. feeling no doubt in a somewhat statistical mood after having polled more votes against than for himself in the Council elections two days previously, pointed out that had twelve men set out to ring the extent of Maximus on the day the Gloucester and Bristol Association was formed, they could have done it twice over by now. What opportunities we do let slip!
But still, the respectability of sitting down to lunch with a Lord Mayor. a Dean and the Chanceilor of the Diocese would probably not have heen offered to ringers hack in 1878. Nor perhaps would we then have had the opportunity of attending together, and filling the nave at such a moving service as we had in the Cathedral that afternoon. Ringers together art no ordinary congregation, for it is their ministry to assist in the service of worship, and one often feels a oneness between priest and congregation in ringers' services. which is not always present in parish services. What finer hymn could we have had than that wonderful one by George Herbert:

Let all the world in every corner sing. My God and King.'
And what appropriate hymn to close with than:
'Now thank we all our God.'
The Dean reminded us of the sacred ministry of our calling, and closed his address with this quotation. What we become in the presence of God. so we are all the day through.
This festival. you see, was conceived with a serious purpose in mind: to rededicate our service to God, to promote our Christian fellowship with one another and particularly with our own clergy. Was it successful? That is only known to each one of us in our own hearts as we live the day through.
P. G.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Chertsey District

A record number of well over 50 people attended the meeting of the Chertsey District at Walton on May 14 th . Most of them came from within the Diocese, but there were also visitors from Petersfield. Kingston and Sunbury:
Prior to the service, a meeting of the District Ringing Masters was held io discuss plans for a memorial to the late Mr. A. H. Pulling. It was decided that a bell should be hung in the new Cathedral. preferably to be installed before the dedication service. which could be used for the Cathedral services, and later bu incorporated in the ring of bells when the tower is completed
Tea was prepared by the local ringers and served in the Church Hall and was followed by a short business meeting. with the Guild Ringing Master. Mr. C. W. Denyer. in the chair.
Ringing continued until 9 p.m.. Oxford Bob Triples being the most successful method attempted.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY EASTER TOUR

0N Easter Eve the first-comers descended upon Heathfield. in Sussex. where the Society had 'taken over' a guest house, Barratts Park, as a base for the tour. After the first of a series of excellent suppers, they rang sundry unadventurous methods. als if by way of a gentle warm-up hefore the tour proper began. on the sweet-toned six at Warbleton.
On Sunday morning there was ringing for services at Brightling. Dallington. Waldron and Heathtield: at the last, a course of Kent was halted while young Nancy Threlfall protested against the idea of her mother ringing while she was not there to watch. Hoving established, however, that such a thing would not occur again. she preserved an admirable equanimity for the rest of the tour.
After lunch came an impromptu tower-grab: a five was called for, and a good one found at Ewhurst : then followed some pleasant touches on the six at Sedlescombe. After some acrobatics had permitted the recovery of a rope-hook that had run up to its pulley, the heavy-laden vehicles moved on 10 Dallington. Before the band who were 10 ring for evening service at Heathfield went on their way, one member demonstrated his answer to the prevailing Susscx fashion of rope-adjusiment. Disdaining the use of knots. he struck his bell while remaining seated, rising only at the call of ' Stand.
The Master was so moved hy this performance that he organised an immediate quarter peal. which was abandoned only when we were joined by members of the local band for some combined touches.

On Monday morning there arrived the coach which was to carry us about for the next four days. its driver becoming a enthusiastic spectator in every ringing room. After negotiating for the first time the two right-angled corners between Barratts Park and the Heathfield Hotel (which housed the overflow party). we set out for Hailsham. Here we found a neatly-kept ringing loft, and. conditions being favourable. a touch of six-spliced was brought round.
At Eastbourne the party sampled four inerestingly varied rings of eight. At St. Mary's ( $15 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.) the bells went well but were

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a shade thin in tone. There was something of a scramble to give everyone a ring at All Saints ' but in spite of harassed cries up the stairs ("Tell him 10 call it round: theres a service in five minutes and two bands to go yet!') no one was disippointed.

## A CANCELLATION

The rush was the result of an alteration of our schedule following the cancellation of a morning peal attempt. Last year, there were no less than nine peals in the tour programme, and the report in the 'R.W.' contained disturbing phrases such as "anguished moments." considerable furore, 'ceased abruptly with the Master acting on humanitarian principles, and "lack of volunteers.' This year, the reduction of the number of peals to three prevented the appearance of any furore, anguish or necessity to apply humanitarian principles: it did not. however, pronote the appearance of any volunteers.

The Society continued its ringing at Eastbourne after lunch, exercising itself at St . Saviour's ( $24 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt. in an imposing brick lower) hefore relaxing at Christ Church ( $8 \frac{1}{5} \mathrm{cwt}$ ); it then went home by way of Alfriston, where ringers perform in the very centre of the cruciform church. In spite of ominous quiverings of the guide-frame the ropes came down straight.' which was just as well in view of the number of holiday-makers who crowded into the church to witness the spectacle.

The strain of this public performance seemed to tell upon several members : although the careful coaching by our tame Wealdman ensured that we all pronounced correctly the name of our last tower, we did less than justice to Hellingly's sound 11 cwt , six

Tuesday began with visits to Ticehurst. a difficult six, and to Goudhurst ( $8,25 \mathrm{cwt}$.). There was a slight delay before we could get into this tower: those who did not disappear in search of coffee watched the passings and repassings of Frances, who shouted from her car window that she was getting nearer and nearer to success in her quest for the tower key. The secret of the key's hiding-place was eventually learnt. and the wait proved well worth while.

Another very good eight was found at Hawkhurst. After a little difficulty in persuading the tenor to go up right. we discovered that the quaint coconut element in the sound of the bells inspired rhythmic striking. and some of the most enjoyable touches of the tour resulted.

## SI.UMBERING DURING STEDMAN

A pleasant afternoon began at Northiam and Salehurst. At the latter tower the afternoon sunlight filtering into the picturesque ringing room caused people to slumber during Stedman. but eventually Colin Taylor organised some good Double Norwich for the henefit of his tape recorder. Unfortunately. one of the valves died a slow death during the recording. so that the play-back gave the impression that the tower was being wheeled away slowly over the horizon.
After tea. some good London Major at Battle attracted Peter N. Bond, who joined us in a fast and furious touch of Spliced which gradua!ly overtook the conductor and made its escape. In the evening there was a most enjoyable trip to Burwash, where it was shown that a low ceiling can lend atmosphere to a ringing room without interfering with striking
On Wednesday, we found that a taperecorder had been set up to await us at Buxted: perhaps it was stage-fright which thwarted all efforts to ring a really fitting touch. The symptoms persisted at Maresfield. and confidence was not regained until after a grand lunch at the Foresters Arms at Fairwarp. Then everyone found the 15 cwt eight of Christ Church a joy to handle. although the bells have a repressed. reedy tone in the ringing room which bears no relation to their true voice when heard outside.
Lewes bells. our only ten, were kept manned for an hour before the day finished at Ringmer. This time a low ceiling proved disturbing, and although listeners outside liked the tone of these bells, observers inside the ringing room received the impression that
heavy weather was made of most touches. In
the evening. the ringers of Heathfield were kind enough to welcome us to a special practice night

Came Thursday, our last full day, and the weather was as clear and bright as it had remained for the whole of the tour. We started lice day at Mayfield, where the nohle detenations of the tenor delighted everyone. and carried on to Wadhurst. Here the very attractive 12 cwt . eight were rung to a course of Superlative which matched the glass and wrought-steel screen which separates ringers and nave; all aigreed that the idea was excellent. but some had doubts concerning the exccution.

Lunch in Tunbridge Wells was followed by a visit to St. Peter's. where the eight were rung at a variety of tempi: then we tried our hand on the six at Frant, a ring of decided originality. Unfortunately we failed to master these hells before our allotted time was up.

The last tower of the tour, and a most fitting one with which to end. was that of St. Denys", Rotherfield. No one could fail to be impressed by this fine 23 cwt . eight.

There had been a peal attempt planned for Friday: whereas, however. many members would have liked to stand in, too few could remain 10 do so, which meant a reluctant cancellation. Nevertheless, everyone who had come on the tour went away well satistied, and our grateful thanks go to the incumbents and ringers who permitted us to ring their bells and met us on our arrival. Finally, we are all much indebted to Frances Threlfall for making such an excellent job of all the organisation.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN

Twenty-two ringers sat down to tea (provided by the Mothers' Union) at the quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch. held at Cromer on May 14th. The Rev. W. Warr conducted the service and Mr. N. Golden, president. read the lesson. Ringing was under the watchful eyc of the Branch Ringing Master. Mr. J. R. Smith.

Mr. A. G. Bason presided at the business meeting when the following new members were elected: Miss R. A. Burton. R. C. T. Burton. C. M. Frior. $\Lambda$. Gill. J. W. Hornigold. R. E. luuson. O. O. Knight and D. Last (all of Yaxham). Mr. and Mrs. Robinson (Coggeshall. late Chester Guild). P. Squires (Hethersett) and R. A. Jones (Wymondham). Three probationers were also elected. Next meeting Yaxham, July 23rd.

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## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## President's 1,000 Peals For Home Association

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EMBERS, representing 30 towers in the Diocesc. together with visitors from London. Suffolk. Lincolnshire and St. Helens, met in Norwich. On the occasion of the annual meeting on Saturday, April 30th, well over 100 sitting down to tea.

The Rev. Giles Galley opened the meeting with prayers. and the company stood for a moment's silence in memory of the 14 members who had passed to higher service during 1959

The president. Mr. Nolan Golden, took the chair, and was given a great welcome after his recent stay in hospital. Thanking them for their good wishes and especially all who had written letters and visited him in hospital, he said it had been a source of strength and encouragement to him to know that so many of his friends had him in their thoughts and prayers. Unfortunately, he would be going back again for a further operation very shortly but hoped that it would result in him being fully recovered and able to play his full part in the activities of the Association once again
The Ringing Master. Mr. H. W. Barrett, said he wished, on behalf of the Association, to olfer their congratulations to the president on his great achievement in ringing over 1.000 peals for his home Association. the great majority of which he had also been the conductor. and composer of many of them. His 1.0001 h peal was a peal of 5.056 of Cambridge Surprise Major, rung at Hingham, August 12tla 1959. He asked this to be fully recorded in the minutes. This was seconded and passed with acclamation. The Association are fortunate to have one of the greatest ringers and composers of all time in their ranks and he wished him a happy outcome to his present indisposition.

The president thanked the Ringing Master for his remarks and said that he looked back with happy memories of his ringing career and of all the friends he made during that time and looked forward to resuming his activities once again. He had not kept detailed records of his peals hut could probably furnish the Association with most of the information that they might require

## YOUTH AND. THE RINGING WORLD

In his review of 1959 the president said seemed a year of consolidation rather than a record one. Membership had gone up to 478 an increase of 22 on the previous year. It was mosi encouraging to see again the large number of young people present. a feature of the last few annual gencral meetings. It was a great pity that several of the older members had lapsed from membership. but he hoped that everything possible would be done to bring them back. He reminded the younger ringers of the importance of laking . The Ringing World: This is essential if they were to get the full enjoyment from the ringing, activities. It would hclp in widening their interest in new methods and could persuade them to learn composition and so eventually be able to call and conduct peals.
The great event of the year was, of course, the dedication and opening of the 13 new hells at Si. Nicholas". Great Yarmouth. He congratulated the Vicar. the Rev. A. G. G Thurlow. and his ringers on the splendid arrangements made for the 200 ringers who attended to have a ring in the time available. Restoration has been completed at Aitlehorough, but comment had been made in the fialure to have the ropes fall in full circle The ten at Aylsham will be restored in the present year. also the five at Kessingland. It is understood that this ring will be augmented to six.

The Ringing Master, in his report. stressed the importance of maintaining and improving Sunday service ringing. He had visited a number of towers without warning during the year, and had been pleased to hear the bells ringing. With a membership of approximately 500 he was sure that a great improvement could be made and appealed for greater support in this dircetion. 85 peals were rung during the

The general secretary and treasurer. Mr. W Love, reported that 82 new members had been elected-60 resident and 22 non-resident life members. The financial position could be termed as satisfactory. Income for the year at $£ 15419 \mathrm{~s} .10 \mathrm{~d} .$, gave an excess of $£ 217 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$ over expenditure. The General Fund stands at $£ 2599$ s. 11d.. and the Belfry Repair Fund at $£ 104$ 15s. 7 d .
All the officers were re-elected for 1960, also vice-presidents with the addition of the Rev. Frank Jarvis. Vicar designate of St. Peter Mancroft. and the deletion of the Very Rev J. A. H. Waddington, who had left the Diocese

Particulars of the proposed memorial plaque in mẹmory of the late Cecil Ebberson were given 10 the meeting. It will be in Hopton Wood stone and is to be placed in the ringing chamber at Dersingham. It is hoped the dedication will take place in September.
The service was held in St. Peter Mancroft, the Rev. Gratton Guinness giving the address.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> Luton District Meeting At Eaton Bray

In an endeavour to stimulate interest in ringing, and in meetings in particular. the May meeting of the Luton District included an interesting ringing competition. the second of such attractions staged by this district.
From 3 p.m. the hells were kept going and all tastes were provided for. the ringing ranging from rounds to Cambridge Surprise, unti 4 p.m. When the competition took place. Over 40 ringers were present. For the compelition rounds only were allowed and each band was allowed 30 seconds to get the "feel" of the bells. after which they were judged on the following 120 rounds. Contesting bands were Eaton Bray. Leighton Buzzard. Husborne Crawley and Westoning, the last named proving to be the winners.
After an excellent tea. provided by the local ladies. the results were declared an additional treat being the playing of a tape recording of the competitors efforts by Mr. K. Fleming.
Meisrs F. J. Plummer and A. E. Rushton were the judges. the latter standing in for Mr. R. J. Sinarp. whose unavoidable absence was regretted by all.
Further ringing took place both before and after Evensong. conducted by the Vicar, Rev. P. Graham.
A. E. R

## IRISH ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Executive Council and the final contest for the Murphy Cup was held at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Dublin. on May 14th. Mr. William Pratt (president) presided at the Council meeting and silent ribute was paid to the memory of Robert S. F. Murphy, P.C.. Ringing Master and librarian (lite member) and George N. Price and Mrs. T. E. G. Taylor (non-resident life member).
The annual report stated that Radio Eircann broadcast Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, for 15 minutes to ring out 1959. The B.B.C. (Northern Ireland) provided a good programme in which John T. Dunwoody and Harry Brown, assisted by Mr. W. Pratt and Jean Stewart, explained the intricacies of bellringing. During this 30 minute programme on Christmas Eve the bells of cvery tower (except Carrickfergus) and those of Armagh Cathedral were heard. St. Donard's was easily the best of the towers which bruadcast on Christmas Day.
Three visiting parties rang 28 peals and four ocal peals had been rung including Plain Bob Royal at Dundela. Membership totalled 369 (life 15 . honorary 3 , ringing 351 ) and there were 198 non-resident life members.
Arising from the report two resolutions wers passed-to set up ai Reserve Fund into which £4 or £5 would be paid annually and to authorise the investment of Association funds in Republic of Ireland guaranteed stock yielding not less than 5 per cent.

The Irish Bell News showed a profit of 192 s .2 d . after setting aside $£ 210 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d . to the Renewal Fund. A number of favourable expressions of appreciation for the paper had been received
Mr. William H. Wilson, a ringer at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Dublin. since 1907, president of the Association in 1932 and president of St. Patrick's Society, was elected a life member and presented with his certificate.
The election of officers resulted in the reelection of Mr. William Pratt as president and Mr. F. E. Dukes as general secretary. Mr. John $T$. Dunwoody is the new Ringing Master and also badge secretary and Mr. W. H. Wilson librarian. The Editorial Committee of 'Irish Bell News' is Mr. F. E. Dukes (editor). Mrs. F. E. Dukes. Mrs. J. Jeffrey (nee Jean Stewart) and Mr. G. Bingham The Murphy Cup was won by SI. Peter's. Bandon. 44 faults. followed by Mount Si. Alphonsus, Limerick. 64 faults: Enniskillen 76 and Drogheda 106. The judges were Messrs. W. H Wilson and F. Bogan and Mrs. J. Jeffrey. Bandon won the cup for the first time.


## DEDICATION

## SALTASH, CORNWALL

Until May 23rd, the six bells of SS. Nicholas and Fuith. Saltash. Cornwall, had been unringable for about 15 years. It was because of other urgent work that the bells had to wait. hut now all is well again. On Sunday. May Ist. the bells were hallowed by the Lord Bishop of Truro. the Ri. Rev. J. M. Key, before being hoisted into the tower. The work has entailed a completely new frame and fittings, and the recasting of the third.
The bells were originally a Thomas Bilbie six. cast in 1760 . They were rehung by Aggett. of Chagford, in 1902 when the two tenors were recast. The tenor weighs about 15 cwt . The restoration has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.. and the bells are now tuneful and go well.
The church was filled to capacity for the opening on May 23 rd. Evensong was conducted by the Vicar. Rev. J. C. Boyes, and the sermon preached by the Rev. A. S. Roberts (Vicar of Carbis Bay), who took as his text The seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound ' (Rev. viii, 6).

Mr. Roberts pointed out that in May of last year they were celebrating the 100 th anniversary of the opening of Brunell's famous Saltash Bridge. and that this May it was exactly two hundred years since Bilbie's six bells were erected. The ringers' work was first of all a dedicated work in the service of the Church. but it was also progressive, and there was a tremendous joy in it. It was an art with a wide interest. and no other body of church workers travelled from place to place like ringers.

To ringers Saltash, without its bells. had hecome rather unimportant, hut now with restored bells. and a new bridge being built, no doubt many visitors might be expected.

Receive them as brothers beloved,' said $\mathbf{M r}$. Roberts. and after cultivating the team spirit in the local tower remember the wider sphere of ringing in the Diocese, the whole country. as well as in many countries of the world. Further, ringing cannot be properly learnt without a text book, and every tower. if not the individual. should take "The Ringing World."
Those present included Mr. Alan Carveth (president. Truro Guild) and Mrs. Carveth. Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella (general secretary). Mr. J. W. Clarke (Assistant Ringing Master). who has been training the new and reconstituted local band at Landulph. and ringers from Teignmouth. Plymouth and many parts of Cornwall. The local band rang the bells first immediately after the service followed by many visitors who kept them going to a late hour.
There was no lack of ringing with Landulph. St. Dominick and St. Stephen-by-Saltash also available. This last. in every circumstance. must be the finest six in Cornwall. With a 161 cwt . tenor. in a spacious tower. a frame for eight. hung low in the tower. perforated slate in place of louvres and the first example of a lantern roof in Cornwall. they sound magnificent both inside and outside. and as another Taylor ring Saltash is now blessed with two splendid rings.
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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Tonbridge District.-By-meeting at East Peckham, Saturday. June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - South Oxon Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Thame, Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - North Bucks Branch.-Annual meeting. Buckingham (8). Saturday, June 4th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. 6007 SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District -Evening meeting. Hinderclay (6). June 4th. Bells 6.30 p.m.-H. Mitson, Dis. Sec. 5999
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -
Northern Withyham (8). Saturday. June 4th. Bells 3 p.m.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Walpole
Andrew. Whit Monday. June 6 th. Bclls (6) 230 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox, Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Annual 6003 meeting. Whit Monday, June 6th. at Cheimsford. Service in Cathedral II a.m. Preacher Archdeacon of Colchester. Annual meeting Coffee, ctc., available in Cathedral Hall from $10.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch 1.30 p.m. cost 5 s . Tea as a running buffet. 2s. 6d. Later applications 6 s .6 d . and 3 s . respectively. Ringing: Cathedral 9.30 to 10.45 a.m. (Service touch at 10.45 ) and from $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. From 3 to 6 p.m.: Boreham (8). Great Waltham (8). Broomficld (6). Littlc Waltham (6). Springficld (6). Ford End (6). High Easier (6), and from 6 to 9 p.m: Galleywnod (8). Widford (8). Grcat Baddow (8), Danhury (6). Sandon (6), Little Baddow (5). Lunch and tea tickets from $F$. $V$. Gant. 3 Central Drive. Hornchurch. 5899
BEDIOORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Biggleswade District.-Mecting. Saturday. June 11 th. Eaton Socon bells (8) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Norwich and Superlative. May we see YOU therc.-A. Smith. Hon. Dis Sec. 6149 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Northwich Branch) and LADIES GUILD.-Joint meeting at Witton. Northwich. Saturday. June 11 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea hy Wednesday previous. to Mr. H. Parker, 64, Church Road. Northwich. (6336

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-Meeting. Saturday, June 11 th, 3 p.m. Tredington. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Shipston-on-Stour bells available, 6.30 p.m.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD-Leigh (6), June 11 th. Names for tea to Mr. B. Pankhurst, Chestnuts, Leigh. Tonbridge.-C. A. Bassett. ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-Meeting at Dullingham on Saturday. June 11 th. Bells (5) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Weston Covill and West Wratting will be visited after tea.-E. W Bullman.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch.-Meeting, Bishopstone (8), Saturday, June 11 th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to R. Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road. Swindon. Wilts.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. -

 Summer Festival. Saturday. June 11 th. Ringing arrangements : Capel 10.30-12 noon. Merrow and Ockley $11-12$. Ranmore $11.30-1$ p.m., Cobham and Stoke D'Abernon 2-4. Epsom, Christ Church 3-4. Leatherhead from 4, Dorking 7-8. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at Leatherhead, followed by tea in St. Nicholas' Hall. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday, to $G$ Marriner, 6. Leach Grove, Leatherhead. 6005HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Bridgnorth District.-Quarterly meeting at Calverley Saturday, June 11 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m... followed by meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 8th, to Mr. F. C. Bennett. 7, Rudge Heath, Pattingham. Stafts.-H. Edge, Dis. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern District.-Meeting. Cheshunt, Saturday, June 11 th. 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 . Service 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Durrant. 7, The Folly, Brookficld Lane. Cheshunt.
HER TFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Apsley. Saturday, June 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, June 7th. to Mr. A. Good. 44. Belmont Road Hemel Hempstead.-J. Good. Dis. Sec. 5994 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. - By-meeting, Goodnestone ( 6 ), Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Servicc 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. the Village Hall, at 2 per head. Names, together with cash, please, by Wednesday, June 8 th, to Mrs. R. Brett, Copmans Hall, Goodnestone, Canterbury. 5980 LADIES' GUILD.-North-Western District. -Joint meeting with Northwich Branch, CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, at St. Helen's, Witton. Northwich, Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by June 9 th. to Mr. H. Parker, 64. Church Road. Northwich.-S. P. Wain, Dis. Sec. 6030 Meeting. Saturday, June 11 th. St. Peler, Portishead. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 p.m... at the White Cot Cafe, followed by meeting in the Church. Names for tea by Thursday. June 9 th, to Miss B. Johnson, 10 . Lancashire Road. Bristol

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furness and Lancaster Branches.-Joint meeting at Silverdale, Saturday. June 11 th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Bolton Kirkmeade. Core Road. Silverdale.-N. M Newby and P. Handley. Branch Secs. 6011 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Rochdale Branch.-Meeting. June 11th. at Whitworth (8). Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Cups of tea 5 . and business ( 6 p.m.). at the Vicarage. -Hudson. Sec

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan on Saturday. June 11 th. Bells 2.30 until 7 p.m. Please make your own arrangements for tea LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting at Chorley St. Laurence.
Saturday. June 11 th. Bring own food -L. Saturday. June 11 th. Bring own food -L .
Walmsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-Next meeting at St. Michael's Huyton. on Saturday June 11 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday. June meeth. at the latest. to Mr. W. R. Birchall. 157. 8th. at the latest. to Mr. W. R. Birchall. 157,
Bluebell Lane, Huyton.-I. E. Radelifte. 6057 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Syston District.-Meeting at Thrussington, on Saturday, June 11 th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea in Church Room at 5 p.m. (Ratcliffe-on-the-Wreake bells available 2.30 to 3.45 p.m.) Names by the previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. W. C. Hardy, 30 The Green Thrussington.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. --

 Leicester District-Meeting at Gilmorton, Saturday. June 11th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service ${ }^{4.30 \text {. Tea and meeting in village hall }}$$5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 8 th, please, to Mr. G. Broughton, Main Street. Gilmorton, near Rugby

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District) and MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD : Joint meeling. Measham. June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.C. W. Hall and J. W. Cotton. 6019

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION Southern District-Meeting. Saturday, June 11 th. Evening ringing at St. Mary Abbots, High Street, Kensinglon. 6.30-8 p.m. Afternoon tower to be announced next week.-M. Powell.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N. and E. District-Meeting at St. John's. Stanmore, joint with HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Walford District) Saturday. June 11th Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and further ringing until 8 p.m. Ringing also at St. Margaret's, Edgware, 2.30 p.m. until ${ }^{4}$ p.m. Bucks Branch.-Annual meeting at Steeple Claydon (6), on Saturday, June 11th. Bells a vailable at 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous. No name, no tea guaranteed.-D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whatdon Chase. Aylesbury, Bucks. 6050
hase. Aylesbury. Bucks. OXFORD GUILD-City Branch.-Half yearly meeting at Stanton St. John. Saturday. June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday 8th. to Mr. R. Jones. 118 Oxford Road, Old Marston. Oxford. 6025 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Guilsborough Branch.-Meeting Welford (8), Saturday. June 11th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. to E. M. Thresher, 22, Watson Road Long Buckby.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
6060 Rutland Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Wing. June 11th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark Middle Street. Wing. 6015
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting. Chirton. Saturday, June 11 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Marden' 5 ) and All Cannings (5) also available. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins, 136. Bradley Road. Trowbridge. Wilts.

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SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Meeting at Sherrifhales. Saturday. June 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. June 9th. to Mr. J. Dakin. The Post Office. Sherrifhales. Shifnal. hales.
6051 SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at St. Martin's. Saturday, June 11th, Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. June 9th. to Mrs. D. Leach. Gwalia Wen. St. Martin's. Oswestry. 605? SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD-Annual general meeting. Lichfield. Saturday, June 11 th. Service at St. Michael's Church 3.45 p.m. Tea in St. Michael's Hall 4.30 p.m.. followed by general meeting. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 2.30-3.25 p.m. and $6.30-7.30$ p.m.. St. Mary's (8) and St.

Michael's (6) during afternoon and evening. Also Little Aston (6). Elford (6). Kings Bromley (6): Yoxall (6), Longden (6), from $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .-12.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $7.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea (limited to approx. 125) to Mr. D. J. Tranter. 36. Seven Acres. Aldridge. near Walsall, by Wednesday, June 8 th at the SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD,-North Notts District-Meeting at Misson (6), Saturday. June 11th. Bells 2.30 to 5 p.m.. Bawtry after tea. Names for tea by 7 th to Mr. S. E. Young. White Horse Inn, Misson. Doncaster. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Western Division.-Practice meeting Lyminster (6), on Saturday. June 11 th. at 3 E. W Kory, no facilities for tea available.W. Keys. Hon. Sec.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Annual meeting. Bridlington, on June 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service in Church 4.30. Tea in Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names, please, by June 10 th, to Mr. J. A. Parker, Newhaven. 188. Queeensway. Bridlington. E. Yorkshire.-H. S. Morley. Hon. Dis. Sec. 5989
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.Frome Branch. - Corporate Communion, Kilmersdon. Sunday June 12th. Bells 7.15 a.m. Service 8 a.m. Names for breakfast, to Mr. G. Pomeroy, 6, South View, Babington, near Frome.
DEVON GUILD.-Annual festival, Exeter. June 18 th. Service St. Mark's 4 p.m.. address by the Bishop of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for tea to Rev. C. G. Poulton. 36, Polsloe Road. Exeter. Ringing arrangements: St. Thomas, 1.30-3 p.m., Heavitree 1.30-3, St. Mark's 3-4. Cathedral 6-8.30 p.m.

5985
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Lindsey Branch.-Joint meeting with the BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY at Barrow-on-Humber (8). June 18th. usual arrangements. Names for tea by June 15 th to Mr. A. Crowder, Manor Farm, Barrow-onHumber
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and LADIES' GUILD (Lincolnshire Branch). - Joint meeting at Gosberton. Saturday, June 18th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. 15th, to Mrs. M. Thorley, NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION -Annual meeting at Machynlleth, Saturday, June 18th. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Please notify for tea by June 11th. to W. Cathrall, 19. Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 6006 SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Quarterly meeting at Limpsfield (6). June 18 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Large set of handbells available. Names for tea to Mr . E. Jarrett. 3. Titsey Road. Limpsfield, by June 16th.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 6042
WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION, Northern Branch.-Meeting at Alvechurch (8), Saturday. June 18th. 3 p.m. Service 4.15 D.m.. followed by tea and business. Coach will leave Bell Hotel. Stourbridge at 2.30 p.m. sharp. -Bernard C. Ashford. Sec.. 17. Ham Lane. Pedmore. Stourbridge.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western District.-Annual meeting. Almondbury, near Huddersfield, on June 18th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Committee meeting 4.15. Tea in Church School 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Monday, June 13th. to Mr. R. Jobson. School House. 8, Westgate. Almondbury, Huddersfield.-A. E. Marsh, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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## Birmingham University Society

At the annual meeting of Birmingham University Society on May 17th. Mr. Roderick W. Pipe was elected chairman and Ringing Master and Mr. Alan J. Collins secretary and rreasurer for the session 1960-61.

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## QUARTER PEALS

ABINGIDON, BERKS. (In May 20th, at Si . Nicholas: 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Garlick 1. J. Constance 2. Miss M. A. Carter 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4. A. E. Lock (cond.) 5. C. Corderoy 6. Rung for the visitation of the Bishop.

CAMBRIDGE:-At the Church of St. Mary the Great. on May 19th, 1,242 Grandsire Caters: I Wilkin 1. P. H. Pige 2, J. Schofield 3, Miss H Muirhead 4, M. Hood 5, E. G. Hibbins (cond) 6 T. R. Dennis 7, D. Stubbings 8. J. W. R. Quinney 9. H. Muncey 10. For Confirmation service.

GREAT BADDOW, ESGEX,-On May 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Ainger 1, A. Hudson 2, J. P Brandon 3. R. Millham 4. P. T. Snencer-Phillips (cond.) 5. H. Carter 6 . Ar 88 th birthday compliment 10 Gcorge Green.
HHLLINGDON, MIDDK.-On May 22nd, 1,280 London Surprise Major: W, H. Coles 1, T. G. Banister 2. M. J. Paimer 3, A. R. G. Twinn (first of London) 4. F. W. Goodfellow 5, N. D. Robinson 6, J. Hill (cond.) 7, F. C. Price 8. For Evensong

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS,-On May 8 th , 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Blackshaw 1, D. Armstrone 2, F. Bradley 3, A, Larkin 4 M. Harrison 5. Conducted by 2, 3, 4, 5. For evening srvice.

MARPLE, CHESHIRE.-On April 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Y. Pennington (first quarter) 1. Miss M. McKay 2, A. Oshaldiston 3, H. F. L Groves 4, W. H. Dowse (cond.) 5, R. B. Smith 6. For Evensong.

PATTISHALL. NORTHANTS.-On May 13th. 1.260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): D. Burbidge 1 J. Linnell 2. C. Truman 3. W. F. Eyden 4, G: Shellard 5. W. A. Yates (cond.) 6.
SAWLEY. DERBYS. On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Spliced, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Plain Bob, Grandsire): Mrs. W. Simpson 1. W. Simpson 2. D Marshall (cond.) 3, J. Harvey 4, C. Geary 5. R Newsum 6. Rung for the christening of Susan Elizabeth, daughter of the conductor.
TENTERDEN, KENT.-On May 14th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Bashford (first away from tenor) 1, Violet I. E. Relf 2. W. Tickner 3, P. L Taylor 4, P. Relf 5, B. J. Kingsnorth 6. Conducted by Kathleen M . Yco, Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Dawn S. M. Day to Mr. Antony F. Tipples.
WARBOROUGH, OXON.-On May 21st, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: V. Fox (first on treble) 1, G. Mcllhone 2, Margares Thewlis 3, A. Howes 4, F. Absolom (cond.) 5, M. Welsh (irst quarter) 6. For the renor ringer's 15 th birthday.

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IR. G. NELSON SLOAN, of Christchurch, New Zealand, has sent us the story of his experiences during his memorable trip to England last year, in which he rang in 55 towers, including six cathedrals. As soon as he and Mrs. Sloan arrived at Southampton a welcome awaited them in the person of Dr. R. G. T. Bennett (a past Master of the Christchurch, New Zealand, Society) and Mrs. Bennett, who took them to their home at West Hendred.

His first Sunday in England was, for Mr. Sloan, a memorable day in his life - the ringing of the bells at Christ Church, Oxford. He was met by Mr. Charles Coles, with whom he had been corresponding since 1950, and introduced to Mr. Walter Judge (the Master), Mr. Phil Walker (secretary), Mr. Ted Moore and many others. Later he was taken to St. Martin's and All Saints' Church to ring Grandsire Triples. A tour of the colleges took place in the afternoon, and in the evening there was ringing for evening service at St. Ebbe's with that 88 -year-old veteran Mr. Wilkins.

The following Tuesday was the sixth anniversary of the Queen's coronation, and another great day of ringing with Mr. Coles and other Oxford ringers. The four towers visited included Merton College. As there are only two active ringing Societies in New Zealand-one being in North Island-it is not possible to have ringers' annual outings. It was therefore a wonderful experience to accompany the Oxford Society on their tour and ring in so many towers.

After Oxford came Midsomer Norton, in Somerset, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Savage, who for a time lived in New Zealand, and Mr. Savage was Master of their Cathedral Society at the time of the visit of the Queen and Prince Philip. Again the great fellowship of ringers was experienced, and towers visited included Radstock, Marston Bigott, St. Peter's. Evercreech, and 'the best ring in Somerset'Chewton Mendip. The highlight of his ringing in Somerset, however, was the visit to Wells Cathedral and ringing 'inside' to a touch of Graindsire Caters for Evensong, and afterwards, conducted by the Master (Mr. Gwilym Salmon), taken to see the bells and then to the top of the tower to view the countryside. 'It was with real regret we left Mr. and Mrs. Savage : no family could have looked after us better,' he writes.

The scene changes to the hop fields and/or churches of Kent, with a welcome from Mr. Albert J. Lancefield, who during his stay at Christchurch had conducted three peals for the local Society, one being to commemorate the opening of the bells at St. Peter's, Hamilton, in North Island. It was a great pleasure to meet him again and to be introduced to his parents and brother Mark. With the brothers Lancefield and John Cooper, Mr. Sloan visited many towers, including the lovely ten at Maidstone, where ho rang his first touch of Little Bob Royal. At Bethersden came an unexpected honour of making the first entry in the new visitors' book, and supper afterwards with Mr. and Mrs. Marshall.

The experience of attending an Association meeting was something Mr. Sloan had been looking forward to, and the opportunity came with one arranged specially for the 92nd birthday of Mr. E. Ruck, which was held at Willesborough. The day coincided with his own birthday, and Mr . Sloan felt that he could not have spent it in better company. A visit to Canterbury, to ring for Evensong, gave him an opportunity of meeting some of the ringers who had made the recording which was sent to New Zealand for the centenary celebrations of Canterbury in 1950.

The new bells at Lydd were a great joy, and it was on these beils he scored his first quarter of Grandsire Triples. Ringing in this quarter were the Misses Marie Vantom and Kathleen Yeo, and it was a new experience to ring with ladies. "I must congratulate them and other members of the band on their' excellent striking, comments Mr. Sloan.

The next journey was to King's Lynn to meet Miss Betty Dyer and Mr. Norman Harding. Miss Dyer was in New Zealand a few years ago and rang regularly at the Cathedral, and Mr. Harding by corre-
spondence introduced Miss Dyer to him. It was at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, that Mr. Sloan rang his first quarter of Bob Major. On his last evening he went to Tilney All Saints' to attempt a peal of Plain Bob Minor, which unfortunately failed in the fifth 720 . He sincerely thanks Mr. and Mrs. Harding and Miss Betty Dyer and her family, who made the visit so enjoyable.

On to Clitheroe, Lancashire, to meet Mr. Victor J. C. Wood, with whom Mr. Sloan rang a peal at Christchurch, N.Z., in honour of the visit of the Queen and Prince Philip. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wood, who not only hospitably entertained them but motored them some 200 miles around the Lake District. At St James' Church. Mr. Sloan rang his first peal of Plain Bob Major, which was arranged by Mr. Wood and conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite, to a composition by H. W. Wilde, a btother of the late Mr. James Wilde, with whom he had often rung in New Zealand.

Another great day in Lancashire was the ringing tour arranged by Mr. Wood. A very happy party set off at $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and arrived home at $11.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing took place at High Walton and Whittle-le-Woods before an enjoyable lunch with Mr, and Mrs. Tom Barker. In the afternoon visits were paid to Chorley, Eccleston and Leyland. After a lovely tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crossthwaite, there was evening ringing at Preston Parish Church. Mr. Sloan's last ring in Lancashire was at Blackburn Cathedral, where he had another opportunity of ringing Caters.

Next came a visit to Chichester to stay with Mr. and Mrs. C. Pierce and visit a number of Sussex towers. At Chichester Cathedral he was introduced to Mr. Blackburn, and later had the honour to be one of four to ring handbells at the recital given by the Cathedral choir. He knew about Brighton from the late Mr. George Baker, who died in New Zealand, and while there he rang with a university party at St. Nicholas’ Church.

There was a return visit to Dr. and Mrs. Bennett before going to London. Among the towers visited were Arborfield, East Hendred and Wantage. At Abingdon he net Mr. and Mrs. Locke, and rang Grandsire and Stedman Caters at St. Helen's Church.

Finally came the visit to famous London towers. "I shall never forget,' writes Mr. Sloan, 'how very excited I was to receive a very kind letter from Mr. Hughes inviting me to visit St. Paul's Cathedral to meet Mr. Wilfred Williams (Master), Mr. John Chilcott (secretary) and members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, who would be ringing on the Sunday, and also to visit the Whitechapet Bell Foundry. Sunday could not come quickly enough for me. I attended the morning ringing session and received a very warm welcome. I cannot express adequately how I felt to be in the bell chamber and to be shown the bells swinging at this famous Cathedral. I was present again in the afternoon, and what a thrill it was to me to be invited to ring rounds on No. 6 bell and also to ring it down in peal. When I left New Zealand I had often been asked "Will you get a ring at St. Paul's?." and you can imagine how happy I was to be able to say on my return that I had.'
Other trighlights of the London visit were ringing Grandsire Caters and the tenor to Stedman Caters at St. Margaret's. Westminster, a visit to the Whitechapel Foundry, and finally during his last week-end in London to be invited to attend a meeting of the College Youths at St. Olave's. "The monthly meeting of the College Youths was held that evening, writes Mr. Sloan. "and what a wonderful surprise was in store for me. Mr. John Chilcott invited me to become a member of the Society. This great honour I shall always treasure. Upon being elected I was congratulated by the Master who said my election would give ringing in New Zealand seme standing. I felt very lumble to be the first New Zealand born and trained ringer to be elected to the Society. I was invited to Westminster Abbey when the official band would be ringing for the Battle of Britain Service. It was well worth travelling 12,000 miles to be able to accept such a privilege and to ring a touch of Grandsire Triples on that occasion.

I hope I shall be able to use to advantage in New Zealand the valuable knowledge I have gained while ringing in England.'


DERBY.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat.. May 21. 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of All Saints, A PEAL OF 5031 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 19 cwt 1 Jb . in D .
 Composed by F. Nolan Golden. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. * First peal of Stedman Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At the Roman Catholic Abbey of SS. Thomas and Edmund.
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .3 qr .16 lb . in F .
Muriel Reay .. . Treble
Edgar C. Shepherd. . .. Trebl
Shepherd .. 2 Arthur V. Peapson
Roderick J. Lees .. .. 3 Michael Elson..
George E. Fearn .. .. 4 John McDonald
Composed by W. Barion. Conducted by Arihur V. Pearson.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wed.. May 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

## Tenor 23 cwt

Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay Treble Michael J. Best .. .. 5 Philip N. Tubbs .. .. 2 Ronald N. Marlow Reginald W. Rex .. .. 3 Gwilym Salmon David Hoare .. .. .. 4 John Gilbl:rt .. .. . 7 Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Gwilym Salmun.

## RADCLIFFE. LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wed.. May 18. 1960. in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's variation.
Michael D. Fishwick .. Treble John P. Parington
$\ldots$
$\ldots$
$\ldots$
*James Cunliffe

Rogi:R Leigh
*Gloffre: Forhergill +3
†Geoffrey S. Mills
Cond John Asheroft

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise. † First in the method 'inside. First in the method as conductor


## MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., May 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOK

## Tenor 14 cwl



## BICESTER. OXFORDSHIRE

IHE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat.. May 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Edburg,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

## Tenor 15 cwt .

| David T. Darby | $\ldots$ | .. Treble | Nicholas J. Martin | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robin J. Elliort | $\ldots$ | . | 2 | John G. Pusey | .. | .. | 6 |

*Jean M. Addicoir ..
Jeremy A. M. Salier .. 4 Jamls H. Pailing .. . . Tenor
Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Robin J. Elliott.
*First peal of London Surprise. First of London as conductor.
A birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

## BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
Oit Sat., May 21. 1960. in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF 5152 HEREWARD BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt .2 qr .7 lb.
George F. Sperring .. Treble *tedward V. Rodenhursi
John W. Griffiths .. 2 Dennis H. B. Millward
*John S. Dean
.. $\quad . \quad 3$
Robin J. Lee Prircy SWindley .. ... Tehor
Composed by G. Lindof.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 650$ chd peal.
A birthday peal for F. Hector Bennett and Robert Griffiths (son of the conductor).

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HANLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH SIAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Saı., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $18 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{c}^{2} \mathrm{qr} .4 \mathrm{lb}$.

| Sr | Treble | Harold F. White |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *K. Peter Jones | 2 | Geoffrey Davies |
| Frederick E. Wilshaw | 3 | Richard J. Warrilow |
| Charles A. S. Webb | 4 | Arthur Prit |

Frederick E. Wilshaw.

* Charles A. S. Webb

Composed by Geo. Lewis. *First peal in the method. First of Surprisy Arr Rung to mark the golden jubilee of the city of Stoke-onTrent.

HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE,
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, On Sat., May 21, 1960. in 3 Hours,

At the Church of Si. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES Tenor 17 cwt .2 gr .22 lb

| *John Hicks | Treble | Clifford Skidmore. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *William H. Turner | 2 | Frederick G. Handley. |
| John Lloyd | 3 | Alfred W. Glazzard |
| C. Frederick Jukes | . 4 | $\dagger$ Cyril Bow | Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by Clifford Skidmore. * first peal in the method. † First peal. First peal on the bells since rehanging by John Taylor and Co.. Loughborough.

Rung as a thanksgiving for the restoration of the church and bells.

## KNEBWORTH. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules
Ar the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5088 CODICOTE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $12 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Peter J. Coles

- Treble Jack S. Dear

Patricia M. Bourn
Alick Cutler
Claudia A. Critchley
$\begin{array}{llll}2 & \text { Colin A. S. Harwood } & \text {.. } \\ 3 & \text { G. Wilitam Critchley } & \text {.. }\end{array}$
Composed by J W. Washbrook. Conducied by G. William Critichiey First peal in the method.

## LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
Ont Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Ann. Stamford Hill, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANN. STAMFORD HIIL,
Washbrook's transposition.
John Phillips
Wilfred Williams
Treble
Roblet W. Hinde


2
Alan F. Thirst.
James Phillips
Thomas J. Southam.
Ernest J. Rowe
Conducted by Wilfred Wiliiams.
A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Belcher on their golden wedding anniversary.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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\text { Oiz Sat., May 21, 1960, in } 3 \text { Hours. }
$$

AI 1 he Church of Si. Margarei.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $13 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.
George W. Howlif ...Treble Richard W. R. Coares
A. William Bird
*Michael Uison
Andrew E. Crowe.
Composed by I R PRircian 4
Hirst peal and fi
t attempt.
A birthday compliment to the
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. May 21, 1960 , in 2 Hours and' 53 Minutes.
Ar the Church of Si. Thomas.
Ar The ChURCH OF Si. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwt.1} \mathrm{gr} .22 \mathrm{lb}$. in F.

Bernard F. L. Groves .. Treble
Peier Laflin
John Worih
Bastl Jones
Composed by T. B. WORSIEY
C. Kenneth Lewis

Edward Jenkins
Leslie Boumphrey
Brian Harris
Conducted by Basil Jones.

## NORTHFLEET, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minures.
AI IHe Church of Si. Botolph.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Pitstow's transposition.
Faederick J. Cullum
Donis G. Dobbie
Sianley B. Dobbif
Humert H. Furmingir ... 4 Geurgil. J. Buicher ... ... 7 Conducted by George J. Buicher.
In memoriam Frederick M. Mitchell, vice-president of the above Association.

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CODICOTE SURPRISE, MAJOR
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PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., May 21, 1960. in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At the AbBEy Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition.
Wilfred J. Newman .. Treble
JUSEPH D. Johnson
.. $\quad . . \quad 2$
William J. Newman
Ralph Harris
Patrick Harris
Tenor 28 cwt .

Harph E. Raxter
Conducted by Joseph D. Johnson.
First peal on the bells since being rehung.

## SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sai., May 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .

| \#Rosamund Bull (18) | $\ldots$ | Treble | Michael Knight (16) | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Noreen Wickham (16) | $\ldots$ | 2 | łJohn Harvey | $\ldots$ | . | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| David Parkin (16) | $\ldots$ | 3 | Clive Walklate (16) | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  | +Deborah Wilson (15) .. Composed by J. E. Burton.

* First peal on eight bells. † First 'inside." $\ddagger$ First peal, first attempt.

STANFORD-LE-HOPE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 21, 1960. in 2 Hours and $49 \frac{1}{2}$ Minutes,
At ihe Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Holt's Original.
*Elizabeth D. Mason .. Treble †Frederick W. Mills .. 5 gb.
*David E. Belcham.. .. 2
Joan E. M. Hills . $\dagger$ Frederick. W. Mills
Roy D. Tomlin Michael J. Hallett .. 7
Charles E. Willmington
Conducted by Roy D. Tomlin.

* First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First of Triples. First as conductor. TURNER'S HILL, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB ME MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt . Tenor 14 cwt .

*Olive D. Couchman ... 4 Colin A. Tester
Composed by William Harrison.
* Smh peal. † First of Major in the method.

BLETCHLEY. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (North Bucks Branch.)
On Mon.. May 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part.
Harry Sear
Tenor 15 cwt .2 yr. 6 lb . in $F$.
.. .. .. Treble
Joseph Marksiells ..
Donald J. Meager Roger Cadamy William A. Yates.

Conducted by William A. Yates.

* First pcal in the method.

Rung to mark the 501h anniversary of Joseph's Mark's first pealhe rang the third in both peals to the same composition when it was conducted by Harry Sear. Also to mark George Holland's 18th wedding anniversary.

## OXFORD.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY
On Tues., May 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. EbBe, <br> A PEAL OF 5088 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt .3 gr .19 lb .
Christine M. Woodward Treble Nicholas J. Mariin .. 5

| Andrew N. Stubbs. . | . | 2 | David T. Darby | .. | .. | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Edgar J. Smith | . | . | 3 | Charles Coles .. | .. | .. | 7 |
| Ernest J. Munday | . | . | 4 | James H. Pailing | .. | . Tenor |  | Coriducied by James H. Pailing.

First peal in the method by all the band.
Rung to mark Commonwealth Day.
ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. May 25. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minules.
At the Church of Sr. James.
A PEAL OF 5024 WYE SURPRISE MAJOR
Roger Leigh .......Treble Tenor $11 \frac{1}{c}$ cwt. in Gavid Holland
Vicior J. C. Woud ....
John P. Paringiton .. 3 Norman Smith ..
Michafl D. Fishwick 4 Ian M. Holiand 4 . Composed and conducled by Norman Smiri.
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.
Rung to mark the installation as Mayor of Accrington of Cclr. N.
Bentley, a member of the P.C.C. and a sidesman at this church.


Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Walter Allman. * First peal in the method.

## BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5056 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwl .3 gr .23 lb . in F sharp. Tenor 12 cwl. 3 qr. 23 lb . in $F$ sharp.

 First peal in the method for the Society and by all the band except the ringers of 6 and tenor.

CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
At the Church of St, Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 24 cwt 1 qr 1 lb . in D .
 EAST ILSLEY, BERKSHIRE,
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of Sr. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

## Heywood's transposition.

Walter F. Judge
Walter F. Judge .. .. Treble
Mrs. Par Lewington
Frederick A. H. Wilkins
Cyril J. Hibbiert

Tenor 8 cwt .2 gr. 23 lb.

Conducted 4 Richari) Welis FARNDON CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

## At the Church of Sr. Chad, <br> A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR



Composed by C. Middleton.

- 25 th peal.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Jean. wife of the ringer of the fourth, and as a welcome home peal to Mrs. Raddon, wife of the ringer of the fifth, from convalescence after a serious illress.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May' 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules,

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { AI THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5024 \text { SPLICED BOB MAJOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being 1,280 Plain Boh, 1,280 Little Bob, 1,248 Gainsborough Bob and 1.216 Double Bob, with 154 changes of method. Robert E. Lester.....Treble| Urban W. Wildney. Maurice E. Downs..
Alan R. Syder
Bernard W. Fairhead

| reble | J |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | F |
| 3 | F |
| 4 | $W$ | John Warner Tenor 93 cwt .

$\qquad$
alter Arnold in.
First peal in 4 -Spliced Bob Major by the band, and for the Association.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BREDFIELD. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., Feb. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb . in $G$.

| James B. Morley | . Treble | Roger L. K. Whittell .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Clifford R. Lovett | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ernest G. Pearce ... | | Clifford R. Lovett | .. | 2 | Ernest G. Pearce | .. | . . |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Bennett . . | . | .. | 3 | Leslie N. Melton | .. | . Ter | Conducted by Leslie N. Melton.

OAKLEY, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., April 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents of Kent T.B. and three of.Oxford T.B. Tenor 7 cwt . Charles Brown .. .. Treble William Cracknell $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Albert Lawes ... } & . & . . & 2 \\ \text { Frederick Flati } & \text { Alan Flatt } \\ \text { George Filby }\end{array}$

Conducted by George Filby.

## FORNCETT ST. PETER, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., March 1, 1960. in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents each of Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas', St. Mar-
tin's, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob.
Charles H. Blake .. .. Treble Frank C. J. Arnold
C Frank W. Phillippo .. 2 Wilfred G. Saunders .. 4 H. William Barkeit ...Tenor Conductedi by H. William Barreit.
A 21 st birthday compliment to Mr. Thomas Leonard Blake (second son of the ereble ringer), and also in honour of his erigagement to Miss Joyce Reynolds.

## STANWELL. MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hoars and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-ithe-Blessed-Virgin,
CHURCH OF Sr. MARY-IHE-BLESSED
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Consisting of $2,520 \mathrm{St}$. Martin's. 1,320 Plain Bob, 600 Reverse Cauterbury Pleasure and 600 Grandsire, three 12 -scores and 366 -scores. Tenor 11 cw .
*Juhn E. Pickitit (13) .. Treble *Kenneth E. Young (12). . Tchor $_{4}$ Christopher B. Fynes .. $\left\{\begin{array}{l|l}2 & \text { *Dennis C. Morgan *Ter }\end{array}\right.$ Conducted by Christopher B. Fynes.

## * First peal.

Rung for the wedding of Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

> NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saf., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, A PEAT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr .13 lb . in Fi sharp. *John R. Pratchett .. Treble! F. Lewis Hemstock.. Frederick G. Hooper .. 2 F. William Midwinter .. 5 Harold Stevenson .. 3 Clarence F. Briggs.. .. Tenor Conducted by Frederick G. Hoopler.
Minor.

* First peal of Minor.


## THE STOCKBURY. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
Ai hee Church of Sr. Mary Magdalen,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 26 six-scores of Grandsire and 16 of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt . | * Miss F. R. D. Underhill Treble | George A. Naylor | .. | . | 3 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †James Davey | .. ...... | 2 | George Kenward | $\ldots$ | . | 4 | Conducted by George A. Naylor * First peal, tirst attempt. + First peal "inside.

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THORLEY. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE ST. JAMES', THORLEY, SOCIETY On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minures,

At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
James Forfman
*Cecil Warboys

- Pi:tif Warboys

Tenor 8 cwi .2 qr. 1 lb . Treble Reginald Hayden 2 Thomas Camp Frederick Bird

Tenor
Conducted by Fridfrick Bird.
Conducted by F
st on the bells.
*First peal. First on
Rung hy local ringers.
BRADSTONE, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nonna.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES Tenor 7 cwt.
R. Johns

Treble J. H. Benox
4
5
W. Manning
W. C. Boucher

> | $\ldots$ |
| :--- |
| $\cdots$ | $\mathbf{2}^{3}$ D. Roy Bould $\quad$ L. Cundy.

| .. | . |
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| $\ldots$ | . |
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Tenor

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., May 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minures,

At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being three extents each of Reverse Canterhury, Clifford's Pleasure,
Kenningion and April Day, four of Southrepps, two of Reverse St. Bartholomew, 14 Plain Bob and ten Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt 2 lh. Michael Larcher . . . Treble Trevor M. Rodfrick
Rosemarie E. Jones .. 2 Gwyn l. Lewis..
Chrisiopher J. Hughes . . 3 John Matthews .. Tenor
Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis. WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., May 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's. Oxford, Kent and Plain. Tenor 8 cwt . in A . Walter D. Bailey .. .. Treble A. Edward Leggett
Bernard W. Fairhead .. 2 中David E. Culham.
Evelyn R. M. Cansdale. 3 Allen W. Cansdale
Tenor
Conducted by Allen W. Cansdrie.

* First peal in seven methods. First in seven methods as conductor. ATCHAM, SALOP.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Eata,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Comprising ten extents of Grandsire and 16 each of Plain Bob and April Day.
*Joan Harthill.
Treble
Mary C. Poyner
Philip J. Evans
2
Harry Poyner $\dagger$ Frederick A. H. Cattell 5 †Jim Jones
Conducted by Harry Poynir.
* First peal. \& First in three methods. $\ddagger$ First 6-bell peal. First of Doubles as conductor.

BOSHAM. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. May 21, 1960), in 2 Hours and 39 Minules.
At the Church of The: Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF $\mathbf{5 0 4 0}$ MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Boh. Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and four of Plain Boh.
Bryan C. Burrough. . . . Treble
Leonard Stilwfil .. ... 2 Bfrnard E. Matimews
E. Winifred Keys

## Robrrt Wake

W. Leslif. Weller

Tenor Conducted by Bernard E. Marthews.
BRAMPFORD SPEKE, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
Oit Saf. May 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minures.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5100 DOUBLES
Being 12 extents of Plain Bob. 10 of Stedman. 20 extents and a 60 of Grandsire.
*Krnneth G. Wannell

* Mary Browne

Frank D. Mack

## Treble

Tenor $5 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{gr} .10 \mathrm{lh}$. in B . +David A. Willes

* Peter E. Jupp
- Frank W. ByE

Tenor
Conducted by Frank D. Mack.

- First peal. \& First in three methods.

FARNWORTH, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May' 21 , 1900 , in 2 Hours and 43 Minules.
At thf Chlech of St. LUKE.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Frank Taylor
John Breeze
Clifford W. Shaw
Treble Michael Thompson
Michael Then Ryder
Harold Worrall.
Tenor 13 cwt .

Conducted by Harold Worrall
Believed to be the first peal on the bells since being recast in 1956.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Oxford. Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Trehle Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor $17 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alan G. Payne.
Treble
Frfida P. Greaves
Frida P. Greaves .. .. 2 Harold Barsley
Harold Barsley
Conducted by J. Mariin Thorley.
HORTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(in Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At 1 he Church of St. Michaed
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of Surfleet, Beverley, Cimbridge, York, Durham, Wells and London.
*Jack Riley
Treble Reginald A. Challinor..
Norman Sherratt .. .. 2 Phillip A. Mason
Walter Sherratt . . . 3 Roy Worrall .. .. . Tenor
Conducted by Norman Sherratt.
*First peal. First as conductor. First of seven Surprise by all the band.

## LYDIARD MIILICENT, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minules,
At the Church of All. Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 16 methods: (1) Whitley, Wooler, Northumberland and Carlisle; (2) Munden and Chester; (3) Alnwick and Newcastle; (4) Norfolk and Primrose; (5) Ipswich and Cambridge; (6) Netherseale, Lightfoot and Wearmouth; (7) Hull. Tenor 10 cwt. A. Terence Collins .. Treble Victor Griffin. Lesley J. Bladon .. .. 2 Anthony R. Peake Ronald A. Wright..... 3 Brian Bladon Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.
The most Surprise methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

LYTCHETT MATRAVERS. DORSET.
TIIE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minures,
At this Church of St . Mary-the-Virgin,
Being one extent of Oxford Treble Bob. one of Kent Treble Bob. two of Single Oxford and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr .
William C. Shuie .. Treble A. Edward Reeves..

* Allan D. Mogg . . . $?$ Brian P. Mogg
*Mrs. Margaret M. Godley 3 Philtp W. Mogg ... . Tenot Conducied by William C. Shute.
* First peal in four methods.


## PELSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIFTY FOR THE ARCHDFACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., May 21. 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Churth of St. Michafi. and Ati. Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOLBLES
Being one 240 (Morris') and 40 extents (ten callings). Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Leslie W. Key $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 2 \quad$ Karnabas G. Key $\cdot \cdot$ Conducted by Barvabas G. Key.

- First peal of Grandsire Doubles.

PUCKLECHURCH. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Snt., May 21. 196(), in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the: Church of St. Thcmas-a-Bfecket,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOLBLES
Being ten six-scores each of Grandsire. April Day and Reverse St. Bartholomew, and 12 of Plain Boh.
Myra J. Wilkins .. .. Treble *Brian K. Lewis
Gloria M. Newton.. .. 2 Henry Taysom.
Anihony W. Gibbs .. .. 3 John A. Powell .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Anthony W. Gibas.

* First peal 'inside. First of Four Doubles methods for all the band except the ringer of the second.


## ROYDON. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 21. 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Pritir.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANISSIRF DOLBLES
Being ten different callings.

- Arthur C. Howard .. Treble Benjamin G Burton
+Robirt D. Sams .. .. 2 Alfred A. Livings
Walter P. Sams .. $\quad .$.
Conducted by Walter P. Sams.
- First peal. + First inside.

Rung to mark the retirement of Mr. H. G. Shaw, choirmaster and organist at this church for 47 years.

SILK WILLOUGHBY. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr .18 lb .
*Peter Finney (13) .. Treble William R. Marsh .. .. 4
*Roger Trevitt (12) .. 2 Walter Weston ... .. 5 Frederick Derry .. .. 3 James h. Musson .. .. Tenor Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Earl Jermyn and Lady Juliet Fitzwilliam.

MOULTON. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Surflect. Beverley and Cambridge.
 Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

> LANGDON HILLS, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Marr-the-Virgin and Ail Saints, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Lightfoot, Alnwick, Chester. London, York. Beverley and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .4 lb .
 Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 3 Howard W. Egllestone.. Tenor Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

> ELM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of all Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor 13 cwt . in F sharp.

| *A. Keith Phillips | .. | Treble | John Wilson |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stanley G. Else | .. | 2 | 2 | Ernest H. Martin | .. | .. | 4 | | Stanley G. Elsey | .. | . | 2 | Ernest H. Mastin | .. | . | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| M. Roland Reed | .. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Graham J. Mann | $\ldots$ | . | Tenor | Conducted by Ernest H. Mastín.

* First peal.

Being seven different. $720^{\circ}$ s.
Mary Madison
Tenor size 14 in D
Leslie N. Melton .. .. 5 -6
Conducted by Leslie N. Melton.
First peal 'in hand as conductor.

## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE. <br> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> On Fri.. May 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes. <br> At the Church of St. James, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR <br> Being one extent each of Oxford T.B.. Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Double Rob, Childwall, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor III cwt. in G. <br>  <br>  <br> T

## Conducted by Norman Smith.

* louth peal. for the Association.
SWYNNERTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Tenor 9 cwt .

Conducted by G. Arnold Moore.
* First peal. First in the method thy all except the conductor.
Rung half-muftled in memoriam Mrs. Phillips, a lifelong worker at this church.



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 <br> HANDEL PEAL <br> IPSWICH. SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUILD. <br> On Sun., April 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes, <br> At 365. Felixstowe Road, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR <br> HANDEL PEAL}
ley $. . \quad . \quad 3-4$ 3

## The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

## HALF PEAL

TUDDENHAM ST. MARTIN, SUFFOLK.-On May 19th, 2.880 Minor ( 1,440 Kent Treble Boh and 1.440 Plain Bob): R. G. Crooks 1. R. F. Taylor 2 14. A. Misson 3. J. E. Ivings 4, J. L. Girt 5, R. E.
Lester (cond.) 6. Rung after peal failure as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. P. Biddlecombe.

BENHILTON, SURREY.-On May 22nd, 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: W. Dixon (first quarter) 1, M. Anne Burton 2. Emily Lane 3, Patricia Collins 4, P. W. S. Rickardson (cond.) 5. R. Moorc 6. Rung for the christening this day at Taplow, Bucks, of Ruth Elizabeth and Lynn Patricia, twin daughters of Clifford and Ansela Blundell.
CAM. GLOS.-On May 3 rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): K. Bean 1. R. Mcluing 2. C. Leg8 3. R. Hedges 4, R. Cox (cond.) 5, J. Wondward 6. Rung with hells half-mufled as a token of respect to Mrs. E. May, mother of Leonard and Edna, twoth ringers at this church, interred this day.
Chalfont st. GILES, BUCKS.-On Palm Sunday. April 10th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Bonam ${ }^{(f i r s t}$ quarter) 1, B. Cracknell (cond.) 2. Mrs. P. Cracknell 3, A. Atkins 4, B. Edwards 5, T. Bonam 6 . For evening service. Also on April 24th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: B. Edwards 1, Mrs. P Cracknell 2, P. Atkins 3. A. Fortin 4. C. J. Shepherd 5, B. Cracknell (cond.) 6 . For Evensong.

CHILDWALL, LIVERPOOL, LANCS.-On May 13th. 2,100 Minor (Cambridge, Kent T.B., Oxford T. B. and Plain Bob): G. H. Pullin 1, F. Anderton 2. Alice E. J. Lester 3, E. C. Birkett 4, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 5, A. J. Martin 6. A 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Lester.

CLYST HONITON, DEVON.-On May 13 th, 1,264 Plain Boh Major: C. J. Turner 1, J. Manley 2, P. Davis 3, E. W. Rowe 4, J. Arbury 5, J. Quick 6. C. C. Turner 7. G. E. Retter (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major for 2 and 7 .

CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE-On May 15th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Linda M. Jones (13, first of Major) 1. I. A. Richardson 2, P. A. Richardson 3, Mary Barlow 4. G. L. Chambers 5, D. A. Smedley 6, L. Bacon 7. J. R. Ketteringham (cond.) 8. For Evensong. CROWCOMBE, SOMERSET.-On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Welsher 1, M. Baker 2, Miss
 DENBY. Chidley 6.
DENBY, DEREYS.-On May 7th, 1,380 Doubles (St. Martin's, S. Simon's. S. Nicholas, Winchenden, Slapton S.C. Thornborough S.C.. Reverse Canterbury, Prain Boo and Gramitio: P. Wetion 1. E. Wathatac 2. D. Prakin 3. E. H. Whiloum 4. D. Walktac (cona)
 15th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: G: M. Harvey 1, A. M. Stacey 2, S. Croft 3, H. J. Eldred 4, D. Theedom 5, A. Fulwell 6. W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, Miss E.
Palmer 8. For Evensong. Palmer 8. For Evensong.
ECKINGTON WOBCS
ECKINGTON, WORCS.-On May 1 Ith, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Haylings 1, R. Perks 2, J. firkins 3. A. Halling 4, E. W. Penn S. M. Hawkes
(cond.) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the second, and also for the birth of his first granddaughter.

EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On May 29th, 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: J. Bacon 1. W. George 2. D. Langdion 3. T. Hawkins 4. I. Weeks (first in method as cond.) Trudy Newcombe 6 . For Evensong.
EPSUM, SURREY. On May 29th. at Christ Church. 1.269 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Warwick (16. firit quarter) 1. R. Fentiman (19, first "inside') 2. Adrienne Gibson (17, cond.) 3. D. Herschell (15) 4. Sylvia Marsh (17) 5. Sally Hewitt (15) 6. For Commonwealth Youth Sunday scrvice.
ERDINGTON: BIRNINGHAN1-On May $15 t h$.
1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. S. Burbidge 1. M. G.
Ingram 2. A. Short 3. J. W. Petigrew 4. D. R. Ingram 2, A. Short 3. J. W. Petsigrew 4. D. R. (first of Triplesi) 6. E. J. Franklin (cond.) 7, R. C. (first of Triplei) 6. E. J. F
Ingram 8. For Evensong.
FEERING. ESSEX.-On May 29th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: C. Tyrner 1. W. G. Wade 2. S. Fisher 3 , cond) 6. J. Papworth 7, A. T. Beckwith 8 . FORDHAM, CAMBS.- On May 22nd, 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: J. Goodwin (13, first quarter) 1. R.
Munns (first quarter "inside") 2. R. Palmer 3, R. Morley 4. M. Tester (cond.) 5. D. Morley 6. By the Sunday service band.

GRANBY, NOTTS.-Un April 21st, 1.260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): R. Blackshaw 1, D. Armatrong (cond.) 2, F. Bradley 3. M. Harrison 4, A. Larkin 5, J. Higes 6. First quarter on bells since


 Treat:

## QUARTER PEALS

GREAT PONTON, LINCS.-On May 28th. 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Thomas 1, P. Slight 2, R. I. Hill 3, F. Pinchbeck 4. J. Meredith (cond.)

First of Plain Bob Doubles for 1 and 2. Rung 2s a compliment for the engagement of Miss Jean Hoy and Mr. Brian Buswcll.
GUILDFORD, SURREY.-On April 17th, at the Church of St. Nicholas, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R Stevens (first quarter) 1, E. J. Wells (cond.) 2, Miss D. Harfices (first 'inside') 3. Miss A. M Cox 4. Miss S. R. Collins 5, P. Olroyd (first quarter) 6. Also 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Olroyd 1, E. J. Wells (cond.) 2, Miss D. Harfieet 3. Miss S. R. Collins 4.

## F. Olroyd 5. R. Stevens 6.

HACKNEY, LONDON,-At St. John of Jerusalem, on May 15 th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Penfold 1, F. G. Richardson 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock J. Fowler 5, L. S. Woods (cond.) 6, T. Ease 7, A. J. Salisbury 8. 'Rung at the invitation of the Vicar for the televised service attended by the Bishop of London in connection with the Florence Nightingale centenary.
HIGHCLERE, HANTS.-On May 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): P. E. Dodd 1. Cherry White 2, E. Woolgrove 3. Hazel White 4, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 5, Mrs. Sylvia Dodd 6. W. Kewell 7, F. Kewell 8. Rung for the visit of H.M. the Queen and H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh to attend morning service. The bells were also rung as Her Majesty and her party left after the service.

## Hints For Beginners-24

To stand comfortably when ringing keep your heels reasonably close and perhaps one foot slightly in front of the other. Move your feet as little as possible.

LUTON, BEDS.-On May 29th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: B. Hulatt 1, G. Hawkins 2. J. G. Newman 3, R. Kendall 4, H. Wond 5. A. E. Rushton 6, A, J.
Smith (cond.) 7, C. Mann 8. For morning service Smith (cond.) 7, C. Mann 8. For morning service
on Mayor's Sunday. The conductor has now 'circled the tower to quarter peals.

LYME REGIS, DORSET. -On May 29th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Canon C. Carew Cox 1, C. W. Powell (cond.) 2, J. Looker 3, G. Gaylard 4, Mrs.
C. W Powell 5, F. Knight 6, H. Gaylard 7, J. C. W. Powelt 5, F. Knight 6, H. Gaylard 7, J.
Rattenbury 8. Rung as a compliment to Canon Cox on the 50 th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.-On May 22nd. 1.312 Double Norwich Court Boh Major: Diana M. Pipe 1, K. Minchinton 2, G. W. Pipe (cond.) 3, J. H. Fryer (16) 4. W. Watson (15) 5, G. W. Heyes 6, A. H. Fisher 7, I. J. F. Roper 8. First quarter in the methoud by all the band except the conductor and first in Australia. For Matins,
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On May 24ith, 1.440 Minor (Spliced Oxford and Kent T.B. Oxford T.B.. Kont T.B. Plain Bob): Ann Hancock 1. L. Cordell 2. M. McQuistan 3. R. Bridges 4, J. McPhail 5. W. Wedlock (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the captain (Mr, H. King).
PETERSTON-SUPER-ELY, GLAM.-On May 10th. 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. W. Goodfellow 1. E. J. R. Hartley 2, R. G. Harard 3, A. F. R. Hattley 4, B. Taylor 5, A. M. Coombs (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band. A bitthday compliment to treble ringer.
PURLEIGH. ESSEX.-On May 21st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Grinstead (first quarter) 1. Mrs. M. Roast 2, H. W. Eggleston 3, P. W. Santmarsh 4. E. G. Roast 5. D. A. S. Symonds (cond.) 6.

RANMORE, SURREY,-On May 15th, 1.344 Plain
Bob Major: Alison Read (first of Major) 1. Mary Bob Major: Alison Read (first of Major) 1. Mary
Munt (first of Máior - inside') 2. C. Lloyd (first of Major) 3, Ethel Cleat 4. A. P. Cannon (cond.) 5 , G. F. Pratt 6. Rev. C. Munt 7. E. G. L. Coward 8. First quarter of Major by a Dorking local band. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. C. and Miss M. Munt, who are leaving for Cheriton, Kent.
REIGATE, SURREY.-On May 29hh, 1.260 Grandsire Caters: Freda Hankey (first of Caters) 1, E. G. Talbot 2, J. H. Euston 3, A. Sereeter 4, G. A.
Parsons 5. A. Bull 6, A. T. Shelton 7, W. H. Inwood Parsons 5. A. Bull 6, A. T. Shelton 7, W. H.
8. E. G. L. Coward (cond.) 9, K. Game 10 .
ROMSEY, HANTS. On May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Edwards 1, Miss A. J. Knight (cond.) 2. M. L. Northway 3, C. M. White 4. M. D. G. Northway 5, K. J. Jacobs 6, H. J. Pase 7. R. C. B. Smallman 8. Rung for the election of
Councillor R. H. Harvey as Mayor of the Borough.

ST. BRIDES MAJOR, GLAMORGAN.-On April 9th. 1,440 Minor ( 720 Kent and Oxford, 720 Plain Bob): E. Morris 1, Rosemary Jones 2, R. Throsby 3. D. Llewellyn 4, T. M. Roderick 5, R. Wright (cond.)

SALISBURY, WILTS.-(In May 29ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. A. Roles 1, R. O. Fry (cond.) 2. H. Prout 3. I. Ann Abrahams 4, Margaret R. Page 5 , E. C. Reaj 6, L. A. Page 7, B. J. Lawes 8. Fir Evensong. Rung with congratulations to the Master of the Guild. Canon C. Carew Cox, on the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthond.
SANDFORD ST. MARTIN, OXON.-On May 11th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Coleman 1. Miss D. French 2, B. Davis (first "inside") 3, Mrs. A. Bennett 4. R. Reeves (cond.) 5, P. Reeves 6. First quarter for 2 and 4.

SHOREDITCH, LONDON.-At St. Leonard's, on May 22 nd, 1,287 Stedman Caters: Miss D. Deverell 1, Mrs. R. F. Deal 2, Miss M. Marte 3. Mrs. F. I. Matthews 4, C. Hughes 5, F. E. Hawthorne 6, A. R. Francis 10.
sOUTHGATE LONDON.-At Christ Church, on May 25 th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. G. Gates 1, Ann Aldridge 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, H. Miller 5, C. Aldridge (cond.) 6. For Festal Evensong on the Eve of the Ascension.
STEPNEY, LONDON.-At St. Dunstan's, on May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callings): Joyce Willson (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Stevinson (first as cond.) 2, Hazel Weedon (first 'inside ') 3. L. Fox 4. A. Lewry 5, J. Scotcher 6. For Evensong.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On May 18th. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mivs J. Cook 1, Miss M. Wright 2, V. Griffin (cond.) 3, S. J. Withey 4, Dr. G. C. Raworth 5, Miss C. Lanslcy 6. For Evensong on the Day of Prayer and Gifts, also to congratulate Mrs. Pinnock on her 105 birthday.
TANWORTH IN ARDEN, WARWICKS.-On May 2nd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. W. Pipe (cond.) 1. Tessa P. Kemp 2, R. Ann Barr 3. Elizabeth Oake shott 4, J. D. Atkinson 5, A. J. Collings 6, P. W. Webb 7, C. A. Catt 8. By the Birmingham University Society.

WAKEFIELD, YORKS. - At the Cathedral, on May 29,h (Oak Apple Day), 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Miss L. Gott 1, Mrs. W. F. Moreton 2, W. F. Moreton 3. J. L. White 4, P. Woodward 5, D. Cubitt (cond.) 6. H. Chant 7, G. Townend 8, K. Park 9, J. E. Kirby 10. To commemorate the 300th anniversary of the Restoration of the Monarchy
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On May 22nd, 1,344 Grandsire Major: C. A. Diggins 1, Miss G. Newcombe 2, F. C. Maynard 3. A. J. Boyack 4, F. Sykes 5, P. D. Chapman 6, T. Hawkins 7. B. R. Downes (cond.) 8. First of Grandsire Major for all except 3 and 4. For Evensons. Also on May 29th, 1.344 Grandsire Triples: C. Digkins 1, F. C. Maynard 2. B. R. Downes (cond.) 3. A. J. Boyack 4, F. Sykes 5. P. D. Chapman 6. D. Hewitt 7, F. Taylor 8. For Evensong.
WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.-On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. R. Maple 1. Miss J. Horion 2, M. Newth 3. J. Newell 4. B. Fiprhall (cond.) 5. D. Hugill 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss R. Maple (1) Mr. K. Snith.

WEST HARTLEPOOLS. CO. DURHAM.-On Mar. 13th, 1.280 Kent T.B. Maior: J. Woodman 1. J. Pladdys 2, J. Payne 3. M. Machin 4, R. Anderson 5, J. Maughan 6. R. Webster 7. W. Maughan (cond.) 8. For evening service. Also on Mar, 27th, 1,296 Little Boh Major: J. Maughan 1. 3. Pladdys 2. M. Machin 3. M. Maughan 4. R. Anderson 5. R Webster 6, J, Wnodman 7, W. Maughan (cond.) 8 For evening service and a faremell in the ringer of the 7 th .
WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On May 22nd, 1.296 Beverley Surpriss Minar: Caroline Carpenter 1. Susan Rawlings 2, M. H. Sinden 3. J. Perrell 4. A, Blagworth 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. First in the method for all the band and on the bells. Rung for Evensong.

WOLLATON, NOTTINGHAM.-On May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Daft 1, G. Stroud 2, P. W Hawcock 3. P. J. Hawcock 4. R. Preson (first as
cond.) 5, R. Stroud 6. A compliment in Peter Ciles (Ringing Master) and Hazel Gale, on their engagement

WOODSTOCK, UXON.-On May 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. W. Franklin 1. D. J. Wooliscroft 2, D, S. Holley 3, R. Datson (first quarter) 4, H. P. Floyd (cond.) 5, W. W. Franklin 6. Rung for the birthday of Miss D, S. Holiey.
WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On May 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie Powell 1. J. E. Pullon 2. Heather M. Pullon 3. A. D. Cook 4. R. S. Smith 5, P. Cattermole (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong by raembers of the local band.

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It was an unexpected honour for the ringers at St. Michael and All Angels; Church. Highclere. to be called upon to ring a quarter peal on Sunday, May 29th, when the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attended morning service. The request was made the previous Thursday evening and three Andover ringers were called in to strengthen the local band. Other members of the local band had the pleasure of ringing as the Royal party left the church.
Because of special services, Wednesday practices at Winchester Cathedral will be on Tuesday, June 14th, Tuesday, June 21 st , Thursday, June 30th and Thursday, July 14th.

Ringing the treble in the Royal wedding quarter peal at Ashford, Kent (see page 347), Was Rita E. Gould and not Rosemary E. Gould.

It was very appropriate that for the Commonwealth Youth Sunday service at Epsom, the band for a quarter peal should be composed exclusively of young people. The conductor was Miss Adrienne Gibson, aged 17 years.

Work has started on the restoration of St . Nicholas', Kenilworth, and the rehanging of the present six bells in a new iron frame by Messrs. Taylors. of Loughborough. It is hoped to complete the work in about six months. The local band are appreciative of the invitation to practise in neighbouring towers while awaiting the return of their own bells.

After the peal of Stedman Triples at Ilsley, on May 28 th , the band were entertained sumptuously to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Hibbert. They then joined the Appleton ringers at their Saturday evening, practice and afterwards came a March 4 th' in retrospect. The member of the band whose birthday coincided with the day could not have been "treated, better or 'more often, had he been Royalty. The peal was a compliment to Mrs. W. East, cousin of three of the band, who has been organist at St. Mary's for nearly 50 years.

## GOSSIP

'The completion of the peal of Plain Bob Major at to many Derby ringers, write our correto many Derby ringers, write our corre-
spondent. Its success was a matter of congratulation to John Harvey on his first peal at first attempt, Deborah Wilson on her first - inside ' and Rosamund Bull on her first on eight. Perhaps, we should also add the conductor.

Somewhat belatedly we have received another Royal wedding peal, making the 122 nd .

The Rev. D. G. Brunning, of Usk, informs us that no one can hold office in the Church unless confirmed and in the Church of Wales all godparents now have to be confirmed.

Within four days, Somerby, Leicestershire, lost two of its veteran bell ringers. They were Mr. William H. Kenney and Mr. James W. Underwood. Both were 78 years of age.

In the peal of Doubles in three methods at Brampford Speke, Devon, on May 21st, there were four first pealers, all of whom are members of the youthful and enthusiastic band at Topsham.
Mr. James H. Musson, the well-known Lincolnshire ringer, had great pleasure in calling a peal for the wedding of Earl Jermyn and Lady Juliet Fitzwilliam, as he had worked on the Lincolnshire estate of the Earl for many years. Unfortunately at the first attempt on April 28th the clapper of the third bell fell on during the fourth extent, but success crowned the second attempt.

How many Quakers have we in the Exercise? Miss Mary Maddison, of Ipswich, has been a member of the Socicty of Friends for eight years and a ringer for the last three years. 'It is my practice, she writes, 'to ring for a church service and then attend meeting for worship. I belong to four ringing associations, and my religious views are well-known, yet I have at all times been warmly welcomed into any tower I have visited, and am proud to have a large circle of ringing acquaintances, including some Anglican priests, whom I respect.' So let it be.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY



## CHESTER GUILD FESTIVAL AT ECCLESTON

THE Chester Diocesan Guild, for its annual festival held at the picturesque village of Eccleston on May 14th, was privileged to have with them the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, who is a ringer, having rung in one peal and many of the churches in his diocese.
Dr. G. A. Ellison preached the festival sermon from Ephesians iv, 13: "Unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ': 'We are glad to be perfect,' said the Bishop, 'and the ideal that is set before each one of us is nothing less than perfection. Our Lord says that we are to be perfect as our Father is perfect.'

## MISSING PERFECTION

- Ringing is a pleasant skilled occupation or hobby for a sacred purpose and therefore, although ringers may do their work with great efficiency, it will miss that perfection for which is strives, and only reach it when it has recognised that ultimate purpose for which it has been outpoured. To make a joyful noise to the Glory of God, those who make the glorious music of bells make it an offering to Him who has given the skill and material.

Secondly, we also ring for the purpose of calling our fellow Christians into God's House to come and offer their worship and so by what we are doing we are expressing our unity with Almighty God, also that of the whole of His Church, for as we ring in one particular tower, we ring not only to call the people of that locality, but we ring it across the whole world proclaiming the Glory of God and duty of man.

We must carry that unity out into the life which we live beyond. We learn a unity with God and His Church and that is something which the whole world and every individual in it needs most desperately. We can tell people that through the craft which we exercise we have learnt the joy to do something which is difficult but which we think worth doing. The worry of a broken home and the trouble and ill-feeling in a community, we can tell them from our experience that it is good to do something complete, and how joyiul it is to be in unity. We can also tell the world that unity cannot be achieved fully unless our lives are related to the purpose of Almighty God, who has created His world and has called us to be obedient to His calling.'

The annual meeting followed tea in the Village Hall. when over 130 members and friends enjoyed an excellent meal arranged by the local branch.

## A GUILD BADGE

Among the decisions reached was the provision of a Guild badge for sale to members, the annual dinner to be held on October 8 th, and the festival in 1961 to be held at Macclesfield.
It was also decided to send a letter of congratulation to the band of the Essex Association. which had recently rung the greatest number of changes.
Officers re-elected were Messrs. J. W. Clarke. Master: John Worth. Deputy Master: H. O. Baker, honorary secretary and treasurer: C. K. Lewis, report secretary ; Mrs. C. K. Lewis, peal recorder : librarian, P. Laflin: Central Council representatives, J. W. Clarke. H. O. Baker, A R. Elkins and John Worth.

The annual report recorded the deaths of Mrs. J. Fernley (Norbury), Tom Arrowsmith (Lawton). S. Depledge (Taxal). T. Huxley (Handley). J. Minshull (Macclesfield) and W. O. Wharton (Oxton)

The membership of the Guild is: honorary members 16 . life ringing members 17, ringing members 718. These represent 89 towers.

## PEAL PERFORMANCES

One peal was omitted from last year's report and had been included with the 109 rung during $1959-106$ on tower bells and three in hand. In these peals 137 resident and 30 non-resident members took part. Twenty-two members rang their first peal, 11 their first in the method inside, and 64 their first peal in a new method or methods. There were 30 conductors and three called a peal for the first time.


## MR. A. W. COLES,

Middlesex Association
Mr. A. W. (Bert) Coles will long be remembered as the orginator and organiser of the very successful rallies of veteran ringers held in London for several years past. He conceived the idea that personal invitation would have the effect of making the older ringers feel that they were really wanted, and the result has been that many happy reunions of old acquaintances have been brought about. It has meant the writing of literally hundreds of letters, and the expenditure of not a little money on postage. Truly a labour of love-

The first peals ever of Kinnerton Imperial Bob Major. Littleton I Imperial Major and Overleigh Imperial Bob Major were rung by the Guild. and a record length of 9.568 Spliced Surprise Major rung at Over. Pudsey Surprise Maximus. Superlative Surprise Maximus, Lincolnshire Surprise Royal and Cornwall Surprise Major were rung for the Guild for the first time.

- The appearance of new methods in our records is evidence that the art is vitally alive in the Guild, and we would urge more bands to venture outside what is usually termed standard methods.

The statement of accounts showed an increase of $£ 3818 \mathrm{~s}$. 2 d . in the balance to $£ 61$ 19s. 6 d ., but this included subscriptions from one band for the current year of $\pm 113$ s. 9 d . No charge was made for Central Council representatives' expenses. The Bell Restoration and Augmentation Fund had increased to $£ 1723 \mathrm{~s}$. The report and accounts were approved.
Kinging took place after the meeting at Eccleston and Chester (St. Mary without the Walls).

## Wallingiord Grammar School

For the first time in its long history a team of pupils from Wallingford Grammar School rang the bells of St. Mary-le-More, Wallingford. for the annual Founders' Day service on June 2nd. Only call changes were rung tut the striking was good, taking into account the ages of the boys and the weight of the beils. The ringing was under the supervision of Mr. Claude Corderey, of Blewbury Parish Church.
The boys were: J. Webb (18, Benson), T Howes (17. Benson). G. Mcilone (13. Warborough), R. Howes (14. Warborough). R Partridge (13, Wallingford). A. Esplin 16. P Esplin. 14 (Blewbury). M. Young ( 15 , Cholsey), P. Selwood (17, Dorchester), R. Bird (17, East Hagbourne), R. Hill-Baldwin (13, Cholsey) and M. Corderey (14, Blewbury).
but bringing a rich reward, for the pleasure of the 'old timers' in meeting each other is so obvious and sincere.

Bert Coles, brother of the late C. T. Coles, was born in London in 1888, and followed his father as a writer and embosser. He and Charles learned to ring at St. George's East Charles learned to ring at St. George's East
in 1903 , under the instruction of G. B. Lucas, of Walthamstow. He joined the Middlesex Association in 1905, and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) in 1906 at St. George's East. By 1911 he had conducted his first peal (Stedman Triples) at Cubitt Town. Then came a break due to the 1914-18 war, during which he served in the R.A.F

On demobilisation he entered the Engineering Department of the G.P.O. (1919), and also resumed his ringing activities. He began a long period of service in the Middlesex Association, and was elected District Master in 1929 to 1935. On the death of William Pye, he was elected Master, serving until 1935. He was made a vice-president in 1946, and served in this capacity until 1953.

Having a flair for instruction, he was appointed instructor to the bands at Bloomsbury, Clerkenwell, Bethnal Green, and other places. Closely associated with William Pye, he became a member of the pioneer band which rang the first peals of Spliced Surprise Major in three and five to 12 methods, and the first peals of Spliced Surprise Royal and Maximus. In 1948 he was awarded the Imperial Service Order.

His peals total to date is 481 , of which he has conducted 12. Noteworthy amongst these are 10.440 Cambridge Royal, at Walthamstow, in 1923: 7.392 Cambridge Maximus at St. Mary-le-Bow. in 1925: the first peal at Buckfast Abey (old bells) in 1930, and the first peal of Cambridge Maximus, at Exeter Cathedral, in 1932. Bert Coles is a member of 30 Associations or Guilds, and it is gratifying to note that he is bringing up his son, Peter John, in the proper Coles tradition, to be a ringer, for if he turns out to be as good as his father-he'll do!

## GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS

The annual meeting of the Guild took place on May 21st. Members gathered first at the Church of Peter, Benington, where ringing began soon after 3 o'clock. It usually takes a little while for this necessarily scratch company to produce their best results in a new tower, and so it proved, but in the half hour before the service at 4.30 good touches of Double Norwich and of Stedman. were achieved.

Unfortunately, the Rector, the Rev. K. O. Morris, was prevented from conducting the service by a car breakdown, and the Guild was most grateful to Mr. J. Thomas, of Benington School, who took the Rector's place at very short notice

Afterwards the party moved on to the recently rehung six at Aston-in fact the whole of the tower has been restored after an outbreak of fire. Comment on the bells was most favourable, and they do great credit to the founders responsible. Methods rung included most of the standard Minor ones, Plain, Treble Bob and Surprise.

The annual general meeting was held at the 'Coach and Horses,' Stevenage, before dinner. After receiving a report on the year past, officers were elected for 1960/61 as follows: President. W. R. Winkerton; Master. D. J. Neal Smith; secretary, D. L. Gullick. The details for the Dorset meeting on July 2nd and 3rd were announced aral it was decided to hold the London meeting on November 12 th, and next year's annual general meeting on May 13th
A most enjoyable dinner followed by handbell touches concluded a very successful occasion. In addition to members of the Guild, during the meeting guests and visitors took a very active part. In particular, the Guild was happy to have as its guest Mr. Rex Agg. the newly appointed secretary of the Hertfordshire Association.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Subscription To Be Reviewed
THE festival and annual general meeting of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was held at Wimborne on May 14th, when most towers in the Wimborne Branch were open for ringing during the day. The proceedings commenced with the annual general meeting in the Grammar School, when the Guild was welcomed by the chairman of the Urban District council, Councillor A. R. Maiden.
The Master of the Guild, Canon Cox, presided and opened the meeting with prayer. He replied to the welcome given in suitable terms.

The annual report covering 1958-59, which had been just published, contained the henorary secretary and treasurer's report and it was not deemed necessary to read it to the meeting, it being moved to be taken as read. Mr. West, however, had something to say about the statement of accounts, peinting out to the meeting that the balance in hand in the current account was not enough to cover the expenses. He asked permission to draw on the deposit ascount if required, and also dropped what may be described as a 'bombshell,' when he suggested the members' subscription be raised. This was discussed and after Mr. True had reminded the members that notice of motion must be given under Rule 11, it was proposed and carried that notice be given that the subscription be raised.'

## REVISION OF GUILD OFFICE

A sub-committee had been at work on this. The meeting decided to give permission to act and have sufficient copies printed for the Guild, when the final draft had been passed by the Bishop. In his remarks, the Master complimented those responsible for having the report published before the annual meeting. Continuing, he said a telegram had been sent to the Royal family on the birth of a Prince. Copies of the telegram and reply had been circulated to the Branches. A suggested form of belfry prayers. in card form, had been drawn up and sent to the Bishop who had given his approval. These cards will be sent cut to all towers.

He said some of the Branch reports made good reading; there was a lot of instruction heing done in the form of extra practices, but an increase in members attending Branch meetings would be welcomed. He also asked the secretary to send congratulations to Mr. L. A. Wilson, vice-president, who had just celebrated his diamond wedding.
The whole of the retiring officers were reelected for the ensuing year: Canon CoxMaster; Mr. W. C. West, hon. secretary and treasurer: Mr. F. S. Slatford, hon. assistant
secretary: Mr. J. S. Weeks and Mr. C F secretary; Mr. J. S. Weeks and Mr. C. F,
Andrews, honorary auditors. A new office Andrews, honorary auditors. A new office
which had been created was honorary librarian and to this the Rev. W. Uphill was appointed. Mr. G. H. Harding put the motion that thanks be accorded to all officers for their work. The Guild Committee was re-elected en bloc. Honorary life members elected: the Rev. W. Uphill. Mrs. Day and Mr. Hiscocks (Wareham). Mr. F. Haines (Wilton). Mr. Roberts (Berwick St. John).
Grants of money were made to Warminster £5 5s.. Charminster $£ 3$ 3s., Askerwell (second grant) £2 2 s .

> LOSSES BY DEATH

The following members, who had passed away during the year, were mentioned: William Chalk (honorary life member), Mr. Frank Taylor (Wylye). Mrs. Blanche Híbbard (Tidpit). Mr. Davis (honorary secretary, Wimborne Branch), who had recently lost his wife, and Mr . Paul Field, who although not living in the Guild, having also been bereaved, were coupled with a vote of sympathy expressed by the Master.

It was decided to hold the next annual festival in Calne, the second Saturday in May. 1961.

The service was held in the Minster, the Vicar, the Rev. S. M. Epps, officiating. Canon Cox read the lesson. The Lyme Regis ringers rang a course of Grandsire Caters on handbells. the service being an inspiration to all.
Tea was served in the Grammar School after which a presentation was made to Canon Cox for his great services to the Guild as Master for the past 20 years. The honorary general secretary gave a few details of the work carried through by the Canon and then lianded over the Master to the tender mercies of Rcv. R. N. Longridge. Vicar of Bourton and honorary secretary, North Dorset Branch, for the presentation.

## REDEDICATION <br> CHISLET, KENT

To hear the bells of St. Mary's. Chislet; Kent, ringing once more, after fifiy years' silence, was the stated ambition of Mr. Frank Spanton. In 1951 he set out on the task of raising the necessary money to see the job done and by various means raised $£ 1.308$. With this money in hand he placed the order for the work to be done, only to be met with a setback -the roof timbers of the tower were found to be infested with beetle and another $£ 375$ had to be found. This has been done, and now, with the roof timbers safe, the hells tuned to a proper scale. in a new frame, and complete now fittings, his ambition has been realised.

On Sunday, May 16th. Bishop C. W. A. Rose. former Bishop of Dover. dedicated the bells during Evensong. Among the congregation, which filled the church. were many of Mr. Spanton's farming friends, the villagers and ringers from surrounding parishes. The service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. G. P. Chidgey, who was assisted by two former vicars. Rev. R. Meredith and Rev. A. P. A. Barnes. The founders were represented by Mr. P. L. Taylor. Following the service. refreshments were served on the lawn at Chislet Court.

Mr. Spanton. who for many years was a churchwarden at Chislet. has also helped to raise $£ 2,000$ for the fabric of the church, and for so small a parish this has been a magnificent effort. and a story that will give him much pleasure in his retirement from farming. Although leaving the farm. he is not leaving the parish, and there is no doubt he will hear the bells of St. Mary's in his new home.
There was still one more snag: with the bells in order there were no ringers, but this is being successfully overcome by the Birchingten ringers. who are going over each week to give instruction to a new band.
B. J. L.

## No Bats In The Bradstone Belfry :

Jackdaws at Bradstone. Devon. Parish Church had a shock over a recent week-end when. to enable the Lifton band of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers to ring to peal of 5,040 Grandsire Doubles on May 16th. two men took five hours to clear out a host of jackdaws nests which had accumulated beneath the bells and was preventing them from being rung.
The jackdaws had obviously been building their nests there for many years, but had remained unnoticed until the accumulation of wood had lifted the slide of a bell up and the bell, when rung, had toppled over.
Members of the above team have visited six bell towers on the borders of Devon and Cornwall and have to their credit three peals of Grandsire Doubles and three quarter peals.

## RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

Through the kindness of Mr . George E. Fearn, secretary of the St. Martin's Guild, who arranged for the bells, the British Railway Staft Association Guild of Church Bell Ringers held their fourth annual meeting at Birmingham, on May 14th.

Ringers present represented: Taunton, York. Skewen. Swansea. Warwick. Bedford, Swindon Leamington Spa, Wolverhampton. Crewe London, Darlington, Wadhurst. Nantwich, Reading, Biackburn and Birmingham. It was a pleasure to see Mr. Jack Pitman amongst the members present. (You can't keep Jack chained to a T.V. set.)

Ringing commenced at 11 a.m. at St Bartholomew's. Edgbaston, a light ring of eight. and continued during the afternoon at St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral. The Cathedral Church of St. Philip and Aston Parish Church were visited and under the guidance of the Master. Mr. Bert Kynaston, a good standard of ringing was maintained throughout the day.
Tea was laid on at the Co-op Restaurant in the High Street, where everyone refreshed themselves with the good things provided. After tea Mr. George Fearn apologised that St. Martin s bells were not available. so back to the Cathedral where the business meeting was held in the belfry, with the Masizr presiding.

Mr. E. C. Shepherd welcomed the Guild to Birmingham and hoped that all had enjoyed the visit. We want to see the Guild getting on. he said, in wishing it every success for the future.
Apologies were received from Mr . O. J. Whitaker, secretary of the Joint Committee B.R.S. Association. Mr. Rodney Meadows, Mr. Bert Sutton, Miss Wallace, Mr. Fred Hanning ton. Mr. T. R. Barron, Mr. Luton and Mr, Harold Walker. The meeting stood in silence for the late Mr. Fred Seager, who had passed on since last year.

The statement of accounts, with an income of $£ 716 \mathrm{~s}$., showed a balance of $£ 313 \mathrm{~s}$. 2 d . on the right side. The honorary secretary in his report stated that free passes could not be obtained for wives of members attending the Guild meetings.
It was proposed by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Mr. Sid Foskett, that all officers be re-elected for the coming year. The vacancy of Master of the Eastern Region was left open until the next meeting; all other regional Masters were re-elected. Mr. W. Meredith. Shrewsbury, and Mr. John Lindon, Birming ham, were elected members.
A proposal to held the annual general meeting in 1961 at Lincoln was lost by a casting vote in preference for Darlington. The date will be April 29th. 1961. Mr. Tomlin proposed Southend-on-Sea for the autumn meeting and this was carried. The date fixed was September 30th. 1961.
An omnibus vote of thanks was extended to all who had contributed towards the success of the meeting, and was carried with acclamation.
J. A. H.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GULLD

One of the most successful ringing festivals in Mid-Cornwall for several years was that at St. Columb Minor, which was attended by nearly 100 ringers. The service was conducted by the Rev. S. J. Rust, who also gave the address. The tea was arranged by ringers wives and other local helpers.
Judge for the test ringing was Mr . J. Keatt ( St . Merryn) and seven first class and nine second class certificates were awarded. The festival was organised by Mr. D. Burnett (Guild secretary) and Mr. H. Lander (honorary treasurer).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## BROADCAST RINGING

Dear Sir.-May I be permitted to enlighten Mr. W. Upion concerning the broadcast from Si. Mary Redcliffe. on May 15 th. The bells were not heard over the air before the service owing to an error of $1 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes in the timing arrangements made with Broadcasting House.

The hells were heard, however, at the end of the service and I should like to compliment and thank the Rev. Martin Wilson and the B.B.C. engineers for their efforts in making this possible.
My thanks also to the band who made such a good effort for the broadcast.
It is a matter for consideration by all concerned that Sunday service ringing should take place at the end of the broadcast service rather than at the heginning. it being appreciated that it is much more easy to start ringing than to stop especially when seconds are so important.-Yours sincerely,

## Bristol.

## EMLYN F. HANCOCK.

## NEWS FROM CALGARY

Dear Sir.-Ringing at Christ Church, Calgary. very rarely reaches the news headlines. but readers of The Ringing World. may be interested to hear that we continue to ring there fairly regularly. It seems extremely difficult to keep a band together. However, we now have the faithful few: most of whom have learnt to ring within the past year. Also with the help of Ted Clements. a former Leicester ringer. who is now living in Calgary. I am hoping we shall be able to progress beyond plain hunting.
I have recently spent a short holiday in Vancouver and Victoria, and was very pleased indeed to meet and ring with the ringers at the Cathedral of the Holy Rosary. Vancouver. and especially pleased to stand in a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples at Christ Church Cathedral. Victoria. on the occasion of Princess Margaret's wedding. Unfortunately, the great distance between towers in this country makes visits like this very infrequent!
Any ringers visiting Canada will be most welcome in Calgary.-With best wishes, yours sincerely.

## JUDY MIDGLEY (Miss)

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## PATRON SAINT OF RINGERS

Dear Sir-I was very interested to read the letters in the issue of March 25 th. relating to the patron saint of ringers and naming no less than five saints with their respective claims. Would it be throwing 'a spoke in the wheel: so to speak. by furnishing this piece of information?

## - St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr.-St. Agatha

 Was a virgin martyred in Sicily. She was held in great honour from the fifth century onwards. and iwo early churches were dedicated 10 her in Rome. She is the patron saint of Catania. where she died. and for some unknown reason is also regarded as the patron of bellringers:"This was printed on page 8. February 51h. 1960, issue of The Anglican. under the heading Saints for the Month, and was probably taken from The English Churchman's Calendar: published by Mowbray and Co.Yours sincerely.

Randwick. N.S.W.

## NOTATION ALPHABET

Dear Sir.-I must apologise to Mr. Hawkins for not naving been sufficiently explicit in my reply ( -R . W. April 8th) 10 his letter on the listing of methods. Perhaps it will be clearer if I say that I use the following notation - alphabel ' in my own lists of Surprise Major methods.
-.12 .1234 .1236 .1238 .1256 .1258 .14 .1456 .1458 .16 .18 . 34.3456.3458.36.38.56.58.78.
(Although I know of no method that contains four contiguous places. I have included 1234 and 3456 in the above alphatet' for the sake of completeness.) Similar alphabets can of course be drawn up for Royal and Maximus methods within a tew minutes. Thus, having an "alphabet." it becomes an easy question of writing out the methods alphabetically.
As for cataloguing purposes the actual lead-end of the method is of minor importance. 1 generally leave it to the end of the place notation. when I use the letters referred to by Mr. Pattison. This seems to me to be simpler than to subdivide the methods into classes by their lead-ends. as Mr. Pattison suggests, and also has another marked advantage. When methods, are listed alphabetically and irrespective of their lead-ends, those with the same work above the treble are at once apparent, as in the following example:
-36-4-58-16-12-5-16-1 a Cranbourne
-36-4-58-16-12-5-16-7 b Painswick
-36-4-58-16-12-5-16-7 g Blackburn
-36-4-58-16-14-3-14-5 f Lindum
$-36-4-58-36-14-5-36-7$ b Superlative
-36-4-58-36-14-5-36-7 g Harleston
Of the above. Cranbourne. Painswick and Superlative are 2nds place methods. and Blackburn. Lindum and Harleston sths place methods.
Conversely, a reverse 'alphabetical' listing will show up those methods having the same work below the treble:

34-38.6-56-36.14-14.5-14-1 m Tottenham
56-56.4-58-36.14-14.5-14-1 m Olney.
-56-4.56-58.36.14-14.5-14-1 m Dublin
34-56.4.56-58.36.14-14.5-14-1 m Suffolk
-58-4.58-58.36.14-14.5-14-1 m Bristoi
-58-4-56-38.14-14.5-14-1 m Hampshire
Neither Mr. Hawkins' nor Mr. Pattison's systems do this. While the former appears to serve no useful purpose. the latter is limited to a pure listing of methods. for which it is. of course. quite adequate.

Finally, I should like to make a small correction 10 R.A.S. report on Kenwyn
Ringers outing. in which he says that Hartley Ringers outing. in which he says that Hartley. Kent has no bellis (•R. W. May 6(h). Having myself had cause to pay occasional visits to Hartley. in the past few months. I can assure him that All Saints" Church has two bells. which. like Fremington's, may be said to have a character of their own!-Yours sincerely.

CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

## Cheltenham.

## ADVICE FROM FATHFR

(On Record Peal Ringing)
Dear Sir.-Congratulations to Stephen Ivin for once again stirring up the correspondence columns. His suggestion to shout Stand after 12 hours ringing when one bell misses a dodge would. if I was ringing. send me completely round the hend:
Carry on rrying for the 40.000 Stephen, and if you hring it off you 100 can share the honour and glory of Frank Lufkin's band, hui don't be so silly and set the bells up at the first bad hlow. Unless you hurry. Frank will heat you 10 it and leave you to learn the Bristol and ring a 40.000 of this method.Yours sincerely.
Highclere. Hants.

## NO SERMON INTENDED

Dear Sir.-I fear that Stephen Ivin has misunderstood much of the report of the long peal at Kirby-le-Soken. In the first place no attempt was made at preaching a sermon about long peal attempts. If this is the way he has interpreted it, it can only be because he has a guilty conscience about his own attempts. realising perhaps that others have succeeded in something lie has tried to do by sheer determination.
I understand that the comments made about the high standard of discipline in the peal were made by a member of the band, who was also in the recent attempts at Loughhorough. This must surely indicate that the discipline during these attempts was not all that it might have been.

Stephen Ivin seems to lay much emphasis on the fact that Plain Bob was rung at Kirby-le-Soken, and not Bristol. Why does he himself not go for a longer length of Bristol? This was, I think, the iden in the mind of the leader writer, when talking about long peals.-Yours sincerely.

MAURICE E. DOWNS.

## Clacton-on-Sea.

## NOT UNDERSTANDABLE

Dear Sir.-Mr. Ivin's letter (page 371) concerning the record peal at Kirby-le-Soken is a jealous and snooty comment written in extremely bad taste, and it is not the first time he has shown such an attitude in your columns. Does he imagine that Bristol is the Everest of all change-ringing? Surely it is the quality of the performance that is of prime importance. Are these Loughborough people so almighty that they can ring peals of Surprise every 'practice ' night? And why don't they ring 40.320 Bristol instead of toying around with a simple method like Bob Major?

No. sir! I cannot understand this ridiculous attitude. Who is Stephen Ivin. anyway?Yours sincerely.
R. BROWN.

Leeds.

## THE KIRBY PEAL

Dear Sir,-Talk about catty remarks! I think the letter from Stephen Ivin concerning the 22.400 Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken was disgusting. - Yours sincerely,
A. G. CLARK.

Tadworth. Surrey.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD <br> North Dorset Branch

The quarterly meeting of the North Dorset Branch was held at Lillington on May 28th. Thete were 26 present in the lovely little mediaeval church of St. Martin. whose five bells sounded very pleasant over the green countryside. on a perfect May afternoon.
At the Guild service, the Rev. $G$. . Buchanan welcomed the ringers on behalf of the Vicar. Canon Wingfield-Digby. He said that the keenness of the Lillington ringers had resulted in young people from the Sherborne schools coming out to learn from them.
An excellent tea, provided by Mrs. Marks and Mrs. Sampson. preceded the meeting At this. two new members were elected to the Guild-David Hopkins. of Lillington, and Graham Davison, of Gillingham. It was unanimously agreed that a message of goodwill be sent to Canon C. Carew Cox. Master of the Guild. on the 50th anniversary of his ordination as priest.
The next quarterly meeting was arranged for September 10th at Maiden Bradley. Atter the meeting ringing was resumed at Lillington and also at Thornford.

## TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

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KNEFS. You will notice that those ringers who make bellringing look easy, the good handlers, do not bend at the knees. If bending of the body does occur it should be done from the hips. However. there is a case for the knee-benders when a heavy bell is being rung. The 'pull.' both at sally (or handstroke) and at rope's end (or backstroke). is too long for the average human's reach, so in addition to hip bending knee bending is automatically resorted to. This long pull is due to the large wheel which is attached to a heavy bell and around which the top end of the rope goes. As the result of this a longer length of rope is required below the sally-at the end which is gripped by the ringer-and to overcome the danger of too much rope coiling on the floor at the ringer's feet, boxes are brought into use.

KNOT.-Peculiar to any part of the whole world is the Yorkshire tuft for bellringing. This tuft is another padded part, identical to the sally although much shorter. and is at the rope's end. As you may know. the method of rope with a looped end is merely by threading the end of the rope through the three or four strands of the same rope at a different place so as to make the length of loop longer or shorter as may be required. But the length of rope between the tuft and the sally cannot be adjusted by looping and so other means have to be employed. A knot is used and in itself is quite a simple expedient, because it does not interfere with a ringer handling his bell, it is easily and quickly made and it is easily and quickly unmade. And if one knot does not shorten the rope sutficiently then a second knot may be tied. The sketch will illustrate the knot. which is often referred to as the Yorkshire eight.

KNOWLEDGE.-Your progress in ringing will largely depend on the knowledge you have acquired, and for this short article we shall confine ourselves to two kinds of knowledge. practical and theoretical. Believe me. one kınd is of no use to you without the other kind, and they must both be gained together, bit by hit. Basically, it is up to each ringer the amount of knowledge acquired but there are, of course, the more fortunate ones who have opportunity continually knocking at their door. If it is your door, seize the opportunity or else you may have regrets later on.
I would recommend the raw beginner to gain practical knowledge at the ousset, such as seeing all the works : in the belfry, then receiving demonstrations in bell handling and bell control. and being given experience in ringing rounds and call changes. Even at this slage. rightly or wrongly. I have put some of my pupils on to plain hunting (standing behind them the whole time to Courses of Original telling them over which bells to strike) before I have introduced to them any technical books or impressed upon them the importance of the use of pencil and paper. My word, this is the time when one realises how many learners have deaf ears! At this stage it could be revealed how a litule knowledge can be a dangerous thing because the beginner must have continual and constant practice to become a good, handler and a good striker, for without this practice. should he be quick on the uptake and he one of those easily adaptahle to learning methods, he might sweep through the stages of Plain Bob. Grandsire. Stedman. and Treble Bob and still be a poor striker. But theory, well under control. is an essential and a hnowledge of method construction. lead and course ends, and coursing order is part of the attributes of the complete ringer. So regulate your researches into the theory of ringing in relation to your practical attain.

## SPRING TIME OUTINGS

BARKING AND DISTRICT
Ringers of St. Mary's. Barking, and other members of the Suffolk Guild, spent an enjoyable day in the Fen country on their outing on May 21st. A rather cold, dull day was compensated by good bells and glorious churches.
Ringing in various methods. with call changes for beginners, took place at Elm, Wisbech St. Mary, Leverington. Walsoken, Walpole St Peter, Walpole St. Andrew, Terrington St. Clement. Tilney All Saints and Terrington St. John, with lunch at Wishech and tea at Kings Lynn. To all incumbents. local ringers for their kind help and in particular Mr. J. E. Fox. the party expresses sincere thanks.
R.E. L.

## ST. CUTHBERT'S, DARLINGTON

Ringers of St. Cuthbert's. Darlington, and their friends. went northwards on May 21st. for their annual outing. They stopped for an hour at Chester-le-Street, and were welcomed by Mr. Dennis Bayles and Mr. Sheridan. Touches of Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise were enjoyed on this fine ring.

The route then lay, through a mixture of industrial squalor and residential suburbs. which preads south of the Tyne, through Blaydon and into the lovely country of Tynedale. At Corbridge, the party spent half an hour full of interest at the remains of the Roman Station at Corstorpitum, and then continued to Hexham, for a fine ham and egg tea at the Beaumont Hotel.
The ringing members of the party accomplished the somewhat complicated ascent of Hexham Abbey-a magnificent building waich is being worthily restored-and raised the bells only te find that, though the clock hammers had been pulled off. three of them were still fouling the bells. There was a very informal lower. and by the time the defect had been semedied it was too late to ring.
There was compensation for this disappointment. however. in the superb countryside. The organiser of this enjoyable expedition. Mr. E. Mashiter. was warmly thanked by the captain, Mr. T. Cooke. during the tea.

## ST. MARY'S, READING

The dismal weather of May 21st did not dampen the spirits of the party from St. Mary's. Reading, which arrived at St. Albans Abbey. the first tower of this year's outing. well on time. Stedman and Grandsire Cinques were rung on the twelve. interspaced with rounds. Having collected the stragglers taking late breakfasts in St. Albans coffee houses. we made for Bengeo. in contrast a light. fast moving octave, where methods up to Spliced came round.
After lunch at the White Hart. Hertford, the lovely ten at All Saints were tackled. Low ropes on the four trebles and the bells being difficult to hear lowered our standards a bit. but two of the party rang Cambridge Royal for the first time.
The main road from Ware to Bishop's Stortford was one of the worst we have ever encountered. However, a patient coach driver soon saw to it that we had the handy ten at Bishop's Stortford ringing out. Highlights of the ringing here were a touch of Stedman Caters and a half-course of Yorkshire Royal, which almost settled to a peal beat. Leaving the eastern borders of Hertfordshire, we journeyed across country to Stevenage, where the Scotch Corner Restaurant provided a
sumptuous tea before we rang the fine Taylor sumptuous tea before we rang the fine Taylor eight in methods up to Spliced.
The route to our last tower. Harpenden (8). lay through Knebworth and Kimpton. We had many on anxious moment rounding blind corners on the amazingly narrow roads through these villages.
The success of the day was due in no small measure to ringing friends from Reading University and elsewhere. who gave us their support. and to those good people waiting at each tower, not forgetting Albert Diserens and Frank Lewis, who saw to it everyone was well satisfied.
R. K. R.

## LEEDS PARISH CHURCH

Eight towers were represented on what would he more aptly described as a Leeds and District "outing on May 21 st . to Northumherland and Durham, with Morpeth as the objective.
Good use was made of the two tens-St. Andrew's. Roker, and All Saints". Gosforthbut the former are marred by excessive noise in the ringing room in spite of a sounddeadening' ceiling.
An hour's ringing on the light eight at the Morpeth Watch Tower catered for all tastes and we were assured that it is the normal custom, owing to the situation of the tower in the middle of the main street. to shutter the bells drastically when they are rung as opposed to chiming from the Ellacombe.

Perhaps. the biggest surprise of the day came at Brancepeth. One half expected to see a pitshaft or some signs of its situation in the Durham coalfield. Instead. we found a church with a 700 year old tower-a church ahounding in seventeenth century woodworkset in lovely surroundings in the grounds of Brancepeth Castle. from which grounds three hundred years ago came the timber for the British Navy's first ithree-decker. 'Sovereign of the Seas. and in which today peacocks strut proudly.
R.H.D.

## HILLINGDON

Ringers of St. John the Baptist. Hillingdon. enjoyed a wonderful day in the West Country on May 14th. Setting sail at 7.30 a.m. Evercreech was reached at 11.30 a.m. Treble Ten and Grandsire Caters allowed the visitors to appreciate the lovely bells and meeting several of the local ringers, including Harry Sanger was a great pleasure.
Atter lunch at Shepton Mallet. Wells Cathedral was reached at 2 p.m. where the party was welcomed. A course of Cambridge Royal foundered towards the end, but Caters on this wonderful ring was more successful. Chewton Mendip was next and one feels almost envious of the folk who live there with such beauty and grandeur all around, enhanced by a lovely example of a Somerset Parish Church, with bells so wonderful as to be difficult to describe. A great consolation was to be able to take their sound home on a tape recorder!
Every favourable comparison was made by some when Trowbridge was reached. This famous ring, so easy to hear and to ring, was very much enjoyed and proved a fitting conclusion to a wonderful ringing outing.
How fortunate we ringers are to have incumbents who will allow us the joy of ringing their bells. the local ringers who meet and welcome us, and captains like Fred Goodfellow who never spare themselves in efforts to organise these perfect days.
W. H. C.

## WATFORD, HERTS

Old Windsor, with its light ring of eight. was the first tower on the list for this year's outing of the Watford company on May 14th. During the ringing. the eight non-ringers in the coach party of 33 were able to look round the church and also enjoy the glorious sunshire on the banks of the Thames.
Leatherhead was visited next. where rounds for the beginners was followed by Grandsire Caters and Plain Bob Royal. Cambridge Major went well on the excellent Taylor eight at Shalford. before the Hampshire border was crossed. The village of Bentley is the home of a member of the Watford band. and after an enjoyable ring on the six, which are unusually deep toned for their weight, the party sat down to an excellent tea prepared her relations. The recast eight at Farnham were put to good use. Little Bob Major being among the methods rung.
The weather had been perfect all day and it was an ideal event for the journey over the Hogs Back to Guildford, where we were met at Holy Trinity, by our respected editor. Ringing on this magnificent octave provided a fitting end to a most enjoyable day, for which thanks are due to incumbents and ringers a the towers visited.
R.G.S.

## THE TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## By T. A. BEVIS

(Continued from page 357)
ST. WENDREDA'S CHURCH, MARCH
Many church towers have an open ringing gallery overlooking impressive interiors, but few, if any, of such galleries afford a finer view of an ancient double-hammerbeam roof as that of St. Wendreda's Church. March.
Here the ringers are accompanied by a multitude of angels, so realistic that one can almost hear the beating of their outstretched wings. There are one hundred and twenty of these heavenly figures projected from the hammerbeams in triple tiers, holding various musical instruments peculiar to the 16th century, while at the feet of each of the lower angels, saints and martyrs display emblems and symbols of martyrdom. The roof is regarded by experts as being the finest example of its kind in the country.
Wendredar is an obscure - local ' Saxon saint of whom very little is known. It is said that her earthly remains were interred at Ely, and later transferred to Canterbury. The dedication is believed to be unique.
The 14 th century tower stands on two arches and has a groined passage preserving an ancient right-of-way-an unusuai but not uncommon feature. A soaring spire brings the stecple's total height to approximately 140 feet It is unusual for East Anglian towers to possess vertebrae-like exterior turrets from top to bottom, but such is the case at March. and the result of this 'borrowed' West Country style is most pleasing. Dorothy Sayers, author of 'The Nine Tailors." was a frequent visitor th this church. and the roof of her composite fane. 'Fenchurch St. Paul. was directly inspired by the angel roof at St Wendreda's

There are six bells (tenor 15 cwt 2 yrs 18 Jhs. in E) of fine tonal quality, cast at Downham Market hy Thomas Osborn in 1802 They were conveyed to March from Downham on harges via the River Nene and had a lane (Bell Metal Road) named after them. In the spring of 1929 the bells were luned and rehung and the treble recast by Taylor's, and they revolve on ball-bearings in a teak frame
Osborn was a capable founder, being foreman for Edward Arnold, who later formed a partnership with the former at St. Neots foundry. before Osthorn set up for himself at his native town. Downham Market. where he died in 1806. He cast many good bells for Fenland. a notable eight being Hilgay, 1779

The hells at St. Wendreda's carry typical inscriptions of the day in which they were created, the tenor being appropriately inscribed. I to the Church the living call. and to the grave I summon all.' The fifth, how ever, has a most unappropriate inscription for the Fenlands: 'Our voices shall with joyful sound make hills and valleys echo round (poetic licence was surely ohtained in this instance!). These two inscriptions also occur at Marham. Norfolk. the fifth and tenor of the ring of six being identical to those at March. Marham's bells were provided in the same year, 1802.
It is thought that St. Wendreda's bells were cast from the metal of previous ones. for Cole refers to a visit to March about the middle of the 18 th century and mention is made of five bells at that time. Records date back to 1542. and we learn that two bell ropes in 1555 cost three shillings. In 1558 the bells were rung for the Coronation and in 1593 they received a thorough overhaul. The 'greate bell of March' was recast by John Draper: at Thetford. on February 24th 1613: it weighed 12 cwis. Another greate hell ' was recast in 1648
The first peal of 5.040 changes on the present bells was completed by March ringers on November 5th, 1819 (presumably to the accompaniment of exploding fireworks!). A Sunday service team emulated this achievement on September 29:5. 1956. The church was fortunate in having a keen team of ringers as early as 1815 when extents were regularly rung. In 1824 a peal of Doubles was achieved and in the same year the same team rang 1.800 changes of Cambridge Surprise

The church's handbells. which have heen recently renovated. hequeath an amusing story:

Over a hundred years old, they were formerly the property of a neighbouring inn, and according to hearsay the local ringers of yesteryear. having welcomed the New Year in the traditional manner. descended the tower and entered the inn. where they drew lots for the largest handbells. Having done this the clappers were unscrewed, the bells inverted and topped up with ale, and a good time had by all!

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LITTLEPORT
Do not ring and run away,
Leaving other folk to pray;
When a ringer doeth so,
Hand says "Come," but foot says " Go." This 'controversial' advice is prominently displayed to visitors entering the ringing gallery at St. George's Church. Littleport, a large perpendicular building which has been much renewed. The lofty 15 th century tower is very well proportioned and rises gracefully above tree-tops. It once had a passage through the base. similar to that at March, but this has been closed and the space serves now as a miscellaneous store, an 'improvement' very much to be regretted.

There is a good ring of eight bells by John Warner and Sons, the only inscribed instrument ' being the tenor ( 18 cwt 2 qrs. 5 lbs ). which informs us 'We swing to the Glory of God and in memory of William Bonner Hopkins, Vicar 1866-1890.' The bells were rehung in the original oak frame by Messrs. Taylor's, in 1935, at an expense of $£ 170$. Of this amount over $£ 120$ was raised by public subscription.

Dedicated on June 24h. $1891^{\text {. }} \ldots$ at 10 0 clock in the morning the first chimes on the bells were rung : . one remarked that the peal was extremely similar to the beautiful peal of Old Chesterton... The handling of the bells gave much pleasure to the parishioners. and inspired not a few with the desire to become ingers.
The tower contained four bells in the 18th century, the second. third and freble being cast by John Draper in 1622. 1624 and 1640 respectively, and the tenor ( 9 cwt .) was by Thomas Osborn. 1790. This ring was considered to be absolutely imperfect. the treble being out of all proportion to the tenor.
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THE CHURCH OF ST. WENDREDA, MARCH
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## MISCELLANEOUS

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## MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Biggleswade District. - Meeting. Saturday. June 11th. Eaton Socon bells ( 8 ) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Special methods: Druble Norwich and Superlative. May we see YOU there,-A Smith. IIon. Dis. Sec.
DERRYSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Chesterheld District.-Monthly meeting. Old Brampinn (b) 3 p.m... June 11th. Please bring own food. Cups of tea provided.-A. B. Cooper 6072
FAST GRINSTEAD GUIID-I cigh (6) Tune Ilih. Names for tea 10 Mr . B. Pankhurst. Chestnuts. 1 eigh. Tonbridge,-C. A. Bassett.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Summer Festival, Saturday, June 11th. Ringing arrangements: Capel 10.30-12 noon. Merrow and Ockley 11-12. Ranmore 11.30-1 p.m. Cobham and Stoke DAbernon 2-4. Epsom, Christ Church 3-4. Leatherhead from 4. Dorking 7-8. Service 4.30 p.m. at Leatherhead, followed by tea in St. Nicholas' Hall. 6005
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern District.-Meeting. Cheshunt, Saturday, June 11th. 3 p.m. Tea 5.30. Service 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Durrant, 7, The Folly, Brookfield Lanc. Cheshunt.

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LADIES' GUILD.-North-Western District -Joint meeting with Northwich Branch CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. at St. Helen's Witton. Northwich. Safurday, June lith. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting.-S. P. Wain. Dis. Sec. 6030
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District) and MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD: Joint meeting. Measham. June lith. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.C. W. Hall and J. W. Cotton. 6019 MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N. and E. District.-Meeting at St. John's, Stanmore joint with HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIA TION (Watford District) Saturday. June 11th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. followed by tea and further ringing until 8 p.m. Ringing also at St. Margaret's. Edgware, 2.30 p.m. until 4 p.m

SOUTH WALES NOMADS.-Practice mect ing at Peterstone-Wentloog (Mon.). on Saturday. June 11 th. Bells ( 8$)^{\circ} 3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome. especially learners.-D. P.. Hon. Sec

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Western Division.-Practice meeting Lyminster (6). on Saturday. June 1lth. at 3 n.m. Sorry. no facilities for tea available. E. W. Keys. Hon. Sec. 6059

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Luton District.-Quarterly meeting, Flitton, Saturday, June 18 th . Bells (6) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea and business 5 p.m. Names to Mrs. A Munday. The Old Vicarage. Flitton. No name no tea.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch.-Market Drayton. June 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea (2s. 3d.) by June 15 th .-W. Kerr, 102. Moreton Road. Crewe.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Northern District.-Mecting at Newbold on Avon. Saturday. June 18 th . Bells (6) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.
DEVON GUllD.-Armual festival, [:xeter. lune 181h. Service St. Mark's 4 p.m.. address hy the Bishop of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for lea to Rev. C. G. Poulton. 36. Polsloe Road. Exeter. Ringing arrangements: St. Thomas $1.30-3$ p.m.. Heavitree 1.30-3. St. Mark's 3-4. Cuthedral 6-8.30 D.m.

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EAST DFRBYSHIRE: AND NOTTS ASSO. TION.-Next meeting, Siturday. June I8th.

Blackwell (Feast Saturday). Bells 3 p.m. Tca 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Smithson, 29, Littlemoor Lane. Newton. Derbyshire.-B. A. Sollis, Hon
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA. TION.-Stroud Branch.-Meeting. Cranham June 18 th . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea after service. Names for tea to S. T Price, 12, Regent Street. Stonehouse, Glos.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cirencester Branch.-Evening quarterly meeting, Meysey Hampton, June 18th. Service 6 p.m. Ringing afterwards. $-R$. Wenban. Hon. Sec. 6077
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ludlow and Church Stretton District.-Quarterly meeting. Stanton Lacy. Saturday, June 18 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tca 5 p.m. $-\frac{\mathrm{G}}{6078}$
Randall.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Lindsey Branch.-Joint meeting with the BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY at Barrow-on-Humber (8). June 18th. usual arrangements. Names for tea by June 15 th, to Mr. A. Crowder, Manor Farm, Barrow-onHumber.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and LADIES' GUILD (Lincolnshire Branch). - Joint meeting at Gosberton. Saturday, June 18th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea hy Wednesday. 15 th. to Mrs. M. Thorley 32. Whitehall. Gosberton. Spalding. Lincs. 6016 SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Wimborne Branch-Quarterly meeting at Poole. June 18 th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify, by June 15th.
. Davis, 13, Sandbanks Road. Parkstone. 6074
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Quarterly meeting at Limpsfield (6) June 18 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Large set of handbells available. Names for tea to Mr. E, Jarrett, 3, Titsey Road. Limpsfield, by June 16th.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 6042 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Southampton District: - Quarterly meeting. June 18ih. Sherfield English. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Names for tea by June 15th. to J. Hartiess. 17. Testwood Crescent, Salisbury Road. Totton. East Tytherley after tea. 6068
WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD (Andover District) and OXFORD GUILD (Newbury District).-Joint meeting. Highclere, June -8 th . Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . followed by tea in the Armoury. Thatcham (8) 6.30. Newbury (10) 7.45 to 9 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to G. K. Dodd. 7. The White City. Woolton Hill. near Newbury.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch.-Mecting at Alvechurch (8), Saturday, June 18th. 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. followed by tea and business. Coach will leave Bell Hotel. Stourbridge at 2.30 p.m. sharp. -Bernard C. Ashford. Sec., 17. Ham Lane. Pedmore. Stourbridge. 6038 YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western District.-Annual meeting. Almondbury. near Huddersfield. on June 18 h . Bells available 2.30 p.m. Committee mecting 4.15. Tea in Church School 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Monday. June 13th. to Mr. R. Jobson. School House. 8. Westgate. Almondbury, Huddersfield.-A. E. Marsh, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD Annual festival. St. Mary's. Swansea, Saturday. June 25th. Bells ( 8 ) available 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea by June 18 th. to J. A. Hoare, 6. Gendros Crescent. Fforestfach. Swansea

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LADIES' GUILD.-Annual general meeting at Bath. on Saturday. July 2nd. Bells availahle: St Michacl with St, Paul. Broad Street, $10-11 \mathrm{dtm}$ : Twerton 11-12 noon: St. Mark's 2-3 p.m.: Abhey 2 10-3.30: St. Mitry, Bathwick 7-7.30: All Saints. Weston 7.30-8.30: Corston from 7 p.m. Committer mecting I n.m.. St. Mary's Church Hall. Service. Bath Abbey. 3.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting. St. Mary's Church Hall. $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea (3s. Gd.) by June 291h. to Mrs. Norton. Gout House Fiarm, Kingaton Sevmour. Clevidon, Somerset.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION. - Llandaff Branch. - Meeting. Aberavon, June 25 th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow.SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. ${ }^{6076}$ Dorchester Branch. - Summer quarterly meeting. Bere Regis, on Saturday, June 25 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 22nd, to Mr. H. Pitfield, Rose Cottage, Butt Lane,
Bere Regis, Dorchester, Dorset.-R. H. Duke, Bere Regis, Dorchester, Dorset.-R. H. Duke, 6079
Hon. Sec. SOUTH WALES NOMADS. - Ringing festival. July 2nd, opening the Panteg Restoration Fund. Mathern 10 a.m. Penhow 11, Nash 12 noon. Llanfrechfa
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5.30 . Caerleon 6.30 p.m. Everyone welcome. 6064 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD-Annu2l general meeting. July 2nd, at Whitchurch, Hants. Meeting 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. in Church Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. E. W. Dance, Berz Hill Farm, Whitchurch, Hants. 19 towers open during the day-details laterR. R. Savory, Hon. Gen. Sec

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## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The village of Essendon. on its hill-top. with a pleasantly tuneless ring of six. is an ideal place for a summer meeting. However, on May 21st. a cold day and the fact that no tea arrangements are possible in the village. kept surprisingly few ringers away from the Ashford District meeting.

A short service was conducted by the Rector. and then a 'picnic' would hardly be the right word to describe the sight of several ringers munching their way around the village.
During the business meeting the secretary. Mr. S. Huckle. stated that he hoped the next meeting would be at Welwyn and Tewin on June 18 th . special methods being Gainsborough and Little Bob. Several new members were elected from Tewin.

## TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## (Continued from page 405)

At a vestry meeting held on November 4th. 1787. there was recorded 'That the person or persons who broke the bell should be forthwith brought to justice and on January 1788. - That the bells should be forthwith taken down in order that they be run over again with an addition of mettal in order to have five bells for the use of the parish.' Perhaps the treble was the bell which was broken, presumably by a parishioner who could no longer tolerate its discordant note! However. the ecasting of the bells did not materialise and it is believed two of them were later sold.
There are two memorials to ringers. One is to the memory of Benjamin Arber. who died September 25th. 1918. who had rung the bells at this church for 60 years. We leave this imnressive place having thoughtfully read the wall-tablet erected to the memory of Stanley Ellingham, who expired April 29th, 1911, aged 18 years:

Though called away so soon. he had for a considerable time rendered efficient and reverent service in this belfry. May Cod enable each ringer to do his work as faithfully and with as big a motive as he did.

## OBITUARY

MR. AUSTIN B. COOK
The news of the passing of Mr. Austin Bernard Cook, who was secretary of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association from 1921 to 1932 , will be received with regret by many old ringers. He died at the age of 78 at the Castle Hill Hospital. Cotting ham. near Hull. His membership of the Yorkshire Association dates back to 1907.

He learnt to ring at St. Mary's, Hull. and afterwards rang at All Saints', Margaret Street, until the bells became unringable. Then followed a long association with Holy Trinity, Hull. until ill-health in the late 1930's compelled him to give up active ringing. Much of his ringing was with the late Mr. Charles Jackson and Mr. George Williams, of Hull. Another great friend of his was Mr. Arthur West. of Sutton-on-Hull, whose home with its 300 clocks and handbells was a great attraction to East Yorkshire ringers.
Mr. Cook was employed as a clerk by the North Eastern Railway Company and for some time was a trustee of the Yorkshire Association. Of late years he did not ofter attend Eastern District meetings owing to illhealth but was always highly respected and welcomed when he could come. He leaves a widow for whom much sympathy is felt. May he rest in peace.
H.S. M.

## MR. SIMON CADE

We regret to announce the death of Mr . Simon Cade, of Scothern, on April 8th, at the age of 86 years. One of the first members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, he rang one or two peals with the late Rev. H. Law James.

At his funeral at Scothern Parish Church the Guild was represented by the Master (Mr. J. H. Freeman) and other members. The Guild also supplied the organist.

After the service a quarter peal of Minor was rung. This was made difficult, by the band finding that a bell rope had been broken a few days previously by a touring band and the muffles had inadvertently been cleared away during ' tidying-up, operation. A Ketteham ringer. however, produced the necessary materiais and the ringing was appreciated by several parishioners who had known the late Mr. Cade for many years.

## MR. W. H. KENNEY

On May 13th Somerby, Leicestershire, suffered a sad loss by the death of Mr. William Herbert Kenney, aged 78. He was a member of the Goscote Society of Change Ringers, the old Midland Counties Association and the Leicester Diocesan Guild, and had been a regular service ringer at All Saints' Church for more than fifty years.

A good churchman, he did a lot of work for his church, both inside and in the church yard.
The funeral service at Somerby on May 16 th was attended by a large congregation, including the ringers. who sent a wreath in the shape of a bell. The bells were rung half-muffled in his memory on the following evening by his fellow ringers and friends from Great Dalby.

## MR. J. W. UNDERWOOD

Another old Somerby stalwart passed peacefully away on May 17th. in the person of Mr. James William Underwood. aged 78. He had been in failing health for a long time and had not rung for several years.
A member of the Midland Counties Association. the Framland Association and the Leicester Diocesan Guild, he took a great interest in the church and its bells. At the heginning of the century Somerby had one of the best teams of ringers in the district.
The funeral took place at Somerby on May 2 lst. Amongst the wreaths was one from the ringers, and also from the British Legion. of which he was standard bearer for the local branch for 24 years.

Before evensong. on May 22nd, a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung with the bells half-muftled as a tribute to him and to the late Mr. W. H. Kenney. It was conducted by Mr. H. T. Bonshor.

## LATE NOTICES

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District.-Meeting. Saturday, June 11th, St. Gabriel's, Pimlico. 3-4 p.m. Tea: own arrangements. Business 6 p.m. St. Mary Abbots. High Street, Kensington. Ringing 6.30-8 p.m.-M. Powell. 6084

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDKettering Branch.-Evening practice meeting on Monday, June 13th. at Barton Seagrave (5) from 7.30 to 9 p.m. All welcome.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Crewkerne Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Curry Rivel, Saturday, June 18th. Service 4.30 p.m. Please notify for tea.-J. T. Locke, Local Hon. Sec., School Street, Drayton.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO ClATION.-Dunster Branch.-Practice at Minchead. June 18 th. 7 p.m. for 10 bell methods only.-A. R. Tudball, Hon. Sec. 6088 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Stanground, Saturday, June 18th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Ringing after tea: Woodston (6) $6-7.15$ p.m. Fletton (5) $6-8.30$ p.m.-M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Manchester Branch.-Ringing meeting at St. Mary's, Prestwich, on Saturday, June 18 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 15th, to Mr. F. Reynolds. 38, Windsor Avenue. Whitefield, Prestwich. Special methods: Grandsire and Cambridge.-G. D Fearnehough. Sec.
LADIES' GUILD.-North Eastern District. -Annual meeting in conjunction with the Eastern District of the DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION on Saturday, June 18th, at St. Hilda's Church, South Shiclds. Names for tea by Thursday, June 16 th, to Mrs. C. N. Lea, 48, Rosebery Avenue. South Shields.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-S. \& W District.-Meeting. Saturday, June 18th Arrangements: Stanwell 2.30-3.30 p.m., Staines (St. Mary) 3-4.30, followed by service. Tea 5 p.m. St. Peter's. Staines $6-8$ p.m.-E. R. G.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossen dale Branch.-Meeting at Bury, on Saturday, June 18 th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m.--J. Porter. Branch Sec. 6086
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Southern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting, Hurstpierpoint (8), Saturday, June 18 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m. Please notify numbers for tea by Wednesday. June 15th.-George North, 11 Richmond Terrace. Brighton.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - Southern Branch.- Quarterly meeting, Edenham. Saturday, June 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea and mecting 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 20th. 10 Mr . W. Holmes. Edenham, Bourne. Lincs. -F. G. Vickers. Hon. Sec. 6090 SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Est. 1623). Day will be held on Saturday, June 25th Bells (12) available from 11 a.m. Service p.m. 12 bell ringing guaranteed. Lunch and tea for those who notify me by $23 \mathrm{rd} .-\mathrm{L}$. E . Pitstow, 4. Highfields. ('Phone 2074).

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday. July 2nd. Service at Christ Church 11 a.m. Annual meeting in the Chapter House 12 noon. Lunch in Christ Church dining hall $1.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Luncheon tickets 6 s . Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance. must reach Mr. A. D. Barker. Cambridge. Church Lane. Wexham. Slough. Bucks, not later than Tuesday. June 28 th Ringing arrangements as on agenda.-M. R. Cross. Hon. Gen. Sec. 6091

OL.I HEADINGTON, OXON.-On April 24th 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Clark, (first of Minor) 1. Miss C. Withell (first of Minor 'inside') 2. J. Cruickshank 3. Miss J. Masters 4. T. H. Smith 5. R. J. Trebilcock (cond.) 6. A farewell to the Rev. Llo/d Gedge, curate, on his departure to Canada.

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By IAN M. HOLLAND

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## FOLKESTONE, 1960

THE Central Council meeting at Folkestone will pass into history as a happy meeting. There were none of those violent divisions of opinion that disturb the individual tranquillity of life; and while it is true to say that all were not of one voice on the many matters presented, nobody left with a feeling of a grievance. This was the third meeting of the Central Council in Kent. The other two, in 1905 and 1937, were in Canterbury. Genial John Willis, the chairman of the Kent County Association, in his welcome gave a memory of the last meeting from Bert Luck, who recalled that on the occasion of the Council meeting he rang his first plain course of Grandsire Cinques 'in hand' at 1.30 in the morning with a band that then included the Council's secretary, Mr. George Fletcher, and his invaluable assistant, Mrs. Fletcher. Such was the stamina of the Council's officials in those days; despite the heavy demands of the preparation and dealing with the agenda, there was time to get somebody through their first.
There is a real family sense about a Central Council meeting, and this is exemplified by the Holy Communion that marks the beginning of proceedings. The Bishop of Tonbridge was the celebrant at this service and there were more than 100 ringers present. Later in the day the Bishop joined the Mayor in the official welcome, backed up by Canon Hough, the father of a ringing family, and Mr. John Willis on behalf of the host Association.
The fact that the Standing Committee had a very long session on Monday evening-they had a break for a meal and then resumed until 10.30 -led everybody to believe that a long Council meeting was in store. The whispers of an evening session of the Council did not materialisefor which the Editor gives sincere thanks-and the proceedings ended at 4.45 with the prospects of the great union in 1961 not amid south coast sunshine but in the industrialised conglomeration of towns at Stoke-on-Trent, where the visit will coincide with the civic jubilee.
Much of the Council's financial stability depends on ' The Ringing World,' and Mr. J. Frank Smallwood was in a happier frame of mind when he presented the report on the journal. Despite the unavoidable increase in price, he held that there was no room for complacency-the drive for new subscribers must continue. A fact that was not brought out was that the paper's profit for 1959 of $£ 587$ was due to one thing-the strike. Had production been normal throughout the period of the strike there would undoubtedly have been a loss. The larger issues of 1960, including those of 24 pages, indicate the policy of the Committee of giving the maximum of their resources to their readers. The 24 -page issues represent the generosity of those who send contributions with peal and quarter peal reports. The principle of the voluntary levy has been

Devonshire Ringers and the Bath and Wells Association. where a fee is now compulsory. This has been augmented by direct grants from the Oxford and Salisbury Diocesan Guilds. If the movement spreads, fears as to the future will be allayed. This we do know. Even when the accounts of 1960 are completed the true day-to-day position of the paper will not be known, as much of the revenueover $£ 2,000$-was on the old rate of subscription.

Perhaps the biggest surprise of the Council meeting was the recommendation of the Standing Committee, which was accepted without comment by the floor of the house, to recognise a peal of Minimus. How this would have rejoiced the heart of the late Mr. Wilfred Hooton, the librarian of the Council, who on more than one occásion asked that something should be done to stimulate and help forward ringing in 4 -bell towers. We do not expect many peals under this heading as no band of ringers would ring them for choice. Few would care to encounter the monotony. We do recall, however, that before the war two youthful enthusiasts of the Chester Diocesan Guild rang a peal of Bob Minimus 'in hand 'at the second attempt. (They broke down at the first because they had forgotten the number of extents they had rung.)

More and more the Council is endeavouring to widen its doors to embrace all church bell ringers. An enquiry has been received from the Devon Association that if they applied for affiliation would they be welcome. An enthusiastic 'Yes,' led by the Rev. John Scott, of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, came from all parts of the hall. There was no argument about round ringers and call-change ringers being outside the pale, the feeling being that they were Church ringers. Is this ringing compatible with the views of those who formed the Central Council- "To encourage and assist the development of the art in its scientific aspect as a branch of Church work'? We will leave others to argue this finer point: the writer's view is 'You are doing a job of work for the Church with a bell as I am; can't we both unite? '

In the past there has been a divergence of outlook between the Council and the Central Council of Churches regarding the treatment and care of early bells. A long conference between the two bodies and the bell-founders has resulted in a measure of agreement and a slightly less rigid attitude on the part of 'the Four C's' on the question of recasting. Where an old bell (pre-1600) is ruining a ring of six bells, should it be retained purely on account of its antiquity? There is only one answer that a ringer who has any ear for bell music or appreciation of good striking would give. It is the sincere hope of the Council that "the Four C's' will accept the amendment of Mr. Lewis, and that the suggestion of keeping an old bell in the churchyard will not go forward. If an old bell is worth keeping,

## TEN BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., May 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Cathedral, Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGF, SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt 21 lh . in D


MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
pur Al Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenol 234 cwt.
Carol Fernley .. .. .. Treble F. John Nelson
Sidney Hough, jun... .. 2 Dinis Moitershead. ... 7
Eileen Fearn .. .. .. 3 A. Pisier Whitehead .. 8
Ivor Jenkins .. .. .. 4 H. David Holland .. .. 9
Composed by John Rumbes. Conducted by Di:nis Muitiershead. A birthday compliment to Mes. H. D. Holland.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

SI. MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF HIRMINLIIAM. On Wed.. May 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James-the-Grilaf.
A PEAL (OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt \& qr. l: lb. in B.
David J. Purnell ... ...Treble John Pinfold ... $\because \quad . \quad 5$


| Edgar C. Shepherd .. | . | 3 | Norman J. Goodman | .. 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George E. Fearn | . | . | 4 | Peter Border .. .. |

Composed by S. J. Ivin.
Conducted by Priek Burder.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AI the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOK

Johnson's variation.
Sanidra E. Chesterton .. Treble
Peier J. Staniforih .. 2
*Parricia A. Wardle 3
Martin C. Gaulkes
Conducted by A
Tenor 6 CWL 2 4r. 13 th in $B$ Joseph Wm. Cotton .. s John M. Jelley A. James Poynor C. Ronald Edward .. * First peal in the method inside. ' First as conductor on eight.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Patricia $\mathbf{A}$. Wardle, and an engagement compliment to Patricia A. Wardle and Russell S. Morris.

## SWANSEA

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes

## At the Church of St. Mary. <br> A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwl . in E .

| * Hazel Way | Trebl | Trevor M. Roderick | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jacqueline King | 2 | Gwyn I. Lewis | 6 |
| Leslie Evans | 3 | Robert E. Coles | 7 |
| J. Arthur Hoare | 4 | David J. King | Tensor |
| Composed by Geor | WIS. | Conducted by DA | J. King. |
| Rung on the | the | secration | wa |

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.
A PEAL OF 5088 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .22 lb.

| Terry Page (Downing) ... Treble | Dermut Roaf (Trinity) .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | :--- |
| Hilary Muirhead (Newir.) | 2 | Chris. Johnson (Selwyn) | 6 |
| Frances Secker (Girton) | 3 | Peter Langion (Trinity)... | 7 | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Frances Secker (Girton) } & 3 & \text { Peter Langion (Trinity).. } 7 \\ \text { Stan Hood (Trin. Hall) .. } & 4 & \text { James Taylor (Si. Cath.s) Tenor }\end{array}$ Arranged by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Peter Langion. First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

THE COVENTRY WICK

At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLANI) SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 3 gr . Treble John W. T. Taylor.
*Shirley Stroud
Ruih M. Bordier
Frank W. Perrens...
Ifubert G. Summers
Composed by G. Baker. . 2
$\cdots$
.. 4 Percy Stone J. L. Garner-Hayward PEFER Border - First peal of Treble Bob.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar (Rev. G. M. Smallwood), who was inducted to the living by the Bishop of Coventry on the previous evening.

## WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO DURHAM

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sal., May 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes. A I THE Chtirch of Sr. Oswald.
A PEAL OI' 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .68 lh . in E flat.
 Composed by Rooil: Baldinin. Conducied by J. Alan Ainsworih.

GREAT TEW, OXFORDSHIRE. THE OXFORD SOCIETY.
On Sun., Maj' 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Michatl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLANI) SURPRISE MAJOR
It an M. Aimicoir Tenar 22 ewt 10 ith, in D. Treble | Anidrew N. Siubbs ... ... Chrisilin: M. Woudwari)

2 David T. Darby

Nichonias J. Mariin ..
Geoffri:y M. Brewin
Composed by C. W. Roberi
Woberis. Conducted by James H. Pailing.
Rung to mark the tercentenary of the restoration.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On' Moh., May 30. 1960, it 2 Hours and 39 Minttes.
Ar 3 he Church of Sr . Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Caroi. Filibnley
4 Brian Harris
Tenor
Composed by Dennis Knox
*First peal of Yorkshire.
PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Jume 1, 1961, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.
At the Chlarch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5120 KERRY SURPRISE MAJOK
Tenor 18 cwl. 9 lb .


Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.
First peal in the method by all.

## GOLDHANGER. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., June 2, 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5088 TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY COLLEGE BOB MAJOR Tenor $8 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Abison M. Mann Treble
Abison M. Mann
Frank B. Lufkin
Harry R. Appleton
.. 4 Arihur Hubble .. .. 7
Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin
*25th peal together. First peal in the method, which is No. 278 in C.C. Collection.

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.
Ai the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR fenor 19 cwt .3 yr. 17 lb . in E.
 Composed by James Tupp,

Ralph G. Edwards .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Ian H. Oram
First peal in the method on the bells
Rung as a wedding compliment to Margaret E. L. Beamish and Tom Chapman.

## FELSTED. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sal.. Jume 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
 peat as conductor. First on the bells since rehanging

An 84th birthday compliment to Mr. Arthur Bradley, of Fryerning, life memher of the Essex Association.

## NETHERTON. WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATIUN
On Sal. June 4. 1961, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules.
Ar the Church of St. Andrf.w
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt 3 lb . in F sharp.


## WOBURN. BEDFORDSHIRE

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIA'TION
On Sat., Jume 4, 1960, int 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5120 WOBURN SURPRISE MAJOK Tenor 24 cwt. 1 gr .16 Jb . in D.


## BEDFORD

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. June 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and is Minutes. Ai ihe Church uf Si. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 28 cwt .3 yr. 6 lb . in D

| enniftr M. Davies | reble | Roberi L. Piron |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ruih M. Burder | 2 | Juhn B. LUng |
| James G. Newman |  | STEPHEN IVIN |
| Keith R. Wakefield | 4 | Peter Burder | Selih R Wewhan Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN

BLAGDON, SOMERSET
THE BAIH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. Jute 6, 1960. in 3 Hours und 11 Minules.
AI The Church OF Si. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's I welve-Part
Pauline Buckland
Treble
+Marjorir Lfgg
Rubiki Brict
Thomas Harris

Tenor 19 cwt 2. qr. 18 lb . Cectil Mogford. Anthony Cifaver ©itorger Privivula
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cohge Prescoit.

## EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD On Mon., June 6, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 3 qr .25 lb.
Albert Scott .. .. .. Treble *Cecil Wade
Runald C. Noon ... .. 2 Ed Edin T. Chapman $\quad . .6$
Albert W. A. Leggeit . . 3
Stanley E. Bennett..... 4
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.
*James W. Haw ... Tenor

* First peal in the method.

Rung to celebrate the birth of Philip Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Haw.

APPLEDORE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., June 8, 1960. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

## Tenor 12 f cwt

Leonard Siilwell .. .. Treble Michael Thomsun .. .. 5
Chril A. Wratien .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 6

Crawford T. Hillis .. 3 Juhn R. Cooper .. .. 7
Frederacik E. Dukes ..
II. William Barreii $\quad \cdots$ Tehor

Conducted by Frank B. Lurkin.
MALDON, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Jume 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{cr} .2 \mathrm{lb}$. In F
Mary Roast ... ... ..Treble james L. Towler .. .. 5
Palkick W. Salimarsh ..
2
$\because \quad$
†Dennis A. S. Symond.
Arthur Hubble
Sydney C. Easter
†Joe E. G. Roast . . ..
Composed by R Prilchard, Condurd W. EgGlestone Tenor * Firsti peal of Major. $\dagger 100$ th peal together.

## WOBURN SURPRISE MAJOR

$-58-4-12-36.14-14.3 .14 .36 .14 .5$ 8ths place lead-end 14263857 . 4ths place bobs.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## FINDON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., May 5. 1960, in 2 Hoyurs and 30 Minutes, At Thi: Church of S!. John-The-Bapilst.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents,
James R. Maple
Jean Horton
Duroihy K. Saundens .. 2 Herbert W. Woulven ... 5
Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.

## COSBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and. 46 Minutes
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*M. Francine S. Loakes.. Treble
David F. Lee .. .. .. $\quad 3 \quad$ Jlan E. Hartley .. .. 5
Conducted by John B. Bennett.
*First peal. Rung for the wedding of Princess Margaret.
HARBURY. WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minures,
At The Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 12 cwt .


* First peal of Minor. First as conductor. First peal on the bells since uugmentation.

CHISLET, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 21. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In three methods, being two extents each of Oxford T.B and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt 3 yr .9 lb . in E flat. *Thomas C. Phillimore Treble *Eric T. Eades
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Derek C. Chatfield } & 2 & 2 & \text { Dennis A. Chapman } & . . \\ \text { Thomas H. Holmes } & . . & 3 & \text { Bertram } \$ \text {. Luck } & . . \\ \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted hy Dennis A. Chapman.

- Lirst peal of Minor in threc methods. Ifirst of Minor as conductor. First peal in the tower.

Rung to celebrate the restoration of the bellis, rededicated hy Bishop Rose on May 15th.

MULBARTON. NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. May 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
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In five methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.

| William Clover | Treble | *Gllbert Larter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Tooke | 2 | Thomas E. Spight |
| Peter Adcock | - 3 | Geoffrey R. Drew |

* First peal.


## ALVELEY, SHROPSHIRE

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 34 extents (ten callings) and four Morris's 240 's. Tenor 11 cwt . Joseph L. Stanier .. .. Treble Leo Evans. Rosaline A: Farlow .. 2 Harry Edse Alfred S. Bayley .. .. 3 Frederick W. Jones Conducted by Aifred S. Bayley.
First peal on the bells since being restored and rehung.
BELTON. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours, and 40 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two different extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt . Ronald Ducker .. .. Treble David Johnson Janet I. Porier .. ... 2 A. H. Hawcroft .. .. 5 James Thorley .. .. .. 3 Leslie M. Woodhead .. Tenor

Conducted by Leslie M. Woodhead.
SADDLEWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On' Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and four of Plain Bob.
Roger Leigh .
. . Treble Fenor 10 cwt 1 qr .6 b . in G . 2 John P. Partington. Gordon Rothwell
Michael D. Fishwick .. $\quad 2$ Philip J. H. Hudson .. Tenlor Conducted by Roger Leigh.

* First peal of Minor

Rung for the centenary of the laying of the foundation stone of St. Luke's Church, Heywood.

TILLINGHAM. ESSEX THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one 720 each of (1) London Surprise. (2) York Surprise. (3) Ipswich Surprise. (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Double Oxford Bob, (6) St. Clement's Bob, (7) Plain Bob.
*Jack F. Eaton .. .. Treble Dennis A. S. Symonds Ivan J. M. Saunders ... 2 Howard W. Egglestone 5 Patrick W. Saltmarsh.. 3 Peter J. Eves .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

* First peal. Believed to be the first peal on the bells.


## TONG. YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
at the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOLBLES
 Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
*First peal. † First 'inside.' First as conductor.

HAPPISBURGH, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sun., May 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents (two callings).
Henry Tooke

William Clover
Peter Adcock
Conducted by
Gilbert Larter
Tenor $11 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

## * First peal of Surprise Minor.

Rung to honour the engagement of Miss Mary Maddison and Mr Roy Mills.

## GLOSSOP. DERBYSHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF, 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Christine Livsey .. .. Treble
edward Shurtiewort
Bernato Groves ... 2
Gordon Rumney $. . . \quad . . \quad 3$ Peiter Dale.. .. Conducted by Bernard Groves.

* First peal of Minor.


## MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. June 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Comprising two extents St. Columb and ten each of Old, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt . in G. Noel D. Dean .. .. .. Treble | T . Michael Ryan Alec Gammon .. .. .. $\boldsymbol{\imath}$ Roy H. Jones


* First peal.

Rung to commemorate the wedding of Princess Margaret.
MELDRETH. CAMBRIDGESHIRE. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
Oil Sat., June 4. 1960, in: 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of The, Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
*Henry Lewis
Treble D. William Newman
+Hugh Bishop
Alfred Mynoti $\quad$....$\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ George E. Thoday .. . . Tenor

* Conducted by George E. Thoday
*First peal at first attempt. † First 'inside.'
STOKE TRISTER, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., June 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At the Church of Sr. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Ronald G. Beck


Conducted by Ronald G. Beck.
SUTTON BENGER. WILTSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 4, 1980, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOLBLES
In five methods, being two extents of St. Martin's and ten each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire.
Terence J. Milsom
Cliff J. Richards
Treble
J. James Jefferies

Alan $\ddot{F}$. Lee
Cedric J. A. Brown.
3

Conducted by Cedric J. A. Brown.
First peal in five methods by all. First on the bells.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Southern District

A good attendance of over 50 members was one of the factors that contributed towards the success of the annual meeting of the Southern District held jointly with the Doncaster and District Society at All Saints', Arksey, on May 21 st. Early visitors were met by genial host Mr. Ernest Cooper, who entertained with some interesting anecdotes of Arksey. The stories of the ten year old boy who married a woman of 61 and the daughter who died the same year as her mother, the daughter being older than her mother, were proved conclusively by reference to the respective gravestones.
The light ring of eight bells in the central tower of this lovely old church at Arksey were put to good use during the afternoon and evening. Barnby Dun's bells were also made available during the afternoon and so great was the demand for a ring on this handy six that the Rector and local company very kindly volunteered their further use after the tea and meeting.
Tea was provided in the Church Hall by the local ladies. The Vicar. Rev. H. H. Naylor, joined the company at tea and afterwards presided at the business meeting. The chief item of business was the election of Mr. Norman Chaddock to the office of Southern District vice-president. The retiring vicepresident. Mr. Dan Smith, had only been able to attend occasional meetings since his serious illness. four years ago. Tributes to Mr. Smith's work for the District since his election in 1945 and wishes for his future health and happiness were paid by Mr. F. Brunt. Mr. H. Chant and Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert. Mr. David Cubitt was elected to the office vacated by Mr. Chaddock on the General Committee. Mr. T. Cutts was re-elected and Mr. F. J. Jackson and Mrs. E. D. Kelly were elected to sit on the District Committee.
The following were elected new members of the Association: Mr. T. W. Crossley and Miss Linda Gott (Wakefield). Mr. R. Watkinson (Tickhill) and Miss Lynn Thompson (Handsworth).
It was decided that the next meeting of the Southern District should be held jointly with the Sheffield District Society at Rotherham on August Bank Holiday Monday, providing the Sheffield Society were in agreement. A collection made for the Bell Repair Fund realised the sum of $£ 13 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . Attention was drawn to the next Jasper Snowdon Commemoration dinner, to be held at Rotherham on October 22nd. There is accommodation for up to 250 .

## MR. JOHN R. SMITH'S 400 PEALS

Mr. John R. Smith. of Southrepps. Norwich. has rung his 400 th peal. His list is an interestin! one.-
Doubles. -3 methods 1.
Minor-1-14 methods 68 (conducted 30): Cambridge 5 (2): London 4 (2): 7 Surprise 1 . Triples.-Stedman 18 (2); Grandsire 2 (1); Plain 1.
Major.-Various Plain methods 26 (8): T.B. methods 4 (3): Surprise: Cambridge 30 (2): Superlative 14 (1): London 19: Bristol 25 : Yorkshire 28 (3): Bedford 2: Lincolnshire 3: Aldenham 3: Rutland 4 : Lyme 2; 4 Spliced 3; 1 each of Dublin. Belgrave. Painswick, Aylestone, Loughborough. Helmingham, Dorchester, York, Biddenham, Frolesworth, 6 Spliced.
Caters.-Stedman 7; Grandsire 2.
Royal-Cambridge 18; Yorkshire 12: Metropolitan 2; York 2; 1 each of Bedford, Belgrave New Cambridge. Rutland. Albanian, Wye. London No. 3. Pontefract. 2 Spliced.
Cinques.-Stedman 7; Grandsire 2
Maximus.-Cambridge $10:$ Yorkshire 7 Albanian 2: Aldenham 2: Bristol 2: 4 Spliced 3: 8 Spliced 3:1 each of Rochester. Bedford. i. indsey. Belgrave. Wigston. Leicestershire. Rutland. Superlative. Pudsey. Buckingham. Buckinghamshire. Metropolis. Langley. Stoneygate. Gartree. Framland: 2 Spliced. 3 Spliced ${ }^{6}$ Spliced, 7 Spliced, 5 Spliced. 10 Spliced, 1 ? Spliced.
In hand.-Minor: Plain 4 (4); Major: Plain 8 (1): Royal: Plain 1
On tower bells: 287 ( 54 ).
On handbells: 13 (5).

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 25


MR. T. J. LOCK, A.R.I.C.S., A.I.A.S. Secretary, Middlesex County Association
Mr. Tom Lock is very well known throughout the Exercise, not only because he is secretary of the most important ringing associations, but because of the many successful ringing tours he has organised since 1951, which have extended from Yorkshire to Hampshire, and Suffolk to South Wales. The quality of the performances and the standard of striking on these tours have done much to increase interest in the art, and have encouraged many ringers to avail themselves of the opportunity to tackle the higher methods and improve their standard of ringing. Tom Lock will not tolerate slovenly ringing, and he is very exacting in his demand that the peals rung on his tours shall be an example of what good ringing should be.

He was born at Woolton Hill, Hants, in 1909, and moved from the choir to the ringing

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

West Lindsey Branch
Belton, in the Isle of Axholme, whose bells have recently been augmented from four to six. had its first meeting when members of the West Lindsey Branch went there on May 21 st . a number of vistiors being among the 70 ringers present The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. A. L. Adams) and the lessgn was read by one of the Belton ringers.

Following an excellent tea in the Village Hall, the Rev. A. L. Adams took the chair for the business meeting in the absence of the vicepresident (Mr. C. H. Baker), who was involved with the B.B.C. in connection with the recent broadcast from Gainsborough Parish Church, where he is Ringing Master.

In congratulating the Belton ringers on their new bells, the secretary (Mr. G. L. A. Lunn) said that the occasion was especially noteworthy as the last augmentation from four to six bells to take place in the Gainsborough District (now the West Lindsey Branch) was over 50 years ago.
Further ringing followed in the evening when Epworth bells were also available.

The peal rung at Compton Dando on May 13th (see page 364 ) consisted of 15 extents of Plain Bob and 27 of Grandsire and not as printed.
chamber when his voice broke in 1924, at the invitation of the captain. Harry Balaam, a one armed ringer who now lives at Basingstoke. Completing his education at Newbury Grammar School, he went to London in 1927 and joined the Willesden band. Here he rang his first peal on December 20th, 1927.
In 1939 he married Kathleen M. Bradford, a well known and highly accomplished ringer; who has served as president of the Ladies Guild. They went to live at North Mymms. and Tom became captain of the local band. His wife serves as assistant organist at the same church. They have two sons, the oldest is reading. Theology at Hertford College, Oxford University, the younger son being still at school. Tom Lock is a chartered quality surveyor by profession, and is a local government officer. responsible for millions of pounds worth of building contract work, which includes the provision of new houses. His services were in great demand as lecturer at evening classes and some of the leading techrical colleges.
He has been a staunch stalwart of the Middlesex Association, and served as District Ringing Master. 1935 to 1938: District secretary. 1938-1958, and was appointed general secretary in 1957, serving in hoth capacities for one year. In succeeding the late E.J. Turner as general secretary, he had a colossal taskbut he has filled the position to everybody"s satisfaction to date, and the Association is now one of the leading ringing organisations. Elected to the Central Council in 1946, he has served on the Standing Committee, and was a member of the sub-committee formed to recommend a successor to Mr. E. H. Lewis
when he retired from the presidency.
His peals total by March. 1960 . was 600 , half of them for the Middlesex Association. His first peal as conductor was in 1934, and he rang his first 12 bell peal at Bow in 1938. His list includes over 100 different Surprise Major methods, over half of that number being methods rung for the first time. He has taken part in namc peals, married couples' peals and silent peals; has circled Willesden tower to peals 10 times, and also once each at South wark. Erith and N. Mymms. He has com pleted 21 years on the Parochial Church Council. served on various committees of that body, and is a sidesman. From all this it will be seen he leads a busy life-but he found time in 1951 to organise and provide accommodation for ringers who visited the Festival of Britain.

JAFUS.

## WOLVERCOTE'S WEEK-END TOUR

Wales was the venue for this year's weekend tour of Wolvercote ringers and friends: from in and around Oxford on May 14tls. Abergavenny was the first stop of the coach and on this fine ten touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung. Llangattock (8) was visited before lunch at the nearby County House Hotel
Ringing in the afternoon was at St. Mary's. Brecon (8). and Llandovery (6) and after tea at Llanbadarn Fawr (8), where a short service was held. The night was spent at an hotel at Aberystwyth.
On the Sunday morning there was morning service ringing at Llanbadarn Fawr before recurning to the hotel for lunch. Nantmel (6) and New Radnor (6) were visited on the return journey before crossing into Hertfordshire. On the delightful eight at Eardisland. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major were enjoyed. A song dedicated to the tour was written and rendered on the way home.
Thanks are due to Mr. N. Chamberlain for his unceasing enthusiasm in organising such successful and enjoyable week-end and also to incumbents and ringers in towers visited.

Bells will be heard prior to the broadcast service on Sunday morning. June 19th, at 9.45 a.m. on the Midland and West Home Service of the B.B.C., from Diss Parish Church, Norfolk.

## HALF PEAL

DRUNFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.-On May 31st. 2.520 Plain Boh Minor: M. Allen 1. Angela Scutt 2, K. R Goodall 3. R. Bradhury 4, G. N. Croodall 5. L. Gondall (cond.) 6. Rung as a compliment io Mr. Roy Bradbury (local ringer) on his engagement to Mis Maygaret Bequmom.

ALDERTON, WILTS.-On June 4th. 1.260 Doubles (in 5 methods): J. J. Jefferics (cond. Reverse St Bartholomew) 1. C. 1. Richards (cond. Plain Bob) 2 , T. J. Milsom (cond. St. Martin) 3. C. J. Brown (cond. Grandsire) 4. A. F. Lee (cond. Reverse Canterbury) 5. First quarter in 5 methods for ringers of $1,2,3$ and 4 . Most methods ning nn the bells.

## ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On May 22nd, 1,260

 Plain Bob Doubles: Frances P. Gilber 1, D. H Paine 2. Gwyneth R. Paine 3, Valeric Mepham 4 R D. Brnwn (cond.) 5. V. F. Gough 6. First quarier neal for Frances Gilbert. Runs for Rogation Day.AMERSHAM, BUCKS.-On May 26th, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: J. E. Camp (cond.) 1. A. K. Forlin 2 Mrs. E. G. Swift 3. G. Orehard 4, D. C. Lawson 5. R. I. Rothwell 6. First of Stedman for 2, 4 and 5. Rung for Evensong on Ascension Day.
AUGHTON. LANCS.-On May 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Bro. J. N. Brown 1, Bro. N. Heaps 2, Bro. A. Sandford 3. W. Bro. Asheroft 4. W. Rro, E. C. Birkett 5, W. Bro. T. Rothwell 6, W. Bro T. R. Butler (cond.) 7, W. Bro. I. Rothwell 8. For a Masonic service.
AYLESTONE, LEICESTER.-On May 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Marie Davenport 1, C. L. Powdrill 2, Sandra E. Chesterton 3, Rev. P. B. Blackman 4, P. Martin 5, T. I. Roper 6, A. 1. Poyner (cond.) 7, P. A. Wardle 8. For Ascension Day Evensong.
BATH, SOMERSET.- On May 29th, at the Abbey, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: H. J. Merrets 1, Mrs. D. Evans 2. J. J. Jefferies 3. W. J. Prescntt 4, C. G. Parsons 5, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 6, J. R. C. Tiley 7. S. A. Read 8, P. W. Weeks 9, J. W. Owen 10 First of Caters for 3, 5 and 7. An 8ist birthday compliment to W. J. Prescott, tower Master of Bath Abley.
BECKENH IM, KENT.--On May 29th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss H. Oakshetl 1. M. F. Oakshett 2. D. G. Brown 3, P W. Cave 4, Miss J. Hoskins 5 , D. Randall 6. J. W. Smith (cond.) 7, Mrs. C. Shiers 8. for Sunday evening scrvice.
BENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.-()n June 6th. 1.260 Ptain Bob Minor: J. Lishman 1, J. Vickery 2, G. Wall 3, N. Errington 4, C. T. Lamb (cond.) s R. Oliver 6. Rung as a compliment to ringer of feurth, for his parents' diamond jubilec wedding anniversary.
BENSON, OXON.-On May 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Howes 1, P. Wilson 2. 1. Godman (cond.) 3. R. D. Wclls 4. J. Cherrill (first "inside') 5. S. Pether (first quarter) 6. Rung on St. Helen's Day for Patronal Festuval.
BRISTOL.-At the Cathedrai, on April 22nd. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire. Stedman, Plain Bob): M. J. Hobbs 1, Gillian M. Hussey 2. J. R. Goodenough 3. C. J. Richards 4. D. J. Hunt (cond.) 5. First in three methods 1. 2. 3, and 4. Also on May 2 hh h. 1.260 Stedman Triples: M. J. Hohbs (firse of Siedman) 1. C. J. Richards (firs of Siedman) 2, D. J. Hum 3. F. J. Siampon 4. F. C. Mogford 5. P. J. Bird (cond.) 6, D. E. Cobb 7, F. R. Hussey 8. Fer Commonwealth Youth service
BURMARSH, KENT.-On May 22nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Fagg 1. Mrs. F. Wains 2, F. Wains 3 Miss A. Rayner 4, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 5. B. Watts 6. For Evensone.
CAMBRIDGE.-On May 15th, at St. Andrew the Oreat, 1,260 Plain Boh and Grandsire Surprise Minor Jennifer Davies 1, D. J. Rnaf (cond.) 2. H. E. Bishap 3. M. D. S. Hoed 4. H J. Verity 5, J. R Taylor 6. For Evensong. Also on Maq 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Griffin 1, F. A. Secker 2. J. Schofield (cond.) 3, H. E. Bishop 4. D. P. Davies (lirst quarter) 5. J. R. Tayior 6, D. J. Roaf 7a Hilary Muirhead.

CANNUCK, STAFFS.-On May 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lilian Buller 1. Denise Hesbrook 2, M. Mullard 3. H. Butier 4, G. Bradbury (cond.) 5. A. Armstrong 6. Rung as a tribute to the late Rev. W. E. Walkerdine, a former Vicar of Shareshill, for 32 years.
CAYTHORPE, LINCS.-On May 28th. 1.316 Grandsire Triples: J. Bennett 1, G. Scott 2, S. Proctor (cond.) 3, G. Ingleby 4. H. Squires 5, J. Cragg 6, 1. Squire: 7, O. King 8. For Caythorpe Feast.

## QUARTER PEALS

CHESTER.-At St. Mary-within-the-Walls, on Apri 27th, 1.440 Plain Bub Minor (tenor covering): Patricia Sibley 1, Mrs. P. Tucker 2, Edna Price 3. H. O. Sibley 1. Mrs. P. Tucker 2, Edna Price 3, H. O
Baker (cond.) 4, R. King 5, R. Lee 6. R. C. H Baker (cond.) 4, R. King 5, R. Lee 6. R. C. H
Sibley 7. Also on May Ist. 1.320) Plain Boh Doubles Patricia Sibley 1. Mrs. P. Tucker 2. Edna Price 3 R King 4. H. O. Baker (cond.) 5, R. C. H. Sibley 6. A birthday compliment to Mr, F. Edge, church warden at the above church. Alsu on May yth. 1.440 Plain Boh Minor (tenor covering): Parricia Sibley 1 Mrs. P. Tucker 2, Edna Price 3. Anlhea A. Haker 4. R. King 5, H. (). Baker (cond.) 6. R. C. H. Sibley 7 . A 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Margaret Sibley, daughter of the ringer of the 7th. Also on May 30th 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: Anthea A. Baker 1, Mrs. P Tucker 2. Edna Price 3, Janet M. P. Raban 4, H. O Raker (cond.) 5. T. Holmes 6, R. King 7, R. C. H. Sibley 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr . Joseph Thomas, who was for many years a worshipper at the above church and who was cremated this day. Rung by the Sunday service band, with the help of the ringer of the 6th, who was from Hoole.
CHICHESTER. SLSSEX.-On May 24th, at the Cathedral, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. Ann Godirey 1, S. Kathicen M. Knight 2, C. R. C. Coussmaker 3, S. A. Scott (first of Triples inside') 4. W. G Challon 5, J. S. Still (first of Triples 'inside ') 6, E Winifred Kevs (cond.) 7. P. J. M. Bright (first of Triples) 8. Rung following the Festival Evensong of Chichester Thenlogical Collegc. Ringers of 3 and 8 are members of the College.

## Hints For Beginners - $\mathbf{2 5}$

When ringing never attempt to put other bells right unless you are absolutely sure what they should be doing.

CHIPSTABIE, SOMERSET.-On June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob. Stedman and Grandsire): H Purchase (cond.) 1. H. V. Young 2, A. Turner 3. E. Quick 4, G. Sparks 5. R. Purchase

Claines, WORCESTER.-On May 21st. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. J. Stanier 1, D. Price (first of Stedman Triples) 2, A. Morgen 3, T. W. Lewis 4 D. Beacham 5, R. Woodyatt (cond.) 6. G. E. Evenden 7. H. Homans 8.
COMBE FLOREY, SOMERSET.-On June 5th 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Ford 1, M. Baker 2, H. Cavill 3, S. Parish 4. E. J. Ford (cond.) 5. J. J. Ford 6. A birthday compliment to Raymond Ford.
COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.-On Junc lst, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. M. P. Swann 1. Mrs. A. J. Frith 2. L. B. Coles 3. C. Allward 4. F. C Mogford (cond.) 5. S. Bales 6. For Confirmation service.
CRANFORD, MIDDX.-On May 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1. Josephine Pole 2. Junc Richardson 3. P. Wondgyer 4. D Fowles (cond.) 5, J. Goodfellow 6. For the Patronal Festival.
CRAWLES; SESSEX.-On Msy 21 st , 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss H. Oakshen. 1. G. T. Jennines 2. Miss M. A. Ladd 3. E. J. Ladd 4. M. F. Oakshett S E. J. Jenner 6. J. W. Smith (cond.) 7, B. Y Collivon 8.
DANEHHLL, Sessex.-On June 5th, 1,260 Doubles (601 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 660 Plain Bob): Betiy Rutler 1. Peggy Butcher 2. A. Fulles 3. June Carter 4. A. Butcher (cond.) 5, W. Sale 6. Fins in 2 methods for 1.2 and 3. For Whit Sunday and a 1 ith birihday compliment to the treble ringer
DUNHOLME, LINCS.-On May 31st, 1.260 Plain Bob Dnubles: P. Coddington 1, B. A. Fox 2, J. Blaikie (cond.) 3. B. W. Smith 4, J. Gndfrey 5, P Burion 6. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Brian W. Smith. Also on June 4th. 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: J. M. Smith (first quarter) 1, W. S. Smith (cond.) 2, T. R. Smith 3. B. W. Smith 4. J. Godfrey 5. B. Clarke (first quarter) 6. Rung for Whit Sunday. Sung Eucharist, and to congratulatc Charlic and loyce on the birth of a son this day. The Smith family ringing in the above quarter peal are father. wo snns and 13 year old daughter.
EASTHAM, CHESHIRE. () In May 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob and Single ()xford: B. C. W. Jenks 1. Miss G. Halford 2. Mrs. F. R. Ferris 3. F, R. Ferris 4 R. E. D. Hamm 5. K. C. Edwards (first as cond.)

For Rogation Sunday.
ELSTOW. BEDS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Felicity Prole 1. B. Law (first quarter) 2 , Marion Clarke 3, B. Huckle 4, P. Wakeman 5, P. Newing (cond.) 6.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.-On Junc 4 th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubler: A. Ivings 1. Mrs. H. Ivings 2, W. Ivings 3. H. Ivings 4, J. E Ivings (cond.) S. Rung halfmufled as a tribure to the Rev. Paul Greaves, of Rousham. interred this day at Hardinston Mandeville. Somerset.
FELMERSHAM, BEDS.-On May 25th, I.344 Plain Bob Majn: R. Piron 1, Kathleen Rivett 2, Mary Mann 3. C. Payne 4. P. Newing (eond.) S, P. Wakeman 6. F. W. Riveti 7. C. Mann 8. A 2ly birthday compliment to P . Wakeman.
FFN DITTON, CAMBS.-OU May 15 th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. E. Bishon 1. T. G. Page 2. P H. Lankton (cond.) 3. M. D. S. Hond 4. I). J. Kirby 5. For morning service.
FINCHLEY, MIDDX, -On May 26ih, 1.264 Plain Buh Major: B. Watson (first quarter) 1. T. Bcvan 2, F. Barker 3. M. Soper 4. A. Warren 5. Miss R. Foreman 6. H. Willis (cond.) 7, L. Tubb 8, Rung for Evensong on Ascension Day.
GREAT HALE. LINCS.-On May 23rd. 1.320 Plain Both Doubles: A. Bird 1. Daphne Brown 2. P. Fenney 3, R. Trevitt 4, E, A. Cole (cond.) 5, G. T. Brows 6. Rung to congratulatic the Good Connaninns* Club ${ }^{\circ}$ on their achievemenıs.
GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.-On May 26ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. R. Lovan 1, C. R. Lnvatt 2. Mrs. R. Downing 3. C. W. Pine $4, \mathrm{j}$. Rennert (cond.) 5, E, W. Pcarce 6. R. Downing 7. D H. Buxton 8. For Confirmation service.
HALIFAX, YORKS.-At the Church of All Sonls, on May 29th, 1,312 Spliced Surprise Major (Londan. Bristo, Cambridge and Superlative): M. Vivien Copping 1, Parricia Reeve 2. D. S. Hollas 3. Freda Scous 4. C. F. Bryant 5, J. H. Fielden (cond.) 6, J. F. Bryant 7. C. Sweeney 8.
HARRIETSHAM, KENT.-On June 4th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Bristow 1. S. N. Scott 2. P. Batchelor 3, D. G. Smith 4, P. E. Deverill (cond) 5. D. A. Hatton 6. Rung on the back six, and to celebrate the 28 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Deverill, parents of the conductor. First quarter for all exespr the ringer of the second hell. All panticipants are still attending school.
HEVERSHAM, WESTMORLAND.-On May 28ih, 1.440 Hereward Bob Minor: T. Metcalfe 1. D. Lawson 2. Judy Moir 3, L. D. Clement 4, W. G. Wilson 5. W. 1. Couperthwaite (cond.) 6. First quarter in method for all the hand, on the bells and in the county. Rung for the looth anniversary of the installation of the church clock
HILLINGDON, MIDDX.-On May 28ih. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: F. C. Price 1-2. Mrs. J. Hill 3. M, W. Seymour 4. J. Sexton (first quarter on 10) 5. D. Ward (Slough) 6, F. W. Goodfellow (cond.) 7 J. Hill 8. W. H. Coles 9. C. A. Ashpool 10. Rung for the Deanery Choir Festival at Si. John's.
HURST, BERKS. -On May 26th, 1.344 Plain Bnb Major: Mrs. C. A. Eele (first of Major) 1. Miss S. A. Castie 2. Mrs. B. C. Castie 3. Mrs. A. J. Rance a R K. Rivers 5. A. J. Rance 6. H. Smith 7. B.
Castle (cond.) 8. For the Fegst of the Ascenston.
KENWYN. TRURO, CORNWALL.-On Whir Sunday. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. R. Rowe 1, Miss IV. Mathews 2. C. N. Brewer 3. A. F. Burley 4, H. Harper (cond.) 5. A. E. Mathews 6. Rung hefore the 8 n.m. celebration of Holy Communion.
KINGS LAVGLEY. HERTS. On May 26ih. 1,344 Plain Bob Major: W. Ayre 1. Miss G. E. Granes 2. D. 1. Goodman 3. Miss M. Erik 4. K. D. Waples
R. J. Picton 6, R. V. Wallis 7. B. M. Barker (cond.) 8. For Ascension Das:
KIRK ELLA, YORKS.-On Whie Sunday. 1.300 Minor ( 720 Soliced Childwall and St. Clement's Hob, 580 Spliced Plain and Litkle Bob): 1. N. Goidthorpe 1, K. Goldthorpe 2. P. 1. Came 3, J. $\mathbb{R}$ Perrett 4. D. S. Johnann 5, J. S. Rank (cond.) ó For Evensons.

IINCOLN:-At the Cathedral. on June 5th. 1.299 Siedman Caters: C. E. Brown 1. S. A. Chambers 2. R. F. Smith 3. P. A. Sharp 4. W. Tomlinson (cond.) 5. L. Willders 6. H. Lowman 7. H. L. Pask 8, J. Walden 9, G. R. Parker 10.
LONDON, E.C.-On May 29th, at Sr . Olave's. Hart Strcet. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: D. E. Sibson 1. Miss E. J. Langton 2, P. Hull 3. G. Salmon 4, C. M. Pain 5. G. Pran 6, M. R. Rosc 7, R. J.
Trebilcock (first of Maior as cand) 8. For Sung Eucharist.

MADELEY, SHROPS,-On May 25ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Pritchard 1. J. L. Stanier 2. Mis E. Jones 3. Miss D. E. Lewis 4. F. W. Jones (cond.) 5. H. Hyde 6. A 48th wedding anniversary compliment 10 Mr . T. Pritchard, alho 10 mark hia 53 years' ringing service.

## QUARTER PEALS

MEILS, SOMERSET.-On May 31st, 1.260 Grandwire Triples: Miss $H$ Young (first on 8) 1. E. Wadman 2. A. Mundy 3, 1. Moore 4, 1). Hoare 5, E. Nash 6. E. Chivers (first as cond.) 7, R. Beck 8. MORTON, DERBYS.-On June 1st, 1.272 Minor (720) (sswald Delight and 552 Kent and (oxford T.B.): H. Wagutaff 1. M. Foster 2. G. Challans 3. C. Wrisht 4. B. A. Richards (cond ) 5. H. T. Rooke 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rector, the Rev. F. Crosse, M.C. Who is taking the living of Upton Magna, Salop.
NFTTLLHAM, LINCS.-On May 26th, 1.320 (h)uhles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): 13. A. Burton 1. C. 13. Jeffery 2. J Pearson 3, J. M. Burton 4. W. R. Parker (cond.) S. For Evensnng on Ascension Day.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On June 6th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Wendy Bowak 1. H. King (cond.) 2. L. Cordell 3. S. King 4. M. McQuistan 5. T. Airey (first quarter) 6. Rung at family service for $T$. Aircy.

PENN, STAFFS.-On April 3rd and also on Aprit 10 th .1 .260 Grundsire Triples: B. T. Ford 1. D. G. Smith 2. E. Stitch 3. Annetre Frost 4. C. Griffiths 5 3. A. Roden 6. E. G. Bowyer (cond.) 7. C. F. W. Eyre 8. Rung on both occasions for Matins. Also on May 31st. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. Stitch 1. G Smallwood 2. J. A. Roden 3. Annette Frost 4, C. Griffith, 5. A. Williams 6. E. G. Bowyer (cond.) 7. C. F. W. Eyre 8. Rung on the evening of the luneral. to the memory of Mrs. E. B. Twentyman, a friend of the ringers. The bells were rung open. at Mrs. Twentyman's own request.
PL.YMOUTH, DEVON.-At the Church of St . Andrew, on Whit Sunday, Junc 5th, 1,260 Sicdman Triples: H. W. Milford 1, T. G. Myers (cond.) 2 , F. E, Day 3, H, F. Myers 4. D. F Whecler 5. S. 0 Shaughnessy 6, A. W. Myers 7, W. H. Marks 8. For Evensong.
PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.-On May 15th, 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. B. C. Sadler 1, G. Bacon 2 B. C. Sadler 3, J. Belcham 4, D. E. Belcham 5, P. A. Sadier (cond.) 6. P. Sloman 8. For Girl Guides Renewal of Promise.
PUTNEY, S.W.-On June 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Bull 1. M. Lewis 2, B. Coatsworth 3. C. Mew (cond.) 4. A. Clayion 5. First quarter an five bells for al. For Whir Sunday Evensong

RYE. SLSSEX.-On May 29th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles $17-6-8$ covering): Rowemary C. Hicks 1 , Felicity M. A. Rooke 2, Gillian Sewell (first quarter inside') 3, A. J. Hicks (cond.) 4. C. Knowles 5. S. Skinner 6. J. Small 7. T. Longley 8. Rung halfmuffled in memoriam Geoffrey Smith, former tower caprain.
SANDON, ESSEX.-On May 27th, 1.260 Doubles (780) Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob): Mrs. J. Marrison 1 Miss J, Groves 2, Miss P. A. Edwards 3. R. J Harrisun 4, P. W. Salımarsh (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to the treble ringer.
STTTINGROURNE, KENT.-On May 29th. 1.260 Cirandsire Priples: Wendy R. Austin 1, Fredericka R. Underhill (first quarter 'inside') 2, J. Grensted 3, 1. Davey (finit of Triples) 4, G. Eastman 5, G. A Naytor (cond.) 6, S. B. Dohthic 7, G. Kenward 8. For Matins at which His Grece the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury gave the address.
SOUTH MARSTON, WILTS.-On June 2nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callinas): Miss M. R. Whiting (lirst quarter) 1, H. Pone 2, E. C. Anger 3, T. E, Sione 4. P. Anger (cond.) 5, L. Wondwards 6
STANWELL, MIDDX.-On April 17th. 1.272 Spliced Doubles ( 10 methods): J. Pickett ( 13 , first (cwarler) I, C. Fynes (eand.) 2 and 3, K. Young (12) 4. D. Pickert 5, D. Evans 6. To welcome back 1. Picketl. Also on April 30th, 1.260 Plain Boh Ainor: J. Boyd 1, C. Fyne.3 (cond.) 2 and 3. D. Pickett 4. D. Margan 5, M. Lane 6. To welonme the new curate. Alse on May 22nd, 720 Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob: D. Pickett 1, C. Fynes (cond.) 2 and 3, K. Young 4, C. Burgess 5. M Lane 6. Far Evensong. Also on May 28th, 1.260 Camhridge Surnrise: D. Pickett 1, Mrs. Blagrove 2. M. Lane 3, K. Young 4, C. Fynes 5, F. Blagrove (cond.) 6.
WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.-On May 3 ist 1.26t Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1, S. Bristow 2 H. V. Young 3, C. Tarr 4, G. Sparkes (cond.) S, W. 1. Nurcome 6, F. Casley 7, W. Baker 8. Rung on 70 th anniversary of founding of Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, hy members of four rowers, Wiveliscombe. Milverton. Ashbrittle and Chipstable WOODFORD. NORTHANTS.-On May 6th. 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: J. Groom 1. Miss M. Kibble 2, Miss A. Hales 3. A. Sansom 4, V. A. Headland (cond.) 5, M. Bosworth 6.

## LETTERS

## MISLAID LETTER

Dear Sir.-Some time ago our new vicar, at Tonbridge, received a letter from an outing organiser in Glamorgan-we think. This letter has been mislaid and I would be grateful if you could pubish a short note in The Ringing World asking the writer to contact me at the address below. if Tonbridge bells are still required for his outing.-Yours incerely,
13. Baltic Road
W. H. DOBBIE.

Tonbridge.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Dear Sir,-I would like to congratulate Mr. Roy D. Tomlin on calling his first peal. Holt's Original. Seldom to my knowledge has such a feat been performed, and in these days when peals of Triples are scarce, such a peal comes as a welcome change

Addlestone.
W. SHEPHERD.

## INGENUITY AT ACCRINGTON

Dear Sir.-Our ringing room at St. James'. Accrington. is not large and when the bells were made into eight in 1953. we found that there was no point at which a straight stair could come up hehind the rope circle without having a trap-door on which a ringer would have to stand.

Eventually we built a wooden circular staircase (about 12 feet high) in the centre of the rope circle. It is covered by a hatchway. about three feet high, which, when closed, acts as a table. There are many other towers where this would appear to be the best means of access. The cost was about $£ 10$ and no special joinery work is involved, although we made many experimental plans and cven a quarter scale mode!! We also built a "lantern" roof and have installed new floors in the clock and ringing rooms.-Yours truly.

Hindley. Wigan.
R. LEIGH.

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Two close peal ringing friends, on the Central Council, decided to stay at the headquarters hotel and their respective wives at another hotel. On the first evening they took their respective wives to the headquarters hotel to dinner. After the meal when the ladies had retired the waiter whispered: 'You two have not taken a lot of time in getting a couple of friends!'
Mr. Alan R. Bridges has taken the post of head cook and catering officer at the British Legion Hospital, Nayland, Colchester.

- A get well quickly message was sent from the Central Council members to Mrs. Marshall, who is still laid up with a broken leg.
On his way to the Central Council meeting, Mr . Peter Bond was involved in a car accident. He was able to be present at the afternoon session.
Who is the young lady who decided to paint her toe nails orange for her hospitalisation? At any rate we send our good wishes for her tonsillatomy operation on June 20th.
Christopher Rogers, the son of Mr . and Mrs, Harold Rogers, of Isleworth, has been awarded a senior scholarship at St. Paul's School. He is a member of the British contingent going to Greece in July to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Boy Scout movement in that country.

Masters of Ceremonies at the social at headquarters following the Central Council meeting. at Folkestone, were two parsons-the Revs. K. W. H. Felstead and the Rev. John Scott. When one was exhausted the other maintained the fun. Round singing followed handbell stunts. We did not know that the Exercise had so many fine basses. We hope to publish the verses of Mr. Scott in an early issue.
A correspondent points out that recently the band of St. Paul's, Bedford, has provided Master for the Cambridge University Guild, the Oxford University Society, and Durham University Society. Secretaries have been provided for Cambridge. Oxford, Reading and Southampton University Guilds or Societies, the Ladies' Guild and two district secretaries of the Bedfordshire Association.

GOSSIP
Some 23 Masonic brethren had an enjoyable meeting in London recently. The ringing included a good half course of Cambridge Royal at St. Clement Danes' and also visits to St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. Olave's. Hart Street. The next meeting will be on June 3rd, 1961, in Birmingham.
We are sorry to learn that Mr. A. E. Lock, of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, is in hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.
Mr. E. Orland, of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, has been accepted for training for the Ministry at Lichfield Theological College.
A pair of kestrel hawks are rearing a family of four on the window sill of the belfry in Tawstock. Devon. Not even the ringing of bells disturbs them.
Ringing in a touch of Grandsire Triples at Lympne during the Whitsun visit were a grandmother, mother and daughter, a father. mother and son and a husband and wife. Who were they?

Mr. Henry C. Lewis, of Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge, who rang his first peal at Meldreth on June 4 th, had his first lesson in 'hunting at Great St. Andrew's Church, Cambridge, in February.

We are asked to state that when a new method is rung, the method and the composition of the peal should he sent to the convener of the Records Committee (Mrs. Fletcher), The White House, Caister-on-Sea, Norfolk.

Latest news from Sydney. N.S.W., is that they are practising Yorkshire Surprise Major and hope to score a quarter peal within a mouth. By the way, Yorkshire was the most popular method for Surprise peals in 1959. there being 120 against 100 of Cambridge.

Fellow ringers in a Midland tower have taken compassion on one young lady member of 18 who sighs that she has not a boy friend. They have asked the Editor to help. her to find a canoodling campanologist.' Although the Editor has many extraneous duties to perform he feels that this is outside the functions he can assist in.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## CENTRAL COUNCIL AT FOLKESTONE

## A GREAT WELCOME FOR RECORD ATTENDANCE - AFFILIATION ACCEPTED - DEVON ASSOCIATION WOULD BE WELCOME - COLOSSAL BUSINESS IN PUBLICATIONS - 'THE RINGING WORLD' IMPROVEMENTS APPRECIATED - EXTOLLING RINGING IN OUTSIDE PUBLICATIONS

OLKESTONE looked its best on Whit Tuesday for the 63rd annual meeting of the Central Council held in the Town Hall, when there was a record attendance of 144 members. In addition there were many interested spectators of the proceedings in the gallery above the conference chamber
Proceedings actually started with a celebration of the Holy Communion for the Council at Folkestone Parish Church at which the celebrant was the Bishop of Tonbridge (the Rt. Rev. G. Russell White), assisted by the Vicar (Canon Hough).

The proceedings at the Council meeting started with an official welcome by the Mayor (Ald. F. W. Archer), who was accompanied by the Bishop of Tonbridge and Canon Hough.
In his good wishes for a successful and happy conference the Mayor said he had been associated with Church work all his life, having been a chorister for 23 years, and it was a pleasure. within 10 days of assuming his year of office, to welcome them. He had read some of their literature about their work and he was amazed at the amount of organisation behind their Council, and the various suggestions made to diocesan bodies that their work could be carried out to the best advantage of the Church.
He noticed that in ringing for service that the church bells were rung to proclaim that Christ lives and to call his people to worship. He thought it was a wonderful way of expressing their work. He was personally very grateful to Canon Hough for the prayers he and the congregation offered for his recovery from illness, which enabled him to hold the office of Mayor.
He noticed that in the recruitment of ringers it was suggested that they should contact choirboys between the ages of 14 and 15 . Knowing choirboys he wondered why. As a hoy chorister it used to be his duty to toll a singlc bell five minutes before the service to announce that all seats were free. In those days it was his greatest delight to stop the bell suddenly and see people rush for their seats and after a pause to start ringing again. He did not think choirboys were the best recruits!
The Bishop of Tonbridge followed with a welcome to the conference on behalf of the
Diocese of Rochester and Canterbury. He recalled that when he was Vicar of Twickenham he made an appeal for bells-unfortunntely they were a carillon. One of the first donations, and a handsome one, was from a Roman Catholic. who lived near the church. He gave his gift because with the bells his dog had stopped barking. (Laughter.)

When he went to Tonbridge they embarked on a scheme of church restoration. The bells were taken down. recast and rehung: and on one of these bells his name was inscribed. Some 18 months ago he left Tonbridge and the local band of ringers then asked him to become their president. The strength of their organisation was the strength of each individual hand and with each individual band strong, they would keep their art alive in this country. Canon Hough proudly proclaimed that he had produced a family of change ringers, and he, alas. was the only 'black sheep.' When on holiday, instead of reading his thriller in his hotel, he was taken out to visit local towers, to find local ringers and ring the bells. There were only two churches in Folkestone where change ringing was practised and he was delighted that his was one of them. I feel that what you do is part of England-like our churches and Shakespeare-and our Christian culture is bound up with such a craft and art as bell ringing and one hopes that England may be made really Christian.
The Central Council was welcomed on behalf of the Kent County Association by Mr. John Willis. He said it was a great honour 10 them that they were paying their third visit. Mr. Willis said he could not speak of the first visit of the Central Council to Kent, but he remembered the visit on June 7th, 1897, when remembered the visit on June 7h, 1897 , when

At the meeting. at Canterbury, he was not present, but his friend. Bert Luck, told him he remembered ringing a plain course of Grandsire Cinques with George and Edith Fletcher at $1.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. One of the great things about change ringing was continuity and it was a pleasurc to him to see George and Edith Fletcher with them.
The president (Mr. Frederick Sharpe) replied to the welcome and said it was a great pleasure to him to know that the Kent County Association celebrated its 80 th birthday on WhitMonday, and they congratulated the Association on its progress. When the Association was formed there was very little change ringing. now it was the rule rather than the exception as it was then. Kent was now one of the strongholds, as in the past in the days of James Barham in the 18 th century, and it was noted for sts ringing families.

This year had heen an eventful one for the Central Council. There had been a tremendous amount of committee work. Since the end of the last war there had been a growing interest in the Church and now there were more young people taking part in the art than ever before. There were, moreover, ringing courses and as was said they were growing by evolution. In change ringing there were still new fields to be conquered.

THE ATTENDANCE
Ancient Society of College Youths: Messrs. J. E. Chilcott, J. F. Smallwood, C. G. J. Watts and W. Williams.
Bath and Wells Diocesan Association: Messrs. A. H. Reed, G. Salmon and H. J. Sanger.

Bedfordshire Associątion: Mr. S. Foskett and Mr. A. E. Rushton.

Cambridge University Guild: Dr. C. M. P. Johnson and Mr. B. D. Threlfall.

Chester Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. R. Elkins and Mr. J. Worth

Coventry Diocesan Guild: Mrs. D. E. Beamish and Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward.

Cumberland and North Westmorland Association: Mr. G. McKay.

Derbyshire Association: Mr. G. A. Halls and Mr . A. Moulds.

Devon Guild: Miss B. M. Boyle, Mr.
J. L. S. Glanvill and the Rev. J. G. M. Scott.

Durham and Newcastle Association: Mr. K. Arthur and Mr. D. A. Bayles.

East Grinstead and District Guild: Mr. E. J. Ladd.

Ely Diocesan Guild: Messrs. D. E. R. Knights, E. H. Mastin and H. S. Peacock.

Essex Association: Messrs. J. H. Crampion, P. J. Eves and F. B. Lufkin.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association : Messrs. A. L. Barry, R. G. Hooper, W. B. Kynaston and C. A. Wratten.
Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. C. W. Denyer. H. N. Pitstow and W. H. Viggers.

Hertford County Association: Messrs. W. Ayre. R. G. Bell. G. W. Critchley and C. Dodds.

Irish Association: Mr. F. E. Dukes and Mr. J. T. Dunwoody

Kent County Association: Messrs. J. R.
Cooper. P. A. Corby, T. Cullingworth and
Ladies' Guild : Miss D. E. Colegate, Mrs. A. Richardson. Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.

Lancashire Association: Mr. P. Crook, Mr. F. Dunkerley and the Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith. Leicester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. S. Burton, E. Morris. P. J. Staniforth and B. G. Warwick. Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. Bray. G. E. Feirn. J. Freeman and J. L. Millhouse. Llandaft and Monmouth Diocesan Guild : Mrs. D. J. King and Mr. T. M. Roderick.
London County Association: Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rogers. Mr. W. G. Wilson.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs. F. T. Blagrove. T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne.

Midland Counties Guild: Mr. J. W. Cotton. New South Wales Association: Mr. P. M. J.

## Gray.

North Staffordshire Association: Mr. R. S. Anderson.

Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs. H. W. Barrett, N. V. Harding and the Rev. A G. G. Thurlow.

Oxford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. A. D. Barker, D. Smith and P. Walker.

Oxford Society : Mr. F. A. H. Wilkins.
Oxford University Society: Dr. J. E. Spice.
Peterborough Diocesan Guild: Messrs. B. Austin. P. I. Chapman, G. W. Jeffs and E. G. Orland.

St. Martin's Guild, Diocese of Birmingham : Mr. F. E. Haynes.
Salisbury Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. T Barrett, G. H. Harding, G. S. Morris and W. C. West.

Sheffield and District Society: Mr. N. Chaddock.
Shropshire Association: Mr. H. Poyner.
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. D. Beresford. P. N. Bond, F. J. Cullum and F. E. Hawthorne.
Southwell Diocesan Guild: Mr. B. M. Buswell and Mr. J. D. Clarke
Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Mr. G. W. Hughes and Mr. B, G. Key.
Suffolk Guild: Mr. J. W. Blythe, Mr. C. W. Pipe and Miss R. J. Seabrook.
Surrey Association: Messrs. A. P. Cannon F E. Collins and W. F. Oatway
Sussex County Association: Messrs. R Overy, R. B. Percy and H. Stalham.
Truro Diocesan Guild: Messrs, W. C. Boucher. D. Burnett and H. Miles.

Universities Association: Miss M. R. Cross. University of London Society: Dr. D. N. Layton.
Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. V. Davis, the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead and Mr. F. W. Rogers.
Worcestershire and Districts Association Messrs. B. C. Ashford, D. Beacham and W. B Cartwright.
Yorkshire Association: Messrs. G. Benfield, V. Bottomley. W. E. Critchley and L. W. G: Morris.
University of Bristol Society: Mr. T. P. Edwards.
Honorary members: Mrs. E. A. Barnett. Messrs. J. P. Fidler, F. I. Hairs. A. A. Hughes D. Hughes, C. K. Lewis, W. A. Osborn, H. L Roper. E. C. Shepherd. R. F. B. Speed, L Stilwell. P. L. Taylor, T. W. White and J Willis.
Life members: Messrs, F. Sharpe. E. A. Barnett, F. W. Perrens, E. H. Lewis. G. W. Fletcher, Mrs. Fletcher.

## APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from the Misses N. G. Williams. H. G. Snowden. M. E. L. Beamish. M. E. Snowdon, Mrs. J. Jeffrey, Mrs C. C. Marshall. Messrs. H. O. Baker, J. W Clarke. T. G. Myers, H. J. Shuck, B A. E. G. Benson, T. H. Taffender, F. W. Goodfellow, E. C. Birkett, E. H. Edge, F. N. Golden. D. H. B. Millward. A. E. Lock, G. E. Fearn, R. St. C. Wilson. D. H. Rooke, L. G Brett, R. G. Blackman, C. I. Lewis, Rev. A. S. Roberts, A. J. Pitman, C. W. Roberts and A. Walker.

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

> Summary :- Members

Fully represented
Partly represented
Not reprasented
Life members
Honorary members

REPORT AS TO MEMBERSHIP
The honorary secretary reported that 57 Associations were affiliated to the Council with 156 members. The rules provided for 24 honorary members and there were seven life members, making a total membership of 187. There were two vacancies among representative members and three among honorary. All subscriptions had been paid.
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## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

## APPLICATION TO AFFILIATE

An application was received from the University of Bristol Society to affiliate. The Standing Committee recommended that the application be agreed to. It was proposed by Mr. P. M. J. Gray, and seconded by Mr. W. Williams, that the Society be elected a member and this was agreed to.

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS
The following were presented to the president: Messrs. J. E. Chilcott. C. G. J. Watts (Ancient Society of College Youths) ;-A. H Reed and G. Salmon (Bath and Wells); A. E Rushton (Bedfordshire); Dr. C. M. P. Johnson (Cambridge University); A. R. Elkins, J Worth (Chester); J. L. Garner-Hayward (Coventry); G. A. Halls (Derbyshire) ; Miss B. M. Boyle (Devon) ; Messrs K. Arthur, D. A Bayles (Durham and Newcastle); E. J. Ladd (East Grinstead); D. E. R. Knights, E. H Mastin (Ely) ; P. J. Eves (Essex) ; R. G Hooper, C. A. Wratten (Gloucester and Bristol) ; C. W. Denyer (Guildford); G. Dodds (Hertford) ; P. A. Corby, I. H. Oram (Kent) E. Morris, B. G. Warwick (Leicester) ; J. L Millhouse (Lincoln); D. Smith. P. Walker (Oxford Diocesan) ; D. J. E. Spice (Oxford University) : B. Austin (Peterborough) ; J. T Barrett (Salisbury); H. Poyner (Shropshire): D Beresford (Cumberland Youths): Miss R. J. Seabrook (Suffolk); Messis. R. B. Percy (Sussex) ; A. V. Davis (Winchester and Ports mouth) ; V. Bottomley (Yorkshire); T. P.
Edwards (Bristol University); H. L. Roper Edwards ( B
(honorary).

## ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

With the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow in the chair nominations were called for the office of president.

Mr. E. H. Lewis proposed Mr. Frederick H Sharpe. We appreciate very much what he has done in the last three years,' he said, "and we hould stick to him.
Mr. A. A. Hughes seconded, and the resolution was carried unanimously and with acclamation.

Taking the chair, Mr. Sharpe returned thanks and said, " I can assure you that I have the interest of bells and ringing at heart and will do my utmost for the work of the Council during the coming years.'

## OTHER OFFICERS

Mr. R. S. Anderson proposed. and Mr. F. I. Hairs seconded, the re-election of the Rev . G. G. Thurlow as vice-president
Mr. J. F. Smallwood proposed. and Mr. A. A. Hughes seconded, the re-election of Mr. E. A. Barnett as honorary secretary and
Mr. F. I. Hairs proposed, and Mr. J. F. Smallwood seconded. the re-election of Mr. F W. Perrens as honorary librarian.

## ELECTION OF HONORARY MEMBERS

The Standing Committee recommended the re-election of the following honorary members: the Earl of Shaftesbury. Messrs. J. T. Dyke, J. P. Fidler. A. A. Hughes. D. Hughes. Mrs. R. F. B. Speed. L. Stilwell. P. L. Taylor. A. Walker, T. W. White and J. Willie and not the re-election of Mr. C. W. Roberts. Also the addition of Mr. W. F. Moreton

This was proposed by Mr. J. F. Smallwood. and seconded by Mr. N. Chaddock, and agreed to. This left three vacancies
The honorary secretary announced that arising from the election of the honorary members he gave notice under Rule 6 (d) that the commiltee would propose, next year, the election as life member of Mr. Albert Walker and Mr. Joseph T. Dyke

HONORARY AUDITORS
It was proposed by Mr. Anderson, and seconded by Mr. Hairs that Messrs, A. A. Hughes and H. N. Pitstow be re-elected honorary auditors.-Agreed.

OTE OF THANKS
Mr. H. W. Rogers moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Barnett for her continued help to her husband in his work for the Council--Carried with acclamation

## LOSSES BY DEATH

The Council stood while the death of the following members since the last meeting were remembered: Mr. A. H. Pulling. Winchester Guild 1914-1927. Guildford Guild 1928-1956, honorary 1957-59, attended 30 meetings; Mr. R S. F. Murphy. Irish Association 1930-1947, attended one meeting; Mr. Cecil J. Matthews, Society of Royal Cumberland Youths 1934; Mr. A. W. Searle, Devon Guild 1904-1931, attended seven meetings

The following deaths had become known to the Councit during the year: Messrs. R. E. Chichester, Devon Guild: H. C. Chandler, Middlesex County Association: John Clark, Hereford Diocesan Guild: R. B. Blanchard, Surrey Association: A. H. Cocks. Oxford Diocesan Guild and A. N. Hardy, Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

## TRIBUTES

Mr. F. W. Rogers paid a tribute to the memory of Mr. A. H. Pulling and recalled that he conducted the record peal of Stedman Caters of 19,708 changes in 1912

Mr. C. K. Lewis mentioned that Mr. Pulling called the first peal of Spliced Surprise Major, an action which in those days required courage as the great men of the Exercise were then saying that it was not quite the right thing to do.
Mr. Harry Miles said he first met Mr. Pulling in 1900 when he was engaged on work in a small village in the Cotswolds. He stayed with the foreman ringer in that village. Conditions were primitive and when he retired to bed he took with him a candle, a box of matches and a cigar. If he could not sleep he would light his cigar and learn Holt's Original, a peal which he conducted afterwards on very many occasions
Mr. C. W. Denyer mentioned the great help Mr. Pulling had been to him when he was a young ringer. The Guildford Guild would like them all to do something for him in his memory. They proposed to provide a bell for the new Cathedral at Guildford. to his memory from the ringers of the country. To start with the bell would be rung with an electric gadget but afterwards when the tower was built it would be one of the ring of bells. They wanted between $£ 700$ and $£ 800$ for the bell.

The Rev. John G. M. Scott said Mr. Arthur Searle was a real champion of change ringing in the West Country and rang at St. David's, Exeter. He was an outstanding man and had rung in every tower in Devon.

Mr. F. E. Dukes speaking of Mr. R. S. F. Murphy said he did a tremendous amount of work for change ringing in Ireland. In 1933 he presented a cup with a view to improving the standard of striking and since that day there had been a great improvement.

Tributes to Mr. A. H Cox were given by Mr. A. D. Barker and the president. Mr. Sharpe said Mr. Cox did more research into the history of past bell founders than any other man. His monumental work. "The Bells of Buckinghamshire; was published in 1897.

## MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The honorary secretary reported that the minutes had been circulated. Omitted from those minutes was that the report of the Literature and Press Committee was adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. C. Shepherd and seconded by Mr. F. E. Dukes. Also that the alteration of Rules was seconded by Mr. A. D. Barker and that under Motion (c) the last two were in reverse order. With these amendments he moved the minutes be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs and carried.

## REPORT OF THE HONORARY SECRETARY

## Offer To Devon Association

Although in retrospect I can recall comparatively little of an unusual nature which took place during 1959 , I find that 721 letters or receipts were sent out during the year, which shows that the 'secretarial staff' have not been entirely idle.

One rather interesting event. however, was a letter from the Devon Association of Ringers asking for information about the Council's aims and objects, a copy of the Rules and whether we would be prepared to consider the representation of the Association on the Council. On the last point I replied that as the full Council meets only once a year, I could only express an opinion which was that we would consider the Devon Association being represented, particularly if, as I understood to be the case, the Guild of Devonsthire Ringers did not object ; and that in fact most members would be pleased to welcome the Association to our ranks. I hope members will endorse that opinion. So far no further correspondence has taken place but members may think that some official expression of the Council's views should be conveyed to the Devon Association.
Information about ringing was given to: among others, a German author for a boys* year-book, an incumbent in Newfoundland and a Special Correspondent of 'The Times.' The last helped towards what was, as might be expected, a most accurate and balanced article entitled 'Bell Ringing as a Popular Art.' which appeared on August 22nd, 1959, and which seems to have attracted surprisingly little attention in the Exercise. It could well have been reprinted in "The Ringing World.

A letter from myself on the Council's behalf criticising the decision of the Chancellor of the Diocese of Bristol to overrule the Diocesan Advisory Committee's advice not to allow the installation of an electronic apparatus in a Bristol church and referring to the Church Assembly's motion of February 8th. 1954, which deprecated the introduction of such devices into churches, appeared also in 'The Times , of November 21st.
At the time of writing information shows that the following have now ceased to be members of the Council, and we offer our thanks to them for their past services: A. B. Peck. A.S.C.Y. 1933-59: Wg. Cdr. J. S. Mason. A.S.C.Y. 1957-59; R. O. Fry, Bath and Wells, 1954-58; D. Hoare, Bath and Wells. 1959: B. F. Sims. Bedfordshire, 1955-59: Dr. P A. F. Chalk, C.U.G. 1954-59; Rev. J. Kingdon. Chester, 1949-59; W, Allman. Chester, 1957-59: A. J. Martin. Chester. 1957-59: H. Windsor, Coventry, 1959; W. L. Robinson. Derbyshire, 1954-5\%: A. L. Bennett. Devon. 1957-59: F. Ainsley, Durham and Newcastle. 1948-59; W. N. Purk. Durham and Newcastle. 1948-59: C. A. Bassett. East Grinstead. 1951-59: P. Border, Ely, 1954-59; F. W. Lack. Ely. 1951-59: L. S. Woods, Essex. 1958-59: T. Boreham, Gloucester and Bristol. 1954-59: F. Skidmore, Gloucester and Bristol. 1948-59: G. S. Joyce. Guildford, 1957-59: E. Edmondson. Hertford. 1954-59: Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher. Kent. 1954-59: T. E. Sone. Kent, 1933-59: A. E. Rowley. Leicester. 1946-59: J. A. Freeman. Lincoln. 1945-59: Mrs. A. D Barker. Oxford. 1948-59; W. Butler. Oxford. 1957-59: R. B. Meadows, Oxford University. $1951-59:$ Dr. D. H. Niblett. Oxford University. 1957-59: E. Nobles. Peterborough. 1954-59: C. H. Hawkins, St. David's, $1957-59$; J. I. P. Davis, Salisbury, 1957-59: F. H. Bennett, Shropshire. 1957-59: G. H. Cross. S.R.C Y. 1938-59; J. Segar, Southwell. 1953-59: K. G. Brown, Suffolk, $1957-59$; F, H. Dallaway, Sussex, 1938-59: C. H. Kippin. Winchester and Portsmouth, 1949-59: G. Pullinger, Winchester and Portsmouth, 1933-59

## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

For the eighth time I must record my thanks to Mr. W. G. Wilson and Miss C. L. Groves for typing and duplicating these papers, and for the third and unfortunately the last time to Mr. W. N. Park for preparing the accounts of : The Ringing World. My thanks are also due to all who have kindly sent copies of reports and other publications. and to the Conveners of most Committees for the way in which they have ahided by the new rule that reports must be in by March 31st. I trust they will keep it up and perhaps encourage the others (and certain Association secretaries and treasurers!) by their example.-E. A. Barnett.
Moving the adoption of the report the honorary secretary said with reference to the Devon Association if the Devon Guild had no obiection would the secretary of that Guild write to the Association and tell them.

Mr. F. E. Dukes seconded the adoption.
The Rev. John Scott said as far as he
new ringers in the Devon Guild would be knew ringers in the Devon Guild would be
delighted. There was a good deal of excitement among the Guild that the Devon Association had applied for membership. At the moment their constitution was a little fluid, but hy application to the Council they hoped that they could get their house in order.
The honorary secretary: I would like to make it clear that they have not applied but asked to be considered.
The President: I think the answer from the chair would be that we would be delighted to welcome the Devon Association. Thanks were also due to the secretary for his work.
The report was adopted.

## REPORT OF THE HONORARY LIBRARIAN <br> 6,139 Publications Sold

The outstanding feature of this year is the colossal record figures for the number of publications sold. the total being 6.139 compared with the average for the past eight years of 1.278 . This tremendous increase is due entirely to the issue early in the year of the -Beginners Handbook 'and the sale of over five thousand of these surely augurs well for the future
Although perhaps not quite so big as last year's, there is still a considerable demand for a collection of Minor Methods. which believe has now been out of print since 1954. and an early issue of this book is most desirable.

The stock of 'On Conducting' is now rather low and as there has been a steady sale of this book during the past few years. a reprint will be necessary in 1960 .
The borrowing of books of reference during the year has heen about normal but as books are sometimes kept for very long periods. I would ask borrowers to return books as soon as they have finished with them.
We record our thanks to the people concerned for the following additions to the library: Steeple, Bells and Clocks of Shankill Parish. Lurgan" and the "Irish Bell News." per Mr. F. E. Dukes : six of J. J. Parker's note books. per Mr. A. D. Baker: MSS. by Col.
M. D. Bell on Training of Tune Ringers on Handbells. together with tunes for 8 and 12 bells. per Mr. T. W. White: old peal books and reports of the Midland Counties Association. per Mr. Paul Taylor: Facts and Figures about the Church of England: per Mr. E. A. Barnett: The Church and Other Bells of Aberdeenshire. by the late F. C. Eeles, Clouston. B.Sc.Eng.. F.S.A.Scot.. presented hy the authors.
It now remains for me to attempt an almost impossible task-to express adequately the
thanks due to Mr. R. F. B. Speed for the enormous amount of work he has done for the Council during this year. I am as much at a loss for words to do this as I am to estimate the number of hours he must have spent in despatching over six thousand books. We are indeed very fortunate to have the sales section of the library in such capable and willing hands and we tender most sincere and hearty thanks to Mr . Speed and to his wife, who I feel certain has borne some of the burden.-Frank W. Perrens.

Moving the adoption of the report Mr. Perrens ieiterated his great debt to Mr. and Mrs. Speed. Mr. J. H. Crampion seconded, and the report was adopted.

## SALES AND STOCK

Method sheets: Cambridge. 17; D.N.C.B., 19; Bristol, 12: Stedman and Grandsire, 40; Preservation of Bells, 79, Four way Minor Table. 50. Handbell Ringing. 139, Major Compositions. 37. Collection of Peals. Sect. I11. 13. Report of Conference. S.P.A.B. 4. Doubles Methods. 100. Model Rules, 22, Village Bells. 135. Card of Instruction 28. Plain Major Methods. 61. Merhods Committee Report. 13. On Conducting, 119, Handbook, 59, Electrical Switchgear Card. 9. Grandsire Caters. 80. Beginners' Handbook. 5.103: total 6.139.
the stock at cost at the end of the year was £451 19s. 2 d .

## THE ACCOUNTS <br> BALANCE SHEET

(The figures in parentheses are the corresponding amounts in the previous year's accounts.)

Sundry Creditors, £566 10s. 9d. (£76); Received in advance. $£ 2,0757 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . ( $£ 1.040$ ) : Clement Glenn Fund. $£ 807$ Os. 2d. ( $£ 785$ ): Provision for Income Tax and Audit Fee $£ 82$ 1s. 9d. ( $\mathbf{f} 40$ ) : Capital Accounts- The Ringing World. $£ 5.10912 \mathrm{~s}$. : General Fund, $£ 584$ 6s. 2d.: £5.693 18s. 2d. ( $£ 5.091$ ). Total $£ 9,224$ 18 s . 7d. (£7.032).

Goodwill and Blocks 'The Ringing World, $£ 200(£ 200)$; Library, $£ 10$ ( $£ 10$ ): Office and Library Equipment. $£ 28$ 5s. 11d. ( $£ 33$ ): Stock of Publications. $£ 451 \mathrm{19}$. 2d. ( $\mathbf{~} 351$ ); Debtors and Payments in Advance, $\ddagger 863$ 9s. 2d. ( $£ 581$ ); Investments at cost. $£ 4.362 \mathrm{18s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. ( $£ 4.362$ ): Cash at Bank or in hand. $£ 3.308$ 6s. ( $£ 1.494$ ). Total $£ 9,22418 \mathrm{~s}$. 7d. ( $£ 7.032$ ).

## GENERAL FUND

INCOME ANG EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
Expenses-Biography Committee. £6 (£5): Sunday Service Committee, £16 3s. 5d. ( $£ 19$ ): Standing Committee. £3 17s. 4d.: Honorary Secretary $£ 10$ ( $£ 10$ ): Stationery and Printing. \pm 23 3s. 2d. ( $\dot{L} 15)$ : Telephone, Telegrams, $\ddagger 2$ 6s. 10 d . (£2): Office and Library Equipment written off. 66 (£6): Insurances Library and Roll of Honour. $£ 116 \mathrm{~s}$. ( $£$ ? ) : Wreath-A. H. Pulling. £2 2s. 6d. (£2): Typing. £2 2s. ( $£ 2$ ) Cheque Book. 8s. 4d.: Sundry Expenses. £1 4s. 9d. (£1): Excess of Income over Expenditure, $£ 1510 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . ( $£ 6$ ). Total $£ 101 \mathrm{l4s}$. ( $£ 89$ ).
Affiliation Fees, $£ 77$ 10s. ( $£ 76$ 10s.) ; Balance Publications Account $£ 24$ 4s. ( $£ 3$ ). Total £101 14s. ( $£ 89$ ).

## PUBLICATIONS ACCOUNT

Stock. January 1st. 1959. £350 15s. 3d. (£331): Purchases: Beginners Handbook. 10.027. $£ 340$ 18s.: Postages. Stationery and Sundries. $£ 369 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. (Ell 10s.): Trade Discount. $£ 2 \frac{16 s . ~(~}{2} 2 \mathrm{l} 10 \mathrm{~s}$ ) : Advertisements "The Ringing World: $£ 20$ ( $£ 20$ ): Balance (profit) to General Fund. $£ 244$ s. ( $£ 13$ ). Total $£ 775$ 2s. 1ld. ( t 445 ).
Sale of Publications $£ 3024 \mathrm{~s}$. 11d. ( $£ 94$ ): Sale of Surplus Books. $£ 19$ 18s.: Sundry receipts £1 0s. 10d.: Stock. December 31st. 1959. £ 45119 s . 2 d . ( $£ 351$ ). Total $£ 775$ 2s. 11d. ( $£ 445$ ). The Clement Glenn Bequest showed investments at cost. $£ 76$ ? 18 s . 4 d . : Cash at bank. $£ 44 \mathrm{ls}$. 10 d . Total $£ 807$ 0s. 2d. (£785). The
market value of the investment on December 21 st. 1959. was $£ 834$ 15s.

The honorary secretary and treasurer moved the adoption of the accounts, subject to audit. In regard to the Publications Account. the outstanding item had been the success of The Beginners ${ }^{\circ}$ Handbook. Had it not been for the sale of surplus books and sundry receipts the profit would have been only $£ 3$. It was a small profit and it showed they were continuing their policy of publishing at as low a price as possible. The item of cost for the sianding Committee was due to the extraordinary meeting held to consider the price of "The Ringing World.
Regarding $£ 3.308$ cash in hand, Mr. Barnett said he hoped that nobody would think it was spare money. Over $£ 2,000$ was for sums in advance for postal subscriptions to The Ringing World. and the remainder was the balance of the Clement Glenn Fund.
Mr. V. Bottomley suggested that the surplus cash be put to a profitable use. At the present time banks were giving three per cent on deposit and only required seven days notice of withdrawal.
The honorary treasurer replied that a further $£ 1.000$ was invested this year.
Mr. P. 1. Chapman inquired re $£ 19$ 18s. sale of surplus books. The president replied that with books printed after 1850 where there were more than two copies the librarian had power to sell.
Mr. G. W. Fletcher suggested that this did not form part of the library account and with this the president agreed.

The accounts were adopted, subject to audit. and thanks were expressed to the honorary treasurer for his work.

## REPORT ON THE TRUSTEES OF THE

## CARTER RINGING MACHINE

On July 18th. an open day was held and two parties saw the machine which successfully rang touches or plain courses of Cambridge Maximus, London Major. Stedman Cinques. Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles. Unly those who have their 'Ringing World "through the post knew of these demonstrations because of the printing dispute, so the total attendance of 20 for the day was rather disappointing.
On September 26th. a demonstration was given for the Leicester Diocesan Guild ringers. who saw and heard the conclusion of a quarter peal of Cambridge Maximus, which had been started before their arrival. also a plain course of Bristol Major (first time on the machine) and a bob course of Stedman Cinques. The attendance on this occasion was 30.

Mr. V. K. Chew. of the Science Museum staff. has made a tape recording of the machine ringing d bob cours z of Stedman Cinques. This is for the benefit of those ringers who call to ask to see the machine at times other than appointed demonstration times, and Mr. Chew feli that as they could not see it actually work. a tape recording would be of some advantage.-A. A. Hughes and A. Walker (Trustees).
The Standing Committee recommended that the report be adopted and this was done on the proposition of Mr. A. A. Hughes, seconded by Mr. R. S. Anderson. The later expressed thanks to Mr. Douglas Mughes and the secretary mentioned the services and interest of Mr. Chew.

## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The honorary secretary reported that at an extraordinary meeting on November 7th, 1959. the Standing Committee considered various proposals for meeting the increased cost of producing 'The Ringing World' and decided to increase rate of advertisements by 15 per Tht.
The report was adopted.
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## 'THE RINGING WORLD' COMMITTEE AND INCREASED PRICE

Since its inception in 1911. States the com mittee's report. the story of 'The Ringing World' has been one of struggle punctuated by periods of crisis. This struggle has not particularly heen in respect of lack of copy, for despite the lukewarm support of the Exercise, sufficient news has always been forthcoming to fill its pages. The difficulties have always been encountered on the financial side. We make no apologies for again emphasising to the Council that were all subscribers to take their copies direct by post many of the financial problems would be resolved.

However, your Committee are, of course, compelled to deal with the position as it is and not on a hypothetical basis and early in 1959 it was evident that some revision would be needed if the liquid position was to be preserved. The situation rapidly became acute on the threat of a strike in the printing industry and the certainty of increased cosis inrougn their wages to the operatives. As you are aware the Editor was able, in spite of many difficulties. to print an cmergency paper at fortmightly intervals and this
was overwhelmingly applauded by the Exercise. There were some grumbies but these your Committee now accept as inevitable.

Several long meetings of the Committee were held when the opportunity was taken to make a thorough examination of the whole position. From previous accounts members of the Council would appreciate operating costs were very low and the salaries of the paid staff bore little relation to the volume of work. It was felt that their remuneration should be more nearly equated to the work done and certain increases were agreed. Even the present figures, however, are still low in comparison to what could legitimately be demanded. Following the award made to and accepted by the printers and the probability of a further increase in two ycars time. the Committee felt that no other course was open to them but to increase the price of The Ringing World to 8 d . or 9 d . per copy.

## NO DRASTIC DROP IN SALES

They also considered that before putting any increase into effect the whole matter be placed before your Standing Committee, who at a special meeting in November endorsed your Committee's report and a recommendation that from January Ist, 1960 the price be 8 d .
Although. as was 10 be expected, the increase was not unanimously applauded, your Committee are pleased to observe that fears of a drastic reduction in circulation have not been realised and in fact it was not until the week of March 1lth that a drop in copies sold was shown. In that issue the figures were 5.570 for 1960 against 5.586 for 1959 . It is carnestly hoped that numbers will not fall further and that new readers can be obtained to replace those lost. The Council cannot have failed to observe the increase in size of The Ringing World and it may possibly be this factor which has persuaded some readers to continue their support.
Council requirements now stipulate that committee reports be with the secretary by March 31st. At this date the annual accounts of The Ringing World were only in draft form and showed a small profit for 1959. An examination of the Profit and Loss Account, however, will quickly reveal that this surplus was only possible through the generosity of readers who voluntarily subscribed $£ 336$ 19s. 1d. Mercly to say 'thank you' for this magnificent gesture seems very inadequate but your Committee are certainly most grateful for these contributions and feel their thanks should be supported by the whole Council.
Your Committee, in conclusion. once more express their appreciation to all who in any way have contributed to 'The Ringing World from those supplying front page articles, to the many sending in short news items and paragraphs of interest. Also to the compiler of the index. Mr. H. L. Roper. To mention even by initials only a few would fill more pages but our thanks are. nevertheless. sincere and our hopes are for a continuance of this help and interest.

Thought must also be given to the Editor and his staff and to Mr. Jeater and we ask the Council and the Exercise to join in thanks to them for their work and to our many advertisers for their support.
In announcing the increase in price of "The Ringing World to 8 d . per copy from January lst, your Committee offered to supply at the current price all who renewed their subscriptions hefore December 31st, 1959. As will be seen from the balance sheet there was a substantial response as shown in the figures for advance payments. Your Committee feel cncouraged by this response although it will, of course. preclude the full benefit of the increased price being achieved before 1961.

Your Committee once more renew their appeal to readers in general and to members of the Council in particular for continued and sustained efforts at all times to seek new readers and to supply attractive copy. The Ringing World' is YOUR paper and as such its success or failure is YOUR responsibility -J. Frank Smallwood (Convener).

## A LITTLE MORE OPTIMISTIC

Moving the adoption of the report Mr. Smallwood said they had had an anxious year which they had got through better than he expected. At the moment they were feeling a little more optimistic than they had found themselves for several years-but they had no grounds for complacency. They had been told that generally there had been an improvement in 'The Ringing World' since the first issue in January. They had received many encouraging letters from all parts of the country and abroad.

In regard to the increase in price, he expected a dismal setback in sales but that had not materalised to any great extent. One thing he would stress was the importance of postal subscribers. At the present time for two pestal subscribers there were three through the newsagents. There had been some improvements in the paper and it might be asked why were not some of these improvements introduced before. It was, however, generally known that they had been travelling in a vicious circle for nine or ten years. They had now taken the "bit between the teeth," increased the price and gone out for a better paper.

They would have noticed that the page size had been increased and credit for that must go to Tom White, as it was his suggestion. The Woodbridge Press had installed a new machine The paper previously wasted in cutting was printed on and this gave the equivalent of a page and a half extra an issue. In addition they had some 24 page issues. He hoped they would not finish in the red this year, as they would not reap the full benefit of the increased price The committee would like to express their Thanks to the Standing Committee for backing up the proposals as to the increased price
Mr. R. S. Anderson seconded the adoption of the report.

## PEAL LEVY

The Rev. John Scott said the Devon Guild last year were very disappointed that a peal levy was not introduced, and at their meeting passed a motion instituting a levy on all peals rung for the Guild. of which 6d. per rope would go to 'The Ringing World.' If other Guilds followed this course it would result in a great increase in revenue.

Mr. B. Austin asked if there could be of a better packing of . The Ringing World.
Mr. John Mayne said the main reason why young people took the paper through the newsagent was because they found it difficult to pay a lump sum down and also because it went on the family's paper bill. Another reason given hy an older ringer was that he preferred $1 t$ to come not covered with mud. Mr. W. C. West said at the annual meeting of the Salisbury meeting on May 14th. a motion was carried deprecating that a peal levy was not charged on all peals published in "The Ringing World.' They had from four to six pages of peals and he felt they should be paid for

Mr. J. W. Crampion said the question of price had been discussed by the Essex Association and they came to the conclusion that there was no other alternative than to in crease the price. They wholeheartedly supported the committee in their action. They also felt that thanks were due to the Editor and apprentices in producing copies during the strike.
Mr. S. Foskett gave the view of the Bedfordshire Association that The Ringing World should not be a charitable production, but placed on a basis that any loss should be met by the territorial Associations.
Mr. John Willis said there were a lew members of the Central Council who did not
take. The Ringing World by post. Had The take ' The Ringing World' by post. Had . The every member took the journal?

Mr. H. Miles said 95 per cent of the ringers in Cornwall were not method ringers, If they were not method ringers what was there of interest to them in 'The Ringing World '? Could a page be devoted to those who were not method ringers?

Mr. H. Sanger: We in the Bath and Wells Association have decided to introduce a peal levy on all peals rung for the Association. We feel that until the crrculation is improved all Associations should pass such a resolution. Mr. Cecil Pipe remarked that now that The Ringing World ' had taken the bit between their teeth they had increased their income by $33 \ddagger$ per cent, which was an extra £2.500 а year.

Mr. R. S. Anderson said it must be rememtered that it was a $33 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent gross. They had to remember that the price of newsprint did not remain stationary and there would be a further increase of wages in the near future The commitree was hoping that the increase in price already made would cover that. The surplus of $£ 587$ included $£ 356$ voluntary donations. They were also hoping to write off the $£ 200$ for goodwill and blocks.
So far as the peal levy was concerned it had been argued that peals were news and no publication paid for news. There was nothing o prevent an Assoziation inposing a peal levy and so increasing the small amount of voluntary donations for peals. Quarter peal ringers had been very generous; peals ringers did not subscribe so generously. As to a reader getting a dirty copy they could not control the postal authorities. As far as Cornwall was concerned if the call change ringers would let hem have the copy nobody would be more delighted than the committee.

The Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith said the committee had made out their case and it was up to them to give it a fair trial.

The president said their thanks were due to the committee for their work. He had had a letter from the American Guild of Handbell Ringers saying how much they appreciated The Ringing World' with its additional items. The report was adopted.

## THE RINGING WORLD <br> \section*{BALANCE SHEET}

Sundry Creditors-Woodbridge Press L.td. £552 10s. 6d.. Editor. $£ 12$ 12s. 9 d . - 5655 3s. 3d ( 74 ): Amounts received in advance-Postal Subscriptions. $£ 2.027$ 11s. 6d.. Natices. $£ 44$ $16 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}-£ 2.0727 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . ( $£ 1.040$ ): Provision for income :ax and audit fee. $£ 82$ is. 9 d . ( $£ 40$ ): Capital Account Balance at December 21st. 1958. £4.522 4s. 7d., Profit for year, $£ 587$ 7s. 5d. $-£ 5.10912 \mathrm{~s}$. ( $£ 4.522$ ). Total $£ 7,829$ Good (£5.676).
Goodwill and Blocks $£ 200$ ( $£ 200$ ): Sundry debtors-Rolls Publishing Co. Lid., $£ 600$ 14 s . 11 d .: Advertisements, $£ 137 \mathrm{4s}$. 9 d . Notices. $£ 119$ 12s. 3d.; Postal Subscribers 3s. 7d. ; Williams Brothers. £3 12s. 8d.- $£ 861$
8s. 2d. ( $£ 580):$ Investments at cost $£ 3.600$ ( $£ 3.600$ ) : Cash: at Bank. $£ 3.11110 \mathrm{~s} .7 \mathrm{~d}$.. in hands of agent. $£ 1$ 18s. 6d.- $£ 3,113$ 9s. Id. (E1.261): Amount due from Central Council $\pm 547 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. ( $£ 35$ ). Total $£ 7.829$ 4s. 9d. ( $£ 5.676$ ).

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
Woodbridge Press Lid. printing, $£ 3.951 \mathrm{15s}$ blocks. $£ 378 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .=£ 3.989 \mathrm{4s} .3 \mathrm{~d} .(£ 4.019)$ : Editorial Office Expenses: Editor's fees and expenses, $£ 400$ 9s. 3 d ; Clerical assistance $£ 158$ : Postage and Sundries $£ 249 \mathrm{~s}$. H1. $=£ 582$ 19s. 2d. (£603): Postal Subscribers: Postage. $£ 822$ 12s.; Addressing and wrappers. £236 3s. 5 d . $=£ 1,058 \mathrm{l}$ s. 5d. $(£ 1,090)$; Accounts

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Department: Clerical assistance, $£ 156$; Postage, 7 s . $9 \mathrm{~d} .={ }^{2}=219$ 7s. 1d. ( $£ 202$ ); Miscellaneous Expenses $£ 32$ 16s 6d. ( $£ 23$ ); Audit and Accountancy Fees, $£ 47$ 5s. ( $£ 37$ ); Provision for Income Tax, $£ 62$ 11s. ( $£ 46$ ); Balance being profit carried to balance sheet, $£ 587 \mathrm{7s}$. 5 d . ( $£ 437$ ). Total $£ 6,580 \mathrm{ss}$. 10 d . ( $£ 6,457$ ).
Sales to Publishers, $£ 2,251$ 2s. 1d. ( $£ 2,296$ ); Sales to Postal Subscribers, $£ 2,806$ 6s. 8d. ( $£ 2.762$ ) ; Advertisements $£ 424$ 9s. 8 d . ( $£ 435$ ); Notices, $£ 546$ 19s. 1d. ( $£ 538$ ); Donations, $£ 356$ 19s. 1d. ( $£ 275$ ) ; Sundry Receipts. $£ 38$ 1s. 3d. $(£ 45):$ Interest on Investments. $£ 157$ 3s. 10 d . ( $\ddagger 106$ ). Total $£ 6.580 \mathrm{5s}$. 10 d . ( $£ 6,457$ ).
The honorary treasurer presented the accounts and said they were subject to audit as the auditor had been taken ill. He moved their adoption.

Mr. F. 1. Hairs seconded.
Mr. Norman Chaddock asked for a breakdown of the voluntary subscription-peals, Guarte
The honorary treasurer replied that it could be done but it was very complicated. They were extremely grateful to the Oxford Guild for their donation of $£ 20$.

The accounts were adopted.
THE NEW COMMITTEE
The Standing Committee recommended that the committec be re-elected with the exception
of Mr. W. N. Park. who was not now a of Mr. W. N. Park.
member of the Council.
Mr. Wilfred G. Wilson and Mr. Patrick I. Chapman were nominated. Mr. Wilson was elected to the committee and the recommendation of the Standing Committee was adopted.

THE PEAL BOARDS COMMITTEE
The task of recording details of Peal Boards from 1825 to the early part of the present century has been somewhat simplified by the fact that records of a large number of these interesting boards were published in 'Church Bells.' IThe details are being copied prior to their being arranged and typed on a uniform pattern, but as there are well over 500 the work will obviously take some time to complete.
The typing. however, is another problem and the committee would welcome offers of assistance from typists. For those who feel able to help a specimen lay-out will be
provided and in cases where some special provided and in cases where some special
selling out is necessary. details will be be explained. Only with such help can this valuuble record of ringing history be completed in a reasonable time.-J. W. Clarke (Convener). In the absence of the convener, Mr. Walter Ayre moved the adoption of the report.
Seconding. Mr. J. P. Fidler said they had written details from over 5.000 peal boards. It was rather a big task getting them written out in standard form. The typing was now a big problem. Quite a number of these boards were destroyed in the blitz. There were others that were deteriorating rapidly and they asked ringers to have them restored. There were quite al number of boards up and down the country not recorded.

The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead asked ringers to check details of boards that had appeared in Church Bells.' Errors had been found.

## The report was adopted.

The Standing Committee recommended that Messis. J. W. Clarke, W. Ayre and J. P. Fidler be re-elected to the committee. This was agreed to.
THE PEALS COLLECTION COMMITTEE
The collection of Stedman Caters and Cinques is now complete in manuscript form and. allowing time for checking. should be in print within the next few mouths.-W. E. Critchley
Pitman
Moving the adoption of the report. Mr. Critchley said he hoped to start typing in the near future. He would like to thank all the people who had provided peals.

Mr. G. E. Feirn seconded
The President: We should thank the committee for the commendable speed with which they had got the collection together
The Standing Committee recommended that the committee be re-elected with the omission of Mr. C. W. Roberts and the addition of Mr. R. F. W. Speed. This was agreed to.

## Literature \& Press Committee Tell of Highlights of 1959

Once again some notable full-scale articles have come our way, Most of these are by non-ringers, but it is clear that the material has been carefully, collected and discreetly presented. 'Ringers' Rhymes,' by C. V. Hancock, published in the 'Girmingham Post gives the author opportunity to remark: 'The ancient art of bell ringing. thank Heaven, has not been killed by modernity.' Eric Potter in "The British and Commonwealth Review (August, 1958) and F. E. Corfield in 'Venture both present straightforward accounts of bells and ringing. The former stresses the importance of ringing as church work. whilst the latter includes mention of the Central Council and 'The Ringing World.' In 'Readers Digest' (April). Anne Deveson and Barbara Wace write of a visit to St. Paul's. Their description of the ringer in action is slightly distorted but the general substance and tone of the article juslify the title. The Joyous Ringing of Bells.'

The Times,' of August 2^nd. printed 'Bell Ringing as Popular Art.' by a Special Correspondent. an uutstanding piece of work, distinguished by its matter, its arrangement and its writing. It provides an excellent survey of the Exercise and its organisation, and refers to The Ancient Society of College Youths ' and the rules and customs of that body. The
precis of the work of the Central Council is a little masterpiece of compression.

A well illustrated article on the activities of the teenagers, maintaining the 'Old Tradition, at Woolton Church, appeared in the 'Liverpool showed the enthusiastic youngsters ringing both tower- and handbells. The same paper in May published an article by Arthur Turner entitled. Who Will Ring Those Bats Out of the Belfry?' It gives an interesting account of bell usages throughout the centuries

The local press, generally. has given good coverage to dedications. Great Yarmouth, Carbis Bay and Farnham were particularly well reported.

## RINGING IN WORSHIP

Amongst church periodicals we have noted from: 'The Liverpoal Diocesan Leaflet for May the friendly appreciation of the work of ringers, written as a special message by the Bishop of Liverpool. The importance of ringing in worship and the beauty of the fellowship among ringers were the main themes. The 'Harpenden Parish Magazine,' published a series of articles by J. D. Painter and Mrs. Coburn. These essays on the history of bells and the development of change ringing have been devised and written for the editication and instruction of the parishioners. Finally, Cromlyn (who. by the way, is, I understand, a clerical ringer), in his weekly column PANORAMA. in the "Church of Ireland Gazette. devoted considerable space in the issue dated December 8th, to the Central
Council's leaflet The Ringing of Church Bells Councils leaffet 'The Ringing of Church Bells throughout all Dioceses in United Kingdom and Ireland. A touch of humour prevails throughout the article, but on a serious note he says ' Bell ringers need, deserve and should be given a great deal more high level clerical support... It is no reflection on the Holy Order of Deacons to say that an interest in a parish team and attendance at annual regional meetings should not be regarded as the unimportant preserve of the junior curate uould seem to be just the kind of an occasion when a visitation from an $x$, a $y$. or a $z$ (meaning anything in gaiters) would do a lot of good.

From Ireland, too, comes the well written pamphlet by the local tower secretary. Mr. John P. Irwin. giving the history of "The Lurgan. Co. Armagh. The work is the result of much research and it reveals some very interesting facts.

Miss Jean Sanderson has written a wellillustrated booklet on St. Nicholas' Parish Church. Norton. Herts, in which she devotes quite a lot of attention to the bells.

Contributions from the American Continent In a Canadian paper. the name and date of
which are missing, we find an article on Mrs Alice Sullivan (nee White) and her remark able collection of bells. Unfortunately, what might have been a readable and informative account of this notable lady and her early ringing career was spoilt by inaccuracy and slovenly writing. 'The Ocean Press,' published on board the 'S.S. America, outlines a prosfective enterprise by a certain Louis Lamoureux, who proposes to establish a chain of bell shrines on Burke Mountain, Vermont Since April no further news of this somewhat fantastic project has reached us. • Bell-making Brisk since World War II' in the 'Oakville Record Star' has some straightforward lines on bells and bell-founding, but the article can not be held to be in any way distinctive. On July 16 th. 'The Hatchettstown Gazette' dealt with the history of the five bells of St. James Church. Hachettstown. New Jersey. These bells are tolled or chimed. and photograpls show two of the bells and the chiming censole.
Articles in the technical press have been few. Perhaps the one which concerns us most is the reference in • B.T.H. Productions to 'Church Bell Reproduction.' an unusual and interesting application of the $\mathrm{Hi}-\mathrm{Fi}$ equipment made recently at the Church of St. Andiew, Cheadle, Hulme. Cheshire. Here B.T.H. equipment has enabled the sound of the Parish Church bells, previously recorded on tape at the Church of St. Mary, Cheadle. to be broadcast with great fidelity and realism from the daughter church tower. A photograph of the church. with its small turret. makes the whole venture seem unrealistic. More realistic, however, is the description of the electrical equip ment used in connection with the striking anc chiming of the bells of St. Clement Danes' in the Strand. London. This article appeared in the 'Electrical Review' in February. The - Foundry Trade Journey " dealt with the Bilbic family in two feature articles by Ronald Bailey They were entitted Eccentric Bell Founders of the Mendips.

## THE ARCHERS* CHURCH

The cover of the 'Radio Times' of Decem ber 25 th was decorated with a drawing of the inside of a ringing chamber, depicting ringers at the ropes. The "Borchester Echo, on the other hand, provided photographs of the tower at Hanbury. Worcestershire, showing some of the well-known male characters of the daily programme * The Archers " preparing to ring up the bells. Thus we have an intriguing antithesis ; the depiction of an imaginary belfry in a real paper and the portrayal of a real belfry in a fictitious newspaper.

During the year correspondence in the Press has. on several occasions, been directed against ringers and ringing. and amongst these was a notable complaint concerning a peal at Worcester Cathedral. While we cannot ignore these danger signals: we are left with the assurance that provided reasonable restraint is shown, the people of this land are whole heartedly on the side of the bells and the ringers. The 'Burnham (Bucks) Parish Magazine ' in its editorial pleads for public tolerance if the bells are to be rung at all. and the complaint by Sir Percy Sillitoe in the - Daily Telegraph, was admirably answered by M. W. Lewis, of Newark. Canon Carew the opinion that a camp-Garner. We are o the lines of the broadcast from the Northern Ireland Region of the B.B.C. on Christmas Eve. when half an hour was devoted to bell ringing and ringers for the information of the listening public. should do much to interest the public and provide understanding of the ringers' point of view. Such a campaign in the form of well written articles by members of the various Guilds and Associations. or 'Open days' like the one organised at Rotherham. should do much to win the goodwill of the public. The 'Open day' at Rotherham. which was given good publicity in the "South Yorkshire Times. included photographs of teams of handbel ringers from the High School. Over one thousand people visited the tower. whilst many more stopped to listen to the handbel ringers and to hear the ringing from the tower.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

It is discouraging to note that the Chancellor of the Diocese of Bristol has overruled the recommendation of its Advisory Committee in regard to electronic bells proposed to be introduced into the Diocese. The secretary of the Central Council followed up this matter with a letter to "The Times, saying that other Diocesan Chancellors had refused faculties for the 'blatantly false' bells.

Bell ringing publications continue 10 appear.
In March, the long awaited Elementary Handbook for Beginners , was published by the Central Council. The popularity of this useful book can be judged by the fact that the first edition of 5.000 copies was quickly sold. Ernest Morris. of Leicester, continues to find something to write about. In September a further valuable book was added to the indispensable list of books already published by him. 'Tintinnabula.' his latest book. deals mainly with small bells and gives an interesting insight into the customs of various nations. In November. the publication of the Maidstone District of the Kent County Association. The Belfry. celebrated its tenth year of production. As usual. the journal contains interesting material both from an historical and a change ringing point of view. .The Ringers' Magit. zine. - Irish Bell News and • Ringing Towers continue in their own lively ways which meet the needs of rural and local ringers, in particular, and also have an interest far beyond thei:- own boundaries. The Ringers Diary remains a most valuable asset to peal ringers. in particular, and all ringers in general. We cannot now imagine the Exercise without its own diary.
We. finally, desire to express our thanks to all who have sent us articles and newspaper cuttings. which are of the greatest assistance 10 us in formulating our reports.-Edgar C. Shepherd and Fred E. Dukes.
Proposing the adoption of the report. Mr. Shepherd said they fould do with more people sending them cuttings.
Mr. F. E. Dukes seconded

## CHURCH PRESS

Mr. P. A. Corby congratulated the committec on a comprehensive report. He did not see any mention of ringing items in The Church Times.

Mr. Philip Gray said he understood a report of their meeting would appear in " The Church Times.' They needed a little more active evangelism. There was a great deal of bad correspondence about bells. They must see that the right thing was put in the right place
The honorary secretary said notice of the meeting was sent to 'The Church Times' and The Church of England Newspaper
The Rev. John Scolt said be circulated to Church newspapers details of the Sunday service survey. He got no response from "The Church of England Newspaper' and 'The Church Illustrated ' did not think it was "up their street." "The Church Times" wrote a most cordial letter and published a report.
Miss M. E. Cross said particulars of the Oxford Guild's ringing course were published in "The Church Times" and also a report.

The report was adopted.
The Standing Committee recommended the reappointment of Messrs. Shepherd and Dukes and this was agreed to on the proposal of Mr. A. A. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Anderson. (To be continued)

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## BIRTH

GIPSON.-On Thursday. June 9th. 1960. to Joan and John Gipson. of Meldreth, Cambs.a sister for Catherine and Christine

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## DEATH

DAVIS.-On June 11 th. 1960. Stella Davis, of Bucklcbury. Berkshire. "Each loving life a Psalm of Gratitude.

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Peter Crook. 203. Devonshire Road. Bolton. Lancs. will be c/o Paine. 280B. Harvey Avenue. Kelowna, B.C.. Canada, from June 28th until October 23rd. 1960. Back home about end of November. 6117

## PERSONAL

THE glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is a grey head. Prov. xxi. 29.)
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EXETER. DEVON-Bed and Breakfast 12s. 6d.. $\$ 315 \mathrm{~s}$. per week. Central area. car parking space: Mrs. B. W. Dilnutt. 18. South Avenue. Exeter.

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## PUBLICATION

'ELEMENTARY CHANGE RINGING,' by F. F. Rigby: an exceptionally good introduction to the art of change-ringing: 3 s . $6 \mathrm{~d} .:$ postage 3d.-S.P.C.K., Holy Trinity Church. Marylebone Road, London, N.W. 1

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## MISCELLANEOLS

CANADA. VANCOUVER. BRITISH COLUMBIA.-The ringers at Holy Rosary Cathedral. in the heart of Vancouver City, welcome all visiting ringers. Practice night. Tuesdays at 8.30 . Sunday ringing at 10.30 a.m. Check by phoning Mrs. Bodie. AMherst 6-4369. Visitors wishing to ring at Mission City, phone Mr. Collins, MUtual 5-5675. 6043
SUSSEX TOUR - July 24th to July 31 st. 28 towers. There are 1 or 2 vacancies: anyone interested S.A.E. to F. E. Wyman. 73. New Farthingdale. Dormausland. Lingfield. Surrey.

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DAVENTRY BRANCH OUTING.-Members taking part. please note: Coach will pick up at Willoughby 7.15 a.m.. Daventry 7.20. Bugbrooke 7.45. Lower Heyford 7.50. Weedon (main road) 8. Staverton 8.10. Charwelton 8.20. Byfield 8.25 a.m-F.W. Hancock. $6114^{\circ}$

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting St. Andrew's. Clevedon (8). on June 18 th Bells available 5 p.m.-D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec
DEVON GUILD.-Annual festival, Exeter. June 18 th . Service St. Mark's 4 p.m.. address by the Bishop of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for tea to Rev. C. G. Poulton. 36, Polsloe Road. Exeter. Ringing arrangements: St. Thomas, $1.30-3$ p.m.. Heavitree 1.30-3, St. Mark's 3-4. Cathedral $6-8.30$ p.m.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Stanground, Saturday, June 18th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing after tea: Woodston (6) 6-7.15 p.m. Fletton (5) 6-8.30 p.m.-M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION -
Albans District.-Meeting. Tewin ( 6 bells). 3 p.m.. Saturday. June 18th. Teas 5 p.m.S Huckle. Dis Sec.

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LAVENHAM. SUFFOLK-Ringing anniversary. Saturday. June 18 th . Bells available 3 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Tea shop near church. Everyone welcome-M T. Symonds. 6107
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION -S. \& W. District.-Meeting. Saturday, June 18 th . Arrangements: Stanwell $2.30-3.30$ p.m., Staines ISt. Mary) 3-4.30, followed by service. Tea 5 p.m. St. Peter's, Staines 6-8 p.m.-E. R. G.

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly mecting. All Saints . Pontefract. on Saturday. June 18th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food. cups of tea only available.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec
SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD OF 6130 RINGERS.-A meeting will be held at Downham (6) (near Wickford), on Saturday. June 18 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Cups of tea 5 p.m.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Southern Divi-sion.-Quarterly mecting. Hurstpierpoint (8), Saturday, June 18 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m.

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UILD
WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD (Andover District) and OXFORD GUILD (Newbury District).-Joint meeting. Highclere, Junc 18ih. Bells ( 8 ) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . followed by tea in the Armoury. Thatcham (8) 6.30. Newbury $(10) 7.45$ to 9 p.m. 6080
WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Saturday. June 18th. 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{D} . \mathrm{m}$.. followed by tea and business. Coach will leave Bell Hotel, Stourbridge at 2.30 p.m. Sharp. - Bernard C. Ashford. Sec., 17. Ham Lane. Pedmore. Stourbridge.

6038

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday, June 25th. 6 p.m. Ringing St. Clement Danes. Strand. 3.30 p.m. Practices: June 21st, Southwark Cathedral. 6.45 p.m.: June 28th. St. Paul's Cathedral. 6.30 : July Sth. St. Lawrence's. Jewry. 6.30 . July 12 th . St. Giles: Cripplegate. $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will members visiting London please note that weekly practices are held on the continuous rota shown above. -John Chilcott. Hon. Sec

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Practice meeting. Banwell. June 25th. Bells (8) 5 p.m.David H White.

6098
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirril Branch.-Bidston. Saturday. June 25th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Scrvice $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea provided free for those notifying by Wednesday previous.Alexander J. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.

6131
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Derby and Ilkeston District. - Monthly meeting. Belper (8). Salurday. June 25th. $3.30-5$ p.m. and $6-7.3 n$ n.m. Cafes nearby.-W. A. Morley. Dis. Sec.

6121
DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY 3 Meeting. Thrybergh. June 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Running bufiet.-R. J. Sanderson. 6123 ASSOCTATION. - Cheltenham Branch. Quarterly meeting. Chipping Campuen (8). June 25 th. 3 p.m. Names for ica by Jum 21 st.-Mary Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheltenham.

GLOUCESTER \&' BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Chippenham Branch. Meeting, Colerne. June 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea Service 6 p.m. Names for tea essential by June 23rd. to H. G. Sheppard. 38. High Street. Colerne. Wiles.

6110
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting at Olveston (8). June 25 th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service, ea and meeting to follow. -F. Hussey, 39 Gordon Avenue, Whitehall, Bristol $5 . \quad 6118$

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. -

 Chertsey District.-Meeting at Send and Ockham. Saturday, June 25th. Bells 3 p.m. and service 4.30. at Send. Tea 5 p.m.-Red Cross Hut. Send. Ockham and Send bells in evening. Names for tea by previous. Wednesday. to Mr. Strudwick. 'Eskholm.' Potters Lane. Send6106
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,-Ashford District.-Meeting at Willesborough. Saturday June 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. R.J. Carlton. 10, Hunter Road. Willes-borough.-C.T.H.

6108
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.-Mecting at Blackrod. Saturday, June 2sth. Bells (6) at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. No husiness.-Thornley, Hon. Sec
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY - Mceting at Woodlesford. Saturday, June 25th. Bells (f) availahle 3 p.m. Cups of ica provided. hring own food.-D. Thorp.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Hinckley District.-Meeting. Cosby, June 25th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m Names please, by the Wednesday previous, to Mr. John Bennett. 28. Warwick Road. Littlehorpe, Narborough, Leics.-M. Vernon, Dis, Sec.

IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Edenham, Saturday, June 25 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Teat and mecting 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 20ih. to Mr. W. Holmes, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs.-F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 6090 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Monthly meeting at Stoke Poges. on Saturday, June 25th, Ringing 6 p.m. 109 p.m. 6109
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Sonning Deanery Branch.-The summer meeting will he held at Hurst, on June 25th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m.. followed by tea in Village Hall. Names for tea by June 21 lst, to
Mrs. B. C. Castle. 'The Briars,' Westield Road Winnersh Wokingham 610
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Northampton Branch.-Meeting at Courteenhall. Saturday, June 25 th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. - 7.15 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Collingtree (5) available 6.30-7.45 p.m. Social (1s.) 7.45-11.15 p.m. Names for ica by Tuesday previous. Social tickets (C.W.O.) from E. Billings. 61 Melville Street. Northampton.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Towcester Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Litchborough. June 25th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names by Tuesday previous.-W. A. Yates. 4. Bannerlands. Dadford. Buckingham.
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.Meeting at Colston Bassett. Saturday, June 25 th . Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea at Manvers Arms. at 5 p.m.. not later than the 21st, to Mr. G. Payne. Colston Bassett, Notts. 6096 SUFFOLK GUILD - North East DistrictA practice mecting at Theherton (bells 2.30 p.m.). and Yoxford (bells 6.30 p.m.). Saturday, Junc 25 th. Tea at Theberton 5 p.m.A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Heathfield (afternoon) and Warbleton (evening). on June 25th. Tea a Heathfield it 5 p.m. Please notify F. Beency (sec.). Hillbrae. Carters Corner Road. Hailsham
SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILDAnnual festival. St. Mary's. Swansea, Saturday. June 25th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and husiness to follow. Names for tea by June 18 th. to J. A. Hoare, 6, Gendros Crescent, Fforestfach, Swansea. $\quad 6056$

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Northern District. -Meeting. Stebbing. Saturday, July 2nd. Bells (h) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please. 10 Mr . A. Little. Cowlands Farm Coltage. Stebhing.

6128
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W. District Quarterly meeting. Ingrave, July 2nd. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Brentwood (8) will also be available from 7 p.m. Names for tea. please, to Miss N. Jeffery, 45, Brentwood Road, Ingrave.
LADIES' GUILD.-Annual general meeting at Bath, on Saturday, July 2nd. Bells available: St. Michael with St. Paul, Broad Street, 10-11 a.m.; Twerton $11-12$ noon; St. Mark's $2-3$ p.m.; Abbey 2.30-3.30; St. Mary, Bathwick 7-7.30; All Saints, Weston 7.30-8.30; Corston from 7 p.m. Committee meeting 1 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall: Service, Bath Abbey, 3.30 $\mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting, St. Mary's Church Hall. 4.15 p.m. Names for tea (3s. 6d.) by June 29ih. 10 Mrs. Norton. Gout House Farm, Kingston Seymour, Clevedon, Somerset. 6018
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION. - Llandaff Branch. - Meeting. Aberavon, July 2nd. Not June 25th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow.-R. E. Coles. Branch Sec.

6115

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -

 Southern Branch.-Meeting at Atteborough, Saturday. July 2nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 29h. Special methods: Beverley Surprise and College Exercise-C. F. W. Phillippo. I. Counci Houses. Bunwell. Norwich. NOR 01X. 6127OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday. July 2nd. Service at Christ Church 11 a.m. Annual meeting in the Chapter House 12 noon. Lunch in Christ Church dining hall 1.30 p.m. Luncheon tickets 6 s . Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach Mr. A. D. Barker. Cambridge. Church Lane. Wexham. Slough. Bucks, not later than Tuesday. June 28 th Ringing arrangements as on agenda.-M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 6091
SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Est. 1623) -The 337th Anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 25 th. Bells (12) available from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 6 p.m. 12 bell ringing guaranteed. Lunch and tea for those who notify me by 23rd.-L. E Pitstow. 4. Highfields. (Phone 2074). 6082

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. -

 Dorchester Branch.-Summer quarterly meeting. Bere Regis, on Saturday, June 25 th Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m Names for tea hy Wednesday, June 22nd, to Mr. H. Pitfield. Rose Coltage. Butt Lane, Bere Regis, Dorchester, Dorset.-R. H. Duke. Hon. Sec.6079
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Mreting on July 2nd. at Cotgrave. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m Names for tea by June 29h. to S. Adams 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington.

SUFFOLK GUILD-S.W. District-Meeting at Stratford St. Mary (6), Saturday, July 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Mr. W. Bailey. Squirrels Hall Cottage. Stratford St. Mary, Colchester. Essex. Higham (6) available after tea.-R. J. Seabrook.

6119
SUFFOLK GUILD -West Central District. -Meeting at Cotton (8), July 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and husiness meeting. Names for tea by June 29th. -H. Mitson. Dis. Sec., Buxhall. Stowmarket.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-trict.-Quarterly District meeting at Walton-onThames. July 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. followed by meeting. Names for tea by Thursday previous. to Mrs. V. Lathbury. 15. Russell Road. Walton-on-Thames. Oatlands bells in evening.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec.

6102
DIOCESAN GUILD.-ANRLQI general meeting. July 2nd, at Whitchurch, Hants. Meeting $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. E. W. Dance, Bere Hill Farm, Whitchurch, Hants. 19 towers open during the day-details later.R. R. Savory, Hon. Gen. Sec.

6070

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD-Diocesan festival at Werrington. on Saturday, July 9th. beginning 2.30 p.m. Service at Werrington at 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea. 2s. Bells: Werrington (8). St. Stephen. Launceston (8). St. Thomas (6). Lawhitton (6). Lezant (6), South Petherwin (6). also after tea St. Mary Magdalen. Launceston (8). Replies by Tuesday, June 28th. to Rev. H. Trewhella. Penhevla. Crantock. Newquay.

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## MISS STELLA DAVIS KILLED

We regret to announce that Miss Stellit Davis. of Bucklebury. a vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. met her death list Saturday while on an outing. She was crosising the road when she was knocked over by a motor-cyclist and died shortly afterwards.

Miss Davis was captain of the Bucklebury band and a past secretary of the Newbury Branch.

## FASTEST ON NASH BELLS

Dear Sir.-The claim by Mr. Hartley for the fastest peal on Nash bells is four years too ate and six minutes too slow,
On Thursday. January 26th. 1956. a peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung on these bells in $\frac{2}{}$ hours and 23 minutes, conducted by me.Yours faithfully.

DAVID J. KING.

## Chepstow. Mon.

## FIRST OF MINOR AT BRILL

Dear Sir.-Mr. Alan R. Pink claims that the peal of Minor he conducted at Brill. Bucks. on May 14th. was the first peal of Minor on the bells. This is incorrect since I took part in a peal of seven Minor methods. conducted by my father. Tony Price. on July 9th. 1949. in 2 hours and 40 minutes. This peal was believed to have been the first of Minor on the bells.-Yours faithfully,
R. E. PRICE.

## Sheffield

A summer school on 'The English Cathedral and Abbey will he held at St. John's College Hostel. Heworth Green. York. from August 20 th to 27 th . The fee will be 12 guineas (nonesidents 6 guineas). Application to the Institutc of Advanced Architectural Studies, Micklegate. York.
BRISTUL.-At St. Mary Redelific, on Jube Sth. 1.363 Grandsire Cinques: F. G. Leaker 1, A. M Tyler 2. Marian Hancock (firsa of Cinques 'inside') Bcryl Abbutt (firat of Grandsire Cinques 4. Baldwin (first of Grandsire Cinques) 5, Jane Cook s. W. Abrahams (first of Cinques) 7. (cond.) 10, F. Hansford 11, S. Gillet 12. Rung after Evensons.
WEST WICKHAM, KENT.-On Whit Sundav. June Sth, 1,430 ) Miner ( 720 each St . Clement's and Plain Aub): Hermione Hockey 1, W. A. Hughes 2. A S. Richards 3, J. Faircloth 4, D. Holland 5, A.

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## QUARTER PEALS

ORSEIT, ESSEX.-On May 29th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bub and Grandsire): Miss E. Mason 1, Mrs. F. W. Blaich 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3. A. A. Hilliar 4. D. G. Maycll (cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. Conductur's 50 hh quarter peal. A hirthday comoliment to Tony Bowley, a member of the local band.
SAWLEY, DERBYS.-On May 29th, 1,320 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss C. Webb (first quarter) 1, O. Cripps 2, W. Simpson 3, J. Harvey 4, D. Marshail (cond.) 5, R. Newsum 6.
SPALDWICK, HUNTINGDON.-On May 7th 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. W. Allen 1, H. S. Peacock 2, Lucy Allen 3. P. E. Wells 4, E. I Whiting 5. R. F. Baker (cond.) 6. In honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones.
SPONDON, DERRYS.-On May 1 lth, 1,272 Minor (Kent and Oxford T.B.): E. H. Willows 1, Miss C Collier 2, D. K. Walklate (cond.) 3, Miss R. Bull 4, D. Parkin 5, J. Murfin 6.
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## QUEX PARK

THE joy of new discovery should be always with us, for without it we grow old indeed. And since, as Kipling tells us. 'God gave all men all earth to love,' there is no lack of beauty or joy of discovery so long as we have eyes to see, ears to hear, and power to move. Thus it was in a mood of expectancy that we came to Kent, known and loved by many, but a strange land to us; and from the glories of Folkestone Leas, from the vast, stony desert of Dungeness and the monotonous moan of sirens in the sea mist, through the loveliness of Elham and Barham, we came at length to Birchington and the bell tower in Quex Park.

According to Lewis Carroll, it was a golden key that opened the little door and showed Alice the enchanting garden beyond. Ours was a mundane, very ordinary key, hung aslant the notice 'To the Bell Tower': but it beckoned, and we followed into a land so quiet, so seemingly remote, that Birchington and the dreary chain of traffic on the Canterbury road a mile behind might well have been in another world. At the wicket gate our vehicle could go no further, and amid the dripping bushes we gazed across the meadow to a heavy grove of trees, and someone said: 'The tower is in there.'

And so we came to this strange monument, hidden in its fastness, its four turrets rising among the trees that brushed its sides, and the cast-iron spire that imitates Faversham pointing higher to the storm clouds streaming from the west. In a bush close by a blackbird's tiny brood twittered excitedly, and near at hand the powdered upthrow from a badger's earth betrayed the opening from which the shy gentleman would doubtless emerge when dusk had come and we had gone.
Here was a unique memorial to an extraordinary man. John Powell, probably the wealthiest of all the patrons of the art of ringing. According to Trollope, he may have learnt to ring at Fulham, but when he inherited Quex Park he became a wealthy man and was able to indulge his passion for ringing without any restraint save that imposed by his own limitations. And to this end he erected a tower and furnished it with a ring of 12 bells cast at the Whitechapel Foundry; he recruited a band, chiefly from the men on his estate, and he lured William Shipway from London into Kent to act as instructor. With Shipway's aid, he studied composition fervidly and plunged into the problems of Stedman Triples with great perseverance. His results were negligible, but his support of Shipway's work and the incidental benefit to East Kent ringing arising from Shipway's sojourn at Birchington make Powell's contribu-
tions of some importance to the study of change-ringing. And his tower rings with the echoes of the great army of notable ringers visiting and revisiting Quex Park during a period of more than a hundred years.

To us, therefore, it was a privilege to walk where so many famous ringers have walked, from Shipway to our own day; to ring where so many great exponents of the art have stood beneath these bells; to recall the many comings and goings of notable personalities in this sylvan fastness; to chuckle again at the refreshing recollection of John Cheeseman and Armiger Trollope getting down to sleep on this bare floor amid the whisperings from the tall shafts on the night they could find no resting place in Birchington.

The first impact of the 12 bells was stupefying. It was as the sound of a thousand musical boxes punctuated by a hundred chiming clocks, and even the roll-ups of three leads of Treble Twelve came but confusedly to our inexperienced ears. As time went on, this dazzling stream of sound began to resolve itself into familiar patterns, so that by the time that two courses of Stedman Cinques had been rung the primal difficulties had vanished. Outside the tower it is found that the overtones are not so dominant and the changes rung are clearly heard.
We walked back across the meadow as the back eight turned to an excellent course of London, and from the wicket one heard with perfect clearness, and indeed sweetness, every blow of this piece of competent ringing.
The storm clouds were drifting overhead and rain was falling upon the dripping leaves as we gathered ourselves together and departed from this place back to the world of other things, and the copse and the tower were left to their own musings. Alice, alas, despite the golden key, was too big to get through the door to the magic garden; we, more fortunate, have squeezed through, and have for a short time found an enchanted land. When next we come, it may be that the glory will have departed; but there can be no doubt that on this day there has been enchantment at Quex Park.
E. C. S.

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## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., May 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5009 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 6 cwt . 2 qr. 13 lb . in C


## MAIDSTONE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Mon., June 6, 1960. in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 32 cwt .20 lb . in C sharp.


Composed hy Charles J. Sedgley
Conducted by John R. Mayne.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Suf., June 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
Ar ihe Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 28. 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules,
at the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .2 lb . in G .
W. Arihur Riddingion Treble $\begin{aligned} & \text { Olive D. Couchman } \\ & \text { Evelyn M. Hicks }\end{aligned} . \frac{2}{3}$ Edgar R. Rapley $\quad$.. $\quad .$.
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Culin A. Tester } & & \\ \text { Herbert W. Woolven } & \text {.. } & 6 \\ \text { Frank H. Hicks } & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ John A. Howard ... Tenor Conducted by John A. Howard.

## SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sat., May 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, <br> Ar the Church of St. Thomas. <br> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr .19 lb . in F.



## John A. Acres.

Composed by Henry Hubbard Brian M. Smith Albert J. Cooke .. .. Tenor Conducted by brian G. Warwick. First peal. + First of Plain Bob Triples. $\ddagger 25$ th peal
A compliment to Patricia A. Wardle and Russell S. Morris (both of Aylestone) on their engagement.

## AYLESTONE. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues.. May 31, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Mhnutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $15 \mathrm{cwt} .6 \mathrm{qr}, 3 \mathrm{lb}$.

| * Marie Davenport |  | Christine Wakefield |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Patricia A. Wardle | $\cdots{ }^{2}$ | Terry I. Roper |
| Sandra Chesterton | .. 3 | $\dagger$ Paul Martin |
| A. James Poynor | .. 4 | Ru | A. James Poynor

Composed by E. M. Atsins. Russfll S. Morris.. .. Tenor *First peal "First of Major "inside.
Rung by the Sunday service band as a 21 st birthday compliment to Patricia A. Wardle, and to mark her engagement to the conductor.

## BURGHILL, HEREFORDSHIRE

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Iransposition of Bruerton's Twelve-Part. Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{qr} 21 lb.$.
 Conducted by William F. Scudamore.
*First peal 'inside." $\dagger$ First of Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal.

## DUNMOW, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## On Sat.. June 4, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

 at the Church of St. Mary,A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

## Tenor $21 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

*John Newman.......Treble H. Walier Smith 5


Composed by Aribur Craven. Conducled by Harry J. Millait

* First peal on eight bells. + Has now circled the tower.

Rung for the wedding this day of Patricia Little (niece of the fourth ringer) and Stanley Clarke.

KING'S LANGLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Ronald W. R. Picton .. Treble D. Joseph Goodman - Keith D. Waples .. $\quad .2^{2}$ Waltfer Ayre Rodirick V. Wallis +Gillian E. Graney .. $\ddagger$ Robert J. Picton
Composed by John Cox. 7
$\qquad$ Brian M. Barker
Conducled by Brian M. Marker. First peal inside. + First on eight hells. $\ddagger$ First of Major. First as conductor
Rung as a thanksgiving for the return to the parish of the Vicar, the Rev. R. L. Parkin, M.A., following a serious operation.

SUTTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Afinutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-thf.-Blessed-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{t} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .


Composed by F. Bennetr.
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

## DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD

On Whit Monday, June 6. 1960, in 3 Hours. at ine Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $21 子 \mathrm{cwt}$

Leslie G. Brett Treble
*Ernest G. Pearce
*Gilbert R. Goodship
3
Frank Ruffles .. .. 4
Composed by Thomas Diy.
ames Bennett. jun. Walter Ruffles
*Leslie N. Melton.... 6
Composed by Thomas Day. William J. Button .i. Tenor

* First peal of Oxford. The tenor ringer has now ' circled the tower three times.
Rung to commemorate the 16.608 Oxford rung in this tower on Whit Monday, June 6 h , 1892, in 10 hours and 32 minutes.


## RAYLEIGH. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Tues., June 7. 1960, in 2 Hours und 50 Minutes
Ai the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB TRIPLES
Holt's Ten-Part
Tenor 16 cwt
William A. Smib
. . . Treble Alfred J. House

Ernest J. Blower Mark F. Hatch.. Michafl J. Hallett.
Roy D. Tomlin $\quad \ddot{0} \quad \ddot{4} \quad 4 \quad$ William F. Ward
Gerald D. J. Sind...
Conducted by Alfred J. House.
First peal of Triples in the method by all the band, and for the Association.
Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the fifth. to mark his 50 years of loyal service in this tower.

LYDD. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wed., June 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minules.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .2 qr .7 lb .

| Maisie Vantom.. | $\ldots$ | .. | Treble | Robert SWift ... | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John R. Cooper | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Cyril A. Wratten .. | .. | 6 |  |
| Joan Beresford. . | $\ldots$ | . | 3 | H. William Barreit | .. | 7 |  |
| Crawford T. Hillis | $\ldots$ | 4 | Dennis A. Chapman | .. Tenor |  |  |  |

Composed by E. W. Tipler (No. 1).
Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.
First peal of Surprise as conductor. First in the method on the bells. A loth birthday compliment to Janet Batchelor, a member of the local band.

## OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Jume 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes. At the Church of St. Ebbe,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Groves' variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 4 cwt .3 qr .19 lb. Clive Hollaway ...Treble Beriram J. Cogigins. *Edward Venn.. .. .. 2 年 Brancis A. White .. Bernard Coggins ... .. 3 Brian R. White ...
Dennis Leslie.
Conducted by Brian R. White,

* First peal of Triples. First as conductor.


## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Chunch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . in G.

Frederick J. Cullum ..
Composed by M. Hodgson.

* First peal in the method.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri.. June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

At the Church of Si. Margaret-of-Antioch.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr .17 lb .
*Michael J. Stanley
Treble Ronald A. Wright
*A. Terence Collins Victor Griffin
*Anthony R. Peake 2 Eric Sution * First peal in the method. First of Surprise Major as conductor, Believed to be tbe first of Surprise Major on the bells.

Rung to mark the birthday of Prince Philip and the official birthday of H.M. the Queen.

CURRY RIVEL. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At 1he Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter's (second observation).

| Walter H. Poole .. .. Treble | Harry J. Gaylard... .. 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Arihur H. Reed ... .. 2 | Albert W. Dyer . . . 6 |
| Raymond P. Selway | Philip N. Tubbs . . . 7 |
| "Frederick Welch .. .. 4 | - Reginald Hebditch . Tehor | Conducted by Arihur H. Reed.

* First peal of Stedman.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H.M. the Queen.
DONCASTER. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. June 11. 1960. in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

| Edwin G. Buck | Tenor Treble | $30+$ cWt. <br> Pairicia M. Bourne |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Claudia A. Critchley | ? | Colin A. S. Harwood |
| W. Eric Critchley | 3 | J. Richard Castledine |
| G. William Crischley | 4 | Jack S. Dear | Composed and Conducted by W. Eric Crilchley.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

NON-ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOURLES
Being 42 extents.
Michael Read .. .. ... Treble
R. Matihews .. .. .. 2 James Woodward ... 3 George Broughton .. ... 5
Conducted by George Broughton.
Rung by the local band as a farewell to the Rector, Rev. C. B. Richardson.

ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., May 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minules,
Ar the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES
In 35 methods, viz.: Stedman, Grandsire, Rev. Union, Rev, St. Faith. Rev. St. Julian. Bedfont S.C., Boveney S.C., Eton S.C., Westminster II Bob, Blackburn, St. Hilary, Chesham S.C.. Broughton S.C.. Ockham S.C. New Bob, Huntspill. St. Vedast, Itchingfield S.C., Oakley S.C.: Chipstead S.C., St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place Bob, St. Remigius', Longford S.C.. Thornborough S.C., Hascombe S.C., St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Osmund's. Rugby S.C., Clapton S.C., Merton S.C., All Saints', Rev. Canterhury, Plain Bob; 203 changes of method.

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Geoffrey C. Rix .. .. Treble| ${ }^{\text {* Bernard E. Matthews .. } 3}$
Bryan C. Burrough .. 2 George Francis .. .. 4
W. Leslie Weller .. . . Tenor Conducted by George Francis.

* First peal of Doubles.

Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE. } \\
& \text { THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. } \\
& \text { On Tues., May 24, } 1960 \text { in } 2 \text { Hours and } 34 \text { Minutes, } \\
& \text { AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { PLAIN BOB MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being seven different extents.
Georfrey Bromfield . . Treble *Robert Harrison Stephen Brompield .. 3 A. W. Hoodless ... .. Tenor Conducted by A. W. Hoodless.

## - First peal.

Rung in memoriam Arthur Harold Eastoe, ringer and churchwarden, May 24ih, 1957.

## HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., May 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Edmund,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
*Ruth Blackshaw .. .. Treble "Maurice Harrison
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Doreen Armsirong } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Alec Larkin } & . . & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Frank Bradley.. } & . . & 3 & \text { Brian Mills } & . . & . . & . . & \text { Tehor }\end{array}$ Frank Bradley. Conducted by Dureen Armsirong.

* First peal in the method.

Rung by the Sunday service band for the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Larkin.

EASI BUDLEIGH. DEVON
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Fri., June 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge. Kent and Oxford. and four of Plain Bob.
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble
Lesley J. Bladon
Michael J. Board
Richard J. Bowden.
Tenor 9 cw .
$\cdots \quad 3$
D. John Hunt

- ... 5
* First peal in four Minor methods

Rung by the Society of Friends of the Exercise on assembling for their eighth Whitsun tour.

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DONHEAD ST. MARY, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Whit Monday; June 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one 720 Kent, two 720 's Cambridge, two 720 's Oxford Bob and two 720's Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt . Eric Naylor David Hoare


GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B, and three of Plain Bob.
 Conducted by Harold Denman.

* 25 th peal together. +25 th peal together. 100 th peal on the bells.


## NEWINGTON-NEXT-HYTHE, KENT. <br> THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF St. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and one extent each of Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's College Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt

 Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal in five methods.


## NORTHMOOR. OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., June 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Denys,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
F. Trindfr
D. Floyd
N. Leslie Tenor 11 cw .
Treble V. Clifion
2 D. Leslie
A. Cantwell
N. Leslie

Conducted by D. Leslie
Tenor
Rung to celebrate the birthday of Mr.
churchwarden of this church for 43 years.
churchwarden of this church for 43 years. T. Florey, who has been
PULVERBATCH. SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Oll Mon., June 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

> AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITH, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,

Bcing one extent of Oxford and Kent T.B. Combined, two each of Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt .20 lb . in B. *Richard E. Morris ..Tteble Edward V. Rodenhurst.. ${ }_{4}$ Claire Dillamore.. .. 2 Philip J. Evans .. .. 5 Mary C. Poyner ..... 3 F. Hector Bennett .. .. Tenor * First peal in three methods.

Rung for the Festival of Whitsuntide.
BOBBING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., June 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Mrs. Francis J. Cheal...Treble | John W. Coleman ... .. 4 Franclis J. Cheal .. .. 2 †William A. J. Knight.. 5 George Kenward .. .. 3 Charles E. J. Norris .. Tenor Conducted by William A. J. Knight.

* First peal. $\dagger 150$ ih peal.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H.R.H. Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh; also 25th anniversary of the conductor's first peal at Milverton, June 8th, 1935. Claud Tarr and Walter H. Poole are the only ones left of the band.

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Society.)
On Thurs., June 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
AT THE ChURCH OF ALL SAINTS
A
OF
5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being an extent each of Trinity Sunday. Felkirk, College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, College Pleasure and Woodbine.
Douglas N. Stables Tenor 9 cwt .
Douglas N. Stables .. Treble Trevor Tarbatt
Cyril Rusby $\quad . . \quad . . \quad . .2^{2}$ Herman Rusby
Fred Cowling .. .. .. $3^{3}$ Noel F. Moxon ... ... Tenor Conducted by NoEL F. Moxon.
Rung to commemorate 50 years service by Mr. H. Rusby as chorister at Cawthorne Church.

FULMER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., June 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
at the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 ALDBOURNE DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven different extents, with $5-6$ the right way throughout.
Harold N. Tembey lenor $7 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. in B.
harold N. Tembey .. .. Treble H. George Hart
Phyllis M. Mayne .. .. 2 Frank C. Price
Elsie K. Hart .. .. .. 3 John R. Mayne. . .. ... Tenor
First peal in the method.

## SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., June 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Denys, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being four extents Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, eight Plain Bob, six April Day, nine Reverse St. Bartholomew, 11 extents and one each of Morris' and Pitman's 240 Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr .18 lb . in A. | James H. Musson | Treble | Frederick | Derry | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \#Michael E. Stracey | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick | W. Pinchbeck | 5 | J. Edward Brown .. .. 3 †Terence Needham .. .. Tenor Conducted by Michael E. Stracey.

* First peal of Doubles. © First peal at first attempt. First as conductor.
Rung as a compliment to Miss Jean Hoy and Mr. Brian Buswell on their engagement.

> GREAT DODDINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
> IHE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., June 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minuies,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. COLUMBA DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Tenor 6 cwt .6 lb . in B .
Richard J. Danby
Treble George F. Roome
3
Timothy A. Wooding $\quad . \quad 2$ Percy Amos
Allan R. Jones...... Tenor
Conducted by Allan R. Jones.
First peal in the method.
Rung on the Festival of St. Columba.

## COTTESBROOKE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob.
C. William Brown Tenor 14 cwt 21 lb in F. ${ }^{2}$.

Richard J. Seaton .. .. 2 arthur J. Millard.. ..
Stanley E. Brown .. ... 3 Ernest G. Orland .. ... Tenor
Conducted by Ernest G. Orland.
Believed to be the first peal on the bells.
LEIGH. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
On Fri., June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Edburga
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents, using singles only. Tenor $17 \frac{1}{な} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E .
r. George Morris.. .. Treble John J. Stanier

*John C. Slater $\quad . . . . .3 .3$ George E. Evenden ... Terior
Conducted by George E. Evenden.

* First peal on six bells.

LITTLE HOUGHTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUG்H DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
a peal of 5040 Chace doubles
Being 42 extents.
Victor A. Perry
Allean R. Jones.
allan R. Jones. alo..... ${ }^{2}$ I Percy Amos

Glorge F. Roome
Conducted by Allan R. Jones.
First peal in the method for the band, and for the Guild.

## STEEPLE CLAYDON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., June 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and all Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Durham, York, London, Wells. Beverley, Surficet and Cambridge.
*Barry Davies .
.. Treble George W. Holland
$\dagger$ Jo Moreton
†James Linnell.
Conducted by

| 2 | William A. Yates ... |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Wilfrid F. Moreton |

enor 13 cwt

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
First attempt for a peal. $\dagger$ First in seven Surprise methods 'inside. First in seven methods on the bells.

ALDEBURGH, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 1,440 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and 720 of Plain Bob C. Jack Gibson James E. Bailey Raymond Peck

## Treble

Alan S. Pipe
Peter S. Bedford John W. Biythe
$12 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in

Rung 10 mark the and Arts : also birthday compliments to Mr. J. G. Rumsey and Mrs. D. Hall.

## HOAR CROSS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

 THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of the, Holy Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Double Court Bob, (2) Single Oxford Bob, (3) St. Clement's Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob and (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 28 cwt .1 qr .7 lb .
 Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## MARBURY. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf.. June 11, 1960, it 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents of Stedman, six each of Grandsire. St. Simon's and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, four each of St. Martin's and Plain Bob, three each of April Day and Reverse St. Bartholomew. Tenor 7 cwt .2 qr. 22 lb .

| Herbert Sutton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Treble | Frederick S. Sutton | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *John E. Brough | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ivor R. Nichols | .. | . | 5 |
| Frank R. Morton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas P. Barlow | .. | .. | Tenor | Conducted by lohn E. Brough.

- 100th peal. 50th peal as conductor for the Guild.

Rung by officials of the Crewe Branch as a welcome to Rev. A. Beaumont, who was inducted on June 7th.

NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June П, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Mimutes, At the Church of St. George-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Edward Shuttleworth . . Treble E. Michael Quinn .. .. 2 Gordon Rumney

Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr . in G sharp Peter Dale Bernard Groves John Robinson Conducted by Bernard Groves.
First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor. First in the method as conductor. The conductor has now circled the tower."

## QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sal., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minures,

At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

* Robert Dowdeswell .. Treble Anthony W. Gibbs Ivor Goulter

|  | Tenor $9 \pm$ cwt. |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\dagger$ Noel R. Walte | $\cdots$ | . | 4 |
| Geoffrey P. Green | $\cdots$ | 5 |  |
| Peter T. Hurcombe |  | . Tenor |  |

* First peal of Minor, † First 'inside.

Rung as a compliment to N. R. Waite on obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree at Cambridge University.

RIPPINGALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jure 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Single Oxford and two each of Kent Treble Bob, Single Court and Plain Bob.
William R. Marsh .. .. Treble Ronald G. Russell Edgar A. Cole Percy D. Baldock .. .. 3 Jrederick Derry ... ... 5 Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal in four Minor methods.

A compliment to Miss June Booth (Rippingale), the conductor's niece, on her 21 st birthday; also a birthday compliment to Mr. Ronald G. Russell.

## ROTHLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Geoffrey M. Brewin .. Treble

- Judy A. M. Cox .. .. 2
J. M. CoX .. .. 2 Robert B. Smith $\quad .$.
* First peal.

Mason Philip G. K. Da
Conducted by Geoffrey M. Brewin.

WENTWORTH. YORKSHIRE.
TIE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
A $\quad$ the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Dennis Holland .. .. Treble
*A. Percival Knights 2 James S. Dunn 4
A. Percival Knights .. 2 "Leslie E. Smith .. .. 5 †Michael Meadows .. 3 Barry Holland .. .. Tenor Conducted by Barry Holland.

* First peal of Kent Minor. $\dagger$ First in the method. The treble and second ringers have now rung Kent from Minor to Maximus.


## HANDBELL PEAL

## LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 31, 1960, in 2 Hours and 17 Minules,
At 3. Honington Crescent.
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED MAJOR
In 50 methods: Tiverton, Hastings, Wymondham, Debenham. Gonville, Trinity, Loughborough, Cambridge Court, Marlborough. Highbury, Montgomery, Ellesmere, Single Oxford, Single Norwich, Longney. Winchester, Shipway's, Edmonton, Lavenham, Chesterfield, Maidstone. Ashbourne, Spalding, Richmond, New London, Double, Reverse. Plain. Gainsborough, Wellington, Little Bob. Crayford Little Court, Bastow Little Court, Kent Little Court, Little Oxford. Victoria, Colville, Romsey, Cheltenham. Leamington, Pulford, Avalon, Painswick. Kidlington, Double Oxford. Pershore, Hereward, Double Norwich, St. Clement's and Crayford College; 347 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

* A. Robin Heppenstall .. $1-2 \mid$ George E. Feirn .. .. $5-6$
*John Freeman ... .. $3-4 \mid$ †Jack L. Millhouse ..
Arranged and Conducted by George E. Feirn.
* First peal in 50 methods $\dagger$ First in 50 methods "in hand.'

SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Mon., Jume 13, 1960, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes, At 16, Hawthorn Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. *Colin Smith
$1-2$ |
Tenor
F. Hector Bennett ... .. 3-4

Conducted by Harry Poyner.

* First handbell peal.

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ALSAGER. STAFFS.-On June $12 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Corfield (first quarter) 1, D. R Whalley (cond.) 2, Miss P. Robinson 3, E. Allman 4, G. Astbury 5. G. D. Whalley 6. L. Whalley 7.

ASTON-ON-TRENT, DERRYS.-On June 11 h . 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss J. Coneland (first guarter) 1, M. Fearn 2, R. S. Barker 3, F. W Hinds (first quarer) 4, E. H. Williams (cond.) 5. 1. Pincombe 6. In honour of the Queen's Birthday.

AYLPSTUNE. LEICESTER.-On June 5th, 1,280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: S. Maric Davenport 1. Patricia A. Wardle 2. Sandra E. Chesterton 3. Christine Waketield 4, P. Martin 5, T. I. Roper 6. R. S. Morris 7, A. J. Poynor (cond.) 8. First of Spliced by the band. For Evensong
BARROW-UPON-SOAR. LEICS.-On June 12 th . 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob. April Day and Grandsire): M. Barsby 1, B. S. Payne (cond.) 2. G. B. Lowe 3. R. Perkins 4, F. K. Thumpson 5. M . Godwin 6. For Evensiong on the Patronal Festival.
BEAMINSTER, DORSET.-On June 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Pannell 1, H. Arscoti 2, F. Knight 3. Mrs. E. Pannell 4, C. Poole 5. D. Bishon 6. J. Barrelt (cond.) 7, J. Davis (first of Triples) 8. Rung as a thanksgiving for Canon Cox's 50 years in the priesthood.

BICESTER, OXON,-On June 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Hatfield 1. Mrs. A. D. Sayer 2, A. D.
Sayer 3, C. H. Kineh 4. W. Baggett 5, E. G. Sayer 3, C. H. Kinch 4. W. Baggett 5, E. G. Confirmation service.
BEDDINGTON, SURREY.-On June 12th, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss M. Jennings (first of Caters) 1. Miss J. L. Lavender 2, E. L. Reece 3. A. Rogers 4. Miss E. A. Cooper S, R. J. Cook 6, G. Jennings 9. F. D. Jennings 8, S, F. Kimber (cond.) 9, L. A. Reece 10. For Evensong.
BEXLEY, KENT.-On April 3 rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Ford (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Ward 2 Miss J. Jones 3, Miss J. Cox 4, Miss M. Andrew
BOITON, LANCS.-On June 12th, at Holy Trinixy Church, 1,26n Plain Bob Minor: S. Wood 1. J. Kay 2, A. E. Sandiford 3, J. W. Kay, T. Bratby P. Cook sen. (cond.) 6, J. W. Hamer 8. Rung as a farewell to the conductor, who is leaving for a holiday in Canada.
BRISTOL.-At the Cathedral, on June 12th, 1,264 Double Norwich Court Bub Maior: M. J. Hobbs (first in method) 1. P. J. Bird (first in method as cond.) 2, D. G. Yeo 3. C. J. Richards (first of D.N.C.B M.) 4, W. Kingcott 5, P. E. Parry 6. J. Brain 7. D. J. Hunt 8. Rung for the annual service of Bristol Cathedral School and Old Boys of the school, by 4 Old Boys, 2 present pupils, and 2 masters of the school. Also on June 13 th , 1.344 Oxford T.B. Major: Miss G. M. Hussey 1. P. E. Parry 2. Mrs. E. A. G. Bowden 3, Miss M. Hall 4. D. C, Exell 5, P. J. Bird 6, R. J. Howden 7. D. J. Hunt (cond.) 8. First in the method by all the band. Rung for the annnual service of the Friends of the Cathedral: donors of the tells.
BLSHEY, HERTS.-On June $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Stedman Triples: T. 1. Clark 1. R. Rowley 2. T. Carless 3, N. Jenkins 4. S. E. Darmon 5, L. J. North 6. C. W. Wonlley (cond.) 7. J. E Rostes 8. For Evensons and a iarewell to Canon J. H Humphries, who is leaving, after 17 years as Rector of Bushes.

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEX:-On June 12th. 1.260 Minor ( 720 Trinity Sunday. 540 Oxford. 36 Bob): W. Broadhead 1. C. Rusby 2 F. Cowling 3. D. N. Stables 4. H. Rusby and R. Padgen S. N. F. Moxon (cond.) 6. To commemorate 50 years' service as a ehorisier sq Cawhorne, by Mr. H. Rushy.
CLAVERLEY, SALOP.-On June Vth, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Wither§ (first quarter) 1, W. Francis 2, V. Parion (first 'inside') 3. C. Jones (first as cond.) 4, G. Gondson 5. E. Drew 6. A. V. Pearson 7. A. Nurse 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. Lucy Davies, wife of Mr. T. Davies, a Claverlev ringer for many years. COOKHAM, BERKS.-On June 12th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. Smyth 1. J. R. A. Muller 2. A. Pugh 3. Janet Taylor 4. W. H. Jackson (ennd.) S. D. Kirkntdy 6, E. Eldridge 7, B. Lake 8. Firse of Triples for 1,3 and 6 .
COSSINGTON, SOMERSETs On June 4ih, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. Ford (first of Surprise) 1. Audrey Bailey 2, D. Miller 3. R. Short 4. C. Clarte (first of Surprise as cond.) $5, M$. Stone 6.
EBBW VALE, MON.-On Junc 8th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Dunning 1, R. Stephens 2, Miss B. Stephens 3. Mrs. D. Bruten 4. T. Stephens 5 . J. Alsod (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. Rees, of this parish, 100 roday.

## QUARTER PEALS

ELLAND, YORKS.-On June 14th. 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: P. Birkett 1. Miss C. Linfoot 2. H. Armitare 3. C. F. Sutclifte 4, F. Linfoot (cond) 5 . D. Smith 6, A. W. Hond 7, R. Senior 8. Rung after the wedding of Miss Adrianne Patricia Drake to Mr. Richard Newby Fawcett.
EPSUM. SURREY.-At Chris Church. on Whit Sunday, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: 1. Waterman 1, Carolyn D. Cockman 2, Sylvia Marth 3, J. Munton (first - inside ') 4, W. Parrelt 5, F. Oakshot (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong and as a farewell to the Vicar, Rev. Canon A. E. Rubins, who is moving to Flect.
ESHER, SURREY.-On June $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Sinclair (first quarter) 1, Mis C. Powell 2. J. F. M. Maybrey (cond.) 3, Rev. E. Burden 4. Mrs. M. Poweli 5, B. Powell 6.
HECKINGTON, LINCS.-On June 5 th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: L. C. Asher 1, D. P. Brown 2 , A. Dixon 3. R. Trevitt 4, E. A. Cole 5. C. R. Asher 6. A. R. Pocklington (cond.) 7. C. Brook (first quarier) 8. For Evensong and a farewell to $C$ Brook, now living in Sleaford, and also to Anne Stanyon and John Ward married the following day and to reside at Hove.
HENFIELD, SUSSEX.-On June 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. E. Cruttenden 1, D. Parsons 2, E. R Rapley 3, F. Godsmark 4. F. W. Parsons 5, C. R. Longhurst 6, B. W. White (cond.) 7, R. Langridge 8. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Doreen Packham (younger daughter of E. F. Packham, local ringer), 10 Mr . A. Rolf.

## THE WEEK TO JOIN

The new quarter starts with our next
issue. New postal subscribers will be
welcome. Remittances to Mr. J. E.
Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro,
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HERSHAM, SURREY.-On Whit Sunday, 1.260 Union Triples: J. Martin 1, Pam Bird 2, Joan A Smith 3, Gwen May 4, H. Colcombe 5, C. N.
Chinnery 6, J. King (cond.) 7. D. George 8. First quarter in the method by all. For Evensong.
HIGH HAM, SOMERSET. On June 11th, 1,260 Both and Grandsire Doubles: C, Graton 1, F. G. Snarks 2. Mrs. L. Crocker 3, F. J. White (cond.) 4. A. Brown 5. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. White.
MULT, WILTS.-On May 7th, 1,260 Doubles in 3 methods: F. Box 1, D. Barnett 2, P. Gaisford 3. R. Purnell (cond.) 4, W. Slocombe 5, 1 Lucas is A wedding compliment to Miss V . Drewetr. Alsi on May 30 th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Veronica D. Sheet 1. J. Lucas 2. T. Proffit 3. P. Gaivford 4. R Purnell (cond) 5, R. Drewett 6.
HONITON. DEVON:-On June $6 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandside Doubles: Gladys D. Kitcher 1. Mavis P. Coffin 2. M. L. Northway (cond.) 3. M. D. G. Northway 4 C. M. White 5, R. Buckhanan 6. Rung by 4 Romsey Abbey and 2 Eling ringers. First quarter in Devon for all the band.
HORSELL. SURREY.-On May 22nd. 1,260 Doubles ( 240 Bob Doubles and 1,020 Grandsire Doubles): Miss J. Drury 1, Miss P. Drury 2, G. Oliver 3. J. Martin 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5, C. Cobbett 6 Rung for Evensong.
LEWISHAM, LONDON.-On June 12th, 1,2kn Crandsire Triples: E. B. Crowder 1. N. S. Bagworih 2. Mr. E. M. Bagworih 3. Miss E. J. Mead (first as cond.) 4. J. Dafters 5, A. Bagworth 6. F. P. Mead 7. R. Boyce 8. For Evensong and to celehrale conductor's 21st birthday.
LUNDON.-At St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on May 22nd. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mrs, K. Lock 1. Miss - 1 . Beresford 2, Mis M. Prockson 3. R. F. Grisdale 4 G. Parsons 5, W. Prockson 6, J. Eusion (cond.) 7 C. Simpmon \&. For Rogation Sunday. Also on May 29hh, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Parsons 1 Lewry 2, Mrs. C. Harbot 3, M. Sinden 4. C. Simpson 5. H. Corfield 6. J. Euston (cond.) 7. M. Harbot 8. For the annual Civic service and for the Tercemenary of the Restoration of the Monarchy. Also at St Clement Dancs on June 12th, 1,260 Grandsire $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Triples: Hilda } & \text { E. Oatway 1, H. J. Eldred } 2, \\ \text { Catherine Powell } & \text { 3. S. Croft } & \text { 4, } & \text { C. } & \text { H. Rogers } & 5\end{array}$ Catherine Powell 3, S. Croft 4. C. H. Rogers 5 Theedom 8.

MADRUN, PENZANCE.-On June 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Foot 1, Mrs. R. E. White 2. Willis 3, G. W. Taysom (cond.) 4, H. B. Toms 5. A. M. Nicholls 6. First quarter 5 and 6 . A Mrs. Barrie White, S. Rhodesia.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET. On June 7th, - 260 Plain Rob Doubles: Mre. M. Powell 1. Mrs. R. Quint 2. Mrs. D. Sirung 3. L. Derrick (cond.) 4. Mary Powell 5, O. Quint 6
OCKHAM, SURREY:- 0 n May 8th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: V. Neil 1. Miss J. Drury 2. B. Priestley 3. Miss P. Drury 4, 1. Martin (cond.) 5. For Evensong.
OXTON. CHESHIRE. On May 26th, 1.260 Plain Bub Triples: 1. Heron 1. Miss J. Eavtwnod 2, 1 Williams 3. E. Britron 4. W. A. Boote 5. E. T. Carvell 6. A. J. Marin (cond.) 7. T. A. Morgan B . First in method for 1 and 3. For Ascension Day and for the 65th anniversary of the opening of the hetls. Also a tribute to Mr. J. W. Evans, who has now rung for 65 years at this church.
PAINSWICK, GLOS.-1.259 Grandsire Caters: F. Blowen 1, L. Hewitt 2, W. Jones 3. C. Goulding 4. P. Clarkson 5. L. Edwards 6, I. Whiting 7. P. Allen 8. 1. Barry (cond.) 9. 1. Whiting 10.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.-At St. Mary's Church. on June 12th. i, 260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Davis 1. Mrs. M. Parker 2. L. Brighton 3, J. Roffe 4. G. Cowlin 5. M. Parker (first of Minor as cond.) 6. First in method 1, 3 and 5. For Morning service
PUTNEY, LONDUN.-On June $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: B Bull 1. L. Allen (first on 5) 2, B Coasworth 3, A. Clayton 4. C. Mew (cond.) 5 . For Evensong and as a 20 th birthday compliment in the treble ringer.
RIPPLE, WORCS.-On June 3rd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Hob, Grandsire, Reverse Si. Hartholomew): F. Lawrence 1, C. Haylings 2, D. Price 3, J. Firkins 4. M. Hawkes (cond.) 5. C. Hadiey 6. Rung for the wedding, this day, of Miss Linda Bond, organist at this church. to Mr. David Curnock
SEMPRINGHAM. LINCS.-On June 7th, 1.321 Plain Bob Doubles: D. L. Garrill (first quarter) 1. D. P. Brown 2, R. Trevitt (firm as cond) 3, T, F. Carford 4, A. R. Pocklington 5, C. R. Asher 6.
SHEFFIELD.-On June llth, at the Cathedral. 1.287 Stedman Caters: R. E. Price (cond.) 1, F. Ward 2. P. Knights 3, S. J Philbrick 4. D. Holland 5. R. Long 6. D. Armstrong 7. B. Holland 8, H: $O$. Chaddock 9, R. Birch 10.
SPETCHLEY, WORCS.-On May 6th, 1.272 Sperchley Court Boh Minimus: J. E. Pullon 1. M. J. Fellows 2. M. D. Fellows 3. P. Cattermole 4. Nonconducted. First on the bells. For the Royat wedding.
SUUTHLEIGH, OXON.-On June 8ih, 1.260 Doubles (All Saints'. Reverse St. Bartholomew. Plain Bob, April Day and Grandsire): C. Bennett 1. H. Miler 2. Miss P. E. Halz 3. A. Hicks 4. H. Flnyd (cond.) 5. A. Harris 6.
STITHANS, CORNWYALL. On Junc 3rd. $1.2 \times 0$ Grandsire Doubles: P. R C. Williams 1. Mavis P. Coffin 2. M. D. G. Northway (cond.) 3. M. L. Northway 4. C. M. White 5. S. R. Curnow 6. Rung by 4 Romsey Abbey and 2 Redruth ringers.
STRATTON. CORNWALL.-On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandvire Triples: J. W. Sanswin 1. C. Sangwin 2. H. Suscey 3. H. Trewin 4. E. Langley 5. M. Sinden (cond.) 6. C. Taylor 7. O. Gintens 8. For the Whisun festival and also for E. H. Langley, visitor from Thurloxion. and M . Sinden. of Wimbledon.
SLTTON-ON-HULL. E. YORKS.-On May 29 h. 1.272 Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor: Misy M Verity 1. Miss J. 1. Porier 2. H. Rodmell 3. H. F. Gibson 4. C. R. Robinson S, R. Ducker (cond) 6 Rung for Evensong and as a farewell to I. Glemion on his leaving the district.
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On June 12th. 1.344 Grandsire Tripies: F. C. Maynard 1. P. D. Chapman 2. J. Hales 3. C. A. Diggin 4. F. W. Sykes 5.
B. Downes 6. D. Hewitt 7. F. Taylor 8. Rung on the luth anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. J. H. Rumens, son of Mr. H. Rumens, secretary of St. Mars's Society, and for Evencong
WARMLEY, GLOS. On May 12th. 1.260) Plain Bob Minor: Myta J. Wilkins 1. Sandra Lewis 2. H Taysom 3, Gloria H. Newon 4, B. K. Lewis 5 A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 6. For Matins.

WENTVORTH, YORKS.-On June 4th. 1.440 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Besumunt 1, Rev, Canon A. King 2. M. King 3. E. King (first quarter) 4. M Meadows (cond.) 5. R. Wert (first quarter) 6
WILTON. WILTS.-On June $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Stedman Doubles: E. A. Haines 1. A. Trimby 2, A. F. Haines 3. H. D. Roder 4. R. O. Fry (cond.) 5. . Kiddle 6. The firse quarter of Stedman Doubles by all the band except the conductor,

## OBITUARY

MR. F. A. BULLOCK
We regret to announce the death of Mr . F. A. Bullock. of Swineshead, Lincs, on May 26 th. at the age of 75 years. A member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. he had heen a ringer at Swineshead. for over 30 years. A good chuchman, he had been a sidesman and a member of the P.C.C. for over 30 years.

The funeral took place at Swineshead on May 30th and in the evening his fellow ringers ran a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled.
M. E.C.

MR. WKLLAM S. LANGDON
With deep regret we record the passing to higher service of William S. Langdon at St. John's Hospital. Wandsworth, on April 13th. He was in his 84th year and was well known in London ringing circles.

For the past two years. Bill Langdon was in ailing health. but prior to this period he was most active. As tower keeper at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, he used to tend the bells there with loving care, and such was the respect in which he was held that ringers from several towers used to rally on Sunday mornings at Kensington-although the time allowed for ringing was only about 15 minutes. Bill Langdon was one of four ringing brothers, sons of a ringing father. and Herbert Langdon is the sole survivor of that famous quartet. He had kept no record of his peal performances but they are estimated to be in the region of 800 . During his lifetime he served as a principal ringer at Westminster Abbey, where the practice has been for many years to honour departed Abbey ringers by allowing them to rest in the Abbey for the night before burial.
Bill Langdon was a faultless and most reliable ringer, and in his last peal-Stedman Triples. at St. Lawrence Jewry-he rang and struck his bell perfectly, never making a single mistake although he was in his 81st year. He was a loyal College Youth and was loved and respected by all who knew hini.

The funeral took place at Wandsworth Cemetery, Earlsfield, on April 20th. J. F.S.

## MR. JOHN EALES

The St. Lawrence Long Buckby Society regret to record the death of one of their most respected members, Mr. John Eales. He was one of the few members of the pre-war band who gave active support and encouragement to the present band.

John Eales was one of those ringers whose good influence was far greater than his technical skill: he would never learn to ring an 'inside' bell. but was always happy to see a number of young recruits progress in ringing the variety of Doubles methods for which this band has gained a reputation. He rang three peals and is quarter peals before a serious illness four years ago ended his ringing activities, but his interest in the progress of the Society and of the work of the Guilsborough Branch, of which he was a loyal member. was maintained to the end.

The funeral. on June 4th, was attended by some of his oldest friends, and floral tributes were sent from members of the local company, and from the Guilsborough Branch. A half-muffled quarter peal was rung on the following Wednesday by A. Cooper 1, M. J. Bailey 2. J. E. Goddard 3, A. E. Gautrey 4, E. G. Orland (cond.) 5.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Five teams entered for the annual shield contest on June 11th, at Felkirk, with Mr. Harold Chant as judge, and Mr. Daniel Smith as marker. The draw for ringing was: 1 Warsop 10 penalties, 48 faults. 58 total ; 2 Meltham -. 59. 59: 3 Friezland -, 82, 82; 4 Cawthorne 5, 5i. 56: 5 Shelley -, 31. 31. Shelly were declared the winners and the shield was received by their conductor. Mr. Trevor Turbatt, who said to win the shield had been his ambition. Mr. J. W. Buxton thanked the towers for their support.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Portishead, on June 1lth. when there was a good attendance. Ringing was followed by a service which was conducted by the Rector. Preb. W. L. M. Coombes, and tea at the White Cot Cafe. At the business meeting two new members were elected-Mrs. Costella. Westbury-on-Trym, and Miss Jean Palmer. Warmley.

Special mention was made of the Ladies' Guild annual meeting on July 2nd, when it will be the turn of the Western District to act as host, and all members are looking forward to welcoming lady ringers from other Districts.

Arrangements are being made for the meeting on September 10th, to be in the form of a half-day outing, if possible in private cars, so will all members who would be willing to assist in this way. please contact the secretary. Further details to be announced later. B.J.

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[^10]Mr. George E. Feirn has now conducted a second peal of Spliced Surprise Major in

## BELFRY

 50 methods in hand with a new band. In his previous success in 1951 he had Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bray and Mr. Philip Barnes. This time on May 31st he had with him Messrs. A. Robin Heppenstall, John Freeman and Jack L. Millhouse. These are really great achievements and we should be interested to know if in such a great performance the mind works in two separate channels and whether there are any after affects.On comparing notes after a peal of Bristol Surprise Major at Doncaster the halfbrothers, Bill and Eric Critchley found that it was the 489 th peal for each of them.'
The programmes of the Aldeburgh Festival includas a talk on campanology by Mr. Ranald Clouston, supported by handbell ringing by local ringers.
In connection with the visit of the Central Council to Kent, peals were rung at Chislehurst, Maidstone, Ashford. Newington-nextHythe, Appledore and Lydd.

Was it one of the famous Clares whose skirt nearly descended during a touch of Stedman at St. Paul's, Bedford, causing great amusement to many though acute embarrassment to the only female present?

New subscription rates to operate from January 1st, 1961, in the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Guild are: performing members, 18 years old and over, 3s. 6d.; non-resident life members 10 s . 6 d .
The six bells of Tortworth. Gloucester, are being rehung by Taylors. Miss Edith Bryant is defraying the whole cost in memory of the Sth Earl of Ducie and her sisters Emma, Countess of Ducie, and Miss Ada Bryant. Miss E. Bryant now resides in Australia.
With sincere regret members of the Swansea and Brecon Giuld, particularly those at Sketty. have said goodbye to Mr. Derick Astridge on completing his three years at Swansea University. His enthusiasm brovzht about the formation of the University of Wales Guild of Bell Ringers, of which he was honorary secretary.

## GOSSIP

The 100th peal on the bells of Gamston, Notts, was rung on June 4 th and in these Mr. H. Denman, the local captain, has rung in 91. Also in the company were the Misses $\mathbf{K}$. and G. Burchnall, from Sutton-on-Trent, who rang in the first peal on the bells. These bells, which were augmented from five to six in 1924 have become a favourite venue for peal ringers from around North Notts. Of the 100 peals. 99 have been Minor and one Doubles.
The quarter peal rung at Stratton, Cornwall, on May 8 th was a 70 th birthday compliment to Mr. S. Stacey and not as stated.

The peal of Bob Major rung at Aylestone, Leics, by the youthful band, for the 21 st birthday and engagement of their secretary to the Ringing Master, is a local stepping stone as it is only the 2nd peal ever to be rung on the bells by a Sunday service band. The last was rung in 1950 by a much older band.
Congratulations to Mr. Herman Rusby on completing 50 years as a chorister at All Saints' Church, Cawthorne. Barnsley, on Trinity Sunday. A peal in six Treble Bob Minor methods, including Trinity Sunday, was rung on Whit Tuesday. Herman started ringing in 1926 and is a most regular attender both at services and practices. He is auditor to the Barnsley and District Society.
Several young bellringers were among those who took part in the Lincoln Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Crowland Abbey, on June 4th. The Abbey bells made a pleasing sound at the end of a longish walk on a very warm day, and those pilgrims who joined in ringing before and after the service, appreciated the warm hospitality and friendliness of the local band.
Mr. John W. Evans was a member of the original band who opened Oxton, Cheshire, belis on Ascension L.ay, 1895, and has remained a member even since. Although he finds the 70 steps to the ringing chamber a trial he continues to attend for ringing, when weather permits. He joined in the ringing on Ascension Day. Incidentally, these bells, which are hung on plain bearings, have not received any attention from bellringers and still "go very well after 65 years.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS <br> By T. J. LOCK

"L."
LENGTHENING LEAD.-This term has same meaning as Extending Lead.
LINE DIAGRAMS-The most usual and the easiest way to learn and memorise the work of any method in change ringing is by way of line diagrams. Apart from learning off pat the work contained in a plain course one can carry the "line" in one's reflective mind. And the best and clearest diagrams, dual colour, are to be found in the current editions of 'Standard Methods.' in which Diagrams and Letterpress are complementary booklets.

LISTENING TO YOUR BELL STRIKING. -If you are at the early stages of learning to ring and you cannot yet hear your bell strike, please address yourself earnestly by saying il must and I will hear my own bell strike.' If you are as far advanced as being able to ring changes and cannot hear your bell strike say Phew! I have missed something, I must start all over again from rounds and call changes. And when you can listen to your own bell striking you can automatically hear all the others, so that the ringing can then produce some decent rhythm in its striking.
It is really important that every ringer should hear all the bells being struck because there are, unhappily, few rings of bells without one or more of the bells being 'false struck.' To produce rhythmic ringing a bell that strikes talse has to be pulled at sally or at rope's end quicker or slower than would otherwise be necessary, and this you will never determine unless you can listen to your bell striking.

LITTLE METHOD.-A Little Method is one which conforms to all the requirements of the class to which it belongs except that the hunt or hunts do not proceed to the same number of places as there are bells employed. Thus in Little Plain Bob the treble is restricted to hunting to fourth's place and back again, and in Little Grandsire Caters the hunts of the two trebles proceed as far as fifth's place and then return to lead. A Little Surprise Major method must have a treble bob hunt which, however, may be restricted to the first four or the first six places.
A Little method cannot produce the extent of the rows by itself.
LONG COURSE. - To all intents and purposes a Long Course is one which contains more changes and consequently more lead ends than the plain course of the method concerned. The best example that can be given is undoubtedly the very well known touch of Plain Bob Major, thus-


This touch. the calling of which is Wrong. three times Before. Middle and Home, has 160 changes with 10 lead ends (compared with 112 changes and seven lead ends in a plain course) but you will see that there is only one course end. i.e.. only one occasion when the tenor has returned to its home or starting olf position.
My inconclusive opening statement is due to lengethening lead methods. such as Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob. Bristol Surprise, etc., where a touch may finish with two bobs at Home. Illustrating by figures. the last four lead ends would appear as-

M B W H

2547386
4235678
3425678
2345678
Here is a case where a course end actually comes up two leads before the bells are brought into rounds, but for the purposes of composition it is counted as a long course and

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 26


MR. NORMAN CHADDOCK, Yorkshire Association \& Sheffield Dist, Society. Convener, (:C. Sunday Service Ringing Survey Committec.
Mr. Norman Chaddock, of Rotherham, is, if ever there was one. the right man in the right place. He has a flair for teaching, and is never happier than when giving instruction to learners. Since the war, he has trained over 50 pupils from handling a rope up to ringing their first 720, thus qualifying them for membership of the Yorkshire Association. 29 of them have rung peals in Major methods, including Surprise. He has conducted peals where all taking part with him were his own pupils, including one with seven ladies. In addition he has trained handbell tune ringing
the principle thus adopted is to use the figures of the last lead end prior to the tenor becoming an intermediate place bell. If you look in your Ringers' Notebook and Diary (or, perhaps just a little shyly, someone clse's!) you will see under Kent Treble Bob Major a long course touch extending to 480 changes. This touch has more than twice as many changes as a plain course.

LOWERING.-You may know that when a bell is ready for ringing the mouth of the bell is set upwards and is retained in position by two pieces of selected and shaped timber, a slide and a stay. As it is quite often not safe to leave the bells set up between sessions of ringing they are swung down or lowered so that they all hang freely with their mouths downwards. When all the bells are lowered together so that they continuously strike in rounds on their way down, this is said to be 'lowering in peal.' and to some degree is an aid to bell control.

## Another Course

By arrangement with the Gloucestershire Educational Committee a week-end course in bell ringing will be held by the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association at Hartpury College, near Gloucester. from Friday evening, September 16 th to Sunday afternoon. September 18th. Fee (covering residence and all meals) $£ 22$ s.. plus 5 s. tuition fee. The course is limited to 30 and applications should be made to P. M. J. Gray. Orana, Eastmead Lane, Stoke Bishop. Bristol 9.

## PREPARED FOR A NAP AT C.C. MEETING

A small blanket in the shape of a sleeping bag was left in the Town Hall. Folkestone, after the Central Council meeting. Will the owner please apply to Mrs. Barnett, 26, Iron Mill Lane, Crayford, Kent,
teams at two local schools. These have appeared on television and sound radio, and have raised substantial sums of money for Rotherham Parish Church, and at scores of charity concerts.

Norman Chaddock was born in Rotherham, in 1914. He is a schoolmaster by profession. His wife, Elsie, is an accomplished ringer, as also are their two children, John and Susan. John is at St. John's College, York, and Susan is studying for G.E.C.. advanced level. Elsie Chaddock has materially assisted her husband in his many activities, especially with the paper work.'
Norman is Ringing Master and steeplekeeper at Rotherham Parish Church, and under his direction the bells are rung regularly twice on Sundays. He is a member of the Parochial Church Council. For 23 years he has been an officer of the Sheffield and District Society, serving as secretary, Ringing Master, vice-president, C.C. representative. In all these activities he has been actively supported by those two Sheffield stalwarts, H. O. Chaddock and John J. L. Gilbert-a happy trio these!
The Central Council recognised Norman's talents and he was appointed Convener of the Sunday Service Ringing Survey Committee. whose task is a really colossal one. The job is in good and capable hands, and all who know Norman are confident that he will make a great success of it. He is also involved in the organisation of ringers' schools, one of which was so successful at Ripon recently. He has vigorously tackled ringing in all its aspects, laking in composition and conducting. His peals total, by March. 1960. was 290, of which he has conducted 148:254 have been for the Yorkshire Association. He aims at variety, and has conducted all varieties of methods on all numbers. odd and even, from 5 to 12 bells. He turned in Rotherham tenor. $34 \frac{1}{2}$ cwts.; to Pitman's 4 Spliced Surprise Major, with all the work, and also took part in the Spliced Surprise Major record peal ( 53 methods). conducted by W. E. Critchley. Norman is certainly a live wire and there is no doubt he will leave his mark on the Exercise.

## SWANSEA \& BRECON GUILD'S RINGING SHIELD GOES TO PORTHCAWL

After 10 years the Guild's ringing competition has been revived, and this year on June 1lth five bands met at the Church of St . David. Brecon. one band being unable to compete through speech making at Christ College.
The competition was a great success in every way. The good striking throughout, the keen interest, and the competitive spirit. proved it so. It is now very certain that the competition will be held each year
After tea the general secretary called on the adjudicator, Mr. A. J. Pitman, to give the final results, but before he did so, he said the standard of ringing by all the competitors was extremely good. and he was very pleased to state this. Continuing he then gave the results.
The winner of the shield, with 242 points was Porthcawl, Cadoxton came second with 239 points, Sketty, 238 points, Talgarth, 233 points and Brecon 190 points.
Mr. A. J. Pitman was thanked for coming from Leamington Spa to adjudicate, and in reply he said. he was always willing to oblige on these occasions.
J. A. H.

## Hints For Beginners-26

If you must speak during ringing, do so very clearly and distinctly. Nothing distracts the rest of the band more than to be wondering what has been said.

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NEXT CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

REPORT OF THE BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE
The broadcasting of bells can be divided nto two categories-ringing for Divine Service and Feature Kinging, the latter would include the Christmas Round-up of Bells.

In the first there is nothing we can do in the selection of towers used. The service is obviously the important thing, the bells being merely incidental. The one thing the committee have again attempted is to get an increase in the time allowed. In Northern Ireland the time has been steadily cut, but after strong protest there has, of late, been some improvement. In England, however, the B.B.C. are adamant in their decision to keep the time allowance at one minute, so that the obvious thing for ringers to do is to see that the maximum co-operation takes place between them. the clergy and the B.B.C. engineers and to ensure that the full minute is put to good use. We feel very strongly that only the best band available should be aliowed to broadcast and that what is rung should be well within the capabilities of the ringers, bearing in mind that good rounds are much to be preferred to poor change ringing. An admirable article by the Rev. Preb. Martin Willson, of the B.B.C. West Region, appeared in 'The Ringing World ' in April last, and any ringers involved in broadcasting would do well to study it and follow his advice.
In the second group we have enjoyed a very pleasant co-operation with Mr. Willson, and a number of his programmes in the - Faith, series have included bells. Each programme has featured three or four towers and although only a short period was allowed to each, some very good efforts were recorded. In all cases we were consulted regarding the selection of towers.

Efforts have been made to get something of a similar nature done in the North Regional Programme 'Calendar, but this has not been possible to date. The B.B.C. have, however, suggested the idea of featuring several types of event such as the restoration of historical rings. or the hanging of new bells. We have promised to keep them informed of anything of the kind.
In the Midlands, Mr. Edgar Shepherd, the Master of the St. Martin's Guild, took part in a radio programme and gave a brief description of ringing and some of the towers within the Diocese of Birmingham.
In the London Region members of the London County Association took part in the annual Oranges and Lemons service, and were featured in 'In Town Tonight.' The item was also reproduced in the Overseas Programme.
In an interview Mr. A. D. Barker discussed ringing in general and change ringing on handbells was also included
In Northern Ireland an excellent programme. entitled "Treble Bob Major. was broadcast on Christmas Eve. Taking part were Mr. Dunwoody and Mr. Harry Brown, assisted by Mr W. Pratt and Miss Jean Stewart. Recordings of all the bells available in the region were heard and the standard of the ringing was extremely good. This broadcast, which was principally for the listener in general, has produced much favourable comment and efforts are being made to persuade the B.B.C. to do a television broadcast on ringing.
Radio Eireann has broadcast bells on a num her of occasions and. in particular, Christ Church Cathedral. Dublin, bells were on the air for fifteen mirutes, ringing out the Old Yean The Christmas Broadcast has again been the subject of considerable criticism. not only of the ringing but of the way in which it was presented by the B.B.C. The committee have
noted all the points and wish to make the following observations: Dealing with the B.B.C. first, after the many expressions of regret at the very short time aliowed each tower in last year's broadcast, the B.B.C. this year increased the time allowance to a full two minutes for each. So far as care in the presentation of the programme was concerned, we have received a copy of the script from the producer and there can be no doubt that every possible care was taken, a clear uninterrupted period of two minutes ensured from each lower, with an interesting mention of each prior to the bells. The trip over Wareham was a technical hitch over which the producer had no control. With regard to the selection of towers, we have on a number of occasions offered assistance to the B.B.C. in this direction and at their request we have submitted lists of towers suitable for broadcasting in the various Regions, but our services, except in Northern Ireland, have never been directly solicited for this programme.
In fairness to the B.B.C. we should point out that to a very great extent the availability of equipment is the main deciding factor in the choice of these towers, and in this respect the church selected for the morning service on Christmas Day in each Region, takes precedence for inclusion in the Round-up of Bells. As far as this year's selection of towers was concerned the following information is relevant:-

Blackburn Cathedral: One of a group previously recommended by the Lancashire Association ringing secretary and passed to the B.B.C. by the committee.

Wareham: Morning service from here, so bells automatically used. Tower on list of recommendations by committee

## Elkstone: Morning service

Beaconsfield: Watch nigfit service from here. Bells automatically included in Round-up.
St. Andrew's: Bells selected by head of Scottish Region.

Talgarth: Bells selected by head of Welsh Region.
Belfast: Bells recommended by the committee.
From this it will be seen that three of the towers were involved in service ringing as well as the Round-up. Two were recommended by the committee and the remaining two were selected by the heads of the regions concerned. Following the broadcast the committee had further correspondence with the B.B.C. and the final result is that Mr. Henry Riddell, the producer. has very kindly agreed to a plan whereby he will request each regional head to consult the member of the committee in his area. with regard to the towers selected for the next Christmas broadcast. We hope this arrangement will prove successful and meet with general approval.-H. J. Sanger (Convener). A. A. Hughes, J. T. Dunwoody, G. E. Fearn. N. Chaddock. A. G. G. Thurlow
Mr. Sanger moved and Mr. Dunwoody econded the adoption of the report.
The honorary secretary said he had had a comment by post that morning from the representative of the Scottish Association. regarding the last paragraph. So far as he knew there was no representative in the area covered by the Scottish B.B.C.

Mr. Sanger replied that there were one or two members in the North who could be helpful regarding Scotland. The same remark applied to Wales.

The Standing Committee recommended that the committee be reappointed with the exception of Mr. A. A. Hughes and that Mr Harold Pitstow be appointed in his place. This was agreed to.

## PROGRESS REPORTED BY BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE

We now have in our books the names of 786 persons who, at various times, have been elected to membership of the Council. Or this total 374 are known to be deceased, 294 are completed and either already in the Albums here exhibited or are following. We have with regret included a few without photographs, in cases where the prospect of obtaining them is remote

There are some records. otherwise complete. needing only a photograph known or believed to exist, and we list the names in the hope that members who know of photographs may be able to assist us. These are: T. G. Bartlett, Rev. H. C. Courtney, A. Craven, A. Coppock, A. E. Coles, F. E. Dawe. H. Dew, Rev. C. W. H. Griffiths. R. C. Knowles, G. Longden, W. Walmsley.

We still have some (mostly Council members before the Biographies Committee was functioning) who are to us little more than names. but who performed useful work and whose memory we would wish to perpetuate if possible. One example of this type must suffice. Mr. H. J. Bradley was elected a member of the Council in 1920 and although he never attended a meeting, he did give good service to the Exercise by publishing (1914) a well-written History of Shoreditch Church. He was steeplekeeper at St. Leonard's and his book contains a full story of the extensive restoration of Shoreditch bells in 1913. He died about April, 1925. This is a typical case of a man who fully deserves a worthy place in our records and your committee would welcome the required information which must be in existence at Shoreditch.

In the period under review 30 biography records have been completed and handed over for inclusion in our albums. This number, set against the deaths reported in the 1959-60 period, shows that we are slowly gaining on the accumulated arrears which we inherited after the standstill period of the 1939-45 War.
Your committee again wish to acknowledge with gratitude help freely given by many, both of the Council and outside it. Outstanding among these are the efforts of Mr. Poole, whose careful research at Marlow resulted in the completion of an excellent record of the late Alfred Heneage Cocks. M.A., Mr. J. W. Cotton and Mr. R. H. Dove, who together helped us regarding Joseph Griffin, confirming the date of his first peal, his total number of peals, and a very fine photograph. Mr. J. J. Webb by obtaining a photograph for us has completed our record of the late J. P. Hyett.

The most interesting example is perhaps that of the late John Clark. who was the most unknown of our unknown class. but Mr. William Poston. of Bridstow. very shortly before his own death. supplied some notes which enabled us to complete Mr. Clark's record. excepting a photograph. Mr. F. W. Goodfellow also helped by obtaining photographs of old Middlesex representatives. A. C. Hazelden (Convener).

The report was moved by Mr. John Willis. who asked the new boys and girls, of the Council to fill in the forms supplied hy the Biographies Committee and provide a photograph.

Mr. W. H. Viggers seconded and said a postcard size photograph was most useful.

The report was adopted and the recommendation of the Standing Committee that Messrs. A. C. Hazelden. John Willis and W. H. Viggers be re-elected to the committee was carried.

## PEALS OF MINIMUS RECOGNISED

REPORT OF THE PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE
In submitting their report for 1959 the committec have to announce a decrease in the totals of peals rung during the year on both tower- and handbells.
The grand total of peals accepted to date is 2.410. against 2.512 in 1958, with 2.283 on ower bells (2.372) and 127 on handbells (140) -a total loss of 102 . The analysis breaks down as follows:-

| Tower |  | Handbells |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1959 | 1958 | 1959 | 1958 |
| 33 | 24 | 2 | 1 |
| 26 | 31 | - | 1 |
| 125 | 133 | 14 | 6 |
| 77 | 81 | 3 | 5 |
| 930 | 894 | 49 | 32 |
| 192 | 218 | 4 | 11 |
| 717 | 689 | 38 | 40 |
| 183 | 302 | 17 | 44 |
| 2.283 | 2.372 | 127 | 140 |

Peals of Cinques are down: Royal are the same: Major up by 53: Triples down by 33: Minor plus 26 . but Doubles slumped badly. The number of persons shown as recording their first peal is 345. Those shown as obtaning their first peal as conductor- 70 .
Once again we find the premier position is held by the Leicester Diocesan Guild, with 188 peals : the Lincoln Diocesan Guild has jumped to second place, with the Yorkshire Association close behind. while the Oxford Diocesan Guild has dropped from second to seventh place.
The first seven places are as follows:-

| Leicester D.G. | 188 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Lincoln D.G. | 132 |
| Yorkshire Assoc. | 131 |
| Chester Guild | 110 |
| Lancashire Assoc. | 109 |
| Kent County Assoc. | 106 |
| Oxford D.G. | 102 |

The committee would like to draw the attention of the Council to the rise in peals of Surprise Major on tower bells. there being 58: in contrast to 349 in all other Major methods.
One peal of Minor, with tenor covering. rung for the Lancashire Association, has not been accepted. The committee ask for guidance regarding a peal of Minor in 10 methods. rung for the Essex Association in which. the ringers of $3: 4$ changed places for the last 720 , as reported in Belfry Gossip.

## OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES <br> 13.280 Cambridge Surprise Major by Kent

 County Association.92 Methods Spliced Doubles. in which conductor rang $2 / 3$.
54 Minor methods in hand by Yorkshire Association.
May we again urge conductors of peals to ensure reports are sent to The Ringing World immediately they are rung-and not sent in twice. The first portion is particularly important. This year we had 1959 peals published in the middle of February. - W. Ayre. K. W. H. Felstead. H. Miles. H. L. Roper
Moving the adoption of the report Mr. W. Ayre said he had taken some figures out of the analysis. which he felt might be useful to the committee. Methods having had 10 or more peals rung in them during the year were:

Maximus-Cambridge 15
Cinques-Stedman 22 .
Royal-Cambridge 27. London 13. Yorkshire 24. Plain Bob 22.

Caters-Grandsire 32. Stedman 39
Major-Bristol 49. Cambridge 100 . New Cambridge 12. Lincolnshire 28. London 58 . Pudsey 12. Rutland 22. Superlative 36. York*hise 120. Spliced Surprise: 6 methods 12 .

4 methods 23 : Double Norwich 67. Kent T.B 45. Kent and Oxford T.B. 11. Plain Boh 177 Little Bob 20.

Triples-Grandsire 114. Stedman 53
Minor-Seven methods and plus 188
Doubles-Seven methods and plus 33
All these figures were for tower bells and it would be noted that Yorkshire had apparently become more popular than Cambridge.

There were a few extra peals which the Committee think worthy of special mention. being above the usual class of peals: 42 and 31 methods of Doubles. Ely Diocesan; 60 and 51 methods of Minor. Essex Association: 100. 51 and 42 methods of Doubles. Gloucester and Bristol: 100 methods Doubles. Middlesex County: 60 methods Doubles. Oxford University: 36 methods. Doubles. Sussex County; 40 methods Minor, Truro Guild : Spliced Surprise Major, 4 methods silent. Yorkshire Association Handbells-Cambridge Surprise Major Leicester Diocesan Guild : Cambridge Surprise and Yorkshire Surprise Major, Middlesex County: Grandsire Triples. New South Wales Association.
In *The Ringing World ${ }^{\text {t }}$ two miscellaneous performances - a peal on nine bells and a peal on four bells in five methods-were not included in the analysis. There were also two peals of Kent Major, rung by the Lancashire Association last November and published in 'The Ringing World' in March. They were not included. They could not keep their records up to date when peals were sent in so late. There was a peal where two ringers changed bells, which was mentioned in Belfry Gossip. If they wanted a thing kept secret it should not be published in Belfry Gossip. That peal had not been included.

Mr. H. Miles seconded the adoption of the repori.
The Standing Committee recommended that the report be adopted, but the peal of Minimus be included and the peal of 10 Minor methods, where the ringers changed over. should not be included because it did not ocmply with conditions. Since they had a condition that each bell or bells should be rung by the same person the committee had no option but to exclude it. The committee also asked Mr. Cartwright to make the wording more clear.
Mr. F. B. Lufkin said the Essex Association had no qualms about accepting the peal. The rhythm was broken by two rows. While the Essex Association felt that the practice of changing bells should not be encouraged. they should like the peal to be accepted because of the enthusiasm of the young people. This peal was rung by one set of persons. They should not apply a damp squib to these people.
Mr. Harry Miles: What is the exact wording?
The honorary secretary: Each bell or hells shall be rung by the same person or persons.

Mr. Lufkin: The reason for the change over was that the bell was running dry. The person on the fourth was getting white in the face and the ringer next to him took over for the last 720. This is not the first time it has been done. I think it has been done from Annable to Cannon

Mr. F. W. Perrens: Although everybody has sympathy with what Mr. Lufkin has put forward we should keep to our rules
Mr. T. J. Lock supported this view. 'I can see no other interpretation. he added.
Mr. G. McKay: I do suggest that the words do create a patent ambiguity.
The peal was not accepted and the report was adopted.
The Standing Committee recommended that the committee he re-elected as follows: Mr W. Ayre. Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Messis. H W. Ayre. Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Messrs. H.
Miles and H. L. Roper. This was agreed to.

## RECORDS COMMITTEE STRENGTHENED

## The Report

The committee beg to report the following new methods and progressive lengths rung during the year ended December 31st. 1959:TOWER BELLS
Date. Changes. Method and Association
Jan. 13, 5.184 Chislehurst S.M.. Kent:
Feb. 7. 5.056 Cotswold S.M... Oxford Dio.
7. 5.056 Bentley Bob Maj., Essex:
23. 5.088 Hackington Imp. Bob Maj

Midland Counties
24. 5.088 Adderbury S.M., Oxford Uni.

Mar. 5. 5.024 Cardiff S.M... Middlesex
10. 5.088 Wittenham S.M.. Oxford Uni.

Apr. 4. 5.056 Holborn S.M.. Middlesex:
18. 5.040 Ilkeston S. Royal, Southwell

23, 5.024 Alperton S.M.. Middlesex :
27. 5.040 Braunstone S. Royal. Leicéster

May 2. 5.088 Cheswardine Imp. Maj. Shropshire
9. 5.088 Ewell Surprise Major Surrey
11. 5.040 Biddenden S. Royal. Leicester
14. 5.056 Oxford Imp. Bob Maj..
xford Dio.
23. 5.184 Gainsborough Bob Royal.

London County
30. 5.024 Gilmorton S.M.. Hertford

June 6. 5.152 Ercall Imp. B.M.. Shropshire
11. 5.120 Yeading S.M.. Middlesex:
13. 5.088 Hampton S.M.. Middlesex:

July 18. 5.040 Swindon Surprise Royal. Gloucester and Bristol
Aug. 27. 5.056 Tottenham S.M.. Middlesex:
Sept. 8. 5.088 Louth S.M.. Irish;
12. 5.056 Kinnerton Imp. Maj.. Chester

Oct. 3, 5.040 Rickmansworth S. Royal.
Hertford :
7, 5.184 Snettisham Imp. C.B. Maj.,
Norwich
15. 5.024 Huddersficid S.M.. Middlesex:
24. 5.088 Overleigh Imp. Bob Maj.

Chester
29. 5.184 F:nsbury S.M.. Middlesex :
31. 5.088 St . Francis Imp. Maj.

Nov. 12. 5.120 Lichfield S.M.. Middlesex
14. 5.056 Barkway S.M.. Hertford:
(i) 14. 5.088 Monaghan S.M.. Midland
19. .280 Birmingham S. Maximus. Guild
21. 5.088 Littleton Imp. Maj. Chester:

Dec. 10. 5.024 Romford S.M.. Middlesex :
12. 5.280 Londinium S. Maximus.

Lancashire:
26. 5.088 Royston S.M.. Hertford:
31. 5.040 Lanscowne Lit. Imp. Boh Maj.. Derbyshire.
PROGRESSIVE LENGTHS
June 13. 9.568 Spliced S.M. (10 methods).
28. 13.280 Cambridge S.M.. Kent.

The committee asks for direction regarding the following peals. as to whether they shail be included in the records under their present names :-
Oct. 19. 5.040 Whitwick S. Royal. Leicester ; Nov. 9. S.040 Lyme S. Royal. Leicester.
(Sgd.) E. K. Fletcher and L. K. Marshall. Mrs. Fletcher. in moving the report. asked for the deletion of Lakeham Imperial College Bob Triples (rung by Norwich Diocesan Association), as it was previously rung as St. Stephen's Triples by the Norwich Diocesan Association in 1957. and Marden Little Surprise Major (by Kent County Association), as it was previously lung as Northrepps Major hy the Norwich Diocesan Association in 1939. She also asked for the addition of a handbell peal of Little Boh Maximus. rung by the I.incoln Diocesan Guild last June.
Mr. F. I. Hairs seconded the adoption of the report
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## BUSY YEAR BY SUNDAY SERVICE SURVEY COMMITTEE

This committee has been very active since the Council met and in addition to much work by correspondence it was possible for five members to meet for nearly a whole day in Birmingham last January.
The greatest. and what has proved to be the most rruitful and rewarding task, was the preparation and distribution of the leaflet, summarising the results of the survey done last year. The object was not just to set out mere facts but to present them in an attractive and interesting way. We also took the liberty of including a littie information about the Council and its work as so many of our clergy know little or nothing about the Council and this seemed an excellent opportunity to present them with a few facts. 1.250 leaflets were printed and the main batch of 1,049 leaflets were despatched last year, copies being sent 10 :-
E:Diocesan and Cathedral offices.
Wales.-Archdeaconries.

## Diocesan

Cathedral offices.
Scotland-Diocesan and Cathedral offices, and also every incumbent of a Church possessing a ring of bells.
Ireland.-The chief officer of each Representative Body. every Cathedral office and Bishop, and evary incumbent of a Church possessing a ring of bells.
Copres were also sent to every Theological College and the various Regional Directors of religious broadcasting.

BETIER UNDERSTANDING
Undoubtedly the leaflet has done much good with regard to public relations and understanding with the clergy. A suitable covering letter was sent out with each leaflet and the convener received many encouraging letters from clergy. including Bishops, promising sympathetic co-operation. It has been brought to our notice that extracts and comments on the leaflet have appeared in many diocesan, deanery and parish magazines. Several important, newspapers, including the London 'Times, and The East Anglian Times' have referred in considerable detail to the contents of the leaflet.
The booklet on belfry organisation, recruitment, relations within the parishes. etc., which the committee was asked to draft, has been prepared and copies of the draft have been circulated so that the Council may consider and make a decision about printing it. The cost of 1.000 copies will be about $£ 25$ ( 6 d . each) or, if eight line drawings to illustrate it are included. $\pm 30$ (about 7d. each). These figures are the lower of two quotations which have been obtained. We suggest that the hooklet would be. of tremendous value to a band. an incumbent, or even the individual ringer.
Efforts to get information about the contents of the leaflet on the survey into church publications have been less successful, little progress being made with. The Church of England Newspaper: ' Church Illustrated ' and Home Notes.

## RECORDS COMMITTEE-Cont.

Mr. R. F. B. Speed said there was a lot of correspondence in The Ringing World over the naming of peals. He suggested that the committee should provide the answers when asked for.
Mr. Shirley Burton said the Leicester Guild suggested that Whitwick Surprise Royal should he called Gracedieu Surprise Royal and Lyme Surprise Royal. Charmouth Surprise Royal.
Mr. F. T. Blagrove said regarding Marsden little Surprise Royal. he would like the conductor to acknowledge that the figures pubJished in The Ringing World' were correct.
The report, as amended, was adopted.
The Standing Committee recommended that the committee be reappointed with the addition of Mr. F. T. Blagrove.

Mr. J. R. Cooper moved that Mr. John Mayne be also appointed to the committee. Mrs. Fletcher said she would be pleased to have Mr. Mayne on the committee. This was agreed to with the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

It is gratifying to see that so many Associations devote quite a lot of space in their annual reports to their own surveys and, in some cases, they indicate measures which are being planned to improve Sunday service ringing and to inspire greater activity in their areas. In response to one request from a local education authority, a syllabus for a further education course in campanology (an evening school class) was prepared. and the convener has sent copies to a number of people who have requested them. A number of such evening classes in bell ringing have taken place in recent years, including several organised by the convener.

## BELL RINGING COURSES

The recent course in bell ringing at Grantley Hall has provided very useful information regarding the running of such courses. This course was successful beyond expectations and it is almost certain that another similar course will be held next year. The knowledge gained therefrom will be gladly passed on to any association or person interested. Though not the first course in bell ringing provided by a local authority, the establishment of such courses is in its infancy. There are some 20 to 30 such adult courses throughout the country and since there is a free dissemination of information between these colleges it is important that any courses in bell ringing, which may be organised, should be successful if continuity is to be maintained. Whatever arrangements are made it is advantageous for one person to be responsible for the detailed organisation of the course in conjunction with the warden or principal of the adult college. Apart from the instruction offered, the course at Grantley Hall provided excellent opportunities for friendship between all classes of ringers and between ringers and non-ringers on other courses. Students who attended this course were mainly drawn from the County of Yorkshire. They included Surprise ringers, Round ringers, and some who had never handled a bell before. The establishment of more courses of this type can do much for the Exercise both socially and in its technical aspects.
The Oxford Diocesan Guild has recently held a successful week-end course-on its own initiative. At this course the president of the Central Council said that 'courses in bell ring-


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ing were growing by evolution, which was perhaps the best way to grow.' The policy of this committee has been, in fact, to feel our way rather than to rush headlong, and is to encourage the gradual introduction of courses similar to those mentioned in consultation with local Associations. A course is to be held in Gloucestershire on September 16th, 17 th and 18 th , and we have been in touch with the Shropshire Association, the North Statfordshire Association and the Peterborough Diocesan Guild. With the agreement of the last mentioned Guild. a week-end course has been arranged for the spring of 1961 at Knuston Hall, in Northants.
We feel that a committee of seven is too large and if it is decided to continue the work of this committee its numbers should be reduced to about three or four. It is felt that in addition to completing the tasks already undertaken by the committee, its main function should be to develop the idea of courses in bell ringing and to maintain contact with the Theological colleges.-(Sgd.) N. Chaddock (convener), P. Gray, W. F. Moreton, F. B. Lufkin, D. N. Layton, J. Scott. A. G. G. Thurlow.

Mr. Norman Chaddock, in moving the adoption of the report. said the two members who did not seek re-election were Mr. Philip Gray and the Rev. John Scott. They owed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Scott, who did a lot of the typing.
Seconding. Mr. Philip Gray said the booklet on the ringing survey had a considerable amount of criticism. If any member had any constructive criticism would he send it to him.
Mr. D. Bayles said he would like to suggest that a recent development might be included on page 16. During the last week or two Mr. Chaddock had published a pamphlet which was very good but he had not seen the film strip. He felt that a film strip might be profitably used especially at a time when the number of projectors was increasing.

The President: I have seen the film and it is an exceedingly good one.
Mr. J. P. Fidler said there was one little item that might be included. That was if a young ringer left his own parish he would invariably find friends among ringers in other parts of the country
Mr. Chaddock agreed that this point might be incorporated. The report was then adopted, and the president expressed thanks to the committee for their work.

The Standing Committee recommended the re-election of Mr. N. Chaddock, Dr. D. N. Layton, Messrs. F. B. Lufkin, W. F. Moreton and the Rev: A. G. G. Thurlow, and this was agreed 10 .

The Council also gave approval to the printing of the pamphlet mentioned in the report, with line drawings,
(To be continued)

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## South and West District

The monthly meeting for May was held on the 21st. The six bells of St. Mary's, Harmondsworth. were rung from 3 o clock until 4.15 p.m., during which time we were pleased to entertain many of our out-county friends.
Ringing on the light eight of SS. Peter and Paul. Harlington. commenced at 4 oclock and continued until tea, an hour later. The ringing ranged from 'rounds' to Yorkshire Surprise Major.
After a most adequate tea. for which thanks were due to Mrs. Grice and her willing team of young ladies from the Harlington band. the District chairmon expressed thanks on behalf of the gathering to the Vicar of Harmondsworth (Rev. V. G. Sutcliffe), and the Rector of Harlington (Rev, A. I Morgan) for the use of their bells, to Mr. Grice for making the arrangements at Harlington. to the ladies who prepared the tea and to all who had contributed towards the success of the meetting.

It was encouraging to note the increased attendance, and also the representation of many towers in the district. We hope to see this trend continue during the coming months.

## LETTERS

## SUFFOLK DIALECTS

Dear Sir.-On reading Bor Dearvud's bit. brings to mind a short poem where our good old Suffolk speech is fairly well rendered. It concerns the gleaning bell when a church bell was used to tell the villagers when they could go into the fields to glean after harvest.
(Morning)
Why! listen yow be quiet, bo'-the bell is tolling eight
Why don't yow mind what you're about? We re allers kind o' late!
Now Mary, get that mawther dressed-oh dear! how slow yow fare
There comes a lot o' gleaners now. Maw, don't stand gawkin' there!
Dear me! there goo the bell again-tis seven I declare
And we don't fare to have got none:-the gleaning now don't fare
To be worth nothin; but I think-as far as I can tell
We'll try a coomb somehow to scratch, if we be live and well.
The lines are quoted from 'Suffolk Largess ' 1865, the author a policeman stationed at Theberton, using the pseudonym of 'Quill.'Yours faithfully.

ALAN R. BRIDGES.
Suffolk Guild of Ringers,
N.E. District.

## 'I WAS A STRANGER ...'

Dear Sir-I wish to bring to the attention of ringers in general and the Worcester Association in particular. an incident that took place at a tower, which shall remain nameless, in the Droitwich area. Two friends and myself called at this tower after returning from a tower grab in South Worcestershire. On entering the ringing chamber we were wished. 'Good Evening.' by one person only, a lady. The Ringing Master inquired if we were ringers and where we came from. We replied that we came from the Northern Branch of Worcestershire. Then one ringer connected us with the name of Mr Paul Cattermole. who is held in very low esteem by this band of ringers. This put the cap on it. we were compeltely ignored. and we were not even asked to take a seat.

While we were there they tried to ring a method that was completely beyond them and in consequence the striking was absolutely appalling.
Is this unpleasant attitude to the younger generation to be tolerated? It is this selfish and self-sufficient attitude that is going to cause the Exercise to die an extremely hard death in the years to come. I should like to hear other ringers' views on this subject.Yours in disgust,

PETER J. BROWN.
Norton. Worcs. $\qquad$

## ANOTHER QUAKER RINGER

Dear Sir.-Miss Mary Maddison is not alone. for I am also a Quaker and a ringer: perhaps there are more of us. At one time 1 did as Miss Maddison does: I rang for morning service, and then attended meeting for worship at the Mecting House. which was opposite the church. Where I live now, we have a meeting, but the Parish Church. I regrel. has a gramophone record, and my ringing is perforce confied to attendance at practice night in a neighbouring village. and at Guild meetings. I see no incompatibility. There is one instance-I believe it was referred to in "The Ringing World recently-where one of the bells in the Parish Church was presented by the local Methodists. I regard it as a good thing that members of different denominations should find common ground in as many ways as possible: it is no disloyalty to one's particular persuasion to consider the most important thing is that one is a Christian-of whatever label-and to join gladly with fellow Christians whenever opportunity occurs. I hope that no staunch churchman will be offended by these senti-ments.-Yours sincerely.

New Milton. Hants.
More letters on page 438

## MISS MARGARET BEAMISH MARRIED



MR. THOMAS CHAPMAN, only son of Mrs. D. E. M. Chapman, of 68. Edward Avenue, Bishopstoke. Hampshire. and the late Mr. C. H. Chapman. was married on June 4th to Miss Margaret E. L. Beamish. the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beamish, of 21. Gipsy Lane. Nuncaton. The ceremony took place at All Saints Church. Chilvers Cotton. and was conducted by the Vicar. Rev. $\mathbb{R}$. R. P. Righy. Mr. F. R. Jukes was the organist. The church was beautifully decorated with blue and white irises, poppies, sweet williams and pyrethrums.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a full-lengih gown of white flocked nylon with a very full skirt and a short veil with a pearl and nylon headdress. She carried a bouquet of deep red rosebuds. lilies of the valley and white miniature gladioli. The two attendants, Miss Valerie Chapman (sister of the bridegroom) and Mrs. Margaret Haswell (friend of the bride) were attired in short blue flocked nylon dresses with blue fioral headdresses. They wore silver bangles (gifts of the bridegroom) and carried bouquets.
The best man was Mr. R. C. Kippin (Southampton and the duties of ushers were carried out by Mr. J. A. Beamish and Mr. W. A.

Harding (cousins of the bride).
The reception was held at the Newdegate Arms Hotel. Nuneaton. 115 guests attending. The square three tiered cake had a church tower in white icing as its ornament. The guests were entertained by tune and change ringing and a musical programme.
Bride and bridegroom left later for a motor tour of the Lake District. the bride travelling in a royal blue and white dress with matching duster coat, white feathered hat and white accesscries. Over 100 gifts were received, the bride and bridegroom giving each other fibreglass luggage.
The newly married are well known members of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild. the hride being honorary treasurer and also a Central Council representative. She is a founder member of the Southampton University Society and honorary secretary of the St. Mary's. Bishopstoke. tower. where her husband is captain. They first met as participants in a peal of London Surprise Royal at St. Michael's, Southampton, conducted by C. H. Kippin, in December, 1958.

The bells were rung at Chilvers Coton church before and after the service and a quarter peal was rung in the evening.

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## THE KIRBY-LE-SOKEN RECORD

Dear Sir.-Regarding the record length of Plain Bob Major at Kirby-le-Soken and the Loughborough comment (page 371). at the outset let me state that I am not what one would term a brilliant ringer, my only claim to fame is that I am a regular Sunday service ringer and try to bear in mind always that I am ringing to The Glory of God.

The fact that others ring peals of various lengths and in innumerable methods does not worry me in the least, although, at the same time I am interested. I felt, however. that I could not let the comment, referred to above. go by without a few observations. one of which is, Sir. that such correspondence deserves to be treated with contempt or taken for what it is worth, which, it would appear, is not much.
In my travels during service with the army 1 had the good fortune to meet Mr. Lufkin, whom I found most unassuming and very definitely not given to "preaching. I also
found that he was all for encouraging and found that he was all for encouraging and
helping his less gifted brethren and would go miles to help a struggling band or ringer to obtain a little more proficiency. He would stand in with the humblest or ring with the mighty, it made no difference to him, although I think he was more for encouraging the underdog.

Now. who is Stephen Ivin? When we have established that. let us ask ourselves. does not his letter give the impression that he is trying to belittle a marvellous feat. or is it because he was not one of the band? I imagine that if the boot had been on the other foot the tone would have been different. or perhaps he seeks sympathy after his abortive attempts to attain the summit. At least Mr. Lufkin and his band did just what was advertised, no more. no less.
In it report published in . The Ringing World: dated February 21st. 1958 (page 125), we read of an attempt where cigarettes were smoked and beer consumed. and. as one reads further. it appears that more thin one person tried to take charge. Another took it upon himself to rebuke hinn. we read, and "During the sharp exchange of words that followed, the Everest party fell. I would imagine that such goings on will not produce many record lengths.

However. in the report published in "The Ringing World ' (dated December 4th. 1959, page 725). we read of a slight improvement. although it seems that the conductor had not learned the composition properly. It would also appear that he lost his grip of the proceedings again around the 28.000 odd mark. as we read of one of the ringers being given incorrect instructions as to what he should have been doing. This. the report says. . Led to some confusion. It would appear that the confusion was bad enough to end the attempt. One might also be tempted to ask. "Was it a combination of confusion and monotony."
If monotony is one of the bagies of long If monotony is one of the bagies of long
lengths. let us read what Mr. George Gilbert says in his letter ( R.W. May 13th. 1960. page 331). Lack of discipline is the cause of most bad striking and no real ringer finds any method monotonous as he is all the time listening to the beat. These are truly the words of a master. Thank you Mr. Gilbert.
In conclusion I would suggest to Mr . Ivin that he gets himself a band together. thoroughly learn Bob Major and a composition of it. and also how to control a band. then get permission to ring on a peal of church bells and try to emulate the Essex band and their performance. NOT tell a man twice his age and with more experience. who was ringing Bristol before. I will venture to say. he knew handstroke from backstroke. 10 learn the method. If he can do that we night have something to congratulate hing upon. Kem sunday service Rincer.

## Kent.

(Name and address supplied).
Dear Sir-I think Steven Ivin's remarks concerning the 22.400 Boh Major at Kirby-leSoken would have sounded hetter had they come from a different pen. as judging by the letters in the R.W': June Sth: a number of ringers now consider Mr. Ivin as quite a horrible person! I'm not prepared to say
whether he's horrible or not because l've never met him but his remarks about the long peal of Boh Major are not so silly after all.
Now a peal 22.400 changes wants a lot of ringing. even though it's only Bob Major. and Mr . Lufkin's hand deserve full credit for their performance: however. the peal is nothing to shout about when compared with $21.600^{\circ}$ Bristol Surprise Major, as any ringer capable of ringing Bristol will agree-in Bob Major all the ringers can sit back and have a jolly good sleep except the conductor, who has to keep wide awake. but you can't go to sleep in Bristol Surprise, no sir!
Should there be any doubt about this among the non-Bristol ringers just compare the iwo diagrams and I'm sure you'll see what I mean.
Anyway, until some band or other rings a longer peal in a method equal to Bristol. I. for one. will continue to regard the 21.600 as by fir the finest performance yet.

Another point worthy of note is the fact that the Loughborough band did. in fact. ring over 28.000 changes before they broke down. roughly 6.000 changes more than the recent record length. Even though it can't be classed as a peal. it must surely be classed as the better performance. I feet as Mr. Ivin does that any band wishing to walk off with the record for Bob Major must endeavour to pass the 28.000 mark.
Perhaps there will now be a race hetween Frank Lufkin and Steven Ivin to see who can ring the extent of Plain Bob first and while we re all awaiting the result. maybe a highclass hand from out of the blue will shake us to our very foundations with 40,320 Spliced Surprise Major in about 100 methods (and Spliced at the half leads just to prove there's no trickery!). -Yours sincerely.
Bechersden. Kent. WILFRED W. RING.
P.S.-Mr. Ivin will please note that Mr. Lufkin won't have to learn Bristol-he can already ring it, and I do mean ring it. W .W. R.

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## CORRECTION

SUSSEX TOURISTS.-Tour Cornwall, July 24 th to 31 st. 28 towers. There are 1 or 2 Farthingdale. Dormansland. Lingfield. Surrey.

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS-Business meeting at the Rising Sun.' Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday, June 25th. 6 p.m. Ringing St. Clement Danes'. Strand. 3-30 p.m. Practices: June 21st. Southwark Cathedral, 6.45 p.m.; June 28th, St. Paul's Cathedral. 6.30 ; July Sth. St. Lawrence's. Jewry. 6.30 ; July 12 th. St. Giles", Cripplegate, 6.45 p.m Will members visiting London please note that weekly practices ase held on the continuous rota shown above.-John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. 6124
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Derby and Ilkeston District.-Monthly meeting. Belper (8). Saturday, June 25th, 3.30-5 p.m. and 6-7.30 p.m. Cafes nearby.-W. A. Morley, Dis, Sec GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - ${ }^{612}$ Chertsey District.-Meeting at Send and Ockham. Saturday, June 25th. Bells 3 p.m.. and service 4.30 , at Send. Tea 5 p.m.-Red Cross Hut. Send. Ockham and Send bells in evening.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-Meeting at Willesborough, Saturday. June 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 6108

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch-Monthly meeting at Stoke Poges. on Saturday, June 25 th. Ringing 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. 6109 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Sonning Deanery Branch.-The summer meeting will be held at Hurst. on June 25th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m.. followed by tea in Village Hall.

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SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS Meeting at Colston Bassett. Saturday, June 25th. Bells ${ }^{3}$ p.m. - North East District. 6096
SUFFOLK GUILD.A practice meeting at Theherton (bells 2.30 p.m.), and Yoxford (hells $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ). Saturday. June 25 th. Tea at Theberton 3 p.m. A. SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. -Practice meeting at Heathfield (afternoon) and Warbleton (evening). on June 25th. Tea it Heathfield at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify $F$. Beeney (sec.). Hillbrae. Carters Corner Road. Hailsham.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch. - Second quarterly meeting. Gawsworth (8). Saturday. Julv 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea bv June 28 th. please. to H. C. Lonyon. 8. Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. Frequent buses

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Quarterly general meeting. Fairfield (8), Saturday, July Ind. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Committee 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Chelmorton (a new ring of 5 available in the evening). Names for tea by June 28 th, to B. P. Morris, Hon. Sec., Gable End, Greenway, Ashbourne, Derbyshire

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DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Southern District) and YORKSHIRE (Northern District).-Joint meet-
ing July 2nd. 3 p.m.. Barnard Castle. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea. Ringing at Cotherstone after tea. (Rare opportunity.) Names for tea. please. by June 29th. to E. P. Rock. Rosegarth. Eaglescliffe. 'Phone Eaglescliffe 2451

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-An evening meeting will be held at Melbourne. on Saturday, July 2nd.
Bells (6) from 6 p.m.-E. W. Bullman. 6166
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Northern District. -Meeting. Stebbing, Saturday, July 2nd. Bells (G) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea, please. 10 Mr . A. Little, Cowlands Farm Cottage. Stebbing.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION,-S.W. District Quarterly meeting. Ingrave, July 2nd. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Brentwood (8) will also be avarlable from 7 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss N. Jeffery, 45, Brentwood Road. Ingrave.

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GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.North East Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Washficld (6). Saturday, July 2nd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business after.

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS - Meeting July 2nd: Henstridge (6) 11.30 a.m.. (6) 2.45. Blandford Forum (8) 3.30. Warehan (8) 5.15. Dinner Wareham 7.30 p.m. Names to Dr. C. T. Brown. 14A. North Sireet. Wareham. 6142
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnlham District.-Meeting at Farnhorough (6),
Saturday. July 2nd. from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to W. W. Wright. Grange Hostel. Hawley Lane. Farnborough, Hants. (Note change from provisional programme.)

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Watford District-Elstree (6). July 2nd, 3 p.m. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names essential by June 29 th . to G. W. Seaman. 181. North Approach, Watford. Herts.-G. W. S.. Hon. Dis. Sec. 6156

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Quarterly meeting at Knebworth. Saturday, July 2nd, at 3 p.m.
Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by June Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by June
10 th. to B. Marks: 'Wayside, Swangleys Lane. Knebworth. 6144
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.--Meeting at Flamstead. Saturday, July 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. July 5th, to Mr. E. Smith. Rose Cottage. Flamstead. -J. Good. Dis Sec. 6145
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Tonbridga District-Meeting on Saturday. July 2nd. at Hawkhurst. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea
(2s. $6 d$.) 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. June 29th. with cash please. to Mr. A. H. Kemp. 1 Lillesden Cottages. Hawkhurst. 6141 LADIES GUILD.-Annual general meeting at Bath, on Saturday, July 2nd. Bells available: St. Michael with St. Paul, Broad Street. 10-11 a.m.: Twerton $11-12$ noon; St. Mark's $2-3$ n.m.: Abbey 2.30-3.30: St. Mary, Bathwick 7-7.30: All Saints. Weston 7.30-8.30; Corston from 7 p.m. Committee mecting 1 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall. Service, Bath Abbey, 3.30 n.m. Tea and husiness meeting, St. Mary's Church Hall. 4.15 p.m. Names for tea (3s. 6 d .) by June 29th. to Mrs. Norton. Gout House Farm. Kingston Seymour, Clevedon, Somerset.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-A meeting will be held at Christ Church. Aughton. on Saturday. July 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. W. Lunt. 36, Colinmander
Gardens. Ormskirk. Gardens. Ormskirk

## ASSOCIATION -Lancaster

 Branch.-Monthly meeting at Ileversham. on Saturday. July 2nd. Bclls (6) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Hindley. Heversham Hall. Milnthorpe, Westmorland.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Fylde Branch.-Meeting at Singleton Parish Church, on Saturday. July 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea provided. Meeting afterwards.-John $F$. Turner.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-Meeting at Accrington, on July 2nd. (Note change of rola.) Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Special method: Stedman.-John Pilkinglon. Sec. 6140

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Southern Branch.-Meeting at Attleborough, Saturday. July 2nd. Bells (6) $2: 30$ p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 D.m. Names for tea by June 29th. Special methods: Beverley Surprise and College Exercise-C. F. W. Phillippo, 1. Council Houses. Bunwell. Norwich. NOR $01 \dot{\text { X }} 6127$ OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Oxford. on Saturday, July 2nd. Service at Christ Church 11 a.m. Annual meeting in the Chapter House 12 noon. Lunch in Christ Church dining hall 1.30 p.m. Luncheon tickets 6 s . Application for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reath Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane. Wexham. Slough. Bucks, not later than Tuesday, June 28 th Ringing arrangements as on agenda.-M. R. Cross. Hon. Gen. Sec. 6091 ST. MARTINS GUILD. BIRMINGHAM. Quarterly meeting. Shirley (8). July 2nd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please
notify for tea by June 29th.-G. E. Fearn, (Spr 1025). 92. Etwall Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28. 6157 SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Est. 1623). -The 337th Anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 25th. Bells (12) available from 11 a.m. Service 6 p.m. 12 bell ringing guaranteed.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - Devizes Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Urchfont. Saturday. July 2 nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins. 136. Bradley Road. Trowhridge. Wilts. 6028

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Monthly meeting at South Anston. on Saturday. July 2 nd, at 3 p.m. Important: Names for tea by Thursday. June 30 th . to Mr. H. Turner. 10. Hight Street, South Anston, near Sheffield 6139 WALES NOMADS. - Ringing festival. July 2nd, opening the Panteg Restoration Fund. Mathern 10 a.m. Penhow 11, Nash 12 noon, Llanfrechfa 2 p.m.. Panteg 3, (service 4 . refreshments), Llangibby 5.30. Caerleon 6.30 p.m. Everyone welcome. 6064

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Meeting on July 2nd, at Cotgrave. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by June 29th. to S. Adams. 54. Wilford Road. Ruddington.

6132
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, Northern Division.-Practice meeting. Saturday. July 2nd. Lower Beeding (8) 3 p.m. Tea ONLY 10 those who notify by Wednesday, June 29th. Mr. A. G. Chilmaid. 14, Church Close. Lower Beeding. 6148 SUFFOLK GUILD -S.W. District - Meeting at Stratford St. Mary (6). Saturday. July 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Bailey. Squirrels Hall Cottage. Siratford Si. Mary. Colchester, Essex. Higham (6) available after tea.-R. J. Seabrook.

6119
SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District. -Meeting at Cotton (8). July 2nd. Bells 2.30 o.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by June 29th -H. Mitson. Dis. Sec.. Buxhall. Stowmarket.

SURREY ASSOCIATION - Northern Dis-trict.-Quarterly District meeting at Walton-onThames. July 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m.. followed by meeting. Names for tea by Thursday nrevious. to Mrs. V Lathbury, 15. Russell Road. Walton-on-Thames Qatlands hells in evening. W. Parrott. Hon Sec. WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD -Annual general meeting. July 2nd. Whitchurch. Hants. Meeting $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by June 28th. gt latest. to Mr. E. W Dance. Bere Hill Farm. Whitchurch. Bells
available: East Woodhay $8.30-9.30$ a.m.. available: East Woodhay $8.30-9.30 \mathrm{a}$ a.m.
Woolton Itill $9-10$. Burghclere $9.30-10.30$. Highclere 10-11. Tangley 10.30-11.30. Andover. Basingstoke (Si. Michael) and Wonston, all 11-12 noon, Abbots Ann $11.30-12.30$ p.m.

Barton Stacey. Basingstoke (All Saints) and Goodworth Clatford, all 12-1. Longparish 12.30-1. St. Marybourne. Hurstbourne Priors and Overton, all 1-2. Whitchurch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9, Laverstoke 6-7. Overton 6.30-7.30. Deane 6-7, Kingsclere $7.30-9$ p.m.-
Roger Savory. Hon. Gen. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN
Leatherhead District.-Meeting at Cobham and Stoke D'Abernon. on Saturday. July 9th. Bells (both towers) from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. Service 4.30 at Cobham. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Church Room. Numbers for tea by July 6th. to Mrs. Thornton. 59. Hogsmill Lane. Cobham. 6152 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Maidstone District--Quarterly meeting at West Malling, July 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Carter. 'The Ringers.' West Malling.

6159

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

 Quarterly general meeting at Market Harborough, July 9th. Bells available: Market Harborough (8) 3-4.30 p.m.. Lubenham (5), Great Oxendon (5) and Great Bowden ( 6 ) 6.30-7.30. Service Market Harhorough 4.30 followed by tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Names for tea by July 6th, to Mr. F. Wallington, 118. St. Mary's Road. Market Harborough, Leics. General Committee meet. Wednesday, June 29th. in the vestry of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester, at 7.45 p.nı.-B. G. Warwick, Hon Gen. Sec.LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Bigby (6). July 9 th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by July 6th. to Canon H. Thackray, Bigby Rectory, Barnetby. Linc

6164

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-

 Eastern Branch.-Meeting. Happishurgh. July 9th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m Names for tea by Wednesday. July 6th, please. to Mr. G. Larter. 2 School Common Road. Lower Happisburgh, Norwich.SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Newark District.-Meeting at East Bridgford, Saturday, July 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea must be forwarded by Tuesday previous, to Mr. J. Higgs. Cherryholt Lane, East Bridgford, Nottingham.-W. $\mathbf{E 1 2 5}$
Exton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District -Practice meeting at Brandon (6). June 9th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.-A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD-Diocesan festival at Werrington, on Saturday, July 9th, beginning 2.30 p.m. Service at Werrington at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea, 2 s . Bells: Werrington (8), St. Stephen. Launceston (8). St. Thomas' (6). Lawhitton (6). Lezant (6), South Petherwin (6), also after tea St. Mary Magdalen. Launceston (8). Replies by Tuesday, June 28th. to Rev. H. Trewhella, Penhevla. Crantock. Newquay.
WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch.-Meeting. Leight. Saturday July 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea p.m.. followed by business meeting. Practice method: London Surprise Minor. Names for tea by Tuesday, July Sth. to F. Hyde. 6. Winchester Avenue. Si. John's. Worcester. 6151

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION - Annual meeting and six bell prize contest. Hoylandswaine, July 16th. Entrance fee 10s.. to A. Farrand 12. Greenhill Cottages. Mossley. Manchester. by July Ind. please. For teas please notify by July 9th. J. Whitehouse. Gyder Bottom Farm Hoylandswaine.-A. Farrand. See. 6163
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Canterhury District.-Quarterly meeting. Dover (8). on Saturday. July 16 ch . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea: Parish Hall at 2s. per person. Names together with cash. please. to Mrs. H. George. 11. Farthingloe Road. Maxton. Dover.

6161
St. John's. Redhill. will next Sunday (June 26th) ine on London I.T.V. for morning 11 a.m. service. The time the bells will be on the air is not known but they are ringing for service

5,120 WOBURN SURPRISE MAJOR
By W. E. CRITCHLEY 23456 M B W H

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## QUARTER PEALS

BRACKLEY. NORTHANTS.-On May 2yth, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Shellard 1, W. J. Chester 2. B. Saunders 3. M. Saunders 4. W. A Yates 5, G: W. Holland (cond.) 6. Rung for the celebration of the 700th anniversary of the granting of the Borough Charter
BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.-On June $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: Miss 1. Davies 1, Miss S. Hayward 2. R. G. Jones 3. E. Furbank 4, A. Pryke 5, H. Turner (cond.) 6, B. C. Hines 7, J. H. Sitch 8. Rung prior to the Choral Eucharisi as a compliment to Rev. John Barwick Barnes, Curate of this church, who today was ordained to the priesthood, at Chelmsford Cathedral.
BURES, SUFFOLK.-On May 22nd, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: D. L. Mills (cond.) 1, Mrs. H. Millatt 2, Miss E. R. Cansdale 3. Mrs. L. Mills 4. A. W. Cansdale 5, E. C. Hynard 6, L. D. Mills 7 H. J. Millatt 8. For Rotgation Sunday.

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## THE T.V. GUILD

WHILE the Boundaries Commission are battered this way and that by the rival claims of the Duchy of Cornwall and the County of Devon, and people with tidy minds but scanty local knowledge want to make the Tamar the county boundary throughout its length, the ringers of N.W. Devon and N.E. Cornwall decided back in 1889 that the Tamar and the county boundary didn't mean much up here anyway, and founded the Guild you never heard ofthe Tamar Valley Guild of Ringers. Yes, of course that's what T.V. stands for: what else?
Oddly enough, the Tamar Valley Guild was in its inception probably the most far-sighted of all the ringers' societies in Devon. The Guild of Devonshire Ringers at its foundation never admitted the possibility that belfry reform and change-ringing could be separated: hence the missionary zeal with which, in the early days, the pioneers went out into the heathen call-change bush to spread the gospel of Service and Scientific. The call-changers, they thought, sunk in the mire of prize-ringing, could only be pulled out by the Blue Line. It was not long before the call-changers, stung into unity by the invasion, founded the Devon Association for the Promotion of Round Ringing, which is the ancestor of the present D.A.-wedded as it is to competitions (but not for money prizes) and to call-change ringing.

It remained for the remotest corner of the county to produce a ringers' guild which was not constitutionally tied either to method-ringing or to competitions. On November 16th, 1889, the Tamar Valley Guild of Ringers held its first meeting in St. Bridget's Church, Bridgerule, on a fine, dry day, under the leadership of the Rev. Frank Hawker Kingdon, who had been instituted to this, his first living, the previous year. The preacher was the Vicar's brother, Fr. Reggie Kingdon, of St. Peter's, London Docks.

Since that day, the T.V.G.R. has stood for good ringing and good churchmanship; at the festival people ring what they like, though it's almost always call-changes, and something over 100 ringers from 16 towers fill one of the churches for the service to sing a number of remarkable hymns, several of them composed by one or another of the Kingdon brothers. Although there are apparently no rules in existence. and although there is one business meeting and one festival only each year, the fact remains that in the area covered by the Tamar Valley Guild there is
probably a higher proportion of church attendance among ringers than in any comparable area in England; there are very few unmanned towers, and almost every tower affiliated has its bells rung at least once a Sunday. A great deal of the credit for this record must surely be given to the same Fr. Frank Kingdon, who died-still Vicar of Bridgerule and a legend in the diocese-just 69 years and six days after the Guild's first festival. Nor is his record a solitary one: until this year the secretary for 27 years has been Mr. William Slee, of Pyworthy; and Mr. Slee has been a member for 67 years and is now a life member.

The Guild this year has 161 members-perhaps more. They are all genuine ringing members, and there are none unattached, and about 130 of them came to the Festival on May 14th - at Bridgerule, where the first was held and where the green mound above the mortal body of Frank Kingdon. priest, lies to remind us of the immortality of faithfulness and service and the love of God. After the service. a very brief meeting in the churchyard, and then the usual Tamar Valley tea in the Village Hall-splits and cream and saffron cake as much as a man can put awayand then it's the Guild's custom that every tower affiliated is open, and the bands criss-cross the district from Poughill to Bradford, Hartland to Ashwater, for the rest of the evening. Our Guild may not be very big. and it may have some odd aspects; but that's how we do it, and it seems to work. Indeed we feel that the Guild might well take for itself the bell motto-

Quamvis sum parva, tamen audior ampla per arva or its English paraphrase-

> By all I'll have it understood
> That though I'm little, yet I'm good.
J. G. M. S.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE



## A DERBYSHIRE TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. TIDESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
On Mon., June 13. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-thf-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt 11 lb . in F sharp.
 the method as conductor. First in the method on the bells.

> SANDIACRE. DERBYSHIRE.

On! Tues., June 14, 1960), in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents, with $5-6$ the fight way throughout. Tenor 16 cwt . 2 qr .14 lh . in F.
Geoffrey R. Drew .. Treble Dennis A. S. Symonds -Shirley M. Parsons .. 2 \#\#Howard W. Egglesione 5 † Jot E. G. Roast . . . 3 John R. Mayne .. . . Tenor Conducted by JOHN R. Mayne.
*First peal of London Surprise Minor. $\dagger 200 \mathrm{th}$ peal. $\ddagger 100 t h$ peal together. The conductor's 500 th peal.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
On Wed., June 15, 1960. in 2 Hours and 25 Minules,
Ai the Temple Hotel. Matlocik Bajh.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Shirliry M. Parsons
Tenor size 14 in D .
John R. Mayne
1-2 *Howard W. Egglesione 5-6
. .. 3-4 *Dennis A. S. SYMONDS .. 7-8

* First peal of Major on handbells.


## DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE. <br> On Wed., Juthe 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes. Ar the Church of St. Helen. <br> A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .

Ernesi E. S. Johnson .. Treble *Patricik W. Saltmarsh.

Shirley M. Parsons
Howard W. Egclesione

- Peier J. Eves

John R. Mayne te Tehor

* First peal of Lendon Surprise Maior by Howard W. Egglesiont. * First peal of Lendon Surprise Major. First in the method on the bells.


## BRASSINGTON. DERBYSHIRE.

On Thurs., June 16. 1960 ), in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
Ar The Church of St. James.
A DEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 14 methods, as follows: (1) Lightfoot and Wearmouth. (2) Alnwick and Newcastle. (3) Chester and Munden. (4) London and Wells, (5) York and Durham. (6) Beverley and Surfiect. (7) Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 8 cwt 26 lb . in A. Dennis A. S. Symonds Ernest E. S. Johnson

| Treble | Jomn R. Mayne |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | Peter J. Eves |

Parrick W. Saltmarsh .. 3 Howard W. Egglesione. . Tenor Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone. CLAY CROSS. DERBYSHIRE.
On Fri.. Julle 17. 1960), in 2 Hours und 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Bar rholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR
Being seven extents in 56 methods, as follows: (1) Plain, Reverse, Canterbury Pleasure. Double. Fulbeck. St. Clement's, Childwall, Thelwall. Double Oxford. Lythum and London Bob. College and Wavertrec College. Frodsham. Windermere, Cumberland and Horsmonden Bob. and Ennerdale and Killarney: (2) College Bob IV. St. Albans, Willesden. Wragby, Old Oxford, Neasden. Newdigate. Charlwood, Marple, Braintree. Taxal. Humber, Elston and Clarence Delight, and Morning Star Treble Boh: (3) Lightfoot. Wearmouth. Rossendale. Stamford. Annable's London and Netherseale Surprise: (4) Beverley. Surfleet. Berwick. Hexham. York and Durham Surprise: (5) London and Wells Surprise: (6) Chester and Munden Surprise: (7) Cambridge. Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich. Bourne and Hull Surprise.

Tenor 8 cwl .2 qr. 16 lb . in A .
Mary Roast ....... Treble Dennis A. S. Symonds at 4 Pairick W. Salimarsh.
*John R. Mayne
Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* First peal in 56 methods.

> HOPE. DERBYSHIRE.

On Sat., June 18. 1960), in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
Ai ihe Church of St. Peter.
A PEAE OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition of Thurstans* Four-Part.
John R Mayne
Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwl}, 14 \mathrm{r} .22 \mathrm{lh}$, in F
Peter J. Eves

- Gforfrey R. Drew

Patrick W. Salimarsh

* First peal of Stedman Triples. First of Stedman Triples as

Treble
*Howard W. Egglestone
Howard W. EgGlestone
Dennis A. S. Symonds.
Joe E. G. Roast conductor.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. June 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
John Worih
Fred Dunkerley
Frent
\#Robiri Warrilow $\ldots$

## TEN BELL PEALS

STOCKPORT. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILI)
On Saf., May 28.1960 , in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.
At the Church of St. George.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIIGGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 29 cwt 3 gr .12 lh , in D flat.
Haruld C. Lonyon .. .. Treble i C. Kinnfil Lewis .. ..
Brrnard F. L. Groves .. . 2 Wililam Dowse .. .. 7

| Bhranard jos Lones | .. | .. | . |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | John Worith

Edward Jenkins $\quad .$.
Composed by William Pye.

| Lesili: Boumphrey | .. | .. | 8 |
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| Al.an A. Potts | .. | .. | .. |

Brian Harris .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by JOhn WORIr.

## NORWICH. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. June 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minures,
At the Church of St. Peter. Mancroft,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 37 cwt .99 lb . in C
Arthur G. Bason ... .. Treble George Adams.
William B. Duncan ... 2 William Luve
Charles F. Goodman
Beri Gogle
Oliver Barnard.
Peiter Adcock
William H. Barrei! ... Tenor Stanley Gall
Composed by W. E. BAsON.
Conducted by Arihur G. Bason.
Rung to welcome the Rev. F. Jarvis, who was instituted Vicar of this church on Junc 8th.

GRANTHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. June 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Wutfram.
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 32 cw .1 qr .11 lb . in C sharp.
David G. Papworih .. Treble John Chilcort .. ... .. 6
Mrs. P. Lewington .. .. 2 William Birmingham
James Phillips .. .. .. 3 John H. Crampion
William Hibbert
Raymond G. Burion .. 4 William Hibbert .. .. 9
Jamis H. Pailing ... $\quad .$.
Composed by Charles W. Roblris. Conducted by Jchn Cuilcoit.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ALREWAS. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sut., May 28. 1980, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At 1 HE Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwl.
J. Dennis Holden

Treble Eric E. Speake
David W. Brunning .. 2 Edmund Malin
Charles A. S Webr 3 Roberi B Smilh
-Edarles A. S. Webs $\quad$ W. Colley in 4 Dtri:k P. Jones
Dtrki:k P. Jones $\quad \cdots \quad . \quad$ I enor
Conducted by Derle P. Jones.
omposed by Gabriel Lindoff.
E. Dolman. of this tower.

MEASHAM. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat.. May 28 . 1961 . in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCHLNSHIRE, SURPRISE MAJUR Tenor 9 cwt . 2 gr 6 lh . in F sharp.
John K. Smish .. ... .. Treble | John A. Underwood ..
Ann Barr
Firedprick E. Wilshaw .. $\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Joseph W. Cotton...
Fredfrick E. Wilshaw .. 3 Joseph W. Cotto
J. Edbarn Causfr. . .. 4 Roliand Bi:nistor ...... Truor
Composed by William Barton. Conducted by J. Edwarn Cawsir.

Rung for the fifth anniversary of the induction of the Vicar, the Rev. A. J. Day

## MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sal., June 4, 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter. <br> A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods. being $9(6)$ each of London and Rulland and 320 each of Bristol. Cambridge. Cray, Eastcote. Lincoinshire. New Gloucester, Pudsey. Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire. with 139 changes of method.
Edward Jenkins

$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots & . & \text { Treble } \\ \therefore & . & 2 \\ \therefore & . & 3 \\ \therefore & . & 4\end{array}$ | Robert B. Smith | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brian Harris | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Pitman (rev.).

LISS. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal., June 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .16 lb .

|  | Treble | Frederick W . Rogers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian Bladon | 2 | Frank W. Lewis |
| vald W. | 3 | Ronald F. Diserlin |
| Ernest J. Munday | 4 | Noel. J. Diserens |
|  |  |  |

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Noel J. Uislrlens.
LOUGHBOROUGH LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.., June 13. 1960., in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
Ar the Beil Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lh . in C.

+Sandra E. Chesterton ... 4 John M. Jelley $\ldots$. Temor
Composed by E. W. Tipler (No. B 70). Conducled by B. G. Warwick. * 100th peal iogether. † First of Yorkshire 'inside.

ROTHBURY. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Jume 11. 1960), ir 3 Hours and 10 Mimues,

Ar the Church or All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt .

- Thomas O. Piercy
.. Trebl
*Dinnis Ellisidon
John E. Andlrsun
marion S. Ainsworth
George S. Deas
w. ${ }^{4}$

Kenneth Arthur Eric N. Harrison Bryan Patitison Conducled by bryan paitison.

* First peal ol Surprise.


## RUNCORN. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Jume 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules.

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJUR
Tenor 15 cwt .3 gr .15 lb .


## KIDLINGTON. OXFORDSHIRE. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Fri.. Jume 17. 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes <br> At 1he Church of St. Mary

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Tenor } & 23 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt} \text {. } \\ \text { Treble } & \text { Noel J. Diserens }\end{array}$
William Judge arama
J. Howard Freburn
Ernesi J. Munday $\frac{2}{3}$ Edgar j. Smith..

- Robert A. Reeves 3 Philip H. Tocock
Composed by Dlanis Knux.
- First peal in the method.
 HE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 18. 1960, in 3 Hours,
at the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF SOB8 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt 2 gr. 10 lb.
* Rusaline, A. Farlow .. Treble || Alfred S. Bayley Jostph L. Stanier .. .. 2 Alan A. Elsmore Leo Evans ... ... ... 4 Roderick J. Lfes Teuror omposed hy W. Harrison. Nirst peal of Major. First of Major on the bells.
Rung in memoriam Mrs. W. Downes and Mr. L. Challenor, benefactors of the bells.


## HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE

 THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONOn Sat.. Jume 18. 1960), in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. AI 1HE CHURCH OF Sr. THCMAS-A-BECKET.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOK
Tenor 18 cwt I qr. 8 lb.


Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted hy Ian M. Holland.
First peal in the method by all except the conductor.
KING'S LANGLEY. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suf., June 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
at the Church of Ail Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJUR
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{t}$ cwt.


Conducted by G. Wiluiam Critchley.
TARPORLEY. CHESHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 18. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules.
Ar the Church of St. Helen,
a peal of 5056 PLAIN bOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt . in G .
Mary C. Poyner
.Treble Philip J. Evans
Richard E. Morris .. 2 John R. Thomas
*Roger W. Puwlll .. .. 3 Rubin J. Lif. .. .. ... 7
+Trevor Holmes .. .. 4 Colin Smith ...... Temer
Composed hy J. R. Pritchard. Conducled hy Colin Smitio.
*First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First peal. First of Major as conductor.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the fifth.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ROCKWELL GREEN. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIAIION
On Wed.. May 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
AT THE ChURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's.
*Charles E. Webber
. Treble
David T. North
R
$\frac{2}{3}$
Walter Sievens
Geoffrey
Geoffrey J. Gammon
Gordon Walford $\quad$ at Tehor
Conducted by Gordon Walford.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung as a 65 th birthday complinent to the treble ringer.

## HIGH HALDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sar., May 28. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
At the Church or St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Crawford t. Hillis .. Treble Andrew M. Macve
Rita A. Gower.. .. .. 2 Ralph Bird
Rosemary E. Gower
Conducted by Ralph Bird.

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RUCKINGE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In two methods, being 24 extents (ten callings) and three 240's (Morris' and Pitman's) of Grandsire, and 12 extents (four callings) of Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt .
*Margaret M. Jones .. Treble +Andrew M. Macve .. 3 †John R. COOPER .. .. 2 †Crawford T. Hillis

Ralph Bird
Conducted by Jonn p .

* First peal of Doubles. $\dagger$ First on five bells.


## ADDINGTON. SURREY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Single Oxford, two extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.


* First peal 'inside, Conducted by Ralph Bird.

Rung for the marriage this day of Ronald Audus (of the local band) and Rosemary Margaret Watton. Also to mark the installation of Ald. G. J. Cole (churchwarden) as Mayor of Croydon.

BABWORTH. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SGUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., June 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Mintites,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob. Plain Bob, and one extent of Kent Treble Bob. John Coates

Treble
-Geoffrey N. Goodall...
reble
3 Harold Denman ... .. 5
Conducted by John R. Ketteringham.

* First peal in four methods.

Rung to mark the engagement of Mary Maddison to Roy Mills.

MEARS ASHBY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jume 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE MINOR

Being seven extents.
*George F. Roome
Percy Amos
† Victor A. Perry
Rung as a welcome to the Rev R Ruter as +Timothy A. Wooding. John W. Hall
*†Allan R. Jones ..... Teno

## WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
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Being seven 720 's in 12 methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Hereward Bob and Oxford Bob, (3) Thelwall and Childwall, (4) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (5) Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . in G. Margaret M. Jones .. Treble Ralph Bird
Crawford T. Hillis.. . . 2 Ian H. Oram
Raymond J. Carlton .. 3 A. Patrick Cannon
Tenor
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
The conductor's 150 th peal for the K.C.A. (conducted 76).

## INGESTRE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Frederick E. Wilshaw .. Treble
Frederick R. Wiggin .. 2
David Harman
Conducted by David W. Friend.
Richard J. Wantiow 9
Richard J. Warrilow
Roy K. Mowforth
David W. Friend
5
. Tenor

COWFOLD. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Trinity Sunday. June 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, and two of Kent T. Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Cecil R. Longhurs . . Treble Leonard Stilwell .. .. 4 Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 2 George Francis

3 Bernard E. Mat Conducted by Barwell B. Dibben.
Rung at the home church of Bernard G. Moore, who this day was ordained Deacon at York Minster.

## TIBSHELF, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., June 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 2,880 changes of Kent Treble Bob and 2,160 changes of Plain Bob.


* First peal at first attempt.


## GNOSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Tues., June 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Collegiate Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Being 42 extents ( 15 callings).
Tenor 17 cwt.

E. Marion Key .. .. 3 ђJohn W. Dyke. Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

- First peal in the method. † First of Stedman Doubles. $\ddagger$ First peal.

A birthday peal for the ringers of 1 and 4, and lan Friend, also of the local band. Also a 20th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr . and Mrs. B. G. Key.

## BUCKFAST, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Wed., June 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, At the Benedictine Abbey Church of St. Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

* First peal. ¿ First "inside."

Rung for the eve of the Feast of Corpus Christi.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wed., June 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 's as follows: (1) College Bob, (2) Oxford Bob, (3) Double Court, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6) Double Oxford and Plain Bob, (7) Kent and Oxford T.B. Tenor 97 cwt. Gilbert R. Goodship .. Treble | James Bennett ... .. .. 4 hubert A. Mitson .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin . . . 5 Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 3 Ronald W. Steward .. Tenor Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

## STISTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., June 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven 720's called differently.

* jean Hilton
alan R. Syder. .
Tenor 10 cwt .
FRANK B. LUFKIN .. ... 5
Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
* First peal.

YATTENDON, BERKSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs.. June 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In six methods, being one extent each of Surfleet, Beverley, London, Durham, York, and two of Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt .
*Eric Woolgrove .. ...Treble Brian Mills ... .. .. 4
*Hazel White .....
†Reginald W. Rex ... .. 3 † 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd ... Tenor
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.
*First peal of Surprise Minor. + First of six Surprise Minor. First of Surprise as conductor, and 200th peai.
Rung to the memory of Stella Davis by ringing friends of the Andover and Newbury Branch.

## COTTESMORE, RUTLAND.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri., June 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently.
Jean Hoy ........ Treble Ronald Hill $\quad$ Tenor 14 cwt
... *June Thomas .. .. .. 2 Michael Stracley .. .. 5 John H. Bluff.. .. .. 3 John Merredith.. Conducted by John H. Bluff.

* First peal. Rung on her birthday.


## RADSTOCK, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., June 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, at the Church of St. Nicholas, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge and three each of Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr. 26 lh.

| * hazel Young | Treble | Edwin Brown | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +Rodney Thatcher | 2 | John Holbrook | 5 |
| David Hoare | 3 | Frederick Carter | Tenor |

David Hoare .. .. .. 3 | Frederick Carter .. .. Tenor
Conducted by David Hoare.

- First peal. † First on tower bells.


## WALLASEY. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Hilary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge, Beverley. Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. John McCulloch .. .. Treble Vivian T. O. Boase .. .. 4 Mrs. C. B. Pemberton .. 2 Edwin Jones .. .. .. 5 marjorie E. Webster .. 3 Charles B. Pemberton .. Tenor Conducted by Edwin Jones.
Quickest peal on the bells.
Rung with civic recognition in honour of the 50th anniversary of the granting of a Charter to the Borough of Wallasey.

## HALF PEAI,

ATCHAM, SHROPSHIRE,- On June 18th, two 720 's each of Oxford and Kent T.B. Minor: F. H.
Bennets 1. F. Stiteh 2, E. V. Rodenhurst 3, W. Davies 4. M. G. Turner (cond.) 5, H. Howell 6.

AI.VASTON, DERBY,-On M3y 23th, 1.261 Plain Both Doubles: R. Go-ling (first quarter) 1, Mrs. B. A. Manning 2, E. Thomas 3. D. F. Ruherts \&, B. R. Manning (cond.) 5. R. Laurence (lirat quarter) 6. Rung as a birthday eompliment it reble ringer.

BRETFORTON, WORCS.-On May 21st. 1.344 Kent T.B. Major: M. 1. Hobbs 1. F. Skidmore 2. Gillian M. Hussey 3, F. J. Sammon 4, S. G. Riches (first of Kent) S, B. A. Shackleton 6. P. L. Hearce (first of Kent) 7, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 8. Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent.
BURSTWICK, E. YORKS.-On June 15ih, 1,272 Minor (Si. Clement S. Kent and Oxford T.B.): R. Ducker (cond.) 1, Miss B. Fisher 2. Mrs. R. Ducker 3. T. W. Thirkell 4. C. R. Robinson 5. D. Johnson 6. burniey. lancs.-At St. Peter's, on June 12th. 1.260 Gransire and Plain Bob Doubles: Jennifer Whamond 1. Mary J. Smith 2. Sheila M. Smith (first quarter) 3. Pamela Blakeley 4, N. Smith (cond) 5. K. Lawson 6. Rung during the annual Procession of Witness.
CANNINGTON, SOMERSET. On June 6th. 610 Plain Bob Doubles and 660 Grandsire: A. Webher 1. L. Pople 2. F. Fackrell 3. W. Heyward 4, H. Pople (cond.) 5. R. Fowler 6. A wedding compliment in Miss Doreen 1. Wimble and Mr. Eric A. Maile, married in this church this day.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.- In Junc 16th, 1.260) Grandsire Triples: B. J. Dixon (first quarter) 1, Miss E. N. Everest 2, Miss R. A. Sievens 3, G. Apps 4. R. V. Johnsun 5, J. W. Jeffery 6, F. Godsmark
(cond.) 7 E J Brett
g. Rung half-muffled in memory of H. E. Lilley, ringing member of this church, interred at Cuckfield Church.
DEDDINGTON. UXON.-On June 9th, 1,260 Stedman Trinies: E. E. Pearson 1, Christine V. Pullin 2, D. Bowen 3, C. C. Clarke 4. P. D. Warren 5. W. Ivings 6, W. N. Genna (cond.) 7, B. Sykes 8. First in method 6 and 8. A birthday tribute to H.R.H. Prince Philip.

UROITWICH-SPA, WORCS.-On June 8th. 1.261) Drubles (Stedman, Cliffords Pleasure, Souihreppi, Reverse Canterbury, Aprit Day, Kennington, Plain Bob. Reverse St. Barthulomew and Grandsire): J. E. Pullon 1. Hether M. Pullon 2, M. J. Fellows 3, P. Cattermole (cond.) 4, M. D. Fellows 5, L. H. G. Gittins 6. Most methods in quarter by all except eondueror
DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.-On June 15th, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 1, H. L. Parfrey 2. A. F. Lee 3, C. J. A. Brown 4. J. J. Jefferies (tirst of Stedman) 5. A. F. Butt 6. Rung as birthday compliments to the Rector and his wife (Rev. and Mrs. G. Evans).
EAST BLULEIGH. DEVON. -On May tith, 1.26 (x) Grandsire Doubles: H. Luxion I. L. G. Bolt 2, G. Ellett (first quarter) 3. G. West 4. M. 1. Board (first as cond.) 5. F. Snow 6. Rung for the wedding
of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antnny Armsirong-Jones.
EIST GRINSTFAD. SUSSEX.-On May 1st. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: M. P. Howard 1, Evelyn M. Hick- 2. E. R. Rapley 3. F. J. Roberts 4, E. J.. Ladd 5. B. V. Collivon 6. J. A. Howard 7. E. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. First of Treble Bob 1 and 7. First of T.B. Major 2 and \&. For Evensong.
EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.-On Junc 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. V. Rockelt 1. S. Delve 2. M. Horscman 3. H. Carlssan 4. F. Ncate (cond.) 5, G. Wat 6. Rung half-mufled as a soken of respect in Mry. Ramsay, wife of the Rector, whol pias buried this day.
EDMONTON, MIDDX.-I J June 14th. 1,321 Litule Bah Mimor: Iris George 1. D. Langdon 2. W. Genree 3. T. Batiey 4. 1. Weeks (first of Little Bobs) 5. T. Hawkins (cund.) 6. For Evensong.
ELING, HANTS.-On June $11 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Doubles Reverse Canterhury, S. Hartholomew. Plain Bob and Grandsire): Gladys D. Kitcher 1. Mavis P. Coffin 2, M. 1). G. Northway (cond.) 3, L. D. Smith 4, C. M. White 5. R. Buchanan 6. First in four methods for all the band and on the bells. Rung for the wedding this day of Mixs Gwen Lee to Mr. Brian Mackrell, both ringing members of this rower.
ELVEDEN, SLFFOLK.-On Whit Sunday, 1.264 Plain Boh Maior: W. Paul (cond.) 1. Mri. A. Peachey 2. Miss D. Reeve 3. H. Ivines 4. G. Miller 5 . W. Ivings 6. J E. Ivings 7, I W Pqui \&. For morvine service.

## QUARTER PEALS

FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.-On Whit Sunday, 1.440 Kent Treble Bot Minor: $P$. Treble 1. $P$. Murgatroyd (cond.) 2. Miss M. A. Finch 3. G. S. Juyce 4, P. J. Joyce 5, R. E. Finch 6. For Evensons.
GRANTHAM, IINCS.-(m Whit Sunday, 1,26i) Plain Bob Royal: C. NGakes 1, A. Frith 2, P. Hill 3. Mrs. Keticringham 4, G Inglehy 5, C. McCartney 6, F. Pinchheck 7, K. Ketteringham 8. R. Stephenson 4. H. R. Wonds (cond.) 10 . In honour of Alderman Mrs. D. Stepman and Miss Clare Sansbury, recently elected Mayor and Mayoress of Grantham.
HOO, KENT.-()n June Yih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Alan Wrigley 1, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, 3. Sellens 3, A. Wrigley 4. C. T. J. Norris 5, A. Vidsion 6.
KIRTON-IN-HOLLAND, LINCS.-On May 16th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: B. Hunt 1, Miss J. Gilbert 2. J. Bailey 3. L. H. Taylor 4, J. R. Kemp 5. A. E. Flatters 6, D. Flatiers 7. W. E. Clarke (cond.) 8. Rung in honout of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mra. E. Flower.
Leicester.-At St. Mary De Castro, on June 12th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. E. Smith 1. K. B. Townsend 2, I. Fraver 3. P. J. Chilton 4. I. M. Jelley 5, S. Harrison 6, S. J. Poynor (cond.) 7. F. Crane 8. Rung for the annual Trinity Hoanital LONDON, E.C.-On March 20th, at St. James', Clerkenwell. 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss M. Prackvon I. Miss J. A. Harding (first of Plain Bob Major) 2. R. J. Trebilcock 3, R. G. W. Roherison (first uf Maior) 4. G. A. Parsons 5, W. Prockson 6. D. E. Sibson (cond.) 7. J. Euston 8. For Matins. Also on March 20th, at St. Olave's. Hart Street, 1.281 Cambridge Surnrise Maior: Miss J. A. Harding 1. Miss E. J. Langton 2, J. M. Lakin 3, M. R. Rose 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5, G. Pratt 6, S. Brown 7. D, E.
Sibson (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge S.M. for 2, 5 Sibson (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge S.M. for 2, 5
MARSTON, OXFORD.-On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. S. Walker (must changes in one method) 1, C. Woodward 2, N. Deam (first as cond.) 3. A. Gammon 4. R. H. Jones 5. Rung as a welcome to the return of the Vicar, the Rev. P. Rimmer, after illness.
NORTHAMPTON.-On May 29ih, at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs G. F. Roome 1. Miss J. A. Downing 2. G. F. Roume (cond.) 3. T. Jennings 4. J. C. Rainhow 5. Miss A Shackshaft 6. A tribute to the Northamptonshire Regiment on their amalgamation with the Royal Lincolnshire Regiment on Junc ist, 1960.
VORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.-1.260 Grandsire Trinles: 1. Siead 1, A. Tumber 2, J. Murphy 3, N Hayes 4. Mrs. Alice Reed 5. C. Taylor 6. R. A. Reed (cond.) 7. A. Smith 8. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Miss Ivy Taylor in appreciation of har work for the church.
NUTFIELD. SURREY.-On May 7th. 1.260 Cambridge Surdrise Minor: E. G. Coward 1. R. Bird 2. Miss J. L. Lavender 3. G. Oliver 4. F. E. Darhy (cond.) 5. S. F. Kimber 6. Rung after a peal failure in honour of the marriage of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.
NUTHAIL. NOTTS. On Junc. 19 h . 1.272 Cambridge Surnrise Minar: G. King 1. E. Wilcot 2, H. Young 3. Tonie Poole 4. T. Harrisin 5. E.. Jenkinum (fint as cond.) 6. First quarter 3 and 4. A 16th hirihday compliment to Tonic Poole.
OLD WINDSOR. BFRKS.-()n Junc 15th. 1.2 80 Doubles (St. Simon's. Rusby. Braywood, St. Manin's. Slapton. Welford. St. Nicholas'. Longford. Fundenhall, Winchenden. Thornborough. Haddisenc. St. Remigius. Hascombe. Reverte Canterbury, Dorion. Plain Bob, Candlesby, Boxford): A. H. Bates 1.
R. B. Wawman 2. W. Buter (cond.) 3. D. W. Sinne 4. C. Wasson S. Firw quarter in 19 methods by all except conductor
OXTON. CHESHIRE. - On Junc ath. 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Mrs. M. E. Smith 1, L. N. S. Smith 3. E T. Carnell (first in method as cond.) 4. A. J.
Martin 6. P. S. Bennett 7. T. Morgan 8. First cuarter at first attempt for 1 and 3. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. M. Pasterfield.
PORTBL'RY, SOMERSET, - On June 17ih. 1.261 Plain Bub Doubles' B. Goudliffe (fins quarter) 1. J. Riley (fint 'inside') 2. Mary Powell 3. Monica Horseman 4. M. Horseman (cond.) 5, R. Hashins 6.
RANDWICK, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA.-On June 12th. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Boh, Old. April Day. Kennington. Reverse Canterhury Pleasure Buh Southrepp. P.B.. Clifford's P.. and St. Columb's P.): J. H. Fryer 1. W. M. Rowe 2. W. D. Walson (first as, cond. on tower bell) 3. Audrey E. Peters 4. J. C, quarter by all the band.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX,-On Whit Sunday, 1,280 Plain Buh Major: W. Ward 1. Miss E. Hatch 2. F. May 3. G. Blower 4. E. Blower 5, M. Hatch 6 D. Belcham 7. A. House 8. Rung for Evensong.

READING, BERKS.-On June 12th, at St. Mary's Church, 1.2601 Stedman Triples: A, Diserens (cond.) I. Mrs. H. M. Diverens 2. R. K. Russ 3, Mrs. F. E. Diserens 4. A. R. Mann 5, J. N. Diserens 6, C. E, Lewington 7. F. W. Lewis \&. Snecially arranged for A. R. Mann, of Newmarkel, and rung for Trinity Sunday. Also at the Church of St. Giles, on June 12th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Clanp (fins quarter) 1. Janet K. Secker 2. Mollie Tilbury 3. Patricia Heather 4. Jennifer M. Davies 5. P. M. Wilkinson 6. Lucy E. Allen (cond.) 7, F. J. Sage 8. Rung by members of the Reading University Society for Evensong.
RUUGHAM, SUFFOLK.-On June 5th. 1.260 Minor (Kent Treble Both and Plain Bob): June E. Wright 1. L. Wright 2, M. Rose 3, L. Nice 4 R. Rose (cond.) 5, E. Nice 6. Rung half-muffied for morning service and in memoriam Rev. Paul Greaves, former Rector, interred previnus day at Hardington Mandeville. Sumerset.
RUISHTON, SOMERSET.-On May 19th: J. D. Hagin (flrst fuarter 1. W. J. Lowman 2, Miss J Lowman (cond and first inside ') 3, A. Williams 4 D. Baker $5, R$. Cullen (first quarter) 6. Rung as a farcwell to the Rev. Mr. Speakman on his leaving for Australia.
Shirley, WORCS.-On May 30th. 1.440 Plain Bub Minor: Margaret Brage (first of Minor) 1. V. A. Hemming (cond.) 2, J. T. Clark 3, Judy Robinson 4 C. D. Haugh 5. E. T. Lloyd t. For Confirmation

SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On June 8th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Valerie Hoby 1. Pamela M. Jervis 2. Linda J. Kew 3, M. Hatchett 4, D. K. Walters 5
W. Birmingham 6. F. R. Scost 7. J. K. Ward (cond. W. Birmingham 6. F. R. Scott 7. J. K. Ward (cond. by the Bishop of Buckingham
SOUTHAMPTUN, BITTERNE PARK.-On May 29th. 1.320 Plain Bub Doubles ( $7,6,8$ covering): D. Hawkins 1. Janice E. Williamson 2, D. E. House 3. Pamela A. Jones 4. M. J. Thomas (cond.) 5. Daphne Hymas 6. B. Harvey 7. J. Dann 8. Rung for Ascensiontide and as a compliment to the ringers of 6 and 8 on their engasement
STAINES, MIDDX.-Ai St. Peier's. on June 2nd. 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss C. A. O'Kelly (firsi quarter) 1, J. D. Tomkinson 2, Miss J. E. Williams 3. G. Pickett 4, E. T. Skipsey (first as cond,) 5 P. Williams 6. For Confirmation service. Also on June Sth. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss C. A. O'Kelly (first on Minor) 1. J. D. Tomkinson 2, R. I. (first of Minor) 5. E. T. Skipsey 6. For morning STOKE GOLDINGTON, BUCKS.-On June 6ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Whiting 1. J. Geary 2, A. Armstrong 3. O. Warren 4. W. Mawby S. P. D. Taylor (fint as cond.) 6.
STORNINGTON, SUSSEX.-On May 26th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Chacksfield 1. Mrs, Chacksfield 2. 1. R. Maple 3. Jean Horton 4. J. Newall (cond.) 5. k. Pritchard 6. For Ascension Day.

STRENSHAM, WORCS.-On June 6th, 1.320 Beverley Surprise Minor: M. Hawkes 1, Brendi Smith 2. Jacqueline Roberts 3. W. B. Pomeroy 4. G. C Hemming (cond.) 5. G. 1. Hemming 6. Fins of Beverley for 2 and 3. Alsn on June 10th. 1.260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: 1. Firkins 1. C. Haylings (first in meihod inside ') 2. M. Hawken 3. D. Price (cond) 4. F. Lawrence 5. E. W. Penn 6.
SWINESHEAD, LINCS.-On Mav 30th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. Randall 1. J. P. Morris 2. Mrs. R. Reynnds 3, W. E. Clarke 4. W. B. Dawson 5. P. Rung half-mufled in memory of F. A. Bulloek, for over 30 years a ringer and sideeman at this church THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Junc 12th, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Dnwns 1. Mrs
P. W. Mills 2. Marian H. Milk 3. F. Harvey d. P. W. Mills 5. P. Wand (cond.) 6. For morning service and as a birtbday comoliment to the

WATFORD, HERTS.-On June 19th, 1.260 Grand-
 inside ') 4, R. G. Smith S. D. Laud 6. R. G. Bell (cond.) -. M. Howard 8. For Confirmation.
WALLINGFORD, BERKS.-On June 15th, 1.260 Plain Bon Triples: Angela Ayres (14. first quaner) 1. G. Mellone (13, first of Trinles) 2. E, Gerrard 3. . Smith 4. F. Godden 5. W. Fulker (firsi Triples WEST RETFORD. NOTTS. - On Whit Sundav. 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: R. Hobhs (cand.) 1, Jill Easom 2. Valeric Waterfield 3. Marsarei Womack 4, C. Scou 5, D. MaNeil 6. For morniag service.

## QUARTER PEALS

ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.-On May 20hh, 1.260 Grandsire Ttiples: Delia F. Leslic (first quarter) I. W. A. K. Gray 2. Sheila Beale (first 'inside') 3. Marion Nohes 4. H. A. Nohes (cond.) 5, S. Kathleen Knight 6, F. G. Barron 7. M. R. Walker 8. Rung for the engagement of Marion Nobes to Andrew Mc.Dowall.

CHELSFIELLD. KENT, (on May 3lst, 1.260 Doubles ( 720 Grandsire, 540 Plain Bob): Eileen Moore 1. Julian (bathwaite 2, D. Manger (cund.) 3. M Lerg 4. J. Parker 5. Ann Buncombe 6. For Cunfirmation service. Also on Whir Sunday, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Plain Bob. Grandsire): Hillary Martin (first quarter) 1. D. Manger (cond.) 2. N. Martin 3. M. Legg 4. J. Parker 5. A. Smith 6. For Evenwong and alsu as a 2 ise birthday compliment to Miss Ann Buncumbe
CHURCH GRESLEY, DKRBY'S.-()n May lyith, 1,261 Plain Bob Doubles: Joan Coton 1. R. J. Clifton 1. D. Eamer 3. D. P. Jonms (cond.) 4. J. W. Coton A 15th birthday compliment to David Eames. COSGRONE. NORTHANTS.-On Junc Ath. 1.440 Plain Path Minor: D. Cadwell 1. J. Powell 2, J. Gearg 3. C: Walker 4. R Keeves 5, A. C. Cogens 6. First of Minor for 1. 2. 3.
ECKINGTUN, WORCS.-On Junc 6ib, 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. J. Hemming (cond.) 1. Jacqueline Roberts 2. Brenda Simith 3. W. B. Pomerny M. Hawkes S. G. C. Hemming 6 .

EVESHAM, WORCS.-On May 21s1. 1.281 Camhridge Surmive Major: R. W. Selby 1. Jacquelin: Roberis (first - inside') 2, M. G. Selby 3. F. P. R. Harley 4. W. B. Pomeroy 5, M. Hawkes 6, G. J. Hemmink 7. G. C. Hemming (cond.) 8. Firs Surprive Majur for 1 and 4.

## THF WEEK TO JOIN

## The new quarter starts with this issue. New postal subscribers will be welcome. Remittances to Mr. J. E. lester, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro, Cornwall. Rates: 12 months e 1 l 15 s . six months 18 s , three months 9 s . fid.

HIGHCLERE, HANTS.- On June 17th, 1.440 Plain Bub Major: R. W. Rex 1. Hazel White 2, Cherry White 3, B. Mills 4, R, C. Christopher 5, E Woolgrove (first 'inside') 6. G. K. Dudd 7, R. F. Cronk (cond.) 8. Rung after the induction scrvice of the Rector. Rev. T. Lewis
KINGS LANGLEY, HERTS.-(on June $12 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Medland (first quarter) 1. Miss M. Erik 2. B. M. Barker (cond.) 3. K. D). Waples 4. D. J. Guodman 5. R. V. Wallis 6. For Evensong.
PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX,-On May 22nd. 1.274 Plain Bob Triples: P. Sluman 1. B. Saddler 2, Miss J. Rowe 3. A. G. Rose 4. D. Belcham 5, J, Belcham 6. W. Smith (cond.) 7. G. Bacon 8. For Evensons.
REDHILI, SURREY. On June 18th, 1.280 Comhridge Major: G. West 1, G. Olliver 2, M. Fuller 3. F. E. Roheris 4. A. Strecter 9. E. G. L. Coward h. A. 1. Bull 7. A. P. Cannon (cond.) 8. Rung by a Southern Divtric: band.
STRATTUN SF. IIRGARET, WIETS-On IUne 12 th. 1.2601 Doubles ( 240 each of St. Simun's and Reirerse Canterbury, 361) Plain Bnth and 420 Grandsire): sarion Webb (fiss quarier) 1. Christine 1 anvey 2. Ciriffin (cond.) 3. C. G. Junes 4. A. R. Peake A. Hatherall 6. For Trinity Sunday

THAKEIIAM. SUSSEX. (bm Whit Sundav, 1.320 Siedman Doubles: R. P. Wond (cond.) 1. Miss M. Skinner 2. C. R. Skinner 3. M. Frumm 4. B. W. Farhall 5. W. Cherriman 6. For Evensong and a compliment in Mr. and Mrs. C. Hane. on the birth $f$ a daughier
TWYNING. GLOS.- 0 ) June 6ith. 1.246 Surfeet Surprise Minor: G. J. Hemming I. Jacqueline Roberts Brenda Smith 3. W. B. Pomeroy 4. G. C. Ilemming 5. M. Hawkes (cond.) 6. First of Surfie:t for 2 and
WARMLFY, GLOS- On June Ith. 1,441 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Jean Sutton 3. Rita M. Wehb (first of Surprise) 2. C. G. Junes 3. A. F. Lee . E. Sutton 5. V. Grifin (cond.) h. First quarter of Surprise on the belis. Runs. following the failure of a peat attempr. to mart the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Webb, also the Paironal Festival.
WESTHOLGHTON, LANCS-()n June 7h. 1.260 Plain Pent Minor: D. Youns 1. Miss C. Kinight (firg ' invid:') 2. J. Cunliffe 3. A. Greenhalgh 4. J. Warby 5. G. Fothergill (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment so Judith Aane, daughter of the 3rd inger


WHE tower of St. Anta and All Saints, Carhis Bay, Cornwall, was completed last year. Previously it ended just above the termination of the buttresses, and there was a slate covered pyramid roof. An unusual feature is that there are no louvre openings. The sound of the bells escapes through a roof lantern which is completely concealed by the battlements, and in the roof of this there is a Perspex glass dome which floods the bellchamber with light. The bells are particularly quiet near the church, but as one moves from the church they sound clear and distinct. This is the only ring of ten in Cornwall, outside Truro Cathedral-it is the youngest parish church. The tower is at the south east cornar of the church.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The Biggleswade District's monthly meeting at Eaton Socon on June 11th was well supported by visitors from Huntingdonshire. In all, 25 towers were represented and about 40 ringers managed to squeeze into the room where tea had heen prepared by a local ringer and his wife.

The Vicar (Rev. D. Jackson) conducted the service and welcomed the visitors to the church. He also presided at the business meeting, when five ringers from the Huntingdon District were made non-resident life members. Attention was drawn to the summer festival at Kempston on July 23 rd and the next meeting on August 15th.

Members of the Ely Diocesan Association said how much they enjoyed ringing with their Bedfordshire friends. and Mr. A. Smith. the searetary, said that he had received a suggestion that a joint meeting should be held with the Huntingdon District later in the yenr.

Thanks to the Vicar and to those who had prepared the tea were expressed by Mr. B. Sims. who supervised the ringing during the afternoon. Ringing ranged from Plain Bob 10 Superlative, which was one of the special methods.

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## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUHLD

## Presentation To Mr. R. G. Howson

Civic recognition of ringers was forthcoming at the annual meeting of the North Bucks Branch at Buckingham on June 4 th by the presence of the Mayor (Celr. A. G. F. Marrcolt), and at the request of the company he made the presentation of a wallet and cheque to Mr. Reg. H. Howson, of Newport Pagnell. in appreciation of his valued services to the Branch as hon secretary and treasurer for over 20 years.

Tributes paid to Mr. Howson included one from his successor, Mr. Frank Vickers. who said he had done a wonderful job of work for bell-ringing in North Bucks and for the Guild in general. In his reply Mr. Howson said although he had relinquished the position of sec retary he was sure that it was a rrue saying, Once a ringer, always a ringer. He would continue his interest in the Branch.

The Mayor, in an appreciation of ringers. said they were a happy people, whose efforts at their respective churches brought pleasure and happiness to many people. At Buckingham they were indeed most fortunate in having a splendid and conscientious hand, amongst whom was the new Vicar, who was fast becoming keen in the art of change-ringing.

Mr. H. L. Roper, Guild librarian, said that it was most important to encourage youngsters and bring them along to meetings. so that they could be inoculated with the good fellowship of ringers. He was struck that there were so few youngsters in the North Bucks Branch which seemed a Branch of old men.

In his report, Mr. Vickers said the strength of the Branch was 134 ringing and four honorary members, slightly lower than the previous year. He regretted that Great Linford and North Crawley lowers seemed to be "fading away, and suggested missionary work at these places.

Elections.-The Rev. A. Camphell (Bletchley). Branch chairman; Mr. Vickers, secretary and treasurer: Messrs. H. C. Edwards and J. E. Whitlock, Branch representatives.

The service in the Parish Church was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. J. H. B. Elkerton). and a collection for the Guild Restoration Fund amounted to £2 9s. 9d. Tea was provided by members of the Mothers' Union. Ringing was at Buckingham and Maids Moreton.

## OUTING

## ST, AMRROSE GUILD, BRISTOL

An enjoyable day's outing was spent by St. Ambrose Guild on May 21 st in the villages of the Cotswolds. An early start was made at 8 oclock and a run through some of the beauty spots of Gloucestershire. brought us to Northleach for morning coffee, for the party who numbered 41 (not all ringers). Although not ringing in this village. the church was visited. and found to be of exceptional interest with a long history. We then made our way to Blockley. which is the northernmost tower in Gloucestershire. Good use was made of this ring of eight for three yuarters of an hour

At Chipping Norton. Oxfordshire. a ring on the eight at St. Mary:s preceded an excellent lunch at a local hotel.

Brailes. Warwickshire, was the highlight of the day for ringers. This glorious six was really enjoyed, the tenor, 33 cwl .. was turned in on a touch of Plain Boh Minor. A run into Worcestershire. brought the party to Badsey. where the eight bells were sampled hefore proceeding to Evesham. for tea. A band then went to Bretforton, and rang a quarter peal of Kent as a welcome to the new rector, who was in residence, but had not then been inducted. The others enjoyed themselves hoating at Evesham.

This concluded the ringing for the day and a drive through Gloucestershire brought us 10 Chipping Sodbury, where supper had been arranged and which was followed by a singsong. Leaving here about 10.30 p.m. we were soon home, having had a most enjoyahle day with no rain and some very good ringing
P.R.H.

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The peal at Buckfast Abbey on June 15 th was the first peal on the bells in which any of the monks have taken part, and it marks another step forward in change-ringing here. It was the first peal of Minor on the bells and was rung on the back six of the front octave.

We are sorry to learn of the ill health of Mr. P. H. Marshall, the secretary of Yatton ringers, and wish him a speedy recovery to health and ringing.
An attempt for a peal of Little Bob Maximus on June 6th at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, came to grief after an hour's ringing. As there was not time for a second attempt a quarter of Plain Bob Royal was rung.
Mr. W. M. Rowe. chairman of the N.S.W Association, and captain of St. Jude's, Randwick, has again entered the active ringing lists after being out of action for about four years due to ill-health. He rang a quarter peal on June 12 th.
The University of Nottingham Society have elected the following officers for the session 1960-61: Hon, president, Mr. P. L. Taylor: chairman and Ringing Master, Bruce Grainger; hon. secretary, Martin Bishop; treasurer, Miss Barbara Marsh: committee, Miss Angela Bed well and Christopher Morris.

With the peal of Surprise Minor rung at Yattendon in memory of Miss Stella Davis, Mr. G. K. Dodd has completed 200 peals plus a peal of Bob Caters rung at Basingstoke not recognised by the Central Council. Included in his total are two peals of Minor on previously unringable bells, and peals starting at 1.30 and $4 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .$, and the first of Minimus on tower bells. Sincerest apologies are offered by Gloucestershire ringers to Thame ringers. Through their coach breaking down they were $1 \frac{1}{3}$ hours late and had to forgo ringing. Troubles did not end there. Standing outside Leighton Buzzard Church, congratulating themselves on being dead on time, the secretary suddently realised that he was at the wrong church and should have been at Lynslade. They made it and had their first ring of the day.

## GOSSIP

Through the ball of the clapper of the tenor parting company with the shank, a peal of Minor in ten methods was lost at Cuddesdon on June 19th. The attempt was arranged to commemorate the consecration that day of a former Principal of Cuddesdon Theological College. the Rev. E. G. Knapp, as Bishop of Pretoria; and its loss, having regard to the object, was a disappointment to the band, which consisted of D. C. Woodward 1, E. Venn 2, D. C. Bowen 3, E. J. Munday 4, M. S. Cloke 5, A. R. Pink (conductor) 6.

Miss Elizabeth Rogers, of Little Chart, Ashford. Kent, is flying to Canada next week. She will be away for three months.
Next Saturday eight veterans of the Kent County Association, each with a continuous membership of 50 years and over, will attempt a peal of Holt's Original at Linton, near Maidstone.

Miss Pamela M. Jervis informs us that the drawing on the Christmas issue of "The Radio Times was not an imaginary belfry but taken from a photograph taken at Capel, Surrey. A copy of the photograph now hangs in Capel belfry.

After $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours' ringing in a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on June 18 th, the tenor man (Mr. Philip Meyhew) found the sun beating through the window too much for him, and a halt was called by the conductor' (Mr. Robin G. Leale). Another attempt is planned when the weather is more favourable. The ringing was favourably commented upon by listeners.
On Whit Monday, ringers from a quiet Gloucestershire town left for their annual outing. Some way out an elderly couple in the front seat began to look mystified, and one of them turned round, saying: "Funny we have never been this way to $\quad$ ' (a well-known resort).

Madam!!, spluttered the Ringing Master, ' This is a bellringers' outing to Bedford!' Poor dears, confused probably by the early hour of departure, they had boarded the wrong coach Nohody had noticed them!

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

## ESTABLISHED

## REDEDICATION

## COTTERSBROOK, NORTHANTS

In the year 1914, Messrs. John Taylor and Co. reported that the bell-frame at Cottersbrooke, Northamptonshire, had become unsafe and recommend that a new steel frame be installed. Not until 45 years later, was it possible for their recommendation to be adopted, when the six bells were rehung in a frame for eight, as part of the restoration to the whole of the fabric and ornaments of the church, at a total cost of $£ 12,000$. The hells are of particular interest, as they form one of the very few complete rings of six entirely from the 18th century, all being cast by Henry Bagley in 1702, probably at Ecton

The original 13th century church was largely restored by the Langham family in the early 18 th century, and transformed from its mediæval character into, what has been described as the prevailing desire for domestic comfort. This had remained almost unaltered until the present day. Now a further restoration has been carried out under the direction of Lord Mottistone and Mr. Paul Paget assisted by Mr. Anthony New, and a careful arrangements of the furnishings has recovered the full beauty of the early 18 th century parish church.

The Lord Bishop of Peterborough, who performed the rededication on May 28th preached upon the text from Isaiah li, 1 : Harken unto me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord, look unto the rock whence you were hewn.' This, his Lordship said, had been done by the careful consideration given to preserving the work of former generations, but we were to remember our own contribution, as was seen by the position of the new oak reredos and altar, brought westwards towards the nave, reflecting the desire to bring priest and people together in worship.

The ringing, during the service and immediately after, was carried out by a band representing the Guildsborough Branch of the Diocesan Guild. As the Guild annual meeting was being held that day, there was not a large attendance of ringers, but sufficient were present to keep the bells going. Mr. Paul Taylor represented the bell founders, who are to be congratulated upon a fine restoration, the ring now having a tenor of $14-0-21$ in F. The ringers are particularly grateful to $\mathbf{M r}$ Frank Lane, of Naseby, who made the final preparations in the tower

After being out of action for so long, no band of ringers remains in the village, but knowing the spirit of friendship and co-operation that exists amongst the ringers in this districts, we know that help will be forthcoming from neighbouring towers
E. G. O.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION <br> Striking Contest

The fourth annual striking competition attracted four entries to Christ Church. Epsom, which included one new band which had not previously competed-the local band. Once again, the Association was fortunate enough to have Mr. C. H. Kippin as judge and Mrs. Parrott as his marker. Proceedings commenced with a service conducted by the Vicar (Rev Canon A. E. Robins) to the Association's new form of service. The draw then took place and each band in turn rang a test piece of 252 changes. Supervising in the ringing chamber was Mr. N. Bagworth.
After an excellent tea in the Church Hall. prepared by the local ladies, the judge was asked to announce the results and make his comments. These proved as comprehensive and helpful as usual. The team with the fewest faults proved to be Beddington. followed very closely by St. John's, Croydon. In third place was the local band, hut only by a very narrow margin. All the teams except Croydon, who rang Stedman, rang Grandsire Triples
On this occasion the competition was thrown open to any Sunday service band in the county, so Beddington are entitled to call themselves Striking Champions of Surrey. They are too modest to do so ; but if anyone cares to dispute the statement we shall look forward to them proving it at next year's competition. W. P.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 27



## MR. HAROLD N. PITSTOW, M.B.E. Hon. Auditor to Central Council

Mr. Harold Pitstow comes from a famous ringing family, the Pitstows of Saffron Walden, He is the son of Ernest Pitstow, and his uncles were Nathan J. and Frederick Pitstow. It was once said that whenever a Pitstow was born, it was with a bell rope in one hand and a musical instrument in the other! Harold certainly comes up to this standard: he is distinguished in both fields, ringing and music.

Born at Saftron Walden in 1897, he learned $t 0$ ring there, was educated at King Edward VI

Grammar School, and on leaving school joined the staff of the local office of a London brewing company. He served in the infantry in World War I, was wounded in 1917 at Passchendale and later was commissioned in the R.G.A. In 1920 he was transferred to the London head office, where he rose to the position of cashier and manager of the cash office. Mr. Pitstow is married, and they have two sons and one daughter, all of whom, of course, can ring.

As secretary and conductor of the Westminster Abbey band, he has been responsible for the ringing on many important State occasions, and conducted the Coronation peal in 1937, the Victory peal, the Queen's wedding peal, and peals for the birth of Prince Charles, and the Coronation in 1953. For his services at the Abbey he was honoured by the award of the M.B.E.

Although not a prolific peal ringer-his total to date being 134, conducted 41 -his performances have been notable, and he has taken part in peals at St. Paul's Cathedral, Southwark, Bow and Cripplegate. He was one of the College Youths' band when the Society rang its first peal of Spliced Surprise, and he took part in a peal of Cambridge Major on the back eight at Southwark with the late Bob Newtonprince of heavy-bell ringers-on the tenor.

In 1926 he moved to Banstead, Surrey, and at once formed a change-ringing band. Such is his determination and tenacity that today, Banstead can boast of a band that can ring Spliced Surprise for service. Mr. Pitstow is very active in the musical world.

He is an accomplished musician being able to play a variety of instruments, including the organ, piano, flute and piccolo. As a boy he played in the local band under his father's baton. In 1932 he was appointed musical director of the Banstead Operatic Society, a post he still holds, and he has conducted all their shows, which have included the Gilbert and Sullivan series and 'Merrie England.' His other hobby is cricket. There is no doubt that whatever Harold takes up he puts everything he has into it. He has now retired from active businessand who knows? he may presently settle down to some steady peal ringing! JAFUS.

## WORCESTERSHIRE DIAMOND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Skelding, of Oloswinford, Worcs, celebrated their diamond wedding on June loth. Mr. Skelding joined the Worcestershire and Districts Association in 1896 and was secretary for the Northern Branch for 11 years. In recognition of his services he was made a life member and Freeman of the Association some ten years ago. He has been actively associated with chureh work at St. Thomas Stourbridge, and St. Mary's, Oldswinford, serving at both churches as a sidesman and also on the respective Parochial Church Councils.

## St. Martin-in-the-Fields

The ceiling at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, has collapsed and at present the church services are being held in the crypt.
Ringing has been suspended for the time being.

## SYNTHETIC BELLS OFFERED TO KIDDERMINSTER

To mark his 82nd birthday. Ald. Sir George Eddy has offered to give synthetic bells to St. John's Church. Kidderminster. similar to a set he presented to Franche Church, Kidderminster, in 1939. In his letter to the Vicar. Sir John wrote: "Since I was a small boy at Kidderminster Grammar School 70 years ago. I have had reminders from time to time that St. John's Church has only had a single bell.

The Parochial Church Council have accepted the offer, and have applied for a faculty to have a system of synthetic bells installed. They are awaiting authorisation.

## Hints For Beginners-27

As an aid to good ringing in peals start fairly slowly and let the speed develop naturally.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Eastern District

A meeting was held at Cheshunt, on June 11 th. when some 25 ringers took part in ringing ranging from Plain Bob and Grandsire to Stedman and Kent. One new member was elected at the business meeting, which followed tea. It was agreed to try to hold the next meeting at Benington on July 16 th.
W. F.

## ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR BELLRINGERS

Many teams of bellringers are insured under the special policies issued by the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, Ltd.. 11, Norfolk Street, Strand. W.C.2. Particulars will be supplied on application. Those with old policies are recommended to consider increasing the scale of benefits provided.

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 OLD BELLS AND RECASTING
## REPORT OF THE TOWERS AND

 BELFRIES COMMITTEEDuring the past year the work of the Towers and Belfries Committee has continued to increase. Requests for inspections and reports on bells, bell-gear and towers were received from 58 parishes. These 58 towers were situated in 16 different counties. The inspections and reports were dealt with by members of the committee as follows: Mr. J. W. Clarke, 11 -all in Cheshire; Mr. F. E. Collins, 3-one each in Kent. Surrey and Sussex; Mr. J. Freeman, 1 -in Lincolnshire; Mr. E. H. Lewis, 1-in Surrey; Mr. W. A. Osborn, 13all in Somerset; Rev. J. G. M. Scott. 2 -both in Devonshire: Mr. F. Sharpe, $27-10$ in Northamptonshire. 4 in Buckinghamshire, 3 in Oxfordshire. 2 each in Berkshire and Cardiganshire, and 1 each in Breconshire, Hampshire, Huntingdonshire, Pembrokeshire, Surrey and Yorkshire.
An analysis of the reports reveals that advice on the rehanging of bells was given in 33 instances. In 5 towers advice was given on recasting. Twenty-three towers sought advice on repairs to bell-gear; 5 on sound control and improvement; and 2 on the augmentation of existing rings of bells. In one tower also advice was given on the restoration of a set of handbells.
No outstanding or unusual problems were reported by members of the committee, but Mr. J. W. Clarke found considerable damage being caused to bells and gear by faulty clock hammers. He suggests a special effort be made to urge church authorities, ringers and steeple keepers to carry out regular periodic inspections and adjustments of these fittitngs.
Besides carrying out inspections and issuing reports, Mr. W. A. Osborn rendered valuable practical assistance to a village church by lowering to safety himself the fourth bell at Closworth. He found this bell hanging in a precarious state in the parish in which was once situated the famous Purdue bell foundry. Mr. Osborn has been assisted during the year
by Mr. R. H. Gardener. who succeeded him by Mr. R. H. Gardener. who succeeded him
as adviser to the Bath and Wells Association. The convener found an increasing number of towers in which considerable repairs were necessary because of complete neglect of routine maintenance work. To quote but one of many instances: in one tower no one had oiled the rope pulleys for 25 years and the oil wells of the brass bearings were rendered useless by being packed with stiff grease.

During the year Messrs. E. H. Lewis and F. Sharpe, as representative; of your committee. attended a joint meeting convened by the Dean of Gloucester. between representatives of the Central Council for the Care of Churches. the bell founders. and our Council's Towers and Belfries Committee. The object of this conference was to debate the Standing Orders of the Central Council for the Care of Churches in regard to bell restoration, and to make suggestions for their amendment and improvement. A copy of the revised draft of these Standing Orders is appended. They have been accepted in their revised form by the Central Council for the Care of Churches and we are asked if our Council would also accept them. and print them in any subsequent editions of our handbooks. They will be printed in the publications of the Central Council for the Care of Churches and issued to all Diocesan Advisory Committees and Diocesan Chancellors responsible for the granting of faculties for restoration work. and new installations.-Frederick Sharpe (convener). J. W. Clarke, F. E. Collins, J. Freeman, E. H. Lewis, W. A. Osborn, J. G. M. Scott.

## APPENDIX

(Version agreed at joint meeting of the Central Council for the Care of Churches, the bell frounders, and representatives of the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, November 12th, 1959 Circulatei to all present; with minor amendments proposed by the Central Council for the Care of Churches at their meeting on November 19th. 1959, and subsequently circulated to those who attended the joint meeting.)
(a) Bells cast earlier than 1600 should not be recast. As such bells are of archaeological importance. they should be preserved intact. Sound bells of good tone should be used if possible, either incorporated in a ring or hung as single bells; failing which they should be preserved intact in the church or churchyard. If. in very special circumstances, permission is sought to recast a cracked bell, the petitioners must put forward adequate proposals for the mounting and display of the crown and inscription band in the church.
(b) Bells dated between 1600 and the middle of the 18 th century should not be recast unless cracked. If it is desired. on special grounds, to recast a bell of this period. information should be sought from the Central Council for the Care of Churches as to the rarity and archaeological value of the bell. This application for advice should be accompanied by a statement of the opinion of the bell founder, as to the musical qualities of the bell. If such bell are allowed to be recast. their inscription should be recast in facsimile on the new bells with the date of recasting added
(c) If a bell cast later than 1750 is permitted to ba recast the old inscription should be reproduced in facsimile on the new bell with the date of recasting added
(d) When estimating for major work on bells. the firms tendering should give the date and founder of each bell in the ring, and any points of special interest. including inscriptions, and the approximate age of the frame
(e) No bells should be rehung. or frames altered. in ancient towers without consultation between the bell founder and an architect skilled in handling such buildings: the application for a faculty should contain a note of the result of such consultation.
(f) When bells earlier than 1600 are rehung, the canons should be retained. If it is desired to remove the canons in a particular case. the position of the bells in the ring the weight of the bells and the condition and decoration of the canons must be taken into account. and the proposal for their removal must be supported by this information.
(g) Mechanical or electrical imitations of bells are to be strongly condemned
(h) Ancient wooden bell frames should be carefully preserved wherever possible if sound and fit for continued use. The decision as to the soundness of the frame for continued service should be hased on the bell founder; advice. in conjunction with that of the architect in charge of the church:
A faculty is required for recasting or rehanging bells, for the addition of new bells to an existing ring. for the sale of bells and for major repairs to a bell frame. Minor works of repair to frames and quarter turning of bells may generally be covered by an Archdeacon's certificate. The Diocesan Advisory Committee must be informed of the proposals and can refer cases of difficulty to the Technical Panel of the Central Council for the Care of Churches
The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, which has members in every diocese, is also prepared to give expert advice on all these matters through their Towers and Belfries Com-
mittee. Application for advice from the Towers and Belfries Committee should be nade to Mr. Fredcrick Sharpe, F.S.A. Derwen.' Launton. Bicester, Oxon.
Moving the adoption of the report. Mr. E. H Lewis said in the last paragraph of the report they would see that two members of the committee (the president and himseln, together with the two bell founders, met the Committee of the Central Council for the Care of Churches 10 see if they could agree on a statement which would modify the statement the Central Council for the Care of Churches had circulated on the retention of old bells. They had a long meeting, and the suggestions of the Central Council for the Care of Churches which they were willing to permit were printed in the appendix to the report. They want the Council to agree to it and have it printed in their handbook. His committee and the Standing Committee did not feel happy about Section (a). They discussed it at some length and pul forward the following slight alteration to see if it was acceptable to the C.C.C.C.

Bells cast earlier than 1600 of archæo logical importance and if sound and of good tone should be preserved intact either incorporated in a ring or hung as single bells. Permission to recast cracked bells or hells of poor tone should be sought only if adequate for mounting and display of the crown and inscription band in the church.
Mr. John Freeman seconded.
The Standing Committee recommended the adoption of the appendix with the substitution of the paragraph Mr. Lewis had read out
The president said it so happened that the Central Council for the Care of Churches was the body which advised diocesan advisory bodies in the country. The Chancellor usually gets the opinion of his own advisory committee.
Mr. R. F. B. Speed: Why do we desire to alter their paragraph?
Mr. E. H. Lewis: We thought the paragraph shown here is not very clear, and also the Four C's' want all bells cast before 1600 preserved intact. We tried to get some concession on that point.
Mr. W. A. Osborn: If you put an old bell in a churchyard as they suggest, it is a short way to lose it.

The President: We did argue with the Dean of Gloucester and we pointed out that it was not always the best place to place an old. cracked bell in the church. In many churches there was not a place where is could be put, and the answer of 'the Four C's' was if there was not room in the church it should go in the churchyard.
Mr. F. B. Lufkin expressed thanks to the committee for their work. A museum was the best place for these old bells, he added
Mr. F. E. Collins thought these old bells should be either in the tower or the melting pot
Mr. Paul Taylor pointed out that if a bell was in a tower it had to be heard in relation o other bells
Mr. A. A. Hughes: If you have a ring of five or six bells in a tower and one is a very bad bell, even if it is 16010 , are you going to let all the other hells suffer by the presence of a very bid bell? I have a feeling that they will accept Mr. Lewis' amendment.
Mr. C. W. Pipe said it seemed to him that the Central Council for the Care of Churches was only interested in bells from the archæological point of view. The parishes were interested in them from the financial view. and to them it seemed a pity that a couple of thousand pounds of metal could not be used. He thought the time had come when the Central Council for the Care of Churches should buy these old bells or compensate the parishes for the value of the bells.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow pointed out that the last word on these old bells was with the Chancellor.

The Rev. John Scott suggested that all information about old bells should be stored. Sometimes it had not been preserved

The President: Messrs. Taylor and Messrs? Mears and Stainbank keep information of all bells they recast. What you have not got is Gillett and Johnston's and other bell founders. The Council agreed to adopt the report with the amendment of Mr. Lewis
The Standing Committee recommended the re-election of the committee with the addition of Mr. Brian Austin and Mr. Brian Threlfall. This was agreed to.

The President said they felt it would be an advantage to have an architect. as since the death of Mr. Young they had not had an architect on the committee. Mr. Austin was an architect and Mr. Threlfall an A.M.I.C.E.

## MINOR METHODS BOOK

METHODS COMMITTEE REPORT
The section of the Minor Methods book which has been holding up its completion is now finished, and so the final draft is, at long last. almost ready.

Our attention was drawn to the naming of certain Surprise Royal methods. As noted in - The Ringing World of February 19th. 1960. we found that the so-called Lyme. Whitwick and Gainsborough Surprise Royals were not extensions of the corresponding Majoi methods which conformed to the accepted Central Council rules for extension.

We ask the Council to confirm our decision that these Royal methods be renamed by the bands than rang them.-K. W. H. Felstead. F. Nolan Golden, C. H. Kippin. C. K. Lewis.

Moving the adoption of the report Mr. Felstead said that they hoped in two or three weeks that the manuscript of the Minor Book would be in the hands of the librarian. The hold-up had been in the spliced section. The second point about extension had already been answered.

Mr. C. K. Lewis seconded the adoption.
Mr. Brian Warwick said whilst he was not happy about renaming Lyme and Whitwick, as the Leicester Guild was a member of the Central Council they would be renamed. Why did these two methods not conform to rules?
The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead: That is a difficult question to answer without notice. Those who know the Methods Committee report on extension will agree with us. The fact that the methods have been renamed solves the whole matter.
Mr. C. K. Lewis: If Mr. Warwick cares to write to me I will give him the answer.

Mr. John Mayne said the study of method extension was a complicated affair. It was up o the ringing fraternity either to understand the report or subntit the extension to someone who did.
Mr. Mayne also advocated the selection of suilable names for new methods. There were a lot of unsuitable names now being used.
Mr. E. H. Lewis: What is the opinion of the Methods Committee on Major methods which have double ohanges and Royal methods with triple changes?

The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead said there were two things he might say, and he thought a personal opinion came in rather than a mathematical reason. In the new Minor Book they were not including Minor methods where four bells were lying in a pair of rows. They would also not do it in the Major book.

Mr. C. K. Lewis said at Easthourne he said he did nol like it and he was rather shouted down. He still held that view. "We don't want to make ourselves a straight-jacket of rules. The Exercise depends on the good taste of the
people who ring. The people who ring these four methods will gradually realise what rubbish they were.

The president asked what the position was in regard to Gainsborough Bob Royal.
The hon. secretary said when the committee considered this question and the Leicester Guild were prepared to rename Lyme and Whitwick it was decided to approach the band to rename the method. He suggested that it should be left to him to take such action.
The report was then adopted. The president in thanking the committee said it ras stated last night that there were years of work ahead of them.
The Standing Committee recommended that the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead and Mr. C. K. Lewis be re-elected to the committee, and Mr . F . T. Blagrove in the place of Mr. C. H. Kippin who was not now a memher of the Council. This was agreed 10 , together with the addition of Mr. John Mayne. who was proposed by Mr P. A. Corby.

## CONVENORS OF COMMITTEES

The committee elected the following convenors: 'Ringing World: J. F. Smallwood; Literature and Press, $\dot{C}$. $\mathbf{E}$. Shepherd: Biographies, A. C. Hazelden: Peal Boards. J. W. Clarke: Broadcasting and Television, H. J. Sanger: Records, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher: Peals Analysis, W. Ayre: Peal Collection, W. E. Critchley: Sunday Service Survey, N. Chad dock: Towers and Belfries, F. Sharpe; Methods, Rev. K. W. H. Felstead.

The following were elected to the Standing Committee: Mrs. Staniforth. Miss M. R. Cross, Messrs. R. S. Anderson. W. B. Cartwright. P. A. Corby, F. E. Dukes, P. J. Staniforth, C. K Lewis, J. Freeman, F. I. Hairs, T. J. Lock and J. T. Dyke.

## ALTERATION OF RULES

Mr. R. S. Anderson moved the following amendment of rules
To add the following new Rule 2 and renumber the existing Rules 2 to 18 at 3 to 19 respectively.
. The Council shall:-
(i) Use its best endeavours to guard the rights and generally promote the welfare of the Exercise both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of church work.
(ii) Encourage and assist the development of the Art in its scientific. mathematical and historical branches.
(iii) Arbitrate so far as may be deemed advisable in such matters of dispute or perplexity as shall be submitted to its judgmen.
Mr. Anderson said the Council should add to its rules a statement of aims and objects. These were the foundation of the Council, and whilst each affiliated Association was required to subscribe to the rules they were not asked to subscribe to what, in the opinion of his Associalion, was its aims and objects.
Mr. E. A. Barnett formally seconded.
Mr. Vernon Bottomley moved an amendment of the deletion of the words guard the rights. The Rev. John Scott seconded, and remarked that they should be a body for encouraging things. The amendment would read. To use its hest endeavours generally to promote the welfare of the Exercise.
Mr. C. K. Lewis said he did not like to lamper with a thing that had stood the test of 70 years. These were the aims they had in 1890, and even if simes had changed they should stand. They had certain rights as Church officers, and for historical reasons he would deplore any change. Let them keep something
of Sir Arthur Heywood's original intention. He was very much against altering rules without considerable thought, and here they were interfering with one of the foundations of the Exercise.

The amendment was defeated and the motion was carried

## A QUESTION OF QUORUM

Mr . Anderson then moved a second alteration as follows: To amend Rule 14 (Procedure at Meetings) by inserting the words representing Territorial Society between the words "Twenty members' and 'shall.'

The rule to read:-
At the meetings of the Council the president or vice-president shall take the chair, and in the event of their absence the members present shall elect a chairman for that meeting. The chairman shall have a casting vote. Twenty members representing Territorial Societies shall form a quorum
Mr. Anderson said a quorum could consist of honorary and life members, as they had 24 honorary and seven life members. Until that morning they had eight non-territorial Associations, and now they had admitted another, These non-territorial Associations consist of members who were members of territorial Associations.

The hon. secretary formally seconded.
Mr. Brian Threlfall said the proposal was to reate first class and second class members.
Mr. G. W. Fletcher said for 70 years they had worked well with representative members and honorary members, and recently they had had life members, but they were all members of the Council. He was against the alteration.
Mr. D. Beresford asked what would happen about territorial representation segarding London County and the Middlesex or the Sheffield and District and the Yorkshire.

Dr. Layton said he did not think ringing was something associated exclusively with territorial Associations.
The alteration to rules was not accepted.

## PEALS FOR ASSOCIATIONS

Mr. D. A. Bayles moved the following motion.

This Council reaffirms the principle that a peal may not be credited to more than. one affiliated Society. It accordingly instructs the Editor of "The Ringing World" and affiliated Societies to keep their records in ine with the Council's Peals Analysis, adopting the procedure laid. down in the Council's Handhook of 1956 .
Mr. Bayles said the motion was not to solve the vexed question of when a peal was rung by a non-resident band. It was only that it should be credited to one Association. In cricket and football a player at the time could only represent one ream. This principle had been recognised by the Central Council for many years, and it was in the rules and decisions of 1893. It was desirable when a hand of ringers meet to ring a peal that they should decide to which Society it should be credited and that in future no peal should he under more than one Association. That principle was also set out in the Handbook of 1956.

In 1947 there were iwo peals, both in the reports of the Durham and Newcastle and the Yorkshire, alihough they were published in "The Ringing World ' as only for the Durham and Newcasile. 'The Ringing World' was under the direction of the Central Council and instructions could be given to the Editor: instructions could not he given to the late Mr. J. S. Goldsmith.

Mr. W. Ayre formally seconded.
The Standing Committee considered the motion and decided to make no recommendation. (Continued next page)

## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

Mr. W. Ayre said their practice had been where two Associations were named to take the first name.

Mr. W. L. Critchley considered Mr. Bayles was making rather "a storm in a teacup." It did not matter in the slightest degree what appeared in the two reports so long as the Peals Analysis Committee counted the peal as one. He also strongly objected to the suggestion that the Council instructed the Associations what they included in their reports.
Mr. F. B. Lufkin objected to an instruction to the Editor. He thought "The Ringing World should be run by the committee.

Mr. G. W. Fletcher suggested the word invites ' instead of 'instructs.'
Mr. P. A. Corby said since this did not involve any administrative difficulty either to "The Ringing World or the Peals Analysis Committee he could see no particular purpose in the motion. He moved that the matter be left on the table.
Mr. John Freeman seconded, and this was agreed to by the Council.

THE NEXT MEETING
The hon. secretary reported that the Council had received an invitation to visit Stoke-onTrent next year, and also one for Great Yarmouth. The Standing Committee Linanimously decided to recommend Stoke-on-Trent.

Mr. R. S. Anderson, on behalf of the North Staffordshire Association, extended to the Council a warm welcome to visit Stoke-on-Trent in its jubilee year. Whilst they could not give them sea bathing or a seat on the beach, they could offer them some very charming country.

The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow said the invitation to Yarmouth came not from Yarmouth hut from the Norwich Diocesan Association.

Mr. E. H. Lewis seconded the resolution in favour of Stoke-on-Trent, which was accepted by the Council.

## RECORD LENGTH ATTEMPTS

The hon. secretary drew attention that in record length attempts notice should be given 10 the Association holding the record length. That had not been done in two recent successes. The president expressed the hope that this should be borne in mind.

## ADDRESS OF LIBRARIAN

The Rev. John Scolt asked that the name and address of the Librarian should appear in - The Ringing World.

The Librarian asked members and others who had books out on loan to notify him.

A vote of thanks to the president for presiding was proposed by Mr. H. Rogers.

## VOTES OF THANKS

The president moved a vole of thanks to the Mayor of Folkestone for his welcome: to the Bishop of Tonbridge for his welcome and being the celebrant at the Corporate Communion: to Canon Hough for the use of his church: to Messrs. A. Berry, J. R. Cooper, C. T. Hillis and Phillimore for the fine local arrangements and for peal attempts; to incumbents and tower keepers for churches visited.

The resolution was carried with acclamation.
Mr. John Willis thanked the Council for the vote of thanks.

## THE RECEPTION

A civic reception was held in the sun lounge of Leas Cliffe Hall, when the members of the Council and their ladies were received by the Mayor of Folkestone (Ald. F. W. Archer) and hospitably entertained by the Corporation.

The Mayor in his welcome expressed his pleasure that the Council meeting had gone extremely well. He understood that one of the things ringers were famous for was their ' underground grape-vine. He hoped by that means they would tell their friends what a wonderful place Folkestone was. [Applause.]
'A real hearty thank you' was expressed to the Mayor and the Corporation by the president.
The usual social evening concluded the day at the headquarters, the Princes Hotel.

His many friends will be sorry to know that Mr. Fred Burnett, tower captain of Portsmouth Cathedral has had to enter hospital for an operation. We all hope he will be ringing again shortly, letters will be forwarded from c/o 20, Haslar Road, Gosport.

## A TRAGIC BALLAD

Dedicated
with deepest respect
Two Societies,
the one Ancient and the other Royal.
Tune: 'Vilikins and his Dinah.'
It is of an old gent that I'll have you to know Who rang at St. Paul's and at Cornhill also.
He lived all alone with young William his son Who was promising well, though not yet forty-

Singing toorali-oorali-oorali-ay. [one,
One evening the father admonished young Will,

- You must come down to practice tonight at Cornhill,
For afore you reach seventy, if no ill befalls,
1 believe I could get you a ring at St. Paul's.'
Singing, \&e.
- O Father, dear Father,' young William replied,
- I can't tell you lies, though you know how I've tried.
I've promised tonight-and I mean to be there-
For to ring at St. Martin's in Trafflegar Square.' Singing, \&c.
- My son, do not darken the door of that sower,

You never shall ring with that horrible shower,
You'll change your mind quickly and avoid the disgrace
When I tell you it's Cumberlands ring in that place.:

## Singing, \&c.

Says William, 'A young lady ringer I've met.
And on her my affections most firmly are set
Your rooted objections to me are no barrier,
For I love her, dear father, and I'm going to marry er.

Singing, \&c.
'Now William,' says Father, 'just listen to me,
If you must persist, then cut off you will be.
And when I pass out, and am laid in the dust. I shall leave all my cash to the Barron Bell Trust.:

## Singing, \&c.

'I've rung all my life, and I still must insist
That what you're describing can't never exist :
I've heard people tell that there's women what ring.
But a lady-why no. boy, there ain't no such thing.

Singing, \&ec.
Next month they was married, this couple so bold,
And the poor father's grief was a sight 10
[behold:
His brain is quite gone, the psychiatrist thinks,
For he even goes wrong in three courses of Cinques.

Singing. \&c.
Now Bill and his bride. I am glad to relate,
They could not escape from the vengeance of Fate:
By poverty pressed, their possessions they sell.
And to fly from their creditors in Devon they dwell.

Singing, \&c.
And there they are forced to go up in the tower, And ring rounds and call-changes hour by
|hour;
But even that fate ain't as bad as it sounds,
For they might live in Cornwall, and only ring rounds.

Singing. \&c.
(First perpetrated before members of the Central Council. Folkestone. 1960. The person responsible forgot the seventh verse, and has here added it: but it is stoutly maintained that the verse was omitted through lapse of memory and not through fear of reprisals. Anyway, the author is not responsible for the views of William's father, now is he?)

The 50 methods Spliced rung in hand referred to in Belfry Gossip (page 432) were in Plain and Little methods and not Surprise as was inadvertently stated.

## LETTERS

## DEVON GUILD AND PEAL LEVY

Dear Sir.-In your report to the Central Council's debate on 'The Ringing World. Committee's report, you quote me as saying that the Devon Guild were very disappointed that a peal levy was not introduced. Either I failed to make myself clear or you misheard me.
What the Guild of Devonshire Ringers are disappointed about is this: Last year, at Southport, the subject of a peal levy was raised and received enough support to make many members feel it was worth continuing with. The Guild of Devonshire Ringers instituted such a levy of their own and hoped that the Central Council would adopt the idea for the Exercise as a whole. But 'The Ringing World' Committee and the Standing Committee, by raising the price of the paper. decided the matter in favour of a section of the Council of unknown numerical strength, although it was known that the matter was likely to be raised at Folkestone and a motion put before the Council.
Now that the paper is out of the financial wood for the time being, it is obvious that the matter will have to rest for the moment: but next time we hope that the Standing Committee will try to find out the Council's views by a vote before taking a step of this kind.- Yours,

Clawton Vicarage,
Holdsworthy.

## TWO CORRECTIONS

Dear Sir.-Your necessarily abbreviated account of the early part of the Council meeting in the issue of June 17th gives a slightly wrong impression in one or two places, and I should be glad if you would allow me to correct these.
On page 419 , it was not the intention that the secretary of the Devon Guild should write to the Devon Association but that I should, and this has in fact been done. The Association has not asked to be considered for membership of the Council but merely inquired whether, if they should apply, they would be considered.

On the same page, only part of the cash in hand remaining after the postal subscriptions in advance represents the Clement Glenn Fundabout $£ 8(0)$. The other $£ 500$ is from various different sources.
In the Standing Committee report it was stated that at the meeting on November 7th the committee also decided to increase the price of the paper, not only the advertisement rate.
While writing, may I ask the ringer who inquired of me about the Barron Bell Trust if he would write to me, as unfortunately ! can't recall who he was-Yours faithfully,
E. A. BARNETT, Hon. Secretary.

Crayford. Kent.

## MR. A. H. COCKS

Dear Sir, -With reference to the minutes of the Central Council's meeting at Folkestone as published in last Friday's issue of "The Ringing World: it appears that a case of mistaken identity has occurred.
The Mr. A. H. Cocks who wrote "The Church Bells of Buckinghamshire died in -Yours faithfully, D. G. WHEELER
Ayleshury. Bucks.
FIRST PEAL OF MINOR AT BRILL
Dear Sir.-I have read Mr. R. E. Price's letter in your issue of June $17 \mathrm{th}, 1960$, and I regret that I should have claimed (falsely) that my peal at Brill on May 14th was the first of Minor on the bells. I hope that he and the rest of the band who rang a 7 -method peal of Minor there on July 9th. 1949. will accept my apologies. I did make careful inquiries before putting forward my claim. and I was informed that the recent peal of Doubles in the same tower was the first peal there.
For those who keep records, may I now amend the footnote to the May $14 t \mathrm{~h}, 1960$, peal to read. First peal of Minor in more than seven methods on the bells.'-Yours faithfully, Oxford.

ALAN R. PINK.
We are pleased to learn that Mr. F. Nolan Golden is making satisfactory progress after his oneration and hopes to leave hospital very soon.

## REDEDICATION

## HANNEY, OXON

Saturday, June 18th, was a most important day in the life of the twin villages of East and West Hanney. lying in the Vale of the White Horse, just to the west of the WantageOxford main road. On this day the tower and rehung bells were rededicated by the Right Rev. E. H. Knell, Bishop of Reading.
The Church of St. James the Great, at West Hanney is probably by reason of ins situation in a village $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from a main road. not as well known as it deserves to be. It is a fine cruciform structure of stone. mainly of early English (13th century) character, although the chancel is late perpendicular (early 16 th century). The north (ransept is entered from the nave through a transitional Norman (circa 1170) arch (now blocked), and this transept forms the base of the tower and provides a roomy cool and lofty ririging chamber. One wonders how many churches can boast a ringing chamber with a 14th century piscina, indicating its former use as a chapel.
The perpendicular upper portion of the embatuled tower became unsafe (possibly accentuated by the battering it received fron a moving bell frame! earlier in the present century and had to oe taken down, and a temporary corrugated iron roof was placed over the bells. which also became unringable. This roof in turn hecame dilapidated and the villages made a determined effort to renovate the tower and rehang the bells
The work has cost several thousands of pounds and a large, debt still remains to be discharged but the bells are ringing again after a silence it is said of 27 years. The upper structure of the tower. though still temporary. has a slate roof. and this work was in the hands of the Diocesan architect. Mr. G. W Judd. A.R.I.B.A. Messrs. John Taylor and Co. were responsible for the new frame and the rehanging of the bells which go perfectly. A piece of the old bell frame, worm-eaten and bearing the date 1605 together with other inscriptions can be seen in the north porch.
A large congregation turned up to welcome the Bishop. The service was simple in character and when the time arrived for the dedication ceremony, the clergy in procession were followed out in the sunny churchyard there to hear the dedication prayers read by the Bishop. As the clergy and congregation returned to the church the bells were rung in rounds by a band which included two local ringers and also Miss M. R. Cross, general secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. At the conclusion of the service, and while the Bishop and clergy and congregation walked across to the Manor House there to enjoy light refreshments served on the lawn (a special tea of larger proportions was available for ringers in the spacious Manor House kitchen). a picked band rang three courses of Bob Minor to show off the fine sonorous qualities of these bells with their 17 cwt . tenor.
Ringers were present from Oxford. Radley. Wantage. Blewbury, East Ilsley. Reading. Hinton. Waldrist. etc.. and good use was made of the bells. A new local band will have to be taught. but there is plenty of interest. The bells are rather too noisy at present. but the architect (himself a ringer) is aware of the necessity for providing sound deadening material.
Another tower has been rescued from decay: long may the hells continue to send out their message Sunday by Sunday
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## LYMINGE NOT LYMPE

Dear Sir.-Unless Lympe have had two more hells added to their six, I think the touch of Grandsire Triples (Belfry Gossip. June 171h) look place at Lyminge. The ringers were Mr and Mrs. Staniforth, Mr. and Mrs. Corby and Andrew Corby, my grandmother. Mrs. F. I. Hairs, my mother and myself.-Yours faithfully,

## Crayford, Kent.

JEAN F, BARNETT.

The name of Mr. F. J. Cullum (Society of Royal Cumberland Youths) should be added to the list of new members presented to the president at the Central Council meeting.

## MISS EDITH LOMAS

Miss E. Lomas. of the Devonshire Guild, passed away on June 2nd after a long illness (some nine years). During this time she had many operations but stili kept ringing whenever well enough until approximately two years ago when she had to give up because of her health.
She began ringing in 1924 at Whimple. where she was a ringer for 20 years, many of them as leader (at one time it was an all ladies band there). She was also secretary of the Exeter Branch of the Devonshire Guild for a time.
In 1944 she joined the Clyst Honiton band of ringers and it was here that she rang her only two peals. both of Grandsire Triples. by the local sunday service band. Last year she was made an hon. life member of the Devonshire Guild. and in 1958 an honorary member of the Ladies' Guild. She was for over 30 years secretary at Hele School, Exeter.
The funeral took place at St. Mary's Church. Whimple. on June 4th, conducted by Preb. E. V. Cox (president of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers), assisted by the Rev. H. T. Robins. Rector of Whimple. The bearers were Messrs. J. Salway. D. Callard. E. E. Retter and G. E. Retter. all fellow members of Clyst Honiton band. Included in the large congregation were the Rev. H. V. Christie (vicar of Clyst Honiton and chairman of the Aylesbeare Deanery branch of the Devonshire Guild), Miss A. Christie and Mrs. G. E. Retter (Clyst Honiton ringers). Mr. J. L. S. Glanville (Ringing Master. Aylesbeare Deanery Branch). and also Mr. and Mrs. W. Panter, representing Sowton ringers

In the evening a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Clyst Honiton, by her fellow ringers: Miss A. Christie 1. J. Salway 2. Mrs. G. E. Retter 3. D. Callard 4. E. E. Retter 5. Mrs. G. E. Retter (cond.) 6, A. Holway 7, E. R. Retter 8.

## MR. R. J. GARD

While driving his employer's van on June 14th Mr. Reginald John Gard (45). of Yatton. collapsed and died in a nearby house. His sudden death caused a profound shock in the parish.
He had been a member of the church all his life-first as a choir boy and for over 30 years as a ringer. His rule was when he rang for service to attend before returning home-an example many could follow. Sympathy is extended to his widow, son and daughter.
The funeral took place at Yatton on June 18th. the service being conducted by Preb. G. A. Buckley, Vicar, assisted by Mr. H. A. Price. lay reader and captain of the ringers, in the presence of a large congregation.

Following the internment in the churchyard. 1.260 Grandsire Triples was rung halfmuffied by T. A. Price 1. H. W. Knight 2. M. O. Davis 3. R. H. Brice 4. E. A. Price 5.
D. E. Vowles 6. H. A. Price (cond.) 7. J. K. D. E. Vo
H. A. P.

## MR. W. S. LANGDON

The funeral service for Mr. W. S. Langdon. whose death was reported on page 431. took place on June 20th at Wandsworth Cemetery. On the Friday previous the coffin was received at Westminster Abbey by the Dean. who conducted it to St. George's Chapel. where prayers were said. It was left there for the prayers were shered by the Abbey pall.

At the funeral service ringers present were Messrs. H. Langdon. T. H. Taffender. H. Belcher. D. Randall. F. Udall, J. G. A. Prior
(representing the Ancient Society). W. (representing the Ancient. Society). W.
Rawlings. R. Mackrill and H. N. Pitstow. The whole pull and stand and a course of Grandsire Triples were rung at the graveside by Messrs. H. Langdon. T. H. Taffender, H. N. Pitstow and J. G. A. Prior.

## MR. N. D. SMITH

We regret to announce the death of Mr N. D. Smith. of Great Staughton. Hunts, at the County Hospital on June 12 hh, after an operation. A ringer at Great Staughton for over 50 years. he was also for many years a member of the P.C.C. While not a peal ringer. he would occasionally take part in a quarter peal. Until prevented by failing health he was a very regular service ringer. In his younger days Nel? was a regular attendant at meetings and was well known in the surrounding districts.

The funeral service was held in Great Staughton on June 16 h , before cremation at Bedford. On the following Tuesday 1.260 Grandsire Doubles was rung half-muffled by J. S. Spicer 1. F. W. Lack (cond.) 2, Lucy Allen 3. H. S. Peacock 4, J. W. Allen 5 F. Recve 6.
F. W. L.

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> HALF-DAY OUT

We did not have to go out of the county to spend an enjoyable half-day's outing on May 28th. By car, van and motor bike we travelled first to High Ercall. a typically quiet Shropshire village. Ringing here was made more difficult by the long draught and the anti-clockwise circle. A touch of Stedman Triples came to an untimely end when the treble rope draped itself snake-like round its ringer's shoulder.

Tibberton, a little five-bell tower, provided much interest. Since the bells were reputed to be unringable and uncared for we were pleasantly surprised to find a clean and tidy belfry. Two main difficulties. though: the ropes were yards too long, and whoever rang the third had the choice of falling over hackwards down the trap door. which had no door. or turning his back on the rest of the company. In addition. the second seemed to have no stay -the bell went straight over after we had pulled it up. Two on the rope brought it back again. and we rang Grandsire and Plain Bob fairly successfully.

More ringers joined us at Chetwynd, where we rang various Minor methods. did some canvassing for the Association, and sold copy of the C.C.'s 'Learners' Handbook. After a break for tea. on to Newport where a misunderstanding over time left us only twenty minutes on this pleasant eight. Here the Sheriff Hales ringers turned out in force to see us ring, as did some Newport lads. - Learners' Handbooks' sold like hot cakes.

Finally, Edgmond, a glorious ground-floor six that simply pleads for two more trebles There is already a frame for eight. The Edgmond band is largely self-taught, and have made so much progress with change-ringing that they have already attempted two quarter peals. We stayed from seven until nine and rang most methods in the book, and some that aren't in the book.

Thanks are due to drivers who shared their cars and motor bikes for the occasion, to al - locals ' who met us. and to all incumbents who put up with us.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Good use was made of the fine ring of bells at Bridlington Priory at the annual meeting of the Eastern District, which was attended by over 30 ringers. representing 16 towers. Canon Lamb conducted the service and this was fol lowed by tea

The vice-president (Mr. A. E. Sellers) presided at the business meeting, when members stood in silence in memory of Mr. A. B. Cook Two new members were elected-Mr. H. F Gibson, of Sutton-on Hull, and Mr. T. E Darley, of Hemingbrough. Elections for a period of three years were: Mr. A. E. Sellers vice-president: Messrs. L. Rodmell, F. W. Dale and J. A. Parker, District committee; Mr. L Rodmell. general committee. Next meeting October 1st, York, subject to permission.

## NOTICES

## Scale of Charges

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## BIRTH

LATCHFORD - On June 22nd. 1960. to Pamela (nee Martin). wife of Derek E. Latchford. of Bottisham. Cambs, a son. Mark Edward 6228

## RETURN THANKS

The family of the late William Wenban return sincere thanks for letters of sympathy and floral tributes received in their recent bereavement.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Will all ringing friends please note that Mr. Patrick J. Bird's home address is now 27. Moorland Road. Weston-Super-Mare John A. Underwood. 123. Church Lane Whitwick. Leics. will be moving to 40. Deans way. Chesham. Bucks. on July 2nd, 1960. 6196

## PERSONAL

HOW shall we escape. if we neglect so great salvation: (Heb, ii. 3)
MARRIAGE THRO' SOCIAL INTRODUC TIONS. -The only social service of its kind enjoying the warm approval of both Clergy and Press. It is completely confidential and operates throughout Great Britain. Interesting free brochure under plain sealed cover from The Bournemouth Bureau, 176, Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth.

## HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

BOURNEMOUTH.-Close sea; full board, 25s. 6d.; bed/breakfast. 17s. 6d. Daily bookings (part board) accepted. Frec parking. Breakfast 8.30 , dinner 1, high tea 5.30 , refreshments 10 p.m.-PRICE, 9. Fisherman's Avenue. Bournemouth. Tel. 46005.

## MISCELLANEOUS

ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS. - No ringing until further notice owing to church repairs. 6200
TEIGNMOUTH. S. DEVON - Sunday ringing at St. Michaels. on the sea-front. at 8.15 p.m. for the 9 p.m. holiday-makers ${ }^{\circ}$ service. during the summer. in addition to the usual ringing at $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
CANADA, VANCOUVER. BRITISH
COLUMBIA.-The ringers at Holy Rosary Cathedral, in the heart of Vancouver City, welcome all visiting ringers. Practice night, Tuesdays at 8.30 . Sunday ringing at $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Check by phoning Mrs. Bodie. AMherst 6-4369. Visitors wishing to ring at Mission City, phone Mr. Collins. MUtual 5-5675.
PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS. minimum 12 in set, price 6 s .6 d . post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

## MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch. - Second quarterly meeting. Gawsworth (8). Suturday. July 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 28th. please. to H . C. Lonyon. 8. Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. Frequent buses
Macclesfield-Congleton route.
6100
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly gencral meeting. Fairfield (8). Saturday, July and. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Committee 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5 n.m. Chelmorton (a new ring of 5 available in he evening).

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bridge District.-An evening meeting will be held at Melhourne. on Saturdav. July and. Bells $(6)$ from 6 p.m.-E. W. Bullman. 616t

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District -Meeting, Stebbing, Saturday, July 2nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. A. Little, Cowlands Farm Cottage. Stebbing. 6128
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.W. District Quarterly meeting. Ingrave, July 2nd. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Brentwood (8) will also be available from 7 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss N. Jeffery, 45, Brentwood Road, Ingrave. MEDICAI RINGERS - 6126 ing July 2nd: Henstridge (6) 11.30 a.m.. Sherborne Abbey (8) 1.30 p.m.. Shillingstone (6) 2.45 . Blandford Forum (8) 3.30. Wareham (8) 5.15 . Dinner Wareham $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names to Dr. C. T. Brown. 14A. North Street. Wareham. GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnham District.-Meeting at Farnborough (6), Saturday, July 2 nd, from 2.30 p.m. Service
4.30. Tea, $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (Note change from provisional 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. (Note change from provisional programme.)
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION 6149 Watford District.-Elstree (6), July 2nd. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION- 6156 Northern District.-Quarterly meeting at Knebworth. Saturday, July 2nd, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. 6144 Western District.-Meeting at Flamstead, Saturday. July 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. July 5th. to Mr. E. Smith. Rose Cottage, Flamstead. -J. Good. Dis Sec. 6145 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge District.-Meeting on Saturday, July 2nd, at Hawkhurst. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.) 5 p.m.
LADIES' GUILD.-Annual general meeting at Bath, on Saturday, July 2nd. Bells available: St. Michael with St. Paul, Broad Street, 10-11 a.m.; Twerton 11-12 noon; St. Mark's 2-3 p.m. : Ábbey $2.30-3.30$; St. Mary, Bathwick 7-7.30; All Saints, Weston $7.30-8.30$; Corston from 7 p.m. Committee meeting 1 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall. Service, Bath Abbey, 3.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting, St. Mary's
Church Hall. 4.15 p.m. Church Hall. 4.15 p.m.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Oxford, on Saturday. July 2nd. Service at Christ Church 11 a.m. Annual meeting in the Chapter House 12 noon. Lunch in Christ Church dining hall $1.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Luncheon tickets 6 s . Application for tickets. accompanied by remittance. must reach Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge. Church Lane. Wexham. Slough. Bucks, not later than Tuesday. June 28th Ringing arrangements as on agenda. - M. R. Cross. Hon. Gen. Sec. 6091 ST. MARTIN'S GUILD. BIRMINGHAM. -Quarterly meeting. Shirley (8). July 2nd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. 6157 SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting at South Anston, on Saturday. July 2nd. at 3 p.m.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Quarterly meeting at Windsor Parish Church, Saturday, July 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in Parish Hall. Trains from Waterloo or Paddington. Green Line routes Nos. 704. 705. 718 and 725. 6201 SOUTH WALES NOMADS.-Ringing festival. July 2nd. opening the Panteg Restoration Fund. Mathern 10 a.m.. Penhow 11. Nash 12 noon. Llanfrechfa 2 p.m.. Panteg 3 (service 4. refreshments). Llangibby 5.30. Caerleon 6.30 p.m. Everyone welcome. 6064 Northern Division.-Practice meeting. Saturday. July 2 nd. Lower Beeding (8) 3 p.m. Tea ONLY to those who notify by Wednesday June 29 hh. Mr. A. G. Chilmaid. 14. Church Close. Lower Bceding. 6148 SUFFOLK GUILD-S.W. District-Meet ing at Stratford St. Mary (6), Saturday, July 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for teal to Mr. W. Bailey. Squirrels Hall Cottage. Stratford St. Mary, Colchester. Essex. Higham (6) available after tea.-R. J. Seabrook. WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Annual general meeting. July 2nd. Whitchurch. Hants. Meeting 2.30 p.m. in Church Hall. Service 4.30 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Numbers for tea hy June 281 h . at latest, 10 Mr . E. W. Dance, Bere Hill Farm. Whitchurch. Bells availahle: East Woodhay 8.30-9.30 a.m. Woolton Hill $9-10$. Burghclere $9.30-10.30$.

Highclere 10-11. Tangley 10.30-11.30. Andover Basingstoke (St. Michael) and Wonston, all 11-12 noon. Abbots Ann 11.30-12.30 p.m.. Barton Stacey. Basingstoke (All Saints) and Goodworth Clatford, all 12-1. Longparish 12.30-1. St. Marybourne. Hurstbourne Priors and Overton, all 1-2. Whitchurch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9, Laverstoke 6-7. Overton 6.30-7.30. Deane 7-8. Kingsclere $7.30-9$ p.m.Roger Savory, Hon. Gen. Sec.

6136
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday. July 4th. at 7 p.m. 6207

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNewark District-Evening Practice. Elston. Thursday. July 7th. Bells 7.30 p.m. Methods: Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob. Cambridge and Wells Surprise.-W. L. Exton, Hon. Sec.

6193
BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY. Meeting. Darton. near Barnsley. Saturday. July 9 th. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.-J. W. Buxton.

6174
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONBath Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Bathampton. July 9 th-usual arrangements. Names for tea to F. Gooding, 2. Rase Cottages. Bathampion. -Alan Lee.

6160
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Bridgwater Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Chedzoy. July 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Please notify -R. Short. Chilton Trinity, 6188 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Dunster Branch.-Quarterly meeting it Dulverton. July 9th. Tea for number notified by 6th-A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec. 6217 Frome Branch-Quarterly meeting. Farmborough. Saturday. July 9th. Usual arrange-ments.-E. Chivers. Chilcompton. 6197 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Chester Branch.-Meeting. Malpas. Safurday. July 9th Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m Numbers for tea before Thursday. July 7th please. to Mr Richard Harrison. Holly Cottage. Church Street. Malpas. Cheshire,CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Grappenhall Branch.-A meeting will be held at Lymm on Saturday. July 9th. Bells (8) 3-5 p.m.-C. Raddon.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-Meeting at Salford Priors (8). Saturday. July 9 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome. especially if you send your names for tea to P. A. Oram. 15 Henley Road. Leamington (phone 8388). 6215 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Chesterfield District.-Monthly meeting. Dronfield. 3 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.. July 9 th. Names for tea by July 7th. to G. N. Goodall. 6. Elm Tree Crescent. Dronfield.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. Meeting at Penn. Saturday, July 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea followed by business meeting $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by July 6th. to Miss A. Croft. 7. Buttons Farm Road. Penn. 6205

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION - Eastern District-Jarrow (St. Peter). Saturday. July 9 h. 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. July 6th. to Mr. E. Stenton. 34. Wansbeck Road. Jarrow. 6189 EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Meeting at Mayfield. July 9ith. Burgess Hill not available. Names for tea early. to W. Kitchenside. 3 South Street. Mayfield.-C. A. Bassett. 6208 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Meeting at Stretham. Saturday, July 9 h . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec. ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch.-Mceting at Brinkworth (6). Saturday, July 9th, Names for lea to Rev. G. Wallis. Brinkworth. Chippenham. Wilts.
GUILDFORD Leatherhead District.-Meeting at Cohham and Stake D'Abernon. on Saturday, July 9th. Bells (hoth lowers) from ? p.m. until 9 p.m. Service 4.30 at Cobham. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Church Room. Numbers for lea by July 6ih. to Mrs. Thornton. 59. Hogsmill Lane. Cobham. 6152

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Maidstone District.-Quarterly meeting at West Malling. July 9 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Carter, - The Ringers' ' West Malling.

LADIES GUILD.-Midland District.Meeting at Derby, July 9th, is cancelled. 6229 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Furness and Lake District Branch.- Mceting Langdale, Holy Trinity, Saurday, July 9th. 2.30 p.m. Name to F. Birkett. Braegarth. Elterwater, near Ambleside. Westmorland.-N. M. Newhy. 6195
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting at Broughton, Saturday,
July 9 h. Bring own food. A6 road. Buses 130 . July 9 ih. Bring own food. A6 road. Buses 1300 140. 150. etc.. also P2 from Preston town
centre to Lighifoot Lane.-L. Walmsley. 6209 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Rochdale Branch.-Meeting July 9th. at Todmorden Unitarian Church. NOTE CHANGE. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea available.-Hudson, Sec.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. -

 Quartorly general meeting at Market Harhorough. Juhy 9(h. Bells available: Market Harhorough (8) $3-4.30$ p.m.. Luhenham (5), Great Oxendon (5) and Great Bowden (6) 6.30-7.30. Service Market Harborough 4.30, followed by tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Names for tea by July 6th. to Mr. F. Wallington, 118. St. Mary's Road. Market Harborough Leics.--B. U. Warwick. Hon. Gen. Sec. 6153LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Bigby (6). July yth. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by July 6th. to Canon H. Thackray, Bighy Rectory, Barnethy, Lincs.

6164
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-N. and E. District-Joint meeting with the HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION (SL. Albans District) at St. Mary's. North Mymms. on Saturday, July 9 th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. Tea in the Memorial Hall 4.30, followed by evening ringing. St. Etheldredas. Hatfield, bells also avaulable 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. Names for tea must he sent to Mrs. Lock 57. Holloways Lane. North Mymms. Hatfield Herts. (Hatfield 2866). 6171
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION-Ringing meetrng. Saturday, July 9th. Dithorne Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5 . Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 6ih. 10 the Rev. G. E. Weaver, Dilhorne Vicarage, Stoke-en-Trent. Eccleshall hells not available. 6210

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch.-Meeting. Happisburgh. July 9 th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 6th. please, to Mr. G. Larter. 2 School Common Road. Lower Happishurgh. Norwich. 6150
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury
Branch.-Annual meesing at Banhury (10). Saturday. July 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 Tea and business 4.45 p.m. Names for lea by July Sth. to Fi. L. Roper. Adderbury, Banbury

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDDaventry Branch.-Meeting Willoughby. Saturday. July 9 h . Names for tea by Monday previous. to Mr. G. Hancock. Brookside. Willoughby. Rughy.-F. W. Hancock. 6204
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Thrapston Branch.- Quarterly meeting Sudborough. July 9 th. Usual arrangements. Names for leas hy Tuesday previous. please.-L. Witten. 4. John Street. Thrapston. Kettering. Northants.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Meeting at Tong ( 6 ). July 9 th. 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 6ih. to Rev. D. B. Skelding. The Vicarage, Tong. Shifnal. 6194 SOUTHWELE DIOCESAN GUILD Newark District.-Meeting at East Bridgford,
Saturday. July 9th. Bells 230 p.m. Service 4.30.

Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea must be forwarded by Tuesday previous. 10 Mr . J. Higgs, Cherryholt Lane, East Bridgford, Nottingham.-W. L. Exton.

6125
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -
Western Division.-Practice meeting on July Western Division.-Practice meeting on July
9 ih. will be at Westhourne and not Easebourne as proposed. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys. Greystones, Saltbell Road. Fishbourne. near Chichester. 6219
SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District. -Practice meeting at Brandon (6). June 9th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.-A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 6152
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD-Alton and Petersfield District--Quarterly meeting. July 9ith. Alton (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Numbers for teu by fith to C. E. Bassett, Numbers for teu hy hth 10 . Warsash. Sóuthampton.

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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth DistrictQuarterly meeting- Alverstoke. Saturday, July 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., Brodrick Hall. Names by Wednesday. July 6th. to Mr. H. A. Nobes. 26. Peel Road. Gosport.—A. Sturgess. Portsmouth Dis. Hon. Sec. 6212
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD - Winchester District A quarterly meeting will be held at Twyford. on Saturday, July 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea at Phoenix Inn 5 p.m. at 2s. (dd. per head. Owslebury (6) available 7 p.m. till 9 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. July 5th. please, to P. Dickinson, Riverbank Coltage. Cheriton. near Alresford. Hants. 6227 WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch.-Meeting, Leight. Saturday, July 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m... followed by husiness meeting. Practice method: London Surprise Minor. Names for tea by Tuesday, July Sth. to F. Hyde. 6. Winchester Avenue. St. John's. Worcester. 6151

ASH. SURREY.-Surprise Minor practice, Monday. July ilth. Methods: Beverley, Bourne. Canterbury. Ipswich. London, Norwich. Primrose. Surfleet. Wells and York: 6203

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Monthly meeting. Hutton Cranswick, Saturday. July 16th (revised date). Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea hy July 14th. to Rev. G Storer. The Vicarage, Hutton Cranswick, Driffield.

6169
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.E. District Meeting at Southminster. Saturday, July 16th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Salımarsh. Sycamore Cottage, Danbury.

6170
HALIFAX ASSOCIATION - Annual meeting and six bell prize contest. Hoylandswaine. July 16th. Entrance fee 10s.. to A. Farrand. 12. Greenhill Cottages. Mossley. Manchester. by July 2nd. please. For teas please notify by July 9 ih. J. Whitehouse. Gyder Bottom Farm. Hoylandswaine.-A. Farrand. Sec. 6163
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-Quarterly meeting at Eastchurch (Meopham not a vailable), on Saturday, July 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednssday. please, to Miss M. Wash. 106. High Street. Eastchurch. Sheerness. 6206
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterbury District.-Quarterly meeting. Dover (8). on Saturday. July 16 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea: Parish Hall at 2s. per person. Names together with cash. please. 10 Mrs. H. George. 11. Farthingloe Road. Maxton. Dover.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Willoughby, near Alford Saturday, July 16 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. No tea arranged. please bring own food.-W. E Clarke. Hon. Sec., 99. Norfolk Street Boston. 6216
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.-Meeting Saxilby. July 16th. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. W. Cox. Trinity Cottage. Saxilby

6216
MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS SOCIETY.-Meeting at Staplehurst, July 16 th Bells (8) 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 2s. Names to Mr. R. Mitchell, 42, Church Green, Staplehurst.-Pamela
Usborne. Sec.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUIED - 6198
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salishury Branch.-Quarterly meeting July 16th, Enford. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by meeting. Netheravon and Fittleton also available in evening. Names hefore Tuesday. 12th. please.-Miss Eloie. 8. Alhany Road. Salisbury. 6172 SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Practice meeting at Dorking. St. Martin's, July 16 th, 3 p.m. Ranmore bells from 7 p.m. Names for tea by July 14th, to Miss Clear. 'Muree, Lonsdale Road. Dorking -G. A. West. Hon. Sec

6202
SUFFOLK GUILD - S.W. District. Preliminary Natice. Supper and Social. at Lavenham. on Saturday. October 15th. 6.45 p.m. Lavenham (8) and Preston St. Mary (6) hells available in afternoon. Further details
later.-R. J. Seabrook.
6177

## OUTING

## HARLOW, ESSEX

The weather was kind for the outing of Essex Association members, mainly from Harlow, into Kent, on May 28th. At Swanscombe. the first stop. some of the unexperienced members were unwilling to try these bells with their long draught and rather springy ropes. except the youngest learner who handled his rope with comparative ease. An enjoyable hour's ringing included Kent. Bob Major and Stedman. Next came Wrotham which richly deserves its boast of one of the hest rings in the county. A very musical touch of Stedman was a highlight of the ringing here.
An excellent lunch at Maidstone was followed by a visit to the fine ten at the Parist Church. Kent Royal failed but there was a compensation by some good Stedman on the back eight. Harrietsham bells were found to be rather noisy inside. but all enjoyed the ringing especially the vicar. who happily rang some good rounds. Ringing here included Double Norwich and Grandsire. On then to Sittinghourne and tea and with the help of the local band some good ringing including Superlative. The final tower was a heavier ring at Chatham

For the arrangements the company were indebted to the secretary. who found the call of his duty as local cricket captain too strong and also the many who contributed to the enjoyment of the day.

## BARKBY, LEICS

Barkby. Leics. ringers for their second annual outing visited five towers in Lincolnshire with Mr. J. H. Musson, of Silk Willoughby, as guide. Methods ranging from Doubles to Major were rung at Heydour. and at Mr. Musson's own tower a variety of Minor methods. After tea at Folkingham the ancient six bells were rung. A good touch of Grandsire was enjoyed on the light eight at Billingborough. and at the last tower. Horbling the choir stalls had to be moved because the tower is in the centre of the church.
M.R.A

5,040 GRUNDISBURGH SURPRISE ROYAL
By C. J. SEDGLEY

| 23456 | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{W}$ | $\mathbf{H}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 45236 |  | 1 | 1 |
| 36524 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 35264 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 32654 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 32546 | 2 | 2 | 1 |

## Repeated

Rung at Grundisburgh, Suffolk, April 9th, 1960

## 5,120 BRONDESBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

By J. R. MAYNE
23456 M W H

| 34256 |  |  | 2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 32546 |  | - | 2 |
| $(43526)$ |  | - | 2 |
| 36524 | - |  | 2 |
| 63425 | 2 |  | 2 |
| 64235 |  | - | $\frac{2}{2}$ |
| 45236 | - |  | - |
| 62534 | - |  |  |
| $(35426)$ | - | - | 2 |
| 63254 | 2 | - | 2 |
| 23456 | - |  |  |

Using 4ths place bohs
Rung at Willesden on May 12th. 1960

## QUARTER PEALS

SANDRIDGE, HERTS.-On June 6ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Hawkins (first quarter) 1. G. E. Graney 2, R. Hardy 3. C. E. Hayter 4. G. Penney (cond.) 5, S. Huckle 6.
SEAL Chart, KENT.-On June 19th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: D. A. N. Holland 1. A. Wanhan 2. I. C. Parker 3, D. C. Manger 4. J. D. Faircloth (cond.) 5. A. M. Macve 6. For Matins.
SHREWSBURY, SALUP.-On June 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: E. F. Willcox 1, Clare Dillamore 2, H. Poyner 3, F. Cattell 4, T. Price 5, J. F. Buter 6, P, Evans 7, F. G. Beddow (cond.) 8, F. Price 9, A. Pritchard 10. Rung as a tribute 10 Mr . and Mrs. E. F. Willcox, upon the birth of a daughter (Haze! Dorne).

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## THE COVENTRY GUILD

IT all started when Mr. Adams came to Warwick; and that was in November, 1899. Of course, there was a band of ringers at St. Mary's before he came, but they did no method ringing. It would not be correct to say that they were just called-change ringers. Actually they were very good ringers with excellent striking and a very full average attendance. The full ten bells were rung for all the chief Sunday services, but it was Mr. Adams who introduced scientific change-ringing.

Mr. E. H. Adams was assistant verger at All Saints’ Church, Fulham, until he came to Warwick. He came to Warwick as verger at St. Mary's. the Collegiate Church, when he was 25 years old. It was his intention to stay at Warwick for two years just to gain experience before moving on to a more important post; but somehow he never left the place, and can still be seen going along Northgate Street every morning shortly after ten o'clock; and he was verger for close on 60 years.

It was not only the ringers at St. Mary's who took up change-ringing at Mr. Adams' instigation. The ringers at All Saints', Emscote, and St. Nicholas', at Warwick, also hecame interested, and by 1902, under his tuition, they were ringing peals. The first attempt for a peal was on Saturday, November 15th, 1902, but it broke down after more than two hours' ringing. There was a Mr. Matthews in the band who was doing some work for Mears' in the locality, and he was going away on the Monday following; so a second attempt was made for Evensong at All Saints’ Church the next day, with Mr. Matthews calling Holt's Original. This came round in 3 hours and 2 minutes, just in time to ring the bells down in time for service. Naturally, by virtue of his duties, Mr. Adams was not in the band that scored what should be termed his first peal in Warwickshire. But Mr. Adams did conduct the second peal which was rung on March 9th, 1903.
The first peals rung by Mr. Adams' pupils at Warwick were scored for the Warwick Society, which was a small group of ringers all included in the three towers mentioned above. This Society came into being about 1900, and little is known of its origin. It is possible that the only three surviving members of that Society are Mr. Adams. Mr. W. Collett and John Pinfold. Mr. Collett started to ring when he was eight years old, and holds the honour of ringing for the golden jubilee. He came to Warwick when he was 19 years old. and was in the St. Mary's band when Mr. Adams came. (Mr. Adams started ringing when he was 12 years old.) Collett called his first peal on January 7th. 1905, and that was at All Saimts', as were most of the peals for the Society.

About the same time, ringers around Coventry were ringing peals for the Midland Counties Association. But in 1907, probably as a result of a proposition by John Pinfold. a meeting was held in the Temperance Hotel in the Old Market Square in Warwick, when the Coventry and other ringers got together with the Warwick Society members and formed the Warwickshire Guild. At this time the area was in the See of Worcester as the Coventry Diocese was not created until 1918. So far as the writer can gather, no peals on a higher number than eight bells were ever scored for the Warwick Society. But in 1910 a peal of Grandsire Caters was called by Mr. Adams at St. Mary's on Wednesday. May 11th. This was in memory of the late King Edward VII and was rung with the bells fully-muffled. except for the tenor which was open at backstroke. Those who know the St. Mary's bells can imagine how impressive that would be. There are four founder members of the Warwickshire Guild still alive, for it was from Coventry that Mr. Frank Smallwood came into the picture, and all four were in that peal.

Although the Coventry Diocese was created in 1918, the name of the Guild was not altered until the late 1930's. It was probably due to the agitation of Mr. Burt, the present captain of the All Saints', Leamington, tower, who pointed out that much of Warwickshire was covered by the St. Martin's Guild and the Staffordshire Association, whilst the activities of the Warwickshire Guild were confined to the churches of the newly-created diocese. At first there was considerable opposition to any alteration of the title, but eventually the present name. 'The Coventry Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers,' came into being.

At the present time the activities of the Guild are greater than they have ever been, and ringing in the diocese is greatly on the increase. There are many alive and ringing who have been faithful Sunday service ringers for over 50 years. There are very many regular service ringers who still have fully 50 years of useful ringing ahead of them, and the seeds which Mr. Adams sowed in Warwick 60 years ago are still producing vigorous plants.

HENRY ALLEN.
IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE


## TWELVE BELL PEALS

READING. BERKSHIRE.


Arthur G. Mason . Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.

* First peal of Grandsire Cinques. † First of Cinques.


## BRISTOL

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., June 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary. Redcliffe,
A PEAL OF 5037 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

* Angela Grainger

Tenor 50 cwt . 2 lb .
tJane K. A. Cook
Treble
Ivor H. Trueman Patricia M. Bourn Patrick J. Bird Brian J. Wylde.. Tudor P. Edwards

Tenor

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, MANCHESTER. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION On Sat., June 4, I960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Trevor Taylor ... .. Treble Peter Watson
Carol Fernley .. .. $\frac{2}{3}$ Sidney Hough, jun. .. 6
*E. Dorothy France .. 3 Denis Mottershead.. .. 7
Derek Taylor
Composed by H. Dains.
Geoff. D. Fearnehough . . Tenor Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

* First peal in the method. 50th peal on the bells.

NEWCHURCH, WARRINGTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 4, 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Parish Church.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAIOR
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cw}$.
Ebleen M. Fearn .. .. Treble Frederick Shallcross
Sidney Hough, jun. .. 2 A. Peter Whitehead
*Carol Fernley.. .. .. 3
Ivor Jenkins
Derek Taylor Denis Mottershead . . . . . Tenor
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.
Conducted by Denis Mottershead

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

Rung to mark the laying of the foundation stone of the new Parish Hall.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Tues., June 7. 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minules, At the Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 37 cwt. in C.
David J. Purnell . . . . Treble Norman J. Goodman Ruth M. Border George E. Fearn Roderick. W. Pipe John McDonald John Anderson *Peter Border Roderick W. Pipe ... 4 *Peter Border ... ..... Tenor
Composed by S. J. Ivin.

* 50 th peal of London Surprise Major.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., June 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt 1 qr .10 lb . in A .


HANDSWORTH. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., June 11, 1960. in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Muriel Reay Treble
Ruth M. Border
2
John Anderson.
Arthur V. Pearson.. -. 4
*John Pinfold .....
Peter Border
George E. Fearn ... .. Tenor
Conducted by Peter Border.

* 50th peal of London Maior

Rung as a birthday compliment to Norman J. Goodman.

## WORCESTER

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. June 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.
William B. Cartwright. . Treble
George E. Evenden
Sidney T. Holt.
SUSAN Jackson
Conducted 4
Conduct
ALDERMASTON, BEPKSHIRE
THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.
(Reading Branch.)
On Wed.. June 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .14 lb . in G .

| *Felicity | Webber | Treble | Mollie Tilbury |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Patricia | Heather | 2 | Pfier M. Wilkinson |
| Jinivitik | M. Davies | 3 | Michace H. Johnson |
| Janet K | Secker | 4 | James P. Blond | Composed by H. W. Willde. Conducted by James P. Blond. First peal at first attempt. First of Major for the Reading University Society.



## SHIPLAKE, OXON.

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.
(Reading Branch.)
On Tues.. June 21, 1960), in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt 2 qr .15 lb . in F sharp.
 -Felicity Webber .* 4 Composed by H. W. Wilde.

James P. Blond .. Tenar Conducted by James P. Blond. -First peal inside? + First peal at first attempt.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., June 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes:
AI THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE, MAJOR Norman Smith .. .. .. Treble John P.

| J. Barry Pickup | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Geoffrey S. Mills | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Michael D. Fishwick | $\ldots$ | 3 | Ian M. Holland | .. | .. | 7 |  | | Roger Leigh | . | .. | .. | 4 | H. David Holland |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

First peal in the method for the Association, and by all the band.
CROSS STONE, TODMORDEN. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., June 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minules,
At the Church of St. PaUl.
A PRAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Peter Scholfield .. ... Treble 10 cwi. Jeffrey Kershaw -S. Barry Schofield

| Treble Jeffrey | KERSHAW |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Norman Smilh.. | Norman Smilh. . .

Harold B. Schofielo John H. Fielden 5
6
7 Mas. H. B. SChofield John H. Fielden
d by Norman Smith.
Composed and Conducted by
al of Surprise. $\uparrow 50$ th peal.
EPWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. June 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.
 Peter A. Sharp

Conducted by Jack

- First peal of Stedman Triples.
In memoriam Ven. E. Lisle Marsde

In memoriam Ven. E. Lisle Marsden. M.A., Archdeacon of Lindsey, 1948-196n. RIIP.

HARROW WEALD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., June 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
A PEAL OF THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF S056 LANGLEY SURPRISH: MAIOR
Freda Clayton.
.. ...Treble
joan Beresford
Elsie K. Hart
Celia F. Whitfeld
$\begin{array}{cc}\text {. } \text { Treble } \\ . . & 2 \\ \therefore & 3\end{array}$
H. George Hart

Alick Cutler
Alfred J. House
John R. Mayne
5
6
7
. . . Tenor
Composed by Harold G. Cashmore. Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peal of Langley Surprise Major by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

Rung in memory of William Wenban.
ACCRINGTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., June 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5120 NELSON BOB MAJOR
Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.

John P. Partington.. .. Treble Cyril Crossthwaite.. .. 5 | Peter Scholfield | . | .. | 2 | John H. Fielden | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Roger Leigh | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Norman Smith | .. | .. | J. Barry Pickup.. ...... 4 Walter E. Wilkinson ... Tehur Composed by A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Norman Smith. First peal in the method (C.C.C. 132).

## RURFORD, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. June 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
Ar the Chirch of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt .3 qr , in E.


Composed by J. Priichard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodo. - First peal of Bob Major on an 'inside' bell.

Rung to the memory of Stella Davis, a vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and past secretary of the Newbury Branch, by ringing associates.

EAST CROMPTON. LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Rochdale Branch.)
On Sat., June 25, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation
Michael D. Fishwicik . . Treble ¡Gordon Rothwell.. ..
John P. Partington .. 2 tivan Kay .......... $\quad$..

- Roger Mamer .. ..
+Geoffrey Cheetham .. 3 § 4 Pharold Hamer .. . . 7 Composed by C. H. Middleton. Conducted by Philip. J. H. Hudson.
* First peal of Surprise Major. + First of Surprise. \# First of Cambridge Surprise. 8 First of Surprise inside. First of Surprise Major by conductor. First of Surprise by Rochdale bands.

> GOLDHANGER. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
-Alison M. Mann
Tenor $8 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$.

| - Alison M. Mann | . Treble | Ernest E. S. Johnson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary Roast | 2 | Peter J. Eves .. .. .. 6 |
| * Hanry R. Appleton | 3 | Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 7 |

*Harry R. Appleton
Richard J. Harrison $\frac{3}{4}$ Joe E. G. Roast ${ }^{2}$...... 7
Composed by N. J. Pirsiow. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roasi.
*First peal of Yorkshire. First in the method on the bells.
A birthday compliment to Alison Mann and Harry Appleton. PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
On Sat.. June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes. At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's Iransposition.
Howard Howell .. .. Treble

Harry Boswell .. .. 3 Barnabas G. Key .. .. 7
Derek J. Tranter ... 4 Frederick G. Handley .. Tenor
Conducted by barnabas G. Key.

- First peal of Stedman inside

Rung as an appreciation to the Vicar (Rev. M. O. Boulton. M A)
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STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Twelve-Part.
Colin M. Dobson
Glenda Rowley Sheila Hodson WILLIS Buckley

Treble 2
3 4
G. Arnold Moore

Tenor 12 cwt
Harry Hodson .
Eric Young.
Albert E. Purslow
Arnold Muore.
Rung for the wedding of Doreen Ann Young and Brian Herbert Bowen.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

 DEAN. BEDFORDSHIRE.THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Oil Sat., June 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

At the Church of All Hallows.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. ALBANS DOUBLES
Comprising 42 six-scores. Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .20 ib. John W. Hall .. .. Treble $\mid$ Percy Amos
George F. Roome ... .. Tenor
Conducted by George F. Roome.
First peal in the method for the Guild, and believed the first ever Rung for the Festival of St. Alban.

SWYNNERTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Junt 18, 1960. in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES Tenor 7 cwt .1 qr .8 lb .


WADDINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saf., June 18. 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Cheirch of St. Michael
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
walter J. Black
*Colin D. Briggs Geoffrey R. Parker

Tenor 11 cwt .1 gr .7 lt . in G. *Alan Watkins
*Gerard H. Hallam.
G. Leonard Thompson ... Tenor

* First peal and first attempl. First as conductor.

WELLINGORE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. June 18, 1960), in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAI OF 5030 MINOR
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Being an extent each of (1) Double Oxford. (2) St. Clement's, (3) Cambridge Suirprise, (4) Kent T.B., (5) Oxford T.B.. (6) Single Court and (7) Plain Bob. ( Tenor 11 cwt . 3 gr .5 lb . in G. *Phillip C. Pitchford .. Treble
*Claire Dillamore .... .22 Walter Tomlinson.
*John M. Burton .. .. 3 †Peter A. Sharp .. .. tenor
Conducted hy Louls Wiliders.

- First peal in seven methods. +50 th peal. WENHASTON. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat.. June 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different 720's.
Peter S. Bedford
Reginald C. Pearce
Ernest G. Pearce

Tenor 12 cwt .6 lb .

Enest G. Pearce ..... 3 Ronald W. Steward .. Tehor Conducted by John W. Blythe.
A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lester. of Needham Market.

# ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD. <br> On Wed., June 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR 

Being nine methods in seven extents: (1) College Bob, (2) Oxford Bob, (3) Double Court, (4) Cambridge Surprise. (5) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . James Bennett .....Treble George E. S̀ymonds *Charles J. Sedgley .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin , Gilbert R. Goodship .. 3 Ronald W. Steward Conducted by Frank B. LuEkIN.

* Most methods to a peal.

MANCHESTER, LANCASHIRE.
THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Thurs., June 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
Ai Brookfield Unitarian Church. Gorton,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Barrie Hendry .. .. .. Treble John H. Soanes
Ronald J. Johnston. . .. 2 Robert J. Warrilow
Donald A. Fraser ..... 3 Trevor Taylor ..... Tenor Conducted by Barrie Hendry and Trevor Taylor (alternate extents). A 21 st birtiday compliment to Barrie Hendry and David W. James; also a farewell to Derek Taylor.

NEWTON HALL, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs, June 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AI THE ChURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent Treble Bob. Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's. Single Oxford and two of Plain Bob.
J. Alan Ainsworth.. . Treble | Norman Erringion

Christopher T. Lamb .. 2 George S. Deas..
The first extents were conducled by G. S. Dis , ... .. Tenor by E. N. Harrison and the last three by J. A. Ainsworih. ALGARKIRK. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven methods in seven extents: (1) Thelwall and Childwall, (2) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Kent Treble Boh. (5), (6) and (7) Plain Boh.
Freda P. Greaves .. .. Treble Harold Barsley
Alan G. Payne .. .. .. 2 Frank Taylor
William E. Clarke.. .. 3 J. Martin Thorley .. .. Tenor
Conducted by I. Marin Thorley.
DAVENHAM. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 25, 1960), in 2 Hours and 47 Minules, At the Church of Sr. Wilfrid.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) and (3) Kent Ť.B.. (4) and (5) Oxford T.B., (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob.

Conducted by Denis Maddock.
*First peal in five methods.
GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD,
On Sat.. June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR.
Being three extents of Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr .18 lb
Sidney Carnall
Treble Kaimerine burchnall
Grace Burchnall
Eleanor Rose

| reble | Katherine Burch |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | John Coates |
| 3 | Harold Denman |

Rung as a welconducted by Harold Denman.
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. W. D. Willatt as Rector of Gamston, whose induction took place on June 17ih.


HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents
*William Hedger Treble

Geoffrey A. Lucas

Tenor 9 cwt .1 ar. 21 lb

* First peal at Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.

A welcome to Hilary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gipson.

WEST HANNEY, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James-the-Great.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
*Harold W. Dunsden . . Treble
*†Kenneth Leach
EN..

* First peat of Minor. $\dagger$ First in the method. First peal on the bells, which have been rehung after being silent for 33 years.


## COLTISHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. June 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-bapist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two $720^{\circ}$ s each of Plain Bob, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and one 720 of St Clement's.
PG ArCHur C WEH Loyat Marous or Lothian . Whe Ledge .. Treble Bro. John R. Smith, Loyal 'D’Albini’ Lodge
P.P.G.M. N. J. A. Pumphrex, Loyal 'Marquis of Lothian' Lodge Bro. Tony Owen, Loyal 'Rock of Hope' Lodge.
P.P.G.M. George A. Cooxe, Loyal 'Friend in Need' Lodge Bro. Derek W. Pardon, Loyal 'Marquis of Lothian' Lodge Conducted by Bro. John R. Smith.
Rung by members of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows Friendly Society to commemorate the 150 th anniversary of the foundation of the Society.

## BURSTWICK, EAST YORKSHIRE.

 IHE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIUN(Beverley and District Society.)
On Sun., June 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Mimutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent T.B., Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B., St. Clement's and two of Plain Bob.
Barbara J. Fisher .. .. Treble Thomas W. Thirkell .. 4 Janet I. Porter.. .. .. 2 Clement R. Robinson .. 5 David Johnson .. .. .. 3 Romald Ducker.. .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ronald Ducker.
A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Powell, of Burstwick.

NEIVBURN-ON-TYNE, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon.: June 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes. Af the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one exient each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob. Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Bob and Plain } \\ \text { Tenor } & 16 & \mathrm{cwt} \text {. } \\ \ldots & . & 5 \\ \ldots & . & 5 \\ \text { H } & . & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$
Robin G. Turner
George S. Deas ... .. 3 J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

## HANDBELL PEALS

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues. June 14. 1960, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes,
In the Ringing Chamber of All Saints' Church. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor size 15 in C .
Kenneth B. Sissons.
$1-2 \mid$ Alan Sheppard John Potis ... ... 5-6

Conducted by John Potts. CLEATHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., June 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minures. at Cleatham House Farm.
A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Mrs F Tenor size 15 in C.
Mrs. F. I. Hairs .. $\quad . .1-2 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lllll}\text { John Freeman } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 5-6\end{array}\right.$ George E. Feirn .. .. 3--4 Frank I. Hatrs .. .. .. 7 . 8 Composed by J. Hunt.

Conducted by John Freeman.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

BALDOCK, HERTS.-On June 26th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: R. Castledine (cond.) 1, J. I. Dear 2, L. Scoot 3, P. Flack (first in the method) 4 . J. Dear 5, D. Sutcliffe 6. E. Buck 7, C. Harwood 8. BATH.-At the Church of St. Saviour's. Walcot, on June 2 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P, Burt 1, R. O. Fry (cond.) 2. T. J. Milsom 3. C. J. A. Brown 4. J. R. Hobh: 5. H. L. Parfrey 6, A. F. Lee 7. J. Jefferies 8 .

BIDFORD-UNAAVON. WARWICKS - On June 14ith. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Reed 1, P. A. Oram 2, W, H. Male (cond.) 3. A. Shorey 4, G. Ingram 5 , R. W. Seiby 6. F. C. lyne 7. F. Kinchin y.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.-At the Waterloo Tower. Quex Park, on June 25th, 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: M. E. Miles 1. Mary S. Taylor 2. Pauline Fennell 3. H. J. Webb 4. M. Cubitt (cond.)

BUCKING, ESSEX. 1.340 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Mrs, M. Moore 1. Rev. J. Burstem 2, A. Little 3. H Moore 4. R. Suckling (cond.) 5. J. Warner 6, P. Wood 7, A. Syder 8. First in method

BRADFORD-ON-A VON, WILTE.-At Holy Triniy. on June 12 hh . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. C. V. Edwards 1. F. W. Box 2. P. S. Gaisford 3. G. Parsons 4. R. J. Purnell (cond.) 5, R. Drewett 6. For Trinity Sunday. Also at Christ Church, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Veronica Shect 1, P. Gaisford 2,
R. Purnell (cond.) 3. G. Parsons 4, J. Lucas 5, R. Purnell (cond.) 3, G. Parsons 4, J. Lucas 5 ,
B. Drewett 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. David Knight, on his recent engagement, and as an 8 ih birthday compliment to Philip Lucas.
BURNHAM, BUCKS.-On June 25th. 1.440 Minor ( 720 each Cambridge and London): Pamela Gough 1. Shelagh Collins 2. Mikaela Erik 3. A. Spreadbury 4. G. Prall 5. M. Lakin (cond.) 6.

BURITON, HANTS.-On May 28th. 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: B. Ketcher 1, D. Hughes 2. K. Sansom (first as cond.) 3. K. Tipper 4. B. S. Gambrill 5. R. Walker 6. A compliment to Miss Joy Martin on her 21 st birthday.
CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS. -On June 22 nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Joan Cotton 1, J. W. Cotton 2, D. Eames (first touch in method' inside ; age 15) 3. D. P. Jones (cond.) 4, 1, K. Smith 5 . A birthday compliment $20 \mathrm{Mrs}, \mathrm{V}$. Eames, mother of David Eames.
CLERKENWELL, LONDON.-On June 19th, 1,260 Stedman Tripies: Mrs. C. Harbott 1, Miss J. Langton 2. Miss S. Jacobs 3, R. Lumley 4. W. Prockaon 5 ,
D. Sibson 6. J. Euston (cond.) 7, M. Harbott 8. For D. Sibson 6. J.
morning service.

CORSTON, SOMERSET.-On June 20th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss B. Jewell (first of Minor) 1, Mrs. M. J. De Jong 2, Miss M. Tait (firse of Minor) 3. L. R. G. Taylor 4, C. J. Brown (first extent as cond.) 5. H. L. Parfrey 6. The conducting was shared by H. Parfrey ( 540 ) and C. J. Brown (720). Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 3 rd, who comes from Bengeo (Heris), who has just completed 2 years at Newton Park Teachers' Training College.
DAGENHAM, ESSEX.-On June 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. E. Bibby 1, L. S. Woods (cond.) 2, 1. Carrott 3, S. Penfold 4. F. G. Richardson 5. J. Fowler 6, F, V. Gant 7. A. J. Salisbury 8. Rung for the annual civic service.
EALING, W.-At St. Stephen's, on June Bih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Overington 1, D. E. Fowles 2. A. Bagworth 3. D. R Randall 4, J. Phillips S. W. T. Cook (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.
EAST MARLING. NORFOLK,-On June 8th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: L. J. King 1. C. E. Banham 2. L. W. King 3. W. G. Saunders 4. H. Fuller 5. P. Newing (cond.) 6. Rung as a tribute to Mr. W. Eagling. a ringer at East Harling for 50 years, who Was 82 on June lith and still enioys ringing.
ELSTREE. HERTS.-On June 19th, 1.2611 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. M. White 1. R. E. Hardy
(cond.) 2. Miss R. Hawks 3. R. D. Bell 4. A I. (cond.) 2. Misk R. Hawks 3. R. D. Bell 4. A. J.
Leeming 5. R A. Hyde 6. First quarter 1 and 6. First in method 2 and 5. Rung for Evensong and to welcome home Princess Martaret and Mr. Armstrong-Jones.
ELVEDUN, SUFFOLK,-On June 19th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: I. Ivings 1. M. Rose (frrst -inside') 2, Mrs. H. Ivings (first (inside') 3. Miss D. A. Reeve 4. R. Rose 5, H. Ivings 6, H. Fuller 7. J. Paul (cond.) 8 .
EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.-On June 241h, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Marion March 1. D. Hill 2, Bridget Sanger 3. Gwilym Sanger 4. H. I. Sanger 5. P. Wright (composer and cond.) 6. D. Lee 7. A. Fry 8. V. Roberts 9. A. White 10. Rung half-mufiled in memoriam Preh. Martin Willson, director of religious broadeasting, Western Region, interred this day at Winford.

## QUARTER PEALS

EVERSHOT, DORSET.-On June 19th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Samways 1, H. D. W. Bishop (cond.) 2, H. Smith 3, Mrs. H. Smith 4, H. C. R Vine 5. K. Knight 6. For Evensong, also a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Smith. who are leaving the district. on retirement after 30 years ${ }^{\circ}$ faithful service.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS.- On Jure 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: L. F. $\operatorname{Cox}$ 1. H. L. Bishon 2, H. K. White 3. W. Gilks 4. G. W. Bishnd 5 .
A. H. Webb (cond.) 6. W. Corderny 7. D. R. Bosley 8. Rung as a tribute to the memory of Miss Stella Davis, of Bucklebury.

HALSALL, LANCS.-On June 27th. 1,440 Single Oxford Bob Minor: D. Lawson (cond.) 1. Mrs. R Sefton 2, Miss J. Moir 3, Mrs. E. Parker 4, S. Walmsley 5. 1. Holmes 6. Rung to mark the appointment of the Ri. Rev. Charles Claxton, former Rector of Halsall, as Bishop of Blackburn.

HARROW WEALD, MiddLesex.-On June 20th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. P. M. Mayne 1. Mrs. H. G. Hart 2, Miss F. Clayton 3, Miss C. White 4, H. G. Hart 5, C. W. Woolley 6, J. R. Mayne (cond.) 7, J. E. Rootes 8. Rung half-muffied in memory of William Wenban.

HIGHCLERE. HANTS.-On June 22nd. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: E. Woolgrove 1. Hazel White 2. Cherry White 3, R. W. Rex 4. B. Mills 5. R. C. Christopher 6, R. F. Crook 7, G: K. Dodd (cond.) 8. First of Surprise Major for 1, 2 , 3 and 6. Specially for the wedding of Terty Tarrant (captain of the Andover tower) and Jane Goodyear. also a ringer at this tower, who were married this day at Andover.
HINTON WALDRIST, BERKS.-On Whit Sunday. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Moland 1. M. Edney 2 . R. Hayden 3. D. Leslic (cond.) 4. N. Leslie 5 ,
A. O'Shaughnessy 6.

LEYLAND, LANCS.-On June 4th. at St. James:. 1.440 Kent T.B. Minor: S. Walmsley (cond.) 1. Miss D. Crook 2, H. Hunter 3, J. Humble 4. J. Sumner 5. J. H. Owens 6. First in method for 3, 4 and 5. Rung to mark the golden wedding anniversary of the parents of the ringer of the fifth.
LITTLE HORKESLEY, ESSEX.-On June 17th, 1.260 Doubles ( 180 Stedman, 360 St. Simon's, 360 Plain Bob, 360 Grandsire): Evelyn R. M. Cansdale 1. A. E. Legselt 2, D. Culham 3. A. W. Cansdale 4, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 5. Rung after the institution by the Bishop of Calchester of the Rev. H. L. Bowen, M.C., as Vicar.
LONDON.-On June 20th, at St. Mary Abbots, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: R. Overington I. R. Mackrill 2. I. Rock 3, D. Randell 4, W. Cook 5. W. Rawlings 6, J. H. Lott 7. C. W. Ottey 8. J. Phillips (cond.) 9. C. T. Barteti 10. Rung half-mufled in memory of William S. Lansdon, on the day of his funcral. Also at St. John's. Waterloo Road, on May 1st. 1.260 Stedman Triples: T. H. Taffender 1. Miss M. E. Powell 3. P. J. Hutchings 4. C. W. Ortley 5. L. W. Bullock 6, C. M Meyer 7. W. D. Grainger (cond.) 8. Also on May 22nd. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, T. H. Taffender 2.
J A. Hales 3. P. J. Hurchings 4. C. W. Otley 5 , J. A. Hales 3. P. J. Hurchings 4. C. W. Ortey 5 .
C. M. Meyer 6. W. D. Grainger (cond.) 7. L. W. Batley 8.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICS.-At All Saints, on June 26th. 1,270 Stedman Caters: M. Stevens 1, C. Harrison (cond.) 2. E. Weaver 3. Christinc Morris 4. Cecelia Cowley 5. J. Saddington 6, L. J. Hall 7. L. W. Stevens 8. G. Harrison 9, H. M. Marzon 10. For Evensong and as a 60 th birthday comliment to the 6th ringer.
MAPLEDURHAM, OXON.-On June 25ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Rosalind Hicks 1. A. K. Fortin 2. W. D Ward 3. W Airminghem 4. F. R. Scont J. K. Ward (cond.) 6.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.-On June 12th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: Diana M. Pipe 1, W. B. Pitcher 2. G. W. Pide (cond.) 3. Enid Lloyd-Roberts 4, A. H. Fisher 5. C. H. Bagot 6. B. R. Cox 7. J. J. F.
Roper 8. First allempt for 2, 6 and 7. Rung by four Adelaide and four Mclbourne ringers, for ordination.
NETTLEBED, OXON.-On June 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer M. Davies 1. Felicity Webber 2. B. Shingler 3. Mollie Tilbury 4. F. J. Sage (first as cond.) 5. J. W. Blackwood 6. Rung by members of the Reading University Society.
NEWBOLD-GN-ATON, WARWICKS.-On June 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (ten different callings): Valerie Colegrove 1, T. G. Pickering 2, J. R. Haycock 3. W. C. Budd 4. A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5. Joan Cheney 6. Rung for Evensong for the Patronal Festival (St. Botolph) and Newbold Wakes Sundas.

NORTH RAUCEBY, LINCS.-On June 11th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: L. C. Asher 1, C. R. Asher (first as cond.) 2, R. Treviti 3, W. Weston 4, A. R. Pocklington
OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.-On June 26 ih . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Bruce 1. Cherry Withell 2. Markaret Bock first 'inside') 3. H. Badger 4. T. Smith (cond.) 5. Gill Masters 6. Rung following the ordination of the Rev. G. D, Staff, at Christ Church Cathedral at 10 a.m.
OXFORD.-At the Church of SI. Mary Magdaten, on June 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Jean Addicout Rachel Corner 2. Hilary Mason 3. J. A. M. Salter 4. N. J. Martin 5, J. G. Pusey (cond.) 6. Rung by members of the O.U.S.C.R., for morning service.
PUTNEY, LONDON.-On June Gith, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Marlin (first of Triples) 1, B. Coatsworth 2, S. Rymer 3, L. Allen 4. A. Clayion 5 G. Goodman 6, C. Mew (first of Triples as cond.) 9 B. Bull 8. For Matins, also a complimene io Ray Daw, on leaving London after completing his studies
OUEENBOROUGH, KENT:-On June 11th. 1.260 Doubles (360 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 420 Grandsire. 480 Plain Rob): Mrs. F. E. Fage 1. W. A Wood 2, F. E. Fagg 3. G. A. Naylor (cond.) 4, G. Kenward 5. Mrs. M. S. Croall 6. Rung on the eve of the Feast of the Holy Trinity, also as a wedding compliment to Bernard J. Fagg and Ann Browning. who were married at Milton Regis, earlier thls day
REDHILL. SURREY.-At St. John's Church, on June 18th. 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. A. West 1. G. Olliver 2. M. Fuller 3. F. C. Roberis 4. A. Streeter 5. E. G. L. Coward 6. A. J. Bull 7. A. P., Cannon (cond.) 8.

ROMSEY, HANTS.-On June 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Major: Miss C. White 1. Miss P. Gouly 2, Miss A. J. Knight 3. M. D. G. Northway 4. H. J. Page 5. A. W. Fry 6, C. M. White 7. 1. Cobb (cond.) 8. For morning service

SCAREOROUGH, YORKS.-On June $18 \mathrm{i} \mathrm{h}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: D. G. Murray (aged 12. firss quarter) 1, D. S. Lockwood (Osset1) 2, J. A. Robertshaw 3. W. Hudson 4. W. Fay 5, W. Carter (Swindon) 6. B. Sution (cond.) 7. R. Wyatt 8. A compliment to Peter F. Windley, married the previous Saturday at St. Luke's, Scarborough.
SLOLGH, BUCKS. On June 19 th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. T. Lister 1, D. K. Walters 2, Pamela M Jervis 3, F. R. Scott 4, Linda J. Kew (cond ) 5, J. K. Ward 6. W. Birmingham 7, W. D. Ward 8. Rung as a thanksgiving for, and in grateful remembrance of, the life and service of Stella Davis (Bucklebury. Berks), vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan. Guild.
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On June 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. J. Bodycote (first of Minor) 1. B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2. M. G. Wood (first -inside') 3. G. H. Bray 4. A. E. Bodycote 5. B. M Smith 6. For Evensong on Thanksgiving Sunday, to welcome Rev. J. E. Southgate (a former curate), who preached. Also on June 26th. 1.260 Doubles in 3 methods (St. Simon's. Plain Bob and Grandsire): $K$ Bodycote (first of Doubles) 1. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2. B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3. G. H. Bray 4, B. M Smith 5. D. W. Sienson (first quarter) 6. For Evenson.
STAMFORD, LINCS.-On June 24th, at All Saintci Church. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: E. Tyers 1, J. R. Nichols 2, C. W. Mathews 3, F. Boyall 4. R. H. Kniatht 5. J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. Rung to welcome Princess Margaret on her arrival at Stamford, te open the new Church of England school.
TODMORDEN, YORKS.-At the Unitarian Church on June 19th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: C. $\mathbb{R}$. Milthorp 1. H. B. Schofield 2. J. C. Ashwcrth 3, J. H. Fielden 4. P. Whitham 5, G. Chectham 6. F. A. Munday (cond.) 7. P. Schalfield 8 . First of Stedman for 1 5. and 6. For afternoon service.
WAREHAM, DORSET. On June 23rd. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: C. A. Bull (first of Major) 1. M. J. Soper 2. Rev. R. P. Farrow 3. L. J. Lockyer 4. L. H. Pink 5. A. G. Rose 6. C. G. Cherrett (firsi
of Major) 7. C. T. Brown (cond.) 8. Rung is a farewell to the Vicar of Lulworth (ringer of the third) on his retirement.
WITNEY, OXON,-On May 21 st. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Judith Coggins 1. E. J. Hill 2. Marilyn Bird 3. L. T. Oliffe 4. D. 1. Smith 5, B. J. Coggins 6. D. Kay Adkins (cond.) 7, A. R. Cornish 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss $\mathbf{A}$. Kitto, a local ringer. and Mr. Peter Finch, on the occasion of their marriage at this church this day.

WOOTTON, BEDS. -On June 15ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. C. D. Mann 1. Kathleen A. Rivets 2. Eric Sharpe 3. C. D. Mann 4. C. M. Payne (cond.) 5. K. C. Fleming 6. Rung for the birthday of Miss Evelya Steel, ex-president of Beds Association.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS <br> Memorial Unveiled To Late General Secretary

THE 81st annual festival of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. held at Exeter on June 18th, was a great success. more than 120 members attending.
During the afternoon a peal-board memorial to the late general secretary. Mr. Ernest G Taylor. was unveiled. in Heavtree belfry, by his widow and dedicated by the Rev. C. G Poulton. The peal, which was the 1.000 th peal to be rung by the Guild. was rung by officers in 1955. It was his last peal. and his son. Stephen. joined the band for the subsequent touch.
The festival service which took place later. at St. Mark's Church, was also conducted by the Rev. C. G. Poulton (Vicar) and the president (Preb. E. V. Cox) read the lesson. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells before the sermon, which was preached by the Bishop of Exeter. Dr. R. C. Mortimer

The Bishop took as his text a verse from the 81 st Psalm- Make a joyful noise to the God of Jacob. He said we must face it that some people found the sound of bells an ugly noise, but to us, who love the sound especially across the fields, it was very beautiful. Thus ringing affords an almost perfect example of how one and the same action has different qualities. At practice and meetings ringing is for fun. During his journeys abou the diocese he often came across teams of boys and girls who obviously find something in ringing which satisfies It is a good kind of recreation and it makes you feel that it is good.
But Sunday ringing cuts into our time, and has a different moral action. viz-calling to worship. and helping the sick, lonely and remote people, by reminding them that it is church time and letting them feel that they are part of the congregation. At a wedding. the great day for the bride. we ring to express the bride's happiness and her desire to give herself to God and to her husband. and at a funeral we ring a muffled peal or coll a bell. Ringing on both these occasions is an act of charity. But at Christmas and Easter what a wonderful thing it is to ring early and send out the message of love across the sky.

Thus ringing is sometimes for fun. sometimes for charity. and sometimes for love and worship and may be a mixture of all three He hoped that young people would always come forward and that there would always be ringers ready to teach them.
The Bishop joined the members at tea in the Church Hall, but left before the business meeting at which the members stood in silence on being reminded of the deaths of Mr. Harry Myers. of Plymouth, a vice-president : Mr Ted Biffin. of Exeter. a Central Counci representative for 9 years and Ringing Master of the Exeter Branch for 34 years. and two honorary life members. Mr. C. F. Austin, of Paignton. and Miss Lomas. of Honiton Clyst.
The Rev. J. G. M. Scolt gave an account of the Central Council meeting and said that already two other Guilds had followed the Devon Guild's example by instituting a compulsory peal levy for. The Ringing World. It was decided to hold the annual festival in 1961 again in Exeter. and a grant of $£ 25$ from the Bell Restoration Fund was made to Babbacombe.
The general secretary stated thas several of the towers reported in the Sunday Service Survey as being silent were now being heard again on Sundays. He also reported that the general committee had confirmed Miss $M$ Goodman, of Topsham. and Mr. F. C. Smale. of Okehampton. a vice-president and general secretary. 1940-1950. as honorary life members The officers elected were as follows: President. the Rev. Preb. E. V. Cox: general secretary Mr. E. M. Atkins: general treasurer. Mr H. W. Mifford: librarian, the Rev. J. G. M Scott: peal secretary, Mr. W. Simmonds

TALGARTH, BRECONSHIRE. -1.260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles ( 6 different callings): C. A. Lewis 1, D. H. Bennett (cond.) 2, P. F. T Smith 3, M. M. Peterson 4, W. G. Smith 5. E. Pugh 6. A birthday compliment to M. M. Paterson,


The young ringers of Thurcaston, Leicestershire, who rang on their own for the wedding of Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones. Left to right, back row: D. Mauby (14), D. Flint (14), J. James (10); R. Illstey (12), G. Waite (12). Front row: V. Goddard (12), C. Adnett (8), M. Tipping (9), A. Beverley (10), G. Hart (12), Mr. F. Bindley writes: 'I think we have one of the youngest bands in the country. We practise on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Western District Annual At Almondbury

About 40 members responded to the invitation of the local company to visit Almondbury on June 18 th , the occasion being the annual meeting of the Western District. One might reasonably have expected to find a larger proportion of the total district membership of 320 present, but nevertheless. the meeting was most successful, due to the very efficient arrangemะnts made by the local company under Mr. R. Jobson and their helpers. Due acknowledgment of this was made at the business meeting.
The Vicar, Canon R. G. Clarke, responding to the vote of thanks. welcomed the Association and said what pleasure it gave him and his parishioners to hear their bells being rung. He also invited the visitors not to confine their attention to the tower but spare a few moments to look inside the lovely church

For many people this was their first visit to Almondbury and the very tuneful ring of eight bells was used to full advantage during the afternoon and evening. The tendency to run dry after three or four hours ringing was not confined to the bells on this hot, sunny day, and one suspects that several of the visitors who "had to be going now" were not going very far for the moment!
The main business of the meeting was the election of officers. the vice-president and three committee members being due to retire. Mr W. Barton was re-elected to the vice-presidency for a further term of three years. Messrs. H. Armitage and W. Dixon were re-elected to the District Committee for a similar period. Miss S. M. Schofield, having left the district, was no longer eligible for re-election, and bearing in mind that for several years now it has been the custom to have one lady committee member to represent the interests of her sex. Miss $\mathbf{S}$. Mudd, of Batley. was elected to the vacant seat. Mr. H. Armitage was also re-elected to the General Committee of the Association. Twelve new members were elected.

## THE LADIES' GUILD North-Eastern District

The seventh annual meeting of the North Eastern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at St. Hilda's. South Shields, on June 18th. The bells were available from 3 p.m., and the Guild service was conducted by the Rev. J. Edgar. Tea, prepared by local members of the church and other willing helpers, was enjoyed by 34 ringers and friends.

A vote of thanks to the vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the Rev. J. Edgar for conducting the service, and to Miss Sim. who accompanied on the piano. was proposed by Mr. D. A. Bayles, and that to the many helpers for preparing the tea was proposed by Mr. W. Tyson
Officers re-elected were: Vice-president, Miss D. M. Killingley: honorary secretary, Mrs. C. N. Lee ; Central Committee. Mrs. K. Arthur. Mrs. K. Lawson: District Committee. Mrs. Bayles. Mrs. Ainsworth and Miss M. Jennings. Miss M. Bertie was elected to the District Committee vice Miss J. Robson. whe had left the district. Miss J. Warwick was elected a ringing member and Mrs. E. Lee an honorary member. Ringing followed until 7.45 when tea and sandwiches were provided to help the ringers on the homeward way.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Tonbridge District

On Whit Saturday, the Tonbridge District held a by-meeting at East Peckham. During the afternoon most of the standard methods were ruig and two old friends. Mr. Tom Saunders and Mr. Luther Honess, were welcomed. The Vicar (Rev. J. M. Sergeant) conducted the service. Members then made their way to Mr. Bishop's house, where a wonderful spread was provided by Mr. Saunders.
After tea a presentation was made by Mr. B V. Collison on behalf of the members to Mr. Tom Saunders, who has completed 57 years as a member of the Kent County Association and 60 years as a ringer at East Peckham. Mr. Saunders thanked Mr. Collison and the members for their gift and recalled some of his ringing experiences.

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For the first time a band from Cirencester Grammar School rang the bells of BELINK Cirencester Parish Church for the school's Founders' Day service on June 8th. Six extents of Plain Bob Doubles were rung on the middle six bells. The ringers were Bruce, Peter and Roland T. Wakefield. Peter J. Lewis, Bernard Stone, Gordon Land, Sheila Giles and Ann Legg. The standard of ringing was very good, and they were complimented by Mr. $F$. J. Lewis, sen., the captain of the local band.

A newcomer to the band of St. Paul's, Burwood. N.S.W., is Mr. Frank Battishill, who learned to ring as a boy at Thorverton, Devon, and Excter Cathedral.
Although the peal of Stedman Caters at Grantham was arranged many months ago, five of the band rang it with thoughts of deep affection for Miss Stella Davis, of Bucklebury.
We are asked to state that the late Mr. A. H. Pulling did not conduct the first peal of Spliced Surprise Major, but the first of four Spliced Surprise Major (see page 418). The first peal of Spliced Surprise Major (Cambridge and Superlative) was rung at Whitley Bay on May 14th. 1924. composed by Mr. J. W. Parker, and conducted by Mr. J. A. Gofton.

The bells of Bigbury. South Devon. cast in the $1780^{\prime}$ s, have been sent to Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, for retuning. Attention is also being given to the frame which has rotted in one corner. The cost is $£ 1.300$ and the parish has raised $£ 962$. Excellent pictures of the removal of the bells appear in "The South Devon Journal,' of June 22nd.
As part of Leeds University Rag Week proceedings three members-Keith Williamson, Michael Swift and Russell Reed-successfully kept six handbells ringing continuously for 12 hours. (Manchester students. please refrain from sarcasm.)

The University of Bristol Society celebrated its affiliation to the Central Council

## G0SSIP

 with a peal of Grandsire Caters at St . Stephen's. Bristol, on June 8th. This was closely followed 10 days later by a peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Mary Redcliffe. Many non-resident members returned for this occasion and a very enjoyable evening was spent in .The Ship.' with many old friends among the City ringers. The handbells were frequently used and many a peal (and lost attempt!) remembered. Both compositions were by Albert Tyler, to whom the Society is most grateful for all the help and encouragement he has given to members in ringing on higher numbers.Roger Trevitt (12) and Roger Asher (13), both of St. Andrew's. Heckington, Lincs, have called a quarter peal of Plain Bob Doubles.
Congratulations to Felicity Webber, Fred Sage and Brian Shingler. all members of the Reading University Society, who have recently rung their first peal at first attempt.
Mr. Peter Scholfield reminds us that Todmorden has been in Yorkshire since 1888. He adds. It would be interesting to hear George Bolland's views on the latest peal at Tong. Bradford-Plain Bob Doubles in ? hours 34 minutes.

St. Mark's, Darley Point, Sydney, is protesting against a proposal to erect a nine-storey bulding between the church and the rectory If this comes about Sydney ringers will be particularly disappointed as the bells are hard enough to get now without this building next door
Miss J. Armstrong, of Morpeth, was surprised when she went to ring the 8 p.m. curfew at the Watch Tower, on June 20th, to hear the bells ringing in peal. She waited, the bells were ringing after 9 p.m. She is now patiently waiting for the 'R.W.' report of the peal as to where the band came from.
The peal rung at Rippingale (page 429). was the 150 th together for Ronald Russell and Percy D. Baldock.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS <br> By T. J. LOCK

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METHODS - CLASSIFICATION OF,Methods in change ringing require identification not only as regards name and type but number of bells as well. The following table gives classification acceptable to the Exercise: gives classification acceptable to the Exercise :
Changes on 4 bells.. Singles or Minimus

## Doubles Minor

Triples
Major
Caters
Royal
Cinques
Maximus
Sextuples
Fourteen In.
METHODS-EXTENSION OF-A tricky subject, and if you would like to assist the Editor in filling his correspondence columns write to him your views on method extension -it will be certain somebody will disagree with you!
Everyone with a little inside knowledge would be able to extend Plain Bob from Minor to Maximus. also Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. But on what principle would the extension be done? In the case of Plain Bob all that can happen is that every bell plain hunts until the treble leads, when one bell makes seconds place and the other bells above seconds dodge in pairs. Similarly, in Kent and Oxford every bell treble hob hunts until the treble is on the front dodging before leading. leading and dodging after leading when the bells in seconds. thirds and fourths are making places and the other bells above fourths are dodging in pairs. So far however, the principle of extending has been inflexible and the essential condition of maintaining the natural coursing order has been compiled with. i.e.. the fourth will still be coursing the second, the sixth coursing the fourth, the eighth. the sixth, and so on.
When study is given to the extension of any other than the 'straightforward' methods the trouble often starts. Cambridge Surprise is one method which extends from Minor 10 Maximus with everyone satisfied, merely because coursing order is maintained and also the various working bells can be made to do similar work in relation to the position of the treble as it hunts to and from lead Because Norwich Surprise Minor will not extend there is no Norwich Surprise Major, and because Rutland Surprise Major will not extend there is no Rutland Surprise Royal; but perhaps someone would like to know, as there is Yorkshire Surprise Major. Royal and Maximus, why there is no Yorkshire Surprise Minor.
MIDDLE.-Middle is the label given to a call (Bob or Single) when the observation bell is one coursing position or two striking positions away from and in front of the Home position. Again. I would rather clarify by examples. In Major 14263857 with the tenor as observation bell striking in sixth position at the lead end: in Royal 1426385079 with the tenor as observation bell striking in eighth position at the lead end; and in Maximus 142638507 T 9 E with the tenor as observation bell striking in tenth position at the lead end; these are all Middles. Such examples in Grandsire Triples would be 1253746 with the seventh as observation bell striking in fifth position, and Grandsire Caters 125374968 with the ninth as observation bell striking in seventh position. at the lead ends.

One point of interest is that in all the even bells methods it is the same three bells (4. 2. 6. in the coursing order and as shown above) which work around the treble at the call at Middle. Six bell ringers will soon know there is no call at Middle in Minor, the reason being that a bell which is in one coursing position ar two striking positions below the Home position would be one of those which would work around the treble. in other words it would run in to lead at a Bob or take thirds place at a Single.
The effect of a call at Middle and the correct time to call it depends, as was also pointed out under . Home, upon the method being rung.


MR, FRED DUNKERLEY
Secretary, Lancashire Association
Mr. Fred Dunkerley, the popular secretary of the Lancashire Association. is an exceedingly busy man, hut nevertheless he finds the time to enjoy the great pleasures our art offers. He is a man of high standing in the cotton industry, as well as other fields, but is modest and unassuming. He is greatly respected by his fellow members of the Lancashire Association, and his services as secretary are much appreciated.
Born in Shaw, in 1905, he first went to an ordinary Council school and afterwards
took a technological course at the Manchester
School of Technology. He became a mill manager in 1927, and afterwards moved to The Standard Mill, Rochdale, in 1932, as mill manager. He now holds the position of chairman of this company.
He learned to ring at Moorside, Oldham, and rang his first peal (Kent T.B. Major) in 1922. By the beginning of April, 1960, he had rung 431 peals, conducting 61 . These have been rung for 21 different Associations and Guilds. He is proud to have taken part in those two difficult peals-Carter's Odd Bob one part and J. O. Lancashire's Odd Bob and Single. He also rang in the record lengths of 21.600 Major: 9,568 Spliced Surprise Major ( 10 methods) : and 15,480 Cambridge Surprise Royal. In 1948 he was appointed ringing secretary of the Lancashire Association, and on the death of W. H. Shuker, in 1951, was appointed general secretary, in which office he has served with distinction.
His other hobby is air racing, and he won, in 1949. the first race he entered, an international event. He has won most of the national and international races, but his greatest achievement was to win the King's Cup Air Race. in 1957, it a Sparrowjet, the first time a jet had won the race.
Mr. Dunkerley is senior vice-president of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners Associations Ltd.; and vice president of the Yarn Spinners" Association. He serves on several committees connected with these two associations and the Cotton Trade. He is also a member of the International Federation of Cotton and Allied Textile Industries Management Committee

Whether 't be in the field of ringing, flying or in industry, Fred Dunkerley tackles cverything in a whole-hearted fashion, and members of the Central Council will not easily forget the way he arranged and organised for their comfort when they visited Lancashire last year. Nothing was too much trouble for him, and he made it an occasion which will long be remembered.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The June meeling of the South and West District was held on the 18th, at Stanwell and Staines, in brilliant sunshine. A short service was conducted at St. Mary's. Stanwell. by the Rev. C. D. R. Sharpe (Vicar), who also delivered a shori but very pertinent observation on our calling.

After tea, ringing continued at St. Peter's, where some of the company were reluctant to exchange the charm, and comparative cool, of the river bank for a rather warm belfry! Nevertheless, ringing during the evening ranged up to Cambridge Surprise Major.
Although it was pleasing to see the continued interest, and note the encouraging progress of some of the younger clement, the attendance left much to be desired.
E. R. G.

## St. WENDREDA'S, MARCH

Accompanied by relatives and friends. St. Wendreda's. March, ringers had an enjoyable outing into Norfolk on June 11th. The first ringing of the day was at Gaywood. From here the coast road was followed to Holkham, where St. Withiburga's Church. on a hill. is surrounded by thousands of acres of woodlands and overlooks the lake. marshes and sea. The bells were much enjoyed.
Lunch was taken at Wells-on-Sea. where the tourists delighted many by their handbell ringing. Nearly two hours were spent in Cromer, an hour of which was devoted to ringing at Norfolk's highest church tower ( 160 feet). Appetites were appeased at Fakenham after which the eight bells were rung at the 600 -year-old church. There was ringing later at Castle Acre and Shouldham. Sincere thanks to clergy and those who met the tourists.

## Hints For Beginners-No. 28

Do not exaggerate your open handstroke lead on the higher numbers. The required interval on 12 is much less than on eight.

## QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL AT MELBOURNE

Almost 40 ringers took part in the Queen's birthday week-end (June 11th-13th) ringing festival at Melbourne, including nine from Adelaide and six from Bendigo
Ringing commenced before lunch on Saturday until about 9.30 p.m. with the usual informal breaks for meals. Everybody rang to their fill and many courses 'first in the method were scored
Sunday morning saw the fulfilment of a quarter peal of Kent T.B. Major, with four South Australians taking part. Three of these -Messrs. Bagot. Pitcher and Cox-had only rung a plain course in the method previously. During the quarter others enjoyed" themselves at St. Patrick's Cathedral. There was more ringing after lunch, and a most convivial evening at Barbara Beeson's flat brought Sunday to a close all too quickly.

An uninterrupted day's ringing was Monday's programme and by the afternoon no less than 13 ringers were able to ring Double Norwich C.B. Major. Enthusiasm was the keynote, and everyone felt if these happy gatherings could be maintained and spread farther afield Australian ringing would reach far greater heights.

Methods rung were: Doubles.-Plain. Stedman. Grandsire and St. Simon's. Minor.Plain, Little. Kent, and Oxford. Triples.Plain, Stedman and Grandsire. Major.-Plain, Little. Oxford. Kent. Double Norwich and Spliced. Caters.-Plain. Stedman and Grandsire. Royal.-Plain and Little Bob. Cinques.-

## THE WEST COUNTRYMEN'S TOUR

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OR the fifth year in succession, a rather smaller but no less able company of nine ringers left their homes in the Bournemouth area and Somerset on May 14th to enjoy a leisurely tour of East Anglia which. for the first time, was "under new management.

Following an uneventful journey, the members met at Luton Parish Church. All was in readiness and so, escorted by the tower captain. they ascended the tower and rang a very good 5.007 of Stedman Caters. The bells, which are modern product of the Loughborough foundry, were delightful, both in tone and
go, and much enjoyed by all.
Headquarters for the first night were to be at Whittlesford Bridge. near Cambridge, where fortified by juicy steaks and suitable refreshment the nine attempted to sleep but were not very successful due to British Railways! However, by 9.30 on Sunday all were well awake and looking forward to a ring upon the twelve at St. Mary-the-Great, Cambridge. for the Family Eucharist. The local ringers extended a very warm welcome and during the short period available. Stedman Cinques. Erin Cinques and Cambridge Royal were rung. Afterwards several went to St . Andrew-the-Great, some to Trumpington, while others attended divine service.

## TOUR OF COLLEGES

It was a great experience later in the day to be given such a comprehensive tour of the colleges by Dermot Roaf. However, those with his party were disappointed that they did not meet the remainder who had hired a punt. for no doubt they would have offered some advice in the art from the safety of the river bank! At last the brief but happy visit to Cambridge drew to its close and the 70 mile journey to Beccles was completed in good time to ring the noble ten at the detached bell tower for Evensong. The King's Head Hotel proved to be an excellent centre for the first part of the week.

On Monday morning the main programme commenced, and the party were heginning to, ring as a team. Despite their difficult "go." Diss bells went well to Stedman and Yorkshire. Mildenhall was to be the day's peal attempt and here, with the kind helo of a Cambridge ringer who cycled 22 miles to complete the band. Cambridge Royal was scored with little trouble. Unfortunately. builders were at work on the church roof and tower and as time progressed, the noise of their work increased until the ringers expected at any moment to see a head appear at the window. Nevertheless, when the peal was finished. it was discovered that the workmen had packed their tools and left in disgust!
The third and final church visited on Monday was Elveden. where eight bells are hung for ringing in a memorial tower connected to the mam body of the church by a covered way resembling cloisters.

## CINQUES AT YARMOUTH

Tuesday started in a very leisurely manner with a ring at St, Margaret's, Lowestoft. Bristol and four-spliced sounded very well and the ringers were greeted by the local captain who told them of the very active company which he had. From Lowestoft the party drove to Great Yarmouth, famous both for its ringing clergy and for its newly-hung twelve. Here the Rev. Giles Galley. Mr. Bert Gogle and a local ringer made a band for Stedman Cinques. With a long touch. a good beat was found and the bells heard at their best. The ringers left feeling that all credit should be given to Mears and Stainbank for a wonderful job. The company was afterwards met by the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow and Mr. George

Fletcher. both of whom conveyed their best wishes for the peal attempt to be made in the evening at St. Peter Mancroft. Erin Cinques was started there almost an hour late, due to the unavoidable late arrival of a Norwich friend. However, despite this, the ringing settled almost immediately, and it was a great disappointment that after two hours two bells changed course. Nevertheless, the ringing was greatly enjoyed by all and a good tape recording made. It was suggested by one member of the party that the two defaulters should be made to wear hair vests for the rest of the week as a penance!

After a last look at Beccles on Wednesday. Stonham Aspal was reached at 11 a.m., where an hour's ringing took place. The peal attempt on this day was to be Bristol at Debenhama mellow eight easily rung. A steady pace was set but two courses from the end a shift was detected and so stand had to be called. Members then drove through flat. but delightful. countryside to Bury St. Edmunds, where in the evening they rang at the Cathedral and later made their headquarters for the remainder of the week at the Angel Hotel.

## MUSICAL 'CLOCKING

So as to bring out the tone of the bells better than by the carillon keyboard, Chicago has experimented by
eight students by pulling ropes moving eight students by pulling ropes moving
the clappers of the 16 largest bells. the clappers of the 16 largest bells.
The ringers have to control their "clockings to the beat given by the conductor, synchronising their notes with higher bells played on the carillon keyboard.

The programme included 'Jesu, joy of man's desiring, (Bach) and Prelude in C Sharp Minor by Rachmaninov.

After the tower bell ringing it was an unexpected pleasure for them to join the local ringers in their tavern. where a ring of handbells is kept. As the result of a little effort and much to the surprise of all, a course of Grandsire Cinques was accomplished!

The next morning was free but everyone decided they they would like to take the opportunity of seeing the famous bell-cage at East Bergholt. which was some 35 miles distant. Permission to enter for a closer inspection unfortunately could not be oblained. In the afternoon, Yorkshire Major was the order of the day at famous Lavenham and after three and a half hours. the bells came into round; without incident. It was a pleasure to be met by Mr. Stedman Symonds who offered his congratulations upon the ringing and for some while told many tales of his, and his family's, achievements.. Long Melford was the second tower on Thursday. The church has been described as "one of the finest and the most symmetrical in the whole of East Anglia.' and this is no idle boast.

TWO PEALS IN A DAY
Thursday morning saw the company following the estuary of the River Deben to Woodbridge where. while the tower key was being located. the modern and well balanced woodwork of the sanctuary was admired. The new Taylor eight were well enjoyed, both fivespliced and Bristol being rung. The ringers must have looked a queer sight this day for as they walked the streets of the town and ate their lunch. everyone was learning Yorkshire Royal and mumbling the blue line! However. not in vain. for at Grundisburgh. joined by Mr. Charles Sedgley, who made the ten, a fine neal was scored in three hours
within the critical earshot of Mr . Cecil Pipe who afterwards joined the ringers for the remainder of the day. Grundisburgh bells are really outstanding for their weight and surprisingly easy to handle and hear.

The evening was spent ringing upon the twelve at St. Mary-le-Tower. Ipswich. Mr George Symonds was very proud to show the company the two peal books of the St. Mary's Society in which were beautifully written the many peals rung in the 1930 s, when Surprise bands were few and far between. Later in the evening. some visitors from Australia were welcomed and had their first view of change ringing.

And so the last full day of the tour arrived all too soon. Miss Hilda Snowden had all in readiness at Halstead and extended a very warm welcome, so typical of the East. An hour was pleasantly spent upon these fine new bells and all agreed that one could find none better for their weight. Saffron Walden was to be the last peal attempt and so, strengthened by two other Hampshire ringers who had driven to Essex specially. Stedman Cinques was started with the kind help of Mr. E Pye, who rang the tenor. Once more, a shift course prevailed and after an hour and a half. the ringing had to be stopped, but like the ather lost peals the ringing had been enjoyable, which was a great compensation.
At the hotel in the evening. members presented their organiser. Mr. Michael Best. with a camera tripod as a small token of appreciation- of all the work he had done and the masterful way in which he had carried through the whole tour. All agreed that it was one of the best ever. and through the medium of this article. they would like to express their very great thanks to all incumbents, tower captains and the ringers who enabled them to participate in ten and twelve bell ringing.
D. H.

## OUTINGS

## CRAYFORD, KENT

With the help of numerous friends and admirers from various other towers, nine - under twenties , and three others. who shall be ageless. from St. Paulinus visited five sixes and two eights in the Seal Chart. Tonbridge and West Malling area on June 11th. The towers were new to most of us and record sheets were much in evidence. Although the weather could have been kinder a very enjoyable day was spent. ending with a convivial evening at 26. Iron Mill Lane, which included some serious and some not-so-serious handbel ringing. with Walter Dobbie as an admirable M.C. Our thanks are due to all who helped and to those who so kindly allowed us to ring at their towers. and our congratulations are offered to the local band at East Farleigh whose ringing for a wedding there was a joy to listen to.
E. A. B.

## OAKHAM, RUTLAND

On May 21st 16 ringers from Oakham and district toured parts of Northamptonshire during a delightful if rather tiring tour. Towers visited. all containing rings of eight bells. were: Northampton (St. Edmund). Welling borough. Irchester. Rushden. Higham Ferrers. Irthlingborough. Finedon and Burton Latimer These towers provided both light rings (Burton Latimer. 100 13) and heavy (Wellingborough. $28119)$.
Methods rung during the day included Stedman. Grandsire. Erin, and St. Clement's Boh Triples. Plain and Little Bob. Kent. Oxford and Granta Kent Treble Bob. Double Norwich Court Bob. Cambridge and York $=$ shire Surprise Major.
Thanks are extended to all incumbents and to local ringers for meeting us at each tower M. E. S.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## WELCOME TO NEXT <br> \section*{CENTRAL COUNCIL}

Dear Sir-I am very pleased to learn that the Central Council has decided to visit our Association for the annual meeting next year. 1 have not the slightest doubt that our visitors will be very pleasantly surprised at the heauty of North Staffordshire. despite the industrial conglomeration of towns at Stoke-on-Trent referred to on the front page of The Ringing World of June 17th.
Many of the towers which it is proposed 10 make available are in some of the finest scenery of its kind in the country, and we are within a stone's throw of Dovedale. which is acknowledged to be one of the beauty spots of England, and is, in fact. in North Staffordshire.
I look forward to a record attendance at next year's meeting.-Yours faithfully
G. W. BIDDULPH.
Chairman.

North Staffordshire Association.

## ALL PREVIOUS PEALS MUFFLED

Dear Sir.-Re the peal of Bob Major rung at All Saints' Church. Maldon. on June 8th, conducted by H. Egglestone

I have searched diligently through all the Essex Association reports since they were first published. All previous peals on these bells were muffled peals.

Since the bells were augmented from 6 to 8 in 1922. only one previous attempt was made for an 'open' peal and that was way mack in the early 1930's.

This peal will. I hope, be the first of many. -Yours truly.

## Maldon. Essex.

A. HUBbLE

## DECODING GAVE HIM <br> A SURPRISE

Dear Sir.-I suppose the number of our readers who take the trouble to decipher the new Surprise methods which are printed in 'The Ringing World' from time to time is comparatively small. I imagine that not many Plain Bob or Grandsire men ever bother to make the effort. There are others possibly who, when they read the mysterious code like $-36-14-12$ etc., say to themselves. Ah. when I get time I will work that lot out.' and of course, procrastination being the thief of time. it never gets done.

Well now. I find that if one wants to keep abreast of the times and even if one s opportunities seldom run to Surprise methods it is always worth while to unravel these codes (1) supposz they are quite properly Corrigan Codes) to see what they reveal.

I set to work recently on John R. Mayne's Flamstead Surprise Minor ( $\cdot$ R. W. April 24th) and to my surprise I found it to be a method with a bell in the slow just like Kent or Oxford T.B. Minor. This was quite a revelation to me and a method which was worth adding to my repertoire.
I am rather mystified. however, in the classification. If Kent and Oxford with a bell in the slow are T.B. Minor methods, how is it that Flamstead, also with a bell in the slow. is accorded the status of a Surprise Minor method? Perhaps Mr. Mayne or some reader will elucidate this for me.
Also. Mr. Fditor. I wonder if you could prevail on one of our conıributors. a man say like Mr. Wilfred G. Wilson. to deal with this abbreviated style of method writing for us. Make it the subject of an explanatory article so that all our readers can follow ir. I am not sure that all can at present.

Barrow-in-Furness.

## DISCIPLINE AND PEALS

Dear Sir,-I should like to thank Mr. Wilfred Ring for saying so much more clearly what I attempted to say-in great haste-in my previous letter on the subject of the Kirby-le-Soken record It is nice to find one person who will write up and say he agrees with me!

First. let me say that such ideas of discipline and control in the belfry expressed by your correspondents in many letters on this vexed subject are highly repugnant to most of us today. who hate the bluff and hypocrisy which characterised many of the 'great' conductors of the past-and possibly a few are left at the present time. To see the sort of thing I mean, let the reader turn back some years to the excellent articles on Belfrymanship. by Rodney Meadows, which are a grand example of how to speak a true word in jest! To the conductor of today the rest of the hand are his friends, not puppets whose feelings are of no account at all.

Most of your correspondents missed the point which was that at Loughborough we were attempting to ring 40.000 changes-the extent on eight. Had such a length of a more notable method (I don't count Double Norwich) been available, then we would have been in a position to consider ringing that instead. Speaking personally, I found much more concentration was needed when calling Plain Bob-the warning of the treble dodging on the lead is my instinctive reminder that it is time for a bob. More to the point-I am still convinced that far more than outmoded ideas on discipline (degrading to conductor and ringers alike) is necessary to enable eight men to ring with each other for such a length of time.

The point of difference between an attempt for 40.000 and one for 20.000 odd is the immense effort of ringing the second 10.000 , when at the end of it (in the case of the extent) it is still but half way. Even if we ring no further than we have done on several occasions. into the 20.000 's the mental strain and effort is still taking place. I'd happily go for 22.000 as part of the day's work. but 40.000 needs a bit more nerve, believe me.

To the 'Sunday Service Ringer ' from Kent (I too can claim that distinction!), may I say that the incorrect instruction he refers to which caused confusion as we neared 29.000 was not given by me. Nor was the confusion bad enough to end the attempt. My reason for being so scrupulous (please note. Mr. Dodd) was the fact that until that point the ringing had been unblemished. We had by then set our hearts on the best and second best was not good enough. Had Mr. Dodd been in it. I doubt if the situation would have arisen. I think possibly he could manage a peal in that class, but not five in a row.

Finally, since I have been accused of bad taste. may I reiterate that the way the reports of Frank Lufkin's effort emphasised the weak points in our ventures. compared with the success of his own. seemed very like the proverbial kicking of a dog when he's down. proverbial kicking of a dog when he s down. article was quite unforgivable in its naïve and moral tone. In addition. I had imagined Norman Harding to be a better friend to me than his remarks prove him to be. I am not in the least jealous but an attitude of smug success is guaranteed to make me see red. with the hypocrisy it so often involves. No one minds a failure being advertised, but success shouldn't need any.-Yours etc..

STEPHEN IVIN.
Houghton Conquest. Bedford.

## 'LISTEN TO THE STRIKING

Dear Sir.-Your correspondent. Mr. W. Ring ( $\cdot$ R.W. June 24th). seems to be one of those ringers who help to curn the minds of the public against the sound of church bells. I refer to his statement - in Bob Major all the ringers can sit back and have a jolly good sleep.' No Mr. Ring! Keep awake. listen to the striking. The passers-by don'l know what is being ruing. but they can tell whether it's good or bad.-Yours sincerely.

DAVID E. HOUSF.

## Southampion.

## DEVON GUILD AND PEAL LEVY

Dear Sir.-A new rule was brought into force by the Guild of Devonshire Ringers last year relating to a voluntary levy, on all peals rung, of a shilling per rope. sixpence of which should be subscribed to 'The Ringing World.'

Fcr one or two peals for which I was responsible I collected a shilling per man and sent half to The Ringing World: In due course the peals were published and the voluntary subscription acknowledged in the columns of the paper.
In future the conductor of any peal rung for our Guild must pay to the Guild Is, a rope; and at the end of the year, in addition to knowing the number of peals rung. the treasurer will know how much must be paid to 'The Ringing World without having to refer to 'Gratefully Acknowledged to see who has, or has not. paid.-Yours truly.
T. G. MYERS

Plymouth.

> The new quarter started with the last issue. New postal subscribers will be welcome. Remittances to Mr. J. E. Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro, Cornwall. Rates: 12 months $£ 1$ 15s., six month. 18 s. , three months 9 s .6 d .

## BELFRY MANNERS

Dear Sir.-Whilst we appreciate the ringing merits of certain members of the Central Council. we feel that their belfry manners are singularly lacking. We are led to this unhappy conclusion by an episode during a ringing outing by young members of the Kent County Association on Whit Monday in the Romney Marsh area.
During an attempt to ring a course of Grandsire Triples at the second of two eight hell towers of the day we were invaded by six people. who. it later transpired. were ancient members of the ringing fraternity.
We were due to depart from this particular tower within ten minutes of these individuals appearing. Without any introductions what soever, the visitors proceeded to take hold of six ropes to lower. leaving two for the touring band.
If it had not been for one gentleman waiting at the churchyard gate to introduce himself and tell me who the others were, we would still be wondering who these stranger; If one of the invaders had thought to mention who they were ir the first place the Vicar, who was in the church, could have been approached and possibly another ten minutes ${ }^{\circ}$ ringing obtained in order to give these extra ringers a better ring. After all we weren't to know that they could even handle a bell properly, and it would have been our responsibility had anything gone wrong.
We are glad this is not typical of the example we are to expect trom the Central Council. DAVID C. MANGER.
Chelsfield. Kent.

# DEATH OF MISS STELLA DAVIS 

It was with a sense of personal grief ando loss that the members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild learned of the tragic death of its only woman vice-president. Miss Stella Davis, of the Old Posi Office. Bucklehury. Berkshire, on June 11th. She was 73 years of age.

Miss Davis joined the Guild during the second decade of the present century having learned to ring at Bucklehury, her home tower. She continued to serve that tower and church faithfully until her death. first as a member of the band and during the past 16 years is the captain.

A member of the Guild Committee for many years and since 1951 a vice-president. she served the Guild with the same quiet devotion to duty. Always present at Guild meetings and festivals unless ill-health or domestic duties prevented her, she was wise in her counsels and a well beloved figure.
During the immediate post-war years Miss Davis was the secretary of the Newbury Branch and it is due to her unfailing service that the Branch today is as strong as it is.
Never a prolific peal ringer she must have rung a number of peals over the years, some of them in new methods when the East Berks band was breaking new ground in the 1930 s. During recent years her energies had been devoted to teaching ringing in her own area and such peals as she had rung had been those for beginners. Her last peal was rung at Thatcham, in February.
Miss Stella Davis will always be remembered by those who knew her for her quict Christian gaiety. her quiet devotion to duty in whatever form it came to her-as a school teacher, a daughter, a member of the church and her parish. and as a ringer, and her deep humility. It was not for her the headlines and the bright lights, yet her influence has been felt and will continue to spread. as a stone dropped into a deep lake. Always willing to encourage others to go ahead and with a youthful outlook and spirit, her influence over all the young ringers who came within her orbit was much greater than she ever realised, for they recognised in her, that greatest of all Christian gifts. 'Charity. Of her may it be said with truth. 'Charity
suffereth long. and is kind: charity envieth not ; charity vaunteth not itself. is not puffed up: Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil: Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth: Beareth all things, believeth all things. hopeth all things, endureth all things.
M. R C

## THE FLNERAI.

The funeral service at Bucklebury Church. on June 16th. was conducted by the Vicar. Rev. D. B. Ashburner. In his address he said. She was the most faithful of Christian souls and was well prepared. spiritually, for death. whenever it might come.

Here, so many of her energies were devoted to the work of the church. She had heen organist since 1941 and foreman of the ringers since 1946. having had the distinction of being the first woman to be allowed to ring in St. Paul's Cathedral. We shall miss her leading of Us in praise and in calling us to worship, and there are many ringers in towers near and far who have lost a good friend.

Stella Davis was also a faithful associate member of the Mothers' Union and played for the services and meetings. and made our Mothers Union banner. She cleaned the church brasses. arranged the altar flowers most heautifully and decorated the pulpit for festivals. She washed the Communion linen. and distributed magazines, and only recently she repaired the white superfrontal for the altar and the white cushion cover at the litany desk. All this and more she did in her quiet way. for she hated any fuss. and few people knew just how much she did and how much we relied on her:
Among the ringers present were Mr. Frederick Sharp (president of the Central Council

Church Bell Ringers, also representing oficers of the Oxford Diocesan Guild). Kev. R. R. Woodfield (chairman). Mr. H. P. Reed (Ringing Master) and Mr. H. Lawrenson (secretary, Newbury Branch), Mr. L. G
Hatines. Mr. J. Tibhits. Mr. W. Jrving and Haines. Mr. J. Tibhits. Mr. W. Jrving and
Mr . J. Knapper (reprcsenting Goring tower) Mrs. P. Lewington and Mr W. Hibbert (St. Laurence tower. Reading). Mr. F. Tuffley (Chieveley tower). Mr. A. Webb. Mr. Frank White. Mr. W. White. Mr. Frederick White Mr. C. G. White. Mr. L. Cox.
Mrs. Birrett. Mrs. Lock (also representing Mr. A. C. Lock). Mr, and Mrs. A. Hawkins.

## APPRECIATIONS

## MISS DAVIS OF BUCKLEBURY

How many times in the last half century has the above phrase been heard. She was christened (quite rightly) Stella, but very, very few outside her family, even some of her most intimate and oldest friends, called her anything but Miss Davis.

She was undoubtedly a personality. especially in the Oxford Guild. and in her heyday was one of the lady ringers of the country, equal 10 any of her own sex, and better than a lot of males.

Younger ringers, who have heard the name and of her exploits, may have gained the impression she was very austere, but such was not the case. In her own words, she was always circumspect. but she was full of fun. and even on March 4th this year at Appleton. she was as young in heart as anyone present. and to see her standing on the stool in the
Thatched Tavern.' singing the choruses of the varicus songs. was a tonic.

Two very charming incidents will stay in the memory of the writer. One: Some years ago we were coming back from an O.D.G. meeting and the driver of the car was expounding at some length that lady ringers were quite good in the tower, but rather apt to be expensive when having refreshment, quoting that the average male was content with his beer, but that lady ringers were rather prone to gin and tonic or whisky mac.

When nearing the journey's end the driver suggested a drink before the parting of the ways. What will you have, Miss Davis?' Without a twitch of the facial muscles, but with a wicked twinkle in her eye came the reply. - Lemon and port. thank you. - giving the gentleman his full title.

The other was a peal of Siedman Triples she was calling in her own beloved tower of Bucklebury. when she called the half way Single a whole pull too soon. The writer said. - Not now. dear. Single now. After the neal Miss Davis came across the tower and without preamble. Thank you very much for your help at the half way. which would have been much more appreciated without the term of endearment.

When ringing was getting into its stride after the 1914-1918 War. Miss Davis took up an appointment at a Maidenhead School. and came under the wing of the late Rcv. C. W.O. Jenkyn and R. T. Hibbert. Who fought hard to break down the prejudice of the old Caversham ringers against lady ringers, but it was not long before her ability was recognised and she rang quite a number of peals with the old uns.
Her handling of a bell was very graceful. her striking most accurate and her concentration wonderful. and those who rang with her must be proud of the fact, and have happy memories

A little Christian lady and a great ringer.
To meet Stella Davis. more than anyone else. was to sense the real purpose for church bell ringing. She might well have been numther one in your scries 'Servants of the Exercise:
We ring for her in grief and in tribute to a life of loyal devotion.
E. Hagbourne.

## PREB. MARTIN WILLSON

By the passing, at the early age of 53 , of Preb. Martin Willson. ringers throughout the West Country have lost a great friend. He had been director of religious broadcasting in the Western Region of the B.B.C. since 1946 and in that time had taken a lively interest in ringers and ringing, A regular reader of "The Ringing World: he often discussed with the writer points raised in the correspondence columns and only last year contributed an excellent leading article on the problems of broadcasting.
Nothing was 100 much trouble for him in his aim to achieve perfection and coupled with this was his great sincerity and appreciation of the work of others. He had the greatest respect for the more humble country ringers and gave them every encouragement, they were very much in his mind when. some two years ago, he started his series of programmes dealing with the 'Faith' in various areas of the West Country. In fact. the Faith in the Mendips, was in process of being prepared during his last days and was to have included some very well known towers. One of his greatest joys was the arrangement for the recordings of Evercreech bells and he was very happy in the result.
Since the formation of the Television and Broadcasting Committee by the Central Council he had been one of our most loyal helpers. not only in the West but by his contacts in other regions. Having been privileged to enjoy a place in his life makes it all the harder to find words adequate to describe all those fine qualities that made up the man that was Martin Willson. All who knew him are the poorer for his passing but remain vastly richer by the experience of his friendship.
H. J. S.

HIS CAREER
Born at Bemerton. Salisbury. Preb. Willson was edueated at Wimborne Grammar School. Sherborne School and Oriel Collcge. Oxford. and following curacies at Warminster, Cowley and Parkstone, he served as a chaplain during the war in South Wales. Palestine, Cyprus, Normandy. Italy and North Africa. On first joining the B.B.C. he was religious broadcasting assistant for the Midlands and West Region jointly. In 1957 he was appointed a Prebendary of Wells Cathedral.
He will be best remembered for his radio series : The Faith in the West.' a religious magazine programme which was the first of its kind. Deeply sincere in his religion, Martin Willson was at the same time markedly tolerant of other people's beliefs and views. He leaves a widow, a son and two daughters.

## BEDFORDSHIRE RINGERS' TOUR

Whit Monday saw ringers from all parts of Bedfordshire join together for an outing into Norfolk and Suffolk.
St. Mary's. Newmarket, was the first stop of the day, at the early hour of 9 a.m. At St. 'erer's. Brandon-Ferry, the ladies did justice to a well struck touch of Boh Minor. The round tower of St. Mary's. Watton, was of particular interest to the visitors.

After lunch, ringing at Si. Nicholas', East Dereham. was a plseant experience: indeed the hest ringing of the day was on these bells From East Dereham we went to the abbey church of SS. Mary and Thomas. Wymondham. where the greater part of the ringing time was spent in the spiral staircase waiting for the key to he passed up. The remainder of the party took this opportunity of looking around the very interesting church. St Mary's. Attleborough. was the last stop of the day. After the conquest of the ascent into the ringing chamber it was good to hear well truck changes
Ringing during the day was of a generally high standard. methods including rounds. Plain Bob. Grandsire. Stedman and Double Court. Thanks are due to the local incumbents, and to those who kindly met us. Also to Krith for his excellent arrangements.

K A. $R$.

## TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## By. T. A. BEVIS

(Continued from page 405)
SS. PETER AND PAUL. WISBECH
The historic borough of Wisbech is attractively situated amidst acres of profitable orchards. reminding one to a large extent of the Vale of Evesham. Wisbech is. in fact. a port, and ships travel 13 miles inland to discharge their cargoes alongside the borough's ancient wharves.
The town radiates considerable influence to the many picturesque villages in the neighbourhood. most of which are graced with magnificent churchcs. A ringer once said.
'Towers come ten-a-penny here!' It is a true statement and the majority of these stately marshland churches possess rings of bells.
SS. Peter and Paul. Wisbech, is the only church in the Isle of Ely with 10 bells. The tower itself is well worth a visit for it has many points of interest and is attached to a church which is almost as wide as it is long. with three arcades from the 12 th. 14 th and 15th centuries. The tower-overlooking colourful gardens-is regarded as being one of the finest of its kind in Cambridgeshireperhaps the finest. It consists of four stages. rising to richly-carved. pierced battlements, terminating in pleasing displays of pinnacles.

The outer walls are adorned with emblems. among which can be secen that of St. Thomas of Canterbury-a ' T' surmounted by a crown; the episcopal arms of Goodrick. Bishop of Ely. 1534-54, is also displayed, and there is a unique carving of a monstrance. a receptacle in which the Host was borne in processions
Climbing a wide newel stair one enters a commodious ringing chamber and this affords an unimpeded view of a perfect circle. The hells are of good tonal quality, eight of them having been recast and augmented with the addition of two new trebles by William Dohson of Downham Market
One of the original bells bore the date 1566. and iwo others were first cast in 1608 and 1640 . The present ring (rehung by Mears and Stainbank in 1936) were opened on Friday, December 19th. 1823. by a party of ringers who are reputed to have walked 25 miles from Soham. Cambs (another ten of similar weight), for that occasion.
Every bell is inscribed and two testify that they were given by Abraham Jobson. S.T.P., Vicar. 1823. One intones Prosperity to the Town of Wisbech St. Peter and its toast is most appropriate! Another speaks of its many duties: 'I praise the Lord; the people call: convoke the priests; the dead deplore : plagues drive away; and gladden feasts.' .One bell has been chosen to convey the bells' good wishes to newly-weds: 'In wedlocks bands all ye who join. with hands your hearts unite: so shall our tuneful tongues combine to laud the nuptial rite. The tenor ( 21 cwt .2 grs. 15 lhs. in $E$-flat). like a great many other tenor bells. hids folk to church, and also warns them of the grave.

The first peal in the tower was rung on June 24 th, 1771. by a team of eight ringers from Norwich. It consisted of 5.040 changes of Plain Bob Major and those who participated were: John Chamberlain, John Keepus. John Nixon. James Watling, Simon Watling, John Dye. John Trowse and James Vines. Jchn Chamberlain was the conductor.
Since then a number of peals have been rung on the bells. among them compositions of Kent. Stedman and Cambridge. but none has given greater sense of achievement than that of 5.039 charges of Grandsire Caters, on Tuesday, December 9th. 1947. it being the first in the method on the bells by an entirely local Sunday service band of ringers. and was the conductor's (Mr. F. Wigmore) 100 th peal.

## TERRINGTON ST. CLEMENT

Situated not more than four miles from the Wash the great church of St. Clement. Terrington, is affectionately known as the Cathedral of the Marshes.' and worthy it is of this title. Built mostly during the notahle period of church architecture this 14 th century edifice has an amazing display of pinnacles and spirelets which, cogether with the beautiful windows (over 80), lend the effect that the


CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PALL, WISBECH
whole of this glorious apparition will float away.

The tower-detached from the church by a mere 12 inches-has served in hygone years as a refuge to those Terrington residents who on numerous occasions were mercilessly ejected from their homes by raging torrents which periodically broke through the sea barrier. In 1607 boats toiled over the flooded area between Terrington and Kings Lynn with supplies and comforts for those unfortunate people who had been obliged to seek refuge in this massive place

There are eight bells (tenor 11 cwt 0 grs. ? lbs in $F$ sharp) and one, the sixth. dated 1595 is inscribed. NVNC CLEMENTS EGO CANTO VOBIS ORE JVCVNDO' (Now I. Clement. sing to you with a joyful voice). The treble was given by the last surviving member of the Upwood family in 1925. together with the second which was supplied by public subscrip tion. Both are by Mears and Stainbank Thomas Lester originally cast the third but this bell was taken to the melting pot in 1934 after a neighbouring bell had divorced its headstock and caused considerable damage

The fourth hell dates from 1711 but was recast in 1925: it and number three share identical weight: 5 cwt .0 grs. 10 lhs. Dohson cast the fifth in 1816. and the seventh (recast 1925) was originally created by Thomas Newman. in 1731. The tenor is by Arnold and Dobson. Downham Market. 1778.

An inventory made in the reign of Edward

VI states that in that period St. Clement's Church possessed six hells weighing 2. 11. 13 16. 18 and 20 cwts . From 1716 to 1746 the tower contained five bells and these were later augmented to six. They were further augmented to eight in 1925. when G. Day, of Eyc. Suffolk. rehung the complete ring in a new teak frame. Another overhaul was carried out in 1956.

The first peal on the actave comprised 5.088 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major. rung on Saturday. June 30th. 1925. The conductor was F. R. Borrett

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## 40ih WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Frome Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Farmborough. Saturday, July 9th. Usual arrange-ments-E. Chivers. Chilcompton. 6197 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Chesterfield District.-Monthly meeting. Dronfield. 3 pm. 108.30 p.m.. July 9th. Names for tea to G N. Goodall. 6. Elm Tree Crescent. Dronfield.

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DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD Quarterly meeting at Penn. Salurday. July 4/h. Brils ivailable it 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and business meeting 5.15 p.m. Names for tea 10 Miss A. Frost, 9, Buttons Farm Road. Pena.

EAST GRINSIEAD GUILD - Meeting at Mayfield. July 9th. Burgess Hill not available. Names for tea early. to W. Kitchenside. 3 , South Street. Mayfield.-C. A. Bassett. 6208 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Meeting at Stretham. Saturday, July 9 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m -D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Leatherhead District.-Meeting at Cobham and Stoke D'Abernon. on Saturday, July 9th. Bells (both towers) from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. Service $4: 30$ at Cobham. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Church Room. Numbers for tea to Mrs. Thornton. 59 Hogsmill Lane. Cobham. 6162
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maid stone District.-Quarterly meeting at West Malling, July 9 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Carter, The Ringers,' West Malling. 6159
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Liverpool Branch.-Next meeting at St. Nicholas'. Halewood. Saturday. July gith. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea (price 2s.) to be sent to Mr. J. Robinson. Field Cottage. Church Road. Halewood.-T. E. Radcliffe, Sec.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION -N. and E. District.-Joint meeting with the HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION (St. Albans District) at St. Mary's. North Mymms. on Saturday. July 9 th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. to 4.15 n.m. Tea in the Memorial Hall 4.30, followed by evening ringing. St. Etheldredas. Hatfield. hells also avallable 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. Names for tea must be sent to Mrs. Lock, 57. Holloways Lane. North Mymms, Hatfield, Herts. (Hatficld 2866).

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Banbury Branch.-Annual meeting at Banbury (10), Saturday, July 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.
Tea and business 4.45 p.m. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Theale (6). Saturday, July 9 th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Englefield (6) after tea.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Newark District-Meeting at East Bridgford, Saturday, July 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Western Division.-Practice mecting on July 9th. will be at Westbourne and not Easebourne as proposed. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Saltbell Road, Fishbourne, near Chichester.

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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District-Quarterly meeting. Alverstoke, Saturday, July
9 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Brodrick Hall-A. Sturgess, Portsmouth Dis. Hon. Sec. 6212
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District. A quarterly meeting will be held at Twyford. on Saturday. July 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at Phoenix Inn 5 p.m. at 2s, 6d. per head. Owslebury (6) available
7 p.m. till 9 p.m. ST. MARY. WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE. Rededication of bells by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester, at 11 o clock service on July J0th. Ringing after the service. from 12.15 until I p.m. All ringers welcome.
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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Chew Deanery. - Quarterly meeting at Barrow Gurney (8). July 16 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. followed by business meeting. Names for tea to me by July 15th. please-D. G. Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec. Estune: Brockway. Nailsea.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Taunton Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Pitminster (6). July 16 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea. please-
A. H. Reed. Mimosa.
George Street. Taunton. Mimosa. George Sirel. 6234
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Quarterly meeting. Saturday, July 16th. at Monks Kirby. Ringing 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m Business meeting to follow. Names for tea. Mease, to J. L. Garner-Hayward, 8. Orchard Crescent. Coventry

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. - Annual cricket match and ringing day, Tanfield. July 16 th . starting at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers cordially invited. Names for tea, please. to K. Cheeseman. Church House, Tanfield. Tantobic. Co. Durham.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District-Meeting at Warboys, on Saturday. July 16 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. Sec. 6249
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSO-CIATION.-South Forest Branch.-Meeting. Awre. Saturday, July 16 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Coombe. Oaklands Farm. Newnham, Glos.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Tewkesbury Branch. Quarterly meeting at Eldersfield (6). on Saturday, July 16th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 . Meeting 6 p.m. Numbers for tea by July 14th. to Mr. R. Lodge. Hill-Top Farm, Eldersfield, Gloucester.-Nadine Price. Branch Sec. 6263
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Chippenham and Cirencester Branches.-Joint meeting. Kemble. July 16 th. Bells (6) $2-4$ p.m. Service. Tetbury, 4.30. Tea. Bells (8) $6-8$ p.m. Names essential by July 14 th to H. Heath. 89. London Road. Chippenham. Wiits.
HALIFAX ASSOCIATION - Annual meeting and six bell prize contest. Hoylandswaine, July 16th. Entrance fee 10 s.. to A. Farrand, 12. Greenhill Cottages. Mossley, Manchester, by July 2nd. please. For teas please notify by July 9th. J. Whitehouse. Gyder Bottom Farm. Hoylandswaine. -A. Farrand. Sec. 6163
HAWKHURST GUIED.-Meeting. Saturday. July 16th. All Saints', Hastings.-E. A. Fellows. Hon. Sec. 6256
HEREFORD GUILD.-Bromyard District. Quarterly meeting. Stoke Lacy. 3 p.m. July 16th. Service 4.30. Tea at School 5 p.m. Reservations to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard

6230
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern Disulict.-July meeting at Benington. on 16 th (not 9 th). at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Miss F. Welch. Holmes Farm. Walkern. Stevenage. Herts.

6173
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District.-Quarterly meeting at Eastchurch (Meopham not available), on Saturday, July 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Miss M. Wash, 106, High Street, Eastchurch. Sheerness.

6206
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Canter. bury District. - Quarterly meeting, Dover (8). on Saturday. July 16 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea: Parish Hall at 2 s . per person. Names together with cash, please, to Mrs. H. George, 11, Farthingloe Road. Maxton, Dover.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - Half-yearly meeting at Worsley. on Saturday. July 16 th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Tea 5. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea by July 13 th. 10 Mr . M. Lomax. 69. Normanby Road. Walkden-G. D. Fearnehough. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Loughborough District.-Breedon-on-the-Hill. Saturday. July 16 h. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Holly Cottage. Names by Tuesday July 12th. to Mrs. Hodgson. Holly Cottage. Breedon-on-the-Hill. Derby.-C. W. Hall. 6224
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Leicester District.-Annual striking competition. Ratby. Saturday. July 16 th. 3 p.m. General ringing in the evening. All ringers welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 13th. please. to Mr. H. Spencer. 9. Stamford Street. Ratby. Leicester.

6223
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Syston District.-Meeting at Barkby, on Saturday. July 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea in Vicarage 5 p.m. Names by the previous Wednesday. please, to Mr. R. D. Flowers. Queen Street. 6242 LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - Eastern Branch.-Mecting at Willoughhy, near Alford. Saturday. July loth. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. No tea arranged, please bring own food.-W. E. Clarke. Hon. Sec., 99, Norfolk Street.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.-Meeting Saxilby, July 16th. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. W. Cox. Trinity Cottage. Saxilby.

6216
MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.-Meeting at Staplehurst. July 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 2 s . Names to Mr. R. Mitchell, 42. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { p.m. Tea } & 2 \mathrm{~s} \text {. Names to Mr. R. March } \\ \text { Church } \\ \text { Usborne Sec. }\end{array}$ Usborne. Sec

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION-
and W. District.-Meeting. Saturday, July S. and W. District.-Meeting, Arrangements : ringing at Sunbury $3-4.30$ p.m.. followed by service. Tea at 5. Business meeting 5.30. Further ringing at Hampton 6.45-8.15 p.m. Names for tea by 12 th , to D . Brock. 7, Loudwater Road. Sunbury. 6257
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Newbury
Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. July Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday; July Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 13th. to R. M. Payne. 10, Church Road. Aldermaston, Reading.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.- A combined practice will be held at Finchampstead. on July 16th, at 6 p.m. Special method for practice: Beverley Surprise-B. C. Castle. 6267
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Kettering Branch.-A quarterly meeting will he held at Thorpe Malsor (6), on Saturday, July 16th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea. please, by Tuesday previous, to Mr. B. Austina Kettering Road. Thorpe Malsor.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Peterborough Branch. Quarterly meeting. Kings Cliffe, Saturday. July 16 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Bring food. tea
provided. All ringers welcome. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-
Wellingborough Branch,-Quarterly meeting. Wellingborough Branch,-Quarterly meeting.
Easton Maudit. Saturday. July 16th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Rev. W. C. Knight. St. Mary's Vicarage. Bozeat. Wellingborough.
SALISBURY GUILL
SALISBURY GUILD.-Calne Branch Meeting Lyneham (6). July 16 th, usual arrangements. Names for tea, please. to F, F. Godwin. 83. Lyneham. Chippenham. W. Hacker. 6258 SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-West Dorset Branch- Meeting at Hawkchurch. July 16 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Chardstock tower also open. Numbers for tea. please.-Barrett. $120 . \quad$ Gerrards Green. Beaminster.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salisbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting July 16 th, Enford. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by meeting. Netheravon and Fittleton also available in evening. Names before Tuesday, I2th, please.-Miss Eloie. 8.
Albany Road. Salisbury.
6172 Albany Road. Salisbury. $\quad$ GOUTHWELL 6172 Mansfield District.-Meeting at Mansfield Woodhouse. Saturday. July 16 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea 5.15 p.m.. followed by meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 13th. to A. J. Brown. 4. Ferguson Avenue. Mansfield Woodhouse. Mansfield. Notts.SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Practice meeting at Dorking. St. Martin's. July 16 th. 3 p.m. Ranmore bells from 7 p.m. Names for tea by July 14 th, to Miss Clear. - Muree, Lonsdale Road, Dorking. -G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 620 ? SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-
ion.-Practice meeting Barcombe (6). Satur-sion.-Practice meeting Barcombe (6). Satur-
day. July 16 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify numbers for tea by Tuesday. July 12 th - George North. 11. Richmond Terrace. Briphton. 6259 WYMONDHAM. NORFOLK -Saturday,
uly 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m.. and in evening. July 16th. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p.m.}$. and in evening.
Service 4.15 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Vicarage Room. All welcome. Please send names or numbers by July 13th. to H. Tooke. 11. Long Row. The Lizard. Wymondham.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Summer festival. July 23 rd. Kempston (8). Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m... with address hy Rev. P. B. Graham. Vicar of Eaton Bray: local band arranging tea in Schoolroom $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please assist by sending names bv July 21st. to Mr. P. Inskip. 8. Randalls Close, Bromham. Beds.

DEVON GUILD-Mid-Devon BranchQuarterly meeting. Bovey Tracey. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday. to Dr Roberts, 84. Westhill Road. Torquay. 6238

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - N.E. District. Meeting Harwich. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting. Numbers for tea, please. by Wednesday July 20th. to Mr. W. Felgate. 25. Una Road. Parkeston. Harwich. $6251^{\circ}$

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Clun District-Calling all ringers to a quarterly meeting at Leintwardine. on July 23 rd, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Inform T. Davies. 1. Church Street. Clun. Craven Arms. of numbers requiring tea by the 21 st. 6268 LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern District.-Quarterly meeting, Saturday. July 23 rd. Note change of date. Details of venue next week. Everyone welcome.Bullock. Dis. Sec. ${ }^{\text {KENT }}$ COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Lewisham District.-Quarterly meeting, St. Mary's. Downe. Saturday, July 23rd. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. 20th. to Miss M. R. Andrews. 43. Wansunt Road. Bexley.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) and LADIES' GUILD.- Joint meeting at Cheriton. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells (8. tenor 7 cwt.) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday. 10 Mr W. C. Chandler. 2. Alma Road. Cheriton Folkestone-C. T. H.

6255
LADIES' GUILD.-Lincolnshire District. Meeting at Scunthorpe. on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m Names for tea by Wednesday, July 20th. to Mrs. F. Lord. Campana. 107. Bushfield Road Scunthorpe.-A. Richardson. Hon. Sec. 6250

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch.-Meeting at Yaxham. Saturday. July 23 rd . Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous. please. to Mr. J. Hornigold. Station Road. Yaxham. Dereham.-C. Bird. Hon. Sec. 6220

SUFFOLK GUILD.-East Central District. Quarterly meeting. July 23rd. at Stonham Aspal (10). Bells 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, 20th, to W. J. Button. Stonham Aspal. Stowmarket

6265
SUFFOLK GUILD - North-East District Quarterly meeting. July 23rd, at Southwold (8). Bells $3-8.15$ p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m Names for tea by 21 st. to Mr. R. S. Payne Hotson Road. Southwold

6226
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Preliminary notice.-The annual dinner will be held on Saturday. October 8th. at the Queen Hotel, Chester. Full details later.-Henry O Baker. Gen. Sec.

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## OUTINGS

## EAST GRINSTEAD, SCSSEX

Ringers from East Grinstead Parish Church. with friends from West Hoathly. held their first annual outing in the West SussexHants border district on May 14th. Ringing was enjoyed at Slinfold, where the bells have just heen overhauled. Milland, after great difficulty in finding the church. Liss. and what a lovely eight they are. Bosham. Lyminster." Findon, a new six. and Cowfold
Methods ranged from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Minor and Bob Major
We are very grateful indeed to Miss E. W Keys for being so helpful. also the incumbents and ringers who met us and helped to make the day so successful.
F. H. H.

## ANDOVER, HANTS

An outing organised by the Misses Hazel and Cherry White in which ringers from St. Mary's. Reading, also participated. look place on Whit Monday. The area chosen was West Surrey, and ringing took place at Seale. St. Mary's and St. Nicolas'. Guildford. Albury and Cranleigh (including three leads of Bristol). A splendid tea was provided by Mrs. White. at Dunsfold. In the evening there was further ringing at Witley and on the new eight at Farnham. where a course of London will be especially remembered.

## OUTINGS-Continued.

## BUCKINGHAM

The 15 th annual outing of Buckingham church ringers went as far as Lincolnshire. By 9.30 a.m. the magnificent eight at Rothwell were ringing merrily. Then into Lincolnshire, the party dividing to ring at Market Deeping and West Deeping.

After lunch at the Greyhound. Spalding, the parish church was visited and a warm welcome received from Mr. and Mrs. R. Noon. The band surpassed themselves in the 10 bell tower of SS. Peter and Paul. Wisbech, and it was with regret that they left for tea at Godmanchester. The evening's ringing was at Godmanchester and Higham Ferrers. A good outing and grateful thanks to incumbents and local ringers.

## ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK

A very pleasant day in North-East Essex was spent by members of St . Mary's, Rougham, and ringing friends from neighbouring towers, on June 11th. Ringing started at 8.30 a.m. at Mistley and towers visited were Harwich. Tendring. Thorpe-le-Soken Kirby-le-Soken. Great Holland, St. Osyth, Thorington and finishing at Bentley, at 9.15 p.m. A big variety of Doubles and Minor methods were also rung as well as Triples and Major up to Double Norwich C.B. At tea time Mr. G. Miller thanked Mr. L. Wright, the organiser for his excellent arrangements and Mrs. Ivings and the ringers' wives. who supplied and served a delightful tea. To all incumbents and tower keepers, sincere thanks.

## ST. LAURENCE'S, READING

An enjoyable day was spent in Bedfordshire, on Whit Monday, by members of the St . Laurence's. Reading, band accompanied by a few friends. Towers visited were Luton, Dunstable. Kempston, Bromham and St. Peter's and St. Paul's, Bedford.
The best ringing of the day was at St. Paul's. Bedford-iwo courses of Stedman Caters and three of Grandsire Caters. Thanks are due to Mr. Sid Foskett, who arranged the outing. and also to incumbents and ringers who met the party.

## SHIPLAKE, OXON

The last ounce of enjoyment was obtained by Shiplake ringers on their outing on Whit Monday. Many of the band were learners and the experiences to them were novel and entertaining.
The first tower. Hurstbourne Priors. provided quite a feat in raising the heavy old creaking bells, during which several of the gentlemen were in danger of losing their trousers, and the treble bell was stayless. The oldest ranger of the party-William Wicks. who had been ringing 60 years climbed the spiral staircase to satisfy his honour. Here the inscription on the tenor bell marks a past vicar's sorrow at the loss of his life :

## Born to Die-Died to live.

The love Thou gavest I give to Thee.
With Thee I joy, Lord weep with me.
The best ring of the day came at Upavon. after a picnic lunch. On the heavy six at Marlborough there was nice ringing, although the low tone-range of the bells seemed rather monotonous. Greatly refreshed by the 'teesupper a move was made to Ramsbury and finally the tiny belfry at Kintbury, approached by a ladder with a rrapdoor between the tenor and treble bells. Very cosy. but we thought Kintbury ringers of old must have been dwarfs.

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STANDLAKE, OXON,-On May 20th, 1.440 Cambridge Surptise Minor: B. J. Coggins 1. B. Coggins 2, E. J. Hill (first in method) 3. P. Beedic 4. D. Pearce 5, D. Kay Adkins (cond.) 6. Rung as a welcome home to Mr. G. Costar, after 52 years in New Zealand.

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## THE PROFESSOR INVESTIGATES

## The Success and Failure of Peals

NOT having heard from the Professor for some little time, I called on him the other day to see what he was up to. As usual I found him immersed in figures, charts and diagrams and making voluminous notes.

## May one mquire what you are interested in now?' I asked.

One may,' he replied. 'I have been making a study of the causes of peal surcesses and failures.
"And as usual, I suppose, you have now got everything docketed, pigeonholed and classified?' I said.
'On the contrary, he muttered gloomily, 'it is one of the most difficult subjects I have yet tackled. One is constantly hampered by the lack of relevant information. If only "The Ringing World" would publish for 12 months not only the peals but the peal attenipts, together with the attributed causes of failure, what interest would be created and valuable data released!'
'Still.' he went on. brightening up a bit, 'I have made some headway. Perhaps you would like to hear how far I have got?' And without waiting for an answer he plunged into his subject.

Ignoring mechanical failures such as broken ropes or clappers, and leaving on one side for a future time complications set up by method difficulty, it can be seen that ultimate success depends upon the attitude and ability of the ringers taking part, of whom the most important is. I suppose, the conductor. But having made a separate study, as you know, of this latter phenomena, may I now confine my attention for the present to the capabilities of individual ringers?'

## You may.,

Thank you! For this purpose I have graded ringers from 1 to 10 according to ability. Now it can be proved that this ability, which I call for the purpose of peal-ringing the Peal Potential ( P ), depends upon two factors:
(a) The ability not to make errors. or Error Avoidance (E).
(b) The ability to right oneself if an error is made, which I call Rectification Ability ( $R$ ).

Let me first deal with $E$. Some ringers are constantly making mistakes while others can be relied upon to ring peal after peal without a single (apparent) error.'

The Professor then produced a graph in the form of a rectangular hyperbola from which he had extracted the following equation :

$$
T=\frac{11}{(E)}-1 \text { or transposed }(E)=\frac{11}{T+1}
$$

where $T=$ time in hours of occurrence of errors. and $E=$ Error Avoidance (ability).
'With this equation.' continued Mr. Dodge. "it is possible for a ringer to grade either himself or others for $E$. The seale varies from an (audible) mistake made on the average every 10 ringing hours (Grade 1) to a mistake made on the average every 6 minutes (Grade 10). A high grading denotes, of course, a low number of errors.'

I was still a bit hazy so I asked if he could give me an example of how this grading operated.

Certainly.' said the ever-obliging Professor. 'Suppose a ringer finds by dint of self-observation that he makes, in peal ringing, about one mistake every peal he rings : that is one mistake about every 3 hours. Then

$$
E=\frac{11}{3+1}-1 \quad \therefore \quad E=2.75
$$

or, supposing a ringer is graded $E=6$ then

$$
T=\frac{11}{6}-1 \text { from which } T=\frac{5}{6}
$$

6 or he will
make on an average a mistake every 50 minutes.'
Seems clear enough,' I commented.
Clear as crystal:' replied the Professor. 'Now let us assume that a band is attempting a peal and the average $E$ of the team is 3 . This means that in a 3 -hour peal there would be in a Minor peal six mistakes-each ringer contributing one error-and in a Major peal 8 mistakes.'

Would you consider that a good or a bad peal?"
Ah. that depends upon the extent to which the errors were allowed to grow. which in turn depends upon the Rectification Ability (R) of the ringers concerned,"

## Explain.'

Well. Even you must have noticed that some ringers can right themselves more quickly than others; in fact "Old" Jack Brothwell used to insist that it was the ability to correct oneself quickly that was the hallmark of a first-class ringer. $\mathbf{R}$ (Rectification Ability) is difficult to assess, as the assessment can only be based on observation (or strict self-analysis) carried out over a long period of time. Most ringers enjoy a period of "coasting." (i.e. ringing instinctively without any conscious effort of thought or concentration). A good ringer suddenly realising that he doesn't know what he should be doing will continue "coasting" and by intuition or shrewd observation will once again find his path without a bad blow being struck or without anyone else knowing that he had, temporarily, been lost. Another ringer will say, "Sorry!" and put himself right without having to be corrected. whilst at the other end of the scale, given exactly the same set of circumstances, a third ringer will plough on for many changes before being forced back into the groove, and even then will accept the least excuse to wobble out of it for many changes more!'
Mr. Dodge then quoted the example of a ringer who was, at one time, constantly in demand as a peal-ringer and who had a very low $\mathbf{R}$ but a very high $E$. This ringer would ring peal after peal without making a single error but once he got wrong it was, in the words of one conductor, 'the devil's own job to get him right.' He had to be told every bell for many changes before he was again sure of himself.
Once his weakness was recognised, however, he presented no problem to the conductor (a very famous one) in whose peals he frequently appeared and who was, apparently prepared to accept this occasional lapse for 10 to 15 hours' faultless ringing.

Now: continued the Professor, "if we accept the first example as Grade 1 (R) and the last as Grade 10 we shall be able to make suitable gradings between these two extremes. I have therefore prepared an empirical formula assuming it takes 2 changes for the first ringer to rectify himself and 20 changes for the second.

Changes to reach stability
i.e. Grade $(\mathrm{R})=$

And to calculate the Peal Potential (P) of any given ringer we can take an average of E and R , i.e.

$$
P=\frac{E+R}{2}
$$

' Few ringers possess a Peal Potential of 1 or 2. and the average ringer varies between 3 and 7. Ringers below 7 will cause a deal of difficulty and many peal failures, although ringers above this grade do their share. A team with an average of 7 would score. I should think. on an average about 3 peals out of 10 and one with an average of 5 about 5 out of 10 . i.e. about half their peals. (Including so-called "False starts" which are really lost peals.)"
(To be continued next week)

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., June 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D

| Elizabeth M. Yardley. . Treble | Michael Elson |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ruth M. Burder . . . 2 | *David J. Purnell |
| Muriel Reay | Norman J. Goodman |
| Roderick W. Pipe . . . 4 | John McDonald . . . 10 |
| JOHN A. ANDERSON . 5 | Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 11 |
| George W. Massey 6 | Peter Border .. .. . . Tenor |
| Composed by Charles J. Sed | Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. | Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. * First peal of Maximus. First of Maximus as conductor.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 12 cwt 9 lb , in F .
Geoffrey R. Parker .. Treble Frank I. Hairs .. .. 7

| Margaret A. Swann | $\ldots$ | 2 | Walter Tomlinson | $\ldots$ | 8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jack L. Millihouse .. | .. | 3 | George H. Randies | . | 9 |

Jack L. Millhouse
Claire Dillamore
Norah M. Randies
Peier A. Sharp..

George H. Randles . 9
Albert W. A. Leggett. . 10
John Walden .. .. .. 11
Ronald C. Noon . . . . Tenor
Ronald C. Noon . .. Tenor
Conducted hy Jack L. Millhouse.

* Firse peal of Stedman and first of Cinques.


## TEN BELL PEALS

WAKEFIELD YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. June 25, 1960. in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes, At 1 he Cathedral Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5135 SPLICED CATERS
Consisting of 4,213 Grandsire and 924 Wakefield Little, with 132 changes of method

| Peter Scholfield | Treble | rey Townend | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F. Keith Williamson | . 2 | Kenneth Park | - 7 |
| - David Atkins | 3 | John E. Kiray | 8 |
| David Cubitt | 4 | Wilfrid F. Moreton | 9 |
| Peter Woodward | 5 | James A. D. Woolford | Tenor |

Peter Woodward
Arranged and Conducled by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* 25th peal. First of Spliced Caters by all, and for the Association. Waketield Little is rung in a peal for the first time.

> LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon. June 27, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 QUENIBOROUGH SURPRISE, ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C.

| Richard 3. Clifton | Trebie | Josfer W. Cotton | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian G. Warwick | 2 | Giordon A. Halls | .. 7 |
| John M. Jelley | 3 | A. James Poynor | 8 |
| John A. Acres | . 4 | Russell S. Morris | 9 |

Mrs. G. A. Halls .. ... s G. Ronald Edwards ... Tenur
Composed by Stephen I. Ivin. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
First peal in the method. divoth peal as conductor.
In memoriam George Freebrey, of Derby.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS <br> WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs., Juse 2. 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 ESHER SURPRISE MAJOR
Mrs. T. J. Lock
Frank C. Price.
John R. Mayne
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.

John R. Mayne.
Treble Dennis Knox

| Dennis Knox | $\ldots$ | .. | . | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alick Cutler | .. | $\cdots$ | . | 6 |
| Alfred J. House | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 7 |  |

Composed and Conducied by Richard F. B. Speed.
First peal in the metnod
ACCRINGTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Jume 7. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOLBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MANOR Tenor $11+\mathrm{cwt}$. in G.
Derek Butterworth $\quad$.. Treble John P. Partington
Michael D. Fishwick

| Treble John P. Part |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Alan Ward |

Roger Leigh

- Mrs. Alan Walid

Gcorfrey S. Mills.. .. 7
Conducted by Geoffrey $\dot{\text { S. Milis Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood }}$

* First peal in the method. The conductor has now circled the tower' to peals of Double Norwich.

ESHER SURPRISE MAJOR
$-36-14-1258-36-14-58,16-16,38$
8ths place lead-end. the place bob.

## EAST CROMPTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . in G sharp.
Roger Leigh . . . . . Treble John P. Partington
Brian A. Tomlinson .. 2 +Gordon Rothwell
Philip H. J. Hudson ... 3 *Geoffrey S. Mills

- Michael D. Fishwick .. 4 Derek Ogden

Michael D. Fishwick .. 4 Derek Ogden ............... Tenor
Composed by C. H. Martin.

* First peal of Yorkshire. † First of Surprise.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., June 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF AT THE WATCH TOWER,
A PEAL OF 5392 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Granta variation.
Tenor 10 cwt .26 lb .
Kenneth Arthur
RIGHT

| Treble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | 2 |  |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |  |
|  | 4 |  | George S. Deas

Norman Errington .. ... 4
 Marion S. Ainsworth
Kenneth W. Cheeseman. 5
6
7

First peat Rey Hariation by all and first of Major in the varion foet the treble and seventh ringers has now "circled the tower.

Specially arranged to celebrate the baptism of Andrew Merlay Wright, infant son of the ringer of the second and godson of the conductor

LIFTON, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Wed., June 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $21 \mathrm{cwt}$.16 lb . in E . flat.
*Wilfrid C. Boucher .. Treble *Harry Stacey
Thomas G. Myers... ..
G.
Thomas G. Myers.. .. 2 H. Frederick Myers ...
William G. Lavers
D. Roy Bould

6
A. William Myers.. . Tentor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Thomas G. Myers.

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

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., June 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptisi,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .
Frank V. Gant. .
Lionel S. Woods
. . . Treble Jamis G. A. Prior .. . . .
I
Michafl. P. Moreton
.
John G. Nash .. .. $\quad .-3$ Charlles E. Willmingion 7
John D. Rock .iw. Robl 4 John H. Crampion .. . . Tellor Composed by C. W. Robrers. Conducted by John H. Crampion.
Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr, and Mrs. John G. Nash.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Jume 24, 1961, in 2 Hours and 51 Mimutes,
At the Churth of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14) cwt .
Cyril Wright
Stanley Slaney
*Malcolm Foster
Mrs. L. Holmes
Composed by J. W. Parker
reble Frank Smallwood

* First peal on eight.

Rung as a complime
wedding anniversary wedding anniversary. Also a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Wagstaff.

GRAVESEND. KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At St. Geonge's Chapel of Unity.
(Pocahontas Memorial)
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter's No. 2 variation.
Terence Barton
Treble
Frederick J. Cullum
Hubert H. Furminger
Trevor A. Cross
2
John O. Weller Peter F. Horer George J. Butcher

* 25 Conducted by George J. Butcher.
* 25 th peal in the method. + First in the British Isles.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 25. 1966), in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 t cwt. in A fat.
*Jean Hilton
.. Treble EdWARD B. Smith
Ubban W. Wildney
Maurice E. Downs
Marion H. Mili.s
Roy K. Dufsbliry
Aran R. Syoría
Peter woods

Composed by F. Bennett.

* First peal on eight bells.



## MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Jume 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5088 d dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Derek Butierworth Ienor Treble Gordon Rothwell .. .. 5
 John P. Partingion.. $\quad . .3$ Michael D. Fishwick .. 7 Roger Leigh .. .. .. 4 Geofrrey S. Mills .. ... Tenor Composed by E. Barnett, sen. Conducted by Derek Butierworth. First peal in the method as conductor, who has now 'circled the tower ' to peals.

## NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Tues., June 28, 1966), in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt 2 cr .7 lh . in G.

| William F. Woodward | reble | Arihur E. Rowley |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Derek P. Jones | 2 | Joseph W. Cotton |
| Richard J. Clifton | 3 | John A. Underwool | Richard J. Clifton .. .. 3 John A. Underwood .. 7 John K. Smith

Composed by C.
H. Hatiersley Roland Beniston ai.. Tenor
Conducted by Derek $P$. Jones. Conducted by Derek P. Jones. Rung for the Patronal Festival. Also as a
Underwood, who is leaving for Chesham, Bucks

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, int 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TRFBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

\&Donald Lawson... .. 4 Cyril Crossithwatie 4 ... Tenur
Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Cyril Crossimwaite. *First peal at first attempt. * First of Treble Boh.
Rung on the occasion of the official opening of St Alban's Church of England Secondary School, Chorley.

ALDERMASTON. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5083 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .14 lb . in G
-Ertc Woolgrove
+Patricia Heather
Treble
Ernest J. Munday
5
+Patricia Heather Jennifer M. Davies
Reginald W. Rex ..... 4 Geoffrey K. Dodd . . . . Tenor Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. Conducted by Geoffey K. Dodd. * First peal of Treble Boh. † First of Yorkshire Surprise. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. June 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Oswald Claybrook
George Ledsham Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

John E. Bibby
Roger King Treble Fred Jackson

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Walter Allman Cyril Valentine Francis Bibby Tenor
Conducted by Walter Allman.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt 9 lb .
Ronald C. Noon .. .. Treble Edwin T. Chapman .. 5

Frank I. Halrs
.. 2
John E. Allen
$\because \quad 3$
$\cdots \quad 4$
Albert W. A. Leggett
*Frank Taylor .. .
+J. Martin Thorley
*Cyril R. Burrell .. .. Temor
Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 100$ th peal of Surprise Major.
BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., June 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Harry Baldwin
Tenor 12 cwt .28 lb.
.. Treble Harry Hall
Michael Crowder
Ronald Chafer. .$\quad 3$
$\therefore \quad 4$ Composed by E. H. Lewis. Conducted by Jack Bray.

George W. Moody ... Tenor
Rung in affectionate remembrance of the Ven. E. L. Marsden, Archdeacon of Lindsey.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., June 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5184 JARROW SURPRISE MAIOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr. 25 lb . in A .
Mrs. T. J. Lock .. .. Treble Claudia A. Critchley .. 5
Jon Berisford.
2 John R. Mayne.. John R. Mayne

7
Alick Cuiler ... .. 4 Alfred J. House .. . Tenar
Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by G. William Criichley. First peal in the method.

## ASHBY-FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .
Judith A. M. Cox.. .. Treble $\mid$ R. Kingsley Mason
*Garry W. Mason .. .. 2 Brian M. Smith
Ertc Roberts .. .. .. 3 A. Maxwell Lindsey

| Eric Robertis .. |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Keith B. Townsend | .. | 3 | A. Maxwell Lindsey ... | 7 |

Composed by 'Nm. Shipway.

- First peal. First as conductor. Average age of band 15 years 10 months.

JARROW SURPRISE MAJOR
$\times 58 \times 1458 \times 5836 \times 34 \times 3814361438$
8ths place. L.e. 4263857.

## SIX BELL PEALS

## BREEDON-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN. On Fri., June 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. at the Church of SS. Mary and Hardulph.
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB DOUBLES
Eight callings.
Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb
*James Robinson
Treble| Edward H. Willows
*Michael Knight .. .. 2 David K. Walklate
+Reginald S. Barker .. 3 †Frederick Hinds .. .. Tenor
Conducted by David K. Walklate.
*First peal in the method. $\uparrow$ First peal. The conductor's 100 th peal.

## LOCKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN On Sat., June 11, 1960), in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES'
Being 22 extents Grandsire, ten Plain Bob and ten Reverse Canterbury

- Frederick Hinds Tenoi 14 cwt .3 qr . in F


Conducled hy David K. Walklate.
"First peal away from cover bell.' $\dagger$ First of Doubles. $\ddagger$ First peal.


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## BURGH, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sun., June 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Botolph and Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's Bob and Kent T.B., and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt , in A .


## Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

Rung for the ordination this day of John Berg, of this parish.

## MORTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. June 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules,
At the Church of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich. Primrose and Cambridge Surprise, Oswald Delight, Kent and Oxford T.B., and Plain Bob Minor.

| Harold Wagstaff | Treble | CCyRIL Wright .. .. .. 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Malcolm Foster | 2 | Brynley A. Richards |
| George Challans | 3 | Herbert T. Rooke .. . . Te | George Challans

Herbert T. Rooke .. . . Tenor
Ey A. RICHARDS
Rung to commemorate the 26 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Rooke.

COMPTON DANDO. SOMERSET.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY. Oi. Thurs., June 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minures,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Tenor 16 cwt .
Angela Grainger .. .. Treble
*Beryl W. Abbott .. .. 2
$\dagger$ Elizabeth Jackson.. .. 3
$\dagger$ J. Antony Bennett Ian C. Maycock †Christopher Tyndale-Biscoe

Tenor
Conducted by Ian C. Maycock

* First peal of Grandsire and Doubles. $\dagger$ First of Doubles. $\ddagger$ First peal. The treble ringer has now completed Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques on odd bells.


## HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., June 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of The Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Reing seven extents in nine methods: Combined Childwall and St . Clement's. Double Oxford. Thelwall. College Bob. Cambridge Surprise. Combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Plain Bob: 40 changes of method.
Reginal.d G. Hoope:
D. John Hunt .. .

$$
8 .
$$

.Treble
LETON ..
Conducted by Tenor 6 cwt .103 lb , in B flat. First peal in Conducted by David Heighton
First peal in nine methods by all the band.

BREDFIELD. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Fri., June 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being two $2.160^{\circ}$ s and one 720.
Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr .9 lb . Clifford R. Lovett . Treble Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 2 *Robert F. Downimg * Brenda E. Downing .. 3 Cecil W. Pipe

Conducted
the method.

- First peal in the method.

CORSE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 six-scores (ten callings). Arthur Kinsey

Treble
William E. Spiers
2 Joy Smith

Michael V. Powell.. Conducted by Reginald G. Powell.

WELLAND, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., June 18, 1950, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor 12 cwt
Charles Haylings
Treble
Edward Maund
2
Leonard Dovey
Teno
Tenor 121 cwt . . Powell .. 5 Rawrence .. .. R. George Morris .. .. Tenor Conducted by John Clements
A wedding compliment to Alan F , Davies and Judith M. Price (both members of the local band), married earlier in the day at Welland.

## WILLINGHAM. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., June 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge.
Donald F. Murfet
Rosemary J. Seabrook
*Roger J. Palmer
Treble George E. Thoday Geoffrey A. Lucas Mansfield Ginn $\qquad$ Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.

## * First peal of Surprise.

BLANKNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN' DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., June 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Oswald,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Single Court, (3) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (4) Cambridge Surprise,
(5) Plain Bob, (6) Oxford Bob, (7) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Peter A. Sharp.
Tenor 10 cwt . in G .

Amos Ingall ....... 3 Louis Willders .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
In memoriam Frederick W. Stokes and G. Arthur Melton.
WRAGBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri. June 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and Our Lady,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 30 methods: (1) Newdigate. Old Oxford, College Bob IV. Willesden. Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans. Wragby, Marple, Braintrec. Taxal, Humber, Clarence and Elston Delight and Morning Star Treble Bob: (2) London and Wells Surprise; (3) Cambridge Surprise: (4) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's. Childwall, London, Lytham, College and Wavertree College; (5) Oxford T.B.; (6) Kent T.B.: (7) Plain and Double Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.
David Cubitt . . . . . Treble Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 4
*Jo Moreton .. .. .. 2 W. Eric Critchley ..

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First peal in 30 methods.

Rung on the Feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist, and on the eve of the 50th anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

GRANBY. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SGUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents of 720 .
Ruin Blackshaw .. .. Treble Maurice Harrison John Higas

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 gr. 22 in F . Robert W. Winstanley .. 4 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Roberi W. Winstanley ... } & 4 \\ \text { Walter Nichols ... .. } & 5\end{array}$ William L. Exton . . . Tenor Conducted by William L. Exton.
First peal on the beils since augmentation by Messrs. Taylor and Co. from five to six

Rung for the Festival of St. Peter.
KIRKTHORPE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., July 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minures,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ civt.
*Thomas Crossley .. .. Treble | Wilfrid F. Moreton
Wilfrid F. Mo
Kenneth Park
W. Eric Critchley.. .. 2

David Cubitt .. .. .. 3 Geoffrey Townfnd .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First attempt for a peal.

BROAD HINTON, WILTSHIRE,
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

Ai the Church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula.
A DEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
Being 21 methods in seven extents, viz.: (1) Whitley, Wooler, Northumberland and Carlisle; (2) Munden and Chester: (3) Alnwick and Newcastle: (4) Cambridge, Norfolk. Ipswich, Hull, Bourne and Primrose: (5) Netherseale. Lightfoot and Wearmouth; (6) Rossendale and Stamford; (7) Berwick and Hexham; with 100 changes of method. Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr .10 lb.
Peter T. Hurcombe. . . . Treble |Ronald A. Wright .. .. 4

| Lesley J. Bladon | .. | .. | 2 | Anthony R. Peake | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Victor Griffin | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | Brian Bladon | .. | Victor Griffin ......... 3 Brian bladon

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.
The most Surprise methods to a peal by all the band, and for the Association.
A 21st birthday compliment to Mr. R. A. Wright.

## LITTLE CHART, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob, two of Single Oxford and three of Plain Boh, each called differently. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb . in B. Joseph J. Batchelor .. Treble Peter F. T. Smith .. .. 4 - Paul A. Batchelor (13).. 2 Crawford T. Hillis .. 5 *Philip E. Deverill (15).. 3 Alexander Waddington . . Tenor * First peal. Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

WALSOKEN, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Neville Greenacre (16) Treble
M. Rowland Reed. . . 2
*Elizabeth Brown (17) .. 3 Thomas Bush

* First peal. Conducted by Trevor A. Bevis.


## HANDBELL PEALS

LONDON, E.C.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Mon., June 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules, At The Church of All Hallows. Staining.
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor size 18 in $G$.
J. Michael Lakin .. ... $1-2$ \# Dennis Beresford .. .. 5-6 Joan Beresford .. .. 3-4 *Peter Beresford .. .. 7-8 †Derfik E. Sibson ... 9-10 Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by Dfrek E. Sibson *First peal in the method 'in hand.' +50 th peal, first "in hand and first of Caters.

> HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 1 Hour and 33 Minutes, AT 1. MANOR GARDENS.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS
Being 210 extents.
David A. Cornwall .. $1-2 \mid$ John E. Camp enor size 12 in F. Rung non-conducted.
Believed to be the first peal of Minimus on handbells.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

## HALF PEAI.

MARCH. CAMBS.-On July 3rd, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: M. Jones 1, D. Feek 2, June Peel 3. J. Payne 4, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, W. Monre 6. First length of Minor over 720 changes by ringers of 1 , 2. 3 and 4 . For morning prayer and on the occasion of the children's special services.
adelaide, soth australia.-At St. Peter's Cathedral. on St. Peter's Day, June 29th, 1.272 Kent Treble Bob Minur: H. F. Cox (lirst of Kent) 1. B. R. Cux 2, Enid Roberts (cond.) 3, F. N. Smeatun 4, W. B. Pitcher 5. C. H. Hagot 6. First of Kemt Minor 2, 5, 6. First of Kent as conductor. First quarter neal of Kent rung on the bells. For the Patronal Fextival Evensong.
ARLESEY, BEDS.-On June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Frances Smith 1. K. Barnes 2, C. Turner 3. H. Davis 4. A. Simpoun (cond.) 5, B. Pike 6. Rung by a local band as a welcome 10 Rev. and Mrs, E. B. Edgell (induction July 6th), and also as a farewell to Brian Pike, who is leaving to undergo National Service. A birthday compliment to the treble ringer.
ASFORDRY, LEICS.- On June 30th, 1.260 Doubles ( 120 each Winchendon. St. Simon's. 240 each All Saints: Reverse Canterbury, Plain Boh, 300 Grandsire): R. Smith 1, J. H. Cook 2, A. E. Hinman 3, H. T. Bonshor 4. R. H. Cook (cond.) 5, K. I. Panter 6. Rung half-muffied to the respected memory of the Rev. William James Simmons, M.A., Rector of Asfordby, 1934 to 1947. aged 81 years, who died at Latton, Wilts, on Thursday, June 23 rd, cremated at Cheltenham on Tuesday, June 28th.
BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS. On June 26 h , 1,280 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Northrepps, Plain Bub, April Day, Grandsire): M. D. Barshy 1, J. R. Perkins 2, G. B. Lowe 3. B. S. Payne 4, F. K. Thompson (cond.) 5. J. C. Lowe 6. Rung for the Evensong of the Sunday School Festival.
BATHWICK, RATH.-On July 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Miss M. Viner 1, E. Naylor (cond.) 2. Miss D. Farrett 3. H. Newman 4. R. S. M. Stubbs 5, A. Feltham (firat quarter) 6. P. R. Stubbs 7. K. Herrison 8. Rung for the Church Festival, farewell to Miss D, Barrett, and birthday compliment to Miss 1. Crees.
belton, RUTLAND.-On June 11th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss S. Meredith 1. Miss J. Thomas 2, 1. Chertleburgh 3, R. J. Hill 4, M. Stracey 5, J. Meredith (cond.) 6. First quarner of Minor for 2, also first - inside.'
BLACKBURN, LANCS.-At the Cathedral, on June 19th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: K. A. Earnshaw 1. A. Tomlinson 2, T. Wilkinson 3. G. Wignall 4,
J. Skeats 5. A. Swindlehurst 6. B. A. Tominson J. Skeats 5. A. Swindlehurst 6. B. A. Tominson (cond.) 7, M. J. Halliwell 8. Rung to mark the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. James Skeats.
BRADFIELD. YORKS.-On June 25th, 1,320 BRADFIELD, YORKS.-On June 25th, 1,320
Plain Bob Doubles: A. King (frnt quarter) 1. M. King 2. A. Beaumons (fims - inside') 3. P. Thompson 4. M. Meadows (cond.) 5, R. West 6.

BROADCLYST. DEVON.-On June 5th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surnrise Major: Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 1 R. J. Bowden 2. A. Bagworth 3. Patricia Bourn 4,
E. J. Munday 5. G. R. Evles 6, B. Baldon 7. J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8.
BUCKFAST, DEVON.-On June 29th. at the Abbey, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Philippa Russ:ll
(first quarter) 1. Rev. p. Angoid 2, Rev. 0 (first quarter) 1. Rev. P. Angoid 2. Rev. O.
Mowan 3, Mary Russell 4. A. L. Bennelt 5. E. M. Alkins (cond.) 6. Rev. P. Dowling 7. Rev A. de Guingand 8. First in method by 2. 3. 4 and 7. Rung for Feast of SS, Peter and Paul.

CALDECUTE, RUTLAND.-On June 11 th. 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Meredith 1. Miss J. Thomas 2. J. Meredith 3. R. J. Hill 4. M. Stracey (cond.) 5 .

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY,-On June 27ih, 1.260 Minar ( 720 High Hoyland Delight. 528 Kingston, 12 Plain Bob): W. Broadhead 1, T, Tarbati 2, F.
Cowling 3. D. N. Siables 4. H. Rusby 5. N. F. Moxon Cowling 3. D. N. Siables 4, H. Rusby 5, N. F. Moxon
(cond.) 6. For Confirmation service conducied by the Bishop of Wakefield.

CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.-On July 1st, 1.260 Giandsire Tripies: H. Franclis 1, J. Keyie 2, J. Benfield 3, S. Polker 4. R. Jarvis (cond.) 5. I. Harris
6. F. Perry 7. C. Tompkins 8. To celcbrate that day the 70 th birthday of the 2 nd ringer, also 60 years a ringer and 38 years hranch secretary of the Chipping Norton Deanery Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
CLAVERLEY, SALOP.-On July 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Bennett 1, J. Marsh 2, W. E. Drew 6. R. G. Edwards 7. F. Bennetr 8. Composed by I. McDonald, and rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Mr. I. A. Anderson, of Birmingbam.

## QUARTER PEALS

COTLEIGH, DEVON.-On July 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Furzey (first auarter) 1. Miss J. Real (first quarier - inside') 2, C. Monley
COTTINGHAM, YORKS.-On June $23 \mathrm{rd}, 1.260$ Doubles ( 780 Grandsire and 480 Plain Bob): Barhara Cammack 1. Catherine Marrison 2, R. Gibson (cond.) 3. 1. Booth 4. G. Pybus 5. P. Scrowston 6. First quarter for 1,2 and 6. Firss quarier peal rung by an entirely Cottingham band for an unknown rumber of years.
DERRY. On June 6ith, at St. Andrew's, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss D. Wilson 1, Miss N. P. Wickham 2, M. Knight 3, J. F. Murfin 4, D. Parkins 5. G. Freehrey 6, B. R. Manning 7. D. K. Walklate (cond.) 8, M. Blore y, E, H. Willows 10. First quarter on 10 for $1,2,3,5,7,10$.
GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS.-On June 27th, 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mary Stapleton 1, Pauline A. Bull 2, A. R. Heppenstall (cond.) 3, Delia E. Smith 4. C. H. Baker 5, T. A, Cilbert 6. J. Underwood 7. G. L. A. Lunn 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Edwyn Lisle Marsden, late Archdeacon of Lindsey.
GLASTON, RUTLAND.-On July 1st, 1.960 Anrit Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire Double: Miss J. Hoy 1. Miss J. Thomas 2. M. Siracey (cond.) 3. J. Meredith 4, R. J. Hill 5, C. Busby 6. Also on July Ist, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: . P. Heath 1. Miss J. Hay (first of Minor inside') 2, R. J. Hill 3, M. Stracey 4. J. Meredith (cond.) 5, Miss 1. Thomas 6.
GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.-On June 26th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. A. Booth 1, C. Righy 2, Rev. G. Hales 3, Betry M. Mansficld 4, G. G. Mansfleld (cond.) 5, A. W. Mansfield 6. Rung in honour of the 79th birthday of Mr. Booth.

GRETTON, NORTHANTS.-On June 11th. 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Miss S Meredith 1. Miss J. Thomas 2. R. J. Hill 3. M. Stracey 4 . 1. Meredith 5. Conducted by J. Meredith and $M$ Stracey.
GRIMSBY, LINCS,-At St, James Church, on June 27th, 1.344 Grandsire Triples: H. Hadwick 1 , C. Moon 2. N. Pashley (first of Triples inside') 3 , D. Kennington (first of Triples -inside') 4, W. Longhottom 5. J. B. Budd 6. F. Kennington (first of Triples as cond.) 7. A. Pashley 8. Rung halfmuffled in memoriam Ven. E. L. Marsden, Archdeacon of Lindsey, who was inierred in Lincoln Cathedral earlier in the day. He was vicar of Grimsby from 1936-1951.
GREAT DALBY, LEICS.-On July 2nd, 1,260 Doubles ( 120 each St. Martin's, St. Simon's. Reverse Canterbury. April Day. Plain Bab. 240 Reverse Bartholomew, 420 Grandsire): 1. H. Musson 1, A. E. Hinman 2. H. T. Bonshor (cond) 3. F. Derry 4 . R. A. Cook 5. Rung as a compliment to Charles E. Cooper, of Great Dalby, and Miss Rowena Tyler. of Somerby, whose wedding rook place at Somerby All Sains'. earlier in the day. Both are well known ringers in their respective towers and in the Melton Mowbray District.
HALIFAX. YORKS.-Ai All Souls Church, on June 26 th . 1.280 Pudsey Surprise Major: I. N. Parkin 1, Mrs. R. E. Moulds 2, Miss P. Reeve 3.

1. F. Bryant 4. E. M. Fielden 5. G. F. Bryant 6. 1. F. Bryant 4, E, M. Fielden 5. G. F. Bryant 6. the Sunday service band.
HANBOROUGH. OXON.-On July 2nd. 1260 Doubles (in 7 methods): A. Franklin 1. J. Keyte 2. H. Floyd (cond.) 3. W. Butler 4. P. Conney 5, A. leech 6. A birthday compliment to the 2nd ringer. who was 70 the previous day.
HARMONDSWORTH. MIDDX.-On May 8ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Scrutton 1. Miss F. Greaves 2. W. Wilson 3. D. Shaw 4. G. Harvey
(cond.) 5. 1. Mudd 6. Rung for the visit of the Bishop of London, who dedicated the new Morhers* Union banner during Evensong.
HAXEY. LINCS.-On June 1st, 1.260 Minor (720 Cambridge, 540 Plain Bob): J. Underwoond 1. Delia E. Smith 2. A. R. Heppenstall (cond.) 3. J. M. Blaikie 4. G. E. Feirn 5. G. L. A. Lunn 6.
HIGHER WALTON, LANCS.-On June $28 \mathrm{ih}, 1,272$ Kent T.B. Minor: D. Harwood (first quarter) 1. J. B Clarke 2, W. Mansley 3, L. Burrows (first quarer) 4. H. Calderbank 5, F. Stead (cond.) 6.
Rung half-muffled as a last token, of respect to the late John Stead (father of the conductor), interred ar St. Mary's, Brownedge, earlier this day.
HORSELL. SURREY.- Om. June 12 h , 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Prientley 1. Miss J. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3. B. Priestley 4, J. Martin (cond) 5, C. Coblett 6.

HORSELL, SURREY.-On June 19th, 1,260 Doubles ( 480 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and 78 n Plain Bob): C. Cobbett 1. Miss J. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3. G. Oliver 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5, V. Neil 6. For Evensong.

HURSTPIERPUINT, SUSSEX.- 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Penelope C. Clark (first on a working 'bell) 1. Joyce D. Walsh 2, J, R. Norris (first 'inside ' in the method) 3. M. C. Wooldridge 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5. A. Walsh 6, D. Robinson 7, S. W. Brown 8. Rung for the Confirmation service. at which Pauline Hood. one of the ringers, was confirmed.
KELSTON, BATH,-On June 30rh, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Jean Palmer (first quarter) 1. Rita M. Webh 2, Pat A. Burt (first in 2 methods - inside') 3, A. F. Lec (cond.) 4, J. J. Jefferies 5. S. H. Carter 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Margaret Morrison and Mr. Bercsford KingSmith, married in this church this day.
KEYSOE, BEDS.-On June 18th. 1,260 Doubles (120 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Simon's, St. Martin's. April Day, Plain Bob and 540 Grandsire): G. Seth 1. Deborah Hookins 2. R. L. Piron 3. R. Preston 4. R. G. Corby (cond.) 5, Rung as a compliment to the Vicar. Rev. J. H. B. Roberts, on the 3rd anniversary of his induction.
KIRKTHORPE, YORKS.-On June 23rd. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): T. Croscley (first quarter) 1. D. Cubitt 2. W. F. Moreton (cond.) 3, K. Park 4. G. Townend 5

LEEDS, YORKS.—On July 2nd. at the Parish Church. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. K. Williamson (cond.) 1. Gael Brown 2, R. H. Dove 3. A. E. Stamn 4, R. Brown 5, C. B. Dove 6. First inside by 2, 4 and 6. For the Parronal Festival of St. Peter. Rung on the 'middle six ( 9 ith as tenor).
LITTLE SHELFORD, CAMBS.-On June $41 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Doubtes: Miss E. J. Lanston 1. A. R. Hurst 2. T. Sherman 3. G. Easy 4. D. E. Sitwon (cond.) 5. A 21 st birthday compliment to E. I Sibson.
LONDON, E.C.-On June 12 h , at St . Olave's, Hart Street, 1.264 Plain Bob Maior: Miss G. Willams (first of Major) 1. Miss E. J. Langton 2. J. M. Lakin 3. M. R Rose 4, D. E, Sibson 5, R. J. Trebilcock 6. M. P. Barton 7, G. Pratt (first of Major as cond.) 8. For Matins. Also at St. Clement Danes ${ }^{\circ}$, on June 14th. 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss E. J. Langton 1, J. M. Lakin 2, Miss P. E. Jervis 3. Miss J. Beresford 4. M. P. Barton 5, A. G. Soreadbury 6. S. Brown 7. M. R. Rose 8 , G. Pratt 9. D. E. Sibson (cond.) 10. First of Royal for 1. 5. 6. 8. 9. 10. For Evensong.
LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK,-At St. Margaret's, on July 3rd. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: G. Howlett 1. M. Ution 2. L. Raphacl (first quarter) 3. R. Coates 4. M. Parker 5, R. Brown 6. A. Crowe 7, A. Coleman (cond.) 8. For Evensong.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Junc 294, 1.440 Minor (Plain Boh. Camhridge Surprise. Spiced Oxford and Kent Trebie Bob. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob): M. McQuistan 1. Wendy Bowak 2. L. Cordell 3, R. Bridges 4. J. McPhail 5. W. Wed:ock (cond) 6. A hirthday compliment to J. McPhail. Also on July 3 rd, 1.440 Kent T.B. Minor: H King 1. Ann Hanzock 2, S. King 3, M. McQuistan 4. J. McPhail (cond.) 5. W. Wedlock 6 . For family service.

OCKHAM. SLRREY.-On June 6th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Cohhett 1. Mise J. Drury 2. B. Priestley 3. Misi P. Drury 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5. For murning service. Also on June $12 \mathrm{hh}, 1.26 \mathrm{u}$ Plain Boh Doubles: V. Neil 1. Miss J. Drury 2.
B. Prieatey 3. Miss P. Drury 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5. P. Priestley 3. Miss P. Drury 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5.
For Evensong. Rung as a birthday compliment to Neil.
PRESTON, LANCS.-On June 6th. 1.280 Double Norwich Courl Bob Major: D. Lawson 1. Judy Moir 2. Maryl Crossthwaite 3. Betty Faunch 4. T. Barker . W. 1. Couperthwaite b. G. A. Dimmock 7, C. PULBOROUGH, SUSsEX.-On Junz 6ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: B. E. Matihews 1. B. Burroughs 2. R P. Corden 3. G. Rix 4. L. Stilwell (cond.) S. Specially arranged for the Patronal Festival.
PUTTENHAM, SURREY.-On June 7 th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Cobbett 1. Miss P. Drury 2. Miss J. Drury 3, B. Priestley 4, J. Martin (cond.) S.

ST. ALBANS, herts.-At St. Stephen's Church. on June 27th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: A. T. Hawkins 1. Christine Rimmer 2. Alison Macfarlane 3. Rosemary S. Hawkes 4. B. B. Hullah S. R. E. Hardy (cond.) 6.

RANDWICK, N.S.W. AUSTRALIA-At Si. Jude's. on June 26th, 1.260 Doubles ( 60 Stedman. 240 Grandsire and 480 each of O'd and Plain Bob): J. C. Sheehy 1, W. D. Watson 2, J. H. Fryer 3. Audrey E. Peters (cond.) 4, W. M. Rowe 4. J. T. Sevmour 6. First quarter as conductor on rower bells and at firs: attempt.
SADDLEWORTH. YORKS.-On July 2nd, 1.440 Grandsire Double: G. A. Thompson (first quarter) 1. (cond.) 3. D. J. Marshall 4. G. Rumney 5. Part of peal attemnt. called round due to an interruption by four young members of the local band
SHARDLOW. DERBYS.-On June 12th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Copeland 1, D. K. Walklate (cond.) 2, J. S. Knighton 3. M. S. Fern 4. E. H. Willows 5. B. R. Manning 6 . Rung for the christening of Karen Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Barker, of Shardlow
SNAITH, YORKS.-On June 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. J. Taylor 1. J. Thorley 2. R. R. Warford 3. W. Graves 4. A. H. Hawcroft 5. A.
Grundy 6. L. M. Woodhead (cond.) 7. E. Philpot 8 . Rung for the wedding of Miss Ann Wood and Mr. John Jackson.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

In previous years transport for the annual end-of-term outing of the Guild has been provided by willing volunteers with cars and motor-cycles, but this year arrangements were simplified by the hiring of a coach which left Cambridge for the Bedford area on June 7th with 24 ringers on board.
The day was fine and clear. which pleased everyone- especially, one imagines. the individualist who was making remarkably good speed on his bicycle. when we passed him. The first tower was St. Owen's, Bromham, a church set in pleasant parkland. One of our prominent ringers was unable to teach a band to ring Grandsire, but Cambridge and London were rung on the excellent bells-and in any case the view from the tower was superb.

We then headed into Bedford. to St. Peter de Merton, by which time members who had been detained in Cambridge by Tripos and other formalities were beginning to catch up with us. One set of rounds was considerably delayed until the treble ringer was reminded of her position, but Spliced Cambridge and Rutland was brought round before we dispersed for lunch.
The first stop after lunch was at the detached tower of the remains of the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Helena. Elstow whose connection with John Bunyan is too well known to need repeating here. A wellconducted touch of Bob Minor was complicated by the banging of a large drum below. and more Plain Bob was produced on a set of handbells. which had previously been rung exclusively by pigeons. Nevertheless. Spliced Plain and Little Bob was recorded and the church deserved far more attention than we had time for.

At Woburn the bells were magnificent and both Yorkshire and Bristol were rung, as well as other noises less worthy of. their excellence. Envious mutterings about peals were to be heard and yet one less appreciative ringer gratefully accepted a kind offer to drown the bells with the organ.

After a pleasant drive through the parkthe deer seemed never to have seen ringers hefore-we arrived back in Bedford where there was just time for a cup of tea before the last tower. St. Paul's. Here we were
joined by several local ringers and Grandsire joined by several local ringers and Grandsire
Caters and Cambridge Royal were rung, and also the first success in Spliced Caters was achieved with Spliced St. Clement's and Grandsire. For want of anywhere better. an evil course of Plain Bob was rung, in hand, and in extremis on a spiral staircase.
Slight disagreement about the time of the return of the coach was settled by the determination of the lady members. and we arrived safely back in Cambridge in good time to employ the evening. The day was agreed to have been a complete success and our thanks are due to Frances Secker and James Taylor for excellent arrangements, to local ringers who were waiting to welcome us, and to the incumbents who so kindly allowed us to ring.

## QUARTER PEALS

SHOREDITCH, LONDON.-At the Church of St. Leonard. on June 26th, 1.311 Stedman Cinques: Miss M. Prockson 1, Mrs. F. J. Matthews 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3. Mrs. R. F. Deal 4. T. H. Francis (cond.) 5, C. A. Hughes 6, W. Prockson 7. A. R. Ling 8. P. Beresford 4. B. F. Baker 10. D. Beresford 11. J. R. Cooper 12. For Evensions.

SLOUG\%, BUCKS.-On July 3rd, 1.280 Yarkshire Surprise Major: Pamela M. Jervis 1. Linda J. Kew 2. 3. C. Birt (lirst of Yorkshire) 3. D. K. Walters 4. W. 1). Ward 5, J. K. Ward 6, W. Birmingham 7. F. R. Scott (cond.) 8. First quarter of Surprise for 1. 2. 4. 5 and 6. First of Surprise ever rung in Festival Evensong, attended by the Mayor and Corporation.
STOKE, COVENTRY,-On June 29ih, at $\mathrm{Sr}_{\mathrm{t}}$. Michael's, 1,260 Grandsire Triplev: E. Simpson (first of Triples) 1, R. D. Hayne 2. E. Robinson 3. D. Ellender 4, R. Hart 5, H. Folwell 6, E. Sibley (cond.) 7. N. Haile 8. Rung to celebrate the 90th irthday of Mr. A. ('Bob') Roberts.
STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-At St. Thumas Church, on June 26th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: P. J. Brown (first of Triples) 1. M. J. Fellows 2. Mrs. R. Smith (fifticih quarter) 3. Barbara Stephens 4. Jill Tomtes 5. M. D. Fellows 6, Dr. M. T. Sprackling (cond.) 7, R. Smith 8. Rung half-muffled in memotiam Mrs. F. H. Seeney, a member of the Mothers' Union for many years, and for Evensong.
SUNBURY-ON-THAMFS, MIDDX.-On July 1 Ist. at St. Mary's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Janet Hailey 1. D. Brock 2. Gwen May 3. Doreen Gibbons 4. H. Colcombe 5, J. King (cond.) 6. B. Cox 7. . Pizzey 8. For Confirmation servise.
TOR MOHUN, TOROUAY, DEVON.-On June 29th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. J. Garbet 1. T. G. Myers 2, P. A. Lock (first of Minor) 3. D. R. Bould (first of Minor 'inside') 4. W. J. Harvey 5. W. G. Lavers (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Believed firse quarter of Minor on the bells.

## THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE RINGING

Sports fixtures between Chichester and Salisbury Theological Colleges usually provoke bitter rivalry: a joint meeting of the ringers of these Colleges on Ascension Day, however showed that campanology can overcome the acrimony of the cricket and hockey fields! The Chichester party, five in number. and accompanied by four ringers from the Bishop Otter (Teachers' Training) College, travelled in two cars via coffee at Winchester and sandwiches and liquid refreshments at (appropriately) Middle Wallop, meeting the Salisbury party at Britford.

The Salisbury ringers had spent the morning ringing at Durnford ( 5 . 15 cwt .) and Woodford (6. $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) : at Britford ( 6.8 cwt .) rounds and Grandsire Doubles were rung by bands representative of both Colleges. These bells are rung from the crossing in the church. and have therefore a long draught: the experience of the Chichester Cathedral draught was usefu! to the visiting learners, who otherwise might have been in considerable trouble.
Coombe Bissett ( $6,10 \neq \mathrm{cwt}$.) was next visited: the pleasantly toned bells here are apparently hung immediately above the ringing room ceiling, and made bob-calling difficult.

The last tower of the day was Broadchalke with its fine ring ( 6.15 cwt .). where the party were joined by the local Ringing Master. Throughout the day the Salisbury party were accompanied by Mr. Harry Prout. formerly of Corsham. Wilts, and now living in Salisbury. He also joined the combined party for tea in Salisbury Theological College. and had the misfortune to fall heavily down a staircase in the College when leaving; fortunately he has now recovered.

The Chichester contingent joined the rest of Salisbury Theological College for Even-
song in the College Chapel: then, after further song in the College Chapel: then, after further
refreshment in the King's Arms. came farewells and promises of other joint meetings in the near future.
C. R.C.C.

WARSUP. NOTTS, -On St. Peter's Day, June 291h, 1,440 Londun Surprisc Minor: Miss D. Marshall 1. D. H. Rooke 2. M. Foster 3, G. Challans 4, F. Flint H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. Rung for Confirmation

WENTWORTH, YORKS.-On July 2nd. 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: A. King 1. A. Beaumont 2. P Thompson 3. M. King 1. M. Meadows (cond.) 5, R West 6.
WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.-On June 26th. 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. H. Ivings 1, Y'. J. Parker 2 A. F. Ballam 3. R. J. Stannard 4, H. Ivines 5, J. E Ivings (first quarter as cond. on six) 6. Rung for the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. Rickwood.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-At St. Mary s, on July 3rd. 1.440 Norwich Surprise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1. Ann Garnet 2. M. H. Sinden 3. J. Perrett 4, A. Bagworth 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. Firs quarter for all the band first attempt. first on the bells.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.-On Junc 29th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus (4 and 6 covering): J. G. Baker 1. R. A. Trickell 2. F. R. Marton (cond.) 3, T. Tricketı 4. J. A. Adams 5, R. J. A. Hancock 6. First quartet 1,4 and 6
YEOVIL, SOMERSET,-On June 26th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Moore 1. R. J. Fox 2. T. E. Marks 3. T. Look 4. G. Gaylard 5. H. Gaylard 6. T. J. Setter (cond.) 7. H. Hebditch 8. Rung for the soth anniversary of the Girl Guide movement.

## COMBINED MEETING AT HIGHCLERE

The Andover District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild and the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild held a combined mecting at Highclere on June 18th. when the afternoon's ringing was much enjoyed. The new Rector (the Rev. T. Lewis) conducted the service and also presided ir. the business meeting which followed. A minute's silence was observed at the meeting for Miss Stella Davis. Ringing in the evening was at Thatcham and Newbury. It is hoped that this is the first of many joint meetings between the two areas.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION South-Western Division

The South-Western Division's outing to Saffron Wadden's Great Ringing Day is usually favoured with fine weather and this year was no exception. After a grey start. with an hour's ringing at Harlow Old Town. the day warmed up and from noon onwards a brilliant summer's day was enjoyed by both the ringers and a local plague of greenfly on the wing.
In attempting to ring the eleventh to an opening touch of Stedman Cinques the Master of the S.W. Division. no stranger to heavy bells. was brought almost literally to his knees. After the bell had been examined it was declared dangerously unsafe for further ringing and for the remainder of the day the ringing was reduced to Caters and Major on various combinations of the remaining 11 . The music of Bristol. though well struck. was entirely lost on the front eight. and the funereal minor middle eight did nothing for L.ondon.

Following lunch at the Freemasons ${ }^{\circ}$ Hall. a good afternoons ringing was nevertheless enjoyed. and at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the coach left for Dunmow. At least no fault could be found with this beautiful octave. and a course of Bristol brought forth its full richness.

The usual evening stop for refreshments at the Good Intent, Sawbridgeworth, had heen cleverly extended by omitting tea at Saffron Walden, so that by the time the party reached the cosy inn they were ready to deal with the large cold collation laid out in an upper chamber. helped by mellowing draughts of West Country type cider

Bill Bailey and Lionel Woods provided their ever-popular entertainment on handbells, and the former sang to us the appropriate "Bless this House,' unfortunately reduced to halflength by spontaneous applause from the rock ' $n$ ' roll contingent. at the end of the first verse.
For the fourth successive year our grateful thanks are due to Lionel Woods for his efficient organisution of this very pleasant even

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The 90th birthday of Mr. Adolphus ( ${ }^{\text {Bob ') Roberts }}$ was celebrated on June 29th by the ringing of a quarter peal at St . Michael's, Stoke, which was recorded together with a birthday message from his friend, Mr . D. Ellender. The recording was played back to Bob at his home. Until two years ago when an accident prevented him from ringing Mr. Roberts was a tower of strength to the Coventry Diocesan Guild, of which he is a vice-president. He rang his first peal for the Ancient Society of College Youths at the age of 18 .
A memorial service to the late Preb. Martin Willson will be held on July 14 th at St . Paul's Church. Bristol, at 1.45 p.m.
When Spalding ringers, on their outing, visited Whitnash they were mel by Mr. Hawley, now 95, who to the delight of the assemlly joined in the ringing.
The peal rung at Corse, on June 18th, was to welcome the new Rector of Corse with Staunton. the Rev. J. Wynn-Davies, but tragically after being taken to hospital on that day he died on June 24th. Several ringers attended the funeral service at Staunton, which was conducted by the Bishop of Gloucester.
Largely inspired by Mrs. Mossop, the Vicar's wife, the band at Constantine, Cornwall, already ring Grandsire. In the main they are self-taught, but with attendance at meetings and inspiration from 'The Ringing World, a good general knowledge of the art has already been acquired. Mr. John Oldham, of Loughborough, recently visited the tower to hear another of his foundry's recently installed rings.
Two bands attempting to ring the first peal of SS. Peter and Paul Doubles, in a Church of SS. Peter and Paul. within the festival, have failed. An attempt is soon to be made to ring a peal SS. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, writes a Northampton correspondent. Following this it is hoped to ring a peal of St. Giles Doubles in a Church of St. Giles, and a peal of Spliced St. Thomas and Reverse Canterbury Doubles in a Church of St . Thomas-a-Becket.

## GOSSIP

Mr. Peter G. Richards, who is home at Dartford, on holiday from Australia, rang his first peal in the British Isles on June 25th, at Gravesend. He has previously rung 11 peals - 10 in Australia and one in New Zealand and has great hopes of ringing some more before returning to Australia.
The peal at Mears Ashby (page 444) was conducled by Allan R. Jones. The omission is regretted.
SS. Philip and Jacob's ringers, Bristol, are sorry to lose the services of Mr. R. C. Seager who has been a regular member for over thirty years. It is hoped that he will have a happy retirement and lots of ringing in his new home in Cheshire.

Mr. W. Birmingham, of Slough, is now very happy. After 15 years of effort, he has a Surprise band at his tower. They rang a quarter of Yorkshire for the Patronal Festival. He is hoping the band will stick together to score Cambridge Royal.

Mr. P. Amos is anxious to know what happened to the bells of St. Felix Church. Babingley. Norfolk, about one mile from Castle Rising. The tower stands as a landmark from the main road about a mile away and the church has been used within living memory.

The quarter peal at Buckfast Abbey was the first on 8 bells in which the monks have taken part. It marks another step forward in change ringing at the Abbey. The young ringer on the treble is one of a number of boys and girls who started ringing at Teignmouth about 18 months ago.

Mr. G. E. Symonds. in a letter to the Ipswich 'Evening Star,' suggests that the Church of St. Mary-at-the-Quay, Ipswich, should be made a School of Campanology, All that is required is the strengthening of the tower and a complete overhaul of the bells and fittings. The church is the headquarters of the Boys' Brigade and if the money was forthcoming there would be a golden opportunity for some of the boys to take up ringing.?

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J, LOCK

M " (continued)

MIDDLETON'S. The peal of Cambridge Surprise Major produced by Charles Middleton in 1844 holds a unique place amongst the compositions of the Exercise. This, with its variations, is the only peal of Cambridge to be obtained by the use of conventional bobs and without parting the tenors. That this is so. is of course due to the peculiar falseness of the method. How did Middleton obtain his composition? We cannot answer this question with certainty but by studying the falseness of Cambridge some reasonable guesses can be made.

In common with other would-be composers, Middleton must first have found the courses which are false against the plain course. These are $24365,32546,46253,32465,43265$. Then he would have the task of collecting together courses true against each other and of sufficient number to provide a minimum of 5,000 changes. i.e.. at least 23 courses are required unless bobs Before are used.
Considering first of all the three false course ends 24365,32546 and 46253 , it can quickly be seen that two separate groups of five courses can be written down in which each course of one group has three false course ends in the other. The pair of groups which are mutually false are:-
$\begin{aligned} & 23456 \\ & 3 \\ & 5\end{aligned} 2643435$
$\begin{aligned} & 35264 \\ & 56342546 \\ & 6\end{aligned}$
6452365432

The remainder of the 60 courses may be divided into five more pairs of similar groups. Now considering the other two false course ends 32465 and 43265 . these together with 24365 dictate that no reversals in 56 can be true. Assuming that all the courses in the left-hand block above are to be included in the composition, then no ' 65 s , ' 46 s , ' 24 s , ' 32 s or 53 s may be included. If the six pairs of five-course groups are written out and those containing 65 s . etc.. are marked then one group from each pair remains unmarked. If these are inspected it will be found that five reversals in 56 occur. In each case there is a choice of selecting two courses or one course, e.g., there is a choice of discarding either 25463 and 42563 or 52436 . If in each of the five cases only one course is discarded then a maximum of 25 true courses can be compiled. These 25 courses are frequently referred to as Middleton's courses

How Middleton went about joining the courses together to form a complete peal. we do not know. Inspection of the courses soon reveals that a five-part basis is possible Many blocks can be formed which repeat four times with truth (the block M H W 3H used in T. B. Worsley's 5.024, for instance), but none except Middleton's produces a length of over 5.000 changes

Many composers have since produced ingenious compositions using unconventional calls. The fact that they have resorted to devices such as singles. 6th place bobs. and bobs with the treble lying behind indicates they are satisfied that no other composition can be obtained with conventional calls. This is difficult if not impossible to prove but nevertheless we may be certain that Middleton's composition will remain unique

MUFFLED.-Muffled ringing is restricted to times of mourning or sadness, and should not take the place of Sunday service ringing. Many people prefer half-muffled ringing, but there is no doubt that either half or fully muffled ringing. well struck and with a slower beat than usual. leaves a marked impression upon the listening public.

A muffle is usually a cap or pad of leather which is secured around the ball of the clapper by means of straps so that the bell note is produced by the impact of metal and metal with the leather in between.
For half-muffled ringing it is customary to have the hand-stroke open and the back-stroke muffled as this produces a satisfying echo effect. And for half-muffled ringing one side only of the ball of the clapper is covered with a pad whilst it naturally follows that for fullymuffled ringing both sides of the clapper are covered with pads.


MR. HARRY MILES, M.A. (Oxon), M.R.S.T., M.P.F., M.I.P.S. Truro Diocesan Guild.
Mr. Harry Miles is yet another distinguished member of the teaching profession who has made a great contribution to our art by devoting his talents to the instruction of beginners. London ringers were able to see some of the results of his work when a few years ago one of his pupils came to town to complete his education at London University This youngster was John Waters, and he made a very good impression in London ringing circles when he tackled 12 bell ringing

At this point we would do well to consider the act of fixing the muffles. Unfortunately there is often no room in the pit of the belfry to secure the pads while the bells are down, and so the more dangerous method of doing the job while the bells are up has to be resorted to. However, by taking care (having someone with you and not doing the job hurriedly), and by not taking any risks (seeing where you tread, not reaching too far, and tying the wheel of the bell to the frame with stout rope) any fear of accident can be avoided. Also for half-muffled ringing the muffle has to be fixed on the correct side of the clapper. Did you know that during ringing the clapper travels at a faster pace than the bell, at each stroke the clapper gains on the bell and hits it on the forward or leading side? At the end of a stroke the clapper is resting against the forward side. but when the bell reverses its direction for the next stroke the clapper is then at the backward side and, due to its design. gains in momentum in its downward fall and hits the bell when both are on the upward swing. Thus, when fixing a muffle for half-muffled ringing with the bel set at handstroke the pad would be fixed between the clapper at rest and the bell, and with the bell set at backstroke, the pad would be fixed on the side of the rested clapper which is opposite to the side in contact with the bell.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION <br> Northern District

A very successful and happy gathering of more than 40 members and friends from 20 towers attended the Northern District meeting at the 14th century Church of St. Mary the Virgin. Stebbing, on July 2nd

The service was conducted by the Rev. J Burslem. of Bocking.
At the business meeting Mr. H. Pratt welcomed the ringers. Two new members were elected. It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Witham, on September 10th.
and was at once an outstanding success. Such had bcen the instruction he had received that his striking was all that could be desired. His general deportment, too, met with approval everywhere. Yes, Harry Miles trains em all right. and when he has done with them they can go anywhere with complete confidence. Cornwall is not an easy territory to work in, from the ringing point of view, but that has not daunted Harry Miles.
Born at Portsmouth in 1884, he learned to ring at Shipton-under-Wychwood when 10 years old and at the age of 15 rang his first peal (Stedman Triples). He is a schoolmaster hy profession, and graduated from Oxford University, so it is natural that in his most active years he was prominent in the affairs of the Oxford University Society, which he helped to revive after the first world war. He became its Master in the 20 's and taught undergraduates for years. Also, he served as Master of the Oxford (City) Society in 1909 and 1929. In 1930 he suggested to the Dean and Chapter of Oxford Cathedral that the University Society and the City Society should combine forces to ring the Cathedral bells for Sunday service. They gladly agreed and this has gone on continuously ever since.
He represented the O.U.S. on the Central Council from 1929 to 1934. On retirement in 1946, he went to live at Carbis Bay, Cornwall, and was elected (1948) to represent the Truro Diocesan Guild on the C.C.
Amongst the notable peals in which he has taken part was the first peal on St. Ebbe's bells. Oxford. which were augmented from six to eight, as a memorial to J. W. Washbrook It had been insisted by Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn and Tom Hibbert that the bells must be rung very slowly to enable the trebles to be heard. Harry, as conductor. saw to it that these instructions were carried out and the peal, with a $4 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. tenor, took 3 hours and $37 \frac{1}{2}$ minutes to complete! Hz took part (1905) in Rev. F. E. Robinson's 1,000 th peal, and is sole survivor of a band which included Rev. Canon Coleridge and J. W. Washbrook. In 1950 he took part in the Coronation peal of Stedman Cinques, at St. Paul's Cathedral, London.
In 1949 Mr . Miles was appointed by the Central Council to compile the roll of honour of ringers who were killed in World War II. He made a very fine job of this and at very little cost to the Council. The handsome volume was completed in 1954 and placed. along with the roll of honour of World War I. in an oak case with glass top in St. Paul's Cathedral. where it can be inspected without formality by anyone. The pages are regularly turned by one of the officers of the Ancient Society of College Youths.
Mr. Miles's other interest is music, and he served for some years as assistant organist in an important Oxford church. He was secretary for a time of the Oxford Branch of the Organists' Association. His greatest Jove, however. is education, and for eleven years he was member of the City of Oxford Education Committee, when it had under its care 11.000 children in the Primary Schools and 3.000 in its Secondary Schools. Harry now lives in a place where, it is said. folks live as long as they like, so we expect (and hope) to have him with us for many years!-JAFUS.

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## SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF THE EXERCISE

THE Kings Arms, East Budleigh, was again the headquarters for this Whitsun gathering of old and new members of the S.F.E. Early arrivals this Friday evening were detailed for a peal of Minor which was successfully conducted by Brian Bladon despite heavy opposition from the village organist who nearly made our ringing inaudible to us. By the time the peal had finished most of the company had arrived in the village. We were minus the Warmley contingent this year but they all sent their good wishes.
It was in brilliant sunshine that we left H.Q. early on Saturday morning for a day's ringing in the area west of Torquay. The usual fleet of cars and motor-cycles was abandoned to enable us to travel together in a battered old Bedford 'bus, driven of course by the un-chained. Mayor of East Budleigh. The first stop was at Trusham (6) where a variety of Doubles and Minor methods was rung before we moved off for an hour's ringing on the noble twelve at Buckfast Abbey. We were welcomed here by the Rev. Oswald Mowan and Aubrey Bennett and were soon ringing Grandsire and Stedman Cinques and Stedman Caters followed by a lower on twelve and the tolling in of 'Hosanna,' the 7 ton bourdon bell.
Our next tower was Totnes and it was here that we had the best ringing of the day with well struck Stedman, Bristol and Yorkshire. Afterwards came Abbotskerswell (6) and Kingskerswell (6) and after a quick tea we visited Combeinteignhead (6) and Stokeinteignhead (6) and concluded the day's ringing with a course of London at West Teignmouth. John Hunt led the community singing as the bus sped back to H.Q.

On Sunday morning the group split forces to help man the towers at Withycombe Raleigh. Littleham. East Budleigh and Harpford. At the first mentioned a quarter peal was rung with two of the local ringers standing in. After lunch we set off for Exeter Cathedral to ring for evensong. We were joined here and for the remainder of the tour by Derek Jones and his party, who had the misfortune to lose a peal of Yorkshire Major at Wrington the day before. Luckily the bells were already up and we were left with plenty of time to ring Grandsire Caters. Stedman Cinques and three leads of Kent Maximus to the satisfaction of one of two members of the party who were listening in the precincts. The next tower visited. by way of contrast, was the comparatively light six at Poltimore which was followed by tea at Broadclyst where we were due to ring for evening service. As a last minute arrangement some of the enthusiasts procured Heavitree bells for a quarter of a Superlative. so those who were left at Broadclyst also decided to go for a quarter and succeeded in scoring Yorkshire.
On Whit Monday morning we set off for Exmoor in cars and on motor bikes. Travelling via the Exe Valley. we called at Cadleigh for half an hour's ringing on the six at St. Bartholomew's. The next call was at East Anstey (6) where we were met by Bill Warc. from Tiverton. who joined us for the remainder of the day. We crossed the border into Somerset to ring at Hawkridge. Lunch was taken at Withypool before ringing at the Parish Church. At this juncture Reg Hooper and Bert Woolven said farewell and sped off together on motor-cycle to get to Folkestone in time for the Tuesday session of the Central Council. Exford was our next tower, followed by Winsford where we had tea before ringing. It was here in this picturesque setting. the birthplace, incidentally, of the late Errest Bevin, that the annual photograph of
the Society was taken. This in itself is always an amusing affair but just to add to the humour on this occasion Cyril Savage and his one year old son, who were really only intending to paddle, suddenly slipped and fell into a near-by stream.

The next two towers were Exton and Cutcombe (hoth sixes) where the ropes were so long and the sallies so low that it was necessary to ring kneeling down or sitting on buckets. To add to the novelty at Exton the Society rang its first course of Coal Minor, a new principle devised by Robin Leale. Our last tower was Luxborough, the only 5 on the tour, which some of us nearly missed by making a detour to see some of the best Exmoor scenery from suitable vantage points. The company then dispersed until September with grateful thanks to the organisers. Cyril Savage, John Gilbert and Frank Mack and to all the incumbents and tower captains who so kindly met us.
R. J. B.

## LEEDS UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

On June 21st three members-Keith Williamson. Michael Swift and Russell Read-successfully kept six handbells ringing continuously for 12 hours as part of the University Rag Week proceedings. The ringing varied from rounds and firing to some very good touches of Bob Minor and courses of various minor methods. From time to time Keith Goldthorpe or R. Brown would add two trebles for Bob Major or Grandsire Triples, but the general standard of striking was very good ihroughout the day.

At the end of the day the bells were fired, and the ringers, remarkably fresh after their exertions under the blazing sun, were applauded hy the small crowd which had assembled. Thanks are due to the ladies who so kindly provided food and drink and collected on behalf of Rag: to Grace. Valerie, Stella and Fiona: also to Keith Goldthorpe. A fine supper was afterwards enjoyed in a Chinese restaurant.
A word of appreciation is offered to Mr . D. Thorp, secretary of the Leeds and District Society, for putting in an appearance in the evening. Such an interest in local proceedings is always welcome from an officer.
On June 24th the Society had a very enjoyable outing into Derbyshíre. Towers visited were: Droifield. Old Whittington, Old Brampton. North Wingfield. Darley Dale and Ashover. On the return journey we were warmly welcomed at Chesterfield practice and joined the local ringers for Grandsire Caters and Bob Royal.

Thanks are also due to Grace. for the splendid arrangements for the day, and to Russell. who drove us well and safely all day. Thanks again to Grace for the use of her flat for 3 farewell party on June 27th. An unsuccessful attempt for Bob Minor in hand shall have no further comment. except that no one Horried.
R. B.

## SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS

The meeting of the Society at Colston Bassett was most successful. Bristol. Yorkshire and Rutland were amongst the many various methods rung on this fine eight.
An appetising tea was provided and preceded by a short service. Eleven new members were elected. two or whom were Roland Cooke. of Asfordby, who was celebrating his birthday, and Michael Blore, of Derby, who is a member of the College Youths

## UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY

## Whitsuntide Week-end

Memories of the 'Blue Linnet ' week-end of 1955 were revived when members of the University of London Society revisited Kent for their Whitsuntide week-end, though our spacious headquarters at Brasted Theological College bore a marked contrast to those of the previous excursion. So also did the itinerary which allowed a comparatively leisurely pace and ample time to explore the byways, richly coloured with rhododendrons, and to enjoy the fine vistas across the Weald of Kent.
With no ringing arranged for Friday evening each was free to pursue his own interests, and. by common consent, a most pleasant evening was spens at an establishment at Ide Hill. The later arrivals were duly welcomed ani everyone successfully negotiated the long hill oll the return journey, although one member. having omitted to assuage his scooter's thirst, had to walk.
Having set the pace next morning with a course of Bristol at Westerham, with its interesting spiral wooden staircase in a 13th century tower. a brief diversion was made over the border into Surrey. The exterior stairway at Limpsfield Chart caused some apprehension from the ladies. while at Lingfield a missing rope unfortunately confined our ringing to Minor methods. The Society's impressive convoy of transport moved off from here 'in line astern' in search of a suitable site for lunch. The efforts of the leader and his navigator to evade the following column proved surprisingly unsuccessful, and, to the background inside of the Society's new handbells, a lingering picnic was pleasantly relaxing
Despite their weight, the six bells at Cowden proved rather difficult to strike well; though we trust that the approaching bride appreciated our efforts. The programme permitted an opportunity to visit the Sidney home at Penshurst Place. a 14 th century manor house much enlarged at later dates. Before returning to Brasted. an enjoyable hour's ringing at Penshurst drew several interested spectators.
The warden of Brasted Place celebrated Holy Communion in the College Chapel on Sunday morning and later the party divided to assist with service ringing at Westerham. Sevenoaks and Cudham. On Sunday afternoon the kind hospitality of our organiser. Peter Layton, and his wife was greatly appreciated. prior to evening service ringing with local bands.
After ringing at Leigh and Speldhurst on Monday morning. some sampled the Spa water at the Pantiles, Tunbridge. Wells, while others were attracted to the fairground across the road. An attempt by a Society band to steer a clear course in the bumper cars proved as unsuccessful as might be expected.
Following lunch in the hop country, to the accompaniment of a party of 'East Enders in full holiday spirit. the elusive tower of East Peckham was located. A hunt for the key. a battle with the oil lamps, and two attempts to raise the tenor right were necessary before we could enjoy these bells.
Our efforts hardly did justice to the fine hells at Wrotham. though a fair course of Superlative was rung at the second attempt The customary course of London Scholars Pleasure was accomplished at Chelsfield. our final tower. after the inevitable research to produce the method.
Our grateful thanks are due to Peter and Nancy Layton. the incumbents and towerkeepers, who allowed us to ring, and to our keepers, at Brasted Place
WATFORD, HERTS.-On July 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Laud (first quarter) 1. P. Pratt 2. Mary Batholomew 3, J. Nugent 4, Rosemary Hawkes 5. S. Dolley 6, D. Laud (first as cond.) 7. M. Howard

## LETTERS TO <br> THE EDITOR

## WRONG BELFRY

Dear Sir,-I would point out that information from Miss Pamela M. Jervis in Belfry Gossip is incorrect. The drawing on the Christmas issue of the 'Radio Times' is not from a photograph of Capel belfry, but I helieve may have been from one of Newdigate belfry, which church is about two miles from here. I might add the drawing was recognised by a junior Capel ringer as heing Newdigate by junior capel

HANNAH M. PENFOLD.

## Capel. Surrey

Miss Pamela M. Jervis writes apologising for her error.-Ed.

## THE EXTENT OF BRISTOL

Dear Sir,-In 'The Ringing World dated August 24th, 1956. you published a composition 21.920 of Bristol Surprise Major. When 1 sent this to you I claimed it as the record length of the method. This was not disputed and so far as I know the claim still stands.
Following the Kirby peal there has been some unpleasant, correspondence and Mr . Brown asks. Why don't they ring 40.320 of Bristol? One answer to this is that there is not and never will he a composition for the extent of Major in the method.-Yours sincerely.

JOHN SEGAR

## Retford. Notts

## B.B.C. AND ROYAL WEDDING RECORDING

Dear Sir.-These facts may help to throw some light on the circumstances which led to Mr . Pitstow's letter in your issue of May 20th.
The opening sequence of the recording of the Royal wedding on B.B.C. Television was planned as a montage of photographs of Westminster Abbey. Princess Margaret and Mr. Armstrong-Jones with a musical background. For reasons of copyright we were unable to use music. so bells were substituted; but as the sequence had to be prepared before May 6th. we were unable to use the actual wedding peal.
We wanted the happiest possible background, and the available Abbey recordings at present in our effects library did not give quite the desired result. so we built up the atmosphere by blending the bells of St. Clement Danes' with those of a village church.
It may interest your readers to know that a recording of the Abbey peal on the occasion of the birth of Prince Andrew will shortly be added to the B.B.C. effects library.-Yours faithfully.

ANTONY CRAXTON.

## B.B.C

## 1 WAS a STRA NGER'

Dear Sir.-I know nothing of the incident to which Mr. Peter J. Broun refers. but. if correctly described, his letter rather gives the impression of its being the rule rather than the exception. I can assure him that no association gives more time on encouragement to the younger generation than the Worcestershire.
Since, however, his letter mentions bands and individuals. I must remind him of Association Rule 12. and suggest if he wishes to pursue the matter he can do so through the branch meetings.-Yours faithfully.
G. D. JOHNSON.

Worcestershire Association.
Rule 12 states 'that no member shall forward any communication to the public press reflecting upon any company in union with the Association or any memher thereof without the sanction of the secretary:-Ed.

## CONFIRMATION AND CHURCH OFFICES

Dear Sir.-" 'Tis good sport to see the engineer hoist of his own petard -I seem to remember Rev. D. G. Brunning, in your correspondence columns. saying that he did not take The Ringing World in order to read theology, but campanology. Now he himself joins in theological disputation in your paper. and with a most disputable contention. Certainly baptism is necessary for the holding of office in the Church. but even within the Anglican Communion. Confirmation (or the desire for that Sacrament) is only held necessary for the reception of the Holy Eucharist. It may be the discipline of the Church of Wales to insist that godparents he confirmed -but their very duty is to bring their godchildren to Confirmation. Servers at the Holy Eucharist are frequently unconfirmed, when of tender years: it is ridiculous to say that no office may be held within the Church without (or more accurately. before) Confirma-tion.-Yours, etc..

## CHAD COUSSMAKER

The Theological Coilege,
Chichester.

## DOAN 'EE EVER ZAY <br> JOHN SCOTT

Dear Zur--Us ave just read that there Tragic Ballad thing in 'Ringing World, and us be all steamed up about it down yer in Cornwall.
Tidd'n that us minds they there Collidge Youths an' the Cumbersomes 'avin' a go one to tother, but when they sez that us only rings rounds-well tis gwain a bit too far.
Tis all very well they there Lunnon chaps fer to brag bout their Stedman Sinks an all that muck. but when it comes to a bit of "onest raisin an vallin' they'm all up a gum tree as the zayin goes. Now as fer change ringin there iddn nowt better than to call em into Queens or Tittums-proper ansome it zounds. specially at thirty zeb'm rounds a minnit.

An' us'll ave knaw too that us does a bit of scientific ringin'. why a couple of weeks ago one Thursday night us rung Grandsher Triples. true us 'ad zeb'm visitors with us. but 'twas ansome ringin' an' 'Erbert what was ringin tenor only got lost vower times.
Us did try bob majors one Sunday but Vicar ee doan like to ear tenor all mucked in. an Miss Daisy what plays the orgin got all confused an pulled out the wrong stops: an anyway it shaks the pinnacles somethin* cruel.
Us ad a team down yer from Lunnon way last an they aived the bells up in wans an twoes. caw! dang ee you should ave eard the commotion. First the vire brigade turned out thinkin it were a vire. an Mrs. Briggs cat ad premature kittens. proper to do it were.
1 went up to Lunnon one day an wint up to the church. the chappie what was in charge sez to me, 'Can you ring Bob Maxeemus. 'Ees I' spose sez I.' Caw'! there wuz undreds of ropes an everyone shoutin an ballin wan across tother. Twad'n a bit like our old gaffer at home with is six to $2 \mathrm{cb}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{m}$ an' drae to vower." somebody told me I should be dodgin wrong and right. I told een to make up is mind as ee couldn' ave it both ways: seemed quite urt ce did. An the ropes too! they all ad big loops in the ends. not like ours where us cuts em off neat like an" ties a nice big knot in the end.
Still 1 reckon tis every man to is own style of ringin. .but doan ee ever zay us only rings rounds down cre cus us don't see! Thankin yew ever so.-Yours trooly.

GARGE.

## FEELINGS IN NORTH WORCESTERSHIRE

Dear Sir.-I would like to point out that the tower referred to by Mr. P. J. Brown ( 'R.W. page 437) is neither Wychbold nor SI. Peter's, Droitwich. as young ringers are much to the fore at both churches, and visitors are always welcome.
When I first came to this district, in 1957. I was told that visitors were not favourably received at Dodderhill. This information was votunteered by the gentleman who was then tower captain at Wychbold, but who left in 1958 to join the Dodderhill band, and is. presumably, the person who connected the young ringers with my name.
In early 1959, Wychbold bells had become silent, and I was asked, by the Vicar, to assist in teaching some youngsters to ring there. This I agreed to do. but was virtually told that if 1 continued teaching these beginners. the aforementioned gentleman and his family. would withdraw their services from Dodderhill belfry rather than ring with me.
Having gone so far, I was reluctant to give up the learners, now a keen and promising young band, and rather than cause further dissension amongst the Dodderhill band, of which I had become a member, I left. so that instead of losing three ringers, they lost only myself (in any case, not a good eight-bell ringer). When I left. I thought that I had made it clear that no slight was intended to the regular members of the band. who had always made me very welcome: apparently I hadn't.
It is my sincere wish that this present illfeeling will soon give way to a more friendly and co-operative relationship between Dodderhill and Wychbold bands.

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is. Brethren. to dwell together in unity," (Psalm 133.)-Yours faithfully,

PAUL, CATTERMOLE,
Honorary Secretary,
St. Mary's Ringers, Wychbold.
Witton, Droitwich,
Worcestershire

## AMBIGUITY!

Dear Sir,-It seems a pity that the Peals Committee refused to recognise the peal of Minor in which two ringers each rang two bells. We are told that the exact wording of the rule it:-
Each bell (or bells) . . . shall be rung by the same person (or persons).

Does this not mean that:-
Any one particular bell: Any two particular bells: More than two bells shall (or may) be rung by any one particular person: Any two particular persons: More than two persons, respectively?
If so, then it follows unconditionally that:-
Any two ringers may ring any two hells, which is exactly what occurred.
This may not have been what was intended when the rule was framed. but it does seem to cover the event in question
Incidentally. I deplore the suggestion made in the report that irregularities in peals should be kept secret if the ringers wish them to be accepted.-Yoars sincerely.
H. S. HOBDEN.

Horam. Sussex.

## C.C. MEMBERSHIP

Dear Sir.-With reference to your issue of June 17 th. I note that the honorary secretary of the Central Council show's that I served as member for the period 1938-59.

To enable the records to be corrected, please note the details are as undermentioned:Si. Clement's Youths. 1929 io 1934: Society of Royal Cumberland Yourhs, 1935 to 1959.Yours faithfully.

GEORGE H. CROSS.

## OBITUARY

## MR. WILLIAM WENBAN

We regret to announce the death of Mr William Wenban, on June 16 th, at the age of 73 . The funeral took place on June 20 ih , at All Saints'. Harrow Weald, and was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. D. Deasy assisted by the Rev. D. Wardrop. The bellis were rung half-mulfled before and after the service, and in the evening a half-muffled quarter peal of Stedman Triples was rung Among ihose present at the service were: Messrs. A. W. Coles. F. W. Brinklow, H Hodgetts, J. Rootes, C. Evins, T. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Leversuch. Mr. and Mis H. G. Hart, Mrs. C. W. Woolley, Mrs. H. D Butler. Mrs. P. M. Mayne, Miss F. Clayton and Miss T. Rose. The wreaths included those from the ringers of St. John's, Stanmore, and All Saints: Harrow Weald

William Wenban was born in Kent, and he lived in his native county until the out break of war. when he went to live in Harrow. We are not in a position to write in any details of his early ringing days. He was not only an active peal ringer but also did much work in teaching bands in his own neighbourhood. Of his 321 peals. 152 were rung during the time he lived in Kent. The capability of those peal ringing bands is shown by the large number of peals of Stedman Triples which he rang and conducted during that time. He rang his first' peal at the age of 21 , and his first as conductor one year later.
During the ban on ringing he came to the monthly handbell meetings which were arranged at Bushey, and as soon as the ban was lifted he took an active part in the ringing in the Harrow area. He joined the band at Stanmore, and also rang regularly at Bushey and Harrow Weald. His association with the Bushey band led him to umpire all the post-war record peals of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells. He umpired those in 8. 9. 12, 14 and 16 methods.

The posi-war years provided him with opportunities he had not previously had, and these were his most prolific paal ringing years He rang peals of Surprise Major in 27 different methods, including the first peals ever rung of Stanmore, Harrow. Springfield. Chiswick and Elveden. His last peal was of Sandiacre Surprise Minor at Langleybury, on April 29th. 1959. He rang, peals in all the 41 Surprise Minor methods in the Minor Collection, and his last peal completed this achievement

## We shall miss him very much.

## HIS PEALS

Doubles: Grandsire 1, 2 methods 1, 3 methods 1. 6 methods 1

Minor: Plain Bob 6. Edinburgh Delight 1 2 methods 1. 3 methods 2. 4 methods 1, 5 methods 1. 7 methods 4.
Surprise Minor: Cambridge 4. Norwich 2, and one each of Warkworth. York. Surfleet, Rossendale. Stamford. Hexham. Beverley; Bourne. Allendale. Durham. Ipswich. Bacup. Cunecastre. Wells, London. Wearmouth. Lightfoot. Munden. Carlisle. Chester, Kelso. Netherseale. Morpeth. Primrose. Newcastle, Canterbury. Bamborough. Annable's London, Norihumberland. Whitley. Wooler, Hull, Westminster. Norfolk. Lincoln. Berwick. Alnwick. Coldstream and Sandiaare: 3 methods 1. 7 methods 2.8 methods 1.9 methods 1 , 12 methods 1.17 methods 1.

Triples: Grandsire 34 (conducted 16), Stedman 33 (10). St. Clement's 1.
Spliced Triples and Major: Grandsire Triples and Plain Bob Major 1.
Major: Plain Bob 16 (4), Canterbury Pleasure 1. Double Norwich 22, Kent Treble Bob 39 (4). Oxford Treble Bob 8. Kent and Oxford Treble Bob 1.
Surprise Major: Cambridge 9. Superlative 9. London 4. Bristol 4. Yorkshire 15. Painswick 2. Stanmore 2. Aldenham 2. Lincolnshire 2. and one each of New Cambridge. Springfield. Pudsey. Rutland. Ealing. Belgrave. Uxbridge. Kendal. Lindum. Bedfordshire. Apsley. Lvme. Harrow. Staffordshire, Chiswick, Pinner, Elveden and Winchester: 4 Spliced 1, 6 Spliced 2

Caters: Grandsire 6. Stedman 6
Royal: Plain Bob 1. Little Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 7. Cambridge Surprise 2.
Total: 321 (35).

## AN APPRECIATION

I wish to pay a tribute to my old friend Bill Wenban. In the 1920 's he did a lot
of spade work in Mid-Kent and was a firstclass ringer and conductor, especially with Stedman. For many years he was a highly respected member of the Staplehurst band and chiefly through his efforts our local band rang methods up to Double Norwich
From the year 1920 to $19399^{\circ}$ Bill' cycled many miles to Kent towers for peals, sometimes meeting short owing to bad weather conditions, and often losing the peal, through trying to ring a method the band were incapable of ringing. He rang many peals for the Kent County, and to us in Kent who knew him we cannot forget the good work he did in our early days.
I rang 89 peals with him. some good and some not so good, and I cannot recall any peals being lost ithrough "Bill" missing a bob. He was a good ringer, and friend.
We in Kent mourn his death, and send our condolences to his family and especially to his son. Ralph. T. E. SONE.

## MR. GEORGE FREEBREY

Mr. George Freebrey, of the Derbyshire Association, passed away very suddenly at his home on June 18th at the age of 78 years.
He learnt the art of ringing in his 13 th year in his home village of Fairford, Glos. On settling in Derby several years later he joined the band of St. Luke's Church, where he remained until transferring to St. Alkmund's. Around 1928 he joined St. Andrew's Church, where he remained Ringing Master until now,
Mr. Freebrey was for many years secretary of the Derby District of the Midland Counties Guild. and was also an honorary life member of the Derbyshire Association. A good ringer, he was responsible more than anybody for fostering Surprise ringing in Derby.

As he had rung only two days before his death this means that he gave to the service of bell ringing 66 years of his life. composed many peals and had a great number to his credit.
The funeral took place at St. Andrew's Church on June 21st.

## An Appreciation

It was with the deepest regret that I received the news of the passing of George Freebrey, of St. Andrew's, Derby, whilst I was on holiday at Bournemouth.

George Freebrey will be sadly missed, not only at St. Andrew's, where he had served so long and faithfully, but in the whole of Derby district.
remember with gratitude how much he helped me during the days of the Midland Counties Association, as one of my very best local secretaries, a position he held for many years. When the late president, Alderman R. B. Chambers, passed away, we all wondered how the Association would fare as regards the long list of honorary members we then had-the majority of whom were either the personal friends of the Alderman or business acquaintances, whom he had coerced into joining. George Freebrey, however, retained these and gathered more!
When the Association reached its 50th anniversary it was George's idea. and he carried it out, that a commemorative peal should be rung by a band representing all the branches of the Association, and at St. Andrew's. where the first meeting to form the Association took place. This peal-appropriately 5.050 changes composed by the former president (Sir A. P. Heywood)-I. as general honorary secretary, had the pleasure of conducting. Although not a prolific peal ringer (he rang 60 for the M.C.A. and a few others). he dabbled about with figures. and produced some good peals of Grandsire and Stedman Caters. Surprise Maior. etc.. and I had the
honour to call his 7.008 Bo5 Major as well honour to
as others.

George Freebrey was one of the most conscientious Sunday service ringers who looked upon this as a DUTY, as well as a service, and would very rarely be absent, placing this above all his other activities.

ERNEST MORRIS.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The band at Netherseale would like to associate their peal with the memory of the late George Freebrey, of Derby, ringer and composer.

The collection in the Witney and Woodstock branch for the World Refugee Year amounts to $£ 7 \mathrm{6s}$. 6d. In addition the branch voted $£ 5$ at its A.G.M

Southern Television in Southern News featured Mr. E. S. Ruck. of Willesborough. on June 28th. This only surviving founder member of the K.C.A. is now 93. Shots and recordings were taken of him and members of the Willesborough band ringing Bob Minor.

Our statement in a front page article that peals of Minimus are too monotonous to make them worth ringing has been challenged by one who rang in the first peal of that category. More monotony. the writer contends. was found in ringing her first in Bob Major.
From Evesham we hear that Robert C. Kippin, now 16, of Southampton, made a first class job of Evesham tenor to a peal of Royal. A member of the hand in sending his congratulations sfates: * He must certainly be the youngest ringer ever to ring a tenor of this weight ( 36 cwt .) to a peal.
Mr. David Smith (Oxford Diocesan Guild) writes to his branch his impressions of the Folkestone Central Council meeting as follows: :The ringing arrangements were very good indeed. and I added 23 new towers to my list. It was very good to meet many of the foremost people in the Exercise and to ring with some of them. Needless to say the striking was wonderful.

Complete tower repairs are now in hand ai St. Mary's. Sunbury-on-Thames. All timber ravaged by wood-worm and dry-rot is being replaced and floors chemically treated. A new floor has been constructed 10 feet below the ringing chamber for the choir robes. External repairs to brick work and decoration of weather vane, woodwork and clock faces is also progressing. Ringing has not been interrupted but temporary removal of sound proofing makes the bells very noisy in the ringing chamber.

## MR. CECLL H. BALLARD

Mr. Cecil H. Ballard, of Tenterden. Kent. passed away at West View Hospital. Tenterden, on June 22nd. after a prolonged illness. He was 73 years of age

Mr. Ballard was a member of the Tenterden band of ringers for over 30 years, though illness had prevented him from climbing the steps for a few years now. A great church worker. he was verger for many years as well as captain of the ringers.
He was a member of the Kent County Association and the Romney Marsh Guild and rang peals for both Associations. The exact numher he rang is unknown but his first peal was Grandsire Triples at Tenterden on December 31st. 1926. and his last peal was Stedman Triples at Tenterden, on May 16th. 1938 (for the 50 th anniversary of Robert (Bob) Edwards' first peal).

Mr. Ballard taught many to ring: he was a good tutor, and was well respected in spite of his outspoken manner. He enjoyed good striking and would make sure his colleagues did strike reasonably well. It is remembered that on one occasion he told a lady to listen to her bell and strike closer. When the bells were set it was discovered that the clapper of his own bell had dropped out!
Mr. Ballard was cremated at Charing, on June 27th, and a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung half-muffled in the evening as a token of respect to him. The ringers were: Mary Meynell 1. Kathleen M. Yeo (cond.) 2. Violet I. E. Relf 3, W. Tickner 4, P. Relf 5. E. Stanger 6.

## STOP PRESS

Mr. A. E. Lock. of Abingdon. died last week and was buried on Saturday, at Abingdon.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On June 12th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: K. Bodicoat 1. D. Bodicoat 2 Mrs. B. 7. Warwick 3. B. G. Warwick (cond.) 4 for the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. for the ordinatio
E. G. Symonds.

## RINGERS ON OUTING

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY
With Mr. Eric Stainrod, a Barnsley ringer, at the wheel. the Barnsley and District Society had an enjoyable outing on July 2nd. At Collingham. near Wetherby, the party were met by Messrs. W. and C. Haugue, ringers there for 50 years. Next came Boroughbridge and some enjoyable ringing and an excellent lunch. The afternoon was spent at Middleham (8). which was followed by tea at the White Swan. Ringing for the day concluded at Birstwith. where the party was met by Mr. J. Ewbank, a ringer here for 60 years. Thanks are due to the president. Mr. Noel F. Moxon, who arranged the outing, and also to incumbents and ringers who met the party.

## NORTH WEALD, ESSEX

On June 18 th North Weald ringers held their annual tour. Four six bell towers near Cambridge were selected. Travelling in private cars the party of 22 made their way to Barley, where some very good ringing took place, although some of the party did not arrive in time to ring. At Melbourne we found the bells very musical, and here we were met by Mr. Cook, from Meldreth. Harston was the next place where tea was had at the Three Horse Shoes: a ring on Harston bells then on to Whittlesford. Duxford was the last tower. We are very grateful to Mr. L. A. Cordell. who made all the arrangements.

## ROTHERHAM

For their annual outing on July 2 nd, Rotherham ringers and friends visited East Lincolnshire. calling at Melton Mowbray on the outward journey. where the fine ten were enjoyed for about an hour before moving on to the heavy melodious six at Deeping St. James. After lunch at Spalding and a short ring on the pleasant octave there, further ringing on the handy eight at Sutterton was followed by a visit to Boston Stump. The enjoyable ringing at this remarkable church made the long climb well worth while. The sixth and last tower of the day (Heckington) was a
pleasure to visit, the ringing chamber being a model.
The homeward journey was enlivened by music on handbells and piano-accordion and community singing. Ringing during the day varied from rounds and call changes to Stedman Caters and Surprise Major. Grateful thanks are extended to incumbents and local ringers for their co-operation.

## MAULDEN, BEDS

On June 18 th the Maulden ringers had their annual outing. when a visit was made to the Wiltshire area.
On this glorious summer's day a promipt start was made and Watlington. Oxon. our first tower. was reached in good time. though one had the feeling that we rather failed to do justice to either the bells or ourselvestoo early in the day, perhaps!

The long hop to Purton worked wonders; however. and here we really "went to town." This ancient and beautiful church possesses a fine ring of six (tenor 20 cwt.) and here many a ringer who had previously thought 6 -bell ringing uninteresting must have undergone a change of mind!
Next stop was Caine. where lunch was taken bafore ringing at the lovely Church of St . Mary, then on to Melksham, another good cight.
Soon we were passing Stonehenge, which had a good crowd of visitors, but we were more us at Amesbury. after which we enjoyed a ring on the bells of the imposing Parish Church.

Another long hop brought us to Wargrave. Berks, whose church stands in beautiful surroundings. near the banks of the Thames, and as this was our last tower, and the day had been very warm, and therefore rather tiring, we appreciated the excellent ' go ' of this splendid eight.
We reached home about midnight. with hearts full of thanks to those by whose permission we had been able to practise our art. to the local ringers, and to our organiser. Colin
Mann.
A.E.R.

## ST. THOMAS', STOURBRIDGE

Ringers of St. Thomas'. Stourbridge. and their friends went westwards on June 4 ih for their annual outing. The first objective was Tewkesbury Abbey. where the bells were set going to rounds. Grandsire and Stedman Caters. On the fine Rudhall eight at Ledbury. methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Cambridge Major
After a stop for lunch. the party pressed on to Abergavenny with its glorious ring of ten. Rounds. Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Cambridge Major allowed the visitors to appreciate the lovely bells. The last tower was Ebbw Vale, but before ringing the party sat down to an excellent tea. kindly provided by the ladies of Ebbw Vale. Double Norwich and Yorkshire were rung here with other methods.

Thanks are due to incumbents and local ringers. Mrs. Bruten tor the tea and Mr, D. H. Watson for organising such an enjoyable owiting.
M. D. F.

## BALDOCK, HERTS

May 28th was a bright. breezy day for the Baldock ringers outing. Diss was the first tower. and to start the day off the 23 cwt . tenor was turned in for Bristol. On to Stradbroke. the 20 cwt. ten. The clean lines of the grey. black and fawn tower were lovely against the scudding clouds in the blue sky.

After an adequate lunch in Eye at the old coaching inn, the White Lion. Debenham bells were rung. The 21 cwt. octave has been popular for long length attempts, one of which was 'with excellent striking by Suffolk men.' Framlingham was next and the bells seemed noisy after Debenham. Tea and ringing at Woodbridge ( 25 cwt.) provided the hest ringing of the day. The last tower was Grundisburgh. where the tenor of ten weighs only 8 cwt . The ringing went well considering this weight. One encour iging imp:ession: the learners improved as the day went on.

## CORNISH WHITSUNTIDE, PILGRIMAGES

Visitors are always welcome to Cornwall and often enable local ringers to manage just that little extra. On Whitsun Eve four ringers from Romsey Abbey, with others from Redruth and Carbis Bay, began a pleasant half day trip at St. Gwinear, where there is a powerful ring of six. tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.. completely restored by Taylors a few years ago.

Then on through country lanes to St. Hilary, one of the few Cornish churches with a spire. Here hangs an older ring in three tiers with 3-4 on the hottom. 5-6 in the middle and 1-2 at the top. Needless to say some bells are heard more than others. They were made six in 1898 from a previous two. The Vicar. Rev. L. E. Glasscott, met us and asked if all was well with the bells. We suggested they should, be oiled, and he promised it would be done. However. the need of this was not bad enough to spoil our ringing. although a lady member of the party found one bell a little beyond her strength.
Ludgvan. with its recently recast Taylor six,
was the next stop (apart from ice cream on was the next stop (apart from ice cream on the way!), and these bells were really enjoyed. Then to Carbis Bay to try out the ten. and no one was disappointed. The sound of the hells meant we were soon joined by Mr. W. O. Farrimond. from Lancashire, who had just arrived on holiday, and his help was appreciated. Two youngsters from Redruth. on their first ringing outing. did particularly well with great determination on ten for the first time. Methods rung were: Grandsire. Stedman and Plain Bob. Wisely. nothing - fancy * was suggested. but strangely Stedman produced the best ringing at each tower.

TORQUAY. DEVON.-On June 29th. 1.260 Piain Bub Minor: A. J. Garbelt 1. T. G. Myers 2. P. A.
L.ock (first of Minor) 3. D, R. Bould (firs of Minor - inside ') 4. W. J. Harvey 5. W. G. Lavers (first of Minor 2s cond.) 6 . Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

1'HE Society held its annual meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 11th. The fine ring of ten bells at the Cathedral was
available and also the eight of St. Mary's, and available and also the eight of St. Mary s, and
the six at St. Michael's. During the morning and evening the nearby towers at Little Aston. Kings Bromley, Yoxall, Longden and Elford were made available for ringers wishing to explore the neighbourhsad.
The annual service was held at St. Michael's Church and was conducted by the Rev. V. W. Allen. We ware privileged to hear an address given by the Society's new president. the Ven. Basil Stratton. Archdeacon of Stafford.

After the service the congregation made its way across the road to St . Michael's Hall for tea, where a good meal was enjoyed by approximately 80 members and friends.
The clerical secretary. the Rev. C. Holroyd Barker, after tea, formally introduced the new president to the meeting. The Archdeacon said how very pleased he was to be with the Society at this meeting. Before coming to Lichfield he had been vicar of Market Drayton and had learnt to handle a bell with the band there. He could just about manage - Churchyard Bob now.

With the Archdcacon in the chair the business meeting began and the honorary treasurer. Mr. Frank Brotherton. gave his report. He said that there had been an improvement during the year and that the Society was in a sound financial position once more. The honorary lay secretary, Mr. D. J. Tranter, then presented the committee's report. He said the year had been one of continued progress with the accent on consolidation rather than on outstanding achievement. Fellowship amongst members had never been better than at present. During the year 48 peals had been rung in various methods. Mr. B. G. Key, who had arrived direct from Folkestone that afternoon, presented the Cintral Council representatives; report. He gave a detailed account of the meeting. including "The Ringing World ' finances

The following elsetions were made: Ringing Master. Mr. E. Malin: Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. J. Allen; honorary treasurer. Mr. F. Brotherton; clerical secretary, Rev. C. H. Barker: lay secretary, Mr. D. J. Tranter, assistant secretary and peal secretary. Mr.
C. M. Smith: honorary auditor, Mr. E. Speake: Central Courcil representatives, Mr. B. G. Key and Mr. G. W. Hughes.

For over fifty years of continuous resident membership of the Society it was agreed to make the following members honorary life ringing members: Messrs. F. Colclough (Bilston). W. H. Lawley (Wolverhampton). C. Wallater (Willenhall), B. Horton (Fallings Park. Wolverhampton), W. R. Hughes (Walsall).

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Central Bucks Branch

The 32nd annual meeting of the Central Bucks Branch was held at Steeple Claydon on June llth, when the Guild service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev R. J. Vernon. who gave a most inspiring address. The lesson was read by the Master. the Rev. C. E. Wigg. and the organist was Mrs D. Fawcett.
A salad tea was served in the Library Hall. after which the business meeting was held under the chairmanship of the branch president. Canon G. Dixon. The chairman gave a cordial welcome to the Master. the honorary general secretary (Miss M. R. Cross), and visitors from Beachampton. Bicester and Wavendon.
It was reported that 1959 had been a year of steady progress and that on December 31st the Branch had 161 ringing members. plus ten honorary members.
The Rev. G. H. Isaacson. Vicar of Nether Winchendon, was elected deputy chairman, a new office. A vote of thanks to all who had contributed to the success of the meeting was passed.

Ringing on the pleasant toned ring of six bells continued well into the evening. thus bringing to a close a really enjoyable visit. Next quarterly meeting. Swanbourne, on September 10th.

## NOTICES

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Jack P. Kesterton. 30. Royal Road. Leicester, has moved to a temporary new address: c/o 5. Clovelly Road, Glenfield. Leicester. Please send all communications to this address, until further notice.

The address of George and Vivian Francis is now 35. Friday Strect. Warnham. Horsham, Sussex.

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Mr. John Ketteringham. formerly of Creswell. Worksop, now resides at 2, Southfield Road. Nailsea. Bristol.

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WRATTEN.-Would all ringing friends please note that Cyril A. Wratten. formerly of Dirley Housc (Old Folks Home), Carlton Street. has moved to 36. Wasley Road. Cheltenham. Glos.

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The address of Philin G. K. Davies is now 39. Southdown Crescent. Cheadle Hulme. Cheadle. Cheshire. Phone: Hulme Hall 2574

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## PRRSONAL

JESUS CHRIST the same yesterday, and today, and for cuer.' (Heb. xiii, 8.)

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POOLE.-Harold J.. passed away July 14th. 1955. In love and gratitude we remember him.

## RETURN THANKS

The relatives of the late Stella Davis wish to express their thanks for the many floral tributes and expressions of sympathy received in their sudden bereavement.

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PRESTON. LANCS.-Change of practice night. Please note that as from August 2nd. and until further notice, the Preston practice will be held on Tuesday each week instead of Wednesday.

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## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION. - Taunton Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Pitminster (6). July 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea. please.A. H. Reed. 'Mimosa.' George Street. Taunton. DIOCESAN GUII 6234 COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. -
Quarterly meeting. Saturday. July 16th, at Quarterly meeting. Saturday. July 16 th. at
Monks Kirby. Ringing 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Names for tea, please, to J. L. Garner-Hayward, 8 Orchard Crescent, Coventry. 6239

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Peak District.-Meeting at Darley Dale. Saturday. July 16th. 2.45 p.m. Cups of tea only at the Church Inn. at 5 p.m. All welcome.-H. E Taylor. Dis. Sec.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Warboys, on Saturday. July 16 th. Bells (6) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. Sec

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Guildford District. - Practice meeting at Chiddingfold. Saturday. July 16 th, at 6 p.m. All welcome, heginners in particular. 6288 HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting. Saturdav. July lfth. All Saints', Hastings.-E. A. Fellows. Hon. Sec. 6256 HEREFORD GUIID.-Bromyard District. ()uarterly meeting. Stoke Lacy. 3 D.m. July Ifth. Service 4.30. Tea at School 5 p.m Reservations to R. L. Price. 18 , New Road Bromvard.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONEastern District--July meeting at Benington on 16 th (not 9th), at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Miss F. Welch, Holmes Farm. Walkern Stevenage, Herts.

6173 Rochester District.-Quarterly meeting at Eastchurch (Meonham not available), on Saturday, July 16 fth . Bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS SOCIETY.-Meeting at Staplehurst. July 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 2 s . Names to Mr. R. Mitchell, 42. Church Green, Staplehurst.-Pamela J Usborne. Sec. 6198

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION S. and W. District.-Meeting. Saturday, July 16th. Arrangements : ringing at Sunburv 3-4.30 p.m... followed by service. Tea at 5. Business meeting 5.30. Further ringing at Hampton 6.45-8.15 D.m. 6257

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Newbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. July 16th. at Aldermaston. Bells from 3 n.m. Service 4.30 D.m.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDGuilsborough Branch -8-bell practice. Hazelbech. Saturdav. Julv 16th. 6307
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-West Dorset Branch - Meeting at Hawkchurch, July 16 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Chardstork tower also open. Numbers for tea. nlease-Barrett, 120, Gerrards Green. Beaminster. 6231
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Southern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting Barcombe (6). Saturday. July l6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 nm . 6259

ANCIFNT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun: Carter Lane. E C.. Saturdav. July 23 rd. 6 p.m. Ringing at St. Stephen's. Rochester Row. Westminster. S.W.I. at 3.15 n.m. 6276 BATH AND WFLLS DIOCESAN ASSOrIATION. - Axbridse Deanery Branch. nuarterly meeting. Bleadon. Saturdav. July 73rd. Bells ( 6 ) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 D.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-David H. White.

RATH AND WFLLLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - Cary Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Henstridg: (f). Jyly 23 rd . Service 4.10 p.m. Te? and meeting 5 p.m Names for tea in A. J. Sherrin. 8. Ash Walk. Henstridge. Temnle. combe.

## BEDFORDSHIRE

Summer festival. July 23rd. Kempston (8) Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., with address by Rev. P. B. Graham, Vicar of Eaton Bray. Local band arranging tea in Schoolroom 5 p.m. Please assist by sending names by July 21st. to Mr. P. Inskip, 8, Randalls Close, Bromham, Beds.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Crewe Branch.-Tarporley. July 23rd. Bells (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by July 20 th. No name, no tea.-W. Kerr. 102, Moreton Road, Crewe
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSO CIATION.-Next meeting to be held at South Wingfield, on Saturday. July 23rd. Bells 3 p.m Cups of tea coly.-B. A. Sollis. Hon. Sec. 6286

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Terrington St Clement. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to. Mr. E. Easter. Terrington St. Clement. Kings Lynn.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - N.E. District. Meeting Harwich, Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. followed by tea and meeting. Numbers for tea, please, hy Wednesday July 20th, to Mr. W. Felgate, 25 Una Road. Parkeston. Harwich

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GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Rural Branch.-Meeting at Westerleigh (6). July 231 d. Bells 3 p.m. Úsual arrangements for service. etc. Notice for tea to Mr. J. Ferris. I1. Ivysite. Westerleigh, near Bristol

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Lewisham District.-Quarterly meeting, St. Mary's. Downe. Saturday, July 23rd. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 20th, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43. Wansunt Road. Bexley.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) and LADIES' GUILD.-Joint meeting at Cheriton. Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (8, tenor 7 cwt.) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday. to Mr. W. C. Chandler. 2, Alma Road, Cheriton. Folkestone. - C. T. H.
LADIES' GUILD.-Lincolnshire DistrictMeeting at Scunthorpe. on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. July 20th. to Mrs. F. Lord. Campana. 107. Bushfield Road. Scunthorpe - A. Richardson. Hon. Sec. 6250
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Meeting at Calverley. July 23rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m: Names for tea not later than Wednesday, July 20th. to Mr. P. Dawson. 16. Salisbury Plice. Calverley. Pudsey.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD ${ }^{6243}$ Hinckley District.-Meeting. Leire. July 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea. followed by meeting. it $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea please is soon as possible. but not later than Wednsday, 20th. to Frank E. Dove, Main Street. Leire. near Rugby. Phone Leire 227.M. Vernon. Dis. Sec
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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Market Harborough District.-Meeting. Stanford-onAvon. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.-L. W. Allen. 6292 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Melton Mowbray District.-Meeting at Hoby. on Saturday. July 23 rd. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting, at the Blue Bell Inn. Hoby, at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please. bv Wednesday. July 20th. 10 Mr. J. Burnham. Church Lane. Hoby. Leicestershire. 6274 LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-Quarterly meeting. Saturdav. July 23 rd . Note change of date. All Saints'. Poplar (10) $4-5.30$ p.m. Tea own arrangements. Short business meeting. Further inging from $6.30-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everyone welcome A good attendance requested. - Bullock, Dis. MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD - Meeting Hoar Cross. on Saturday. July 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 D.m. Own tea arrangements. please. All welcome.-J. W. Cotton.

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NORWITH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch.-Meeting at Yaxham. Saturday. July 23rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 415 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea bv the Wednevday previous, please, to Mr. J. Horni pold. Station Road. Yaxham. Dereham.-C Bird. Hon. Sec.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION - An open day will be held at Hope. on Saturday, July 23 rd. All welcome. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea July
20th. to Dr. Woodcock. The Meadows. Higher 20th. to Dr. Woodcock. The Meadows. Higher
Kinnerton. Chester.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at
Wooburn. Saturday. July 23rd. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea 19th. to Miss Hague. K, Stompits Road.
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Holyport. Berks. Holyport. Berks. ${ }^{6279}$ Monthly meeting. Hemingbrough. Saturday. July 23 rd . Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please provide own food. cups of tea only
available.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec. 6282 available.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec. 6282
SUFFOLK GUILD.-East Central District. SUFFOLK GUILD.-East Central District. Aspal (10). Bells 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, 20th, to W. J. Button. Stonham Aspal. Stowmarket. SUFFOLK GUILD - North-East District Quarterly meeting. July 23rd. at Southwold (8). Bells $3-8.15$ p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 21 st. 10 Mr . R. S. Payne. Hotson Road. Southwold.

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SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Eastern Division. -Practice meeting at Sedlescombe. on July 23 rd. Tea at 5 P.m. Prease notify tea tor.
Bener.).
Hillbrae. Carters Corner. Hailsham. 6302 WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD-Basingstoke District.Quarterly meeting at Wolverton. Hants, on July 23 rत. Bells ( 6 ) from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 .
Tea 5 in the Village Hall. Names for tea by Teal 5 in the Village Mall. Names for tea by borne St. John. Basingstoke
DEVON GUILD.-N.W. Branch.-Summer meeting at Stratton. near Bude (8). July 30th. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., tea 10 follow. Numbers for tea by Monday. July 25 th. to R. Pearce. Buttsbeer Cross. Bridgerule Holsworthy.-Sec. LADIES GUILD.-Central District.Quarterly meeting on, July 30th. Ringing at
Orsett. Essex. from $3-4.30$ p.m.. followed by Orsett. Essex, from $3-4.30$ p.m.. followed by
service. tea and husiness meeting. Ringing at Stanford-le-Hope from $6-8$ p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. Blatch. - Brick House.' Malting Lane, Orselt, Grays. Essex. Gentlemen cordially invited.
LADIES GUILD. - Sussex District. $-\frac{1}{3}$ Mecting at Alfriston (6). July 30th. Bells - 3 p.m. Service for tea. advisable to bring own. Ladies please support. All visitors welcome.
L M. Beeney, Hon. Sec.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The 75th annual meeting of the Sussex County Association took place at the Good Shepherd. Brighton, on May 14th. The
service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Service was conducted by the ve Archdeacon of Chichester. Unfortunately the Bishop of Chichester was unable to attend.
Guests who were very welcome were the secretary of the Central Council (Mr. E. A. Barnett) with his wife and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. A. Harman. Mrs. Stacey and Mr. Cheeseman. Surrey. and Mr. Rogers, Portsea. At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Master. Mr. R. V. Johnson, who welcomed the vice-presidents (the Archdeacon of Chichester and Mr. S. E. Armstrong).
Mr. Barnett. in a short speech. stated that he was pleased to visit Sussex once more and wished the meeting every success.
The meeting stood in silence in memory of those who had passed on. during 1959. The accounts and reports were accepted. and all officers of the Association elected as the previous year. Mr. George Pullinger. formerly of the Portsmouth and Winchester Guild. now resident in Sussex. was elected a member of Willingdon. near Eastbourne. Miss Jean Barnett. daughter of the secretary of the Central Council. was elected a non-resident member.
Mr. F. Dallaway has retired from the Central Council after 21
place will he taken by Mr. R. W. . R. Percy place will be taken by Mr
honorary gencral secretary.
The library was well under way hut was held up at the moment. pending the necessary faculty. Permission was given to purchase 12 old ringing books, found in a Brighton secondhand shop.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

About 60 ringers and friends from all over Kent were guests to tea at Willesborough on June 25th. for the Ashford District meeting. This has now become an annual event and was to mark the 93 rd birthday of Mr. Edward S . Ruck: only surviving founder member of the Association.
The service was conducted by the Rector. the Rev. T. G. Williams. Mr. R. J. Carlton read the lesson and Mr. W. P. Garner was at the organ. An excellent lea. served by the Mothers' Union, was enjoyed in the Old Mothers

Mr. J. Willis. a vice-president and chairman of the Association. conveyed the birtinday greetings and good wishes of the gathering to Mr. Ruck
On a motion by Mr. T. Cullingworth. a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector. the organist. the Mothers' Union, the Willesborough ringers and friends for their hospitality, and Mr. Carlton for making the arrangements.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Dorchester Branch

The summer quarterly meeting was held in bright summer weather at Bere Regis. This was the first quarterly meeting to he held here since 1946. and the members made the most of the bells, which were available during the afternoon.
The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. R. C. Herring. In his address he mentioned that the 'Sermon Bell' was still rung at this church, also the curfew during the winter months. Bellringing is one of the few old crafts that have not changed during the passing of time. It is a great art and. once learnt. never forgotten. Tea was served in the village W.I Hall to a company of 37 members.
The meeting was conducted by the chairman. the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth (Rector of Cattistock). Five new memhers were electedMcDonald (Bere Regis) and Mr. B. R. Thomson and Mr. D. Essex (Charminster). Subject to consent the next meeting will be at Litton Cheney.

Branch practices were urranged (subject to confirmation) at fortnightly intervals: Wyke Regis, August 13th: Piddlehinton, August 27th: Wool. Seplember 10th; St. Peter's, Dorchester, September 24th
R. H. D.

## EAST YORKSHIRE VETERANS

On June 4 th seven veteran ringers were kindly entertained at St. Michael's Church. Eastrington. Over the last few years this has been an annual event. kindly organised by Mrs. J. J. Taylor. of Goole. The veteran ringers attending were. Messrs. T. W. Robbins (aged 86). A. E. Sellers (82), H. Rodmell (80), F. Dale (80). L. Rodmell (78), T. Goodin (78), and H. S. Morley (70).
The towers represented by the veterans were: Escrick. Beverley Minster. Hessle. Sutton-on-Hull. and Selby Abbey, and they rang short touches during the afternoon on the six bells.
Mrs. Taylor kindly provided refreshments including an iced cake and it was indeed pleasing to see the old ringers assembled in the rural surroundings.
Unfortunately Messrs. G. Horner. F. Atkinson and S. Bottomley were unahle to altend.

## JOINT MEETING AT SELSTON

The East Derbyshire and Notts Association and the Southwell Diocesan Guild held a joint meeting at Selston on May 28th. which was attended by 40 ringers representing 11 towers. In appreciation of the help of these two bodies in raising money for the rehanging of Selston bells. the Vicar (the Rev. G. N. Pearce) announced that the tea was free. A collection was taken at the tea table for Selston Bell Fund. which raised $£ 34 \mathrm{~s}$. The Vicar was elected an honorary vice-president of the Southwell Guild at the business meeting and it was decided to hold the next mecting on July 16th, at Mansfield Woodhouse. A short Evensong was conducted in the church thy the Vicar. Ringing afterwards varied from call changes to London Surprise.

## LETTER

IN DEFENCE OF STEPHEN IVIN
Dear Sir.-I am not surprised that 'Sunday Service Ringer' (page 438) does not print his name. The lengths to which he is prepared to go to ridicule Stephen Ivin are positively childish.
Nobody will dispute that Stephen's letter was worded in manner which was likely to give offence to the record breaking band. It was obviously written in the heat of the moment. but there was a great deal of truth in many of the remarks.

The Lufkins are very charming people and I have no wish to belittle the feat of ringing 22.400 changes, which was certainly a great achievement. 'Sunday Service Ringer,' however. labels as 'abortive' an attempt at the fuil extent by Stephen's band. which came to grief after 28.000 odd changes. One can either accuse him of intentionally being rude and insulting to Stephen. or take the charitable view that he was trying to increase the sale of - The Ringing World.
I would also like to point out that when Stephen's attempt stopped after some 14 hours' ringing, it had not actually fired out. but that a trip had been corrected. and the rest of the band were very annoyed when Stephen called 'Stand.' He could easily have carried on, and it says much for the high standard he sets that he did not. I feel that this is aln example which might well be followed by many ringers. including those who have been ringing considerably longer than Stephen, many of whom cheerfully claim a peal, having sorted out clash after clash.
I can see no credit in trying to ring long lengths on church bells. There are very few parishes in the country which would tolerate 12 hours' continuous ringing, let alone 24. The people of Kirby seem to be unique in this respect. but I imagine even they might not be so pleased at the prospect of listening to bells all night. It would be a very selfish band who would attempt to impose this on them Long lengths are after all only a stunt, and the most intelligent place to attempt them is where they will not cause annoyance to anyone.
Finally, in view of the large number of letters asking 'Who is Ivin?' why not publish his biography. say under 'Servants of the Exercise.-Yours sincerely.

ALAN GRIFFIN.

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## LATE NOTICE

WATFORD GRAMMAR
SCHOOLS SOCIETY.-Meeting at Kings Langley (8). Saturday. July 23 r d. 3 p.m. Names for tea essential by previous Wednesday, to Miss $\mathbf{G}$ Graney, 2. Hyde Lane. Kings Langley. 6309

## TWERTON, BATH, SOMERSET. - On June 19h,

 1.260 Doubles (in of methods. 7, 6, 8 covering): Miss B. Clarke 1. A. F. Lee (cond. Reverme Camerbury) 2. y R. Hobbs (cond, Plain Bob) 3, J. J. Jefferies fcond Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire) 4, T. J Milsom (cond. St. Martin's and St . Simon's) 5, Miso Reason (first quarier) 6, L. Cox 7, D. J. Jellerien First in 6 methods for $1,3,5,7$ and 8 . First in methods 'inside' for \&. Most methods on the hells by a local band Rung as a birthdny compliment to Miss G. Newion.WITHXCOMBF RALEIGIE, DEVON. On Whil Sunday, 1.260 Thoubles ( 480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): F. Bastin 1. Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2, G. Eyles 3, Mack (cond.) 5, S.

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## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The meetings of the Chertsey District at Send and Ockham have earned a reputation for attracting visitors from outside the Diocese. and June 25th was certainly no exception. Over 40 people attended during the afternoon and evening.
The service held at Send, was conducted by Mr. Short. a lay preacher, and an excellent tea was served in the Red Cross Hut by the local ringers. A short business meeting followed, during which four new members were elected. Mr. W. Shepherd expressed a vote of thanks to all those concerned in the running of the meeting.

Ringing continued until 9 p.m.. under the leadership of Mr. R. Collins (District Ringing Master) at Send and Mr. J. Martin. at Ockham. H.E.P.

SPLENDID SERVICE AT ROTHWELL
Mr. Arthur York. of Rothwell. Northamptonshire, has just completed 66 years as a ringer at Holy Trinity Church. Rothwell. He rang a few peals at the beginning of the century but his main contribution to ringing has been his regular Sunday service ringing. He has rung for all coronations and other Royal events since 1900. His younger brother, Albert, has been the tower captain for many years and between them represent a fine example to the lesser known. but none the less worthy, 'Servants of the Exercise.

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## A REAL SURPRISE FROM BODMIN

IT would be wrong to say that Bodmin has declined; but it has not grown as it might have done. It refused the Cornish main line a hundred years ago, and is served by a branch from Bodmin Road. The County Jail was closed several years ago, so Cornish prisoners on remand travel to and from Exeter. It still retains the Assize Court and County Police Headquarters. Truro accepted the main line, got the Cathedral and so became the Cornish city, and the County Hall was built there. However, Bodmin gives its name to one of Cornwall's two Archdeaconries, and has as its chief glory the largest parish church in the county. Thus hearts often burn as to which is Cornwall's county town.

Bodmin had four bells in the reign of Edward VI, five by 1691 , six in 1699 , and in 1767 a new ring of eight was hung, which was Cornwall's first octave. This gives the town an 8 -bell ringing tradition of almost 200 years. The band today is strong in number, and Canon G. W. S. Harmer, who accompanied his band on the annual outing on July 2nd, told me his eight bells are always rung twice on Sundays. The time for ringing at Carbis Bay was booked for 3 to 4.30, and I determined first to enjoy the ringing in the quiet of my own garden hard by. A gentle 'ting' of discovery as to which bell was which, told me activities were to begin. Not being used to such little trebles, the ten bells were up before even Bodmin ringers or I expected -such experts at rising do not take long to catch up on a tenor of $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.! Silence reigned. Breath was, no doubt, taken and exhortations probably given as to how the bells should be rung. Again the ten rang out; but it was no good, the trebles were far too quick; and as a band of this calibre just will not have such ringing. the trebles were set, and eight continued till they settled to some really good sfuff. After this, single ringing of the trebles explained that their weight was being measured, and that determination was going to overcome the rare experience of ringing ten in Cornwall. Again the ten rang out, and this improved as the trebles were gradually kept away from the tenor. Cornwall is famed for 6 - and 8 -bell ringing, but ten is a new technique to be mastered.

I now went to the tower to offer my welcome and congratulations, to hear more 8 - and 10 -bell ringing, and by invitation to join in a 'peal' myself. It was an occasion both of discovery and surprise. The discovery was that a few ringers from St. Tudy (6) and Cardinham (8) were amongst the party of over 30 . The surprise was this: A call came for some changes on the back six. My natural expectation was call-changes. Middle-aged men caught
hold, and the bells settled to the most regular cartwheel rounds any judge could wish for. 'Go' was called from the treble, and off they went into Grandsire Doubles with the same unvarying regularity, and with no open lead at hand. Bobs and singles were called, and the end of the 120 was unconducted and the bells continued in rounds until 'Go' was called again for yet a different 120. I had heard some time ago that 'Scientific' was being tried at Bodmin. One has heard similar stories before; but to have the fact proved in one's own tower that it was not only being tried but had been 'conquered ' was the biggest surprise ever and a pleasure beyond anticipation

Questions I had to ask. The story is this. Some two years ago a suggestion was made that 'Scientific' be tried. Such a suggestion is usually thrown out of a round-ringing tower immediately, but not this time. Others were sympathetic. A book was obtained plus a blackboard. An evening outside the ordinary practice was chosen, and eight or so of the band met regularly for months. They dedicated themselves to it. They have not disturbed the long tradition of the tower, and respect is paid to the past and older members; but now, without any outside assistancecollege, school, tutor or instructor ringing at Bodmin is intermingled with perfect 120 's rung in their own way. What is more, the older men listen with respect for their colleagues' ability. I had to praise them. I exhorted them to ring a quarter peal, and explained what this entailed. " The Ringing World' must be an addition to their tower. The next step is to be Grandsire Triples; and with the present foundation and the experience that the striking can be just as good as in call-changes, there is no doubt that 'Scientific' has come to stay and will make the future pattern. I could not but be convinced that this surprise result had been achieved by nothing but sheer determination and team spirit. "We made some row when we started,' said one, 'And we had some rows between ourselves,' added another, amidst much good humour, 'But we always went back to the board and followed out the line,' remarked a third. So method ringing has its place right in the centre of Cornwall, for an ancient cross in Lanivet Churchyard, three miles out of Bodmin, is said to be the pivot of the county.

I went outside to hear more ringing and to talk to those who had had their turn. As the bells were rung down it was evident the visitors were as much at home on ten as on eight. It is the team spirit of Bodmin that conquers. In this instance one cannot but feel that this result has been achieved by way of service to the Church first, and then as a body wanting to serve better and in a more perfect way, and never failing in the intention. I asked them all to come again soon.
A. S. R.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,
In St. Hugh's Tower in the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
A PEAL OF 5001 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt} .3 \mathrm{gr}, 23 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

STRATION ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE,
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret of Aniloch.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 8 cwt 1 gr .17 lb .


* First peal. $\dagger$ First in tho method "inside.' First as conductor

Rung for the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones.

> DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
> THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sun. May 29,1960 , in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH of THE Holy CROSS.
> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
> Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb . in E flat.

## Patrick I. Chapman

Elisabeth A. Negus
*G. Bonsor.
Hillary M. Johnson
Composed by Nolan Goiden

* First peal 'inside' and on eight bellucted by Davi J. Marshalz. ' circled the tower.
Rung on Civic Sunday in honour of the 300th anniversary of the restoration of the Monarchy.

BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Jume 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minures, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .
Harold Temby ... .... Treble Graham McKay ... STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon.. June 27. 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute. At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cw .3 gr .22 lb . in E fiat.
John R. Ketteringham . . Treble Harold Wagstaffe .. .. 5
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Mrs. Pamela Ashley } & . & 2 & \text { Barry Holland... } & . . & . . & 6 \\ \text { Mrs. Bessie Holmes } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { A. Benjamin Cooper } & . . & 7\end{array}$
Malcolm P. Phipps 4 Richard E. Price ... . Tenor Composed by James Fleming. Conducted by John R. Keiteringham. BARKWAY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .


BILSBORROW. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saf., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
At the Church of St. Hilda.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LOUGHBOROUGH BOB MAJOR



CRESWELL. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5104 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .2 gr .4 lb . in F sharp.
Dennis A. Smedtey . . Treble | Dennis Coopfr
Leslie W. Bacon .. .. 2 George L. Chambers ... 6
Stanley Slaney .. .. 3 †Joseph Saxton .. .. 7
*Mary Barlow ..... 4 John R. Ketteringham. . Tehor Composed and Conducted by John R. Kriteringham.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 100$ th peal.
Rung as a-farewell peal to the conductor on leaving Creswell for Bristol.

NORTHCHURCH. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middleton's.
Christopher W. Woolley Treble
Celia F. Whitfeld
Alick Cutle
Tenor 15 cwt .24 lb

Gladys Manchip
Frederick W. Brinklow

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& \text { BRINKLOW } \\
& \text { Conducted by }
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Kennety R Dun
A compliment to Pamela and Derek E. Latchford, of Bottisham, Cambs. on the birth of a son-Mark Edward.

## OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sal., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Oswald.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOURLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cWt .
George F. Sperring .. Treble *Reginald H. Newton .. 5
Mary C. Poynfr .. .. 2 F. Hector Bennett .. 6
*Philip J. Evans .. .. 3 John W. Griffiths
John S. Dean
Composed by H. W. Wilde.
Percy Swindley .. .. Tenor

* First peal in the method.

A birthday peal for Mary C. Poyner and Reginald H. Newton.
OVERSEALE, DEREYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat.. July 2, 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Matihew,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{gr} .1 \mathrm{lb}$. in A flat.

Frederick E. Wilshaw.. 3
J. Edward Cawser.. .. 4

Composed by Gabriel Lindofe. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

WIDFORD. ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saf., July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5120 BELVEDERE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .18 lb . in G.
Mary Roast
Treble
Peter J. Came
Ernest E. S. Johnson
2 Peter J. Eves Patrick W. Saltmarsh Joe E. G. Roast Howard W. Egglestone. Tenor
Composed by R. F. B Speed.
Conducted by JoE E. G. Roast.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the hells, and for the Association.

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NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., July 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 WARWICKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cWt . 1 gr .22 lb , in F .


Composed by A. J. Pitman.
Derek Taylor
Tenor
First peal in the method for the Guild, and by all the band.
Rung to celebrate the 125 th anniversary of the Sunday School.
DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Wed., July 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

| J. Frank Smallwood | Treble | Cyril Wright |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Douglas H. Rooke | 2 | Harold Wagstaff |
| George H. Paulson | 3 | Ronald H. Bullen |
| * Brynley A. Richards | 4 | Herbrrt T. Rooke | Conducted hy Herbert T. Rooke.

* First peal of Cambridge Major.

A birthday peal for Mrs. C. Wright and Mrs, D. H. Rooke.
BRIDGERULE, DEVON
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Wed.. July 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute. At the Church of St. Bridget,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .1 gr. 21 lb . in A flat
 *Charles E. Taylor .. 4 A. William Myers .. . . Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Thomas G. Myers. *First peat of Major. T. G. Myers has now conducted a peat from each bell in this tower, and believes it is the first time this has ever been accomplished in Devon. Incidentally. of the ten peals rung on these bells. he has rung in nine and conducted eight.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., July 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules.
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Thurstans' Four-Part.
*Neville Jenkins
Elsie K. Hart.

| Treble |  |  |
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| $\cdots$ | 3 |  |
|  | 4 |  |

Kenneth R. Dunstan
4
Kennelh R. Dunstian
H. George Hart Donald E R. K Christopm R. Knighis. . Christopher W. Whitfeld.... Tenor

## S

Tenor 13 cwt . Conducted by Chrisiopher $W$. Woolley..
*First peal of Stedman, and has now 'circled the tower.' † First of Triples.
A birthday peal for J. E. Rootes.

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE,

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. July 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT \& OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Ilkeston variation.
Cyril Wright.
*Marion Archer
*Malcolm Fosier
A. Benjamin Cooper

Composed by Nol an Golden.

* First peal of Spliced T.B. Major.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. C. Wright (July $9 t h$ ).
ERITH. KENT.
COUNTY ASS
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. July 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist. A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywards variation.
Ian H. Oram
Philip A. Corby
Rev. J. Shepherd-Walyn
Frederick J. Cullum
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| Treble |  |  |
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Peter F. Borer
Tenor 15 cw
Trevor A. Cross
George J. Butcher
Hubert H. Furmingeth
Tenor MAJOR

## * 200th peal.

BLEWBURY. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., July 11. 1960 . in 3 Hours and 7 Minules,
At the Church of 5 ST. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-Part.
Pf:ter Corderoy
Haroid W. Dunsprin
Altred R. T. GirtfnouGh
Ernest I. Grace

Treble 2
3
4

Henry L. Bishop Robrrt B. Biond
James P. Binnd.
Claude. Corderoy
Conducted by Robert B. Blond.

TWYFORD, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}, 10 \mathrm{lb}$.
*Linda J. Kew... .
*Michael Hatchett..
+Howard Oglesby .
. Treble $\mid$ *D. Kenvyn Walters

 Composed by E. W. Tipler. Conducted by Alan R. Pink.
*First peal in the method. + First in the method 'inside.'
In memoriam Albert E. Lock (deceased July 6th, 1960), for many years Secretary and Treasurer of the North Berks Branch of this Guild, and a representative of the Guild on the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

## WALCOT. BATH.

THE BAIH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Saviour.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt . in E.
Mrs. Dora Evans .. .. Treble| "J. James Jefferies
George J. Hawkins... 2 Cedrie J. A. Brown William H. Hurford
Harotid L. Parfrey . . 4 Roger O. Fry .. ...
Composed by J. Armiger Trollope. Conducted by Rocer $\ddot{O}$.

* First peal of Bob Major. First peal on the bells since 1932 .
Roger O. Fry ... ... Tentor
Arranged and rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. A. Hutchinson, Rector of this parish from 1932 to 1960 , who is to take the living of Nettleton with Littleton: Drew.


## SIX BELL PEALS

## CRANFORD ST. JOHN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIO. GUILD. On Sat., May 21, 1960, ins 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Dunstan.
A PEAL OF 5040 CRANFORD SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor 74 cwt. in 8 .
Frank C. Price.. .. .. Treble
Michael P. Moreton ... 2 N. David Robinson... .. 5
Robin G. Leale. . .... 3 | John Hill .. .. .. . . Tenor Conducted by Robin G. Leale.
First peal in the method.
CRANFORD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., June 4, 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 7 cwt . David G. Pickett .. .. Treble *Kenneth E. Young (12) Christopher B
B. Fynes $\left\{\begin{array}{l}2 \\ 3\end{array}\right.$ Malcolm G. Lane. Dr. D. J. Neál Smith . . Tenor Conducted by Christopher B. Fynes.

* First peal of Minor. First of Cambridge by all the band.

THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., June 17, 1960. in 2 Hours and 33 Minules.
At The Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLCCED MINOR
Being seven extents in 47 methods: (1) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury. Sandal. London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Oxtord and Kent Treble Bob, Wainfleet, Gedney, Gunby, Spilsby, Bicker. Surfleet. Spalding. Pinchbeck. Normanton and Sibsey Alliance, Kent Little Court and Bastow Little Court; (2) Newdigate. Old Oxford. College Bob JV, Willesden, Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans and Wragby Delight; (3) Walsingham, Cromer, Lammas, Steventon, Olney, Tibenham, Fulmer and Chalfont Alliance and Little Bob; (4) London and Wells Surprise ; (5) Cambridge and Primrose Surprise; (6) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall; (7) Plain and Double Bob.


Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First peal in 47 methods.


## CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., June 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Robert Barratt
Gedrge Forrester
Ernest Pimlott
Treble
2
Conducted by John Worth.
Tenor
Harold Lonyon
Denis Henshaw
Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.

Rung to mark the 75 th anniversary of the hanging of the bells.

WANL1P, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER SOCIETY. On, Tues., June 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .
Richard T. Tovell .. Treble William H. Massey
*Peter W. Atkins . . . 2 *John J. Goode
Ian J. Fraser . $\quad$. ... ${ }^{3}$ Philip G. K. Davies . Tenor
Conducted by Philip G. K. Davies.

* First peal. First peal rung by resident members of the Society for the Society.

Rung as a farewell to the ringers of treble, 3, 4 and tenor.

## GREAT THURLOW, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., June 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In 12 methods: (1) London and Wells S., (2) Ipswich and Cambridge S., (3) Norwich S., (4) D. Court, (5) Double and Plain Bob, (6) D. Oxford and St. Clement's, (7) Kent and Oxford T.B. Tenor 12 cwt . A. Edward Leggett. . . Treble Bernard W. Fairhead .. 4 Roger J. Palmer . . . 2 Sam J. Twitchett .. .. 5 Rosemary J. Seabrook .. 3 Urban W. Wildney.. . . Tehor

Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.

LEA. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., June 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Oxforđ, St. Clement's, Double: Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Bob and Plain Bob. Pauline A. Bull .. . Treble G. Leslie A. Lunn Delia E. Smith. . .. .. 2 Ron. Applewhite John F. Pearson .. .. 3 A. Robin Heppenstall . . Tehor Conducted by A. Robin Heppenstall.
For the centenary of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Hospital.

LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Double Bob. Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
"Kenneth G. Ather .. Treble Norman Errington .. +Doris M. Killingley .. 2 Kenneth W. Cheeseman... 5 Christopher T. Lamb . . 3 Kenneth Arthur .. . . Tenor Conducted by Kenneth Arthur.
*First peal. +75 th peal.
The treble ringer is, as far as is known, the first member belonging to Lanchester to ring a peal on these bells, which were installed in 1810. Specially arranged as a welcome to the new Vicar of Lanchester, the Rev. W. E. Wright.

OWSTON FERRY, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Selby and District Society.)
On Sat., June 25. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and two different extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Treble A. H. Hawcroft Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Ronald Ducker Barbara J. Fisher

Treble
2
A. H. Hawcroft David S. Johnson
Leslie M. Woodhead . . Tenor
Conducted by Leslie M. Woodhead.

STONESFIELD, OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James-the-Great
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE 'MINOIR
Being seven extents.
H. George Hart

Elsie K. Hart
Treble *Ernest J. Hill
*Peter Pearce
Tenor 8 cwt .

3 Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

* First peal of Surprise.


## MELBOURNE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., June 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At The Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb , in E.
Harry F. Churchman .. Treble George E. Thoday
Derek E. Latchford .. 2 Derek E. Sibson
T. Reginald Dennis. . . . 3 Dermot J. Roaf

Dermot J. Roaf
Rek Sibson.
Rung for the birth of a daughter to John and Joan Gipson, and for the birth of a son to Derek and Pamela Latchford.

## BELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. John F Underwood Tenor 11 ewt.
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { *John F. Underwood } & \text {. Treble } & \text { George E. Feirn } & . . & . . & 4 \\ \text { Frank Lord } & . . & . . & . . & 2 & \text { G. Leslie A. Lunn .. } & . . & 5\end{array}$ Jack Bray .. .. .. 3 Brian J. Woodruffe .. Tenor Conducted by George E. Feirn.

* First peal.

In memoriam Ven. E. Lisle Marsden, Archdeacon of Lindsey. ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Wed., June 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 15 cwt 1 qr .15 lb . in F . John Beech .. .. . . Treble
Arec Bracington ... Treble Joan M. Atherley
J. Graham Taylor $\cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ David J. Atherley $\quad$. . Tenor

First peal by all the band except the conductor.
Rung on the Feast of St. Peter.
STUDLEY. WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUULLD.
On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb . *R. Spray .. .. .. .. Treble D. Harrison
Fred C. Lyne .. .. .. 2 John W. Perkins $\quad .$.
William H. Male .. .. 3 Peter S. Benneti .. .. Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

LITTLE ASTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Thurs., July 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, viz.: One extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise, and two each of St. Clement's Bob and Plain Bob.
Penelope Sedgwick
Treble Diana J. Perrins
Andrew J. Strathdee $-e^{2} \quad$ *Clive M. Smith

| Andrew .. Strathdee . |
| :--- |
| Edward W. Colley... |
| W. |

4 Conducted by Michael W. Fairey

* First peal of Minor in five methods "inside.' First of Minor in five methods for all except the ringer of the fifth.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Fri., July 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR Being one 720 and two 2,160 's.
Anne J. Bullard .. .. Treble R. George Morris -.. .. 2 Derek Price

## Conducted by R. George Morris.

First peal of Kent Minor by all except the tenor ringer.

BODENHAM. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

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| Frederick R. Harris . . Treble | Reginald J. Herb |
| Laurence J. Mainwaring 2 | Leslie Evans |
| Rosemary D. Bray .. .. 3 Rowley Billings Conducted by Rosemary D. Bray. |  |
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| First peal as conductor. <br> Rung as a compliment on the conductor's 21st birthday. |  |
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| BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. |  |
| On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,At the Church of St. Mari. |  |
| A PEAL OF 5040 FRYERNING SURPRISE MINOR |  |
| Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 10 cwt .15 lb , in A . |  |
| Anne Edwards .. .. Treble | Harry Stebbings |
| Mary Roast .. .. .. 2 | Joe E. G. Roast |
| Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast. |  |
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FRYERNING SURPRISE MINOR
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## GREAT HALE, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At•the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
C.C.C. Nos. $28,29,34,48,50,51$ and 52.

Alan Bird
.. .. 4
Daphne Brown .. .. 2 Harold Barsley .. .. 5 Joseph W. Bailey .. $\quad . .33^{3}$ J. Martin Thorley .. ... Tenor

* First peal.

A compliment to Robin Brown-Bachelor of Arts of the University of Leeds.

BASSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sun., July 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Beverley, Surffeet, Cambridge, London, York, Wells and Durham.
Margaret A. Swann
Treble Albert W
Geoffpey R. Parker Louis Willders

Jack L. Millhous
Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## HANDBELL PEALS

LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Tues., July 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Cathedral of SS. Mary and Chad, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (four different callings). Tenor size 15 in $C$. Clive M. Smith ..... $1-2 \mid$ Barnabas G. Key * Penelope Sedgwick Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal 'in liand.

LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sun., July 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

## In the School <br> A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Gerald Penney ... .. 1 - 2 Walter Ayre ... Stanley Huckle .. . . 3-4 Derek E. Latchford 7-8
Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Walter Ayre.
Rung as a welcome to Mark Edward, son of Derek E. and Pamela A. Latchford.

## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

## half Peal

hinton blewitt, SOMERSET.-Un July 3rd. 2.520 Plain Bob Doubles ( 4 callings): Miss $J$. Purnell 1. Miss S. Hunt 2, R. J. Gay (cond.) 3. D. Uphill 4, D. J. Purnell 5. First of Plain Bob by all.

ABINGDON, BERKS.-At the Church of St . Nicholas, on July 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Jill J Smith (first quarter) 1. M. Angela Carter 2. 1.
Constant 3. J. W. Berry 4. Maric R. Cross 5, S. A Scote (first as cond.) 6. Rung in gratitude and thanksgiving for the life and work of the late Albert $E$ Lock. for many years captain of the Abingdon rinsers.
APPLETUN, BERKS.-(On July 10th, 1.259 Grandgire Caters: C. G. White 1. E. Drewitt 2. J. Drewitt 3. F. White 4, F. Messenger 5, B. R. White 6, H. C. White 7. F. C. White 8, F. A. White (cond.) Y. F. Absalom 10. Rung by the Sunday service band in grateful memory of Albert E. Lock.
ASHTON KEYNES. WILTS.-On July 4ih, 1,960 Plain Bob Joubles: B. Stone (first quarter) 1. R. Wakefield (first quarter 'inside') 2. P. J. Lewis 3, B. Wake field (cond.) 4, P. Wakefield 5. Rung by members of Cirencester Grammar School, and was the first feat of its kind performed by a hand of ringers from the school. It is also believed to be the longest lengit rung on the bells.
BALDOCK, HERTS.-On July 10th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: M. Hopkins 1, June Dear 2, D Sutcliffe 3, L. Scont 4. C. Harwood 5. R. Castledine (cond.) 6. E. Buck 7. J. Dear 8. Firse in the method by 2, 3 and 4. First in the method by an all-local band.
BARROW-IN-FURNESS, LANCS.-On July 10th. 1.264 Plain Bot Maior: V. Forshaw 1, W. Wall 2. D. Elliston 3. G. Richins 4, H. Barnes 5, J. Bagnall 6. A. H. Woods 7, N. M. Newby (cond.) 8. Rung for Sunday school anniversary
BARROWDEN, RUTLAND.-On May 7 th, at the Church of S8. Peter, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F Pridmore 1, T. Crowden (first quarter) 2, C. Dams 3. P. S. Healh 4. C. Pepper (first quamer) 5. Conducted by $C$. Green. Rung for the wedding of Princess Margaret.
BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On July 9th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mary Wells 1, H. W. Dunsden 2 1. P. Blond 3, E. J. Grace 4, H. L. Bishop 5 C. Corderoy 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) \%. P. Corderoy 8. Rung for the wedding of Miss Sarah B. H. Layman and Mr. Eric W. Carter.
BOLNEY, SUSSEX.-On July Sth, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. W. Brown 1, K. C. Knight 2, Susan I Beresford (first -inside') 3, H. W. Brown 4, P. F. Romney 5, E. F. Packham 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, G. A. Packham 8. Rung half-muffied in memoriam George Packham. for many years a ring at this church and at Si. Peter's, Twineham.
BREDWARDINE, HEREFORDS.- On July 2 nd 1.260 Doubles ( 360 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 360 Plain Bob. 540 Grandsire): H. R. Thomas (Girst quarter) 1. C. A. Lewis (first 'inside ') 2. R. C. Warburion 3. R. A. Hatcher 4. A. B. Elismore (cond.)
5. T. Pugh 6. Thanks to tenor man (aged 72) for sanding in at shom notice.

CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On July 3rd, 1.260 Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob, 660 Grandsire): A. Smith 1. Jillian Outhwaite 2. M. Lege 3, N. Martin 4, D. Manger (cond.) 5, C. Rowe 6. Rung for Patronal Festival. CHELTENHAM. GLOS.-On July 7th. 1.260 Doubles ( 540 Plain Bob. 720 Grandsire): R. Newman (firs quarer. aged 12) 1. W. Dyer 2, C. A. Wratten (eond.) 3. I. Goulter 4. G. P. Green 5. W. Newman 6.
CLAVERLEY, SALOP.-On July 3rd, 1.260 Grandcire Triples: Joan Bennett 1. J. Marsh 2. W. Francis 3. A. V. Pearson (cond.) 4. G. Coodson 5, E.
Drew 6. R. G. Edwards 7. F. Bennett 8. For Evensong.
DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.-On June 16 m . as the Church of the Holy Cross, 1.260 Little Bnb Major: Mary J. Marshall 1. Elizabeth Negus 2. F. Johnson 3. Gillian Tavener 4. Hilary Johnson 5. P. Chapman 6. H. Johnson 7, D. Marshall (aged 15. cond.) 8. Rung to welcome the assistame curate, Rev. A. A. Horsley, M.A. Also on June 28th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: G. Bonner 1. Elizabeth Negus 2, Hilary Johnson 3, Gillian Tavener 4.
R. Darby (first auarter of Maior) 5. D. Marshall 6 . R. Darby (first quarter of Major) 5. D. Marshall 6 Solemn Evensong on the Vigil of St. Peter.
DERBY. - At the Church of St. Peter, on July 1uth, . 260 Minor ( 720 Kent, 540 Plain Bob): G. Franks 1 . Mrs. J. Larkin 2. J. Bailey (cond.) 3, W. Sieen 4. M. Larkin 5, A. Mould 6. Firse in two methods fur 1, 2 and 5 .

## QUARTER PEALS

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYS.-On July 2nd. 1.280 Kent Treble Bub Major: Tessa P. Kemp (first of Treble Bob) 1, A. Kirk (first quarter) 2. B. J Woodruffe (cond.) 3. Eileen M. Fearn 4. Gladys Richardson 5. Carol Fernley 6. A. Richardson 7 F. Oshaldiston 8. Also on July 3rd, 1,344 Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Miner: Tessa P. Kemp 1, A Kirk 2. Gladys Richardson 3, S. Ellison 4. A Richardson 5. B. 1. Woodruffe (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob Minor for 1 and 2. For morning service.
GLASTON. RUTIAND. On May 6ith, at the Church of St Andrew, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: - G , Dexter 1, P. S. Heath 2, C. Dams 3. C. Green (cond.) 4. G. Busby 5. R. Todd 6. First quarter for 3. 5 and 6. Rung for the wedding of Princest Margaret.
HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX, On June 26th. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: V. Tipton 1. R Parish 2, J. Collins 3. S. Clarke 4. E. Curzon 5. W. Wheeler 6. J. Aley 7. L. Whitby (cond.) 8. Rung to mark the birth of a daughter to Mr . and Mrs. E. Curzon, both members of the band.
HARWELL, BERKS. On July 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: U. Jordan (cond.) 1. H. L. Bishop 2, Miss E. Jackson 3. D. Bosley 4. Dr. R. Bennett 5 . W. Gilks 6. W. Corderoy 7, J. Nanper 8. Rung halfmuffied before the evening service as a tribute to the memory of Mr. A. E. Lock. of Abingdon.
heytesbury, Wilts.-On July 10th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Perrett 1. L. Hawkins 2. N. Knee 3, A. Bull 4. E. Norris (first quarter as cond.) 5, P. Roynon 6. For Evensong.
IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On July 10 th, 1.440 Kcnt Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor: H. King 1, M. Rose 2, R. Rose 3, L. Sharpe 4. E. Bishop 5. K. G. Brown (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
KETTERING, NORTHANTS.-On July 3rd, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Kibble 1, R. F. Turner 2. Miss A. Hales 3. W. Lawrence 4. Miss S. R Collins (cond.) 5. A. H. Idic 6. On the front six. For Parronal Festival.

## KINGSTHORPF, NORTHANTS,-At the Church

 St. John the Baptist. on May 29th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Judy Frost 1, D. Trueman 2. D. Benfield 3, B. E. Frnsi 4, J. Payne 5, J. W. Felee (cond.) 6LONDON,-On July inth, at Southwark Cathedral. 1.341 Grandsire Cinques: R. Overington 1, W Williams 2. B. Hinde 3. D. Painter 4. J. Crampion 5, W. Cook 6. J. Phillips 7. D. Randall 8. J. Prior 4. B. Haker 10, J. Phillips (cond.) 11, E. Rowe 12. Also on July 10th, at St. Clement Danes: Strand. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: J. Tomsett 1. Misi S. Atkins 2. H. J. Eldred 3. J. Maybrey 4. A. M. Stacey 5. J. Perrell 6. A. Fulwell 7. W. G. (cond.) 8. R. Hartey tenor (covering).

MELKSHAM, WILTS.-On July $10 t h, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: H. F. Cockell 1, S. R. Cockell 2, MrsW. C. West 3, W. C. West 4. Dr. H. Heaton S. M. L. Noad 6. C. F. Andrews (cond.) 7. E. Hunt 8. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. West. on their 40 th wedding anniversary
NORTON. HERTS.-On July 8th. 1.680 Plain Boh Doubles: Miss Gillian Sims 1. R. Werrett 2, I. Werrett 3. H. Werrett (cond.) 4. W. Hitch 5. M. Collins 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. Werrett. on their 21 st wedding anniversary.

PRESTON, RUTLAND.-On July 3rd, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Tedd 1. Miss J. Hoy 2. P. S. Heath (cond.) 3. C. Hudson (first quarter) 4. B. Buswell 5. Rung for Evensong for the Feast of St. Pcter.
RAINHAM, KENT. On Junc 25ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. C. Guihrie (first quarter) 1. Mrs. F. J. Cheal 2. Miss D. R. Southam (first quarter - Inside ") 3. F. J. Cheal (cond.) 4. D. F. Breakepear (first quarter) 5. Miss C. A. Major (first quarter) 6. T. D. Wickins (first quarter) 7. T. J. Crane (first cuarter) 8. Rung with 6.2 and 8 cover bells. A
wedding compliment to Dcrek Baldock. member of wedding compliment to Dcrek Baldock. memt
the Rainham ringers. to Miss Valerie Cronin.
REIGATE, SURREY,-On July 9th, 1,261 Grandsire Triples: ' K. Game (firsi quarter on working bell) 1. Freda Hankey 2, Joan Hanning 3. E. G. L. Coward 4. W. H. Inwood 5, A. T. Sheltion 6. A. Streeter (cond.) 7. Pamela Haynes (first quarter) 8.
RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.-At the Church of St. Mary, on April 25th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Wilkie ( 12 years, first quarter rung at first attempt. without bad blow being struck) 1. Mrs. W. M. Hatchett 2. D. M. Hibbert 3. M. Harchett 4. H. A. Bradbury 5, F. H. Walters 6. Rung for the Feast of St. Mark.

ROTHERHAM.-On July 5sh, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. N. Chaddock 1. Miss C. Rodgers 2, R. Woodward 3, Miss S. Chaddock 4, I. Tilling 5 Fraser 6. P. Coote 7. J. N. D. Chaddock 8. N. Chaddock (cond.) 9, P. Walker 10. Rung as a welcome hame to Miss Patricia Walker, one of the local band, who has theen in France for three months.
SHEBBEAR. DEVON.-At St. Michaels, on June 24th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. M. Skinner 1 . P. C. Plant 2. S. L. Queen 3, 1. R. Slee 4. P. R. Turner (cond.) 5, 1. Collins 6. Rung as a farcwell compliment to Mr. Jackson Page on his retirement. after 411 years at Shebbear as boy and Master.
SLOUGH. BUCKS.-On July 10ih. 1,260 Plain Boh Triples: D. Hilling (first quarter) 1. Mrs, D. Livingston 2. Pamela M. Jervis 3. Linda 1. Kew (first in method) d. W. Birmingham 5. E. L. A. Hudson (first in method inside ') 6. D. K. Walters (cond.. first in method) 7. D. Livingston 8. Rung in thanksgiving for the life and years of service to the Oxford Diocesan C.uild, as branch secretary and C.C. representative, of Alhert E. Lock (Abingdon), died July 6th, 1960. R I P
STAINES, MIDDX. - Ai St. Peter's, on July 3rd. 1.280 Plain Bob Maior: M Lane 1. J. Tomkinson 2. E. Skinsey 3. D. Picken (first of Major) 4. D. Hawkins 5. R. Sheoherd 6, D. Morgan (first of Major) 7. C. Fynes (cond.) 8. Rung for Patronal Festival.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On May 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. J. Stanley 1. Dr. C. G. Roworth 2. Miss M. Wright 3. S. J. Withey 4. T. F. Stone 5. A. T. Collins 6. C. G. Jones (cond.) 7. Miss C. Lansley 8. Runs to welcome Richard John, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Griftin, ringers at this tower. born April 27th. 1960.
SWINDON, WILTS.-AI Christ Church, on July 10th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: W. W. T. Daniell 1. Mrs. E. Sutton 2, Dr. H. Craig 3. Miss M. Wright 4. G. Wells 5, R. G. Townsend 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7. E. Vincent 8. Rung for the silver wedding anniversary and birthday of Mr. W. W. T. Daniell.

UXBRIDGE, MIDDX.-On Junc 121h, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Sheehan 1, Mrs. E. R. Gotham 2, D. G. Rowlands 3, H. W. Impey 4, E. R. Gotham 5, F. Bedford 6. Conducting shared between 4 and For Evensong.
WALKERVILLE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-On June 23rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Facy (first of Minor) 1. R. A. Eagleton 2, Enid Roberts (cond.) 3, B. R. Cox 4, W. B. Pitcher 5, A, R. Lamphee 6. Rung as a farewell gesture to the ringer of the 2nd, who leaves for America shortly.

WANTAGE, BERKS.-On July 9th, 1.260 Grandsire Tripies: 1. Stoter 1, J. White 2, H. V. Booker 3. C. Lay 4. C. Lester 5, A. E. Fullbrook 6, H. White (cond.) 7. K. Leach 8. Rung half-muffied in tribute to the memory of Albert E. Lock, of Abingdon.
W. HARTLFPUUL, CO. DURHAM.-AI All Saines Church. un July 3rd. 1.260 Stedman Triplec: Margaret Machin 1. Ianet Payne 2. Mrs. W. Maughan 3, J. Pladdys 4. R. Webster 5. J. Maushan 6. W Maughan (cond.) 7. G. Owen 8. Rung as a farewell to Ruth Anderion, who has left the district to live in Petcrborough.
Wiliton. TAUNTON.-On July 6ih, 1,261 Stedman Triples: A. H. Reed 1. D. F. Sheldon 2. W. T. 6. R. W. Hayward (cond.) 7. R. T. Wine 8. First of Stedman for 5 and 8 .
WRAXALL. SOMERSET.-On July 30 hh . 1.280 Lineolnchire Surprise Major: Elizabeth Bowden 1. Monica Horseman 2. D. 1. Hunt 3. B. A. Shaekleton 4. R. G. Hooper 5, J. H Gibert (cond.) 6. R J Buwden 7. J. Brain 8. First in the methed for 4. 5. 6 and 7. and first "inside for 8 .

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On June 8th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: P. J Brown 1. M. J. Fellows 2, Heather M. Pullon 3.
M. D. Fellows 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, 1. H. G. Gittins 6. First in the method by all.

WOOD GREEN, N.-On June 26th. 1.300 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Moore (first quarter) 1. Miss M. West (first -inside') 2. W. Vinse 3. Miss J Spreadbury 4. A. Spreadbury (cond.) 5. Miss W Whitaker 6. Rung for Matins, which was attended by the Mayor of Woad Green; as a compliment to the ringer of 3 on this wedding anniversary: as a compliment to the conductor on abtaining his B.Sc degree; and as a welcome to Rev. R. D. Gould curate. Also on July 10th. 1.260 Plain Bob Mincr: Miss M. Moore (first of Minor) 1, Miss M. Wesi (first of Minor) 2. Miss W. Whiteker (first of Minor - inside') 3. W. Vince 4. Miss J. Spreadbury 5 ,

Spreadbury (firs of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensons and as bitthday compliment to the ringers of 2,4 and $s$.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL

IN the large company that attended the annual festival of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. held at Christ Church Cathedral. on July 2nd. were nine boys from Groton School. Mass. U.S.A.. accompanied by a master, Mr. Russell Young, who visited Oxford last year. The Guild was honoured by the presence of the Bishop (the Rt. Rev. H. Carpenter) who is president of the Guild and who gave the address. In accordance with custom, the Master (the Rev. C. E. Wigg) conducted the service and a choir of ringers led the singing. The lesson was read by Mr. F. Sharpe (Deputy Master) and Mr. H. Badger. of Headington, deputised for Dr Watson, as organist.

The Bishop, in his address, said at the present time there were so many other attractions ringers had to be keen. persevering with a gift of loyalty, involving a sacrifice of time from other pursuits to maintain their ringing. The Bishop hoped that young ringers would he steadily forthcoming, for recruits had to he trained. It was the responsibility of the older ringers to pass on the lesson of regular service and the spirit of enjoyment of ringing to recruits.

Three points were made by the Bishop in his address: that what was done for God should be the best and cost something to the giver: that the prime function of the Church was the worship of God; that more people would attend if they presented the Church as a body of people who worshipped rather than as a social club.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING

The Master was supported by the officers at the business meeting held in the Chapter House. He reported the deaths of two vice-presidentsMr . T. Trollope, of Oxford. and Miss S. Davis. of Bucklebury and expressed his regret at the serious illness of Mr. A. E. Lock. (Mr. Lock has since died.)

Miss M. R. Cross, the honorary general secretary, in her report mentioned the wonderful success that had attended the Instruction Course. at Big Wood. Radley. After the report had been accepted. the Master presented Miss Cross with a copy of the life of the late Bishop of Oxford as a token of appreciation of her work done in connection with the course.

The annual report had been printed and the Master congratulated Mr. P. Walker, the editor. on a piece of work which was of a high standard.
The officers reports were accepted as printed in the report and all the officers were re-elected With regard to the subscription for 1961 the honorary treasurer. Mr. A. D. Barker, proposed that this should be discussed at the atuiumn meeting. as by then the finances of the Guild could be more clearly seen. This was agreed to.

## RESTORATION GRANTS

Restoration grants of $£ 20$ each were made to South Newington. Arborfield and Shipton-under-Wychwood. Grants to West Hanney and Eynsham would be considered at the October meeting. The honorary treasurer explained that a certain amount of money came from grants made by Parochial Church Councils of 2 s . a bell in their towers. some from collections and grants from meetings. and the remainder from the investment of a hequest. The annual income was roughly $£ 100$ and this was normally voted out in grants.
It was decided to hold the autumn meeting at Newhury. A committee of branch secretaries, with the general secretary as convener. was appointed to consider the question of celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Guild. Another matter to be discussed is whether the festival should be held in the afternoon instead of the morning.

## THE LUNCHEON

Guests of honour at the luncheon. held in the Dining Hall of Christ Church. were the Lord Bishop of the Diocese and the Dean of Christ Church. The toast of 'Church and State was proposed by the Deputy Master who said ringers as members of Church and State were always ready to ring on all State
occasions. Many of them were loyal members of the Church and in many parishes they formed the nucleus of many Church activities. In a welcome to the Dean. Mr. Sharpe mentioned that this was the first time he had net the Guild and thanked him for allowing the Guild to have its own choir. Thanking Dr. Carpenter for his address at the service, Mr . Sharpe said they hoped to print it in the 1960 report. Before the formation of the Guild ringing was done in about 4 per cent of the parish churches. 80 years later it was 60 per cent and they hoped that in the years to come the Guild would raise it to an even higher percentage.

The Bishop in his reply said he realised that the qualities which were needed to make a good ringer. which he mentioned in his address. were also needed by the State.

## OVERSEAS •BRANCH

Mr . C. H. Kinch in proposing • The Visitors. especially mentioned Mr. W. G. Wilson. who was now known to many of them as one of the lecturers at Big Wood: Mr. G. Lewis (Powick). Mr. Sanger. Mr. L. Cockey and Captain Poyntz, a former Deputy Master. Mr. Russell Young. of Groton School, said Mr. Kinch. was now paying his second visit to the festival and he expressed the wish that it would become a 'hardy annual.' He also welcomed the ringers of Groton School and expressed the hope that perhaps one day some of the Oxford Guild might be able to pay a visit to its 'overseas branch.'

Mr. W. G. Wilson in reply said he had always considered the Oxford Guild as the leading territorial Association in the country. In size it was the largest having, he thought. 365 towers and he was waiting for the day when some young and enthusiastic member of the Guild should set out on the task of ringing in a different tower in the Diocese on each day in the year.
Their Master, continued Mr. Wilson. was one of the incumbents of the Diocese. thus emphasising the close link between ringers and the Church; the Deputy Master in his official capacity as president of the Central Council was the leading ringer in the country; the honorary general secretary had been the convener of the committee which produced that best seller. The Ringer's Handbook' and other officers of the Guild were equally well known. The Guild was the first to run an instruction course without the assistance of an education authority and it led him to do a thing he had never done before-not even in the Army-get up at 5 o'clock on two
mornings running. He suggested that the next course should be run so as to avoid May Morning in Oxford.

## PREMIER GUILD

The Master replied and said the flourishing condition of the Guild was due to the hard work of the other officers. the branch officers and the members. The Guild would do its best to merit the title of the premier Guild.

The vote of thanks to all those who had contributed to the success of the festival was proposed by Mr. H. L. Roper (honorary librarian). who had a special word for the honorary general secretary and also Miss Daphne Pollard, who undertook a great deal of the typewriting and duplicating.
Ringing was available after lunch in no fewer than 19 towers.

## LUTON RINGERS' OUTING

St. Mary's, Luton. ringers had a most enjoyable outing to the Worcestershire area, on July 2nd. A noteworthy feature was that we were a few minutes in advance of schedule throughout the day-not just accidental, but good planning! This happy state of affairs depended on the co-operation of all-thank you, everyone, especially Mr. Secretary.
Our first tower was Moreton-in-the-Marsh, where the light eight were very easily handled. Then on via Broadway (beautiful, as ever!) and Evesham to Worcester, where we found the ten at All Saints none too easy on the muscles. but this was counterbalanced by a most excellent lunch.
At Alcester, our early arrival was the indirect cause of a little embarrassment to one of our young lady ringers. who. wandering off alone to make a quick survey of the town. rather lost her bearings and calied in a sweet shop, ostensibly for a bar of chocolate but really to inquire the way to the church. Oh. you'll find it easily enough. miss." replied the shopkeeper. "there's a crowd of bellringers arriving presently, and they'll be raising ELLSDEELYTE (presumably a local word meaning a pleasant noise) for about an hour!"
But what a joy to ring are those lovely bells! We shall remember Alcester with great pleasure, and hope we have not left too bad an impression behind. The pleasant 10 at Banbury made a grand ending to a good day's ringing.

Our sincere thanks are tendered to the incumbents and the local ringers, who made us so welcome.
A.E.R.


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On June 4th. at Cranford. 12-year-old Kenneth Young did very well in ringing -inside to a peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor. The band was planned to consist of all Stanwell Sunday service ringers; as one ringer was not available. Dr. Neal Smith kindly helped out at very short notice by ringing the tenor. Incidentally, the conductor, Mr. Christopher B. Fynes, believes he is the first to ring two tower bells to a peal of Minor in this method.
In reply to a disputation, Cunecastre, also known as Cuneangium, now Chester-le-Street. in Co. Durham, was the seat of a Bishop from 883 and continued to be head of the Diocese until 995.

To people ringing peals for the Devonshire Guild, we are asked to state that the Guild holds them responsible for sending the report of the peal to. The Ringing World ${ }^{\text {P }}$ for publication. The Guild deals with the question of levies.

Members of Hereford Cathedral School Society rang the back eight at the Cathedral for their school Commemoration Day service, July 9 th. The Society is fairly strong. though by the nature of things constantly changing in personnel, but they are a great help in maintaining the service ringing at the Cathedral during term.

The Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella. of Crantock. announced at the Truro Diocesan Guild festival. at Werrington. on July 9th, that he was retiring from the post of Guild secretary next February, an office he has held for 30 years. Mr. Trewhella has the distinction, we believe, of being the senior Guild secretary from the point of view of service among the bodies affiliated to the Central Council.

After an absence of 15 months, through illness. Mr. Roger Fry has returned to the peal lists, by turning in the tenor at St . Saviour's, Bath, $t 0$ a peal of Plain Bob. This was the first peal on the bells for 28 years. The bells are not by any means easy to ring but Roger made a first class job, thus proving to himself as well as the rest of the band that he is fit again.

## GOSSIP

 The detached tower at thunderstorm in mid-June. Lightning smashed the 27 ft . flagstaft, bringing down the weather vane and then pierced and buckled the lead roof. A big hole was made in the brickwork of the bell chamber, and rubble fell among the ten bells, which will not be rung again until the tower has been thoroughly examined.Overheard in a remote West County 5 -bell tower: 'We're going to have the bells done up, and another bell put in: a six do make a much better octave.' (!!)
At the Oxford Guild festival the youngest ringer present was 10 and the oldest. Mr. W. H. B. Wilkins. of St. Ebbe's. Oxford, is now in his 89 th year. Mr. Wilkins was one of the band who, 50 years ago. set up the Double Norwich record for the Kent County Association.

With the recent peal at Sellindge, Kent, a peal of seven Surprise Minor methods has been rung in all six districts of the K.C.A. This tcwer was the 125th for a peal in the county for Mr. Pat Cannon, and the 134th for Mr. Ralph Bird. The peal was also the 600 th for Mr. Bird. 10 whom we offer best wishes for the next few hundred peals.
Councillor M. E. Dockerill. who has been elected Lord Mayor of Dublin. is the first Protestant to hold the office for over 60 years. Those who attended the Central Council meeting at Dublin will remember that it was Mr. Dockerill, as Deputy Mayor, who gave the civic welcome to the Council. We wish him a happy year of office.
We regret to announce the resignation. through ill-health, of Mr. C. H. Hawkins, as through ill-health, of Mr. C. H. Hawkins, as Guild. One of the founder members of the Guild, he has been in office as secretary throughout the Guild's life. and is the Guild's first life vice-president. His services to ringing in South Wales have been exceptional. Although he now cannot take an active part in ringing his interest is unabated. The new honorary secretary is Mr. E. H. Thomas, of 1, Amanwy. Llwynhendy, Llanelly.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

OME 80 members and visitors attended the annual meeting of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, held at Whit church, on July 2nd. Ringing commenced at 8.30 a.m. at East Woodhay, some of the long distance visitors having camped out in the locality during the previous night in order to get a good bag of the 19 towers made available during the day.
The general meeting was held at 2.30 D.m in the Church Hall. Whitchurch, the Master Mr. F. W. Rogers, taking the chair, supported by the general secretary (Mr. R. R. Savory) and the general treasurer (Mrs. T. Chapman) Following the Master's welcome, the meet ing stood in silent iribute to two members lost by death: Messrs. G. Bunday and W. C. Lampard.

The minutes of the last general meeting were confirmed, and this was followed by the presentation and acceptance of the accounts and balance sheets.
The general secretary announced that during the last year two of the Guild's Central Council representatives had resigned their offices, and the Executive Committee had filled the vacancies with the election of Messrs. A. V. Davis and J. Hartless

In the absence of the honorary peal recorder (Mr. D. T. Matkin) his report was read by the general secretary. During the year 10 members had rung their first peal. Although the peal total for the year was rather small. viz. 37 tower-bell and two handbell peals, there had been quite a variety of methods. Conducting had been shared between 17 conductors, and three 'firsts for the Guild, viz. Winchester Boh Major, Oxford Treble Bob Royal and Spliced Plain and Kent Royal, had been scored, all conducted by the general secretary
Mr. A. V. Davis gave a very thorough and lucid report of the Central Council meeting. The only comment arising from this report was from Mr. C. H. Kippin, who expressed the opinion that the Central Council must be daft to recognise a 4 -bell peal and not a 9 -bell pcal "! (Laughter.)

The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead presented the librarian's report, commenting that the library was not used as much as it could be. Members now had an up-to-date list of books contained in the library printed in the back of their triennial reports, and he hoped that more members would use the library in future.

## PEAL BOOKING FEES

A proposal was forwarded by Mr. G. K. Dodd for alteration of the Guild's rule regarding peal booking fees. Mr. Dodd expressed the opinion that this vexed question of nonresident members paying peal booking fees which in fact went towards the printing of peals in the Guild's triennial report, could be relieved by making the fee optional. If ringers from outside the Guild did not want their peal printed in the Guild's report, Mr. Dodd felt that they should be allowed to forgo the payment of their sixpence per rope.

Considerable discussion followed. Mr. A. V. Davis and Mr. C. H. Kippin speaking against the alteration of the Guild rules. Mr. Kippin stated that last year members had not been in favour of an annual subscription increase, and the 6 d . peal fee was part of the solution to the ever growing problem of printing a Guild report. Members had decided then what they wanted in the way of a report. A good triennial report had just been produced. into which a lot of hard work had gone, and Mr. Kippin urged members to keep the report in its current form.

Mr. Dodd then stated that his main objection to the ruling had been the inability of non-resident members to even purchase a report which they may have helped to subsidise by way of peal fees. The Guild Executive Commillee had, however assured Mr. Dodd that surplus copies of the report were available to people outside the Guild at cost price. In view of this decision Mr. Dodd withdrew his motion.
The general secretary announced a request he had received from the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee for peals to be rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the death of

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 30


## MR. FREDERICK E. COLLINS,

## Surrey Association

In Mr. F. E. Collins (usually known as Ted ') the Exercise possesses one of its best back room boys.' His experience in the bell industry has particularly fitted him to be a member of the Central Council's Towers and Belfries Committee. In this capacity he has made many inspections, given advice on bell restoration, and is prepared to deal with any case or problem within 100 miles radius of London. In certain circumstances he is prepared to travel even further. He has the right idea of ringing, which is that a Servant of the Exercise' is one who, apart from the pleasure and enjoyment that ringing gives, has put far more into the Exercise than he has taken out.

Florence Nightingale. She was a Hampshire woman and is buried at Wellow, near Romsey. A memorial service is to be held at St. Mary's Church. Southampton, on August 14th, in connection with the dedication of a Memoria Chapel at Southampton General Hospital. Any peals rung to mark the occasion, the general secretary stated, should be forwarded to him so that they could be contained as one item in The Ringing World

The place and date of the 1961 annual general meeting was then discussed and upon the proposition of Mr. L. Bailey, it was agreed to go to Newport and Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight. on July 1st, 1961

Two new life members were elected at the meeting: Mr. E. V. Lowten, of Alton, and Mr. E. Lampard, of Winchester

Before closing the meeting the Master thanked all those who had helped to make this such a successful meeting, particularly Mr. G. K. Dodd and Mr. A. W. Alliston Mrs. Kippin then proposed a vote of thanks to all the Officers of the Guild for their work during the past year.

The meeting was followed by the annual service. held in All Hallows' Church. conducted by a Guild member, Rev. P. .K. venner. of Abbot's Ann

Following an excellent tea prepared hy wives of members of the Whitchurch band, ringing was resumed it Whitchurch, Overton. Laver stoke. Deane and Kingsclere until 8.45 p.m.. by whict, time even our visitor, A.P.C., had decided that it was time to turn his attention to Kingsclere's 'White Hart' and a session with the handbells to end a very successful day. R.R.S.

Born at Ringwood, Hants, in 1901, he learned to ring there when he was 15 years old and was also educated in the same place. After ringing call changes for two years, he together with other youngsters in the tower decided to learn to ring Grandsire. They travelled around, and eventually came under the influence of that splendid old stalwart Fred Townsend, of Poole, who taught them how to ring Stedman, and later, that other fine ringer George Williams-who in 1922 called Ted's first peal at Dibden. Hants. Ted struck up a friendship with William Cheater, and together they cycled hundreds of miles in pursuit of ringing
He is an engineer by profession, having served an apprenticeship in general engineering. In 1926 he went to the Croydon Bell Foundry as a bell hanger, and during 11 years there carried out many restorations in all parts of the country, which included Birming ham Cathedral and his own tower at Croydon -both rings of twelve. In 1936 he was appointed to the important position of foreman mechanical engineer of the South Eastern Gas Board. Croydon.
He has been a very active officer of the Surrey Assoc., serving for 10 years as Ringing Master Northern District; Master in 1957-8-9, and again elected in 1960 as Northern Distrie Ringing Master. He has been C.C. representative for the Surrey Association since 1945, and in 1952 was elected to the Towers and Belfries Committee. In addition to teaching youngsters at his own tower, he devotes a considerable amount of time to giving lectures about bells and bellringers to various organisations such as youth clubs, etc., in the Surrey area.
By May, 1960, he had rung 412 peals, and conducted 80 of them. in a wide variety of methods from Grandsire Doubles to Surprise Maximus. He is just as happy calling a peal of Grandsire for youngsters as he is in calling Surprise Maximus with experts. Notable amongst his achievements are peals in connection with College Youths, of which Society he was Master in 1953. They include a peal of Cambridge Maximus at Exeter, Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's, and a past Masters' peal of Stedman Cinques at Croydon. He was also one of the College Youths chosen to take part in the opening of the bells at Liverpool Cathedral in 1951. His wife, Olive is also a ringer, and they are well known all over the country.
Truly an enthusiast. he is the right man in the right place, and no doubt, in view of recent legislation, he will be applying his knowledge and experience to giving expert advice on the important matter of reducing noise in the vicinity of churches where bells could cause annoyance.

JAFUS.

## The Central Council

Mr. E. A. Barnett regrets that, owing to other commitments, he will be unable to deal with any but the most urgent matters concerning the Council until, probably, mid-September. Orders for records will receive attention, but he asks other correspondents to accept his apologies for any delays which may be caused.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Devizes Branch

The Devizes Branch at their meeting at Urchfont, on July 2nd, with Mr. A. Weeks in the chair. decided to send a letter of congratulation to Mr. and Mrs. F. Stephens upon celebrating their golden wedding. Mr. Stephens, who is 77. still rings every Sunday at St. James'. Devizes. . Meetings were arranged for West Lavington, Rowde, and Westbury.
The Vicar (the Rev. R. Owen) was thanked for conducting the service and also the ladies for providing tea. In reply the Vicar hoped the branch would not be too long in paying them another visit.


The 13 th century Church of St. Peter, Stourton, Wilts, overlooks the beautiful pleasure grounds owned by the National Trust. The tower is unsafe and is to be restored. The six bells have been removed to Messrs. John Taylor's and will eventually be rehung with new headstocks and on ball bearings.

- Stourton is visited by many thousands of people annually and we hope when our bells are again ringable many ringers will visit us, writes Mr. F. Fowler, jun., towerkeeper.


## LEARNING WITH THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

## Terms not found in the 'Beginner's Handbook

SALLY.-The motheaten woolly bulge that moults when you touch it.
TAIL-END.-The greasy end of the rope that slithers out of your hand at backstroke.

BELL.-Moving mass of metal with a will of its own.

STAY.-Deceptively bulky baulk of timber (remarkably fragile).

RINGING CHAMBER.-Room in tower. reached by narrow spiral staircase, usually without handrail.

BELL CHAMBER.-Source of cacophony. accessible only by vertiginous climb up ladder (how on earth did they get the bells there in the first place? ).
ROUNDS.-A series of changes not corresponding to any official method.

## BEGINNER'S PROGRESS

"Now try ringing both strokes': Let the rope go slack and lasso the light bulb.

You can't PUSH the bell up with the rope ': Lasso yourself.
'PLEASE don't let the rope go slack': Lasso the instructor.

Orip the sally with all your fingers and it won't slide': Miss the sally.

- Don't look up': Examine rotten floorboard; miss the sally.
'Don't look down': Examine plaques on wall: miss the sally.
'Don't bump it at handstrake ' : Bump it even harder at backstroke.

Now set it': Ring your bell down.
'She's not making any mistakes!': Lose all control of your bell.

- That's rounds': That was.
- Stand ': Spend half an hour trying to set it. You can try rounds on unmuffled bells tonight ': You will make an absolute fool of yourself and the entire Guild, nay the entire town. will know.
-She's not bumping any more ': Break the stay.
Remarks in inverted commas were made by the instructor and the sequel in each case is what happened. 'In spite of this.' writes G. H. Champness and R. L. Taylor, of Cambridge University Guild. 'however, we are continuing to ring undeterred, and hope that this account of our misfortunes may cheer other beginners -and those whose days as heginners are long past.


## Send Your Cards, Please

Dear Sir.-My husband (Rev. I. J. Richards) and I have been readers of . The Ringing W'orld for well over 30 years. Much to our regret the Llanarth Church bells need a large sum of money to put them in ringing order. I am anxious to start a fund for this purpose and thus interest some of the young people in this small country parish. I am asking for used or unused picture postcards (not birthday or Christmas cards). which 1 can sell towards the fund. Will readers please help.Yours very sincerely.
(Mrs.) I RICHARDS.
Llanarth Vicarage.
Llanarth. near Raglan, Mon.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD'S COURSE

In a report to the Oxford Diocesan Guild on the residential course held at Big Wood. Radley. from April 29 h to May 1st. Miss M. R. Cross stated that it was attended by 53 full time members.
Lectures were: History of Bells and Bell Maintenance. the Deputy Master: Composition and Conducting. Mr. W. G. Wilson: Method Learning and Handbell Ringing. Mr. W. F. Moreton : Bell Handling. Mr. A. YorkBramble, in place of Mr. A. D. Barker, who was indisposed : Rope Splicing. Mr. J. Moore.
Practical demonstrations were held at Iffley, St. Thomas". Oxford. Radley and Sunningwell. Group discussions were held on questions set by the lecturers and also on tower management and problems which could arise in connection with ringers and the clergy. The practical demonstration in rope splicing was well attended.
The age range was typical of the Guild as a whole, ranging from 14 to 70 . Just half the members were under 21 . There was a noticeable lack of people between 25 and 40-the period when marriage and work make their biggest demand. Financially, the course paid for itself and there was a balance of $£ 310 \mathrm{~s}$.
On the Sunday more than half the members rose at 4.30 to attend May morning in Oxford -an experience not to be forgotten. This was followed by corporate Communion at Radley Church, when everyone who could attended.
J.W., who iravelled 250 miles to attend the course, wrote: 'All through dinner. big names like Sharpe. Wilson. and many others. were frequently mentioned. To a relatively new bellringer. these names conjured up pictures of demi-gods, but they turned out to be very human really, and after listening enthralled to all their lectures, it turned out that they were only ordinary people like the rest of us.
O. D. G.--the letters that now mean something quite definite to me: wonderful hospitality and organisation. and a very successful first bellringing course. Let's hope it's not the last.
Mr. York-Bramble. in his stimulating lecture on Bell handling and instruction of beginners." stressed the need for a system of training beginners which ensured that they were encouraged to make steady progress. His scheme was that after giving the would-be ringers an introductory lesson the instructor should point out that a fair amount of time and trouble would be needed to reach any degree of proficiency, but that the ultimate reward and pleasure would make it very worthwhile. A novel idea was that a hanging bellrope. such as that of a lowered bell. should be used for practising the grips and transfer of the hands on the rope until they were automatic. During this rope-handling drill. the pupil must be in the correct position standing on a line drawn from the middle of the 'circle" through the rope and looking ahead through the sally towards the centre of the circle.
The second stage of learning to cing was the handling of a bell. and for this Mr. YorkBramble divided both hand and back-stroke into 'fall' and 'rise sub-strokes. In all sub-strokes it was important to move the bands in a vertical straight line following the natural line of the hanging rope, and for back stroke it was essential to adjust the length of the rope's end and to give not more than two inches below the pupils hands when these were in the raised position. The four substrokes should be taught in the order back pull. hand pull. back rise and hand rise. and should finally be combined in the complete cycle.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## KIDDERMINSTER AND SYNTHETIC

## BELLS

Dear Sir.-The possibility of synthetic bells being installed in a Kidderminster church. to which you refer in your issue of July 1st, was brought 10 my notice by an office colleague who saw the report in a local paper. I wrote to the secretary of the Diocesan Advisory Committee to express the hope that the committee would advise the Chanceltor not 10 grant a faculty for their installation, and was encouraged to receive his reply to the eflect that the D.A.C. disliked synthetic bells just as much as ringers do. If a faculty is granted therefore. it will evidently be against the advice of the D.A.C.-Yours faithfully.
E. A. BARNETT.

Honorary Secretary.
Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.
Crayford, Kent.
SPLIT MIND FOR HANDBELL RINGING
Dear Sir--Firstly. let me congratulate my good friend Mr. Lock for his excellent articles in . The Ringing World under the tule of "Alphabet for Beginners. They have without doubt proved to be of great interest and value not only to those directly concerned but also to the 'so called experts.'
I did notice. however. under the letter ' $H$," teferring to handbell ringing. that according to the expert it was not possible to ring with a split mind. This caused quite a discussion in the Leicester camp and we realised without any doubt that this is the way we endeavour to ring our peals. In other words we ring two distinct blue lines and to use a phrase, at one time commonly used in the Leicester Guild, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.

It would be very interesting to know if any wther handbell bands ring as we do or whether we are left ' high and dry and in the future not to think of ourselves as experts as we do not conform to the above school of thought.-Yours faithfully.

PETER J. STANIFORTH
Leicester.

## HYPOCRISY

Dear Sir.-The word 'hypocrisy. with which Mr . Ivin makes so free. means the deliberate concealment of inward sin behind a front of outward morality. Our Lord was probably the only man who was ever in a position to apply it to any individual and in fact He never did-only to types-but the things He said about it make it an accusation of appalling gravity, as well as one which can never be substantiated in this life.
This correspondence about the Kirby-leSoken record should never have begun: now it has degenerated to a point where the participants are accusing one another of deadly $\sin$. I suggest that it is time for you, Mr. Editor, to call it 10 a halt-Yours.

JOHN G. M. SCOTT.

## Clawton. Devon.

## MR. A. W. COCKS

Dear Sir.-Regarding my letter, as published in The Ringing World of July 1 st , may I point out that in print the date ' $1928^{\prime}$ at the end was omitted and also that I was, of course, referring to the issue of June 17th.

However, on reading the report of the Biographies Committee in the issue of June 24 th, it turns out that no case of mistaken identity whatsoever has occurred, but that little was known of Mr. Cocks until recently.
With adologies to those concerned.-Yours faithfully,
D. G. WHEELER

Aylesbury, Bucks

## AN INSTRUCTIONAL COLOUR FILM

Dear Sir.-Ringers at St. Mary's Church. Rickmansworth. have, during the last few months, been making a teaching film on bellringing, Details are as follows:-
An 8 mm . colour film, running for about 8-9 minutes, showing briefly the fundamental points of ringing under the following headings:
(1) Handling a Bell :
(2) Ringing up:
(3) Ringing down
(4) Teaching Methods.

The film is being made available to the Exercise at a nominal fee of 5 s . per week plus postage. Within a radius of 20 miles of Rickmansworth it may be possible to arrange for an instructor to attend and give practical demonstrations of the points shown. Otherwise notes will be provided for use when showing.
If sufficient interest is shown. the time change will be used 10 make a copy of the film. which will be presented to the Central Council.
The central characters in the film are two 12 -year-old boys who have been taught in this church during the last 12 months. One has just rung his first quarter peal.-Yours faithrully.
Rickmansworth.

MICHAEL HATCHETT

## HOLT'S ORIGINAL

Dear Sir.-In connection with your entry in the Belfry Gossip of June 3rd concerning my activities. I had not proposed 10 write and correct a slight error in your wording: but as Mr. Shepherd's letter. published recently. accords me praise which I'm not entitled to, I thought it best to write. I would like to thank Mr. Shepherd for his kind remarks and if I may pass on 10 other aspirants to calling the composition that there is an easy way of learning the composition which has been shown to me by Mr. Frank Darby, of Beddington.
First of all. write out the peal dividing the single bobs and double bobs as follows:-

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\begin{aligned}
& 5 \longdiv { \text { Single } } \quad \frac { \text { Doubles } } { 3 5 4 5 4 4 4 } \quad \text { 3D 7D 4D } \\
& \text { and so on 5D 7D 7D }
\end{aligned}
$$

Divide the result into 4 or 5 parts as you will and then learn the blocks line by line, each line being self contained and unique.
There are three quarter peals in the composition which can be extracted, learnt and called, before the peal is attempted. Thus having called these three quarters (two of them overlap each other) the conductor has only to learn about one-third of the peal which he will not be able to call prior to the peal attempt. These quarters are:-

5.3. 5D 5D to the end.

The first two quarters are exactly 1.260 changes and the third is 1.526 changes. Incidentally, a quarter peal of 1.316 changes similar to the third one given above. passed to me by a leading Kent ringer which Im told is rung frequently in that county, is false. This quarter starts: Single at one, bob at one...single at three and bob at two. thence the Original from

5D 5D
344 D to the end.
If the would-be conductor is like me. cannot transpose easily in his head or read lead ends (heads'?) easily, he need have no fear about calling this composition as he will only require to know one lead end and that is 234567 . So long as he has learnt the composition and observes rule No. 1 (which says that the 2 nd and 6th are never called before except in the last four calls). all additional effort is unnecessary, Any shift course will become apparent within a couple of hundred changes as the next bell which you wish to call before is safely out of reach in the hunt or the second bob of a double brings the 2 nd or 6th before.
I hope these few comments will help and encourage other would-be conductors of this composition as they did for me and I wish them the same success as I had. - Yours truly,

ROY D. TOMLIN
Hockley. Essex
P.S.-Mr. Darby has told me often that there is a shorter quarter than the 1.526 from the last part of the peal which does run true in about 1.316 changes and if anyone can supply this composition we would both be very grateful-R.D.T.

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## SWANSEA \& BRECON GUILD ANNUAL FESTIVAL

It was the first annual festival since the reconsecration of the church in May, 1959, to be held at St. Mary's Church. Swansea, on June 25 th. and with tine weather, it proved a great success. The ringing throughout the day, under the guidance of the Master, was above normal. Amongst the visitors who were welcomed were one from Somerset and one from Gloucester, who were on their first visit to St. Mary's.

To make the service more homely and the atmosphere warm and friendly Canon H. C. Williams decided to hold the festival service in the Trinity Chapel. It was a tight fit, but the Vicar was proved quite right in his judgment. In his address he spoke of unity amongst all church workers. and without it one couldn't go very far. He also said how often young girls and boys who took up bellringing were very interested during the first few week; only to drift away and forget all about it later. Those young ringers who were there today would. he hoped, lake a lasting interest in the art, and become important church workers of the future.

After an excellẹnt tea which had been laid out in the Roting Room. the tables were cleared for the business meeting which followed. We were again honoured with the presence of the Bishop, Mr. J. J. A. Thomas, who presided.

The Bishop, after his welcome, presented the certificates for the ringing competition. The winning band was Porthcawl (Mr. Michael Larchin). second Cadoxton (Mr. Gwyn I. Lewis), and third Sketty (Miss Hazel Way). and a few words of praise were said to each irı turn.

Apologies for absence from members, and the very good wishes from Mr. Ernie Stitch, were read.

Arising out of the minutes a committee meeting was held and the ringing competition successfully carried through. A notice of motion by Mr. T. M. Roderick, altering the rules re membership of affiliated towers, was withdrawn. the matter to be left for discussion in committee

All the officers were re-elected with the exception of the honorary auditor. The exficers are: Master, Mr. John T. Williams;
honcrary general secretary. Mr. J. Arthur Hoare ; honorary treasurer. Mr. David Stokes : honorary auditor, Mr. Magnus Peterson. A proposal to continue with the committee of five members was discussed and after voting on the issue it was lost to a proposal by Mr. John T. Williams. that the committee be made up of one member from each tower, names and addresses to be sent to the general secretary as soon as possible, which was then carried.

In his peal records report. Mr. G. 1. Lewis said seven peals had been rung during the 12 months. The writing of the names of the towers in the Peal Record Book was being carried out during the next week or so.
The general secretary. in his report, thanked all officers of the Guild for their co-operation and help during the year. The Guild, he said, was now in a very satisfactory state. The sale of badges was extremely good, and were still being asked for.

The Ringing Master reported additional interest at Gorseinon and Llanfeigan. Everywhere, he said. there were signs of improvement.

The statement of accounts showed a balance in the general account of $£ 34$, and in the Bell Restoration Fund, after allowing for grants to various churches, $£ 33$. Since this statement, the collection for this fund realised $£ 2$.

The place and date of the ringing competition in 1961 is to be left to committee. It is the Northern District's turn for the annual festival next year and this will be held in the Cathedral at Brecon. The date is to be fixed by the Bishop and the general secretary. A discussion re membership certificates ended by the matter being left to lie on the table. Mr. Trevor Roderick proposed that each tower be supplied with a copy of the rules and the general secretary was asked to carry on with this, as soon as possible.
Mrs. Whitworth and her helpers, also St. Mary's bellringers, were thanked for the tea provided. The Bishop was thanked for presiding at the meeting, and also Canon H. C. Williams for the use of the bells and conducting the service. With further ringing in the tower, this concluded the days festival.


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## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The June meeting of the Sheffield and District Society was held at Dore and apart from the enjoyable ringing and bells, was notable in that 11 new members were elected from the new band now regularly ringing these lovely bells, which for many years had been silent.

Tea was taken on the Vicarage lawn in glorious sunshine, at the kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Garth Heawood). Proceeds of the tea were given to the Appeal Fund for World Refugees.

The August meeting will be at Rotherham on Bank Holiday Monday and will be joint with the Yorkshire Association (Southern Division).
N. C.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

On July 2nd the Archdeaconry of Halifax Guild met at Northowram. Ringing was from early afternoon until late evening with a short break for the service and tea. The Vicar addressed the Guild with a very warm welcome and remarked that the bells were ever pleasing to the ear. Also. that he for one was very glad that the age of electronic noises had not come before the art of change ringing in calling people to Church.
The Guild elected six new members. and ringing ranged from rounds and call changes to Cambridge and Superlative. Many thanks to the ladies for a most enjoyable tea. Next meeting: Marsden, September 3rd.

PORTISHEAD AND WRAXALL
Down in New Forest, the people stirred
As the sound of their own church bells they heard.
Just fancy that, not bad,' they said,
Must be they chaps from Portishead.'
Our outing had started one early June morn, When a party of upwards of thirly were borne To Wincanton; for 'Cow and Gate' and racing 'tis noted.
After trying the bells, 'twas for these we voted.
On leaving this place we got off our course
For which our pilot showed little remorse.
The driver said roads were wrongly numbered
But most of us thought itwas he who had blundered.

Through Shaftesbury Town, and then for a In a 37-seater up Zig-Zag Hill! [thrill They say road's not meant for a coach of this size.
Which aptly bore name of 'Enterprise.'
O'er Dorset Down and Cranborne Chase To Cranborne itself-a quite pretty place. Tho' we arrived here a little bit late
No time was lost raising fine Taylor eight.
'Twas here a local was heard to say,
We don't often hear bells rung that way.
After taking refreshments, we once more embark
Pondering on meaning of local's remark.
Lymington was next to do us favour And here we managed a course of Bob Major. We just had time for a quick look round, Then northwards thro' Forest again were
[bound.
Through Fordingbridge we then did pass And stopped for tea at the old 'Hour Glass 'Twas a pity, following this grand repast, That our own time here ran out so fast
Our last ring was Westbury; here bells, of course.
Are almost as famous as Westbury White Horse.
Here we will leave you, with old clock still ticking.
And a ring of eight bells that'll take some licking!
A. J. G.


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## OBITUARY

## MR. ALBERT E. LOCK

'I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord.
How well these words, said with so much feeling and expression at his funeral, on Saturday last epitomised the whole life and work of Mr. A. E. Lock, bellringer, mastercraftsman and churchman.
Albert Lock was born 81 years ago at Sutton Courtney, three miles from Abingdon, where his family had already been monumental masons for nearly 150 years. At Sutton the family owned 'The Plough' and had done so for several generations. One of a large family he was educated at the Culham College Practising School where he received an education well in advance of that of many schools of the time. When he left school he joined the family business and became a master-craftsman, his lettering being some of the finest produced in this century.

He was interested in many things and became well known in North Berkshire as a very fine cricketer (playing for Berkshire at very fine cricketer (playing for Berkshire at
one time) and as a footballer. He played cricket until just before the last war and is still held in very high esteem by the younger generations who played both with and against him . He often played against the Oxford colleges and was considered a worthy opponent. Another of his hobbies was fishing. Here he excelled and a number of families during the Second World War were grateful for the contributions which he made to their larders.

In the First World War he served in the Royal Flying Corps. He was a member of
the Special Police from the time of the the Special Police from the time of the
suffragettes until after the Second World War. Although in his sixties. he did regular duty with the police during the war years.

He was a member of St . Nicholas' Church and of the joint band with which he rang there and at St. Helen's. He was also a member of the P.C.C.

Albert Lock learned to ring as a boy at Sutton Courtney, where his interest was first aroused when. together with some other boys, he used to ring the bells partly up, (they were then rung from the ground floor). leave
the ropes swinging and bolt at the approach the ropes swinging and bolt at the approach
of the ringers. History does not say if they were ever caught. and if so what form of retribution befell them. Whatever it was, it was not an appearance in the Juvenile Court. Eventually he taught himself 'to ring a bell up and finally became the captain of the band at Sutton Courtney. At the beginning of this century he came under the influence of the Rev. F. E. Robinson. Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild: and went to Drayton to practise method ringing. He rang his first peal. Stedman Triples, at Drayton on April 28th. 1906. In the years before the First World War he rang thirty-six peals. the majority of them with Miss Kathleen Holifield. who was later to become his wife.

## SERVICE TO THE GUILD

In 1921 the North Berks Branch of the O.D.G. was formed and six months after its formation he took over the secretaryship. retaining it until his death. a period of exactly 39 years. During that time Albert Lock built up the branch to its present strength for he was always willing to teach new bands. give help in time of need and it was his habit to visit the towers regularly on practice nights.
Rarely a week went by without one or two towers receiving a visit. Often this was done by bicycle. some visits entailed a ride of thirty miles. In recent years Mrs. Lock has acted as chauffeur as she often did before the last war. Only those who have lived in the branch for many years will realise how much time and energy went into this work and how. in spite of many bitter disappointments. both in his own towers and in the branch towers, A. E. Lock was always willing 'to have another go' to get things going. Very few ringers in North Berks can say that they owe nothing to him. In recent years he had devoted much time and care to the training of the young bands in Abingdon and the recent formation of the Abingdon School Society brought to fruition a long awaited desire.

For many years a committee member of the General Committee of the O.D.G. he was elected. in 1933. to be one of its representatives on the Central Council and had continued as such until his death: the recent Council meeting must have been one of the few that he missed. In argument he was one to be reckoned with but was always open to conviction should the argument prove sound and the change be justified: he loved the old ways but was prepared to accept the new if they proved their worth. This was very evideni in the field of change ringing. Although firmly grounded in the four standard methods, in the 1930 's he joined the Oxford band, which under the leadership of W.J. Judge was breaking new ground and ringing Spliced Surprise-this when he was in his late fifties. He did not call his first peal until 1921. when he called Stedman Triples at the age of 43 . During the next 29 years he called $40-50$ peals in the four standard methods, rang in a silent peal of Stedman, at Goring, in 1937 and a silent peal of Cambridge. at Buckland. Berks, in 1938 . The majority of his peals were of Major or Triples but in the post-war years he rang more peals of Minor than he had before 1939. His peal total is probably not far short of 225 practically all of which were rung for his own branch and Guild and in the company of his wife.
By his death the Oxford Guild has lost a devoted and selfless servant. one of its most faithful of instructors and one who devoted himself wholeheartedly to whatever he undertook. be it work. service to his church, teach ing the young, instructing or helping a band in ditticulties. ringing for the joy of ringing or enjoying the companionship of his fellow ringers. Fond of a good story and a quiet joke he will be very much missed at ringing meetings, on ringing outings and at all places where ringers gather together.

## THE FUNERAL

The funeral service took place at St. Nicholas Church. Abingdon, where he had worshipped Sunday by Sunday for so many years. The whole service by its hymns and psalms expressed a feeling of great thankfulness for a life devoted to an ideal and for work carried out su quietly and unassumingly throughout the years.
How true of A. E. Lock were the words printed in the last Guild report which he read while in hospital: Sometimes I find one bellringer or one choirman who never misses. whose quiet example has inspired successive generations. whose loyal. sometimes lonely service has been a perpetual witness to his faith and devotion. Such men are true servants of God.' (Bishop of Dorchester in his address at O.D.G. festival. 1959.)
M.R.C.

Mr. Lock was cremated and the ashes were interred at Sutton Courtney on July 16th, in a casket of stone made by two of his fellow craftsmen.
Family mourners were Mrs. A. E. Lock (widow). Mr. H. G. Lock (brother). Mrs. Cooper (sister). Mr. and Mrs. G. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lock.
Clergy present were the Rev. J. H. S. Dixon (Rector of St. Nicholas'). Rev. J. V. Pixell. Rev. C. E. Wigg (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), and the Rev. C. F. Cross (Deputy Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild)
Others present included Mr. F. Sharpe (Deputy Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), Miss M. R. Cross (honorary general secretary. O.D.G.). Mr. A. R. Pink (secretary Diocesan Board of Finance). Mr. W. F. Judge (Ringing Master of the Oxford Society). Mr. P. Walker (honorary secretary, Oxford Society). Mr. G. L. Armitage (representing Sutton Courtney Bellringers), Mr. S. F. Wiggins (representing the Bowyer Lodge of Oddfellows). Mrs, Holifield (representing Mr. Gordon Holifield) and representatives of many towers in the district.

Many of the towers in N. Berks rang quarter peals to his memory. A 720 of Bob Minor was rung as the cortege left the churchconducted by A. R. Pink.

## MR, DAVID WILBUR

A member of the Barwell Society. Leicestershire, for eight years. Mr. David Wilbur was one of a band of ringers taught by the writer who. like many others. have graduated through membership of choir and Sunday school, to become a most loyal ringer.
At the early age of 23. David was killed in a road accident at Earl Shilton, when his car was in collision with a G.P.O. van on June 24th.

Because of his unfailing devotion to his church. David's place in the belfry will not be easy to fill.

For Evensong on Sunday special touches were rung half-muffled to his memory and also for Mr. George Hough, father of the vicecaptain of the Barwell ringers, who died the sáme week.

Those taking part were members of the Barwell Society: Miss P. Hough, Messrs. A. H. Hough. C. Lucas. A. A. Lucas, G. P. Garner, R. Colver. T. Pickering, J. Hill. C. R. Belton, T. C. Belton and Joseph Needham
T. C. B.

## MR. GEORGE PACKHAM AN APPRECIATION

By the passing on June 24th. of Mr. George Packham. St. Peter's. Twineham, lost an old and loyal friend. He was 83
He learned to ring in the neighbouring tower of Bolney, well over 50 years ago, and as far as we know had taken part in five pealsfour of Grandsire Triples, at Bolney. and the first peal on the five bells at Twineham Grandsire and Plain Bob were his limit. but he enjoyed good striking and earned a reputation locally for being one of the best covers? for miles around
Apart from his regular ringing activities, he sang in the choir and was verger and sexten for 35 years. resigning on account of illhealth is few years ago.

A half-muffled quarter of Grandsire Triples was rung at Bolney, on July 5th. in which two of his sons took part. Unfortunately. Mr. C. Wilkins, one of those who had rung with Mr. Packham for many years, was prevented by indisposition fiom participating.
As a man. George Packham was a quiet. lovable character. though not afraid to speak up for what he felt to be right if the occasion demanded The example he set us will long be remembered. May he rest in peace.

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THE PROFESSOR INVESTIGATES
(Continued from pige 473)
Here then is the formula for a team. Number of successful peals out of $10=10$ average $P$ of team.

Have you proved your last formula? I asked

Only to a limited extent: said Mr. Dodge. It may need modifying in the light of further information. However, we are now in a better position to assess whether a peal is likely to succeed or fail. For an error to grow into sufficient dimension to ruin a peal several things have got to happen. Let us examine the possible sequence.
(a) A ringer with a low $R$ goes wrong and blunders on for several changes
(b) He in turn dislodges someone else with (shall we say) a moderate $R$, who
(c) Blunders on. of the others. some of whom were coasting. forget what they should be doing and join in the fun.
(d) Catastrophe. It is possible for a ringer with a high $R$ to make a mistake and involve a second ringer with a high $E$ but a low $R$ who in turn begins the sequence
' It is in a scramble of this type that "Blueline Bill" comes into his own.' said Mr. Dodge.

## Blue-Line Bill?

Yes, explained the Professor. 'Some ringers have a ". Blue-Line " mind which is sometimes accompanied by a "Blue-Line " action. Where both these accomplishments are combined it often proves an asset in a pealringer. The conductor who knows his team can be certain that this ringer will plod on regardless of the confusion around him and that if and when order is restored he will be in his place. Furthermore. if any ringer finds himself trying to perform a certain operation only to discover that "Blue-Line Bill" is already doing it. he knows immediately that it is time to look around for something else to do!

Such a ringer seldom speaks to correct others-there is no need-although occasionatly he will (if asked) state what he is doing: also he has a Grade I E. This places the conductor in some embarrassment on the very rare occasions when " B-L B " gets off the rails. lt is so difficult to believe that he really can be wrong that the form of address to such an individual is more or less standardised:
"Shouldn't you be doing a 6-5-6?" (or some such operation).

If "Blue-Line Bill" shakes his head (he doesn't deign to reply). it is about time to all -. Stand "!

At what stage of the peal are things likely 10 go wrong?' I enquired. 'Are some periods more vital than others?

Indced they are.' replied the Professor. have discovered that there are two. what I call. Critical Periods. Number one is the first quarter hour or 20 minutes. Many peals are as I have said, preceded by a false start which is, after all, nothing less than a lost peal. The newness of the method, the " feel " of the bells and the rhythm are contributing factors although the knowledge that it is always possible to make a fresh start, or even the desire to do so after a jumble in order to ring a good peal. are reasons not to he ignored.

And the second? I asked.
That is far more serious. said the Professor. 'It musi be remembered that it is a physical impossibility to maintain an unbroken concentration for a period of time ranging from between $2 \frac{1}{1}$ to nearly 4 hours. Even in the most complicated Spliced peals the mind will wander for short periods of time. Towards the end of the peal. particularly the lost half hour. mental fatigue in case of difficult stuff and constant repetition bordering on horedom in the case of comparatively simple methods. or even anxiety about catching a hus or train, tend to make this the second critical period.

- It must also be emphasised. said the Professor. that very good ringing for long
periods tends to induce in some ringers a soporific effect and/or inculcate a sense of false security. There is a story told about that grand old Bolsover ringer. John Flint. that once in a peal he was conducting: and for no apparent reason, he began to inflict verbal punishment on the ringers around him in the manner that only John Flint could. They were told to ${ }^{\text {. }}$ listen to their bells " and "pull themselves logether." with other similar expressions. After the peal was concluded one of the ringers took John on one side and asked him the reason for his attack as the ringing had been apparently first class. "Yes.". said John confidentially. " the ringing was so good and had been excellent so long that I was afraid that the first mistake would mean the end of it.

Which appears to support your argument,' I exclaimed.

Exactly: said Professor Dodge. 'But if there is one factor that contributes to the obliteration of a peal more than any other in the last half hour it is vanity!'

Vanity?" I said incredulously.

- Vanity!' repeated the Professor. "Most ringers at this juncture are already adding the peal 10 their cotal or imagining what it will look like in the ". R. W.". and who will be reading all about it. This. I am convinced. causes more minds to be wandering at the same time. often with the disastrous effects we know so well. than any other reason.

You're a sceptical brute, I said.

- No, just a truthful one,' he answered.

With that noble sentiment echoing in my mind I made my way home.

## JOINT MEETING AT TEESDALE

A joint meeting of the Northern District of the Yorkshire Association and the Southern District of the Durham and Newcastle Association was held in the border country of Teesdale, on July 2nd. The meeting began on the Durham side of the Tees. at Barnard Castle. where there was a good muster of ringers. coming from as far afield as York and Appleby.

Touches of Plain Bob. Stedman. Double Norwich and Cambridge were rung. and the Vicar (Rev. J. B. Brown) conducted a service. After tea at the King's Head Hotel, the party crossed the river to the attractive village of Cotherstone. which was a new tower to most of them. The bells there-a pleasant six with a 7 cwt . tenor-are rarely rung. This was evident from the inordinate length of the ropes. some of which had never had a tuck put in. and most ringers were catching well above the sally.
An additional hazard was the box holding the clock chiming machinery. This structure. over five feet high. penned the ringer of the second against the wall, and threatened skinned knuckles at every handstroke. besides concealing any ringer below average height.

In spite of these handicaps. the bells went well to touches of St. Clement. Grandsire. Double Court. Plain Bob. Cambridge and
London. P.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

The July meeting of the Barnsley and District Society was held at Darton. the first time the tower had been visited for over 30 years. The visit was most appropriate as the day previous a baby had been born to the Vicar (the Rev. E. G. S. Scott) and Mrs. Scoll. In a warm welcome the Vicar mentioned that this was the first baby born in the Vicarage for ahout 30 years. He thanked Mr. Douglas Stables and Mr . Noel Moxon for their work in checking the bells and tidying the belfry. Nine towers were represented. Next meeting. August 13th. at Eastwood, near Rotherham.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Aldehurgh. Suffolk. bells are to be taken down for overhaul.
Entering our peal columns for the first time is a peal by Leicester University Socicty, rung by resident members. This was at Wanlip.
Printed notice seen in the rear window of a ringer's car at the annual meeting of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild at Whitchurch: "Ranning in, Running out,

## OUTINGS

## CREWKERNE, SOMERSET

Sunshine. the beautiful countryside of Somerset, magnificent churches and fine bellsthese are the things that make for an enjoyable time. At least. this is certainly what the Crewkerne ringers. plus a few friends from Merriott, found on the afternoon of June llth. when they set out for an afternoon's ringing, plus pienic on Ham Hill.

The first tower visited was Preston Plucknett. Here we found a pleasing little 15 th century tower with six bells (tenor 11 cwt ). Alas, this tower proved to be our Waterloo-and we weren't fighting with Wellington either! We were not really experienced enough to make a good job of ringing these rather difficult going bells. However, it is all added experience and we left Preston realising how much more we all had to learn.
We drove from Preston, through the lovely village of Montacute with its Big House, to the beautiful old church of Stoke-under-Ham -a Norman church basically with a 13th century tower and transept. all beautifully kept. Here we were met by one of the local band who rang with us on these fine bells, probably the best bells of the afternoon. There was certainly some music to be got out of this fine six (tenor 17 cwt .), and this fact spurred us on to ring amongst other things a successful course of Kent.
However, the prospect of food did its work and we reached the top of Ham Hill in record time. Having satisfied the inner man we simply descended to the bottom of the hill to the village of Norton-sub-Hamdon. Here we found a grand Perpendicular church with a 98 foot high tower-after we d climbed the steps to the ringing chamber didn't we know it! The six bells (tenor 18 cwt .) were soon ringing to a variety of methods and, as the lower swayed. the picture frames hanging from the walls almost kept the rhythm of the bells as they too swung from side to side.
This was the last tower of the afternoon and as we left everyone felt that this kind of excursion was something that could well be repeated.
C. J. B. M.

## SPALDING, LINCS

Spalding ringers and friends from neighbouring towers held their annual outing on May 2Ist. An enjoyable hour was spent at the first tower. Lutterworth, before proceeding to Stoke. Coventry, where we had the pleasure of ringing a bride-to-be into the church.
The next stop was for lunch at Warwick. after which we rang at both St. Nicholas' and St. Mary's. many younger members preferring the fete in the castle grounds. Moving out of town we visited the pleasant six at Whitnash. where a G.O.M. of 95. Mr. Hawley. met us and joined in some ringing with us.
We visited Leamington for tea, after which we called at the towers of Lillington. Daventry and Weedon Bee, where we had $t 0$ wait a few minutes for a broken rope to be repaired. We then journeyed on to Northampton where a stop was made for refreshments. and eventually arrived back home at midnight. having had a most enjoyable day We extend our very grateful thanks to all incumbents and our organisers. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman. who did a splendid job at rather short notice. and who were also on their first outing with us

ANON.

## MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICS

A half-day's outing into Derbyshire was enjoyed by Melton Mowbray ringers and young friends from Oakham, on June 18th. Before tea at Long Eaton. ringing took place at Old Sawley and Breaston. At Stanton-by Dale not only the bells but liquid refreshments in the lovely rose gardens at the Old Manor House were much appreciated. The latter is the house of Mr. Buckley and Mr. and Mrs. Crockes. who are Old Meltonians:
The last lower. St. Helen's. Trowell. provided a test with no stays on the second and six: nevertheless, a fine touch of Oxford Bob Minor was rung. The chairman (Mr. R. E. Manton) and secretary (Mr. T. Templeton) were responsible for the arrangements.
J. H. C.

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## RETURN THANKS

Mrs. A. E. Lock wishes to thank all those who in their various ways have shown their thought and sympathy during her sad bereavement.

## PERSONAL

- LET us not be desirous of vainglory; provoking one another. envying one another. (Gal. v, 26.)

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## MISCELLANEOUS

PRESTON, LANCS-Change of practice night. Please note that as from August 2nd. and until further notice, the Preston practice will be held on Tuesday each week instead of Wednesday.

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DRIGHLINGTON. Nr. BRADFORD, YORKS.-No ringing at St. Paul's Parish Church. in August. 1960. Meet first Thursday in September, at 7.30 p.m.-M. Brown, $\begin{gathered}\text { Sec. } \\ 6320\end{gathered}$
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DEVON GUILD.-Aylesheare Branch.-
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23rd: Sowton. Saturday. August 27th. Both at 7 p.m.-R. T. Perry, 6319 UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY.-Would any freshers coming up next session, also anyone interested in a Society peal during the Presessional Conference. please contact J. G. Underwood. Dept. of Chemistry. The University, Nottingham.

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## CANCELLATION

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Bristol Rural-Please note that meeting at Westerleigh. for Saturday. July 23rd. has been cancelled.-F. Hussey, Branch Sec

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the 'Rising Sun: Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday. July 23 rd. 6 p.m. Ringing at St. Stephen's. Rochester Row, Westminster, S.W.1, at 3.15 p.m. 6276

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO CIATION.-Cary Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Henstridge (6). July 23 rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to A. J. Sherrin. 8. Ash Walk. Henstridge, Templecombe. DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION 6278
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Terrington St. Clement. Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Easter. Terrington St. Clement. Kings Lynn.-J. Fox, Dis. Sec.
Kit. Clement.
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ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - N.E. District Meeting Harwich. Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cheltenham Branch. Monthly meeting, Winchcombe (6). July 23 rd , 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m.-Mary Bliss, Beech Pike, Clieltenham

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Ashford District) and LADIES' GUILD.-Joint meeting at Cheriton. Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (8, tenor 7 cwt.) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m 6255
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern District-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. July 23 rd . Note change of date. All Saints'. Poplar (10) 4-5.30 p.m. Tea own arrangements. Short business meeting. Further ringing from $6.30-8$ p.m. Everyone welcome. A good attendance requested. - Bullock, Dis Sec.

6294
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD - Meeting Hoar Cross. on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements, please. All welcome.-J. W. Cotton. 6299
NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION - An open day will be held at Hope. on Saturday. July 23 rd . All welcome. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.30 p.m. 6290

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing 6279

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION -Eastern Division. -Practice meeting at Sedlescombe. on July 23 rd . Tea at 5 p.m. Please notify tea to F . Beeney (Sec). Hillbrae. Carters Corner, Hailsham.

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WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.Quarterly meeting at Wolverton. Hants. on July 23 rd. Bells ( 6 ) from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. in the Village Hall.

HECKINGTON. LINCS.-Show and sports on Tuesday. July 26th. Ringing from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Eight bells. Magnificent church. Visitors very welcome.

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BAKEWELL. DERBYSHIRE - Rededication of bells of All Saints Church, by the Assistant Bishop of Derby. on Saturday. July 30th. at 3.30 p.m. Ringing afternoon and evening. All ringers welcome.
DEVON GUILD.-N.W. Branch.-Summer meeting at Stratton. near Bude (8), July 30th. Service 4.15 p.m., tea to follow. Numbers for tea by Monday, July 25th, to R. Pearce. Buttsheer Cross. Bridgerule Holsworthy. -Sec.
DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. -Meeting. Thorne. July 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by July 28 th. please. to Mr. T. Leask. 26. Gainford Road. Moorends. Thorne.-R. J. Sanderson.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting will he held at Trumpington. on Saturday, July 30th. Bells (8) $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 o.m. (2s. (id. per head).-G. Blake and E.W. Bullman.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Chertsey District) and LADIES' GUILD (Southern District).-Joint meeting at Egham. Saturday. July 30 th. Bells 1,30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. J. Knowles. 46. Simon's Walk. Englefield Green. Egham. Surrey. 6315

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.Quarterly meeting on July 30th. Ringing at Orsett, Essex. from 3-4.30 p.m.. followed by service, tea and business meeting. Ringing at Stanford-le-Hope from $6-8$ p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. Blatch. 'Brick House,' Malting Lane, Orsett, Grays, Essex. Gentlemen cordially in vited.

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LADIES' GUILD. - Sussex District. Meeting at Alfriston (6). July 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Make own arrangements for tea, advisable to bring own. Ladies please support. All visitors welcome.M. Beeney. Hon. Sec. 6266 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch.-Meeting at Leigh. July 30th. Bells $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea provided. Evensong (said) at 7 p.m. All welcome. Good Rudhall 8 here.-Thornley. Sec. 6284

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Oundle Branch.-Meeting, Elton (5). July 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday previous, to Mrs. P. E. Clarke. 7. Bassett Place. Oundle.

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## GUILDFORD

 DIOCESANGUILD (Leatherhead District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (Northern District).-Annual joint meeting Leatherhead. Monday. August Ist. Ringing 3 until 8.30 p.m., with break for service 4.30 and tea 5 p.m.. in St. Nicholas' Hall. Numbers for tea to reach G. Marriner. 6. Leach Grove. Leatherhead. by previous Thursday.-A. H. Smith. W. Parrott. 6315 YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Southern District) and SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY,-Joint meeting at Rotherham. Bank Holiday Monday. August 1st. Parish Church bells (10) from 2.30-9 p.m. Eastwood (8) 2-4 p.m. Short service in Parish Church 4.30. Tea in Church Hall. Moorgate Street. at 5 p.m. Names by July 28th, to Mr. N. Chaddock. 17. Herringthorpe Grove. Broom. Rotherham. All welcome.-J. J. Gilbert and J. Seager. Hon. Secs.

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MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.An extraordinary general meeting will be held aboard the yacht Ruby at Wroxham, Norfolk, on Friday, August 5th, at 6.30 p.m.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting at Wallington. on August fth, at 5.30 p.m. $-\mathbb{E}$. Buck, Dis. Sec.

## LATE NEWS

## IDEATH OF MR. FRANK SKIDMORE

We deeply regret to announce the death. on July 18 th , of Mr. Frank Skidmore. Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. of 80 . Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol

The funeral service was held at St. Ambrose Church. Bristol. on Thursday at ? p.m.. followed by cremation at Canford Cemetery, Westbury-on-Trym, at 2.40 p.m.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.-At St. George's Church. Witon, on July 6th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. H. Reed 1, D. F. Sheldun 2, W. T. Cierte 3, H. E. Causiey 4. J. Brewer (first of Siedman) 5, F. Avery 6. R. W. Hayward (cond.) 7. R. T. Wine (first quarter) 8.

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PRESTON, SUFFOLK.-On July 10th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor D. Howe (first quarter) 1, W. Shorter 2, F. Hunt 3, H. Hollocks 4. M. T. Symends (cond.) 5, R. Chambers 6. For Evensong.

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## POINTS FROM RECENT PEALS

By the REV. K. W. H. FELSTEAD

$I^{\top}$T is difficult to alter the 'pattern' of this article since I am talking about the same sort of things each time. I hope readers won't think it too monotonous. therefore. At least. over the years most towers will be mentioned occasionally, and I know that interest is created in the towers then from the number of enquiries, etc., I have after each article appears.

We have seen a very rare milestone passed these last few months -Willesden had its 400 th peal. Only two other churches have more than this-Erith and Crayford, of course. The former reached it in 1938 and the latter with its first peal after the war time ban in 1943. Of course, the Loughborough Bell Foundry has more than double this number of peals. but it wasn't until 1949 (December) that it reached 400 . which means that more than 400 peals were rung there between 1949 and 1959! A couple more years should see the 1.000 mark reached at the present rate. However. congratulations to Willesden. It is slowly catching up Erith and Crayford. but at the present rate it will be 20 years before it does so. By the way, in the 400 have been well over 300 peals of Surprise Major in over 100 different methods. That. I am sure, is unique.

There are 13 towers at the moment in the 300 s; the nearest to Willesden being St. Martin's. Birmingham, where I have recorded 376 to date. but I am not sure that I have all the early peals. Frodsham became one of the 35 towers with 200 or more peals on April 23 rd. so congratulations there also. Two towers recently reached the 150 peal milestone-Grundisburgh on May 19th and St. Ebbe's. Oxford. on May 24th. Those making a century are Allesley (on February 19th -the peal for the birth of the new prince). Canterbury (St. Stephen. Hackington). Anstey (as the footnotes claimed) and Holy Trinity. Darlington (also as claimed). The latter tower becomes the fourth 6 -bell tower to reach 100 peals. Gamston will soon be there also (99) and Stisted (95). The other 6-bell towers in the 90's-Wickham Skeith. Lamberhurst and Hanley Castle-don't appear very often in the peals columns these days. neither does Thornham Magna. where most peals have been rung in this class of tower (136). There have only between two peals there since the last war. the last in 1948. Even so. I expect it will keep its lead for a few years yet as it is still 22 peals ahead of its nearest rival (Croft).

Several towers have reached 50 -Wenhaston. Harrow Weald. Macclesfield St. Peter and Bowdon. Those which will do so with their next peal are Woolton. Stonham Aspal. Harston. Eardisland. Millingdon St. John. Shepshed and Wolstanton. Marston. which now holds the lead amongst 5 -bell towers. looks as if it will be the first of these to reach 50 . even though it has some way to go yet. Oxendon (5) is yet another to reach double figures. I see that the peal at Coryton was not only the first on the bells, but the first in a 5-bell tower in Devon. Since there are 33 of these in the county. there is plenty of scope yet, but actually only 89 of the 2476 -bell towers have had a peal. This means that about one-fifth of the unconquered towers in the country are in Devon.

Now for towers making their first appearance in the peal lists. These are Dunkeswell. Lewannick. Newton (Montgomeryshire). Ruyton-XI-Towns. Sully. Dinton, Belstone. Butler's Marston. Halkyn. Selattyn. Arley. Brislington and Thorley-quite a lot this time. The peal at Farnworth St. Luke was the first on the bells since being recast. I fear the claims for first peals at two towers cannot be supported. I have a previous peal at South Stoke on November 10th.

1923 (Minor in 3 methods). Similarly, there was a peal at Belton (Lincs). in 1911. The footnote to the recent peal suggests augmentation from 4 to 6 . The peal in 1911 was on 5 bells, and Dove's book gives Belton as a 5 -bell tower.

During the period under review. Compton Parva seems to have had the longest peal silence. The only previous peal I have there was in 1903. and this was not published! Blakesley also had its only previous peal before the First World War-in 1912. It isn't often that a 10 -bell tower appears in the infrequent visitor's list! But one does this time-Newark, where there hadn't been a peal for nearly 50 years. I have five peals altogether here, spread over 187 years. The first was in 1773, and the next 1816 (both Grandsire Triples). The third was Grandsire Caters in 1897. and the fourth Grandsire Triples in 1913. which was the last one until the recent one of Stedman Caters. I don't suppose we shall have to wait another 50 or so years before Newark appears again in these columns. I confirm that the peal at Broadwas-on-Teme was the first since 1919 (which actually was the only previous peal on the bells). Beighton (where I first pulled a bell) last had a peal in 1921. 'Church Bells' gave details of two rung here in the $1860^{\circ}$ s from peal boards in the belfry. But those boards had disappeared (I think), by the time I came to learn there. 25 years ago.
Next we come to Nether Stowey. Whose only previous peal was in 1927. Two towers last had a peal in 1928. Meriden (two previous peals in 1927 and 1928) and Moreton-in-the-Marsh. The latter had several peals (being an 8 -bell tower) from 1900 onwards. but none of Major. Hence the recent peal was not only the first on the recast bells, but also :he first of Major in the tower. Cartmel. Bugbrooke and South Kilworth all last appeared in 1932. The first has three in all now, and so has the second, but South Kilworth had only had that one before. Darling Point had its last peal during the -Great Adventure' expedition in 1934. Before that there had been two peals of Minor at the beginning of the century. Chart Sutton's only previous peal was of Grandsire Doubles in 1935. In the following year Staunton-on-Wye had its last peal until this year. In the middle twenties. this tower had several peals-two a year or so for about six years. The first peal was in 1908 and it now has 17 in all. Although a 6 -bell tower. they have all been peals of Doubles. 15 of Grandsire and two in 2 methods. In 1937. we find Amersham had its last peal before the recent one. The first on the bells was in 1914. then no more until 1932. Five were rung in the $1930^{\circ}$ s.

Three towers last appeared in the peals columns in 1938. Gorseinon is the first of them-first peal in 1919 and seven in all now. Although an 8 -beii tower. Major has not yet been rung there in a peal. Harmondsworth has a similar history-first peal in 1920 and also seven in all now. The third is St. Cuthbert's. Lytham. Ringing at this tower during the recent Clerical Guild tour. I found several peats recorded on boards and rung at the beginning of the century which had not been published (most unusual). My total for the tower is now 25. 17 from 1875 to 1908. seven from 1929 to 1938 and the one this year. In 1939. Nassington had its only other peal, and the last of the list is Brookfield Unitarian Church. which was last mentioned in these columns in 1940. This tower has had big ups and downs. From the first peal in 1871. 29 peals were rung up to 1906 . Then came a gap until 1924 and three peals were rung in the 1920's. Thirty-five peals were rung from 1932 to 1940 -quite a good average. But then we have had to wait until 1960 for the next. The total is thus in the 60 s.

Finally. one or two 'wrong' claims. which have already been pointed out in letters but which I can confirm. Edinburgh Delight had been previously rung at Cuddington in 1957. and it was not the first peal of Minor at Brill-7 methods had been rung in 1949.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., June 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes. Ar the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .

| jriel Reay | Trebl | Michael Elson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ruth M. Border | ? | George W. Massey |
| Elizabeth M. Yardley | 3 | *Norman J. Goodman |
| Brian D. A. Woolley | 4 | $\dagger$ John McDonald |
| Roderick W. Pipe | 5 | John A. Anderson |
| George E. Fearn | 6 | Peter Border |

George E. Fearn Arranged and Conducted by Peter Border.

* 250th peal. $\dagger 100$ th peal.


## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Tues., July 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 37 cwt . in C.
Ruth M. Border .. .. Treble |Michael Elson .. 7
*Elizabeth M. Yardley. 2 John Pinfold .. .. .. 8 Ralph G. Edwards .. 3 Norman J. Goodman .. 9 Albert Walker Frank E. Haynes John McDonaid Composed by John Carter.

Peter Border
George E. Fearn
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Conducted by Albert Walker
Rung as a birthday compliment to John A. Anderson, Elizabeth M. Yardley and John Pinfold.

TEWKESBURY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, On Sat., July 16, 1960 in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OH $52 \% 0$ YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb . in D.

| S |  | George E. Evenden |  |
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| R. George Morris | 2 | Ronald F. Diserens | 8 |
| John A. Anderson | 3 | Ralph G. Edwards |  |
| Ruth M. Border | 4 | David Beacham | 10 |
| Norman J. Goodman | 5 | Peter Border |  |
| John N. Diserens | 6 | Noel J. Diserens |  |

A birthday compliment to the second ringer.

## TEN BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon., July 4, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minules.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D .
Muriel Reay
Edgar C. Shepherd
RODERICK W. Pipe.
Andrew N. Stubbs
Michael Elson
Composed by John A. Burford.
Rung as a birthday compliment Conducted by Peter Border Pinfold.

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., July 6, 1960, in 3 Hours. At the Church of St. Stephen.
A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 21 cwt .
D. John Hunt
. Treble F. Cecil Mogford
Mary Hall
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2 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden
Albert M. Tyler
Richard J. Bowden
Anthony E. Cox
$\begin{array}{llll}3 & \text { Albert } & \text { M. } & \text { Tyler } \\ 4\end{array}$ Donald 7
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Curf ? E. Cox Patrick J. Bird .... Tellor Composed by W. P. Whitehead. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNI.

First ol Stedman as conductor.

DUFFIELD DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., July 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CHURCH OF STERS
Tenor 17 cwt 2 qr. 11 lb . in E
Gordon A. Halls .. .. Treble I George H. Paulson
*John Murfin $\quad . . \quad . .22$ Clive W. Walklate
Miss P. A. M. Halls Burley P. Morris
J. Frank Smallwood Ronald H. Bullen
Harold Taylor ....
Composed by J. Carter.
Conducted by J. F. Smallwood.

* First peal of Stedman Caters.

Rung in memoriam George Freebrey.
KETTERING. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At ihe Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE RUYAL Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb . in D.
David J. Marshall ..Treble Ernest G. Orland
Patrick I. Chapman .. 2 Alan J. Frost
Avril Thackray Barrie Hendry James R. Taylor
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Diana M. Lawless .. . } & 4 \\ \text { David W. James . } & 5\end{array}$ Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Bryan Pattison . Tenar Conducted by Bryan Patiison.

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon., July 11. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL. Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb . in D .
Elizabeth M. Yardley..Treble David 3. Purnell .. 6
Ruth M. Border
George E. Fearn
*Alma M. Greaves
John McDonald
John A. Anderson ..... 8
Andrew N. Stubbs $\quad . \quad 5$ Peter Border .. .. .. Tellor
Composed by William Pye.

* First peal of Surprise Royal.

Conducted by PETER Border.
LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.., July 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb . in C .
*Brian M. Smith .. ..Treble। Juseph W. Cot
Brian G. Warwick .. 2 John A. Acres
†Richard J. Clifton .. 3 A. James Poynor
+Ernest Morris .. .. 4 Russel S Mornis
John M. Jelley .... s |G. Ronalid Edwards ... Tenor Composed by Edward C. Gobey. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal on 10 bells. $\dagger 50$ th peal together. First peal in the method.

WAKEFIELD. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. July 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.
As the Cathedral Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor $35 t \mathrm{cwt}$.
W. Eric Critchley .. ..Treble ${ }^{\text {Tit }}$ David Cubitt

Howard Scott
2 James A. D. Woolford
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Wilfrid F. Moretion
Peter Woodward
*Geoffrey Townend
Kenneth Park
Composed by Arihur Kaichis
Composed by Arihur KNights. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
Feal of Stedman Caters. 200th peal as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ERDINGTON. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. Or Mon.. June 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules,
At the Roman Catholic Abbey of SS. Thomas and Edmund, A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt .3 gr .26 lb . in F.
Elizabeth M. Yardley ..Treble George E. Fearn
Ruth M. Border .. .. 2 Peter Border
Brian D. A. Woolley .. 3 John A. Anderson
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Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4 John Mc-Donald
Composed hy W. E. Critchley. Conducted by John McDonald.

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Sat., July 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minures, At the Church of Sr. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
 Composed by A. Knighis.

Conducted by J. Di Holden - First peal. First peal on the recast bells.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Francis Heighway. B.A., and Mrs. Heighway.

## HAMPTON. MIDDLESEX

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Sal., July 2. 1960 in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 50Bs DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
 Raymond G. Burion .. 4 Frank C. Price ... .. Tenor
Composed by James Hunt.

* First attempt for a peal.

SOUTH WIGSTON. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. July 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMRRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
*Brian G. Warwick ..Treble $\ddagger$ Brian M. Smith

- Richard J. Clifton i. 2 A. James Poynor $\dagger$ Ernest Morris JOSEPH W. COtTO Composed by James S. Wilde. Russell S. Morris John M. Jelley

Tenor - 50th peal together. t l00th peal of Cambridge Major. \& First of Surprise 'inside.

BELPER. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

David Parkin
Mrs, P. A. M Halls
J. Frank Smallwood

Seier Bell.amy-Knights.

Treble|Gordon A. Halls
2 Wm. Arnold Morley 3 Clive W. Walklate Composed by G. A. Halls and D. R. Carlisle. Conducted by G. A. Halls.
CHEPSTOW. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt . 1 qr .24 lb . in E .

## Leslife Barry

Thomas Yeoman
. Treble
Yeoman ..... 2 Trevor M. Rodericy
Setwyn H. Dearden
J. Arthur Hoare

Conducted by David I. Kinc
Rung with the best wishes of the band after the wedding of John
E. Morgan and Patricia H. Jones, both ringers at Chepstow.

## ELVEDEN. SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat.. July 9, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 16 Minures.
At the Memorial Tower of SS. Patrick and Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5024 BERKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt 2 qr. 20 lb.
*G. William Critchley..Treble Colin A. S. Harwood Chris. W. Woolley .. 2 Patricia M. Bourn Arihur G. Mason .. 3 J. Richard Castledine *Claudia A. Critchley. 4 Jack S. Dear Composed by Christopher W. Woolley. Conducted by G. William Critchley.

- 200th neal together

First in the method by all the band.

## FINEDON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat.. July 9. 1960. in 3 Hours and 10 Mimues.

At 1 he Church of Sit Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5184 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, MAJOR

## J. W. Washbrook's Variation

Gillian Taveni:
Diana M. Lawless

* Eric Bilitings
*Robin Wilson

Tenor 21 cwt .2 qr. 23 lh . in D *David J. Marshall
Alan J. Frost
Bryan Patitison
Patrick 1. Chapman
Tenor

- First neal of Cambridge Surprise.

HEADINGLEY. LEEDS, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9, 1980, in 3 Hours and 3 Minules.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr . in E .
Susan Chaddock .. ..Treble © David Cubiti
Howard Scott
James A. D. Woolford 5
7
W. Eric Critchley $\quad \cdots \quad 3$ Norman Chaddock .. 7

Gordon Benfield .. .. 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Tenor
Composed by J. W. Parkes, Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First peal of Surprise.

SOUTH SHIELDS, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mon., July 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 4) Minules.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Norman Errington ..Treble Kenneth W. Cheeseman 5
Charles N. Lea .. ... 2 Kenneth Arthur ... :. 6

Composed by George Baker. Conducted hy J. Alan Ainsworth.

* First peal in the method.

FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ont Wed., July 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL AT OF 5088 LHE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE, MURPRISE MAJOR

| Oswald Claybrook | Treble | Fred Jackson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roger King | 2 | Walter Allman |
| Denis Maddock | 3 | John E. Bibby |
| Harold Worrall | 4 | Cyril Valentine |

First peal in Conducted by Denis Maddock.
First peal in the method as conductor.
STOKE POGES. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. July 13. 1960 in 2 Howrs and 54 Minutes
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 13 cwt .2 gr .3 lb .
Mrs. A. D. Barker ..Treble| D. Kenvyn Walters .. 5

| Wilfred G. Wilson | $\ldots$ | 2 | Roland Biggs | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur D. Barker | $\cdots$ | 3 | William Birmingham | $\cdots$ | 7 |  |


Conducted by Arthur D. Barker.

* First peal of Stedman.

Rung in memoriam Albert E. Lock. a member of the Guild for 54 years

TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. July 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Paul. Cross stone.
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenoi 93 cwt . in A .
John H. Fielden .. ..Treble Philip H. J. Hudson .. 5

| *Colin R. Milithorp | .. | 2 | Dlerek Butterworth | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Michael. D. Fishwick | .. | 3 | PPier Scholfield | .. | 7 |

* Geoffrey Cheetham .. 4 Direk Ogden an Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHIS. Conducled by DEREK OGDEN.

* First peal in the method The 7th ringer has now circled the tower with peals.

WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., July 14. 1960, i/s 2 Hours and 41 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 ISLINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .25 lb . in A.
C. Edward Lankester ..Treble G. William Critchley .. 5

Richard F. B. Speed .. 2 Alick Cutler .. .. 6

| Joan Beresford | .. | .. | 3 | Alfred J. House .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John R. Mayne | 7 |  |  |  |

Johs R. Mayne ... ${ }^{4}$. J. Richard Casiledine .. Tenor
Composed by Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by John R. Mayne.
The first peal in the method.
ESHER SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 16. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MLAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .1 qr. 14 lh , in A flat.
Derek Ashridge .. ..Treble John F. M. Maybrey ..
Catherine M. Powell
Stanley G. Ponting Harol.d A. May Alan E. Bacworih. . Frank Oakshott

Composed by C. Middleton. A. Patrick Cannon Major (conducted (4).

- First peal of Surprisc. The Conductor hy A. Pairick Cannon.
conductor's 200th peal of Surprise

> ISLINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR
> $-38-4.58-12.38 .14-14.3-36-5$.
> 8ths place lead end. 4ths place bohs.

## HERTFORD

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SLRPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr .22 lb.
Claudia A. Critchley ..Treble Patricia M. Bourn G. William Critchley .. 2 Colin A. S. Harwood J. Richard Castledine George A. Spencer
Composed by Stephen Ivin.
3 Edwin G. Buck
Conducted by G. William Critchiey

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WICKEN. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oif Sat., July 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .1 qr. 20 lb. Bitterne Park.

Being seven extents
Robert Buiton
Albert E. Dixon
William J. Balley

William J. Chester ..Treble William A. Yates .. ..
Edgar J. Smith .. .. 2 George E. Green
-Charles E. Truman $\quad . \quad 3$ George W. Holland
†Christopher C. Clarke 4 Alan R. Pink 7
Composed by J. S. Wilde. (C.C.C. 8.)
Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal of Major in the method. † Firsi in the method 'inside:'


## SIX BELL PEALS

FITTLEWORTH. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., June 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent T.B. and St. Clement's and five extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. Richard H. Pickering ..Treble Gfoffrey C. Rix .. .. 4 Bryan C. Burrough ... 2 E. Winifred Keys .. .. 5 C. R. Chad Coussmaker 3 Bernard E. Matthews .. Tenor Conducted by Bernard E. Matithews.
Rung for the ordination of Rev. Stephen Sidebotham. son of the Vicar of Fittleworth. to be curate of the Church of the Ascension,

SCARNING. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sun.. July 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 14 cwt - qr. 18 lb . in E Samuel H. Waterfield Edward Howes Tony Owen Conducted hy TONY OWEN.
.. ..Treble -

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., July 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being extents in seven variations
Gilberi Cowlin
Joan Parker
John H. Bluff

| .. |
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| .. Treble |

Herbert Goakes

Conducted by John H. Bluff.
The conductor has now' completed the circle.
Rung for the conimencement of the centenary celebrations of this church.

ALDINGTON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9. 1950, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
peal At the Church of St. Martin,
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.
Tenor 13 cwt .3 qr .11 jb . in $F$ sharp
John R. COOPER .. ..Treble | Ralph Bird ....... 4
Ian H. Oram .. .. .. 2 Crawford T. Hillis .. 5
Thomas Cullingworth... 3 | A. Patrick Cannon.. . . Tenor
Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.
First of Treble Boh as conductar
OLD GLOSSOP. DERBYSHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At The Church of All Saints,
Being seven extents in four methods, (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) Kent T.B.. (3) and (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

Gordon Rumney
Carol Fernley
Treble
John P. Partington
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Conducted by

* First peal in four methods.

SELLINDGE. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent tach of London, York, Norwich. Beverley, Surfleet, Ipswich and Cambridge.
A. Patrick Cannon

Ralph Bird
Crawford T. Hillis Tenor 8 cwt .2 qr .19 lb . in A flat.

## GORTON. MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. July 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At iht Unitarian Church, Brookfield.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Christine Livesey Treble Gorden Rumney *e. Michael Quinn ... 2 tBrian Rumney
John Robinson ... 3 William H. Dowse .. Tenor
Composed by William H. Dowse.

* First in the method. + First peal.

Rung as a 17 th birthday compliment to Miss Christine Livesey and William H. Dowse.

WORMINGFORD. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. July 11. 1960 , in 2 Hours 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven 720's called differently.
*Ann Berry
Urban W Widiney ...Treble
Frank B. Lufkin ... .. 3 Maurice E. Downs .. Tenor Conducted by Frank B. LuFkin.

* First peal. The ringer of 2 has now 'circled the tower.

Rung as a compliment to John William Brown, ringer at Bocking, Essex, and Ann Cosette Lufkin, ringer at Kirby-le-Soken, whose engagement was announced the previous day.

## WESTON-IN-GORDANO. SOMERSET

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCFSAN ASSOCIATION AND BRISTOL CATHEDRAL SCHOOL GUILD.
On Wed., July 13, 1960, in 2 Hours ond 39 Minules.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of $\mathbf{S t}$. Clement's and six extents of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

- Jfffrer R. Goodenough Treble Cliff. J. Richards
+Michael J. Hobbs.. .. 2 Pairick J. Bird Peter E. Parry $\quad$. $\quad 3 \quad 3$ D. John Hunt Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

HEVERSHAM, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., July 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being sever different extents.
Dorothy Nelson .. ..Treble ! †John A. Wood
Tenor 16 cwt .
Lawrence D. Clement.. $2, ~ \ddagger$ William G. Wilson

- Peter Handley ... .. 3 George E. Braithwaite Tenor
- Conducted by George E. Braithwaite.
*First peal of Minor "inside." † First peal. $\ddagger$ First peal of Plain Bob Minor.
Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 4 th. who is leaving the District.

TWYFORD. LEICESTERSHIRE.
IHE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 16, 19(0), in 2 Hours and 35 Minules,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two 720 's Oxford T.B., one 720 Kent T.B., four 720 's Plain Boh. Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .

| June Thomas | Treble | Ian G. Stracey |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Meredith | 2 | Ronald J. Hill |
| Roland H. Cook | 3 | Michael E. Stracey |

The conductor's 75 th peal.

GOODWORTH CLATFORD. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., July 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Norwich, (2) London and Wells, (3) Beverley, (4) Surflect, (5) York (6) Durham, (7) Cambridge.
Ernest J. Munday Tenor 10 cwt .
..Treble Reginald W. Rex
*Cherry White ... 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd.. .. Tenor

* Firsh peal of Minor. First in more than six Surprise Minor by all the band.
Rung as a farewell to Hazel and Cherry White, who are leaving the district to take up a teaching appointment in South London.

BENFIELDSIDE. CO. DURHAM
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., July 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Mimutes,

## At the Church of St. Cuthbert

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Beverley Surprise, Single Oxford. St. Clement's. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. C.C.C. Nos. 68, 154, 158, 64, 149. 151 and 54.

Tenot 12 cwt .
Christopher T. Lamb ..Treble Kenneth W. Cheeseman
*John E. Anderson $\quad \ldots \quad 2$ J. Alan Ainsworth .. 5
George S. Deas .. .. 3 Eric N. Harrison . Tenor
Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

* First peal in 7 methods.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Ian Robertson, who was recently inducted to this living.

## HANDBELL PEALS

SOUTHWELL, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July, 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.
In the Ringers' Room.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
42 extents. 10 different callings.
George E. Foster... .. 1-2| Frederick G. Hooper
*John R. Pratchett $\ddot{\text { a }}$ 5-6
Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.

* First peal in hand.


## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., July 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes
at The Wayside, 150. Narborough Road South.
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Consisting of 1.472 Yorkshire. 1.408 Superlative and 2.176 Cambridge. with 134 changes of method.
John A. Acres ...
Mrs. P. J. Staniforth
$1-2 \mid$ Alfred Ballard
Tenor size 15 in $C$.
Mrs. P. J. Staniforth .. 3-4 Peter J. Staniforth .. 7 - 8
Composed by Harold J. Poole, Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.
First peal of Spliced Surprise on handbells for the Guild and first of Spliced Surprise 'in hand by all the band. The previous peal was found to be false.

In memoriam Harold J. Poole (July 14th, 1955).

## half peals

BATLEY, YORKS.-On July 7th, two extents each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob Minor: Molly Hepworth 1. Shirley Mudd 2, R. Mudd 3, Christine Tattersall 4. J. Buckley 5, L. Sheard (cond.) 6. A 21 st hirth day comoliment to the conductor.
LONDON, S.W.-()n July 8th, at 121, Lillington Strect. 3.6 (Y) Plain Bub Minur: M. P. Mareton (cond.) 1-2. M. V. Chilcott 3-4. Miss A. W. Shurcliff 5-6.

ADDERBLRY, OXON.-On June 26th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Guntrip 1. M. Sayers 2. B. Davis 3. Mrs. A. Bennell 4. R. Recves (cond.) 5, C. Guntrin 6. First quarter for 1. 2 and 6. Rung for Matins as an adieu to $R$. Reeves, on juining the R AF.
ALVESTON, GLOS.-On July $18 \mathrm{ih}, 1.440$ Plain Bot Minor: Jean Palmer (first of Minor) 1. Rita M Webh 2. Gloria M. Newtun 3. B. K. Lewis 4. J. J Jefieries 5. A. F. Lee (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble, and alsu to mark the birth of Susan. sccond daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. King.

AXMINSTER, DEVON.-On July 11th. 1,280 Sunerlative Surnrise Major: F. Knight (first of Major) 1. Mrs. C. W. Powell 2. Hilda Oakshett 3 M. F. Oakshett 4. G. Olliffe (first in method) H. G. Keeley 6, C. W. Powell 7. G. S. Marris (cond.) 8.
BATHAMPTON, SOMERSET.-On June 23rd 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Scot Watson I Miss 1. Crees 2, Miss B. White 3, R. Stubbs 4 , W. J. Prescutt (cond.) 5, R. Stubbs 6. Rung with the bells half-muffied in memoriam Miss M. Gooding. BRISTOL.-On July 12 th , at the Church of Si Michael-on-the-Moumt, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. J Oimond (first quarter) 1. J. A. Bennett 2. G. Locke 3. P. E. Parry 4. B. Huddieston (cond.) 5. C. Abbot 6. Also at the Cathedral, on July 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles; 1. Buckland 1. M. J. Hobbs 2 H. N. Evans 3, J. Goodenough 4, C. J. Richards (cond.) 5. Rung on the back five. First quarter by pupils of Bristol Cathedral School.
BROCKENHURST, HANTS.-On July 15th, 1.261 Doubles ( 12 n each of St Simon's, Plain Belb, St . Martin's. Reverge Camterbury. Reverye $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{t}}$ Barholomew. Spliced Siedman and Grandsire, 240 Crandsire and 300 Stedman): Miss A. J. Knigh1 1 Miss G. Hussey 2. M. D. G. Northway 3. C. M White 4. A. W. Fry (cond.) 5. R. H. Hussey 6.
BLCKLEY, FLINTS.-On July 11 th. 1.312 Double Norwich Bob Maior: G. F. Sperring 1, F. R Evans 2, Miss R. J. Seabright 3. J. S. Dean 4, J. W Griffiths (cond.) 5. D. H. B. Millward 6, C. Gudgeon 7. P. Swindiey 8.

BURES, SUFFOLK.-On July 16th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: E. C. Hynard 1, Mrs. L. Mills 2. Miss E. Canidale 3. Miss J. Spurgin 4. C. Hower S. D Bronks 6. L. D. Mills 7. D. L. Mills (cond) 8 Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to the conductor
CHARFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.- On July loth 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: P. Sanwell (first quarter firyt attempl) 1. H. Edwards 2. B. A. Cracknell (cond.) 3. Mrs. Pamela S. Cracknell 4, P. Atkins 5, J. Onians 6. For Evensong and as a farewell to the treble ringer. who is leaving the district after 2 years at Newland Park College. Also on July 17th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Bonam 1. Mrs. P. S Cracknell 2, T. Bonam (first quarter invide at first atiempt) 3, B. A. Crackncll (cond.) 4. P. Aikins 5. B. Edwards 6. For Evencang and as a farewell in the ringers of 1 and 3 who are shorly leaving the districm.
CHALFONT ST. PETER. BUCKS.-On July $13 . \mathrm{h}$ 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: E. G. Swift (cond.) 1. Mrs. E. G. Swift 2. Miss E. L. Badenck 3. M. G. Swift \& P. C. Badcock S. E. I. Briden 6 . Rung half mufied for Mrs. J. J. Williams. Also on July 17th 1.260 Plain Bnh Minor: E. G. Swift 1. Mrs, E. O. Swifı 2. Miss E, L. Badcuck 3. P. G. Badcock 4. C J. Shepherd (cond.) 5. M. G. Swift 6. Rung in memoriam Mr. A. E. Lock, of Abingdon.

CORSTUN, Nr, BATH.-On July 10th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Elford 1. Miss J. Battin 2, C. 1. A Brown 3. S. C. King 4. H. L. Parfrey S. F. Pike 6 Conducting shared between 3 and 5. Rung as a farcwell
DENHOIME, YORKS.-On July 16th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Corson (first quarter) 1. Beryl Abbati 2. A. E. Stamp 3, N. Dyson 4. C. B. Dove (cond ) 5, G. D. Armitage 6.
EDINBURGH.-At St. Mary/s Cathedral, on June 11th. 1.275 Siedman Caters: H. F. Sargent 1, Mixs L. Beevers 2. Mixs M. Wilson 3. R. S. Wilson Miss K. Branson 5, E. Boumphrey 6, A. Sharples 7 W. H. Pickell (cond.) 8, A. W. Lloyd 9. A. Beal 10. Runs as compliment to the conductor, who is shonly kavias the darict.

## QUARTER PEALS

ELVEDON, SUFFOLK.-On July 10th, at Elvedon Parish Church. 1.260 Plain Buh Major: H. Ivings 1 June $E$ Wright (first quarte of 8 bells and first allempt) 2, Mrs. H. Ivings 3. Miss D. M. Reeve 4. J. Ivings 5. L. Wrizht 6.

## Paul (cond.) 8, Rung for Matins,

EPSOM, SURREY.-At Christ Church, on July 8th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Carolyn D. Cockman. I D. Herschell 2, G. A. Cockman 3, Adrienne Gibson 4. D. J. F. Uakshott 5. N. D. J. Webh 6, F. Oakshot (cond.) 7. K. Ward 8 For Confirmation sarvice
FARNHAM, SURREY.-On July 10hh. 1.260 C. randsire Triples: Miss E. Luff (first quarter) 1. Miss . Curtis 2. C. W. Denyer 3. D. Elsmere (firsi inside') 4. S. Meadows 5. E. J. Wells (cond.) 6. R. North 7. 1. W. Marr 8. For Evensong.
FOLKESTONE, KENT.-On July 141 h , at the Church of SI. Mary and St. Eanswythe, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Welland 1. Miss E. Hough 2 Mise M. Bryant 3. Miss V. Godderidge 4, 1. Binfietd 5. T. Andersu) (cond.) 6. A. Berry 7. J. Welland 8. Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Rev. Canon 1. F. and Mrs. Hough.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On July 9th. 1.260 Grandire Trinle: J. H. Napper 1. C. J. Garlick 2. G. W. Bishop 3. D. R. Bosley 4. C. Corderoy 5. M. Bishon (cond.) 6. W. Corderoy 7. L. F. Cox 8. Runs half-muffled as last tribute to Albert E. Lock whose funcral took place at Abingdon, earlier in the day. Also on July 14th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Waldron (first quaner) 1. H. K. White 2 , Miss M. Thomas 3, J. H. Nanper 4. C. J. Garlick 5. M. Bishod (eond.) 6. H. L. Bishon 7. L. F. Cox \& Runs in the occasion of the goin birihday of Geurge Warwick, a former ringer at this tower.
HULL, YORKS.-At Holy Trinity, on July 2nd. . 387 Grandsire Cinques: W. E. Critchley (cond) 1 W. F. Moreton 2. P. Woodward 3. H. Scott 4 D. Cubitt 5, J. A. D. Woolford 6. K. Park 7 R E. Price 11, D. Johnson 12, Firsi quarter peal on the augmented bells.
HUYTON, LANCS.-AL - Brentwood, Skin Lane, 1.272 Plain Boh Minimus: W. G. Wilson (firs in hand) 1-2, W. I. Couperihwaite $3-4$. A birthday compliment to the mother of the ringer of $3-4$.
IVER. BUCKS.-On July 17ih. 1.260 Doubles (720 Grandsire. 540 Plain Bob): D. G. Rowlands 1. Rosalind Hicks 2. W. D. Ward 3. A. K. Fonin 4 W. Birmingham (cond.) 5, H. Chadwell (first attempt for a quarter) 6. A compliment to the Rev. David Croad (till recently curate of this parish), on his marriage to Miss Felicity Collins. in London, on July 16th.
KINGSWINFORI, STAFFS.-On July 7th, 1.260 ()xford Bob Triples: T. Williams (firm quarter) 1 . D. Downing 2. T. Fasey (first of Triples *inside ') 3. C. F. Jukes 4. A, E. Morgan 5. R. A. Pcakman 5. D. N. Layton (cond.) 7. F. Presion 8. Rung 2s part of the Festival of Music and Drama weak.
LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.-On July 13 th 1.344 London Surprise Major: J. A. Bennett 1. Joan Gray 2. Elisaheth Bowden 3. D. C. Exell 4. D. E Cobb 5. B. A. Shackleton 6. R. G. Hooper 7.0 J. H Gilbert (cond.) 8. Firit of London Major for 1, and 7. A welcome in Stephen George Yen, borm

## on July 4th

LONDON.-At St. Borolph's. Bishopsgate. on July 10th. 1.280 Plain Bot Major: B. J. Luck 1. D. C Chattield 2, G. A. Parsons 3. T. H. Holmes 4. T. C. Phillimore 5, H. Clark 6. J. W. Euston D. A. Chapman (cond.) 8 . For morning prayer. LYME REGIS. DORSET.-On July 10th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Malor: G. S. Morris (cond.) I, M. F. Oakshett 2. Hilda Oakshet1 3. Mri. C. W Powell 4. G. Ollifie S. H. G. Keeley G. R. Keeley 7 C. W. Powell 8. For Evensong.

MINETY: WHLTS, -On June 22nd, 1.440 Plain Bnh Minor: J. J. Westmacutt 1, F. W. Soden 2 W. J. Dixon 3. M. C. F. Collett 4. T. J. H. Prince S. T. W. Timms (cond.) 6 . Believed to be the
first quarter of Minor since the bells were rehung and augmented to six
NORTHENDEN MANCMESTER.-On July 10th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. P. Ward 1. Pamela Buzza 2. P. Banks 3. F. Gales 4. R. Benson (cond.) R. Bagguley 6. First of Grandsire for 1, 2, 3 and Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 3 rd, on the occasion of his forthcoming marriage.
OSPRINGE, KENT.-On July 10th, 1,260 Grand sire Doubles ( 6 and 8 covering): A. Terry 1. F. Pack 2. B. R. Jemmett 3. F. C. Farnsworih 4. E. T Eades (cond.) 5. G. Nictolson 6, N. Tumber 8. For Confirmatton serwice,

PENHOW, MON.-On July $16 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Minor: Jacqueline King 1. T. Yeoman 2. Shirley Parsons 3. D. Llewellyn 4. I. Page (first quaner)

RADLEY, BERKS.-On July $\$ 7 \mathrm{th} .1,380$ Doubles (fitul) Grandsire. 720 Plain Bob): R. A. Vere Hodge (first on a working bell) 1. R. J. Crawfurd 2, D. I. Pollard 3, R. N. Grange 4. Miss M. R. Cross (cond.) 5. C. D. Vere Hodge (first on a working bell) 6. Rung in grateful memory for the life and work of Albert E. Lock, of Abingdon.
RADYR, GLAM.-On May 30th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: G. Upsdell (first quarter) 1. Janel Harvev 2. T. T. Lewis 3. N. Lamping 4. B. Taylor 5, J. Goodfellow (cond.) 6
RAYIEIGH, ESSEX.-On July 17th, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Miss E. Hatch 1. G. Sandwell 2. Miss V. Hester 3. F. May 4, W. Ellis 5, R. Tomlin 6. M. Hallett 7. A. House (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

SALISBURY, WILTS.-On July 15th, at Si Thomas ${ }^{\circ}$ Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. A. Roles 1. H. Abrahams (cond.) 2, 1. Ann Abrahams .. Ann M. Sweeney 4. Margaret R. Page 5, E. C. Read 6, L. A. Page 7. B. J. Lawes 8. Rung with hells half-muffled to the memory of Mr. Harry Prout. an estceed member of this tower, whose funcral sook place this day
SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.-On June 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 7. 8 covering): V. H. Nash 1. Miss J. Robinson 2. V. A. Hemming 3. Mrs, B. Park 4. B. D. Parridge 5. D. A. H. Bennett 6. Kent 7. 1. Maybury 8. Jointly conducied by 2 and

## First quafter 6. 7. 8

SKILLINGTON, LINCS.-On Juiy 16th. 1.320 April Day, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Mr. M. Pinchbeck 1. P. Slight 2, C. Nokes 3, F. Pinchbeck 4. E. Cole (cond.) 5. A 21 st birthday compliment to

SOUTH PETHERTON. SOMERSET.-On July 16 th . .344 Plain Bob Maior: W. H. G. Monckton 1. G. Caylard 2. F. Welch 3. G. E. Monckton 4. J. E. Looker 5. H. E. G. leanes 6. J. T. Locke 7. H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 8. A hirthday compliment to Mr . W. H. G. Monckion

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On July 10th, 1.320 Plain Boh Doubles: K. Bodicoar 1. D. J. Bodicont 2. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 3. B. G. Warwick 4. B. M. Evensong.
STAINES, MIDDX,-At St. Mary's Church. on July 18th. 1.344 Plain Bob Triples: Carol O'Kelly (first of Trıples) 1. D. Boniface 2, E. Skipsey 3. R. Shepherd (cond.) 4. Margaret Gibson 5, C. Fynes b. M. Bartett (first 'inside') 7, D. Pickett 8. First of Bob Triples for 2 and 5
STOKE ROCHFORD. LINCS.-On July 16th. 1.260 April Day. Plain Boh ans C.randsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Pinckheck 1. F. Pinchheck 2. P. Slight 3. C. Nokes 4. E. Coles (first as cond.) 5. First in 3 Double methods by 3 and
STOLIRBRIDGE, WORCS.-At St. Thomas Church. on July 17th 1.280 Double Norwich Cours Bob Maior: M. D. Fellows (first in method) 1. Mrs. R. Smith 2. Barbara Stephens 3. P. W. Webb 4 . V. Nicholls 5. M. T. Sprackling 6. D. H Watson 7. R. Smilh (cond) 8. Firs 'inside' in method 3 and 6. Rung by Sunday service band for Evensong. and as a farewell to Dr. M. T. Sprackling. who is leaving the district
IENTERDEN; KENT. $O$ On June 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Mevnell 1, Kathleen M . Yeo (cond.) 2. Violet I. E. Relf 3, W. P. Tickner 4. P. Relf 5. E. Stanger 6. Rung half-mufled as a token of respect to Cecil H Ballard, ringer for ver 30 years at Tenterden and former coptain.
WANTAGE. BERKS.-On July 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. While 1. 1. Stoter 2, K. Leach 3. A. R. Wood 4. D. Sinter 5. H. White (Girs in method as cond.) 6. First in method for 2. 4 and Believed to be the first quarier in the methad on the bells by a lecal hand.
WARMIEY, GLOS.-On July 8ih, 1.260 Girandsire Doubles: I. G. Smith (firs1 quarier) 1. Myra 1. Wilkins 2. M. J. Hobbs 3. Rin M. Webb 4. A. W. Gibbe (cond.) 5. B. K. Lewis 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Grese White, wife of the organisi of his church. Also on July 10th. 1.272 Plain Bot Minimur: Jean Palmer 1. Myra J. Wilkins 2, B. K. Lewis 3. A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 4. 1. G. Sm
WIDCOMBE, BATH.-On July 10th, 1.2f.0 Grandsire Doubles: Miss 1. Crees 1. Mrs. P. Newman 2. Miss D. Barrett 3. R. S. M. Stubbs 4. H. C.
Newman (cond.) 5.
S. compliment to Miss D. Barrett.
WINSHILI. DERBYS. On June 29th. 1.260 Plaia Bob Minor: Margaret Mitchell 1. J. K. Smith 2. G. Lester 3. F. Fretwell 4. W. Elliot 5, A. G. Foster (cond.) 6. For the Deanesy Feadival service.

## CHRIST CHURCH, SWINDON

An early start was made by ringers and friends of Christ Church. Swindon. on their annual outing on June 25 th. and with the promise of fine weather the coach was soon rolling towards this year's venue-five towers in Hampshire.
The Church of St. Mary. Twyford (8. 11 cwt .) was first visited and the day's ringing began with touches in various standard methods and a good course of London Major. A fair eight awaited us at SS. Peter and Paul. Fareham ( 14 cwt.). where an enjoyable hour's ringing was had. A short ride brought us 10. perhaps. the most eagerly awaited stop of all. namely lunch at a roacitouse in Portchester.
Various glimpses of the sea told us that our farthest point was soon to be reached and everyone was looking forward to the climax of the day's ringing at Portsmouth Cathedral. Here, however. the key did not turn up until five minutes before we were due to leave and it was suggested that in future the Manual of the College of Campanology should contain a paper on memory training.

Arriving at St Mary's. Portsea (8, 17 cwt). we found the bells up after being used for a wedding and we were happy to ring while the photographs were being taken in the churchyard below. The spacious ringing chamber. perfect circle and the tone and "go" of the bells impressed us all and here again there was something for everyone: another course of London being among the methods rung.
An excellent tea was served us at Portsmouth and after listening to tape recordings taken during the day and a wash and brush up. "we set off for what was the last tower and the novelty of the day, the light ring of ten ( 9 cwt.). at North Stoneham. These bells were soon speeding along to a touch of Grandsire Caters, after which Stedman Caters and a half course of Cambridge Royal were successfully brought round.

Home was reached at 11 o'clock but not hefore everyone had voted the outing a huge success and had voiced three cheers for Eric Sutton in appreciation of his faultless organisa tion.

## OUTINGS

## BLEWBURY, BERKS

On July 2nd Blewbury ringers and friends toured the Watford area on the occasion of their annual outing. ringing at Hemel Hempstead. King's Langley. Bushey and Bushey Heath, with a final call on the way home at Burnham. Bucks.

Methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Triples. Plain Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob, with call changes and rounds for the learners.

Worthy of special mention is Ernie Garrard who, unable to be with us in the morning. made the journey to Bushey by rail to join is for the afternoon and evening.
We were glad to note that one peal conductor in the party managed to stay awake all day when ringing. although he had to make five attempts to bring round a bob course of Stedman. at Burnham!

## HENBURY, BRISTOL

The Wye Valley was invaded by 12 Henbury ringers and friends in a minibus on July 2nd. Slimbridge. with its well kept belfry, and Newent, with its tenor of disputed weight. provided good appetites for lunch at Ross. Next. a drive down the Wye Valley stopping at Monmouth for a ring on the fine Rudhall eight at St. Briavels. where good views of the surrounding countryside compensated for the unfavourable attributes of the bells for good ringing.
Tea. followed by a ring on the fine ring at Chepstow. brought us to our last tower. Lydney, and a good local welcome. Thanks go to all incumbents and tower captains. and to George Locke for organising a splendid outing.
A. B.

## APSLEY, HERTS

June 25 th dawned drizzly but the party assembled at 6.30 a.m. were nothing daunted. Picking up the St. Albans contingent and various others en route (the last member joining the coach at Newmarket). handbells were soon tapping along merrily. Wymondham was reached by 10 o clock. the party being met by Mr. H. Tooke and other local ringers, who had kindly raised bells which were much enjoyed.

The next objective was the new ring at Great Yarmouth. where the Rev. A. G . Thurlow extended a hearty welcome. Being a little late it was greatly appreciated that the bells had been raised by the Rev. G. Gattey Rounds. Grandsire Cinques and three leads of Treble Twelve had to be sufficient as it was lunch time.

Back to Norwich where Mr. Gowing was ready at St. Michael's. Coslany, to take charge of the party. From St. Michael's 10 St. George s. Colegate, where the Rev. Gordon Paget greeted the ringers. Then to St. Giles", led by our worthy guide, where again local ringers were in attendance. A splendid tea was then enjoyed at the Bedford Buttery.

A lovely run back to Newmarket to find the bells of St. Mary's ready, with Mr. R. Heath and other local ringers in attendance. Many methods including Spliced were rung. It was a tired but contented party that arrived back at Apsley soon after midnight.

Thanks are due to the incumbents and ringers who met the party and last. but not least. to Mr. B. Love, who was so helpful in making the Norwich arrangements.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On July 17 hh. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: 1. L. Gray 1, A. S. Burbidge 2. M. G. Ingram 3, D. T. Finnemare 4. D. R. Ingram 5. A. Short 6. E. J. Franklin (cond.) 7. J. W Pettigrew 8. R. C. Ingram 9, D. J. Atherley (first of Caters) 10. For Evensong and also as a 21 st birthday compliment to Mr. B. Downic, at present serving in H.M. Forces, in Aden.

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Miss A. W. Shurcliff. daughter of the late Mrs. Shurcliff. of Boston. U.S.A. BELFRY who was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, is on holiday in this country. She rang in a half peal (' in hand ') of Plain Bob Minor, on July 8th. in London, with Mr. Michael P. Moreton and Mr. M. V. Chilcott.

Two rings of bells in North Wales are to be restored-Barmouth and Beaumaris.

The first quarter on the bells of Holy Trinity. Hull. since being augmented to 12 , was rung on July 2nd.

The recast bells of St . Michael's. Aldershot. were rededicated by the Archdeacon of Surrey. on Saturday, July 16 th. Practice is as usual on Fridays.

Bells will be heard prior to the morning service to be broadcast at 9.45 on Sunday. August 7th, in the Home Service, from St. Mary's Church. Westerham. Kent. The service will be conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. P. P. Kirwin; the Master of the ringers is J. S. Igglesden.

The Executive Committee of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association have appointed Mr. W. H. Trueman, of Swindon. the immediate past master. to carry out the duties of Master until the next annual meeting following the lamented death of Mr. Frank Skidmore.

The peal at Bradley. Bilston. Staffs. while being the first on the recast bells was not the first rung in the tower. There was a peal rung in this tower 53 years ago. Mr. William Davies is the first member of the local band. formed after the installation of the recast ring, to ring a peal.

The fine sonorous ring at St. Hilda's, South Shields, evidently has a powerful attraction to beings other than ringers for during bath a recent meeting and the peal of Rutland Surprise Major, on July 11th, a dog has bounded up and after a few preliminary barks has either howled at or with the bells for about three minutes. Fortunately the peal ringers. used as they are to ships sirens, fire engines and small boys throwing stones at this tower. refused to be put off.

One time ringer at St . Andrew's, Hagbourne. Mr. George Warwick celebrated his 90 th birthday on July 14 th . To mark the occasion the local band rang a quarter peal. This over. George accompanied by the Vicar. the Rev. H. A. Smith-Masters, walked down with the band to the Fleur-de-Lys. to celebrate the occasion and to talk over old times. especially the peal George rang in 1905.

The number of Grandsire in the peal of Spliced Caters, at Wakefield, on June 25th (see page 474), was 4.211 not 4.213 .
Pipe's Pilgrims start their 1960 tour next Sunday. The itinerary includes North Lancashire. the Lake District, Tyneside, Durham. and Yorkshire.
Mr. Albert J. Hughes. of Bangor. is. we are glad to learn, fairly well again after a very rough time. He extends his grateful thanks to ringing friends who have written to him during his long illness.
The quarter peal at Penhow. Mon. on July 16 th, rung after an attempt for a peal of Bob Minor had come to grief towards the end of the third extent. was Ivan J. Page's first quarter. Ivan. who is from Melbourne. Australia, and is at present working in England. rang very well at his first peal attempt.
Mr. W. H. Hibbert, of Reading, writes commending the work being done by Mr. and Mrs. Pares and another ringer working at the A.W.R.E.. Aldermaston, in training at least 20 youngsters to ring at Kingsclere. Hants. He hopes to make another trip to Kingsclere before the winter sets in to watch the progress of a tower from no ringing "to a local band able to ring for both Sunday services and a practice night every Thursday.
On July 13th the first peal was rung for the Bristol Cathedral School Guild at Weston-inGordano. The band comprised three pupils, two masters. and one old boy. Also on July 16 th the first quarter peal was rung by a complete band of pupils from the schoolGrandsire Doubles on the back five at the Cathedral.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS <br> By T. J. LOCK. <br> " M" continued

## MUFFLED (continued)

Two particular instances can be quoted where special attention was given to control noise of the bells by muffling as the churches are situated in built-up areas. Firstly, the two striking sides of the ball of the clapper were holed and threaded to receive a hard rubber insert, which protruded slightly above the face of the clapper-the effect was that the rubber contacted the metal of the bell first and sufficiently deadened the impact of the clapper to produce a much quieter though not precisely muffled sound. Secondly. to obviate the bad striking at learner stage an ingenious idea was adopted by using cut up motor car tyres. A hole was made through the centre of the tread which fitted over the flight of the clapper and lengths of tyre on both sides fitted over the ball with the ends secured around the shank of the clapper. This produced such a muffled note that it was hardly audible and moreover. when the learners had finished and the normal practice followed open ringing was achieved by merely quarter turning the tyre around the ball of the clapper.

NATURAL COURSE END.-This indicates a course end which is produced naturally, i.e.. without interference by calls. but its use and application is more restricted to the proving of compositions.

The following touch of Plain Bob Major2345678 W B M H

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would, by the use of Natural Course Ends, he set out as-

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| 2345678 |  |  |  |  |

You will notice that 78 are shown throughout with the tenors together at course ends and in their home positions their presence is so obvious that in practice they are not shown. You will also notice that when writing the natural course ends the figures repeat until a call affects the coursing order.
Eventually, you will come across a composition with one or more course ends in brackets -it means that that, particular course end is not actually, rung at ali because. owing to the construction of the method, the call immediately prior prevents it.

NOMENCLATURE.-Much thought has been given in the past to the matter of naming methods. simply, of course, for identification and classification purposes. A collection of methods was prepared in 1935 for the Methods Committee of the Central Council by the late J. Armiger Trollope and the late Ernest C. S. Turner. and this has been accepted by the Exercise. Whilst the Central Council declines to interfere with any individual ringer giving a name to a new method. it does urge the extreme importance of choosing suitable names, and the principle is to choose place names.

NOTATION.-By far the easiest and simplest way to set out a method is by Place Notation. and the printed collection of Surprise Major methods by the late Andrew J. Corrigan is the best known work using this principle. You will also see methods given by Notation from time to time in " The Ringing World. usually at the foot of a peal column. To work out a method from Notation. in addition to the Places given you need only to know one thing more-whether it is a seconds or some other Place Group method at the lead end. Then, to get a line diagram, you follow A. J. Corrigan's instructions, quoting . When writing down a plain lead from place notation use paper ruled in $f$ inch squares and fill in the path of the treble before starting on the working bells.'


## THE REV. K. W. H. FELSTEAD, Winchester Diocesan Guild.

The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead is undoubtedly the statistician of the Exercise, and his : Points from Peals* articles. which appear in this journal from time to time, are most helpful and interesting. He has a flair for collecting data and has built up a monumental record of about 110.000 peals, and the towers in which they were rung, His card index system must be a most efficient one-and a mine of information. He has willed it to the Central Council. hut it is to be hoped that it will be a long time before this body comes into possession!
Mr. Felstead is convener of the Methods Committee. and a few years ago this committee produced a tremendous report to the Council. which revealed that long and arduous work had been done. It is doubtful whether the recent report of the Sunday Service Ringing Survey Committee was so long. Certainly the Council and the Exercise have cause to be grateful to him and his committee for the very efficient way they did their job. Mr. Felstead is a very popular figure at Council meetings. and after the main meeting, when all can relax. he is to be seen as the life and soul of the party. He is a good musician and the possessor of a good voice.
Although he first learned to ring at Beighton. Derbyshire. about 1934. he did not become very active until he moved to Southampton.

## ST. MARY'S, HORNSEY

Only the tower remains of Hornsey Parish Church and in that tower is the only ring of bells in the horough. Both the tower and the bells are worth preserving (states 'The Hornsey Journal') if only to satisfy sentiment, but it was sad to hear it reported at the last meeting of Hornsey Borough Council that the Church Council of the Parish Church were no longer going to use the tower for bellringing.

This decision was bound up with the high cost of repairing the tower. towards which the Borough Council had already agreed in principle to give a grant.

The editorial continues: We feel confident that the Borough Council will see to it that the tower is saved. even if the money is not forthcoming to keep the bells ringing. There are those who say that every effort should be made to save the bells as well: and at a time when more money than ever before is being spent on personal luxuries. it is regrettable that the public as individuals cannot be moved to give what is necessary to preserve the only amenity of its kind within the borough.

He was a contemporary of Paul Taylor, at Sheffield University, and did a little ringing at Handsworth. Sheffield. When he arrived at Southampton, it was not long before George Williams took him in hand, and Mr. Felstead's regret is that he never rang a peal with this wonderful man. His first peal was rung on Easter Monday. 1945. and being a busy parson he has not had the time to build up a large peal total. What he has done, however, is to go for variety, and out of his total of 74 peals. 54 have been on 10 or more bells. He has rung 11 different Surprise Royal methods, and the 20 peals rung on 6 and 8 bells are in 14 different methods. He took part in a peal of 6.400 Cambridge Major, with tenors together and 6th place hob. and a peal of Spliced Surprise Royal in four methods. The other peals of Surprise Royal include several methods rung for the first time.
As Vicar of the important Church of St. Michael. Southampton, he is unquestionably a very busy man-but like all busy men he can always find time to do a little more for our benefit. and the Exercise will always be grateful to him not only for his useful work, but because he inspired the augmentation. from 8 to 10 bells. at St. Michael's. which is a first class ring

JAFUS.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild was held at Shirley, on July 2nd
The bells are a light octave (tenor $6 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cwt}$.) and were rung to suit all tastes from rounds to Spliced Surprise Major. An excellent tea had been prepared by the Shirley ringers, and thanks were expressed to the organisers, Mr. V. A. Henıming and Miss Judy Robinson.

The Master, Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd, occupied the chair at the meeting and commenced the proceedings by welcoming two visitors-Miss Anne Bullard and Mr. George Morris, of Malvern. The following resident members were elected: Margaret A. Turner, Erdington: Vivienne A. Neal. Packwood; Averill J. Bell, Cedric J. A. Goy and Robert A. Jones, of Hampton-in-Arden, and Victor B. Furber, of Handsworth.

The tower elections. as life members, of the following, were duly ratified: Penelope Sedgwick, and Beryl Cawser of Lichfield: Philip H. Tocock. Oxford: Philip Mehew. Stotfold: Philip Tubbs, Taunton: Philip Walker Oxford. and Philip Walker, of Rotherham. The preponderance of the name 'Philip is the result of the 'Philip' peal rung at Birmingham Cathedral a few weeks ago.

For the place of the October meeting Yardley. Aston and Boldmere were each proposed. and upon being put to the vote Aston was chosen.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The Eastern Branch visited Happisburgh, on the Norfolk coast. for a meeting on July 9 th. The service was conducted by the Vicar. Rev H R. Chisnell. and after a splendid tea the business meeting was presided over by the branch chairman. Mr. E. R. Goate.
The members heard the glad news that the Association president. Mr. F. Nolan Golden. was out of hospital and making good progress after his recent operation and the branch secretary was instructed to send a suitable message of best wishes.
Mr. A. Cooper and Miss G. Wilson probationers of Gorleston. were elected to full ringing membership as was Miss C. Sadd. of Happisburgh. Mr. P. Banthorpe and Miss A. Hannant were elected probationary members and Mr. A. Mason a ringing member: all these last mentioned belonged to the Happisburgh company

The Association secretary, Mr. W. Love, gave details of the progress of the Memorial Fund for the late Mr. C. V. Ebberson and Mr. H. W. Barrett gave a brief account of the Central Council meeting, at Folkestone

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar the organist. M. Hewitt Gibson. and Mr. G Larter. of the local company and the ladies for organising the tea.

## TRURO FESTIVAL IN DEVON



THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN OF TOURS, WERRINGTON.

The Diocesan festival was held at Werrington. on July 9 th. Werrington is one of the three parishes in the Truro Diocese situated in the county of Devon, and is about two miles from Launceston.
The Vicar, Rev. W. N. Williams, is keen on his bells, a noble ring of eight. tenor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.. and this is the second festival held in his church this summer. In his sermon at the service he spoke of the Church being the hody of Christ. and said that if a limb of a human body were not functioning properly the whole body suffered. so with the Church, if any part of the Church did not function the whole Church suffered. and applying it to bells. if at a church possessing bells they were not rung before service. the offering at that church was not complete and that particular church suffered in consequence.
A sumptuous tea was provided in the Church Hall at which the Diocesan secretary thanked the Vicar and all his workers for their hospitality. He also mentioned that having been secretary for 30 years he would be retiring next February and the Guild must find a successor. Thirty years is a long time. but nothing to that of a ringer from Callington, who was being presented with a long service certificate for having been a ringer for over sixty years.
St. Martin's Church. Werrington. replaced a former one which stood in Werrington Park. It was built in 1740 and is an unusual structure. It has three towers. the bell tower and two other small lowers built solid and crowned with pinnacles. It also has two family pewis reached by spiral staircases. one over the vestry and one over the south porch, but these are now blocked off. Outside are niches all round containing statues of the apostles. also a carving in stone depicting a scene from the life of St. Martin.
There were over seventy ringers present at the festival. including Mr. A. Carveth (president). Mr. D. Burnett (Ringing Master) and the Rev. A. S. Roberts (vice-president). The ringers came from all over the Diocese, some as far away as Penzance and Constantine. and there were several visitors. Eight of the neighbouring towers were open for ringing, the most intriguing being Boyton with five bells. These bells were silent for many years and the ringing chamber used to store coke. Due to the energies of the Guild president and a few
others they were made ringable again, but they are a strange ring. The tenor, according to Dove. is 7 cwt .. but feels like 27 , and the fourth sounds like a spring gong in a dining room clock. Bob Minimus was rung but no one attempted turning the tenor. The contortions of those ringing amused the bystanders, but no one would wish to ring there for long. and it would be impossible to teach anyone to ring on them. though there is a local band.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION <br> North-West District

The Surrey Association received its usual warm welcome when the quarterly district meeting was held at Walton-on-Thames. on July 2nd. Ringing in the afternoon was a little unusual in that the sixth bell had no clapper. but apart from this all went along smoothly. The Rev. J. M. Evans conducted the Association's form of service, at 4.30 , and tea followed in the Church Hall. which had heen prepared hy Mrs. Lathbury and Miss Shorter. assisted by the local young ladies.
The highlight of the business meeting was the report of the tower representatives. who had met to discuss a scheme to help towers struggling in the first stages of change ringing. The report was adopted and the secretary instructed 10 proceed with organising the scheme. Ringing continued at Oatlands Park.

## MIDLAND RINGERS IN NORTH OXON

The South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association held their annual outing on June 25 th . when 37 members travelled by coach into North Oxfordshire.
At 7 a.m. the coach left Castle Donington and proceeded via Shardlow. Aston-on-Trent and Alvaston to pick up waiting members. Everyone was on time and the party soon headed for Leicester and eventually Banbury.
Towers visited were ali around this lovely old market town. and included Somerton (6). Lower Heyford (6). Sandford (6). and Great Tew with its beautiful ring of eight. A picnic lunch was taken at Hopcroft's Holt and tea in Banbury. The weather was perfect and all went as planned. thanks to the Association secretary. Mr. Reg Barker.

## SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION

This year's annual mecting of the Scottish Association was held at St. James Church. Paisley, and the bells were available from early afternoon. The ringing arrangements wete under the direction of the Ringing Master. Mr. Harry Sargent, of Glasgow. and it varied from rounds to Cambridge and Double Norwich.

The minister of St. James Church conducted a service in church. which preceded the business meeting. when we were pleased to have with us the president. Mr. Ernest Stafford. also of Glasgow. who has been seriously ill and unable to ring for some months. In his report the secretary stated that the Association's new peal book was available for inspection. He also mentioned that Mr. Pickett was shortly to retire and leave Scotland. He would be greatly missed as he had done much for the Association during the years he had been in Scotland. being an officer for 18 years, and a regular ringer. first at St. Mary's Calledral. Glasgow. and later at St. Mary's. Edinburgh. Another loss to ringing in scotland before the next annual meeting. would be Mr. Lloyd. who was returning to live in the south. The reasurer's report showed that the funds of the Association stood, at the end of last year. at over $£ 41$. the largest balance in the Association's history.
The Ringing Master's report was enthusiastically received and it was clear to everyone that Mr. Harry Sargent had the gift of presenting a factual report in a light and humorous way. The Master was unwilling to remain in office, but the members were more unwilling to accept his resignation and he was obliged to stay in office-no doubt members were looking forward to hearing his report for 1961. Because of ill-health Mr. Stafford was anxious $t 0$ resign as president and Miss A. I. Whitson, of Edinburgh. was unanimously elected in his place. The secretary, treasurer and Central Council representative were re-elected. It was agreed to try and arrange meetings for the coming year at Alloa and Dunblane in October. Dundee in February. 1961. and the annual meeting at St. Mary's. Glasgow.
A vote of thanks to the officials for services rendered ended the meeting and members were then entertained to tea by the St. James' Society. Afterwards a very warm vole of thanks was extended to Mrs. Caldwell. the local tower secretary. who had spared no efforts in providing a first class meal. More ringing followed for those who were able to stay.
R. W.

## BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

Since July. 1960. when the bells of Hutton Cranswick. East Yorks, were dedicated by the Archbishop of York, after being recast at the Whitechapel foundry. the Beverley and District Sociely have held an anniversary meeting at this tower. The Vicar (the Rev G. Storer) worked hard for this augmentation and rarely a day passes when a hymn tune is not played on the bells either by the Vicar of his assistant. Miss M. Elliott.
At the meeting on July 16 th four of the members. who rang in the first touch after the dedication of the bells. were present. An excellent tea. aptly described by Mr. H. Parker (Bridlington) as a feast of home cooking had been provided by the Vicar, and ringing. which included Cambridge and Beverley Surprise Minor, continued until 9 p.m.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SPLIT-MIND HANDBELL RINGING
Dear Sir-Mr. Peter J. Staniforth need have no fears about being left high and dry as regards ringing handbells by the Blue Line method, as we were taught that way years ago. and do still use the "Blue Line.

In our younger days we had the privilege of ringing quite a lot of handbells with the late Alfred Pulling and the Brothers Pye (William. Ernest and Bob) and they all rang by the - Blue Line method. Bill Pye often used the phrase. Don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.'

But. sir, who are the EXPERTS that say ji cannot be done by the 'Blue Line.' Mr. Lock could have explained who were EXPERTS and who were not under the letter

It would appear to us that if you get a new idea and beat the drum ' loud enough then you become an expert -but the fact remains it can be done-so what?-Yours faithfully.
F. I. \& E. HAIRS.
(Two split minds)

## A LEGACY FOR THE DEVON GUILD

Dear Sir.-The late Miss Edith Lomas whose obituary notice appeared in . The Ring ing World, on page 453. bequeathed by her will the Guild of Devonshire Ringers a legacy of $£ 50$ to be axpended on instruction in scientific change-ringing.

This very generous and helpful thought on her part will be much appreciated by members of the Guild. especially by thase endeavouring to revive activity in towers which until recently have been silent.-Yours etc..

> E. M. ATKINS.

## Teignmouth.

## PULLING MEMORIAL

Dear Sir.-The committee who are organising this appeal are grateful to those who have sent donations to the fund towards the bell which it is hoped to hang in Guildford's new Cathedral in memory of Alfred H. Pulling About 6.000 circulars have been sent out and to date the response has been disappointingabout 75 replies only having been received and less than $£ 100$ in cash.
It is proposed to publish a list of subscribers later in the year and the committee urgently appeal to all who can do so to send a donation so that a bell of 12 cwt . may be installed in the new Cathedral by next May when the Cathedral is dedicated. All amounts will be acknowledged. and subscribers' signatures are to be stuck in a volume for permanent record in the Cathedral.
Please send donations as quickly as possible to the undersigned. making cheques. etc.. payable to the "Pulling Memorial." Yours etc.

## CHARLES W. DENYER.

## 15. Crondall Lane

Farnham. Surrey.

## THF PROFESSOR'S INVESTIGATIONS

Dear Sir.-Will the contributor please tell us the Professor's real name, his qualifications. his local tower and how many years of service to our art. I should also like to know a litile more about the grading of ringers from 1 to 10 instead of platitudes such as . Let us assume. I suppose." elc.
It is my feeling there is little practical value in such investigations.-Yours etc..
W. SHEPHERD.

Addlestone. Surrey.

## A TRIBUTE AND A LOST CLAPPER

## Mr. Ranald Clouston's Lecture At Aldeburgh

TYHIS year has seen the 13th annual festival of music and the arts (mainly music) a Aldeburgh. It is always held in June and usually lasts for nine or ten days. This year it was extended to seventeen davs.

Nine years ago the official programme book included an article on change-ringing by the Earl of Cranbrook, who lives near Aldeburgh and is a patron of the Suffolk Guild of Ringers. In 1957 the book included a photograph by Kurt Hutten (alas, he died this spring) of the Aldeburgh ringers in action (lower bells). These included Messrs. Peck Bedford and Pilgrim, with the verger, Mr Howard, wearing his gown, watching intently A peal is always attempted on the bells of the Parish Church (tenor 12 $\frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F) on the opening day of the festival. Sometimes it is unsuccessful: this year it came off, John W Blythe. secretary of the Suffolk Guild, being the conductor (see ' R.W. page 429). Benjamin Britten, the composer and pianist, and Peter Pears. the tenor. live at Aldeburgh, and Mr Britten has shown interest in ringing. including handbells in at least one of his big compositions.
As mentioned in the 'R.W.' of June 24 th , a talk entitled 'Campanology' was included in this year's festival. It was given on June 23rd. in the Jubilee Hall where many of the musical items of the festival are held. by Mr Ranald W. M. Clouston. and attracted between 60 and 70 of the festival visitors. Among them were Mrs. Stein. mother of the Countess of Harewood (ihe Earl is the festival's president); 'Diapason,' the East Anglian ' Daily Times, music critic: the Countess of Cranbrook. chairman of the festival council: and Miss Imogen Holst, daughter of the composer, Gustav Holst.
Mr. Clouston had with him a number of bell fittings. casts of ancient lettering and shields found on bells. a working model mounted in a frame. a chart of Grandsire Doubles. a handbell cast in Holland in 1725 and a bell weighing if cwt., cast at Bristol about 1530.

## POINTS FROM THE LECTURE

In his talk he referred to the earliest dated bell still existing in England-at Claughton, Lancashire. dated 1296-and the system of moulding, casting and tuning. With some of his many tuning folks he demonstrated the different notes of one bell. Then he went on to hanging, bell frames. striking ( $\frac{1}{6}$ of a second makes a difference!) and the danger of clocking.
Mr. Clouston also referred to the 41.000 ringers and the 5.000 rings of bells in the country, the extent of Major rung at Leeds. Kent. by relays of men in 1761. the recent attempts at the extent by eight men at the loughborough Campanile. chiming and changeringing.
Before the Reformation, he said. few churches had more than five bells. Changeringing became established just before the Civil War. in the 17th century, and this method of ringing, he said. was more mathematical than musicial. Later, explaining this, he said he meant to put over to the audience. it being a musical one. that. by conventional standards, change-ringing is not music. musical notation is not used. and the hasis is notation is
We well remember Mr. Clouston's article in
The Ringing World on the bells hung for ringing at the Church of San Francisco el Grande. Madrid. He referred to these. they reing unique on the Continent where, however. are found many carillons. some of four octaves
After referring to certain big bells, such as the Czar Kolokol at Moscow. Great Paul in St. Paul's Cathedral ( $16 \frac{1}{t}$ tons). Big Ben ( 13 tons, 11 cwt .). Guilds of Ringers. the Central Council and : The Ringing World, he concluded by telling his audience of the friendliness he had experienced as he went round the country when he presented himself, as a ringer. at a strange tower.
Then three local ringers-Jack Pilgrim. James Bailey and Peter Bedford-rang the chart of Doubles with tenor behind. On its
completion, Mr. Clouston told the audience that that was a moderately simple method This brought laughter from the audience, who apparently thought it was extremely com plicated.
Next, the ringers were joined by another local ringer. Ernest Sidney Bailey. Together they rang a course of Plain Bob Major which also brought applause.

## FELLOW MUSICIANS

Now it was time for questions and Miss Imogen Holst was soon on her feet. With a smile she challenged Mr. Clouston's reference to change-ringing being mathematical rather than musical and said that she must disagree (Applause.) She went on to say that bell ringing was organised sound. They had seen a performance by players who concentrate and have the technique to play rhythmically, which was one of the principal things impressed upon all musicians. The ringing that morning had given great pleasure and. turning to the ringers with arms outstretched she said. 'We are happy to greet. as fellow musicians, our players.
This tribute, coming as it did from one who is music from tip to toe and whose life is all music. was a great one, and when I thanked her for it afterwards she said, 'Well. you know, it was from the heart.' If she says so. I believe
Interest in the lecture was illustrated by questions from the listeners. These were some :
Lady: When an old bell is recast. is anyhing left of it-the inscription. etc?
Gent: 'How do you set a bell?
Gent : ' If you hold on to a rope, do you disuppear up to the roof?
Lady: 'How do you raise a bell?
Lady: 'Have all the possible methods been ung?
Lady: a question about the place of a bell in method ringing.
In his replies. Mr. Clouston mentioned that some lings were not of good tone, and some were too loud: when you melt bell metal the tin content tends to evaporate : welding is not very satisfactory so far but new methods are being experimented with, which may find a satisfactory solution: the tower tragedy in the West Country about three years ago: the call changes of the West Country; there are some 3.000 methods 'to suit all tastes some extremely complicated.
Then one of the audience-Mr. William Morland. who used to ring at Lamberhurst. Kent. but has not rung for five or more yearsasked if could join the ringers to attempt a course of Doubles. He took the treble and second and had rung but few changes when the treble clapper fell to the floor.
Mr. Stephen Reiss. the festival secretary. apparently thought this was appropriate as a finale. so took the opportunity to thank Mr Clouston for the lecture
Some twenty of the audience. one from Sweden. then gathered round to speak to Mr. Clouston and see his exhibits. and it was over $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours hefore everyone had left. However. before they did so. the treble clapper had been replaced and Mr. Morland and his two new acquaintances had got the course of Doubles.

## CLAUDE RUSH

## QUARTER PEALS

CHESTER.-At St. Mary-without-the-Walls. on July 16th. 1.264 Piain. Bob Maior: Dr. E. V. Woodceck (first quarter) 1. Miss R. J. Seabright 2. J. W Grithiths (cond.) 3. J. S. Dean 4. A. B. Close 5 D H. B. Millward 6, P. Swindley 7. G. Parling 8 COGGESHALL. ESSEX.-On July 91h. 1.280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: E. Piper 1. H. Webl 2. K. Smith 3. B. Webb 4. E. Bright 5. H. 1. Millatt (cond.) 6. S. Piper (first in method) 7, W. Arnold 8. Rung after the wedding of Mr. R. V. Borgarty and Miss Christine M. Weinrich.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.-()n July 10 th .1 .260 Doubles: Pamela M. Tumer (cond. 240 April Day) 1 P. S. Bennett (cond. 240 Grandsire) 2. J. K. Foot (cond. 240 Stedman) 3. M. C. Hughes (cond. 240 Plain Bob) 4, R. E. Tollis (jun.) (cond. 240 Reverse Canterbury) 5. Also 60 Plain Bob rung, non conducted. First in five Doubles methods by all the bend.

AN OXFORD GULLD WORTHY


To celebrate the 70th birthday of Mr . J. Keyte a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Cripping Norion. Oxon. on July 1st. Mr. Keyie. who has been 60 years a ringer. is one of the stalwarts of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. as he has been secretary of the Chipping Norton Deanery years. His first peal was rung for the now defunct Four Shires Guild and the remainder, which range from Doubies to Major. for the Oxford
Diocesan Guild. Mr. Keyte is one of that fast dwindling band who have taken : The Ringing World from its first issue. His wide circle of ringing fiends will wish him many more

MR. J. KEYTE

## RINGERS' SUNDAY AT PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL

Sunday. July 17 th. saw the first Ringers Sunday at Portsmouth Cathedral, and, it is believed, in the Diocese

Hundreds of leaflets. giving a note about the uniquely British art of change ringing and the programme for the day. had been previously distributed. Press commen appeared

References to the work of the Cathedral Guild of Ringers were made at each of the services throughout the day, with a special address at Evensong by the Provost, the Very Rev. E. N. Porter Goff. M.A

The tower was open to visitors (ringing and non-ringing) during ringing for Matins (when they packed the large ringing chamber), and in two sessions during the atternoon, also at the ringing for Evensong. A few words of explanation of what was going on were given by the Guild chairman between the touches: and some of the visitors were shown the bells in action.
At Evensong there were three ringing features in addition to the special address in lieu of the anthern. change ringing on handbells in the nave-Grandsire Triples by W. Gray 1-2. K. Knight 3-4. R. Baldwir (cond.) 5-6. T, Taylor 7-8: second lesson read by Guild chairman. Mr. A. York-Bramble: after the sermon, five new members recognised as of the Guild of Ringers of St. Thomas of Canterbury.' by the Provost. at the chancel rails.

The usual 'coffee hour,' in Cathedral House. adjacent. followed the service. during which the Guild ringers chatted with members of the congregation, many of whom expressed great interest and pleasure in what they had seen and heard
Two of these have already become recruits for ringing and have had their initial tuition It is generally agreed that the occasion benefited Church and ringing mutually

## ALTERNATIVE TO BRISTOL

Dear Sir.-As an extent of Major cannot be obtained in Bristol, why not ring Premier instead (Bristol with 2nds and 7hs)-in the words of the prophet (I have forgotten which one) the same sauce kut different gravy.Yours faithfully,

Sevenoaks.

## UNIVERSTTY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY'S SUMMER TOUR

Held in Gloucestershire. Worcestershire and Warwickshire. this year's tour of the University of Bristol Society started at the Church of St. Mary-de-Lode. Gloucester, on June 18th. The main body of the party arrived by train from Bristol and spent half an hour touring Gloucester before finding the right church. To reach the next tower. Churchdown (6), visible for miles on the top of a steep hill. bicycles were abandoned at an early stage, and much use made of the churchyard tap. for the temperature was at traditional summer tour level and the summit had been gained by an almost vertical path.

After ringing on the two fives at St. Mark's, Cheltenham. and Swindon Village (which has an unusual pentagonal tower), we made our way to Clecve Hill yourh hostel where we were met by the four remaining members of the party. who had spent the afternoon ringing in a peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Mary Redcliffe. The long climb up to the hostel was lightened by a glorious sunset over the Malvern Hills. which provided an excellent excuse for frequent pauses for (rest and) appreciation.
The next morning we were bidden an enthusiastic farewell by the warden after our secretary-elect had emptied the scrapings of the porridge pan into the bread-bin. We rang for morning service at Bishop's Cleeve, a
fascinating blend of Norman and Perpendicular fascinating blend of Norman and Perpendicular
architecture. and in the afternoon at Beckford. Here we rang London and Cambridge on the six excellent bells. admired grotesque animals climbing up the Norman arches. and watched bees beginning to swarm just outside a window of the ringing chamber. After negotiating a jackdaw's nest we were also able to see the surrounding countryside from the top of the tower

At Evesham we cooled off by the river with lemonade and ice lollies before advancing to the bell tower. where we were joined by Brian Wylde. The ringing here included Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Cambridge Major, but unfortunately no change ringing on the twelve. At Evensong the Society was represented at both churches served by the Bell Tower, although the larger detachment was disappointed in not hearing Jesu. Joy of Man's Desiring." which one confident member had asserted would be sung as an anthern and which had proved a great attraction. After the service a ride through orchards and strawberry fields brought us to the luxurious half-timbered ynuth hostel at Broom.

Monday brought the most concentrated grabbing of the week. with seven towers. The first two were eights. Salford Priors and Bidford-on-Avon. Although both were quite easy to ring. the only distinguishing result of our visit was a broken stay at Bidford. After lunch we had better ringing at Cleeve Prior (6) and Middle Littleton (6). before tackling Church Honeybourne. which, we had heard from various sources including the Vicar, are reputed to be almost unringable. After an attempt at rounds which lasted for one stroke because after that the third was half-way down, the men took over and rang Plain Bob Minimus with the tenor covering. These five bells have a deep and very pleasing tone and would be well worth rehanging. Many cups of tea. kindly provided by the Vicar's wife. gave us restored strength to ring at Mickletor (8) and Clifford Chambers (6) before supper in Stratford-on-Avon and bed at Stratford youth hostel.

The next day we were deserted by our secretary who had to return to Bristol for a viva voce examination. Without her expert organisation we lost no time in finding ourselves in the middle of a hayfield. the only visible way of escape a rapidly retreating ferryboat whose occupant pointed wildly in the direction of a distant barn and said "Make straight for that.: Two double barbed wire fences. one stream. and thrce very rough ficlds later. we advanced with some trepidation through a farmyard-and were met not with curses. but with broad grins. People had obviously passed that way before, through probably most of them never would again. especially if they happened to be cyclists. Not surprisingly we were half an hour late at
the first tower of the day. Snitterfield (6).

The only people to arrive on time were those who had elected to go the long way round through Stratford rather than risk the hazards of the ferry.

## DISTURBING THE BREEDING

After lunch two members of the party went for a swim in Wootton Pool, eighteen inches deep and very muddy, before being turned off the premises by an irate owner who used it for breeding fish. At Henley-in-Arden, where we found that the long draught made ringing difficult. the local ringers thoughtfully provided orange squash to quench the raging thirsts induced by the combination of ringing. cycling and hot sun. At Wootton Wawen. a beautiful little six in a well-kept tower. we had rather better ringing than had been usual on this tour in a long touch of Kent. The church here consisted of remains from many architectural periods, including a Saxon sanctuary with an extremely effeztive and beautiful modern stained-glass window. Another fine six at Aston-Cantlow: supper at Stratford youtl hostel: and then we went back into Stratford to ring on the ten at Holy Trinity Church.

Ringing on Wednesday began at Welleshourne Hastings (6), where there was no stay on the third. and the acting Master nearly followed the rope up through the hole in the ceiling. After Sherborne, where a bull regarded us with great malignity from the other side of a frail looking fence, the fine eight at Warwick St. Nicholas provided some of the best ringing of the tour. The touch of Plain and Little Bob Major, which had been tried previously with varying degrees of failure. was at last brought round. Erin Triples was rung on the light and rather odd-struck eight at Lillington. and a touch of Plain. Reverse. and Double Mob Minimus on the very pleasant five at Stoneleigh. In the evening we joined the local practice at Warwick St. Mary.

Leamington youth hostel possess a piano and at last we had some singing, although the bridge-and-solo playing fraternity steadfastly refused to be converted to this more traditional activity. Tradition was also broken by a violent thunderstorm and torrential rain during the night. The sun did not reappear until we had all smothered ourselves in waterproofs and set off for Bishop's Itchington (5) and Harbury, where the bells were rehung and augmented to six only a year ago. They were half-muifled because of the recent death of one of the parishioners. and some very good Kent. Camoridge. Erin and Plain Bob was rung, although by now we were all beginning to feel the strain of six days' cycling and ringing.
The last tower of the tour was Whitnash (6). We were met by Mr. Hawley. who at 94 is proud of being the oldest practising ringer in the country. Afterwards we were entertained
to tea in the church hall. by Mrs. Maycock. before cycling to the station and various ways home. Eigh: of us stayed behind to attempt a peal of Plain Bob Major, at Allesley. the following morning. Mrs. Maycock provided hospitality for us overnight and we should like to record our thanks to her and to those who helped her.

Thank; are also due to all incumbents and tolerant youth hostel wardens concerned. and to Miss Jane Cook for making all the arrangements for us. Worcestershire and Warwick shire remain a land of strawberry fields. Norman arches, and standard rose trecs lining the churchyard paths, as at Stoneleigh. Leamington will always be "the place where it rained on the summer tour.
B. W. A.

## ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD

The 14 th annual festival of St. David's Diocesan Guild was held at the Bishop's Palace. Abergwili. on June 18 th . Ringers from Tenby. Llanstephan, Carmarthen. Llandilo, Burry Port and Llanelly met at St. Peter's Church. Carmarthen. where the bells were available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Members then made their way to Abergwili, where they were welcomed by the Lord Bishop. the Rt. Rev. R. Richards, and Mrs. Richards.

A service was held in the Palace Chapel at which the Dean (the Very Rev. T. J. Jenkins) officiated. and the lesson was read by the Master of the Guild (Mr. G. Thomas). who also played the organ.

A very nice tea preceded the business meeting. held on one of the beautiful Palace lawns, at which the Bishop kindly presided.
The Bishop opened the meeting with a welcome to the Guild. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read. and a statement of accounts was given by the treasurer. Mr. E. Sage. Both were adopted. Before the election of officers. the Master spoke of the good work done by Mr. C. H. Hawkins, one of the founder members and honorary secretary since the Guild's formation, who had resigned through ill-health. It was unanimously decided to ask Mr. Hawkins to become the Guild's first life vice-president.
The following officers were elected: Master. Mr. G. Thomas. Tenby: secretary. Mr. E. H Thomas, Llanelly. Carms: treasurer Mr. E.
Sage. Burry Port: Ringing Master. Mr. R. Sage. Burry Port: Ringing Master. Mr. R.
Warburton. Goodwick: auditor. Mr. B. Rees, Burry Port
A collection for the Bell Restoration Fund realised $t$ I 15 s . The committee was asked to discuss the Central Council representative vacancy. A hearty vote of thanks was then extended to the Bishop and Mrs. Richards for having the Guild at the Palace, and to the Dean. The Bishop responded and closed the mecting with prayer
Members then returned to $5 \mathrm{5t}$. Peter's. Carmarthen. to end a memorable day with more ringing until 8.30 p.m.

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# OBITUARY 

## A. E. LOCK

AN APPRECIATION
Bert, as he was affectionately known to hundreds of North Berks ringers. will be sadly missed. and nowhere more thay at Hagbourne. where he was a regular visitor. He became a member of the Haghourne Society in 1954. and rarely missed a Tuesday evening practice. always accompanying the local ringers to the Fleur-de-Lys. for refreshments. before returning to Abingdon. On July 9 th. the day of the funeral. a combined band of Hagbourne. Halwell. and Blewbury ringers met together at Hagbourne to pay their last tribute to Bert with a well struck half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. May he rest in peace.
M. B.

## MR. W. E. MEASON

To say that Offton. Suffolk, will be the poorct by the passing of Billy Meason. on July 14th. would be an understatement. Retiring from London Transport he came to live in the village nine years ago and at once entered into its activities. He became secretary and treasurer of the Village Hall. the British Legion Branch. Conservative Association and the Parochial Church Council, but his greatest achievement was the restoration of St. Mary's bells. He was not a ringer himself. but had come in contact with ringers whilst at London Transport, including the treasurer of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
It was the result of meeting a ringer at the local British Legion Branch that gave him the opportunity to undertake the task that had been in his mind for so long. With his usual enthusiasm and efficiency he worked on the P.C.C.. who eventually called in the Diocesan teachnical adviser. Mr. R. W. M. Clouston. The resulting report was that the existing condition of the bells was extremely dungerous. The next move by him was to obtain an estimate from Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.. and then. with faith in the rightness of his views. to persuade the P.C.C. to accept their estimate of $£ 1.122$.
One of the proudest moments of his life was on July 31st. 1959, when the reluned ring of five with the addition of a new treble was dedicated by the Bishop. Dr. A. H. Morris. His greatest joy was to know that the bells had been rung regularly by a local band ever since.

He died suddenly from heart failure in Ipswich Hospital. where he had been laken three weeks previously after a fall in which he fractured his hip. His death was a great shock to all as he hack been making an excellent recovery. He lived the Legion motto. - Service not Self.
G. R. G.

## MR. GEORGE PRYKE

The death occurred on July 15th. of Mr. George Pryke. of Otiey. Suffolk. after a few days illness. at the age of 85 .
A harness maker by trade. George went to Oiley some 50 years ago, and over a long period was a member of the Helmingham kand and took part in several Surprise methods He had an ambition to call one peal: this he did at his own Parish Church. Otley. one of seven methods of Minor. During the peal George in his eayerness called a bob a lead too soon. He was corrected immediately and to the amusement of all he never called the bob, but said. "Weill hev one now.
A very enthusiastic ringer. George would go anywhere on his bicycle for a peal. even to complete a band at the last moment. He rang in all ahout 277 peals for the Norwich Association and Suffolk Guild. His favourite method was London and on his last outing he took part in a coursc. His regularity at all times. till he could no longer cycle. was a great help to the Helmingham hand and hils olace has not been filled.
At the funeral at Oiley the Guild was represented by Messrs. C. W. Beecroft and L. G. Brell.

## MR. HARRY PROLT

We regret to record the death. on July 11 th, of Mr. Harry Prout. aged 77. Harry was weli known in the Somerset and Wiltshire districts. He passed away suddenly in the belfry at Britford. near Salisbury, after ringing a louch of Bob Minor.
He was a skilled blacksmith by trade and first came to Manningford. where he worked in a large grain firm. He afterwards moved to North Somerset and rang many peals for the Bath and Wells Association, under the tuition of Mr. J. T. Dyke. He always spoke of Joe Dyke with great respect. saying it was through him he became a ringer.
He spent some time in the Bolsover District and rang with the late John Flint: he also lived in Warsop for a period. He afterwards came to Melksham and was a member of the local oand for many years. A loyal churchman. he treated his ringing as a duty. As he became older he moved to Corsham. to be nearer his work, and rang with the Corsham ringers. His wife. who came from the Melksham district. predeceased him about three years. After his retirement to went to Salisbury, where he made many friends and was very happy.
He was buried at Melksham on July 15th. Canon C. A. Witcomb. Vicar. conducted the service. Mr. L. Taylor being organist. Among those present were: Messis. F. Haines. A. Haines. H. Roper (Wilton). Robert Fry (Salisbury). Mr. and Mrs. W. C. West. Messrs. S. Cockell. H. Cockell. C. F. Andrews (Melksham). J. Lucas (Trowbridge). E. Hunt (Camberley). Giraham Eyles (Gloucester and Bristol Association). and others. Floral tributes were sent from the following towers: Wilton. Corsham. Melksham. Trowbridge. Warsop and district. St. Thomas:. Salisbury. and associates. Salisbury Branch. and Graham and Ruby Eyles.
The bells were rung open after the committal. Harry having expressed a wish for this. as a thanksgiving for a full life.
Harry Prout will be greatly missed: he was of an impeccable character. unassuming and of great faith. Although small of stature. he was a great man.
W.C.W.

## GRANDDAUGHTER'S THANKS

Dear Sir.-As you probably know of the sudden death of my grandfather. Mr. L. H. Prout. I would be very grateful if you would insert. in your next issue of. The Ringing World: a voice of thanks to all ringers who have taken part in peals for his memory.

I would also like to express my thanks to the ringers at Britford Church for their prompt attention at the time of his death. Lastly, to thank the ringers of Salisbury and district. Warsop and district. especially Mr. H. T. Rooke. Ringing Master at Warsop. for giving him pleasure in his one and only love.-Yours faithtully.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { NANCY WILLCOX. } \\
& \text { Ringer of Warsod. }
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## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The bells of Weston Favell. Northampion. have been dismantled, prior to rehanging on nicw bearings. by Richard White and Sons.
The spring issue of the $\cdot$ National Savings Journal features John Taylor and Co. Their employees." states the article. "ring up gearly $£ 1.300$ each year for their National
Savings Holiday Club: The article contains Savings Holiday Club, The article contains picture of Great Paul on its journey to London in 1881.
In the in memoriam peal to Mr. Albert $\mathrm{E}_{\text {: }}$ Lock. rung at Stoke Poges. July 13th. the band would like to associate the names of Miss Dorothy Fletcher. Miss Linda Kew and Mr. Harry Wingrove. who were unable to stand t .
DONCASTER. YORK. -On July 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Ayres 1. Marguerite Batram 2. Kathleen Mallender 3. G. Graham 4. F. A. Staveley 5. E. Dalingwater 6. W. E. Critchley (cond.) \%. H.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

Windsor was the venue of the Society's quarterly meeting on July 2 nd, but the number of members who attended was the lowest for some time. Ringing at the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist was followed by a very pleasant informal service conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. Leslie Badham, who afterwards showed the coppany round the church and pointed out various interesting features. One particular item of interest was a magnificent piece of Gibbon's carving-originally the altar rail of St. George's Chapel. Windsor Castle. and now used to divide the Royal pew from the Chancel.
An excellent tea was provided in the Church Hall. by Mr. J. H. Glass. of the local band. The business meeting was presided over by the Master. Mr. Dennis Beresford. who welcomed those present but deplored the absence of so many members. New members were elected as follows: Miss Claire Dillamore and Messrs. P. Sharp and L. Willder. of Lincoln. Mr. D. Sibson and Mr. J. Baldwin. of Tankerton. Kent. Mr. Ian Oram protested strongly about the date of the next annual general meeting. which had been moved from the customary third Saturday of January to the fourth and clashed with his own annual district meeting of the Kent Association. After some discussion it was agreed to revert to January 21st. 1961. provided that accommodation for tea and meeting could be arranged. The use of the hall at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on that day was out of the question owing to so many other church activities.
A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and also to Mr. H. J. Glass. family and other helpers for providing such an excellent tea. Next quarterly meeting. Northfleet. on September 17th.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The quarterly meeting of the West Dorset Branch was held at Hawkehurch. on July 16th. with visitors from Leicester. Hampreston. Charminster. Sidmouth. West Buckland. Crewkerne and Thorncombe. and the president of the Devonishire Guild (Rev. E. V. Cox).
Methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. Plain Bob. Little Bob. Single Oxford. Kent. Cambridge and London Surprise Minor. with rounds and call changes intermixed with screntific touches. The service touch was of Cambridge.
Canon C. C. Cox conducted the Guild office and the Rev. O. L. Willmote read the lesson. Two of the new hymns. written by Canon Cox. were used at the service and were much appreciated. The collection amounted to 22s.
Teas were provided and served by the P.C.C. in the new primary school. a delightful building of modern design.
Mr. C. W. Powell took the chair owing to the unavoidable absence of the chairman. Rev. J. S. Arthur. and Mrs. E. G. Panncll acted as secretary owing to the indisposition of Mr. J. T. Barrett. The chairman thanked Miss Greenshield for ably playing the piano for the service and gave a warm welcome to Rev. O. L. Willmott. who had been very ill but who had now recovered
It was agreed that the Guild festival at Wimborne had been enjoyed. The next quarterly meeting was fixed for September 17th. at Broadwindsor. and practice meetings: August 26th. at Hawkchurch. and September 15th, at Lyme Regis.
The secretary reported that a telegram had been sent to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. West on the occasion of their 40 th wedding anniversary. The chatrman then thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells and church. and for arranging the teas with the P.C.C.. and for the ladies of the Council who served the teas.
In reply the Rev. Thompson said it showed how pleased Hawkchurch was to have the meeting there by the ladies serving the teas! The meeting was then closed and ringers returned to the tower.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.-On July 17 th . at St. Peter's. 1.280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: A. Dale I. Brends M. Balls 2. H. Wehb 3. B. Wehb 4. K. (cond.) \&. For Evensong.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

The new secretary to Storrington tower is Mrs. J. Chacksfield. Woodway: Nightingale Lanc, Storrington. Sussex.

UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION-Circulars have been sent to all thinking of attending the Sheffield tour. Aug. 61h to 13 th . Anyone else interested should write at once. The next dinner will be in London on January 7 th . 1961. The 1961 tour will not be in Shropshire. -D. J. Roaf. Trinity College. Cambridge.

WITNEY RINGING SOCIETY - Ring Witney 47 for August arrangements. Tuesday practices restart September 6th.-V.R. Lewis. PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 6 s . 6 d . post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.-- The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

## CANCELLATION

L.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-The August meeting is cancelled. Parbold not available - C. F. Low

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## MEETINGS

BAKEWELL. DERBYSHIRE -Rededication of bells of All Saints' Church. by the Assistant Bishop of Derby. on Saturday. July 30th, at 3.30 p.m. Ringing afternoon and evening. All ingers welcome.

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DEVON GUILD.-N.W. Branch.-Summer meeting at Stratton. near Bude (8), July 30th. Service 4.15 p.m.. tea to follow.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting will be held at Trumpington. on Saturday, July 30th. Bells (8) $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. (2s. 6d. per head).-G. Blake and E. W. Bullman.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Chertsey District) and LADIES' GUILD (Southern District)-Joint meeting at Egham. Saturday. July 30 th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m.

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LADIES GUILD.-Central District.Quarterly mecting on July 30th. Ringing at Orsett, Essex. from $3-4.30$ p.m... followed by service, tea and business meeting. Ringing at Stanford-le-Hope from 6-8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. Blatch. 'Brick House,' Malting Lane. Orsett, Grays, Essex. Gentlemen cordially invited

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Leatherhead District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (Northern District).-Annual joint meeting Leatherhead. Monday. August 1st. Ringing 3 until 8.30 p.m., with break for service 4.30 and tea 5 p.m.. in St. Nicholas Hall. Numbers for tea to reach G. Marriner. 6. Leach Grove. Leatherhead, by previous Thursday.-A. H. Smith. W. Parrott. 6315

## INSTRUCTION COURSE

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers in conjunction with the Gloucestershire Education Authority announce a course of instruction to be held at Hartpury House, near Gloucester, September 16th-18th.
The fee for the course is $£ 275$., and covers residence for two nights, meals and tuition.
Applications as soon as possible to P. M. J. Gray, Orana, Eastmead Lane, Stoke Bishop, Bristol 9.-Charles
Rouse, Gen. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Southern District) and SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY-Joint meeting at Rotherham, Bank Holiday Monday. August 1st. Parish Church bells (10) from 2.30-9 p.m. Eastwood (8) $2-4$ p.m. Short service in Parish Church $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern District.-Meeting. Cramlington. Saturday. August 6th. 3 p.m. Names for tea by July 27ih. to G. S. Deas. 65. Elsdon Road. Gosforth. Newcastle.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District-Meeting at Wilhurton. Saturday. August 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Teat p.m.-D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec.

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GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol City Branch.-August 6th. Christ Church (10). 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-A. Bennell. 6342 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-Practice meeting at
Wallington, on August 6th. at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ - E . Wallingion, on August 6th. at 5.30 p.m. -E .
Buck. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch-Meeting on Saturday. August 6th. at Burnley (Holy Trinity). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow.-John Pilkingon. Branch Sec

6330
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Lancaster Branch.-Monthly meeting at Whittington. August 6th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Ringing after tea at Kirkby Lonsdale (6) or Leck (5). Names for tea to P. Handley. Heversham Hall. Milnthorpe. Westmorland.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Leicester District.-Meeting at Markfield. Saturday, August 6th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Rectory 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. August 3rd. please. to Mr. J. Wardle. 180. Main Street, Markfield. Leicester. Phone Markfield 439.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting (evening). West Lavington. Saturday. August 6th. Bells (6) 5.30 p.m. Service 6 p.m. No tea.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-S.E. District-Meeting. Saturday. Aug. 6th. at Ufford (8). Ringing 3 p.m. Meeting and tea. Crown Inn. 4.30. Service 6. Ringing 7 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, August 4th. to C. R. Lovett. Meadow View. Grundisburgh.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern Division.-Practice meeting. Saturday. August 6th. Fairwarp (8) 3 p.m. Tea only to those who notify by Wednesday. August 3rd. Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage. Park Corner, Groombridge. Sussex. Tel.: 438.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District. -Practice meeting. at Milford-on-Sea. on August 6th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.. The Creamery: Milford Green. Names for tea by August 4th, to W. T. Godfrey. Pine Hurst.' Shorefield Way. Milford-on-Sea. Hants. Hordle bells (6) available after tea. 6339

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-Quarterly mecting. Godshill. August 6th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-A. M. Guy. Hon. Dis. Sec. 6349 WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.-Southern Branch.-Quarterly
meeting at Elmley Castle. on Saturday. August 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. p.m. Tea and meeting. Numbers for tea by August 3rd.-W. J. Newman. 7. New Road. Hampion. Evesham

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#### Abstract

ASH. SURREY.-Surprise Minor practice. Monday. August 8th. Methods to be attempled: Bourne. Canterbury. Durham. Ipswich. Norwich. Primrose. Surfleet. Wells.


 York. 6350
## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION -

 Western District.-Meeting at Redbourn. Saturday. August 13 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. August 9th. 10 Mr. G. Reading. Hatchfield. 57. Hempstead Road. Redhourn. No names no tea.-J. Good. Dis. Sec. Daventry Branch.-Evening meeting at Harpole. on Saturday, August 13th.-F Hancock.SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Practice meeting. Market Drayton (8). Saturday August 13 th. Ringing from 6 p.m. All welcome.

SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District. Ringing meeting at Newmarket St. Mary's (6). Saturday. August 13 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea by August 10 th. to A. F. Ballam, Hall Cottage. West Stour. Bury St. Edmunds. 6347

LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL Open Day. August 20th. Ringing $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $12.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. 2.30 10 4 p.m.-J. Ridyard. 16. Vaughan Road. Birkdale. Southport.

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HERTFORDSHIRE RINGING COM PETITION for the Kimpton Cup. October 22nd. at Kimpton. commencing 2.30 p.m Tea and presentation of the cup 6 p.m. in Memorial Hall. followed by smoking concert -fully licensed bar. All very welcome.-J. G Cull, 5. The Green, Kimpton, Herts. 6354

5,056 FOXEARTH SURPRISE MAJOR

By STEPHEN IVIN


First rung at Willesden, January 7th. 1960. This peal is also true to Primrose.

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Rung at Hollesley. Suffolk. April 9th. 1960.

FAVERSHAM, KENT,-On July 10th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( 6 and 8 covering): A. Terry 1, F. Pack 2, B. R. Jemmetl 3, F. C. Farnsworth 4, E. T. Eades (cond.) 5, G. Nicholson 6, N. Tumber 8. For the christening of Stuart Christopher, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Patin, captain and secretary of the Faversham ringers.

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## THE COUNCIL: SOME IMPRESSIONS

BY A NEW BOY

AT Folkestone, Sir Arthur Heywood's name was mentioned during the debate on some proposed rule amendments. It is quite likely, of course, that his name may rarely miss a mention at this annual ringers' conclave which he inaugurated some seventy years ago, but, to a new member, Heywood's name conjured up some thoughts and reffections. Did Sir Arthur really visualise the Central Council becoming the important body it is to-day with approximately a dozen committees working all the year round on every possible subject of concern to the Exercise? This committee work would seem to be most thorough. An old member opined that it 'had been a dull Council'; he seemed to regret the absence of 'fireworks' in debate; nevertheless, such a remark surely paid tribute to the sound work of the various committees. It must be remembered that there were some one hundred and forty members present, each of whom had had the various reports to peruse for some days prior to the meeting, therefore any weakness in this work most certainly would have been revealed.

What a huge field is covered by these committees - from Broadcasting to Peal Boards, from 'The Ringing World ' to Belfries and Ancient Bells. Sir Arthur Heywood could not possibly have visualised the existence of a Broadcasting Committee, for instance, and, although he may have dreamt of a ringers' magazine in some form or other, he could not have foreseen that, but for the action of the Central Council, we should probably have lost our ' Ringing World.' So Heywood's vision has done much to secure John Goldsmith's enterprise for many years to come, to the benefit of all ringers.
' You never know what the Central Council will do,' muttered another veteran member as the result of a vote became known. Unwittingly, he was paying a tribute to the Council-the meeting was a quiet one, but it was not asleep! and was ready to amend as well as to endorse the recommendations put before it.

Two old friends met in the H.Q. hotel during the evening prior to the Council meeting and were discussing old times and mutual acquaintances. 'Let me see, now,' says one, 'does his son ring?'--Long pause -then, 'Well, he
pulls a bell.' One gets the impression that valuable work is being done all the time for the well-being of the Exercise and for all members, for the one who merely 'pulls a bell' as well as for the 'umpteen method splicer.'

The Exercise has not always been held in the highest esteem, but through the medium of its Guilds and Associations this status has been raised so that to-day the bellringer is accepted as a skilled churchworker and his work of some national significance. The reception accorded to the Central Council year by year by Church and Civic Authorities testifies to this.

Much of this improvement and progress has been brought about by the Central Council itself and the work of its several committees, as well as the endeavours of many keen individual ringers. The seeds sown by Sir Arthur Heywood have yielded an abundant harvest, and we should do well to reflect at times on the work of the older 'Servants of the Exercise.' Younger ringers, accustomed as they are to ringing new Surprise Methods almost daily, should remember that much of the pioneer work was done when, to quote the late Mr. George Williams, 'You had to comb the county to get a decent band for Grandsire Triples.'

These are a few of the impressions and reflections of a new member after attending his first Council meeting. Old councillors may smile at them; nevertheless, they are recorded in the hope that first impressions may have some value.
A. V. D.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE

[^11]THE ANGLO-AMERICAN TOUR, 1960 STREET, SOMERSET
ThE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sar., July 9 , 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

At the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 234 cwt .


Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Frank C. Price.
MINEHEAD, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., July 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Michael and Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 20 cwt .23 lb .
Composed by C. H. Kippin
Conducted by John Hili.

* First peal of Caters. First of Caters as conductor
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. David E. Parsons, of Bed-
dington, Surrey, upon the birth of a daughter. Susan Jane, on July 5th.

1960. 

TROWBRIDGE WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., July 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 24 cwt .2 gr. 18 lb.

* First peal of Stedman and on 12 bells, also 25 th peal.

EVERCREECH, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., July 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

At the Church of Si. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor. 21 cwt .17 lb.


BANWELL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIDCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., July 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Celia F. Whitfeld ..Treble H. George Hart
John Hill
$\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { Bert Gogle } \\ 3 & \text { Frank C. Price }\end{array}$.
Thilliam S. Deason ..
Thomas J. Lock ...
Composed by C. Middleton.
Richard E. Price .
Conducted by Thomas J.
Tenor
Lock.

## MARTOCK. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WFLLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
William H. Coles Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWt}$.

Michael P. Moreton ... $\quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Frank C. Price . . ..
Thomas J. Lock .. . 4 Richard E. Price .. . . Tenor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Richard E. Price. A wedding compliment to Robert William Robinson, of Preston Plucknett, and Patricia Ann Dyer, of Martock, which took place this day.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## SOLTHWARK

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 4 Hours and 14 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 48 cwt .9 lb . in B .


* First peal of Maximus.


## TEN BELL PEALS

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.s July 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minuies,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 PRIMETHORPE SLRPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr. 13 lb . in C .
*Brian M. Smith enor .Treble Joseph W. Cotron..... 6
Brian G. Warwick .. 2 John A. Acres .. .. 7
†Richard J. Clifton $\quad . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ A. James Poynor ..
†ERNEST Morris
John M. ..
Composed by Edward C. Gobey. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal on 10 bells. $\dagger 50$ th peal together. First peal in the method.

WALSALL. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Thurs. July 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes. At the Church of St. Matthew.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 26 cwt . 18 lb . in D .
*Penelope Sedgwick ..Treble Barnabas G. Key
*Jill V. Morgan .. .. 2 John H. Allen
$\dagger$ Ann Barr
Jeffrey B. Webr
George W. Hughes
$\ddagger$ Edward W. Colley .. 5 Clive M. Smith ... Tenor
Composed by C. W. Roberis. Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal on ten bells and in the method. † First of Caters in the method $\ddagger$ First on ten bells.
Rung as a compliment to Mary and Dennis Beresford, of Bexley Heath, Kent, on the birth of a daughter (Hilary Anne).


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Sat., July 9, 1960. in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Paulinus,
A PEAL OF 5120 EALING SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Doreen A. Deverell ..Treble Peter J. Eves ... .. 5
Edwin A. Barnett. . . 2 Alfred J. House .. .. 6
Joan Beresford .. .. 3 Peter Beresford .. .. 7
Howard W. Egglestone 4 Dennis Beresford ... ...Tenor Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Dennis Beresford.
First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band except the ringer of the sixth.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.
At Cheist Chuerh.
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt}, 2$ qr. 23 lb.
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Bernard F. L. Groves ..Treble } & \text { C. Kenneth Lewis } & & . & 5 \\ \text { Eileen M. Fearn } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Leslie Boumphrey } & & . & 6 \\ \text { Philip G. K. Davies } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Peter Laflin } & \ldots & . & 7\end{array}$ Frank Osbaldiston. Brian Harris C. Kenneth Lewis.

> Arranged and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

Rung iny honour of the wedding of Miss Margaret Ann Alcock and Alan A. Potts, which took place earlier in the day at the Church of Holy Trinity, Rainow.

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## BICKER, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. July 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minules, At the Church of St. Swithin,
A PEAL OF 5088 LESSNESS SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .15 lb .

George R. Dawson
John E. Allen
J. Martin E. Thorley EdWin T. Chapman
Composed by C. W. Roberts
First peal in the method by all.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., July 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . 1 qr .22 lb , in F.
Shirley Harris
John R. Gilden
Eileen M. Fearn
Carol Fernley
Composed by J. W. Parker
Conducted by Brian Harris
service band in memoriam Mr. G
Scllars, verger at the above church for many years.
ARLECDON, CUMBERLAND.
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION, On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$.
Geuffrey Tembey Treble
William G. Wilson reble
2
Graham McKay
3
4
Alan Capstick
Composed by Sin A. P. Meywoo * First peal in the method.

HORRINGER. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .3 lb .


## LYMINGE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
At ihe Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Eadburga
A PEAL OF 5056 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $17+$ cwt. in E.
Arthur S. Richards
Joan Beresford
Doris E. Colgate $\ldots$

PATTINGHAM. STAFFORDSHIRE
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE ST. CHADPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .
Harry Boswell
Treble
Andrew N. Stubbs
Eric E. Speake
Eric E. Speake
*David J. Purnell
George E. Fearn ... . Tenor
Muriel Reay
Arthur V. Pearson
Composed by Chas. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Arthur V. Pearson. First peal of Yorkshire Surprise.

## EDENHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. July 18: 196n, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5088 MONAGHAN SLRPRISE, MAJOR

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\text { Tenor } 15 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
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Georgi: R. Dawson Treble
J. Martin Thorley

John E. Atlen
Edwin T. Cilapman
Stanley E. Bennet
composed by Siephen Ivia
First peal in the method by all.

## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Tues., July 19, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

| Muriel R. Page | Treble | Walter W. Miller | . 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Alice E. J. Lester | 2 | William J. Button | .. 6 |
| Walter Ruffes | 3 | Leslie G. Brett | 7 |
| Robert E. Lest | 4 | Jam | en |

Robert E. Lester .. 4 James Bennett, jun. . . Tenor Composed by C. J. Sedaley (No. 19). Conducted by Leslie G. Brett. * First attempt for Superlative.

Rung half-muffled as a last tribute to George Pryke, of Otley, interred this day.

## MAULDEN, BEDFORD

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. July 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt 3 qr . in F sharp.
Avill Thackray ... ..Treble | James R. Taylor ... .. Aeffries .- $\quad 2$ Bryan Pattison
 Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by C. Edward Jeffries. * 400 th peal. +200 th peal. The conductor has now called 50 peals on these bells.

## OXFORD

THE OXFORD SOCIETY
On Thurs., July 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Ebbe,
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $4 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Christine Woodward | .. Treble | Clive Holloway | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brian R. White | .. | . | 2 | Robin J. Trebilcock | .. | 6 |  |
| Charles Coles | .. | . | 3 | Francis A. White | .. | .. | 7 |

Charles Coles .. .. -Edward Venn

Francis A. White
Philip H. Tocock . . . Tenor Composed by Artumr Knights, Conducted by Philip H. Tocock, * First peal of Major.

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri.. July. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
Tenor 21 cwt in E flat.

- Jeffrey R. Goodenough Treble |Cliff J. Richards.
+Peter E. Parry
†Elisabeth A. G. Bowden
$\ddagger$ Hugh N. Evans

| 2 | $+D$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | +P |
| 4 |  |

+ D. John Hunt
$\dagger$ Patrick J. Bird Richard J. Bowden .. Tenor Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Pairick J. Bird.
*First peal on 8 bells. + First of Plain Bob Triples. $\ddagger$ First on 8 bells and "inside. First on 8 as conductor
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frank Skidmore (died peacefully July 18th, 1960). Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.


## BISHOPSTOKE. HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .17 lb . in F sharp.
David E. House .. ..Treble | Adrian J. Tumber .. .. 5

Derek C. Jackson .. ... 2 Maurice J. Butler... .. 6 | M. Elizabeth Chapman.. | 3 | R. Roger Savory | .. | .. |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Norman Hayes | $\ldots$ | . | 4 | Tom Chapman | .. | .. |
| . |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Tom Chapman ...
First of Major as conductor
Rung ass a mark of respect for the life of James Cockman, 65 years a chorister at the above church. who passed away Wednesday. June 20th, 1960, aged 76

## BLEWBURY. BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saf. July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
At the Church of St. Michael. and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt .2 qr. in E .

DONCASTER, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes. At the Church of St. George,

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1.312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London. Cambridge and Superlative, with 110 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every tell. Tenor 30 cwt .17 lb . in C sharp. Edward Jenkins reble Arthur G. Mason
C. Kenneth Lewis

2
Basil Jones
4
Composed by Albert J. Pitman. W. Eric Critchley 7 Brian Harris
. Tenor Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sun.. May 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being $21240^{\circ}$ s. John Worth .. .. .. 0 . $\quad$ Miss M. Smith.
A. E. Newnham
L. A. Tidy

Tenor 14 cwt .3

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .2 qr. in $E$ flat


HEPTONSTALL, YORRSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sar.. July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minules.
At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Six methods, being 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, and 832 each of Superlative, Cambridge and Pudsey, with 127 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell

## J. Neville Parkin.. .. Treble John Fo Briant

Sheila M. Moulds

* Patricia Reeve ..

Treble
John F. Briant
J. Henry Fielden
EN
$\begin{array}{r}5 \\ \hline 6\end{array}$ M. Vivien Copping
Composed by A. J. Pitman. Geoffrey F. Bryant 7 Robert E. Moulds .. Tenor

* First peal of Spliced 'inside.'

Rung by the Sunday service band of All Souls* Church. Halifax.
KINGSWINFORD, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt 3 gr .1 lb . in F sharp.
Elizabeth M. Yardley Treble *David J. Purneli
*Alma M. Greaves
Muriel Reay
Andrew N. Stubbs
Clifford Skidmore *J. Denis Holden 5
6
7
. . 4 Arthur V. Pearson .. Tellor Composed by E. A. Barneit. Conducted by Arthur V. Pearson. * First peal in the method.

## NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cws 3 lb . in $F$ sharp.


## STANMORE, MIDDLESEX

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Iuly 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .19 lb . in G .
Walter Ayre.
Treble
H. George Hart
D. Kay Adkins

Christopher W. Woolley 7 Elsie K. Hart
Gladys Manchip
Kenneth R. Dunstan . . Tehor
Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley. * First peal in the method.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Latimer Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. George's variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 10 cwt 7 lb . *Malcolm D. Barsby ..Treble B. Stedman Payne Patricia A. Wardle
Ernesi Morris
Ernest F. Payne.
Roysion Willmore Russell S. Morris Frederick T. Bindley . Tenor Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

* First peal on eight bell. 100th peal on the bells

A birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Morris.

Rung in honour of Graham Francis Jarrett, nephew of the ringer of 4, and Mary Erica Nixon, daughter of the conductor, who were christened this day.

## CASTLEACRE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Church of St. James.
In five methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob, onc extent each of Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., and St. Clement's.

*John V. Temple .. .. 3 Geoffrey R. Drew .. Tenor
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew

* 25 th peal.

CRANFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., July 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
Ai the Church of Si. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents. viz.: (1) St. Clement's, (2), (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4), (5), (6), (7) Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt} 1 \mathrm{qr} 2 lb.$. Anthony D. Sansom ..Treble David J. Perkins .. .. 2 Geoffrey Watson

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.
Rung to mark the conferment of the degree of Bacheior of Science upon five members of the Manchester University Guild: Norma English, Edna M. Poulter. Margaret Ross, David W. James and Barrie Hendry.

NORTHREPPS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

- On Wed., July 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-thi-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods, being four extents Plain Bob and one each of Kent T.B.. St. Clement's and Oxford T.B. Raymond W. Balls ..Treble Thomas E. Spight Arthur G. Bason ... .. 2 William H. Barrett Gilbert E. Larter . . .. 3 Geoffrey R. Drew .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Fri., July 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Mimutes,
Ai the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR Being seven extents.

Tenor 14 cwt .2 gr .24 lb.
Dennis Cooper ++ ..Treble Herbert T. Rooke.
*A. Benjamin Cooper . . 2 Dennis Smedley
George Challans .. 3 Douglas H. Rooke .. Tenor Conducted by Douglas H. Rooke.

* First peal of Oxford T.B. Minor.

Rung half-muffied in memoriam H. Prout, who died at Sulisbury on July 11th 1960, aged 78 years.

BUCKNALL. STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of Norwich, Chester, Ipswich. York, Durham. Wells and London

## Jack Riley

Norman Sherrait

| .. Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| .. | $\frac{2}{3}$ |

Reginald A. Challinor.
Phillip A. Mason
Roy Worrall
Conducted by Norman Sherratt.
RINGSTEAD NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., July 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
At the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: Cambridge Surprise. Kent T.B.. Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Anthoni D. Sansom ..Treble
Barrie Hendry
Tenar 12 cwt .1 qr .3 lb . in E .

Ronald J. Johnso
Murray A. Coleman
David W. James
Geoffrey E. Watson
Tenor
Conducted by David W. James.

## APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERIFORD COUNTY ASSOCIAIION.
On Mon., July 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes
At the church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In 11 methods, being an extent each of: (1) Chester and Munden, 14 cnanges of metncd ; (2) York and Durham. 12 changes of method; (3) Beverley and Surifer, 14 changes of method; (4) Cambridge and Primrose, 12 changes of method: (5) Lightfoot ; (6) London.; (7) Norwich.

# Gladys Manchip 

 fenor $14 \frac{4}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.Walter Ayre ..... Kenneth R. Dunstan ... 3 Willsam J. Puddifoot . . Tehor Conducted by Walter Ayre.

STEBBING. ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIAIION
On Wed., July 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of London, Wells, Durham, York. Beverley, Ipswich and Cambridge.
William R. Chapman ..Treble
Marion H. Mills .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin
Marion H. Mills .. .. 22 Frank B. Lufkin Alan R. Syder Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

* First in seven Surprise.

POLSTEAD. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., July 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in six methods: (1) Double Ccurt, (2) Single Oxford, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob.
*John Avis .. .. ..Treble †Robert Preston
Tenor $9 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\ddagger}$.
Treble
2
Bernhead W Fairhead 3 さUrban W. Wildney
Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.
*First peal. † First peal inside.' $\ddagger 150$ th peal for Suftolk Guild.

## BIGGIN HILL, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Sat.. July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mark.
A. PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being an extent each of Norwich, Beverley, Surfleet. London, York. Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 6 cwt . I qr. 24 lb . in B * Peter N. Bond ..

*Joan Beresford | . | ..Treble | ANDREW N. M |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 | Ralph Bird |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Ian H. Oram | John R. Cooper ... .. 3 Jan H. Oram

* First peal in seven Surprise Minor methods. First in seven methods on the bells.

BLITHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sal., July 23, 1980, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL UF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Double Bob and Plain Bob. (2) Double Court, (3) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise. (5) St. Clement's Bob. (6) Double Oxford Bob. (7) Single Oxford Bob.
Robert J. Warrilow ..Treble
Frederick E. Wilshaw .. 2
Charles A. S. Webs 3
First in nine methods by all the band and for the Association.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. Anthony P. E. Youell, son of the President of the Association (the Ven. George Youell. Archdeacon of Stoke-on-Trent), and Miss Barbara M. Pickering, who were married at Leek Parish Church this day.

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. July. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas a Becket,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
*Robert B. Smith
$\dagger$ Peter Dale Smith .. ..Treble † $\dagger$ E. Michael Quinn
+Gordon Rummey ... ${ }^{2}$. John Robinson ... .. 5
Gordon Rummey .. 3 *Bernard Groves .. . . Tenor * 150th peal together. + First in the method.

LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE

Five callings.
Percy Cox
Ronald D. Short
Treble 2 ERIC Ford

Cecil T. Clarke
Michael J. Stone
Conducted by Ronald D. Short.
First in the method by all and on the bells. First peal on the bells since rehanging and for 23 years.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents each of St. Simon's and Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. and twelve of Grandsire.

Treble Charles E. Truman
$\dagger$ Graham Linnell
2 William A. Yates
Tenor
James Linnell
Yates.

* First peal. + First peal "inside.

Rung for the induction of the Rev. Dr. R. S. Foster, Ph.D.

## HANDBELL PEALS

LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Sun., July 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minures, In the School.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor size 22 in $C$.
Stanley Huckle .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Walter Ayre $\quad . . \quad$. $5-6$
Gerald Penney ... .. 3-4 Michael D. Frost .. ... 7 - 8
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Michael D. Frost.
First on eight as conductor.
ST. ALBANS. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On: Wed., July 20, 1960, in 1 Hour and 42 Minutes, At 17, Queen Street.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being one extent each of St. Clement's. Reverse Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Bob, and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor size 11 in $G$.
Gerald Penney ... $1-2$ | Geoffrey Dodds .... $3-4$
Joyce Dodds $\because \quad . \quad . \quad 5-6$
Conducled by Gerald Penney.
First handbell peal of Minor m five methods by all.

## ST. ALBANS. HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., July 22. 1960, in 1 riour and 42 Minules, At 17. Queen Street.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, College Bob, St, Clement's. Reverse Bob, Kent Treble Bob. Double Bob and Plain Bob. Gerald Penney

First handbell peal of Minor in seven methods by all.
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## 2lst BIRTHDAY TOUCH

HERSHAM, SURREY.-On July 26th. 2.100 Grandsire Triples: Pauline Drury 1. C. N. Chinnery 2. J. A. Smith 3. Gwen May 4, Pam Bird 5. H Colcombe 6. J. King (cond.) 7. J. Martin \&. A 21 st birthday compliment to Colin N . Chinnery

ABROTT'S-LEIGH, BRISTOL.-On July 19ih. 1.260 Grandirre Doubles: Mrs. J. Gould 1. B. Huddleston 2 . J. D. Edgell (tirn quarter) 3. G. Locke 4. J. A. Bennett (cond.) 5. P. E. Parry 6. Rung half-muffied by Henbury ringers, in memoriam Frank Skidmore, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Assuciation, who dassed away. Munday. July 12th, 1460.
BALDOCK, HERTS.-On July 24th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: P. Salisbury 1. D. Succliffe 2. D. Salisbury 3. C. Harwaod 4. P. Flack 5, R. Castledine 6. E. Buck (cond.) 7. R. Haynes 8.

BARKING. ESSEX.-At the Church of St. Margaret, on July 16th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Sherwood 1. Miss M. Harris 2, J. Carrnt 3, G. Cottis 4. H. Worboys 5. D. W. Beard 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7. E. Lucas 8. Rung as a compliment to S. J. Holgate, whose son, Irving Juhn, was married carlicr on this day at St. Mary's. Dagenham, and also as a compliment to D. W. Beard, M.Sc.. upon his appointurent as lecturer in Applied Mathematics. at the University of Wales. Aberystwyth.
BISHUP'S STORTFURD, HERTS.-On July 14th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1. H. Foreman (Eirst of Triples) 1. Miss A. Cladwell 2. H. M. White 3, R. Hayden 4. D. H. Kingston 5. E. Ruchester 6, F. Bird (cond.) 7. T. Camp 8. Rung as a farewell
to Mis, A. Gladwell, who is leaving for Hereford.
ChENIES, BUCKS.-On July 1ath, 1.260 Plain Bob Dnubles: C. J. Harpley (first quarter) 1. W. J. Alkina (first inaide') 2. Miss J. N. E. Chithon 3. K. D Wanica 4. D. J. Goodman (cond.) 5, A. Grover (aged 73. first quarter) 6. A welcome w Bridget Diones, second daughter to Bill and Joy Alkins.
CHIPPING BARNET. HERTS.-On July 24 h . 1.264 Plain Bon Major: W. J. Bradbronk (first in the method) 1, M Soper 2, H. Eldred 3, A. M. Stacey 4, C. King 5, T. Pink 6, A. H. Fulwell 7 W. J. Wilson 8. For Evensong

COALPIT HEATH. Glos.-On July $21 \mathrm{si} .1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: R. Williams 1. C. Batten 2. Mrs. D. Smith 3. G. W. Smart 4, D. Smith (firsi of Doubles as cond.) 5. W. J. Cook 6. Rung in memory of Mr. Frank Skidmore. Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.--AI the Church of St. Lconard-at-he-Hythe. on July 17th, 1.440 Minor (Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford and St. Clement's): J. Avis 1, Doreen Fairhead 2, W. J. Brunt 3. C. W. Barnes 4, B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 5. F. O. Oliver 6. Rung by the Sunday service band for Sung Euchariss.
CORSLEY, WILTS.-On July 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Patricia Hawkins (aged 13, first quarer) 1. P. Roynon 2. N. Knee 3. L Hawkins 4, E. Norris (cond.) 5. $\mathbb{R}$. Holly o. For Parronal Fertival (St. Margaret). also a token of respect for the late E. C. Marlow, of Warminster (aged 85), interred this day.

DOWNION, WILTS. - On July 25 th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Patricia Gouly 1. E. Haines 2, R. N. Marlow 3. Ann Abrahams 4, C. Redwood 5. L. F. Cobb 6. If. H Abrahams (cond.) 7. C. Churchill 8. First of Stedman for 1 and 2.
EAST BUDLEIGH.-Un July 21ss, 1.280 Grandaire Doubles C. Savage 1. L. G. Bolt 2. M. J. Board 3. G. West 4, F. Mack (cond.) 5, F. Snow 6. Also the same evering. 1.260 Grandsire Double: H. I uxion 1. L. Bolt 2. G. Elient 3. F. Mack 4. M. J. Buard (cond.) 5. F. Snow 6. Rung for the centenary of Drake's School. East Budleigh.
FARNBOROUGH. HANTS.- On May 11 th. 1.260 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. H. Mills 1. C. W. Denyer 2. W. W. Wright 3. W. H. Vigeers 4. P Joyce (first in the method) 5, E. J. Brage (cond.)
6. Rung for the silver wedding of Mr. and Mra. 6. Rung for the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. G. Joyce.

GREAT GADDESDEN, HERTS.-()n July 2 sth . 1.280 Plain Bob Minor: W. Ayre (cond.) 1. W. C. Hughes 2. K. D. Waples 3. D. 1. Goodman 4, B. M. Barker 5. B. K. Curringion 6. Rung for the chriatening of Anne Janice, daushrer of Brian and Beryl Currington.
HALSE, SOMERSET.- On July 23rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Tarr (cond.) 1. T. Hancock 2. H. Sealy 3. A. Knight 4, W. Hancock 5, H. Taylor 6. Rung for the wedding. this day, of Mus A. Davey and Mr, E. Wilkins,

## QUARTER PEALS

HR:NBURY, BRISTOL. (In July 24th, at St Mary's Churih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1. D. Egdell 1. 1. Culley 2, C. Abbott 3, N. I. Mages 4. P. E. Parry 5. G. Locke 6. J. A. Bennett (cond.) 7. B. Huddlestan For Evensans
HONTTON, DEVON,-On July 16ih, 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: M. Harvey (aged 14, firsi quarter) 1 . C Manley 2, A. Hodge 3, W. Webh 4. C. Webb (cund.) 5. S. Sweetland 6. Alsu on July 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Hodge (aged 12. Hirse cuarter) 1. Miss J. Real 2, C. Manley 3, A. Hodge 4, C. Webb (cund.) 5. W. Webh 6.
LANCASTER.-At St. Peter's (R.C.) Cathedral, on June 12th, 1.200 Grandsire Triples: R. Crook 1, J. Woods 2, R. Rainford 3, R. Warden 4. N. Cras: 5. S. Jeffely 6, M. Rainford (cond.) 7. J. Pye 8. Te celebrate the ordination of Father Brian Noble, on June llih. by Bishop Flynn Also on June 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Duubles: R. Crook 1. T. Jackson 2. R. Warden 3. R. Rainford 4. H. Rainford (cond.) 5, N . Cross 6 . To celebrate the diamond jubilee 38 a priest of the Very Rev. Canon O'Dwyer, ordained June 17th, 1420. Also on July 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $6-7$ covering): R. Crook 1, J. Woods 2. R. Warden 3. R. Rainford 4. H. Rainford (cond) 5. S. Anderion 6. S. Jeffery 8. To commemorate the ordination of Lawrence Kernan to the priesthood this day.
LIMPSFIELD. SURREY.-On May 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Allen 1. A. Stenning 2, Mrs. A. Stenning 3. E. Jarrett 4, E. Nixon (cond.) 5, P. Edwards 6 . Also un May 14th. 1,360 Grandsire Doubles: A. Terry 1. A. Sienning 2, Mrs. A. Stenning 3 E. Jarrett 4. E. Niron (cond.) 5, M. J. Wall (first quarter) 6
MALMFSBURY, WILTS.-(On July 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Duubles: Miss M. Nettles 1. J. E. Billing: 2. $\mathbb{R}$. Terry 3. E. Player 4. H. E. Blacker 5. P. Paginton 6. L. Grey (cond.) 7. W. T. Tucker 8. Rung half-muffied with $4-6-8$ covering in memoriam Mr. F. Skidmore and Mr. H. Prout.
MELTON MOWRRAY, LEICS.-On June 12 th . 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Sumson (firat on eight bells) 1. Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, H. Aley 3. H Clayton 4. F. Shepheard 5. J. L. Day 6. C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7. S. E. Smith (first quarter) 8. Rung on the occasion of the ordination as priest, in Leicenter Cathedral, of the Rev. S. R. Nonhmore.
NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS. -1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mn. H. Endicori 1. Mrs. M. Hayes 2. M. Smith 3. C. Taylor 4. N. Hayes (cond.) 5. 3. Dacombe 6. Rung in memoriam Mr. W. Rowe. member of the Guild for many years.
NORTON, HFRTS.-On July 18th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples R. Werrett 1. R. Day 2. A. E. Pound 3. WW. Hitch 4. M. Collins 5. Miss J. Sanderaon 6. H Werrett (cond.) 7. Miss I. Werrelt 8. Rung for the induction of the Rev. D. C. Ritchie, to the parish of Norton.
NOTTINGHAM.-At St. Peter's Church, on July 16th, 1.440 Minor (Plain Bub and St. Clement's): Mrs. A. Heneun (first of Minor) 1. Mr: M. 1. Pailing 2. F. A. Satter 3, Mrs. P. M. Beach 4. D. Beach 5. D. Beach.

OLD MARSTON, OXFORD. - on July 16 h h. 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: A. Dunkley (first quarter) 1 . R H. Jones (cond.) 2. N. D. Deam 3. Helen Williams (firse quarter) 4. 1. S. Walker 5. Firs quarter of Minimus for the band.
OLDSWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.On July 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. J. Brown 1. Jill Tombs 2. F. V. Nicholls 3. M. J. Fellows (first as cond.) 4. M. D. Fellows 5. A. Roden 6 A 74th birthday compliment to Mr. C. W. Cooper, and as a farewell to Dr. M. T. Sprackling.
UUNDLE, NORTHANTS.-(m July $26 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Boh Minor: Mirs T. Lovell 1. W. L. Ferrar 2. A.
Wills 3. Mrs. P. E. Clarke 4. R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5. R. A. Webater 6. D. Vessey 9. A B Clarke 8. Rung is a compliment to the rinser of the 3 rd on his 2 sit birthday and as a farewell to the ringer of the treble. who is leaving the district.
PETERROROUGH. NORTHANTS.-At St. John's Church, on July 17th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: H Guakes 1, W. Barker 2. G. Bush 3. J. R. G: 7. J. H. Blufl (cond.) 8. Rung for morning service. and a farewell to the Rev. Mr. Davidsan, curate at St. John's Church,

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.-On July 22nd, 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: H. DeCombe 1 B. S. Gambrill 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3. D. Hughes 4 K. Tipner 5. B. Kercher 6. Rung to mark the closing of the Pctersfield High School for Girls and as a farewell to Miss Jill Hammend. a ringer at Peters, who is leaving the district
POYNTON, CHESHIRE.-On July 16th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minoi: R Stear (firss quarter) 1. Eileen Fearn 2. Carol Fearniey 3. B. Schofteld 4. L. Jenkins 5 Hough, iun. (cond.) 6.
PRIIIIEWELI, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX. On July lukh. 1.344 Flain Bob Major: P. Sloman I Mr. J. P. Sadler (fins of Major) 2, Miss 1. Rowe 3. B. Sader 4. J. Belcham 5. D. Belcham 6. W. A
smith (cond.) 7. L. Beale 8. For evening service
mith (cond.) 7. L. Bealt 8. For evening service.
ROTHERHAM, YORKS.-On July $21 \mathrm{~m}, 1,344$ York shire Surprise Major: R. Woodward 1. Mrs. N Chaddock 2. Miss S. Chaddock 3. 1. Tilling 4. D. G French 5. P. Coote 6. J. N. D. Chadduck 7. N Chaddock (cond.) 8. By the Sunday service band.
SAlisaury, WIITS.-At St Pauls, on Juty 19 ih 1.264 Piain Bub Major: Miss Y. Eloic 1. Miss M Page 2. E Haincs 3. J. Daniels 4. B. Lawer 5 C. Redwoud 6. A. Haines 7. R. Marlow (cond) 8 Firsi of Major for 3, 5 and 7. In memoriam Harry Prout.
SARRATT, HERTS.-On July Ith. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. H. Greaves (first quarter) R W. R. Picton 2, R. J. Picton 3, June N E Chilton (first inside') 4, D. J. Guodman (cond.) $\$$ A 21 st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4 th
SOUTH ASHFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS. U.S.A.Al High Valley Farm, on July 17th. I.440 Plain Bob Minor in hand D. Dickinson 1-2. D Goldstein 3-4. Alice Dickinson (cond.) 5-6. Rung in memory of Marearet Shurclif. Presumed to be the firss quarter peal rung in hand by natives of thes country.
SUTTUN-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.-()n July 24 th . 1.200 Plain Bob Minor ( 7,8 covering): Katherine Burchnall 1. Lavina Mumford 2. N. Moxon 3. B Hough 4. Grace Burchnall (cund.) 5. A. Witson : R Muniford 7. W. Rushby 8. Rung half-mufiled in memory of $J$. T. Shipley, who was a regular ringer at this church. for 68 years. and who was buried the previous Friday, aged 79.
WalThamstow, ESSEX.-On July 17th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: P. Chanman 1. F. Maynard 2. H Warboys 3. D. Hewitt 4. M Barton (first of Siedman) 5, F. Sykes 6, B. Downes (cond.) 7, R. 1 umsder 8. For Evensone.
Warmley, Glos.-(In July 21st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Myra J. Wilkins 1. Sheila C. Mathews (first of Minorl 2, H. Taysom 3, Rite M. Webt 4. B. K. Lewis 5. A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 6 . Rung in memury of Frank Skidmore. Mavter of the Gloucester and Bristol Diucesan Assuciation.
WICKEN. NORTHANTS,-On June 21st, 1.260 Stedman Triples: 1. Linne!l 1, G. E. Green (cond.) 2, F C. Case 3 A. Armstrong 4. T. E. Roherts 5. P D. Taylur 6, C. E. Truman 7, G. Foddy 8.
WOLVEY. WARWICKS.-On May 241h. I.26t Plain Bub and Grandsire Doubles: J. Hood 1, T. W Thorpe 2. A. D. ODonnell 3. J. H. Beale (cond.) 4. H. M. Windsor 5. L. C. Beck 6. Rung to welcome the Rev. C. B. Gibbons to the parish. prior to his induction to the living. on May 24th, 1960.
WORCESTER.-On July 16ih. at St. Swithun's Church. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Baylis 1, J. Puses 2. Miss B. Holm 3. W. H. Raxter (cond.) 4. F. C. Pugh 5. C. Deakin 6. Rung during the Patronsl Festival
VATESBLRY, WILTS.-On July $18 \mathrm{hm}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubler: Valerie L. Preston 1. F B Preston 2. F. Preston 3. G. Ingham 4. M. W Toze (first as cond.) 5. Rung as a compliment to $F$. Barry Prestion, on his return from H M. Forces, in Cyprus.

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## HANDSWORTH, STAFFS

Handsworth ringers' outing. on July 9th, began early in bright sunshine and with all the passengers settled the coach was soon speeding on its way. The first call was at Eastwood where a few adjustments had to be made to the ropes before ringing was comfortable, but the bells proved to be worth working on and provided fine tone when well struck. The next stage of the journey was quite long and diversion was provided by ringing handbells. We arrived at Loughborough Bell Foundry in the middle of a torrential rain shower and were welcomed by Mr. Paul Taylor, whom we were very pleased to meet once again. After a short tour of the foundry we ascended to the base camp of the bell ringers' Everest and tried oul hands on the bells. A touch was rung on the back eipht by the ladies but during an attempt for London the bell proved altogether too much for one of the front end ringers who proved to be an expert at catching his sally after the bell had bounced from the stay.
After lunch the party went to Loughborough Parish Church where the magnificent bells were fully sampled by all and the final course of Yorkshire would have pleased even the most critical listener. There is no doubt that Loughborough and John Taylor and Co. can be justifiably proud of this ring of bells. At nearby Shepshed the writer's favourite touch of Grandsire with Queen's. Tittums and plenty of $4-6-8^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$, etc., was being attempted when we here told we would have to stop due to a sick case very nearby. We returned to Loughborough for tea. Our final ringing stop was at Sutton-on-Trent where the very pleasing 12 cwt . eight were rung to a variety of methods. This tower was almost like playing a home fixture and all acquitted themselves well. A stop was made on the way home for the inevitable, but welcome refreshments. which we all felt we had earned, before reaching our starting point at about 11 p.m.

Our thanks are due to Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert. for making the arrangements and kecping us to the schedule, and to ali incumbents and tower captains for the use of their bells.
D. H.

## OUTINGS

## BECCLES, SUFFOLK

Beccles ringers and their friends from neighbouring towers for their annual outing on July 16 th went for their ringing to Terrington St. Clement. in the far corner of Norfolk, where they found another detached tower. A few touches were rung on the ten at Wisbech before lunch. Then back into Norfolk. ringing at Hilgay, Downham Market and Northwold and finally on yet another detached tower. this time in Suffolik. at Elveden.

For this most enjoyable day sincere thanks are accorded 10 Mr . F. C. Wigmore, of Wisbech, and Mr. E. Mastin, of Downham Market. and to incumbents and tower keepers.

## DUNHOLME AND SAXILBY, LINCS

Towers south of Lincoln were chosen for this year's outing on July 9th. After ringing at Nocton. Blankney and Martin. during the morning, we journeyed across to Hough-on-the-Hill, where, at the kind invitation of the Vicar. we had our pienic lunch on the vicarage lawn. Hough. Caythorpe and Fulbeck bells were rung during the afternoon. and we then made for the George Hotel. Leadenham. for tea.
Wellingore and Waddington, in the evening. completed a day of good six-bell towers, the one exception being Caythorpe. where they have a good eight-bell ring. Methods rung ranged from rounds to Cambridge.
At 9 p.m. We were sitting down to dinner at the Horse and Jockey: Waddington, where, after the 'last course had been ' brought round,' we were able to look back on the 'major,' 'delights of another successful outing. Since we 'ran out quick, in the morning we had been 'dodging' about. i making places." some of us had never made before, and generally having a right royal time.
Thanks go to Stan Smith. to those who provided the transport. to incumbents and members of local bands who met us. H. C

## STORRINGTON, SUSSEX

Favoured by perfect weather, Storrington ringers and friends enjoyed their annual outing, on July 16th, in East Sussex and Kent. Towers visited were Alfriston, Brede, Kilndown. Hartfield. Danehill and Wivelsfield. Lunch was taken at Whitegates. Westfield, and tea at Hartfield. On the whole the bells and ringing were good. Touches of Stedman. Bob Minor and Grandsire were rung. Thanks are accorded to incumbents and ringers who met the party.
L. \& D.

## HUNTS DISTRICT

The 11 th annual outing of the Hunts District of the Ely Association was in North Oxfordshire, on July 2nd. The weather was fine and warm without being too hot, and quite a pleasant day was spent by a company of 35 members and friends.

We had a preponderance of youth and it was a fine experience for them. The variety of rings was marked and ranged from the six little bells of Tetsworth to the $19 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of Great Milton. In addition. we rang on the eight at Thame and the sixes at Garsington and Wheatley. Our ringing may not have been high class. by some standards. the majority being Plain. interspersed with Treble Bob and a little Surprise. but we are plain and ordinary folk and enjoyed what we did ring. At all of the towers we were met by local ringers and had the pleasure of ringing with some of them. A veteran of some sixty years of ringing joined us at Great Milton in a touch of Grandsire.
The experience of ringing among the timbers of Wheatley was amusing, and climbing through the trap-door. at Tetsworth was very tricky.

Thanks are due to incumbents, to local ringers, to Harold Peacock. who once more arranged the trip. and the gentleman from Oxfordshire. without whose assistance the trip would not have been possible.
R.F.B.

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A feature about the 100th peal rung at Thurcaston, Leics, was that Mr. Ernest
Morris rang the same bell as he did when the first peal was rung on the bells on April 17th. 1920. In 1920 a transposition of Parker's 12 -part was rung; this time it was a variation. The 100 th peal was a birthday compliment to Auntie Beattie ' (Mrs. Ernest Morris).
As a result of meeting short at Macclesfield. on July 9th. the band had to be content with London Surprise Major. Mr. F. Dunkerley kindly stood down.

The band who rang in the peal at Long Sutton, on July 23 rd. would like to associate with it the name of Mr. Paul Field. who was unable to stand in, owing to family illness.
Next Saturday (August 6th) the University Association start their ringing week with headquarters at Wirlow Grange. Sheffield 11. A comprehensive programme has been prepared for the occasion by Phyllis Holborn and John Seager. and Mr. York-Bramble has produced a new method for the tour. There will be peal attempts at Bolsover. Chesterfield and Handsworth.
During the ringing of a quarter peal attempt at Oundle, Northants, on July 26th, a pigeon, which had been listening to the ringing with obvious pleasure from the window sill. decided to enter the ringing chamber. The band are unable to discover whether the bird intended to register a protest against ringing Minor with two covering bells or was carried away by the excellence of the striking. At any rate the quarter came to grief but was successful at the second attempt.
The ringing of peals at Morpeth Watch Tower by visiting ringers, thus interferring with the ringing of the 8 p.m. curfew by Miss J. Armstrong. is commented upon by 'Saggerston " in 'The Morpeth Herald. of July 23nd. "It seems extraordinary that the team did not notify Miss Armstrong. states the article. So now the curfew. disheartened. is silent on most nights." These breaks in traditional customs are regretted

GOSSIP
At High Valley Farm. U.S.A.. a new step in the history of change ringing in America was taken on July 17th, when a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung " in hand." to the memory of Mrs. Margaret Shurcliff. This is believed to be the first quarter peal rung 'in hand' by natives of the United States of America. Our congratulations. Some years back there were handbell peals rung in Venezuela, but the performances were not by natives of the American Continent.

The Rev. David G. Brunning informs us that he is carrying on his disputation with Mr. C. R. Chad Coussmaker on the subject of Confirmation privately.

There will be a course on . The Art of Bell Ringing.' at Grantley Hall, Adult College. near Ripon. Yorks. from Friday evening March 17th to Sunday evening March 19ih. 1961

In memory of the late Mrs. 'Flo' Field and to complete the ring of six, a new treble bell is to be installed at Long Sutton. Somerset. The dedication (which will be advertised) should be early in 1961.

We hear that the Kent veterans were successful in their peal of Grandsire Triples. at West Malling, on July 2nd. The iotal age of the band was 570 years and their membership of the Kent County Association amounted to 440 years.

The band who rang the peal at Ringstead. Northants. desire it to be associated with the tercentenary of the Royal Society, who have been presented by H.M. the Queen with a silver bell to be rung at all future meetings of the Society.

During a Saturday ringing practice at Exeter Cathedral. a visitor left behind a small Kodak Brownie 127 camera together with a canvas case. This has not been claimed and would the owner please write to N. Mallett. 61. Butts Road. Heavitree. Exeter. when it will gladly be returned.

ESTABLISHED

## 40 YEARS ON

On July 20ih, 1920, six ringers met at All Saints Church, Melbourn, Cambs, 10 attempt a peal of 5,040 Plain Bob Minor. Th s they accomplished in 2 hours 44 minutes. The same band met again on July 20th, 1960, and rang a quarter peal in the same method, each ringing the same bell with the same conductor. The band was: $S$ Reed 1, A. E. Austin (cond.) 2, C. Gouldihorpe 3, J. W. Ward 4, E. G Hibbens 5, F. Harper 6.

Messrs. Reed, Gouldthorpe, Harper and Ward belong to the local band, the 1920 peal being their first. They still ring regularly for Evensong, at Melbourn, on alternate Sundays. Mr. Austin now lives near Newmarket, while Mr. Hibbens, living in Cambridge, rings at Great St. Mary's, with the Canibridge Youths.

During the late 1920's and 1930's Messrs. Austin, Ward and Harper rang many peals of Surprise Minor in the six bell towers around Canbridge. Mr. Hibbens is well known as the conductor of many peals of Major.
May the writer conclude by suying with what pleasure he listened to the well struck quarter peal rung by his old friends.
C. W.C.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## Annual Meeting At Chelmsford

"HE 81st annual meeting of the Essex Association was held in Chelmsford, on Whit Monday. The proceedings started with the annual service in the Cathedral. conducted by the Provost (the Very Rev. G. E. Ciordon). assisted by the Precentor (the Rev. J. A. Morley). The Archdeacon of Colchester (the Ven. A. V. G. Cleall). preached the sermon. The Master (Mr. R. C. Heazel) read the lesson.

The Master was in the chair for the annual meeting which followed in the Chapter House
Mr. R, C. Heazel. who had been nominated by all districts, was re-elected as Master of the Association, and he thanked the members for their contınucd support. Mr. H. Turner, of Shenfield. was elected Deputy Master, and the name of Mr. F. V. Gant was the only one submitted for the onerous post of honorary secretary and treasurer. Messrs. F. Gioddard secretary and treasurer. Messrs. F. Goddard together with Messrs. J. Crawley. P. Eves and C. Smith. All were unanimously re-elected

One of the most pleasing duties at the annual meeting is the rewarding of long and faithful service by the conferring of life membership. This was conferred upon Mrs. C. Roberts and Messrs. E. J. Blower, C. Button. G. Camp. E. G. Cottis J Jennings, E. Leggatt. D. Sellars. F. Smith and G. Waterman

After the Master had closed the meeting, the company adjourned to the Cathedral Hall for lunch. when the Archdeacon was the chief guest.

## REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The annual dinner has now firmly established itself and oncc again was held in the Shirchall. early in October. It was a very enjoyable evening. Unfortunately the president, the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford. was unable to be present owing to a throat infection. but the ever-present Provost. with his lady, supported the Master at the top table. The guest of honour was Ernest Morris. of Leicester. and the Association is grateful to him for coming and also to Mr. J. Chalk for making his visit possible. Entertainment was provided by Dr. Armstrong Gibbs, Miss Joan Edwards and Mr. E. Bailey, with Mrs. Cole at the piano. A feature of the evening was a very well struck course of Grandsire Caters by Messrs. Turner. Eves. Egglestone and Symonds. with Ernest Morris taking a pair as well.
Membership now stands at 956 ringing members, with 226 honorary members. There are 116 lowers in union.

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 32


MR. G. W'. PIPE Victoria, Australia.
Mr. George W. Pipe. although the youngest member of the Exercise to be included in this series. has undoubtedly. by his hard work and enthusiasm 'down under,' earned himself an honoured place in it. He is carrying the torch and preaching the gospel of good striking in Australia with such effect that the standards are improving out of all recognition.
Despite the difficulties of great distances between places of ringing- 500 miles is quite an ordinary journey-Double Norwich. Stedman Triples, Grandsire Caters and Bob Royal are rung regularly. and our peal columns now
frequently carry records of successful peal attempts. George Pipe being the young man who is at the back of all this.
He was born in 1935 at Staines. Middlesex the son of Cecil (Jim) Pipe. Educated at Woodbridge School (Suftolk), and learned to ring at Grundisburgh, in 1944. At the early age of ten he had rung peals of Bob Major and Cambridge Surprise Major, and by the time he had reached the mature age of twelve he had rung peals of London and Bristol Surprise Major! At eleven years of 'age he conducted his first peal-Bob Major Hy the time he was 13, he had rung peals of Stedman Cinques and Cambridge Maximus at Ipswich. conducted by C. J. Sedgley. For the latter peals he was rewarded by that great ringer, $F$. J. Tillett, with two bright halfcrowns! At the age of 15 he had rung 100 peals. all on tower bells. He assisted his father to turn in Exeter Cathedral tenor to a peal of Major in 4 hours 41 minutes, when he was 19. His peals total is 266 of which he has conducted 104. Truly a remarkable record for one so young.
George married Diana Matthew, in 1956. and they have one daughter, Sarah. He is not only brilliant in his ringing. but also good at his job (engineering). His ability was soon recognised by his employers. and he was appointed to the Australian subsidiary firm of Ransomes. Sims and Jeffries, to become works manager of their organisation. His disposition is very friendly and pleasant, and he has a way (like his father) of getting on well with people. One of the things he is particularly proud of is the successful accomplishment of a quarter peal of Maximus in Australia with $10^{\circ}$ firsts ' in it. His ambition is to see first class belfrymanship, and to hear first class striking in all Australian towers; and the formation of one Australian Association with all towers and bells in good order. If we are not very much mistaken. George is the boy to see that this comes about. We wish him every success in his efforts, and he is such a lovable chap that we feel sure his fellow ringers in that far away country will rally to his support.

JAFUS.

## PEAL RINGING

Peal ringing showed a slight increase-70 against 64 in 1959. The conducting was shared by 26 members, headed by F. B. Lufkin 16. H. W. Egglestone 9. A. R. Andrews, H. Turner 6: one peal was rung silently. Some 180 members took part in the peals ( 158 in 1958). 14 scored their first peal ( 12 in 1958) and 96 scored their first in the method (128 in 1958)

The following rang 15 or more peals for the Association: H. W. Egglestone 21. D. A. S Symonds 20. F. B. Lufkin 19, U. W. Wildney 16.

Cambridge Surprise Royal was rung by the Cambridge University Guild. at Saffron Walden: Kent Treble Bob Major, by the University of London Society, at Leyton, and London Surprise Major by the College Youths. at Woodford.

Personal congratulations go to F. B. Lufkin on ringing his 450 th peal. Outstanding in the year's performances are of course the two peals of Minor rung by J. E. G. Roast and his band who raised the number of methods spliced into a peal. first to 51 and then to 60 For the first tince for many years handbell peals have been recorded and congratulations go to H . Egglestonc and his band. An excellent performance was the peal of Cambridge, rung at Halstead - silent and non-conducted.

Quarter peal ringing again shows a slight increase. 187 being recorded as against 181 in 1958. New towers included in the list were Orsett. Great and Litle Horkesley. Epping and an increasing number from Waltham Abbey. but. of course, pride of place must go to Rayleigh. where this enthusiastic band scored 31 quarter peals in 13 methods with 6 conductors. Walthamstow rang 17 . Altogether 51 towers recorded quarter peals. This is a
fine effort and is indicative of the strength of service ringing in the Association

## SURVEY OF TOWERS AND SERVICE RINGING

Rings in the Diocese. 174; Ringable, 146. Towers in union with the Association, 111: Towers making returns for the period requested. 89: Towers where no information as to the service ringing. 4; Towers where no ringing is taking place,

OBSERVATIONS.-For the month under review 21 towers rang for Matins and Evensong, 9 towers for Matins only and 8 towers for Evensong. that is to say. all ropes fully manned
Of the towers in union it can generally be said that the attendance is quite high, averaging 75 per cent regular ringing for Sunday morning and 80 per cent for Evensong.

At 25 per cent of the towers within the Diocese ringing is irregular. In certain cases the bells are only rung by visiting bands, or when a request is made by the local Church authorities. or when some enthusiast musters up a band in order to arouse local enthusiasm

Let us clean out the belfries that are too often cluttered up with pigeons' nests and other refuse and let us also clean out our ringing chambers and make them fit places to entertain visitors and friends and indeed a fit place for the worship of God.

Let us in our ringing strive for constancy in all we do so that it may be realised by everybody that to be a ringer involves strength of character. reliability and firmness of principle. By so doing, we shall have the satisfaction of "s something attempted. something done." bringing joy and inspiration to all we meet along life's path.

## PLACE NOTATION

By WILFRID G. WILSON

I. AM grateful to Mr. Burles for his reference to me in his letter on the above subject ( R.W. July 8th. page 467). I am not sure that I am necessarily the right person to explain place notation. but I agree with him that it needs doing, having also known people to whom it is a complete mystery. until someone sits down with pen and paper and works out an example for them. So here goes.

The first thing to realise is that the only work that makes a method, instead of a plain or treble bob hunting course, is the placesthat is those parts of the ringing when one bell occupies the same position in two consecutive rows. And all that makes one plain method differ from another. or one treble bob method differ from another, is the number and position of those places. When you ring a method, you have normally learnt all the dodging as well as the place making, but in a plain hunt method all the dodging is caused by the place making. And in a treble bob method this is also true. except that when the treble dodges it has to have a bell to dodge with.

So if we can devise a system which tells us which places are made and when, and so long as we know the path of the treble, then we can put down the essentials of any method in a kind of shorthand. This is what enabled A. J. Corrigan to print the hasic factors of so many surprise methods in his booklets for sale at an economic price. And because of these booklets his name has become associated with the system of place notation. But it has actually been used by some people for many years-either for written work or to enable the experts to ring difficult methods doublehanded. In the Jatter case all they learn of each method is the position of the places, and either dodge or hunt when their own bells are not concerned in those places. If you look at the surprise methods printed in your ringers' diary you will see that the places are indicated against the first half lead and the first lead end of each method. That is place notation and if the figures of the lead were not also printed, they could be worked out.

The simplest form of place notation is one which shows row by row what happens relative to the preceding Row
row. For the sake of 112345678 brevity and simplicity let us take as an example a plain method - Double Norwich Court Bob Major. Here is the first half lead of the method. We want to indicate what happens between each row to give us the next row.
Let us make a little 946283751 table to show this.
Betweer Row What happens Shown by 1-2 Each pair of bells

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\text { 2-3 } & \text { 4ih place made } \\
3-4 & \text { no places }
\end{array}
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$3-4$
$5-5$
$5-6$
$6-7$
3rd \& 6th places made no places
sth place made no places
At the half lead end 1st place is made 1

* First place is also made. but if it were not the path of the treble would have to be altered. Therefore there is no need to show it as 14. though we can if we wish.
If as in this case the method is a regular one. the second half of the lead is the same as the first. but backwards. So that while we can write down the first half of the lead as $\times 4 \times 36 \times 5 \times 1$. we know that the second half will be $\times 5 \times 36 \times 4$ and we shall come to the
first lead end. Eighths place is made at the lead end. so we can say so. And if we want to be very helpful, so that our reader knows he has worked it out correctly, we can also say-lead end is 8674523.
There are all sorts of variations to this and there is no law which says that all our experts must use the same system. So there will always be differences in the way the notation is given. There is similar confusion over the way callings are indicated in some methods, i.e.. $x$ in Stedman Triples means two bobs, six changes apart; in major it can mean a bob before. Sometimes the figure denoting the lead end (or lead head) place is given at the start. Even the same person uses variations. In the first series of surprise major methods, issued by Corrigan. Cambridge Major is shown as 38, 14, 1258, 36. 14, 58, 16. 78-lead end 2. In part ' C.' published later, he shows the same method as 38.4 . 1258. 36. 14.5.16.7 $\rightarrow$ with a group letter to show it is a seconds place method. Spaces (which I have shown as commas) are used instead of $x 10$ show the lack of places and certain first and eighths places have been omitted because all surprise major methods have them at those rows

These differences and the puzzlement they cause suggest that we should make our place notation as full as possible, consistent with simplicity.
On page 472 of the 'R.W.' referred to above, there appeared under the heading of Harthill Surprise Major the following place notation : $-38 \times 14 \times 1258 \times 36 \times 12 \times 58 \times 56 \times 1$
2nds place. L.E. 7856342. 4ths place bob.
This should give us all we need to learn and ring this method. Now. without I assure you, any prior knowledge or preparation, let us apply what we have written above and us apply what
see if it works.

This is manifestly wrong 12345678 as row 4 makes the treble depart from its regular $38 \quad 21354768$ depalt from its reguiar 38 hob hunting path. X 12537486
treble But a moment's thought. 1415234768 or a count of the number of rows indicated either by $x$ or by figures, will suggest that the method probably starts. as most do. with x . Mr. Critchley, whose name appears. probably took that for granted. So we try again :
If you use
squared paper and write in the path of the treble first. then you will be much less likely to make a mistake. But it is not essential.
Starting from rounds change each pair of bells to produce row 2 . In row 3 make 3 rds and 8ths place and change the other pairs. Row 4 change all pairs. Row 5 make lst and $1 \overline{67284351} 17$ 4ths places. Row 6 change all pairs. Row 7 make Ist. 2nd. 5th and 8th places. Row 8 change all pairs. And so on to row 17 when we make Ist place at the half lead end. You now have enough to produce the 'blue line.' but to assure ourselves that we are still on the rails and hecause many of us find it easier if we have a complete lead written out. continue this for the second half of the lead. working backwards. Start with $x$ at row 18 and continue $56 \times 58 \times 12 \times 36 x$
$1258 \times 14 \times 38 \mathrm{x}$ and seconds place at the lead end. If you have now got 17856342 you will have it right first time.

Many of us never need to use this notation. we want the 'blue line.' But it is very useful to save printing costs and space in our paper. as you will see if you look at earlier copies which had columns of figures in them. And it has one other advantage. If. to learn a method. you have to produce from this place notation first a half lead or a full lead, as we have done above. and then by joining up the figures get your 'blue line,' you will find that you have almost learnt your method and you know quite a lot about its construction.

I hope Mr. Critchley will excuse the use as an example of the method he sent in and still more do I hope that he will not write to say I have it wrong!

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The Salisbury Branch meeting, on July 16th at Enford. with evening ringing at Fittleton and Netheravon attracted visitors from Wellington (Somerset). Southampton. Kingsclere, Wareham. and even Ashtead. Welcoming the ringers at the service. the Rev. D. G. Timothy said that in his 30 years' ministry, at Enford. it was the first time the Guild had visited his church for a meeting. and he hoped they would come again soon.

At the beginning of the business meeting Mr. Harold Roles asked for a minute's silence in memory of Mr. Harry Prout. formerly of Melksham and Corsham, who died on July l1th, while at a practice. in Britford Church. Harry came to live in Sidisbury a year ago and had soon won the respect and affection of the Salisbury ringers. His cheerful smile will be very much missed. hut his passing was as he would have wished. quietly in church with his friends. while sitting cut between touches at a practice.

Certificates of proficiency were handed to Mrs. Bush. Michael Carter. Denis Chalk. Howard Smith, and Patricia Phillimore. Ivan Behan and Peter Bushell. the last three being young members of the Enford band. who had scored their first quarter peal that afternoon before the visiting ringers arrived.

The ringers' wives provided a very good tea in the School. the proceeds going to their Belfry Fund. A move was then made to the two neighbouring towers in the valley of the Wiltshire Avon (both sixes), and touches in a variety of methods. including Cambridge and London. were brought round.
Y. L. E.

## I LOVE YOU

I love the way you ring-
The sweeping effortless swing, the muscles rippling-
The calm, unworried stare.
I love the way you strike a bell-
The clear and dulcet sound immaculately alone within the peal-
The beat just right.
I love to see you call-
Making the other ringers obey your
Slightest whim. clear-cut commands guiding the uncertain-
With a confidence sublime.
I love you for your knowledge-
Methods coming from your longue.
Cambridge. London or any one of those great screeds-
Competently produced.
I love you for yourself-
No matter that your nose is big.
Your eyes protrude you wear a wig-
You ring-that's everything!
I LOVE YOU
J. K. B.

## THOSE MOVING MASSES OF METAL WITH WILLS OF THEIR OWN 'POULARD' BELL ROPES

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## RINGING MEETINGS

Dear Sir.-If it can be said that to a large extent the success of a ringing meeting is governed by the number of ringers present then would it not be as well for secretaries of Guilds and Associations and their respective branches to give some thought to this problem of attendance?
Most ringers would. I think, regard it as a must ' to attend meetings of their own Guild and branch. but the problem is to discover when these meetings are to take place, so that well in advance the dates may be noted down in the diary. In many cases the only way to find out the date and place of the next meeting is either 10 attend the previous one (not always possible) or else to await the appearance of the notice in The Ringing World. about a fortnight before the meeting is due to take place. By that time the date in the diary has probably been taken by another fixture. not necessarily ringing.

There may be other ways of discovering the required information. For instance, some secretaries send reports of their meetings to 'The Ringing World,' although a greut many do not. Even when reports are sent many of them contain no clue as to the date and place of the next meeting.
So far I have only spoken of the difficulties attending the territorial ringer, but the problem becomes even greater for the ringer who likes to attend meetings outside his own territory. Before he makes a fixture of this nature he ought to be reasonably sure that there is no other meeting which has a prior claim on his services. Secretaries. I feel sure, are always glad to see visitors at their gatherings. and the more they can do in the way of prior publicity the more attractive their meetings will be
Now the ringer who is prepared to travel is often a peal ringer also. and from my own experience as a moderate peal ringer I find my Saturdays tend to get booked up with peal fixtures many weeks ahead. Looking down The Ringing World columns at the notices of meetings I have often regretted that I could not attend a certain meeting because 1 already have a peal fixture which I would certainly not have arranged on that date if I had known about the meeting.

If I have made my point, is there something which might be done to improve the situation? It is the practice of some Guilds or branches only to choose the date and place of the next meeting at the previous meeting. In a great many cases the towers could be visited regularly in turn, and it then becomes a simple matter to fix a rota and to publish details in advance. These details could be published in the notice columns of . The Ringing World.

Would your readers agree with me. I wonder, that advance publicity would go some way to increase the attendance at ringing meetings.Yours sincerely.

Kennington, Oxford.
ALAN R. PINK

## HOLT'S ORIGINAI.

Dear Sir.-In reply 10 Mr . Roy D. Tomlin. an exact true 'quarter peal from the last part of Holt's Original can be obtained as follows: Bob at 1. single at 2 and single at 5 . This produces the 278 th lead end of the peul. *Wours sincerely.
L.OUIS HEAD.

## Maidstone.

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING
_Dear Sir -In reply to Mr. Roy Tomlin's enquiry. on page 499 of 'The Ringing World.' the last quarter of the Original can be called as follows:-
From rounds
$\begin{array}{llll}5 & 2 \mathrm{D} & 2 \mathrm{D} & 5 \mathrm{D}\end{array}$
This replaces the line $533^{-1}$ 51) 51 ) of the peal and has 1.330 changes.

Incidentally, it is the lirst time I have seen the false qutarter given.-Yours sincerely,

## Paddock Wood, Kent.

FIRST PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINIMUS
Dear Sir. With reference to the claim made in your issue of July 15th. for the peal of Plain Boh Minimus. at High Wycombe, on June 29 th. I have $t 0$ point out that a peal in the method was rung on handbells at Marple, on July 30th. 1938. by the brothers Jocelyn and Ivan Gardiner.

This peal was followed by others, both on lower- and handbells, and it was the advent of the Second World War which stopped progress. Both the participants are still living: Jocelyn is farming in Norfolk and Ivan is on the staff of Reading University. (Reading University Guild please note.) I understand that neither do much ringing nowadays.
Finally, may I plead with those who make claims to read. The Ringing World more carefully for in your leading article of June 17th you recall the peal to which I refer.Yours faithfully.

## KENNETH LEWIS.

## Timperley, Altrincham.

Details of the 1948 peal:-Marpte. Cheshire. The Chester Diocesan Guild. On Saturday. July 30. 1938. in 1 Hour and 18 Minutes, at 9. Parkfield Avenue. a Peal of Bob Minimus. 5.040 changes. Being 210 extents. Tenor size 11 in F sharp. Jocelyn B. Gardiner (aged 16) 1-2. Ivan B. Gardiner (aged 13) 3-4. First peal by hoth. First peal by a local band 'in hand.

## BECCLES CHURCH

Dear Sir.-Re your note in Belfry Gossip as to the damage to our campznile tower, at Beccles, by lightning or June 14 th , I am pleased to be able to state that the damage was not serious and actually we only had to cancel one practice night and. much to our regret. the proposed visit of two outing bands due that week
The diocesan architect examined the damage two days later and said that it was only superficial and that ringing for short periods was quite safe. so our very enthustastic tower keeper spent a very hot Saturday afternoon clearing up the debris and the dust from the bearings (his wife tells me he 'made himself into an unrecognisable mess in the process). and normal ringing was resumed on Sunday morning - Yours truly.

Beccles

## WAKEFIELD LITTI.E CATERS

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## HANDBELL RINGING AND SPLIT MINDS

Dear Sir.-Following one or two recent references to handbell ringing and split minds. I note Mr. Staniforth's remarks in your issue of July 22nd with interest, and I would assure lim that the Leicester ringers are by no means on their own in this respect.
However. I think that this technique does make for harder work than that outlined in the Central Council's publication Change Ringing on Handbells. The basis of this is to know what internal places are being made. and to work one's bells accordingly.

Thus. for example, in Double Norwich. fourths place is made for the first whole pull of the lead, thirds and sixths for the next. and fifths for the next. The half lead is a plain hunting half lead (i.e. no internal place is made), and then the above places are made again in the reverse order. The lead end again is a plain hunting one. The places affect the working bells as follows: each odd place (thirds and fifths). made right, causes the bells below the place 10 do one dodge. while these above the place continue with a plain hunting path: each even place (fourths and sixths), made right, causes the reverse of this. i.e. the bells above the place dodge, and those below continue to plain huni. At the half lead and lead end no internal places are being made. so that all bells. except those leading and lying behind, ring whole pulls of a plain hunting path.
There is. of course, much more to it than is shown by this simple example. but it is all set out in the Council's publication.

As an example of the advantages of this method over the 'split mind" or "two blue lines' technique. I should like to refer to the recent peals of Spliced Major rung by Messrs. G. E. Feirn. J. Freeman. J. L. Millhouse and myself. To ring such a peal in 50 methods by the blue lines. it is necessary to learn seven individual leads of each of the methods. a total of 350 leads, and to be able, at each change of method. approximately every $20-25$ seconds. to select any two of them and ring them.
Using the "place " technique, it is necessary to select, at cach change of method, one place notation out of fifty-a much smaller choice. (Indeed, all that has to be learnt are 50 place notations, as against the blue line of 350 individual leads.)
When ringing by this method. there is no need to know the blue lines at all. and in fact. of the 50 methods rung. I only know the blue line of some half dozen or so. which I had previously rung on tower bells.

This brings me to a further point: those people who ring handbells by two blue lines are invariably ringing methods that they have previously learnt for, and rung on, tower bells. and they have not adapted their technique for handbells. Conversely, methods which I have first learnt and rung ' in hand. I still ring by the places when I come to ring them in the tower-thus, although I have rung a peal of Winchester Bob Major on tower bells. I could not draw out the blue line of this method.
In view of the decline in handbell ringiag, and the need to interest young ringers in this aspect of change ringing. might I suggest a series of articles be published by one, or some, of the notable handbell exponents.-Yours sincerely,
A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.

## Gainsborough.

SOUTHLEIGH, OXON, On July 26ih, 1,26n Stedman Triples: C. Kinch 1, N. Allnuir 2, E. Smith 3. B White 4. B. Coggins 5. F. White 6. 1. H. Frectorn (cand) 7. A. R. Pink 8. For the Patrong! Festival.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN TOUR

T HE last few days of our American friends stay in England were spent among the Somerset. A week's the with headquarter at The Crown Hotel. Glastonbury, had been arranged by Frank C. Price. the first part of which was to be spent with our visitors

On Saturday, July 9th, the programme began and history was to be made. Under the most able conductorship of two 'locals' the young men from across the Atlantic rang in their first quarter peal. Russell S. Young. the initiator of this great adventure. also rang a quarter peal. but it was not his first. The details of these very creditable performances-being two quarter peals of Stedman Doubles-are as follows: All Saints'. Ashcott: S. Parkman Shaw II 1. John Chilcott (cond.) 2. Dennis Dix, Jun. 3. Robert H Gardiner, Jun.. 4. Daniel A. Goodenough 5. Thomas Sibley 6.
St. Marys. Shapwick: Christopher C. Angell 1 . St. Mary's. Shapwick : Christopher C. Angell 1.
David H. Thorne 2. John Hill (cond.) 3. Michasl St. J. Smith 4, Alan W. Cross 5, Russell S. Young 6.

The remainder of the party successfully managed a comparatively easier task-ihat of ringing a peal of Plain Bob Major at Street After the ringing everyone gathered at headquarters and following dinner settled down to a social evening consisting chiefly of tonguewagging, handbell ringing (conventional and unconventional). listening to the tape recorder. beer bottle walking and the tasting of table waters of Somerset. The party were especially honoured to have as guests Bill Marsh and Bill and Hilda Kingcott. of Wrington.

## WELLS AND WRINGTON

On Sunday the party visited Wells and rang five Spliced Surprise at St. Cuthbert's, for Matins, and at the Cathedral. for afternoon service. The midday meal was preceded by the all too short but thirst quenching hospitality of Aunties Bea and Jean. sisters of Bill ('Somerset') Coles, who was on tour with us. Bishop Wilson, Assistant Bishop of Wells and ex-Bishop of Trinidad, honoured us by his presence in the ringing chamber of the Cathedral where he gave our overseas friends. the 'be-knighted ringers from London' and all others a warm welcome.

We rang for Evensong at All Saints". Wrington. and to cheer our leader on for the days to come we met his wishes by ringing a course of London Surprise Royal-a very worthwhile effort. After the church service, which was attended by most of the party, we began to feel that we had been bestowed the freedom of Wrington and we certainly had part of it at the generous invitation of Bill and Hilda Kingcott, who opened their doors for more kind hospitality

Monday morning arrived and we were destined to go to the seaside. Ours was a journey to ring at Bridgwater. followed in the afternoon by a peal of Grandsire Caters, at Minehead, where we had the pleasure of meeting Jack Pugsley, hale and hearty at 88 years young and for 60 years ringing master at this his local tower. During this peal the American ringers and the remainder of the English contingent rang on the six bells at Selworthy, near Porlock. After tea we next visited Taunton and ascended the tower of St. Mary Magdalene and rang on the comparatively light ring of twelve. Even if the front four trebles are the trickiest to handle we think we managed touches of Cinques quite well. Following this we kept another sacial engagement at the Staplegrove Inn with Arthur Reed. George and Evelyn Coles and the Vicar and his wife of St. John the Baptist Hillingdon.

Still fresh. even from late nights, our travels on Tuesday took us along more side roads to Wedmore. where the 30 cwt . tenor swings in a central tower. The Vicar came into the ringing chamber and extended to us a very warm welcome. Our next stop was at Conyresbury where the sizable tower surmounted by a tall spire contains an eight bell ring with the tenor 35 cwt .. a ground floor ring. By special request four Spliced was rung here and was recorded on the tape. Our American
friends. by keeping the most generous invitation and promise. were ringing at Ditcheat at this time. In the afternoon our peal resilted in merely an ittempt. It was on the magnificent bells at Yatton and London Surprise was rung for two hours 40 minutes when.

FAREWELL TO AMERICAN VISITORS
To complete the day's programme we rang on the octave at Backwell and this was followed by the clicking of many cameras and in turn by another session in one of the hostelries at Wrington. It signified the departure of our visitors from overseas, who were due to have a tour of the Continent. Our impressions of them and joy we had in their company cannot adequately be expressed in writing but we do regard their visit as providing a unique and wonderful experience which we would not have missed. To the Master Russell S. Young. we offer congratulations for his initiative, courage and application in carrying through this great adventure.
Bert Gogle received a surprise during this session. that a most suitable present as this was his birthday. Arriving back at the hotel at Glastonbury, at riidnight. we put paid to a birthday cake which had been sent from Norwick for the occasion. Dennis Knox also had a similar surprise. for his birthday soon followed.

On Wednesday our first call was at Mells where, after ringing. the Vicar conducted us around his interesting church. Associated with Mells is Litile Jack Horner and in the Horner Chapel is a most unusual but beautiful equestrian statue in bronze by Sir Alfred Munnings on a stone base designed by Sir Edwin lutyens. Our second call involved crossing the county boundary to Trowbridge. where we successfully rang a peal of Stedman Cinques. During the evening among other methods was rung Spliced Plain and Little Bob and Erin, on the octave at Frome. Bill Coles excused himself from this visit in order to spend a short while with Joe Dyke talking and playing back on the tape recorder and it was gratifying to hear that Joe shows decided improvement in health.
The following day we commenced our ringing at Ditcheat followed by ringing at Shepton Mallet, both good rings with tenors well over a ton. In the latter church we were shown the underside of the nave roof to have 350 different carvings, dating from 1450. and the pulpit which has been carved from one piece of stone. After midday refreshment. we departed for Evercreech. where on these well known bells we rang a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. In the evening we rang on our heaviest six at Bruton (tenor 25 cwt. 3 gr.). The fourth is a 15 th century bell and all are hung on plain bearings. but all swing well as may be assumed when it is mentioned that Mr. White is teaching a very youthful band there.

## VENUS CHOSE SATURN

On Friday, with everyone still tireless and enthusiastic. for in practically all of the towers the bells were both raised and lowered in peal we first visited St. Andrew's. Cheddar, and then Axbridge. where in the central tower of St. John the Baptist one of the Iadies was put in charge of ringing on the six bells Venus chose Saturn Treble Bob Doubles, which was very creditably performed. and then commanded that one of Saturn's male descendants should ring the tenor behind a ladies touch of Grandsire Doubles. We next visited another church dedicated to St. Andrew-perhaps the patron saint of Somerset-at Banwell, where a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was achieved. The third St. Andrew for this day was at Chew Magna. where we rang this octave with a 28 cwt tenor to touches of Triples and Surprise Major. Even if the Qucens Arms is not so well known to ringers as the bells of Chew Magna we finished the day there with some good refreshments and handbell ringing.
For our last day we rang a morning-cumafternoon peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major at Martock. and then said good-bye to Somerset in order to ring on the heaviest eight
a! Sherborne Abbey. This concluded our feast of ringing on some of the finest bells in the country
Our one regret was that young Michael J Palmer, of Hilingdon. was unable to be with us as previously arranged. due to his admission to hospital the week before.
Our sincere thanks are tendered to the Deans and incumbents, who gave us permission to ring on the bells and those who were able also to give us a welcome. and to those who met us. Special thanks to Tom Lock. the tour secretary, and Frank C. Price. the organiser

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## OUTINGS

CLEWER AND WINDSOR, BERKS
The ringers of Clewer and Windsor and their friends had an enjoyable outing to Somerset and Wiltshire, on July 9th. The towers visited were Twerton-on-Avon. Chewton Mendip. Midsomer-Norton. Westbury (Wilts) and Bratton.

At the last named tower a touch of Bratton Slow Course Minor was rung : a method which had been devised for the occasion by one of the party on the coach journey between Midsomer-Norton and Westbury. Other ringing during the day ranged from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Major
The ringers wish to cxpress their thanks to the incumbents. the ringers who welcomed them and to the steeple keepers, whose work was manifested by the excellent 'go" of the bells and the carefully kept ringing chamber at every tower visited.

## LECKHAMPTON, GLOS

Ringers from SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Leckhampton. went on a coach outing, the first for many years. on July 9th. There were 31 people in the party. of whom 18 were ringers from our own church and five from the next door parish of Charlton-Kings. The towers visited were Kemble. South Cerney, Meysey Hampton and Coln St. Aldwyn.
The party included many more learners than 'experts': nevertheless some of the ringing, was of good standard, and methods rung included Plain Bob and Kent and Cambridge Surprise Minor. At Meysey Hampton. Evensong was said with the Rector. Rev. W. E. Harley. The outing, enjoyed by all. ended with refreshments at the New Inn. Coln St. Aldwyn.
We are very grateful to all ringers and clergy who made this year's outing possible. Our youngest ringers are two boys, aged 12 ; the oldest is Mr. Fred Pratt, now in his 87th vear. The tower captain is Mr. Charles Richings.
J. B. T. H.

## SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL

On July 9th. with four cars for transport. a $6.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. start was made from Sheffield and King's Lynn was reached by $10 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{m}$. An hour's ringing at St. Margaret's (10) followed There was ringing at the detached tower of East Dereham, before an excellent lunch.

Then to Yarmouth to be welcomed by the Vicar, the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow. The new bells were very much enjoyed. After tea at Yarmouth a short run to Norwich to ring on the twelve at the beautiful old church St . Peter Mancroft
Methods rung during the day included Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Caters: Kent Major. Royal and Maximus. Cambridge and Double Norwich. etc
Summary of the bells: King's Lynn, a nice old ten. some a little odd struck perhaps. East Dereham. a grand octave. Yarmouth, rather quiet outside, but a good way to start new ring, very easy go: the little bells require 3 pull or two to get the feel: congratulations to the founders for a fine job. Mancroft. a great ring. why don't they make
few rings like these nowadays? We did not really do justice to them.
Leaving Norwich at 7 p.m. most of us were home about midnight. Our thanks go to local people for their co-operation. Distance covered. 345 miles: perhaps a record for a company outing. Quite an adventure.
H.O.C.

## THE TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

By T. A. BEVIS
(Continued from page 469) TERRINGTON ST. JOHN ${ }^{1}$ CHERE are many curious towers throughout the land and one of thesc must surely be that strange and unorthodox sentinel at Terrington St. John. Norfolk.

By all rights it is detached from the church. although at first glance the tower's slender proportions contradicts the previous statcment. It will be noticed. however, that a peculiar structure rises between the tower and the church. and this does, in fact, attach the former to the latter.
the exterior by way of a gallery exposed to all weathers. Continuing to ascend one enters a second vaulted passage leading to the nave roof and also to the stairway in the tower. It will be noticed that the tower stairway begins at the level of the church roof.

There is a pleasant ring of six bells (tenor 10 cwt. 3 qrs. 21 lbs. in F sharp). cast by Thomas Osborn in 1784. All with the exception of the treble are inscribed with the name of the then churchwarden. Thomas Wardle, who was probably a benefactor.


THE CHLRCH OF TESRINGTON ST. JOHN.
[Photo: A. M. French

It is a 'priest's house' and it was supposed to serve as a temporary lodging for the Vicar (most probably from Terrington St. Clement) in the event of floods. when oft-unruly elements were detrimental to travellers in the treacherous marshlands.

This interesting structure is unique in design and with the church dates from the 15 th century. The house consists of a ground floor chamber. II feet by 9 feet, and a small. vaulted chamber above is reached by climbing a newel stair. Over this room a vaulted passage gives access to the tiny ringing
chamher in the tower which is entered from

An Inventory made during the reign of Edward VI stated that this lower contained three bells at that lime. weighing 4.5 and 6 cwts. There were four bells until 1784 in which year they were recast to form part of the present ring. The fifth had remained cracked for many years until 1899 when it was recast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. It was again recast in 1947 by the same founders, who at the same time retuned and rehung the bells in a two-tier steel frame.
An ancient church account book is still preserved in which may be seen the original

- An Agreement made the 12 th day of January. 1784. by the Churchwardens and Overseers and other Parishioners of the Parish of Terrington St. John in the County of Norfolk, and Mr. Thomas Osborn, of Downham, in the said County. Witnesseth that he the said Thomas Osborn is 10 run and compleat a good Peal of Six Bells so that the weight of the same do not exceed forty-five hundredweight. He, the said Thomas Osborn, is to run down the old bells and new cast the same towards the said peal and is to be allowed one pound eight shillings $p$ hundredweight is to find good and sufficient clappers for the said six Bells at the rate or price of ninepence to the pound, and also to make a new frame of good sound oak and hang the bells in a workmanlike manner for the sum of fifty pounds. And further he do agree to save and indemnify the said Bells from any harm or hurt by fair ringing for twelve months. .
The first peal in the tower was rung under the auspices of the old St . Edmundsbury and Ipswich Association on February 1st. 1923, and consisted of 5.040 changes of Plain Boh conducted by A. R. Price.


## ST. MARY'S CHURCH. ELY

The impressive west tower of Ely's magnificent cathedral casts its shadow over the colourful ' Green ' towards the Norman church of St. Mary, considerably detracting from the latter building's interest. Nevertheless. St. Mary's Church is well worth a visit and there is a very good ring of eight bells. To the observer the steeple is plain to behold, its smooth appearance due to an application of cement in 1829. the proportions and preparation being a secret which died with the work man who prepared it.

Originally there were six bells. Five of the present ring were recast and two added by Edward Arnold (cousin to Joseph Eayre). of St. Neots. in 1781 . The oldest bell bears the date 1670. and another was cast in 1767. A smaller bell, known as the 'Horse Bell' was supplied by Arnold in 1788 . It has been eroneously described as a sanctus bell, but was actually used during the early hours of the morning to call up Ely's horsekeepers.

The treble informs us: 's Bells Recast and 2 added by Subscription and Rate A.D. 1781.' and the second is inscribed Trinity Parish Gave Me.' Number three appears to have been given by Matthew. Bishop of Ely: - ECCLESIAE S. MARIAE DONAVIT MATHلAS EPISCOPUS ELIENSIS MDCCLXVII.

The patriotic fourth intones God Bless the King and Queen and the fifth murmurs I to the Poor and Needy am a friend. for whose relief I call you to attend.' The unfortunate ringleaders in the Littleport Riots-which cccurred in the late 18 th century-may well have heard the dismal tolling of the sixth bell as they passed St. Mary's Church on their way to the gallows. How many of them would he aware of that bell's inscription: ' May our rich good and happy be. and all our poor peace and plenty see. (The Riots were inspired through the shortage of food.)

The seventh is inscribed: Thos. Pell Esq. gave me 1670. and the tenor ( 17 cwt .0 qus. 25 lbs . in E) carries a common inscription: I to the church the living call and to the grave I summon all.

Rehung in 1938 by Messrs. Taylor's, the bells are rung from the ground floor. and this space is also utilised as a choir vestry. A peal of 5.024 Kent Treble Bob Major, rung at St. Mary's Church on February 23rd. 1884. by members of the Society of Cumberland Youths, was the first in that method in Cambridgeshire

It is a great pity that Fenland's well known shrine-the cathedral at Ely. dedicated to Etheldreda-has not a ring of bells. It is certain. however. that there were six bells prior 10 the great restoration in the second half of the 19th century. Four of these have been retained and two act as clock bells. the largest (approximately 12 cwls.) inscribed: 'Henry Penn made me 1723.' The cathedral had two bells in the 14 th century, named 'Bounce' and 'Peter." and great works in bell casting were carried out during that century under the supervision of the "Flower of Craftsmen: Alan de Walsingham. the designer of the unique lantern tower

## OBITUARY

## MR. FRANK SKIDMORE

THE news of the death of our Master. Frank Skidmore. came as a very great shock to the members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association. He had been ringing at St. Ambrose for Matins and Evensong on Sunday. July 17th, looking as fit and well as he ever had, and in the small hours of Monday morning he was taken from us. There is now a great void, for who can replace such a man?

He joined the Association in 1911, having learned to ring at Stapleton, at the age of 19 . For a number of years we knew little or nothing of his activities, except that he served in the first world war. but from 1928 until his death his career is almost a history of the G. \& B. Association. Chairman of the Bristol Branch $1929-30$ was his first office. secretary of the Branch 1930 until it was divided in 1934. lower secretary of Sl . Ambrose 1929-54, auditor to the Association 1945-49 and for a short time during this period he acted as treasurer, the only office he never held. He was also representative on the Management Committee for the Bristol Rural Branch 1945-49.
For iwelve years. 1948-59. he was one of our representatives on the Central Council and almost the whole of the organisation for the meeting of the Council in Bristol was carried out hy him. In 1950-51 he was Ringing Master of his Branch. and he had been a vicepresident since 1949. He became geveral secretary of the Association in 1950, filling that office for six years. then in April last year he was made Master and before his re-election for this year he was presented with an armchair as a token of the esteem in which he was held.
A measure of his popularity, and of the respect which our members had for him, was that over 100 were present for the funeral service at St. Ambrose. on Thursday, the majority of the branches being represented and letters of apology were received from the Archdeacons and others who were unable to get to Bristol.
In a short address. the Vicar of St. Ambrose (the Rev. H. M. W. Hocking) said of him that he was a perfectionist in all that he undertook to do. the standard of ringing had to be high. no bad striking would be tolerated, and it was largely by his efforts that St. Ambrose bells were kept going so well. But he was also a great churchman. a member of the Parochial Church Council for many years, where he would be missed. They must not be sorry for him. because they knew where he had gone. to higher service, but only sorry for those left behind.

When Frank became Master and I general secretary almost his first instruction was never to leave the belfry office cut of the annual report, and to take all steps possible to ensure its use. 'I have been." he said. "into a number of our towers where they do not start with prayer both for practice meetings and service ringing, and it is all wrong. Do what you can to get it put right. Let us remember that whenever we meet, as a lasting memorial to his wishes.
The bells of St. Ambrose were rung halfmuffled before the service and again after the muffles removed.

CHARLES ROUSE.

## TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

(Continued from page 533)
There is evidence to the effect that this impressive tower-supported hy eight of the largest timbers (fro feet oak trees) from Bedfordshire-contained four hells at one time. rope-marks having been found in the woodwork. An industrious 181h century topographer has written: "The Lanthorn ... is a masterpiece of architecture: when the bells ring the woodwork shakes and gapes, which is no defect but the perfection of architecture. and exactly falleth into the joints again.'


MR. FRANK SKIDMORE

## ALBERT E. LOCK

AN APPRECIATION ${ }^{\circ}$
Albert Lock was one of the finest ringers I cver knew and I have never met one whom I respected and admired more. Latterly, I had only met him infrequently but no visit to the Central Council or the Abingdon area was quite complete without a chat with Albert Lock. Whether in his home in East St. Helen's Street. in his stonemason's yard, in the belfry or anywhere else it was always worth while hearing what he had to sav in that heautiful mellifluous voice with its rich Berkshire accent.
To anyonc who has ever lived in North Berkshire. Albert Lock was the "Boss and no ringer in that area over a very great number of years can have failed to have benefited from his patient and untiring labours. In an area so seattered and so poorly served with public transport only a perennial enthusiast with a stout heart could carry on for so many years without despairing. But an enthusiast throughout his long life Albert Lock remained and those of us who knew him are the richer for
I never knew him when he was not teaching some beginners somewhere. To keep on keeping on is perhaps the hardest craft of all for a ringer to learn and Albert Lock was the master of his craft as none other I have known. I shall remember him as the man who was everything a ringer should be and I am grateful for having known him.
P. G.

## 5,042 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus Arranged by PETER BORDER

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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD <br> West Lindsey Branch

Although some 40 ringers attended the West Lindsey Branch meeting held at Saxilby, on July 16th. the number of member towers represented was disappointingly small. Evensong was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. H Dight). the singing being led by the church choir. many of whose members are also ringers.

The business meeting followed an excellent tea in the Schoolroom and was presided over by the Rev. H. Dight: the chief item of interest being a report of the Central Council meeting by the Ringing Master (Mr. G. E. Feirn).

Referring to the recent death of Archdeacon Marsden. Mr. J. M. Blaikie spoke of his many years' service as president of the old Northern Branch and the meeting then stood in silent tribute to his memory.
Ringing continued during the evening in a variety of methods up to London Surprise.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

As ringers and friends came to the meeting at Knebworth. on July 3rd, they were greeted hy a truly rural setting. In pleasant weather a cricket match was being played nearby. the smell of the hay drifted across. and behind all the imposing mass of Knebworth House.
After an hour's ringing. the Rev. D. L. Hewells conducted the service, with Mr. J. Pluck at the organ. At the business meeting which followed tea in the Lytton Hall. Mr. J. Mayne. Ringing Master of the Middlesex Association, was chairman. Mr. Robert Dymond, of Welwyn, was elected a member; Mr. C. A. S. Harwood remains as Ringing Master.

The arrangements for the August meeting Here altered: only Wallington will now be visited. Some anxiety has been expressed in the past that any individual member can spring * a proposition at the annual general meeling without having given notice other than to the honorary general secretary of his intentions. This was discussed, and it was finally decided that the District Committee should meet to discuss this important matter.
Many Surprise methods were rung later, and it was considered a very successful meeting.

## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

The North Wales Association had an attendance of 40 ringers at tis annual meeting at Machynlleth. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Leslie Evans).
Officers elected were: Rev. J. Knighton Jones. Rhyl. president: Mr. F. R. Evans. Wrexham, Ringing Master: Mr. W. Cathrall. Wrexham. secretary and treasurer: Mr. D. H. B. Millward. Buckley. Central Council representative. District secretaries are Mr. L. S. Gdiffiths. Llandudno (Bangor and Rhyl): Mr. Millward (Wrexham): District instructors: Mr. L. S. Griffiths (Bangor and Rhyl): Mr. F. R. Evans (Wrexham).

The autumn meeting will be at Rhyl and the next annual meeting at Portmadoc. The Asseciation decided to make grants towards the restoration of Barmouth and Beaumaris bells.

## REDEDICATION

## WOODBLRY, DEVON

On the evening of July 19 th . in the presence of a large congregation. the bells of St Swithun's Church. Woodbury. were rededicated by the Right Rev. W. A. E. Westall. Bishop of Crediton The Vicar, the Rcv. A. E Ormond, ofliciated at the service.
The cight bells (tenor 23 cwt .). have been retuned, the seventh recast and all rehung in a new frame which has been fitted lower in the tower. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and the cost of over $i 2.000$ has been raised in a little over 12 months by the villagers. The improvement is most marked and the oscillation of the tower latrgely eradicated.

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## BIRTHS

BERESFORD.-On July 15th. 1960, to Mary (nee Ward), wife of Dennis Beresford, a daughter (Hilary Ann). 326. Brampton Road. Bexleyheath Kent.

DEW.-On July 14th. 1960, at Perivale Maternity Hospital. to Beryl (née Cowlin). wife of Trevor, a daughter. Elizabeth. sister for Angela.
HAYNES.-To Jane. wife of Frank E. Haynes. at 102. Vicarage Road. Smethwick. on July 18th. 1760. a son (William Richard), a brother for Frances. 6372

## ENGAGEMENT

YORK-POWELL. - The engagement
announced between Mary Suzanne, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B Powell. The Piddock. Old Church. Nailsea, and Anthony John Richard. elder son of Mr. and Mrs. J. York. 22 Grange Lane. Lichfield. 6374

## RETURN THANKS

Mr. Frank Skidmore and family wish to express their thanks for the many floral tributes and kind letters of sympathy received in their sad bereavement.

## PERSONAL

FOR I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." (Rom. viii. 18.)

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## MISCELLANEOUS

PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 6 s .6 d . post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential. -- The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Dunster Branch.-Branch practice aot Minehead. August 6th for 10 bell methods 7 p.m.-A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec. 6378 ()XFORD DIOCESAN GUIID. - North Bucks Branch.-Practice meeting Saturday,
August 6th. Stoke Goldington (6) 5.30 p.m.August 6th. Stoke Goldingion (6) 5.30 p.m.- 6363
$F$. Vickers.
SUFFOLK GUILD-S.E. District.-Meeting. Saturday, Aug. 6th. at Ufford (8). Ringing 3 p.m. Meeting and tea. Crown Inn, 4.30. Service 6. Ringing 7 p.m.
SUSSEX COUNTY
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ASSOCIATIONSUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION -
Northern Division.-Practice meeting. Saturday. August 6th. Fairwarp (8) 3 p.m. 6338 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-Quarterly
meeting. Godshill. August 6th. Bells from 2.30 meeting. Godshill. August 6 th. Bells from 2.30
p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-A. M. Guy. Hon. Dis. Sec
Hon. Dis. Sec. WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION - Southern Branch -Quarterly meeting at Elmley Castle. on Saturday. August 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. p.m.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Southern Branch. - The meeting at Elmley Castle. on August 6th. is cancelled, it will be held at Offenham instead. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Meeting -W. J. Newman. 7. New Road. Hampton. Evesham.

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BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Meeting Eastwood, near Rotherham. Saturday, August 13 th . Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.-J. W. Buxton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Biggleswade District.-Meeting. Northill. August 13th Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea for those who notify by Thursday. August 11 th. Mr. W. Wagstaff. Ickwell Green. Northill- 6381
Smith. Dis. Sec.

## INSTRUCTION COURSE

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers in conjunction with the Gloucestershire Education Authority announce a course of instruction to be held at Hartpury House, near Gloucester, Seplember 16th-18th.

The fee for the course is $£ 27 \mathrm{~s}$., and covers residence for two nights, meals and tuition.
Applications as soon as possible to P. M. J. Gray, Orana, Eastmead Lane, Stoke Bishop, Bristol 9.-Charles Rouse, Gen. Sec. 6348

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Meeting. Nunburnhoime. Saturday, August 13 th . Bells ( 6 ) 2.30 p .m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea as early as possible. please. and not later than Wednesday. August 10 ih , to Mr. F. L. Barnes. Church View. Nunburn-
holme. York. holme. York.
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION -A joint branch meeting will be held at Crosthwatte. Keswick on Saturday. August 13 ch . Bells (8) from 2
p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers are welcome. p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers are welcome. previous to J. W. Brownrigg. 14, Greta Hamlet. Keswick. Cumb. 6364 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Chesterfield District.-Monthly meeting. Old Whittington. August 13th. 3 p.m. Bring own food: cups of tea provided.-A. B. Cooper.
EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Meeting at Tonbridge. August 131 h . Sevenoaks not available. Names for tea to C. Hancock. Ridgefield. Highams Lane. Tonbridge. Those intending to go on the outing on September 10 th. please notify me, in writing, as soon as possible.-C A. Bassett.

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GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN Wanborough (6). Saturday. August 13th. 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. August 10th. to R. Luton. 169. Cheney Manor Road. HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION - 6365 Eastern District. - Meeting at Braughing. August 13th. 3 p.m. Tea 4.45. Service 6 p.m. Further ringing to 8 p.m. 6369 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Redbourn. Satur-
day. August 13 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. day. August 13 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.
Names for tea by Tuesday. August 9 th. to Mr. G. Reading. 'Hatchfield.' 57, Hempstead Road. Redbourn. No names no tea.-J. Good. Dis. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting at Hoghton. Saturday. August 13 th. Bring own food. Preston-Blackturn Old Road. Bus 158 direct. hus 298 alight Brindle Bar-L. Walmsley

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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION-N and E. District-Meeting at St. Michacl's. Wood Green. on Saturday. August 13 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by husiness meeting and evening ringing until p.m. Names for tea musi he received by
August 6th. by Miss J. Spreadhury. 30. Harlech August 6th. by Miss J. Spreadhury. 30. Harlech Road. N. 14 (Palmers Green 3307 ).
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDGuilsborough Branch. - Meeting, Marston
Trussel. Saturday. August 13 th . Names for Trussel. Saturday. August 13 th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to E. Thresher,
Watson Road. Long Buckby. Rughy. 6377

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD - North Notts District.-Meeting Saturday. August 13th. Dunham-on-Trent (5) 2.30 to 5 pm. Tea caa be had at Bridge Inn. East Drayton (6) 6 to 9 p.m.-H. Denman. West 6367 Ringing meeting at Newmarket St. Mary's (6). Saturday, August 13 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea by August 10 hh, to A. F. Ballam, Hall Cottage. West Stour, Bury St. Edmunds. 6347 SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western Division.-Quarterly meeting. Kirdford, on Saturday. August 13th. Bells 3 o'clock Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 'The Foresters Arms. Names for tea to R. G. Blackman. Lednura. Turnbull Road. Chichester.

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DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Meeting. Saturday. August 20th. Blackhill St. Aidan's
2.30 pm. Names to C. T. Lamb. 26. St. Mary's $^{\text {C }}$. $2.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Names to C. T. Lamb. 26. St. Mary s
Crescent. Blackhill. Co. Durham. 6359 LINCOIN DIOCESAN GUULD.-Central Branch.-Meeting at Martin (6). August 20th. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous. S. Chambers (hon. sec.). 64. Goldsmith Walk. Lincoln. Timberland bells available after tea.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Practice meeting. Lilleshall. Saturday. August 20th. Ringing from 6 p.m. All welcome.-F. Cattell. SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section. - Practice mecting at Charlwond (6). August 20ih. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. linging after untll 9 p.m. Names for tea by August 18th. to Mr. Ede. Claremont Villas. Charlwood.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 6376

## OUTINGS

## TALGARTH, BRECON

Accompanied by the Rev. I. J. and Mrs. Richards. who acted as pilot and joined the party at the first tower, Blaenavon. the memhers of St. Gwendoline's Church. Talgarth. had an enjoyable ringing trip into Monmouthshire and Glamorgan, on Wednesday, July 13th. 13th.
Before lunch at Newport. touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung at All Saints' Church. In the afternoon the sixes at St. Mellons and Rumney were visited but the highlight of the day was Llandaff Cathedral. Tea was provided by ladies of the Cathedral. who were thanked by Mr. W. Chick. and afterwards the party attended Evensong before going to the tower. Members of the Cathedral band joined in the ringing and this enabled some of the party to ring their first touch of Caters. The party would like to thank. through the medium of "The Ringing World: those who met them and incumbents for the use of the bells.
D. H. B.

## NEWBURY AND ANDOVER

A party of about 20 ringers, from Newbury and Andover districts. enjoyed a half-day ringing tour to Adderbury. Banbury. Bloxham. and the lightest ring of six in the world. at Home Farm. Balscott, on July 16th.
The rricky six of Mr. Jarvis, at Home Farm. Balscott. wifh a tenor of 134 lb. were (in our opinion) rung reasonably well. We also saw furiher proof of Mr. Jarvis enthusiasm in the form of a new frame and an entirely new ring of bells. with a tenor of about 2 cwt . Methods rung during the day included Grandsire. Plain Bob. Kent. Stedman and Double Norwich. Incumbents and tower foremen are thanked for their helpful co-operation

## Leicester Diamond Wedding

Mr. William H. Clarke. of St. John-theDivine. Leicester. and Mrs. Clarke. celebrate their diamond wedding on August 8th. A neal in their honour will be attempted later in the month at St. John's.

## Late News

We regret to record the death of Mr Charles Henry Woodberry, of Wolverlcy Worcs. on July 13th. aged 75 . Mr. Woondberry represented the Worcestershire Association on the Central Council from 1936 until 1944.

5,024 ESHER SURPRISE MAJOR By R. F. B. SPEED

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| 34562 | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| 63542 |  |  | 1 |  |
| 42635 |  | - | 2 |  |
| 36524 | 2 | - | 2 |  |
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## THE STORY OF THE KENT VETERANS' PEAL

THERE is no doubt that for nearly 30 years there have been a sufficient number of members in the Kent County Association with 50 or more years of continuous membership to warrant a peal attempt, but the thought never occurred to anyone until 1954 when Mr. F. S. Macey, of Sutton Valence, who had attained his 50 years' membership that year. mentioned it to the writer.

Various names were suggested, but the difficulty then was to find a conductor of sufficient experience to justify making the necessary arrangements. The late Mr. F. W. Richardson was approached, but owing to indifferent health he had to decline; so it was decided to wait a year when Mr. Louis Head, of Maidstone, would complete 50 years' membership.

However. no serious attempt to arrange the peal was made until last year, when it was realised we were five years older than when it was first moooted, and an attempt was arranged at Linton last October, when a telegram, two hours before the start, told that one of the band had been taken ill. Fortunately Mr. Gosling, of Boxley (a member since 1904), had come to listen, but felt unable to stand three hours, so a quarter peal was rung instead.

When another attempt was suggested, two of the band (Mr. Unwin and Mr. Walter) felt that they too would be unable to stand the time, but it was realised that Mr. Grensted, of Sittingbourne, and Mr. Spice, of Bromley, had unfortunately been overlooked. and also that Mr. Sone would qualify in 1960, so the peal was again arranged at Linton on July 2nd.

Here disaster nearly overtook the band again, when Mr. Head was informed the day before that a case of serious illness near Linton Church would preclude any ringing there. This caused him to make a hurried journey to West Malling to see whether the attempt could be made at that tower.

Permission to do so was immediately given by the Rector and Mr. Carter, captain of the local ringers, with the happy result the peal was successful, and one in which those taking part can be justifiably proud. It was never in doubt from the start; but the greatest honour must be accorded to the conductor. Mr. Louis Head. who again showed the complete master of Holt's Original he has always been acknowledged to be.
E. B.

## GLORY HOLES

RECENTLY in a remote church of the Truro diocese some dusty boards were discovered, which on cleaning turned out to be the old Royal Arms, dated 1660. It may seem astonishing that such treasure could find a place in which to lie for at least a considerable number of years, since such arms ceased to be valued, were it not for the fact that every church would appear to have some sort of similar glory-hole. Organs are very much disposed to collect odds and ends behind themselves-such things as coverless hymn books. tattered hassocks spilling their intimate contents over the floor, brass candelabra, once the joy and pride of a brass-cleaner's soul. At one time such odds and ends were kept partly at bay by the necessity of providing a lurking-space for the blower, on whose scope for movement the vital parts of a service might depend. But now the tide sweeps right in, and the flotsam and jetsam are in greater supply since ecclesiastical taste decrees simplicity rather than a full display of the brassworker's art.

Then there are the middles of towers. Many a parish whose ringing chamber is immaculate and whose bells almost shine possesses a tower-middle where anything might be found. It was in fact in such a space that the Royal Arms mentioned above were discovered. No rector of that parish had even been suspected of Republican tendencies, it was just the way of disposing of dilapidated stuff common to Anglican parsons and church cleaners. In towers unfortunate not to possess bells, it is sometimes the habit of the lower parts of the tower stairs to collect a mass of old jam jars, etc., from the harvest decorations. It was once the lot of the present writer to place an unwary foot on descending such a stair, and to be propelled as from a rifle barrel into the church to the accompaniment of a shower of such reminders of the breakfast table. ...

The drawer in the table by the door is a fruitful source for knick-knack hunters. With the key of the tower (if not under the mat) there will be such trivia as the left-over magazines for Jubilee Year (Queen Victoria's), foreign coins rejected by keen-eyed churchwardens, a single glove hopefully awaiting a blessed and joyful reunion, some woodworm dust from the table top, and a couple of old pens once associated with the visitors' book but now relegated to cross-nibbed despair.

And so forth. All very typical of the ways of Ecclesia Anglicana. One would like to know what are the corresponding junkholes of the local chapel, or the Papal church. I am sure they must have them. The ecumenical movement might look into this.
H. M. B.
[From Truro Diocesan Leaflet]

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Aug. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. Michael and All Angels
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 26 cwt .23 lb . in D.


## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., July 18, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
At ihe Hell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 XAYMACA SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb.
. . Treble JOSEPH W. Cotton
$\ldots 6$
Richard J. Clifion. . . 3 A. James Poynor .. .. 8
John A. Acres
Russell S. Morris
G. Ronald Euwards .. Tenor

Composed by H. W Wirde Conducted by John M. Jelley.
First peal in the method.
CHEPSTOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 16 cwt . 1 qr. 24 lb .
 * First peal on ten hells. First on the ten bells since augmentation. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Joyce Johnson and Clive G. Bryant, both Chepstow ringers, who were married earlier this day. Also a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. E. Coles, wife of the ringer of the ninth.

NORTH STONEHAM. HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Wed., July' 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor $10+\mathrm{cwt}$ in $\mathbf{G}$.
*Tom Chapman
*M. Elizabeth Chapman John R. Faithfull.
Ann M. Cox
Norman Hayes
Composed by Edgar Bennett

* 25th peal togeth BENNEII.

| †David E. House ... .. |
| :--- |
| Michael j. Thomas |
| Maurice J. Butler. . |
| . |
| . |

Conducted by R. Roger Savor
Rung half-muffled in meinoriam Walter $\mathbb{E}$. Rowe, a founder member of the Guild and sexton at North Stoneham for many years, who died on July 21st.

BECCLES. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat.. July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes, At ihe Church of Si. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in D flat.

George W. Howlett
Edwin R. Goate

* Norman P. J. Cossey

Charles Bailey
Harold W. Rogers
Composed by WM. E. Bason.

- First peal on ten bells.

MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal.. July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SLRPRISE ROYAL Tenor 23 cwt . 4 r .23 lh .


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## BEDFORD

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Aug. 1. 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5040 WINCHESTER SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 28 cwt 3 gr .6 lb . in D.
June Sinfield .......Treble Dennis Knox
John W. Sinfield . . . . 2 Robfrt L. Piron Celia F. Whitfel.d . . . . 3 James R. Taylor


Composed b
Conducted hy John R. Mayne.
First peal of Winchester Surprise Royal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. 300th peal as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## WEST MALLING, KENT.

THE' KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Juty 2, 1961, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes Ai the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Edwin Barnett. ... .. Treble Frederick S. Macey
Joseph E. Grensted .. 2 Stanley B. Dobbie

| Thomas E. Sone | .. | . | 3 | Louis Head |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Plercy J. Spice .. | . | . | 4 | Charles E. J. Norr |

... Conducted by Louis Head.
All the hand have been members of the Kent County Association for 50 years or more.

Dedicated to the memory of Mr. F. M. Mitchell, of Milton-nextGravesend, for 17 years general secretary of the Association.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., July 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5152 OSGATHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 gr .13 lb.
Patricia A. Wardle
John M. Jelley
Treble A. James Poynor
Richard J. Clifton.
2 John A. Acres .. Joseph W. Cotton

4
Composed by Shirley Burton.
G. Ronald Edwards . Tenor

First peal of Major in the method

CONISBROUGH. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield and District Sociely.)
On Fri., July 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt .2 qr. 20 lb . in G


| Patricia Walker | John N. D. . Chaddock .. | 3 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Narman Chaddock.. . . | 7 |  |  |

Compased by John E. Burion. Conducted by David G. French.

* First peal. + First in the method. \$ First on eight bells. First as conductor.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor

## LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Fri., July 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
A1 the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5088 XENIA SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb .
Patricia A. Wardle
Treble A. James Poynor
2 John A. Acres...
Sandra E. Chesterion
John M. Jelley.
Russell S. Morris .
G. Ronald Edwards
5
6
Richard J. Clifton
Composed by Stephen Ivin.
Conducted by John M. Jelley.
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.
MORPETH. NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., July 25. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

A PEAL AT IHE WATCM TOWER. 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor IO cwl .26 lb . in $G$.

| Robin G. Turnfr . . . Treble | *Kenneih W. Cheeseman |
| :---: | :---: |
| *John E. Andrrson | * Nicholas I. Wright |
| *Norman Errington | Eric N. Harrison |
| *Gforge S. Deas .. .. 4 | J. Alan Ainsworth |
| omposed by Gforge | Conducted by J. Alan Ainswort |

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

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Mon., July 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

- First peal of Grandsire Triples. First in the method as conductor.
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Pirf. Reginald G. Hooper D. John Hunt W. Arihur Riddington Geoffrey C. Rix

Con
W. Aminur Riddingion

Tenor $13 \frac{1}{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{cwt}$
2
3
4
Alan A. J. Buswell 5 Geoffrey R. Crisp .. Teno

NORTHOP, FLINTSHIRE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION
On Wed., July 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Eurgain and Peter,
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .2 gr .25 lb.
George F. Sperrinc
Treble ChRistopher Gudgeon
John W. Griffiths
JOhn F. Hughes
2 Dennis H. B. Millward
John S. Dean

* Robin J. Lee

Percy Swindley .. .. Teno
Composed by H. Dains.
Conducted by John W. Griffiths.

* First peal in the method.

Rung to celebrate the 25 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. Gudgeon.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Wed., July: 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 343 cwt. in C sharp.
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Raymond Woodward } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { David G. French } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Mrs. N. Chaddock... } & . & 2 & \text { Philip Coote } & . . & . . & . & 6 \\ \text { Susan Chaddock } & . & . & 3 & \text { John N. D. Chaddock } & . & 7\end{array}$
ian Tilling
Composed by John Cox. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { John N. D. Chaddock } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Norman } \\ \text { Nhaddock } & \text {.. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Norman Chaddock. Rung by the Sunday service band, all of whom were trained to ring by the conductor.

> SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX: THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., July 28, 1960 . in 3 Hours and 8 Minules, A PEAL OF 5040 LHURCH OF ST. PETER. Tenor $18 t \mathrm{cwl}$.
Mrs. C. Bartlett Treble

Andrew T. Beckwith
Rosemary J. Seabrook
Sam J. Twitchett
Jack H. Brett
Composed by A. T. King.
Conducted by Urban W. Wildney
First peal in the method by all, on the bells, and for the Essex Association.

A wedding anniversary compliment to the Rector (Rev. G. Howard Davies) and Mrs. Howard Davies.

BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 30, 1960. in 2 Hours and' 53 Minules. Al the Church of Si. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Richard J. Warrilow .. Treble! F. Hector Benneit
*K Peter Jones David W. Friend Joseph W. Cotion Arihur Pritchard

Tenor
"Charles A.S. Webs
Frederick E. Wilshaw. .
Composed by C. I. Sedgley.

* First peal in the method.

Conducted by Arthur Pritchard

## HOOK NORTON. OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal.. July 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Mitrutes. At int Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 OXFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt .2 ar .13 lb . in E flat.
H. George Hart

Treble
Elsie K. Hart.
Joan Beresford. Peter D. Beedie
... .. 4 John R. Mayne.. .. .. Tenor Composed by Charles w. Roberis. Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peat in the method by all the band, and on the bells.

## MELLS, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 30. 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Mimutes. At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAIOR

 Tenor 26 cwt .

## NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 16 cwt .
N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted hy Geoffrey F. Bryani.
*First peal 'inside.

PORTSMOUTH. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., July 30, 1960. in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary. Porisea.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt .7 lb . in F .


First peal of Yorkshire as conductor.

TAMWORTH. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At ihe Collegiate Church of St. Editha.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt 2 qr .9 lb . in E flat.
*Wendy E. Rhodes.. . Treble Alfred A. Rackham
Beryl E. Cawser. . .. 2 George H. Peers, sen
*David C. Oates
Norman W. Attaway
I. Edward Cawser.

3
4
Composed by G. F. Williams.

* First peal and first attempt.

Rung by members of the Sulay of the Vicar to commemorate the $1,000 \mathrm{th}$ anniversary of the death on July 26th of St. Editha, who was born, lived and died in Tamworth.

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Juty 30, 1960. in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORESHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr .6 lb . in D .


WELLS. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mono, Aug. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 27 cwt I qr. 2 lb . in D.


Lewis F. Cubb .. ... .. 4 A. Pairick Cannon .. .. Tehor
Composed dy A. Craven. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.

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## SIX BELL PEALS

GRIMLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Saf., June 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being extents in seven variations of callings, with no $6-5$ 's at backstroke. Tenor 12 cw . 14 lb . in F sharp.
Paul Cattermole
Treble: William J. Newman
Arthur D. Cook
James E. Pullon
Conducted Robert W. Cole Harold E. Raxter

Tenor
Conducted by Paul Cattermole.
Rung within the octave of the Feast of St. Peter.
RIPPINGALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Anvrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Single Oxford and two each of Kent Treble Bob,

Single Court and Plain Bob.
William R. Marsh. . . Treble Edgar A. Cole. Ronald G. Russell.. .. 2 Frederick Derry Percy D. Baldock . . . 3 James H. Musson Conducted by James H. Musson.
A wedding compliment to Mr. Neville France and Miss June Booth (the conductor's niece), married this day at Dunsby, near Rippingale. SELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., July 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { At the Church of St. HELEN, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise. Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob.
Thomas H. Radford .. Treble Cyril Wright .. Tenor 12 cwt .
E. Glyn Holdgate ... $.2^{2}$ Brynley A. Richards

William Swain
Herbert T. Rooke
Conducted by Herbert T. Rooke.
Rung in honour of the 85 th birthday of Mr. W. Wilson-Dobb.
BASSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Single Oxford, and two of Single Court and Plain Bob.
 Conducted by James H. Musson.

- First peal in five methods "inside.

A birthday compliment to the conductor's wife. WHIXLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
At the Church of the Ascension.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Peter F. Clayton .. .. Treble
Roger J. Lumley 4 . 42
Shirley Mudd..
2

Peter Menor 54 cwt. in G sharp Peter M. Dawson Laurence Sheard John Rhodes
Conducted by John Rhodes.

* First peal.

> RAMPTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Pat Grady.. .. .. .. Treble John Coates .. .. ..
Valerie Waterfield .. 2 Margaret Ross..
Harold Denman ... 3 Richard Hobbs
Conducted by Richard Hobbs,
Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to the ringers of the second July 25ib) and tenor (June 21st).

## STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, viz.: One extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Kent, Oxford and Combined Kent and Oxford, and two ex-
tents of Plain Bob.
Joan Gray
*Robert J. Brocklehurst
Treble
EHURST 2
*Edith Brocklehurst

- First pcal in five methods.

Rung for the Patronal Festival in the church's centenary year by a Sunday service band.

WENTWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Mon., July 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
Ar the Church of The Holy Trinity.
peal OF 5040 PL
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (four callings). Tenor 10 cwt .12 lb . in G
Michael King.

* Jacoueline A Dye
*Eileen J. Osborne. . . 3 *David G. French .. .. Tehor Conducted by David G. French.
* First peal of Minor.

Rung on the 87 th anniversary of the birth of the late seventh Earl Fitzwilliam of Wentworth, who donated the bells.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. July 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Paul
A PEAL OF 5040 BRENTFORD SURPRISE MINOR Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt .13 lb . in A .

Rosemary Fleming
*John R. Mayne
Michael Hatchett

Treble Raymond G. Smith
$\begin{array}{l:c}2 & \text { Kenneth R. Dunstan. } \\ 3 & \text { Frank C. Price .. }\end{array}$
Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* 400th peal of Surprise. +50 th peal on these bells. First in the method.

OLD SWINFORD. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., July 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE C INTERBLRY PLEASLRE BOB MINOR
Being extents in seven variations of calling, with no $6-5$ 's at backstroke. Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .12 lb . in F sharp.
Paul Cattermole .. .. Treble Heather M. Pullon
James E. Pullon .. .. 2 *John Eisel
Yvonne Edwards $. . . \quad . . \quad 3 \quad$ Martin D. Fellows ... Tenor
Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

* First peal. First in the method by all, on the bells, and for the Association. First peal on the bells since rehanging.
Believed to be the youngest band to ring a peal of Minor for the Association (average age $16 \frac{1}{2}$ years).

HAYFIELD, DERBYSHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. July 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of St. Matthew.
A peal of 5040 PLAIN BOB Min
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (four callings).
Tenor 10 cwt 2 qr .21 lb . in $G$ sharp.
E. Michael Quinn. . .. Treble Peter Dale
Frederick Howard. . . . . .
Feros Bryan Rumney .. .. 3 John Robinson

Conducted by John Robinson.

* First peal. First as conductor.

BRENTFORD SURPRISE MINOR
34-36.4-12-123-34-3. 6ths place lead-end.

## NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James, Benwell,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bub, Double Court, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor $16 \frac{1}{c w t}$

*Iris Thomson .. Treble Kenneth W. Cheeseman.. 4 | Norman Errington | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frederick Ross | .. | .. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Robin G. Turner | . | .. | 3 | Denis A. Bayles | .. | . Tenor | Robin G. Turner conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

* First. pe..I.

Fung for thie Feast of St. James.
NORTHAW, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

* Dudley C. Wellinaton Treble
E. Bruce McKie
$\dagger$ Christopher E. Haýter 3
Hayter 3 |Stunler Hucke
Conducted by Stanley Huckle.
*First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First in three methods. $\ddagger 50$ th peal. First of Minor as conductor

WATH, RIPON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
At the Church of ST. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Surfleet. Single Oxford. Beverley, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt .80 lb . in A.
 George S. Dias ..... 3 .J. Alan Ainsw

* Soth peal together.

WEST HANNEY, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. July 30, 1960, it 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Comprising an extent each of College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk. Ockley. Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Boh and Kent Treble Bob.


Charles G. Jones
Conducted by Alan R Pink
Second peal on the bells, and the first in seven methods.
Rung within the octave of the Feast of St. James.

> GLASBURY-ON-WYE, BRECONSHIRE

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suhn. July 31, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
At ihe Church of SS. Cinidr and Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 15 cwt . in F

- Colin A. Lewis
reble
\$Philip M. Saunders
A. Bryan Ellsmore
†Jorn W. Hop:
5
+ Robert A. Hatcher
3
Bryan Ellsmore.
* First peal. + First of Minor. $\ddagger$ First of Minor "inside. Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells.

Rung for Evensong.

LAVERSTOKE-CUM-FREFOLK, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Aug. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and St. Clement's, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Eric Woolgrove Tenor 11 cwt .


Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.
First peal in more than one method on the bells.
MADELEY. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Aug. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: (1) Double Bob and Plain Bob, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Cambridge Surprise. (5) Single Oxford Bob, (6) Double Oxford Bob, (7) St. Clement's College Bob.

| . Arnold Moore | .. | .. Treble | Charles A. S. Webs | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Peter Jones.... | .. | 2 | Geoffrey Davies | .. | .. | 5 |
| rederick E. Wilshaw | .. | 3 | F. Hector Bennett | .. | .. | Tenor | Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

First peal in eight Minor methods on tower bells. for the Association. Rung as a 2 lst birthday compliment to L. Keith Moore, and for the wedding anniversary of the conductor's parents.

TAXAL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Aug. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two exteats each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor $11 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$. in $G$.

| *Peter Dale | .. | .. | Treble | Bernard F. L. Groves ... | 4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E. Michael Quinn | .. | . | 2 | tGordon Rumney | $\ldots$ | .. | 5 |
| John Robinson | $\cdots$ |  | 3 | Frank Osbaldiston | .. Tenor |  |  | Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

- First peal in three methods. $\dagger$ First in three methods "inside."


## HANDBELL PEALS

## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., July 17, 1960. in 1 Hour and 25 Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Church of St. John-the-Divine. A PEAL OF 5068 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS
Being 211 extents.
A. James Poynor
A. James Poynor .. $\quad 1-2 \mid$ John M. Jelley .. .. .. 3 - -4 Rung non-conducted.
Umpire: Keith B. Townsend.
First peal of Minımus by hoth the band and for the Guild. Believed to be the longest peal of Minimus ever rung.

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., July 28, 1960, in 2 Hours
In the Belfry of the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor size 15 in C .

| \#Ernest Morris | $\ldots$ | $1-2$ | John A. Acres | $\ldots$ | . | $5-6$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peter J. Staniforth | $\ldots$ | $3-4$ | B. Stedman Payne | .. | $\ldots$ | $7-8$ |

Composed by E. J. Lindley. Conducted by John A. Acres. - lonth peal togetier.

A 71st birthday compliment to Ernest Morris.

BALDOCK, HERTS.-On July $31 \mathrm{~s}, 1,260$ Stedman Triples: Miss J. 1. Dear 1, D. Sutcliffe 2, P. Flack 3. J. R. Castiedine 4. L. B. Hughes 5, C. A. S. Harwond 6, J. S. Dear (cond.) 7, R. Maynes 8. First in method for 1 and 5.
BARKING. SUFFOLK,-On July 18th, 1.320 Minor ( 720 Kent Treble Bob, 600 Plain Bob): J. J. Prentice 1. R. F. Taylor 2, A. E. J. Lester 3, H. A. Mitson 4. R. E. Lester (cond.) 5, E. A. Cracknell 6. Rung half-muffied as a last token of respect to Mrs. Webb, wife of a churchwarden, whose funeral took place earlier in the day.
BEDFONI. MIDDX.-On July 30th, 1.247 Spliced Single Oxford and Plain Bob: D. Morgan 1. C. Fynes (cond.) 2. D. Pickett 3. E. Skipsy 4. M. Lane 5. D. Boniface 6.
CHISWICK, MIDDX. On Ju:y 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor. M. Lana 1, D. Pickell 2. D. Boniface 3. D. Morgan 4. E. Skipsy 5, C. Fynes (cond.) 6.

EGERTON, KENT.-On July 25th, 1.272 Treble Bob Minor: ( 772 Oxford. 552 Kent): Miss P. Turk 1. P. Batchelor 2, P. Deverill 3, P. Smith 4, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 5. A. Waddington 6. Rung on St. Iames' Day for the Patronal Festival.

## QUARTER PEALS

HANBURY, WORCS.-On July 171h. 1.260 Oxford Bob Triples: Margarer Eachus 1, H. E. Raxter 2. Sheila Keyte 3, M. Hawkes (cond.) 4, W. Newman 5. E. W. Penn 6, P. Cattermole 7. J. Nash 8. Rung as a coming-of-age compliment to Miss Joyce Hill, of Hanbury local band, also to celebrate the birthdars: of David Enticott and Richard Ford.
HARMONDSWORTH. MIDDX. -OR July 30th. 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: D. Pickett 1. M. Lane 2, E. Skipsy 3, D. Morgan 4, D. Boniface 5, C. Fynes (cend.) 6.
HATHERN, LEICS.-On July 31st, 1,440 Minor ( 720 St. Ciement's and 720 Plain Bob): R. Alkins (first quarter) 1. V. Lacey 2, C. Cowley 3. D. Swift 4. B. H. Smith 5. T. Harris (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

HEAVITREE, EXETER.-On July 24ih, 1.264 Plain Bob Maior: G. Skinner 1. Miss P. Sedgwick 2. N. Mallett (cond.) 3. F. A. Sedgwick 4. J. Manley 5 . F. Wreford 6. F. Mack 7. C. M. Smith 8. Rung as a thanksgiving on completion of a successful Christian Stewardship Campaign.
hucknall, NOTTS.-On July 22nd, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Marriott 1, H. Lewin 2. Mrs. S. P. M. Nix 3. B. Hinchlifie 4, F. A. Salter 5, F. N. Pailing 6. P. Nix (cond.) 7. G. Gubson 8. Rung for the Patronal Festival.
RAYLEIGH. ESSEX.-On July 31 st , 1,280 Oxford Treble Bob Major: M. Hallett 1, Miss E. Hatch 2, Miss V. Hester 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, G. Sandwell 6. M. Hatch 7. A House (cond.) 8. First in the method by 2, 3, 5. Rung for Evensong.
SOUTH LEIGH. OXFORDSHIRE. On July 25ih. 1.260 Stedman Triples: C. H. Kinch 1. N. I. Allnatt 2. E. J. Smith 3. B. R. White 4. B. J. Coggins 5 , F. A. White 6. J. H. R. Freeborn (cond.) 7, A. R. Pink 8. Rung for the Feast of Si. James.
STANWELL, MIDDX.-On July 31 st, 1,280 Plain Bob Minor: J. Pickett 1, C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, Mies M. Gibson 4, M. Lane 5. D. Pickete-6. For Matims.

STRENSHAM, WORCS.-On July 20ih. 1.260 Shipway's Place Bob Doubles: Christine Halling 1. C. Haylings 2, M. Hawkes (cond.) 3. A. Halling 4. E. W. Penn 5. J. Firkins 6. First in the method by all the band.

## RINGERS' OUTINGS

## ST. PAUL'S, BEDFORD

July 23rd will long be remembered by those who took part in the splendid outing organised by Bryan Pattison.
The long journey to Norwich was broken by a welcome stop for coffee, after which we went straight to the famous tower of St. Peter Mancroft. where various touches were enjoyed. finishing with a course of London, on the back eight, which was struck with almost mechanical precision
Next stop was Great Yarmouth, where, under the guidance of the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow. the magnificent Parish Church. the largest in England, is now almost completely restored.
Here on the splendid ring of 12. a halfcourse of Cambridge Maximus was rung in grand style, but the high spot of the day was probably the touch of five Spliced Major, on the back eight.
A cross-country trip brought us to Beccles. whose detached tower contains a fine ring of 10. which were made good use of after which came Stradbroke, another 10 , and then our last tower, the fine eight at Diss.

This party was composed almost entirely of ringers. and good ringing seemed to be the keyrote. the touches mentioned being quite exceptional.
With lovely weather. excellent meals, bells worth ringing and a party of ringers with the ability to do them justice, and on top of all this the slide-rule-perfect arrangements of Bryan Pattison. this outing was indeed one to remember
Our grateful thanks are extended to the incumbents of the places where we rang, for their kind permission, and also to the local ringers, who welcomed us.
A. G. R.

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
Birmingham University Society had an outing to the Warwick and Leamington area. on July 2nd. After the first tower, St. Nicholas: Warwick. we were met by Mr. GarnerHayward. who joined in the ringing on this very fine Taylor eight. This was followed by lunch and then on to Sherborne. where there is a very rough ring of six. which we were not altogether sorry to leave and proceed to Wellesbourne, which church contains a much more amiable set of six.

At Whitnash we were met by Mr. Hawley. aged 95. who joined in the ringing. Tea was had in Warwick and then on 10 Lillington. our last tower and the only other eight of the day. Transport was provided by three cars. two of recent years and one of 1929 vintage, which carried over half the party of eleven for most of the day. Methods rung were: Plain Bob Major: Plain Bob and Grandsire Triples: Plain Bob. Cambridge, Double Court. Little Bob. St. Clement's. Double Oxford and Kent Minor: and Grandsire Doubles.

Thanks are due to Mr. Alan Collings, who arranged the trip so ably and to the incumbents and ringers of the towers visited.
C. A.C.

## BRISTOL CATHEDRAL GUILD

Five towers near Bath were visited by Bristol Cathedral Guild during their outing on July 18th. At the late Canon Ellacombe's tower. Bitton (8). several touches of Grandsire and Stedman were attempted, but striking was better in call changes and rounds. Bob Major was well struck at Twerton-on-Avon. and on the heavy six at Priston, several good touches including a half-course of Cambridge.
Mrs. Palfrey met the party at Corston (a fine Taylor eight). where Stedman was finally attained and a musical touch rung Ringing for the day ended at Marksbury, with touches of Grandsire. Stedman. Kent and Cambridge. Thanks are extended to the incumbents and to C. J. R. for arranging the towers.
J. R. G.

## ST. KEA, TRURO

An early start was made by St. Kea ringers and friends on their annual outing. on August Bank Holiday. The coach was accompanied by the Vicar. the Rev. W. H. Biscoe. in his car. Two more cars joined us at St. Austell. car. Two more cars joined us at St. Austell.
including Mr. D. Burnett. Ringing Master of the Guild.

The first tower was Lanneath, a mellow six ( 8 cwt.). where some good Cornish rounds were rung by our young ringers. A short ride brought us to Pelynt church. where the pastoral staff of Bishop Trelawney is displayed in the church. Rounds and Plain Bob were rung on the pleasant six ( 13 cwt ).

We had lunch at Looe and then after the coach had successfully negotiated a traffic jam we arrived at the most anticipated church of the trip-St. Germans. The ringers admired the twin towered Norman church (tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.) and rounds. call changes and a good touch of Grandsire Triples were rung
The next tower was St Stephen's-by-Saltash (6. 16 cwt .), where the ringing chamber is on the first floor of the spacious tower. Many climbed the spiral staircase to the doorway from which one could look down on the bell: ringing Grandsire Doubles: and also climbed to the parapet of the tower which commands a wonderful view
After tea in Saltash we rang on the newlyrestored ring at SS. Nicholas and Faith. The tower of this unusually shaped church is in the place of the north transept and has to be entered from outside the church. Some wellstruck rounds and Grandsire Doubles were rung on these bells. The final tower visited was St. Mellion (6, 7 cwt ).
All were agreed that the trip, which had taken us over 170 miles and 16 hours, was very enjoyable. We would like to thank Clement W. Jose for making the arrangements, the various incumbents for allowing us to ring and all those local ringers who turned out to greet us.
H. J. P.

## WOLVEY, WARWICKS

Wolvey bellringers outing was held on July 23 rd. and our ringers were joined by other; from Market Bosworth. Tamworth. Kenilworth. Hatton. Siretton-under-Fosse and Harbury. A start was made at 12.45 p.m.. the first tower heing Priors Marston, where we found a rather noisy ring of six bells. Here we had to wheel the church bier from the belfry into the churchyard, to make room for the ringers.

The next tower was Cropredy. where the bells are soon to go to the bell foundry to be tuned and rehung. They proved to be in need of this attention. but despite this. some good ringing was enjoyed on these heavy going bells. Middleton Cheney was the prize piece for the day. the tenor being $22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. which, with thirty feet of rope before the first guide. provided us with some excitement. One of our ringers accepted local ringers: challenge to ring the tenor up. properly clappered. single handed. Needless to say he failed.

Tea, at Banbury, was very welcome after the heavy bells at Middleton Cheney.
Although everyone had more than enough to Although everyone had more than enough to eat. We left with a miscellaneous collection
of Banbury cakes. peanuts and sweets. At Steeple Aston. our conductor was given the task of producing certain well known changes in a touch of Plain Boh Minor, and failed miserably to do so. He spent the rest of the evening writing out coursing orders on the hack of his programme. and appeared to have composed a 720 in order 10 accomplish his object. The bells went quite well to Cambridge and Kent, and were a welcome change to the heavier ones of the afternoon.
The last tower was the light six at Lower Heyford ( 7 cwt .). These were in very good condition. and an hour's ringing proved very enjoyable.
We returned home feeling very satisfied with the day's ringing and offer our sincerest thanks to the incumbents, who so readily allowed us to ring. and to the local ringers who turned up to keep us in order.
H. M. W.

## The Family Spirit At Chepstow

During July there have been two ringers' weddings at Chepstow. On July 9th, Patricia Jones married John Morgan and on July 23rd Joyce Johnson married Clive Bryant, thus bringing the number of married couples in the band to three!
Relationships seem to abound in the tower: in addition to three marricd couples, there are one set of brothers, one set of sisters, one brother and sister, one father and daughter, and numerous cousins! Odd persons seem the exception-and they appear eventually to marry each other!
Peal attempts were successful after both weddings and now, who knows where Cupid will strike next?

## 24 Years' Silence of Bells Broken

Inkberrow. Worcestershire. villagers were agrecably surprised to hear their bells rung on July 16th, as they had not been rung since the funeral of King George $\mathbf{V}$ in 1936!

The bells had previously been rung from the ground floor. but when the church organ was installed in the ringing room all ringing ceased. despite the fact that the bells were rehung in 1928.

On July 16th. three young ringers from Wychbold and Droitwich climbed the tower, oiled the bearings. tightened every bolt visible and adjusted the ropes so that ringing could take place from the chamber immediately beneath the bells.
At the Vicar's request this activity was a carefully guarded secret, even to the extent that the bells were raised with the clappers tied so that the first ring heard could be a touch on the six bells. Ringers were present from Badsey. Hampton. Hinton. Packwood. Stourbridge. Wychbold and Droitwich. Ringing included rounds. Double Court Bob Minor. Cambridge Surprise.

The bells went reasonably well, in spite of the short draught, and the fact that the sallies on the two trebles stuck in the holes in the beams! (a condition which has now been remedied). The bells were cast by Taylors in 1868 with a tenor of 10 cwt .2 qr .4 lb . in G . and are of excellent tone.

It is pleasant to feel that the bells are once more ringable in this magnificent 13 th century church. Mr. A. Brazier: of Badsey, has arranged for the bells to be rung monthly by his band. until such time as a band can be formed in Inkberrow.
C)ur thanks are due to the Vicar for allowing this venture. and who has now heard the bells for the first time in his 17 years as incumbent of St. Peter's

> P C. and A. D C.

## HANL.FY, STAFFS

East Shropshire was visited by the Hanley ringers for their annuat outing on July 16 th. The day was dull and Cheswardine, our first tower. was reached in good time. Here the light cight were put to good use.

Unfortunately, at Stoke-on-Tern we failed to do justice to the very Itght six. Afterwards we were invited to tea by Mr. Frank W. Morgan. a local ringer, and enjoyed an exceptional repast.

This was followed by tea at the ' Elephant and Castle. Grinshill. and after a short journey we arrived at Clive. The heaviest six in Shropshire. The best ringing of the day was in this tower and the time passed all too quickly. Ringing for the day concluded at Moreton Corbet. Where the excellent this light six was much appreciated.
Thanks are due to incumbents. local ringers and Mr. Charles A. S. Webb, who made all the arrangements.

## half PEAL

HIGHER WALTON, LANCS.-()n July 25 th . 2.592 Gioldhanger Bob Maior: D. Harwood 1, M. R Crossthwaite 2. J. Moir 3. B. Faunch 4. D. Lawson 5. W. J. Couperthwaite 6. C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 7. F. Stead 8. First in the method for all the hand. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. J. Couperthwaite.

## DATE TOUCH

OVERRURY, WORCS.-On July 29th. 1,960 Doubles ( 480 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 480 Plain Bob. 480 Grandsire. 520 Reverse St. Bartholomew): Christine Halling 1. M. Hawkes (cond) 2, F. Hawkes 3. J. Firkins 4. F. E. Wood 5. D. J. Devereux 6. First date touch by all except the ringer of the third.

ABBOT'S-LEIGH, SOMERSET.-On July 26th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Monica Horseman 1. M. Horseman 2. C. V. Coombs (first quarter) 3. N. H. Coombs (cond.) 4. F. Neate 5, G. Moore 6. Rung half-mufled as a roken of ressect to George Chamberlain, tinger at this tower for 56 years. interred earlier this day.
ASFORDBY, LEICS.-On July 28th, 1.260 Doubles ( 240 each Stedman. St. Simon's. Reverse Canterhury, Plain Boh. 300 Grandsire): J. H. Cook 1. A. Stimsun 2. H. T. Bonshor 3, R. C. Tyler 4, R. H. Cook (cond.) 5. K. J. Panter 6. Rung with the best wishes of the band to Mr. Ernest Morris, on his 71st birthday.
BINFIELD, BERKS.-On July 23rd, 1,320 Doubles (660 Plain Bob and 660 Grandsire): K. Goddard 1, Miss M. Longhursi 2, Mrs, K. Fleming (first quarter) 3. Mrs. D. Stopps 4. C. Stopps 5. F. Tomlinson 6. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. C. I. Ellwood. on completing 25 years at All Saints*, Binfield, as Rector. and Mrs. Ellwond.
BUCKPAST, DEVON.-On July 27th. at the Benedictine Abbey. 1,260 Plain Bob Tribles: E. M. Atkins (cond.) 1. Rev. P. Angold 2. Rev. O. Mowan 3. Heather Hood 4, Mary Russell 5, W. G. Lavers 6. Rev. P. Dowling 7. Rev. A. de Guingand 8. Rung for the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. Michael Craig-McFeely.

## QUARTER PEALS

BRISTOL.-On July 25th, at Chrise Church (City), 1.277 Crandsire Carers: Elizaheth Bowden 1. Munica Horveman 2, S. G. Riches 3. J. H. Stallard 4. C. J. Richards 5, J. H. Gilber (first of Caters as cond.) 6. J. Brian (100th quarter) 7. R. J. Bowden 8. M. J. Horseman 9. L. Derrick 10. Rung for St. James' Day, and also a tribute to the memory of Frank Skidmore, late Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. Also on July 27ih, at Bristol Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Osmond 1. M. Hobbs 2. F. Carter 3. H. Evans 4, P. Parry (e)nd.) 5, 1. Buckland 6. Rung by boys and staff of the Cathedral School, as a token of respect and affection for Rev. W. G. Wood, on hiy retirement after 31 years a master at the school.

DUDLEY, WORCS.-At St. Thomas Church, on July 29th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Brown 1. Yvonne Edwards 2, D. Downing 3, M. J. Fellows 4. J. C. Eisel 5, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 6. On the from six.
ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.-On July 21sı, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. F. Sperring 1. Mis» R. J. Seabrook 2. I. S. Dean (first in method) 3. J. F. Hughes (first in method) 4. S. Jones 5. D. H. B. Mitward 6. J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 7. P. Swindley g.
EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On July 31st, 1.260 Doubles (600) Plain Bob and 660 Grandsire): Judith Burden 1. Trudy Newcombe 2. W. George 3. T. Hawkins 4, J. Weeks (cond.) 5, J. Bacon 6. For Evensong.

MANGOTSFIELD, GLOS.-On July 31st. 1.260 Grandsire 7riples: C. Beakes 1. Mrs. N. Dart 2. 1. G Jefferies (cond.) 3, C. E. Jefferies 4. M. J. Jefferies 5, J. W. Jefferies 6. W, Richings 7. E. Couksley 8. Rung in memoriam Mr. F. Skidmore, Master of Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On July 30th. 1.260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: H. Hardwidge 1. Mrs. R. Quint 2. Mrs. D. Strong 3. L. Derrick (cond.) 4. C. Kortrighz 5. Miss O. Ouint 6. Rung as a compliment to Miss Mary Powell (ringer at this tower). and Tony York, on the oceasion of their engagement.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On July 31st. 1.440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Ann Hancock 1, Wendy Bowak 2, M. McQuistan 3, R. Bridges 4, J. McPhail 5. W. Wedlock (cond.) 6. Rung at Matins for the christening of Mary Rose Reeve, at West Ham Parish Church
OLD SWINFORD, STUURBRIDGE, WORCS.-On July 27ih. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Brown 1. M. J. Fellows 2. Yvonne Edwards 3, F. V. Nicholls 4. J. C. Eisel 5. M. D. Fellows (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Rung within the octave of the Feass of St . Anne

PLYMOUTH, DEVON, -On July 26th, at St . Andrew's Church. 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. W. Milford 1, H. F. Myers 2. T. G. Myers 3. D. R. Bould (first of Stedman Triples) 4. D. F. Wheeler 5. S. O'Shaughnesiy 6, F. E. Collins (eand.) 7, W. H. Marks B.

PUTNEY, LONDON,-On July 31st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Bull 1. F. Webber 2, A. Clayton 3. L. Allen 4, B. Coatsworth (firm of Minor as cond.) 5, C. Mew 6. For Evensong.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.-At the Church of S . James, on July $25 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Siedman Triples: A. H. Reed 1, R. Beale 2. J. Brewer 3, P. Tubbs 4, F. Murris 5. E. Langley 6. W. G. Gigg (cond.) 7. T. James 8. Runs for the Patronal Festival of the Church and also as a birthday compliment 10 the ienor man.
WENTWORTH, YORKS.-On July 10th. 1.441 Plain Bob Doubles: A. King 1. M. A. Reaumont 2. M. King 3. E. King 4. M. Meadows (cond.) 5. A. Beaumont (first quarer) 6. All members of the Wentworth company of ringers, which was formed six months ago, have now succeeded in ringing a quarter neal.
WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKS. 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: A King 1. M. A. Beaumont 2, M. King 3. E King 4, M. Meadows (cond ) 5, R. West 6. YORK.-At York Minster, on July 18th, a quarter peal of Plain Rob Major: S. H. Steel 1. D. Clegg 2. 1. Lamere 3. F. Atkinson 4. M. E. Wilkinson 5. H. Walker 6. C. Reeves 7. J. A. D. Woolford (cond.) 8. Also on July 22nd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. A. D. Woolford 1. M. E. Wilkinson 2, D. Clegg 3. F. Atkinson 4. S. H. Steel 5, C. Reeves 6, H. Walker (cond.) 7.

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The popular young secretary of the St John's. Hillingdon. Guild. Michael J. Palmer, is in hospital and likely to be out of ringing for some months. He would no doubi welcome letters and visitors at Ward E. Cubicle 9, Harefield Hospital, Middlesex.

Mr. Ranald W. M. Clouston has just completed the inspection of his 200 th tower in Suffolk.
The peal of Delight Minor, rung at Fulmer, on June 8th. was named Alderbourne (not Aldbourne, as printed).

Mr. A. R. Bridge, secretary of the North East District of the Suffolk Guild is moving to Nayland, at the end of August. He is willing. however. to carry on his duties until the end of the year.
An order for " The Ringer's Diary, addressed to Messrs. Wiggers and Hodgers. 37 High Field Gardens. Andershut. England. has been received at the proper address from Uppsala. Sweden.
Who is the South Yorkshire ringer whose other hobby is steam traction engines? .. Who regularly leaves his steed parked outside the tower with oil parking lights on practice nights. Let's hope he remembers to "bank up" before standing in for a peal.
An 'Open Day' at Rotherham Parisih Church. on July 9th. produced $£ 40$ for the repair fund. The High School Handbell Ringers rang tunes in ine churchyard and a small charge was made for admission to the tower. where ringers explained points of interest. In the evening the visitors were able to watch the 10 bells rung to various methods.
On Saturday, July 16 th. ringers from the villages of Dorchester-on-Thames and Warborough. Oxfordshire, spent a very enjoyable afternoon at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. They would like to thank the Master Founder, Mr. A. A. Hughes, for allowing them to look around the foundry and for giving them such an interesting talk about church bells and handbells.

## GOSSIP

 In honour of the 85 th birthday of Mr. W. WilsonDobb, vice-president of the East Derbyshire \& Notts Association, a peal of Minor was rung at Selston, Notts, on July 13th. When the three bells at Selston ware augmented in 1905. Mr. Wilson-Dobb joined the East Derbyshire and Nots Association. and although he does not now ring he takes a great interest in the affairs of the Association. He learnt to handle a bell at Silston, when a boy of 15 .Now that peals of Minimus are recognised by the Central Council, will Mr. Ronald Dove include in his excellent production four-bell towers? asks an enthusiastic tower grabber.

Bristol Cathedral Guild are very fortunate in having three members of the staff who are keen change ringers and it is largely due to their interest that an outing is arranged on an average once a term.
With the peal of Minor at Laverstoke-cumFrefolk. Mr. Geoffrey K. Dodd has rung peals on every ringatle ring of bells in the Andover District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild. from four bells upwards. No other ringer has, so far, this record.
From 'Ringing Towers' we learn that 'things are beginning to move again in Hobart. Tasmania. A quarter peal has been rung 'in hand' of Doubles and also two 360 s of Plain Bob Doubles on tower bells. We look forward to hearing more about the hells of St. David's and Holy Trinity, Hobart.
The peal at Old Swinford. Worcs, by a band with an average age of $16 \frac{1}{2}$ years will be remembered by all. Despite a cement mixer's cfforts to drown the sound of the bells, a well-struck peal was scored. Proceedings were enlivened by the steeplejacks at work on the tower coming to watch the ringers and afterwards shutting the tower door. which made the bells almost inaudible. The peal was the first blow of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minor by all the band.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

OBSERVATION BELL.-Compositions of peals rung these days are, with possibly the singular exception of Holt's Original. set out on paper with the calls and all the working bells noted in relation to. or in the relative position of, one particular bell-usually, the tenor. This bell is the observation bell.' If, for instance, the composition requires a Bob to be called at Home, then the Boh would be called at the time the tenor bell is in its Home position. Look up Parker's Twelvepart peal of Grandsire Triples and you will find that the composition can be called with either the second. the sixth or the seventh bell as "observation.' It may be that the starting off points will be different in each case but, nevertheless, the composition is the same. Some conductors have no direct need of an observation bell-they do not learn the peal composition by the way usually set out on paper-they transpose the composition into coursing order, or into lead ends and course ends.

OPEN LEAD.-Depending upon which part of the country you are in or which part you have been taught to ring, will decide whether you ring your bell with an open lead at handstroke or not. Also. I might add, it will decide whether your open lead is wide or not so wide. Ringing with a close handstroke lead entails each bell to be struck at the same interval of time one after the other. It would be similar to the ticks of a metronome, being without any pause whatever in the rhythm. Ringing with an open handstroke lead entails the rhythm 10 be broken only by the bell which is leading and, remember, it is the handstroke alone which is, open - the backstroke is always "closed.: So the ultimate effect of open lead ringing on six bells is that each striking at handstroke and backdistances of time apart. then a pause of one x . then $12 \mathrm{x}, 1 \mathrm{x}, 12 \mathrm{x} .1 \mathrm{x}$, and so on. On eight bells it would. in similar terms, be $16 x$, 1 x , $16 x$. Ix. and so on.

Generally speaking. in the West Country towers, where call changes are rung, there is no onen lead: in districts and towers where odd-bell methods. with tenor covering, are rung the open lead is not so pronounced: and in six bell and other towers where evenbell methods are rung the open lead is the widest. But. do not forget. it is often only a matter of a fraction of a second which makes for all this difference.
OUT OF COURSE.-Please do not read this as "Out, of course." which is the wife's answer to a visitor who has called to see her peal ringing husband! Whilst © Out of Course, has been described as the nature. or inherent peculiarity. of a row (of changes) when by an odd number of transpositions. place by place. the figures composing it can be brought to rounds-further information can be gained by referring to the complementary term. In Course. which was dealt with in a previous article.

OUTINGS.-This is not a technical term but 1 hope it will not be received as being out of place in this alphabet. No doubt, quite a number of readers have not yet even had the opportunity to arrange an outing but. issuming the chance will come one day the following remarks are intended to be helpful. Should the chance never turn up and you are always just a member of the party, please remember that although you carry no responsibility in the organisation of the outing you can quite easily carry the responsibility in the disorganisation of it. Kcep strictly to the programme. he punctual. carry out the wishes of the organiser. do nothing that would cause delay and put on your best bshaviour.

There are no rulcs governing the arranging of. and conduct on. outings but everyone is expected to comply with etiquerte. I. personally, apply to the tower secretary or correspondent for his incumbent's permission to ring the bells expressing the hope that it is also acceptable to the local band. If there is no known tower secretary I apply direct to the incumbent expressing the desire that the local band would be in agreement if per-

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 33


## MR. SAMUEL SCATTERGOOD

## Chesterfield.

Mr. Samucl Scattergood bears a very honoured name. for he is in direct line of descent from Samuel Scattergood, who was Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths in 1685 , and also a personal friend of Fabian Stedman. Sam is a very likeable man. a good mixer, and is very popular in Derbyshire. He has worked hard and long to raise a band capable of ringing the fine ring of ten at Chesterfield.
At this famous church, with the crooked spire, the bells were silenced in 1925, owing to the instability of the spire, but prior to that many peals had been rung by Arthur Knights and his contemporaries. It was not until 1946 that. on the advice of Sam Scattergood. the bells were recast and rehung in a steel frame by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and much work was done to make the
mission is given (I have had only one 'ticking off for such a desire). If 1 apply for a peal attempt I quite often state a full peal. and also the Association for which the peal would be rung.
One's conduct and manners cannot be too high when on an outing and it is preferred that everything is left as it is found. If you shorten or lengthen a rope put it back as it was: if the bells were down when you arrive leave them down when you go; if a rope is tied for chiming, say, by the verger, then tie it back again. and tie it securely! Of course. never leave litter and always report damage with an offer to pay the cost of repair. It is my custom to write a letter of thanks to each tower which has been visited.
OWNERSHIP OF BELLS.-As such. there is no direct ownership of bells-this sounds a bit Irish but they will understand! There is, however. sufficient legislation to make it clear that a bell ringer has no authority in the purchase. control. maintenance or disposal of any bell. In fact. most ringers. even when in their ' own ' ringing room. are invitees with the permission of the incumbent who has control over the rights of access to the belfry. Bells should only be rung with the incumbent's consent (though happily this is often implied!) and they must not be rung against his to accord with Church law. To complicate sibility of the church fabric and ornaments. on which they have to give an annual report. The churct wardens also have the custody of the keys of the belfry-so this is one very good reason why ringers should become churchwardens, surely!
crooked spire safe. Whilst all this work was going on. Sam was busy teaching youngsters who were to form a completely new band. and they the bells were rededicated in 1947, they were able to ring all 10 bells. Sam was appointed Ringing Master by the Archdeacon of Chesterfield, and under his direction the bells have been rung regularly on Sundays ever since.
He was born in 1904 at Old Whittington. commenced Sunday school and day school there at the age of 5 years. and has unbroken service in church work to the present day. He learned to ring on the four bells there in 1919, and after they were recast and augmented to five, he conducted a peal of Grandsire Doubles which was the first by all the band. rung at first attempt. This peal was on the occasion of King George V and Queen Mary's silver jubilee, in 1935.
Sam has always been prominent in ringing affairs in Derbyshire and was district secretary of the Chesterfield District of the old Midland Counties Association. He assisted the late W. Lancaster in the preliminary work and formation of the new Derbyshire Association. and acted as secretary of the Chesterfield District in 1947-8. He is also an active member of the Sheffield and District Society. and an out-county member of the Yorkshire Association. It is his great pride to be a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and the Society is equally proud to have him as a member-indeed it is most fitting that a man with such an illustrious predecessor should hold an honoured place in its ranks.

By profession he is an engineer's buyer, and having served an apprenticeship in a large engineering works was appointed buyer in 1936. He was responsible for the purchase of machinery. cutting tools and equipment for the production of all types and sizes of bomb. shell and shot. from two pounder to two thousand pounder. He is as thorough and reliable with his work as he is with his ringing.
For the past 10 years he has spent two evenings a week belping and instructing learners in neighbouring towers with a view to attaining proficiency in Sunday service ringing. He has rung more than 60 peals, from Doubles to Royal. His great love, however. is ringing for Sunday services, and he is never so happy as when he is surrounded by a belfryful of eager youngsters who want to become Sunday service ringers.

JAFUS.

## Exeter Cathedral Bells <br> To Be Rehung

The Council of the Friends of Exeter Cathedral have agreed to meet the cost, estimated at $£ 910$, for rehanging some of the bells of the Cathedral and doing work to the others.

The Council had previously agreed that $£ 260$ should be spent on the bells" chiming apparatus.

The Council also agreed to obtain an estimate and full report upon work necessary to the organ, Archdeacon E. F. Hall stating that the mechanical action would have to be overhauled as it had not been done since 1933.

## SILVER WEDDING

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. Gudgeon was a happy occasion. on July 27 th . with a peal on Northop. Flintshire. bells. followed by supper at which they were the genial hosts to the band. Afterwards came handbell ringing and the showing of slides of colour photographs taken during a trip through Shropshire. Montgomeryshire and Staffordshire. earlier in the year. Their wedding was at Worsley. Lancs. where Mr. Gudgeon was then a regular ringer, but unfortunately the bells at that time were at the Loughborough foundry. The band extend to them every happiness in the years ahead.

## KIDDERMINSTER AND SYNTHETIC BELLS

THE petition from the Vicar and church wardens of St. John's Church, Kidderminster for a faculty for the installation of 'synthetic' bells at their church was heard by the Chancellor of Worcester Diocese, Mr. E. T. S. Boydell, at a Consistory Court held at Worcester or: July 23rd. The hearing was adjourned, after lasting nearly three hours, the Chancellor stating that he would only grant a faculty in the most exceptional circumstances.

The Chancellor said that although there was no formal appearance in opposition to the petition. it had not secured the approval of the Diocesan Advisory Committee or the Central Council for the Care of Churches.

Ald. F. C. Adams. who represented St. John Church, said the parishioners looked forward with considerable excitement and anticipation to the installation of recorded bells as a gift from their benefactor. Sir George Eddy. who would defray the cost as an act of thankoffering for reaching his $82 n$ n birthday. Continuing he said the tower and steeple were part of the original church built in 1840. It only had $9-12$ inch brickwork. and. in the opinion of architects. was not strong enough to take a ring of bells capable of being swung.

The parishioners would like such bells but cannot afford to have the steeple strengthened or rebuilt." said Ald. Adams. - The tower is all right for the one existing large bell and the small ting-tang. We cannot find a bellringer to ring the large bell and it is only being tolled for services on Sunday by a youth who charges 5 s . to perform that service.

## MOURNFUL SOUND

I think it is a most mournful sound-as if someone were being buried rather than calling people to church. The worst effect is on patients in Blakebrook Hospital, the grounds of which are on the opposite side of Bewdley Road. I should think anything would be better for them than this mournful tolling.

Kidderminster has probably never experienced such unparalleled prosperity as the town enjoys at the present time. and people are less prepared than they used to be to take on voluntary jobs such as bellringing or do anything of that nature. The churches even find it difficult to get male choristers.'
The speaker pointed out that the Parish Church of St. Mary and All Saints had an excellent ring of 12 bells. which had been virtually idle for years until Sir George Eddy arranged for them to be electrically operated and had chimes installed. The only time the bells were rung by hand was when teams of visiting bellringers came along. usually on Saturday afternoons.
Referring to the argument that synthetic hells were something unworthy in the sight of God. Ald. Adams said if that were accepted it would be rather like saying that a church which could not afford an organ ought nol to have a harmonium!

## ' NEXT BEST THING

He hoped that the stage had not been reached at which the Church of England ceased to move with the times, and he suggested that the outcry against recorded bells was 'notional rather than rational.' He realised that the Church Assembly deprecated the introduction of recorded bells. but said it would be wrong to deprive St. John's of 'the next hest thing to rea! bells.
The Chancellor: I shall not hold myself bound by anything said by the Church Assembly or the Council for the Care of Churches. and I don't slways accept the advice of the diocesan committee, grateful though I am to receive it.

Answering the bellringers objection that gramophone bells would deprive them of the pleasures of campanology. Ald. Adams said that was not the case in Kidderminster because bells could only be rung there when a band was collected from all parts of the diocese.
When the Chancellor suggested that gramophone bells could be an awful nuisance. Ald. Adams said there was the mechanical safeguard of volume control: if there were a complaint it was only a question of turning a knob to get it as quiet as one wished. He asked the Chancellor to allow the prayer in this petition.

## RETROGRADE STEP

Aling
The Chancellor read a letter he had received from the Worcestershire Changeringing Association which criticised the proposed installation of recorded bells as 'a retrograde step,' and stated: 'Calling for no human endeavour, they can only be described as an unworthy sham.
The Association claimed that its view that recorded bells were 'wrong in principle 'was shared by most church organisations. but the Chancellor said he would not attach nearly as much weight to the bellringers objections as if they had appeared in person.
Sir George Eddy supporting the petition. said he did so purely on humanitarian grounds.

To support his contention that there were bellringers to be had in Kidderminster, Sir George read a letter from Mr. Keith Salter, who was captain of the former St. Mary's band of ringers.

## NO RECRUITS

The question of finding bellringers is a sore one with me,' wrote Mr. Salter. "For 15 years I tried to keep St. Mary's bells going with new recruits, but none stayed long enough to be any use, and I have given up any idea of recruiting a band again.'
Sir George told the Cbancellor that as a result of the electrical apparatus installed at St. Mary's the bells there were ringing within a matter of minutes of the recent birth of the new Prince, because they only had to be switched on.

The Chancellor: One of the criticisms made is that a gramophone apparatus is often used for wholly inappropriate recordings or passages of music.

Sir George: We can give an absolute guarantee that nothing of the sort would occur at St. John's.
Preb. S. F. Linsley, as patron of St. John's living. said he wholeheartedly supported the innovation.

## NO LOCAL OBJECTION

The Rev. W. A. Trippass. Vicar of St John's. said a similar apparatus at St. Michael's Church. Stourport. was installed when he was Vicar in 1938. Notices had been posted or the church doors at St. John's to ascertain if there were any objectors. and there had not been any.
Mr. W. A. Greenway, of Messrs. Godwin. Clist and Greenway, architects, reported that he had inspected the tower at St. John's and it would be unwise to install proper bells. The walls of the tower were only 9 inches and considerable strengthening would have to be done. The room was 11 feet by 11 feet and there would be considerable vibration if bells were installed. He estimated that a considerable sum of money would have to be spent to make the belfry suitable for a small ring of bells.

The Chancellor, in summing up, mentioned several parishes where similar bells were functioning, but said he was not satisfied in his mind that in this case every avenue had been explored in regard to the installation of church bells.
The cost of installing bells and strengthening the tower would be considerable but he would like the Parochial Church Council to investigate the matter still further.
At one church the 'Messiah had been rendered on Christmas morning, with the recording of a marriage service. and objection had been taken to this.
Mr. F. C. Adams after consultation, agreed to the deferment sine die, and the Chancellor said he would sit again if the occasion arose.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

## North East District

A meeting of the North East District was held at Southwold. on July 23 rd . The attendance was low in the afternoon perhaps because of a meeting on the same day in the next district. Thanks to our friends from over the border and some Sheffield ringers staying at Lowestoft, more varied ringing was obtained in the evening ranging from rounds to Cambridge Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major
The service was taken by Canon A. D. Thompson. of Walberswick and Blythburgh. who quoted in his sermon the story of the spider in the roof of the cow shed. The spider came down onto the floor and cast away his thread which would have taken him back up to ihe roof. In consequence he was trodden on by the cows, the moral being that we must not give up our bell ropes if we are to survive.
After tea the chair was taken by Mr. P. Bedford. who gave a warm welcome to all present. The district secretary, Mr. A. R. Bridges. announced that the proposed outing $t 0$ Lincolnshire had been cancelled owing to lack of support-a great pity after all the preparations.

The election of new members shows that youth is in the fore-Vernon Bedford. John Marjoram. David Blomfield. Terence Page. Paul Muttitt and Marion Branch were ratified as junior members. Mr. Robert Preston. of Nottingham. and Mr. John Aire were ratified non-resident life members. John R. Knights was also elected a junior member and Mr. G. R. Weshy, of Saxmundham. an honorary member.

Mr. John Blythe. general secretary and treasurer. said that in selecting the place of the next meeting something would need to be done at a higner level to avoid a clashing of dates. The district secretary said that the dates for 1960 were chosen in January and had been published in "The Ringing World. but little notice appeared to have been taken. It was agreed that the next meeting be held at Beccles. on October 23nd. with a practice meeting it Wickham Market and Marlesford on September 17 th. The district secretary gave notice that as he was now working at the British Legion Hospital. Nayland. it would be wise for the District to elect a new secretary as he would be moving to Nayland at the end of August, but was willing to carry on until the end of the year. Mr. P. Bedford thanked the secretary for all he had done for the District, and said that they could not have had a more keen and hard working member and he would be greatly missed. He also thanked the Vicar. Canon A. D. Thompson. the organist and Mr, R. S. Payne for arranging the meeting.
A. R, B.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## SPLIT MIND FOR HANDBELL

RINGING
Dear Sir.-I ant pleased that some correspondence has resulted from the series Alphahet for Beginners. Whilst most of mine in reply could be dealt with at the conclusion of the series. I feel that the Handbells article is more of a current matter.
I acknowledge with appreciation the references of Peter J. Staniforth. but he calls for other handbell bands to make a reply.
So, in answer to F. I. and E. L. Hairs. my last sentence in the article starts. Much more can be read in. ... Change Ringing on Handbells. If they would open page four of this booklet they will see how much I have quoted. On my part. I considered I had sufficient licence to use the words. The experts say when it is known that the authors of the offending words must have been approved and accepted by the Central Council as being amongst the leading handbell ringers of the time (1949). before members of that body voted and agreed to expend money in the printing and distribution of the booklet. As regards what 1 could have explained under the letter ' $E$. the suggestion is so extravagant that I would rather not have made any such attempt! The last paragraph of this letter is just not appreciated or understood by me. and I consider it to be irrelevant.-Yours faithfully.

## North Mymms.

T. J. LOCK.

## RINGERS' SERVICE AT WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

Dear Sir.-The report in July 29th • Ringing World of the Ringers Sunday. at Portsmouth Cathedral. prompted me to write about similar service which we held at Worcester Cathedral on July 3rd
As with the Portsmouth service. ours also was a great success. The service was combined with the 6.30 Evensong and was previously announced in the Cathedral notices and the local press. Visitors were invited to the tower and ringing commenced half-an-hour early at 5 oclock. The number of people who took the opportunity of the visit greatly exceeded our expectations: in fact we were cyerwhelmed since at least two hundred people must have ascended the tower. They were conducted to both the ringing chamber and the bell chamber and were given a few words of explanation. Also present were the Dean. the Very Rev. R. L. P. Milhurn. and several members of the chapter and their families.

During the service which followed, the first lesson was read by one of the ringers and the Dean offered prayers for the Cathedral Guild. It had been hoped that the address would be given by the Rev. Albert Webb. Chaplain of the Worcestershire Association. and a kcen ringer. Unfortunately. he was not able to be present. the address therefore being given by Bishop C. E. Stuart. a member of the Chapter and a great friend of ringers.
Afterward: the Dean said how pleased the was with the success of the occasion and which we hope will become an annual event for the Cathedral Guild of Ringers. Certainly. the enthusiasm and interest shown was in marked contrast to the controversy in the local rress last November after a peal of Stedman Cinques.-Yours faithfully.

DAVID BEACHAM.
Worcester

## ST. MARTIN'S, YORK

Dear Sir.-The ring of eight bells of this church was described in your issue. dated April 23 rd. 1954. They were cast in the York foundry of Edward Sellers, in 1729-30, and not by Rudhall. as stated by Mr. J. W. Clarke. After the fire which destroyed the church in the blitz of 1942 the bells were placed in the south aisle. the roof of which remained. Access could only be obtained through the south door which was kept locked or by climbing through a window.
Several bells were broken and the others were cracked in the fire. All that now remains is the tenor ( 15 cwt .) and the crowns of four other bells. It is evident the thieves broke the bells up into small pieces before removal.

A start has now been made with the work of restoration of the lower and of the south aisle which is to be a chapel-of-ease. The site of nave and north aisle is to be cleared and laid out as a rest garden.

At one time it was thought it would be possible to restore the bells as a ringing peal but money is not now available and the latest plan is 10 install a frame for a ring but with only one bell for the time being. No doubt the value of some of the bell metal would have gone towards the cost of the new frame.

The church is in the main shopping street of the city and the church authorities could have sold the site for a six figure sum but instead decided on a scheme of restoration which would preserve for posterity a bit of old York, and a riverside landmark. and at the same time satisfy the requirements of the War Damage Commissioners.
The York Minster Society rang a peal of Kent T.B. on the bells in 1888, but the bells had not been rung during this century. However. I remember hearing them being chimed to hymn tunes some 25 years ago.-Yours sincerely.

HAROLD WALKER
Clifton, York

Dear Sir.-With reference to Mr: J. W. Clarke's letter in The Ringing World of July 29th. may I point out that the details he gives are incorrect. Five of the eight bells were cast by Edward Sellers, at his foundry in Jubbergate. York. in 1729 . and were the gift of as Mr. William Thompson. In 1730 Sellers added two treble bells. and at the same time recast the old tenor. The new trebles were provided by the Minster ringers and friends. at a cost of $£ 5910$ s.

Thus there is no question of their being Rudhall bells
I saw these bells the morning after the hlitz: four were whole and the remainder in pieces. All the bells were inscribed and hung in three tiers before they were destroyed. -Yours faithfully.

## J. M. HUTCHINSON

Stillington. York.

## ENTENT OF BRISTOL

Dear Sir.-I must confess that I do not even pretend to underitanl anything about method construction and composition. and I acknowledge my error concerning the extent of Bristol (Mr. Segar. page 483).
I was amused to note. recently, that the 21.600 of Bristol. at Over. 1950. was rung on my birthday!-Yours sincerely.

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## COVENTRY GUILD

Dar Sir.-The recent article by Mr. Henry Allen is interesting, but somewhat inaccurate. The founding of the Warwickshire Guild did not take place as he describes. The simple story is that in 1907. whilst I was living in Coventry. I wrote a letter to the Bell News. suggesting the formation of a Guild 10 cover the county of Warwickshire. This suggestion was taken up emhusiastically by Hervey Reeves, the editor. and, encouraged by this. I toured the county (on a bicycle) to test reactions and work up interest.

Very little interest or help came from the town of Warwick. whilst Rugby was most enthusiastic, and Nuneaton definitely hostile. At Rugby. Arthur L. Coleman was tower secretary. I had many conferences with him. and we arranged a meeting at the Dale Temperance Hotel. Warwick. in 1907. when the new Guild was formed. In order to capture a little support from Warwick. we elected Mr. E. H. Adams as first Master.
Mr. Allen seems to have got the facts mixed. The Mr. Matthews he mentions was John D. Matthews, who was not working for Messrs. Mears. He was a linotype operator, engaged on The Warwick and Leamington Chronicle. Later. he became Mzster of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. Mr. A. L. Coleman was elected first secretary of the new Guild. and in a year or so Nuneaton became a strong centre of ringing activity in Warwick. shire. Those two great ringers. Harry Argyle and Tom Chapman, proved to be staunch supporters. Warwick became more co-operative. and Rugby was making rapid progress with Surprise methods under Joe Fenton.
In 1908 the Guild rang its first peal at Stoke-in-Coventry-which I had the honour to conduct. Mr. Adams called the first peal of Bob Major. at Bedworth. a little later. The arrival of a young curate at Shottery (Rev. C. C. Cox). gave a great fillip to the new Guild's activities-and he took part in several of its first performances. conducting Treble Bob Major and Stedman Caters. He was closely followed by Adolphus Roberts and Frank Pervin. About 1910 my work took me away from Coventry-and on leaving I was presented with a magnificent tea service by the Guild, at the Dale Temperance Hotel. Warwick. The whole story can be read up in the columns of the old. Bell News.-Yours sincerely. J. FRANK SMALLWOOD.
Darley Dale.

## BELTON, ISLE OF AXHOLME

Dear Sir.-In the article on points from recent peals. by the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. which appeared in 'The Ringing World' on July 29 th. it states that the peal at Belton. with the footnote that reads. First on the bells which have been augmented from 4 to $6^{\circ}$ cannot be claimed as first. The reason given is that Dove gives Belton as a 5 bell tower and that a peal was rung on these bells in 1911.
I would like to point out that Lincolnshire has two Beltons, one near Grantham, which is the one that Dove gives as a five oell tower and still has five bells, the other Belton is in the Iste of Axholme and is about 16 miles east of Doncaster. Besides these two Beltons there is a Belton. Rutland. and a Belton near Great Yarmouth.

The Belton. Isle of Axholme. had its four bells tunad. quarter lurned, and rehung on ball bearings in a new steel frame in 1955. hy Taylor's. of Loughborough. In October, 1959 two new trebles were added to complete a ring of six. The first peal on these bells: was in January, 1960. being a peal of Minor in seven methinds. conducted by George E. Feirn. Since then two more peals have been rung, one in May and one in June. making a total of three. Yours faithfully.
(Ringer. Belion. Isle of Axholme).

## OBITUARY

## MR. C. H. WOODBERRY

North Worcestershire has lost a well known ringer in the person of Mr. Charles Henry Woodiarry, whose death occurred on July 13 th . at the age of 75

He learned 10 ring under h:s father, the late Mr. John Woodberry, at the beginning of the century, in Wolverley, near Kidderminster, and was a member of the Kidderminster band for nearly forty years until the ban during the war years put a stop to his ringing activities: After the war. chiefly due to his business demands, he never really got going again although. until the last two or three years. he was still turnirg up at meetings. and practices in various rarts of North Worcestershire. whenever he was able to do so.

His peal io:al for the Worcestershire Association was 77 . of which he had conducted 21. Datails of his peals fer other Associations are not at present available.

He represented the Worcestershire Association on the Central Council from 1936 uatil 1944. and was also a pas: Master of the Dudley and District Guild.

The funeral was at Wolverley, on July 16 th and the spacious church was filled almost to capacity. The very beautiful floral tributes numbered over seventy.

The sfx bells were rung half-muffled by members of the Association, who were among his oldest friends, and the pre-service ringing included the 'whole-pull and stand, while the cortege was approaching the church. After the interment handbells were rung over the grave by John Lloyd. Clifford Skidmore and Bernard Ashford. followed by further ringing on the tower bells.

Charlie.' as he was familiarly known, will iong be remembered for his invariable good loumour. his fund of anecdote in connection with many bygone ringing 'characters' and his .Quaker Touches. In these, to quote Charlie, anyone who could do so called a hob 'when he felt like it," after which. upon a given signal. Charlie would proceed to call the bells round in a surprisingly short space. He could do this cqually well in Plain Bob. Grandsire or Stedman, although the former sometimes took a little longer if someone had parted the tenors for him.

## MR. ALBERT E. LOCK <br> AN APPRECIATION

To the memory of Albert E. Lock, of Abingdon, the following members of the Sutton Courtney. Berkshire. band rang a halfmufled quarter peal of 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Walter Webb 1. John Barnes (conductor) 2. George Allam 3. John Greenwood 4. Willian Hewes 5. Gcoffrey Leyland 6.

This tribute was fittingly rung on July 12 th. in the beautiful village where Albert Lock was born. baptised and lived for several years. and it was on these bells that he learned to ring. Amongst us there are ringers who. for one reason or another. seldom ring at any tower but their own. but Albert Lock was far from being one of these; his evenings were spent visiting villages in the neighbourhood and giving a hand io struggling bands. imparting to them instruction and encouragement.

Sutton Courtney was one such place where ringers have benefited from his help. not only earlier in the century but more recently. for two years ago when the local branch of the Church of England Men's Society provided a number of recruits to ring Albert Lock paid occasional visits to help with instruction. In fact only a few weeks prior to his death. at the age of 81 years. he was ringing the fifth of this not-so-easy-going ring to Plain Bob Minor, thus enabling the band to progress from Doubles to Minor. He was indeed a great help to us in Sutton Courtney and we were never tired of his endless supply of stories related in "The Swan." after practice:. In Abingdon, where one of the Sutton ringers. Mr. Armitage, has his office. Mr. Lock was a frequent visitor and here too his discussions on ringing and ringers will be missed

Mr. Lock will be greatly missed: we are very grateful for the assistance and encouragement we have received from him and we are proud and pleased to have shared his company. May he rest in peace.
'THE Archdeacon of Surrey (the Ven. A. J de C. Studdert) is here seen dedicating the recast bells of St . Michael's. Aldershot, on July 16th. With the Archdeacon is the Vicar, the Rev. T. H. Dart. The captain of the ringers. Major F. J. Bragg, stands on the left and next to him is Mr. J. P. Fidler, the representative of the founders, Messrs. John Taylor and Co.

The rededication service began with the singing of Compline. by members of the local chapter of the Guild of Servers. During the singing of Psalm 150 the churchwardens led the clergy to the bell tower where they were met by Major Bragg. who has been a ringer for 40 years.
The founders' 'representative then handed the rope of the tenor bell to Mr. F. G Lesiter, churchwarden, who in turn handed
it to the Arclideacon. After the dedicatory prayers the Archdeacon in turn handed the rope to the Vicar.
As the clergy returned to their places the new bells were rung. In his sermon the Archdeacon spoke of the place of bells in Church worship.
July 16 th was observed at St. Michael's as a gift day for the bells. the Vicar standing at the church gate to receive the offering of parishioners. These and the collection at the service amounted to over $£ 70$. A welcome surprise for the Vicar was a promise of $£ 50$. a final gesture, which completely liquidated the cost of "ecasting.
After the service there was further ringing. the locai band being joined by ringers from Farnham and neighbouring churches. [Illustration by courtesy of . The Aldershot

## MR. PETER CROOK IN CANADA

Dear Sir,-During my flight over Canadx I had to change places at Calgary. and whilst waiting for the next. I rang up Miss Judy Midgley, of Calgary. Unfortunately she had another engagement I would have enjoyed meeting her and seeing the new ring of eight in that town.
It is my intention to visit Victoria and Vancouver, but the weather here at present is not suitable for ringing. Wednesday, this week, was 100 degrees, Thursday 99. It has not beell below 90 in the day time since I arrived on June 28th. I am about I2 hours journey by train or bus and about one hour by air.

I had a request to visit a former Lancashire woman. Mrs. Ellen McTaggart. nee Ogden. and formerly of Moorside. Oldham. Lanc's. What an interesting woman she is! A highly trained nurse, now retired, she has spent the last 47 years moving around Canada. She has worked in many hospitals but she had a great love for the wild. north places beyond the railways, where she had to travel on horseback. sometimes away from home for many days.

When I mentioned that I was a ringer from Larcashire and that I knew her brother. John. tears filled her eyes. she was so overcome. She informed me that when her two brothers began to learn to ring at St. Thomas Church. Moorside. Oldham. Lancs. she also learned to handle a bell. and her one desire now is to hear those bells again. She is 77 years of age and not well. and thinks she could not stand the long journey in her present state of health.-Yours faithfully.

PETER CROOK.
1.521. Pinehurst Crescent,

Kelowna, B.C

## BAKEWELL BELLS RESTORATION

After a silence of five months. the bells of Bakewell. Derbyshire. are ringing again. Examination earlier in the year had disclosed that the wooden headstocks were rotting and it was decided to replace them with steel ones. The bells have now been rehung. with modern fittings and the bells quarter turned. The result is very satisfactory and Bakewell folk may feel justly proud of their bells. The work has been carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Co.. of Loughborough. Many congratulations were received by Mr. Arthur Fidler, who carried out the restoration.
On Saturday. July 30th. a large and representative hody of ringers from all parts of the county attended a brief reconsecration service in the belfry, which was conducted by the Vicar of Bakewell. the Rt. Rev. G. Sinker. Assistant Bishop of Derby. After the prayers the local band raised the bells and rang the first touch of 360 Bob Minor with two bells covering. Then the visitors took over the inging and touches in methods from Grandsire to London. Bristol and Spliced Surprise were rung. Generous refreshments were provided in the Parish Hall. and a happy time was enjoyed by all present. Ringing throughout the day was organised by Mr. J. F. Smallwood. Messrs. John Taylor and Co. were represented by Mr. J. Fidler.
Since the break up of the old Midland Counties Association. Bakewell ringing has not been so prominent as it was, but it is hoped that now the bells are restored the local company will become participants in the activities of the Derbyshire Association

## 50 YEARS' K.C.A. MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATION FOR ROPE IN PEAL



## BOLSOVER RINGERS VISIT LIVERPOOL

In accordance with tradition, one of the hottest days of the year. June 25th. Was chosen for the annual outing of Bolsover ringers. with Liverpool as the objective.
At the first tower. Lymm. Cheshire. the heavy bells presented some difficulty and although the striking was not up to the recognised standard another record was created by ringing a touch of Stedman Triples. with Bolsover ringers in the band. This was mainly due to the presence of 'Jafus.' who stayed two nights in Bolsover to ensure heing available for the outing. Under his influence several of the Bolsover hand have been temporarily converted to Stedman and one shudders to think what John Flint would have said if he had heard the tenor not being turned in. The light eight at Halewood were a welcome change after Lymm.
A substantial lunch was enjoyed in very comfort::ble conditions at the Strand Hotel. Liverpool. and the coach then conveyed the whole party to Liverpool Cathedral. Ringing had been arranged for a special service and Mr. J. Ridyard kindly agreed to allow members of the party to join the Cathedral ringers for a short time. It is obvious that considerable practice is needed to enable ringers to perform satisfactorily under the existing conditions at the Cathedral but those who rang were very grateful for the opportunity and the experience. The non-ringers were much impressed by the grandeur of the huilding. Several members of the party took advantage of an invitation to ring for a wedding at St. Nicholas
The bost ringing of the day came at Woolton. in which several young ringers of the local hand joined in. The interior of the church was really beautiful and the young local ringers were obviously very proud of their bells.
High tea was taken at Prescot. at which the party were joined by Mr. Hesketh (junior) and Mr. Mawdsley, who had kindly arranged for evening ringing at the Parish Church. During the meal Mr. H. T. Rooke expressed the thanks of the party to Mr. A. B. Cooper for organising the outing. A short break was made for Evensong, said by the Senior Curate of Prescol. The bells at Prescot proved to be in rather a rough condition and much energy was required to strike the heavy end.

AUNIQUE event took place at the Parish Church of St. Mary. West Malling. on July 2nd. Thought to be the first by such a distinguished trand of one Association, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by eight members of the K.C.A.. all of whom have been members for 50 years or more.
Mr. Louis Head conducted and called Holt's Original. from No. 7. He has now called this particular composition 40 times and has rung 107 peals for the Association.
Mr. Edwin Barnett. of Crayford. rang the treble. this peal being his 590 th. No. 2 was in the hands of Mr. Joseph E. Grensted. who records 108 peals and was the oldest at 78 years. He rings at Borden. Sittingbourne.
Next on the third was Mr. Thomas E. Sone, of Paddock Wood. who is well known in ringing circles and is the member of the band with most peals to his credit (645).
Mr. Percy J. Spice, captain of Bromley, has rung 187 peals and rang number 4
The fifth engaged Mr. Frederic S. Macey. who journeyed from Sutton Valence. Although he has no bells in his home church he has rung 85 peals.

Mr. Stanley. B. Dobbie. captain of St . Michael's. Sittingbourne. chose the sixth bell for the peal. He is unable to quote the exact number he has rung. but can confidently speak of 300 plus.

Mr. Charles E. J. Norris travelled from Chatham. where he is captain of St. Mary's. He is proud of having rung in 187 peals. On Saturday he rang the 12 cwi . tenor.

The time taken was 3 hours 7 minutes and waiting to congratulate the baud were the general secretary. Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher. the local captain. Mr. Peter Carter. and members of his band-Miss P. Walter and Mr. K. Wallis. Mr. R. T. Sills. district secretary, was in attendance before the commencement.
A splendid tea. befitting the occasion. was provided by Mr. Peter Carter and family at their home. During the meal it was unanimously agreed to dedicate the peal to the memory of the late F. M. Mitchell. of Milton-next-Gravesend. for 17 years general secretary of the Kent County Association. It is hoped to erect a peal board in West Malling tower to commemorate the occasion.
The paal was to have taken place at St . Nicholas'. Linton. but had to be transferred owing to illness adjacent to the church. Itllustration by courtesy of 'Kent Messenger.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Ashford District

The third quarterly meeting of the Ashford District was held jointly with the Kent branch of the Ladies' Guild at Cheriton on July 23 rd . The Association service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. Cyril Munt. who has recently been inducted to the living after the somewhat stimulating experience of being curate for five years to the flock which numbers Mr. Pat Cannon among its company. Mr. W. Chandler. who in addition to heing captain of the Cheriton ringers is also choir master, was at the organ. The choir was in attendance. The visitors enjoyed an excellent teh. ini the nearby school.
Al the business meeting the secretary gave the apologies of Mr. Tom Cullingworth, which stated this was the first meeting Mr. Cullingworth had missed since the war.
Speaking on behalf of the district. Mr. J. R. Cooper extended a cordial welcome to the Ladies' Guild. Mrs. Mitchell responded. Mr. Cooper also said how pleased members were that the Rev. C. Munt. a competent changeringer. has now returned to the district as priest-in-charge of churches which contain such fine rings as St. Martin's, Cheriton, and St. Nicholas: Newington.
After the votes of thanks the gentlemen adjourned to the tower. where the ladies joined them after completing their own deliberations.

## Lewisham District

Fifty members and friends attended the Lewisham District quarterly mecting at Downe on July 23 rd. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. L. G. Vedy). Mr. M. Pound. a member of the local band. played the organ and the lesson was read by Mr. E. Barnett.
After tea at the business meeting 17 new members were elected. This number included nine Downe ringers., thus bringing the tower back in union with the Association. The Vicar, while fulfilling the office of chairman. expressed sincere thanks to Mr. A. S. Richards and the West Wickham ringers for their help in making this possible.
Ringing, which ranged from rounds to Surprise. was under the leadership of Mr. 1. H. Oram. District Ringing Master.

## ESSEX RINGERS' PEAL TOUR IN DERBYSHIRE

RRGANISED by Mr. Joe Roast a successful peal tour in Derbyshire started from Chelmsford on June lith. during which seven peals were scored out of eight attempts (see page 442). Headquarters for the week was the Temple Hotel. Matlock Bank. The failure was Cornwall Surprise at the Bell Foundry after two hours when one of the band became faint and had to set up his hell.
Arriving at headquarters in time for dinner, this was followed by a welcome to Derbyshire by Mr. Burley Morris. the genial secretary of the Derbyshire Association. and Messrs. Bullen, Smallwood and Woolley
Sunday was a quiet day with ringing at St. Giles'. Matlock. for morning service and sightsceing in the afternoon and ringing Grandsire Doubles with extremes at Ilam. The great ouslaught started on Monday with ringing at Wirksworth. Youlgreave and Great Longstone, before lunch at Bakewell.

## KEEPING UP MORALE

The peal attempt was at Tideswell, justly termed - The Cathedral of the Peak
Having lost the first peal of the tour it was cssential to the morale of the party that we should be successful here. Consequently Geoff kept his tie on-- Never rung a peal without one - and Peter wore his bright red shirt- Never lost a peal in it -and John wore a look of profound wisdom! Anyway. the Juck of the red shirt and the tie held and John kept a watchful eye on the procecdings. and Bristol was brought round. the lirst peal on the bells for many years.

It was on the programme to visit Alfreton on Tuesday morning. but due to a recent mishap there we were unable to ring, and so our first stop at Ripley was extended and a local coftec shop well patronised. Although the scenery in the area is not very inspiring. llkeston bells are well worth a visit and we spent a pleasant hour on them hefore lunch.
In the afternoon the non-pealers heard a real of l.ondon Minor start off at a steady pace at Sandiacrc, hefore skirting Nottingham to ring on the quiet little five at Farnsfield. The rest of the afternoon was spent exploring the glorious wooded countryside at Clumber. and in the Dukeries, and although we did not catch a glimpse of the legendary : shadowy man that winds a shadowy horn. we did find a tea shop that may well have been run by his descendants!
The successful pealers enjoyed a bachelors tea-and helped with the day's washing up-at the Vicarage Ali meeting logether at West Hallam later. we rang a few short, touche; and the evening conclurled with a very crosscountry tour to Matlock!
After ringing at Crich. on Wednesday morning, we took the road through Chatsworth Pask to Hathersage. where Little John is buried in the church vard, and thence to Eyum. tragically famous as the Plague Village The easy going six bells here were put to good use before partaking of lunch at Grindleford and then the party split up for the afternoon

## JAFUS WAS LISTENING

One group. dedicated to the art. scorned the paths of idleness and returned to the Temple where John officiated in a peal of Plain Bob Major, on handbells. The remainder of the party admired the view from The Surprise. visited the Derwent and Ladybower Reservoir. wandered through Edale in the High Peak and came over Rushup Edge. and e.icthually all mut again at Darley Dale in the evening to ring a peal of London. consctous of the keen car of Jafus, who aficruads reprimanded the last lead defaulter

On Thursday we visited Belper. Dufticid. and Ashbourne. where the bells are rung from the crossing. withn some seventy feet of springy iopes. Burley Morris showed us how to ring these tricky bells and a touch of four spliced was successfully accomplished.

In the afternoon a peal in fourteen Surprise Minor methods was rung on an excellent little six at Brassington, while those not engaged in
the ringing walked in Dovedale. At Bradbourne (another good six in a fine Norman tower) we were met by the churchwarden. who did a brisk trade in draw tickets in aid of the local church heating and roof repair fund.
A good start was made on Friday, at Ashover. probably the best eight of the week. then to North Wingfield. and afterwards to the famous ten under the crooked spire at Chesterfield. Unfortunately. due to a misLnderstanding. there was no one to unlock the tower door for us. but our dampened spirits were revived when a notice of Friday evening practice was discoveled and we decided then to return later.

## A GALA PERFORMANCE

The peal attempt in the afternoon was at Clay Cross-fifty-six Minor methods-the new boy of the multi-minor band very capahly ringing the third without a stay. Many ringers have remarked upon the rather unusual style of Egglestone, and during the week we had occasionally scen the deft flick of the rope sending the sally across the rope circle. and the neat side step. but here at Clay Cross. his fellow peal ringers were treated to a gala Ferformance-the full Quasimodo routine. II was all there. complete with the dreadful facial contortions-the step dance. the upturned tail end. the rope circling the body. the truculent flourish of the sally, and the haymaker sweep. Despite all this an excellent jcal was rung. with the tenor bell always in place-a masterly performance!

The non-pealers spent a restful afternoon in the grounds of Chatsworth House. joining together after tea to ring on the excellent eight at the recently fire gutted church at Bolsover. Later in the evening we returned to the Chesterfield practice and we were very pleased to have the opportunity to ring on the fine ten.
Our last full day was spent in the High Peak area. Starting off at Buxton. we rang on the merry little eight Fairfield. and then proceeded to Castleton. where we found an eight of most peculiar tone.
Geoff. who was wearing an open-necked shirt. hid purchased a lie in Buxton espectally for the afternoon peal attempt, and so a peal of Stedman Triples was successfully brought round. at Hope

Canon Hooley. who admitted knowing nothing of change ringing. nevertheless proved to have a very good ear for picking out the changes. He had been cutting grass in the churchyard throughout the peal. and he had noted that we rang three 'sets' of changes. and then changed places. each 'set consisting of sixteen notes and then a pause!

A high tea at the Peveril Restaurant. in Castleton. followed. and an excursion then made 10 the Winnats to climb the steep cliffs of the gorge.
Back at the Temple later in the evening the handhells were put to work again and ringing ranged from Minor on the 'ragged' six. 20 touches of Stedman Triples. Bristol and Grandsire Caters.
Sunday morning dawned bright and clear and after pausing for a few group photographs outside the Temple we were off to Derby Cathedral. where a 'bobbed' course of Grandsire Caters concluded the ringing side of the lour and we turned homewards.
Our thanks are extended to the local secretaries. Mr. Morris and Mr. Taylor. whose co-operation and advice in the planning of the tour ensured that all went smoothly. to all the incumbents and ringers who met us and welcomed us to their towers. Io our navigators and drivers. and particularly to Joc Roast. the hard-working organiser-long may he lead us to fresh fields and pastures new.
P.J.E.

RADIE:Y. BERKS. -On July 24th. 1.240 Doubles (420) Grandsire, 240 Reverse Canterbury, 240 Si . Simon's. 360) Plain Bob): C. D. Vere-Hedge (first on working hell) 1. R. N. E. Raven 2. Daphne Pollard (cond.) 3. R. N. Grange 4. Marie R. Cross 5. M Giitertson 6. Runs for the Patronal Festival and as a farewell to Mr. R. N. E. Raven, who is joining the s्व⿰aff of Shrewshury Schow, in September.

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## BIRTHS

CHAPMAN.-On July 22nd. 1960, at 66 Pilgrims way. Canterbury, to Elizabeth (nee Bate), wife of Dennis, a daughter, Helen Margaret. sister for Elizabeth. 6410 CLOUSTON-On July 25th. 1960. to Christobel (Kitty). nee Page. and Ranald Clouston. of 1. Canons Close, Radiett. Herts. a daughter.

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## MARRIAGE

WRATTEN-BIRCH.-On July 30th. 1960, at All Saints'. Hartey. Kent. by the Rev R. A. Williams. M.A.. Cyril A. Wratten to Margery A. Birch. Full address: 36. Wasley Road. Cheltenhan. Glos.

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. G. E. Evenden is now - Woodstock: Croft Bank. West Malvern. Worcestershire

6411
The address of J. C. (Clifford) Skidmore is now 15. Harrison Road. Brettell Lane. Stourbridge. Worcs. (Same house-new number.)

## PERSONAL

FOR he that will love life. and see good days. let him refrain his tongue from evil. and his lips that they speak no guile: Let him eschew evil. and do good; let him seek peace. and ensue it.' (I Peter iií. 10. 11.)
With effect from July 25th. Mr. D. Mottershead is residing continually at his home address: 8. Hawthorn Walk. Wilmslow. Cheshire.
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## MISCELLANEOUS

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Chesterfield District.-Monthly meeting. Old Whittington. August 13th. 3 p.m. Bring own food: cups of tea provided.-A. B. Cooper.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD-Meeting at Tonbridge. August 13th. Sevenoaks not available. Those intending 10 go on the outing on September $10: h$. please notify me. in writing as soon as possible.-C. A. Bassett. 6373

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wotton Branch.-Meeting Tortworth, August 13th. 3 p.m. Tea, service.B. T. Cooper. Rangers House. Dursley. 6400 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern District.-Meeting at Braughing. August 13th, 3 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements. Service 6 p.m.. followed by further ringing until 8 p.m

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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - N . and E District.-Meeting at St. Michael's. Wood Green. on Saturday. August 13 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting and evening ringing until 8 p.m.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western Division.-Quarterly meeting. Kirdferd. on Saturday. August 13th. Bells 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at "The Foresters Arms.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting at Wraxal ${ }^{(8)}$. on Saturday. August 20th. Bells available 5p.m.-D. G. Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec. 6415 BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Luton District.-Meeting. Flitwick. Saturday. August 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (about 2s. 6d.) 5 p.m. Names must be sent by 18 th. to Mr. Swannell. 76A. Steppingley Road Flitwick. No names no tea.-K. G. Spavins Dis. Sec. 6398
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Crewe Branch.- Marbury. August 20th. Bells (6) p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by August 17 th. (No name no tea.)-W. Kerr, 102, Moreton Road. Crewe. 6404

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Leverington. Saturday. August 20th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis Sec. 6409

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Great Staughton. Saturday, August 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea Village Hall. 5. Service 6 p.m.-M. J. Dyer Dis. Sec.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-South Forest Branch.Meeting. Ruardean. Saturday, August 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Coombe. Oaklands Farm. Newnham. Glos.

6402
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Farnham District.-Combined practice at Seale (6). on Saturday. August 20th. from HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ludlow and Church Stretton Districts.-A combined practice. Stokesay. Suturday. August 20th Bells (6) 3 p.m. Teas.-G. Randle. Ashford Ludlow.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-Meeting. Flookburgh. Saturday. August 20th. Names to A. Edgar. Holker. Grange-over-Sands.-N. M.
Newby.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Rossen dale Branch.-Meeting at Radcliffe. on Saturday. August 20th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m.-J. Porter. Branch Sec.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

Hinckley District.-Meeting. Witherley, Saturday. August 20th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Fenney Drayton should also be available 3-4 p.m.. $7-8$ p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea please by the Wednesday previous, to the district secretary M. Vernon. Long Street. Stoney Stanton. Leics
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Syston District.-Evening ring at Birstall. on Saturday. August 20 th Bells 6 p.m. Wanlip may also be available. Names for outing must be in by September 1 st.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Market Harborough District.-Meeting. Hallaton. Saturday, August 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m.. Berwick Arms. Names for half day outing on Septembet 17th.-L. W. Allen

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Branch.-Meeting at Martin (6). August 20th. Tea Cor those who notify me by Tuesday previous. S. Chambers (hon. sec.). 64. Goldsmith Walk. Lincoln. Timberland bells available after tea. 6368
LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL Open Day. Saturday. August 20th. 1960 . Ringing $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 12.30 p.m.. 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. St. Nicholas' (12) open afterwards.-3. Ridyard. 16. Vaughan Road. Birkdale. Southport.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION - South and West District.-Evening meeting. Saturday, August 20th. at St. Mary Abbots. Kensington (near High Street. Kensington, Underground). Ringing 6.30 to 8 p.m.-E. R. Gotham. Hon. Sec.

6420
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION -Ringing meeting. Saturday. August 20th. Atton. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. August 17 th . to Mr. T. K. Swinson. Gallows Green, Alton, Stoke-on-Trent.-J. G. Burton. Hon. Sec. 6394
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Sonning Deanery Branch.- Combined practices will be held at Waltham St. Lawrence, on August 20th. and Sonning, on September 3rd. Both at 6 p.m.-B. C. Castle.

6403
SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District.
Evening meeting ai Oakley (6), Saturday. August 20th. Bells 6.30 p.m. 6413 SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Practice meeting at Charlwood (6). August 20ih. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. ringing after until 9 p.m. Names for tea by August 18th, to Mr. Ede. Claremont Villas. Charlwood.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 6376
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION .- Southern Division.-Practice meeting. Ringmer (8), Saturday. August 20 th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.. Brewer's Arms. for those who notify by Tuesday. August 16ih.-George North. 11. Richmond Terrace. Brighton, Sussex. 6391

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Derby Disrict) \& MIDLAND COUNTIES' GUILD.Annual joint meeting at Repton. Saturday. August 27th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. Jones. 24. Brook End. Repton.W. A. Morley. Dis. Sec.

6419
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford District-Meeting at Wittersham, on Saturday. August 27th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday. to Mr. K. Hamilton. 9. Forge Meads. Wittersham. near Tenterden.-C. T. H. SOCIET 6375 Meeting at Otley (8). on Saturday. August 27 th. at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea provided. bring own food.

6397
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch-Quarterly meeting. Heydour. Saturday. August 27 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday 22nd, to Rev. L. B. Impson. The Rectory. Welby. Grantham. Lincs.-F. G.
Vickers. Hon. Sec. 6407
NOR WICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Western Branch-Quarterly meeting at Wells. August 27th. Bells (8) a vailable 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. followed by the business meeting. Names for tea by Thursday. August 25th. please. to J. Williamson, 47. Staith Street. Wells. Norfolk.-C. Tovell, Hon Sec
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Chalfont St. Giles. Saturday August 27th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 23rd.-Miss Hague. 6. Stompits Road. Holyport, Maidenlead.

6390
JTHS
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS 1672.-Meeting at Duffield (10). on August 27 h. at 3 p.m. No service. Tea available at
the cafe. All welcome.
6.395

NATIONAL POLICE GUILD. - Special attention is drawn to the fact that the secretary will not be available from now until the end of October. All correspondence respecting the annual meeting in Leicester. On Saturday, September 241 h , to be sent to E. C. Turner. 173. Dominion Road. Glenfield. Leicester. Details of annual general meeting will be published later

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-The autumn meeting will be held at Newbury, on Saturday. October Isi. Any motions for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the general secretary before August 19th. The eightieth anniversary of the Guild will be held during 1961. The Guild Festival will be held in Oxford. on Saturday. July 1st. 1961 Will all members please make a note of this date.-M. R. Cross.

6385

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, October 8th. 1960, at The Queen Hotel, Chester (opposite General Station), Tickets 17s. each. Meet 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. All applications for tickets together with remittance and stamped addressed envelope obtainable from September 14th-28th. inclusive, through general secretary. Henry O. Baker. 63, Parkgate Road, Chester

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## JASPER WHITFIELD SNOWDON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

The above will take place at the Co-operative Restaurant, Westgate.
Rotherham. on Saturday. October 22nd. Tickets 12 s . 6d. per head. Seating for up to 250 . An attractive ringing programme is being organised. Peals arranged for Friday evening or Saturday morning. if desired. District secretaries have tickets. otherswise all enquiries for tickets. peals and accommodation to Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert. 56. Glencoe Road, Sheffield $2 . \quad 6406$

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The Mansfield District meeting at Mansfield Woodhouse. on July 16th. was attended by 28 ringers representing nine towers. The Rev. R. S. Bennett (Vicar) conducted a short service and local ladies provided an excellent tea in the Turner Memorial Hall.
The Vicar presided at the business meeting when a silent tribute was paid to Mr. H Prout formerly of Warsop. who died the previous Monday, at Salisbury. during a ringing practice. Later. Mr. H. T. Rooke paid a tribute to his memory mentioning his enthusiasm towards ringing and his strict punctuality whatever the occasion.

The Rev. H. Pettinger. of Mansfield, was elected a ringing member and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Kirkby-in-Ashfield, on September 24th. After the customary votes of thanks, ringing was continued until 9 p.m. in a wide variety of methods, ranging from rounds to London Surprise

## LATE NEWS

The many friends of Mr. W. J. Prescott, tower master of Bath Abbey, will be sorry to learn that he is seriously ill in the Manor Hospital. Bath.

It is hoped to hear., on the A.B.C. programme next Sunday at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. . the bells of St. Mary s, Scarborough (Networked excepting STV/UTV). The service will be conducted by the Rev. M. J. Thestlewood and the preacher will be the Rev. D. Oxley Parker. Rural Dean.
We regret to record the death. on August 4th. of Mr. P. H. Marshall, secretary of Yatton Bellringers.

## QUARTER PEALS

ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET.-On July 23 rd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Brice 1, A. Chanman 2 Gladys Stevens 3. G. Hutchings 4, A. Cooke (first as cond.) 5. F. Taylor 6. Rung for the wedding I Miss V. M. Churchill and Mr. K. Truake.
ROUSHAM. OXON. - 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: H. L. Ruper 1. M. Sayers 2. J. Moretun 3. B. Davies 4. 1. H. Gregory 5. W. F. Murcton (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 2 and 4 . Witnessed by Adrian Michael Moreton.
WYCHBOED, WORCS, -On Juls 21st, 1.260 Plain Buh Doubles: M. Powell (firs quanter) 1. P. Cattormek 2. J. E. Pullon 3. A. D. Cook 4. Heather M. Pullon L. H. G. Gittins 6. Jointly conducted by 2, 3. 4 Ringer of 5 th 'completes circle' 10 quarer peals.

5,056 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR
By NORMAN SMITH

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ALL TYPES OF WORK : INSPECTIONS WITHOUT CHARGE OR OBLIGATION
'The Ringing World ' was founded in the year 1911 by John Sparkes Goldsmith, who remained its proprietor and editor until his death in 1942.


## 'RING OUT THE FALSE, RING IN THE TRUE,

THE 14th report of the Central Council for the Care of Churches, entitled 'Both Old and New' (Church House Bookshop, Great Smith Street, S.W.1; 3s. 6d., by post 4s.), indicates from its title the twofold function of the Council. The more familiar aspect of their work is the preservation of ancient churches, their fittings and furnishings, but they are called upon to encourage the architect and artist of today to give of their best in the service of the Church.

Our Central Council of Church Bellringers have a very firm ally in 'the Four C's' with regard to mechanical devices to simulate bell music. An article, 'Ring out the False, ring in the True,' sets out the strong condemnation of artificial bell devices. Their view is 'To use a potentially great source of new musical expression to provide an inferior substitute for an existing instrument with its own long history of development is a distasteful misapplication of a gift of God.'

The use of something false in connection with worship is what is disturbing,' continues the writer. 'The tradition of calling people to prayer by the ringing of a bell is a very ancient one, and since the art of change-ringing has developed, two distinct factors have become involved: the music of the bells and the offering of their personal service by a band of ringers.

- The Church is dependent on the goodwill of ringers throughout the country, a very close-knit fraternity. They most strongly deprecate these mechanical simulations (electronic or gramophone type). As, save in the case of a few cathedrals, they are all volunteers, and have therefore no selfish interests to serve or safeguard, there seems good reason both to give weight to their condemnation of these substitutes on musical grounds and to avoid alienating their sympathies, for the sake of the majority of towers in which real bells still need ringers.'

Much has been made of the economic factor in regard to these installations. The writer points out that the life of electronic apparatus is very limited and depreciates, and maintenance (including the use of electricity) must be reckoned with. 'The life of a well-cast bell will be anything up to six centuries: a major overhaul of framework, wheels and headstocks and quarter-turning of bells will be needed only once a century at most. and running repairs, and maintenance can be done by the ringers themselves.' Personally. we think major overhauls of bells are needed
more frequently than once a century. At present we have only 19 th century installations to base our conclusions on, but the great advances in the bell-founding art and the hanging of bells in recent years encourages one to think that the writer's comments in the report are not an overstatement.

On the attitude of the general public to bells, the report states: 'While orthodox ringing is generally protected from complaints against it as constituting a public nuisance, by its long establishment as a national tradition linked to custom, literature and convention, as well as to religion. and also as the recognised pastime of a group of members of the local community, mechanical devices cannot expect the same toleration. They really deserve no more indulgence from the public than the neighbour's over-loud radio, or the street loudspeakers of election campaigns. If their use leads to applications for injunctions against mechanical substitute bells, it may then be a short step to objection being sustained against real bells.'
The article is equally severe on gramophone bells, and points out that there is a temptation to misuse this type of apparatus by employing it for unsuitable purposes. A London church aroused some criticism by broadcasting the royal wedding service over the house-tops: a Gloucestershire church played a chorus from ' Messiah 'at midnight to welcome the birth of Prince Charles.

In regard to churches that have no tower. and the provision of a tower and a ring of bells is out of the question on financial grounds, the writer points out that the only possible alternative is some kind of artificial bell apparatus. In one modern church the gable roof from a porch has been removed and a small tower built above it to contain a chime of bells operated from a manual keyboard. This chime of eight bells has a tenor weighing 4 cwt . and having a diameter of 2 ft . 3in., and in 1957 cost $£ 860$, and the tower approximately another $£ 500$. The solution has given great pleasure locally and the appearance of the church has also been enhanced.

## IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE



## SYSTON DISTRICT PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS FOR LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Bell foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF 5186 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in $\mathbb{C}$.

| Ernest F. Payne | 2 | +Petir A. Sharp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E. Alan Jacques | 3 | Roysion Wilmore |
| +Clatre Dillamore | 4 | b. Stedman Payne | Arranged by Harry Poyner. Conducted by B. Stedman Payne. - First peal of Major. + First of Plain Bob Major.

## QUENIBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.

On Tues., Aug. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of Spliced New and St. Vedast, Huntspill and St. Vedast, Westminster II and St. Hilary, Blackburn Place and St Hilary, Stedman. Rev. Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire: two each of St. Simon's and St. Osmund, St. Albans and St. Osmund, Eynsham and St. Osmund, and Rev. St. Bartholomew ; one each of St. Martin's and St. Osmund. St. Paul and St. Osmund, St. Leonard and St. Osmund St. Nicholas and St. Remigius, St. Giles and St. Remigius, Şt. Andrew and St. Remigius, Winchendon Place, St. John, St. Miles. Clifford's Pleasure. April Day, Southrepps and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr .17 lb . in $\mathbf{G}$ sharp.
Ernest F. Payne .. .. Treble | Ernest Morris... .. .. 3 Mary C. Poyner .. .. 2 B. Stedman Payne

Royston Wilmore .. .. Tenor
Conducted by B. Siedman Payne.
The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower,' and is the first person to do so.

SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
On Tues., Aug. 2, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Piul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

| Hubbard's |  | M Tenor 15 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Malcolm D. Barsby | Treble | Derek M. Sawyer |
| Mary C. Poyner | 2 | Ernest F. Payne |
| Royston Wilmore | 3 | B. Stedman Payne |
| Enest Morris | 4 | Frederick T. Bindley | Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

MOUNTSORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE
On Wed., Aug. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter's No. 1 variation.

| Roysion Wilmore. | Tr | vest Morris |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B. Stedman Payne | 2 | Derek M. Sawyer |
| Mary C. Poyner | - 3 | Peter J. Staniforim |
| Ernest F. Payne | - 4 | Frederick T. Bindley |

Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.
*First peal of Stedman. $\dagger 800$ th peal for the Guild
BARKBY, LEICESTERSHIRE
On Thurs., Aug. 4, 1964), in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE bOB MINOR

Being seven extents differently called. Tenor 13 cwt .2 qr .27 lb . in E. ERNEST F. PAyne ... . Treble Royston Wilmore .. .. 4 | Ernest Morris .. | .. | .. | 2 | B. Stedman Payne | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Derek M. Sawyer |  |  |  |  |  |  | .. Conducted by B. Siedman Payne.

Tho treble ringer has now 'circled the tower.' and is the first person to do so.

## SILEBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin. A PEAL OF 5040 PIAAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .12 lb . in E flat.

| Malcolm D. | Treble | YNE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary C. Poyner | ? | *Royston Wilmore |
| Derek M. Sawye | 3 | Harry Poyner |
|  |  |  | Derek M. Sawyer Ernest Morris

Composed by E. M. Atkins B. Stedman Payne.. .. Tenor Conducted by B. Stedman Payne. * soth peal together.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR. LEICESTERSHIRE. On Mon., Aug. 8, 1960. in I Hour and 37 Minutes.
In the Belfry of the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Reing seven extents differently called.
Tenor size 15 in $C$.
Dfrek M. Sawyer
-1-2 Ernest Morris
B. Stedman payme .. 5-6

Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.
100 h peal as conductor.

## TEN BELL PEAL

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Aug. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
At the City Parish Church of St. Stephen-the-Mariyr,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 21 cwt .
Frederick G. Leaker ... Treble Frank E. Hansford..
Albert M. Tyler .. .. 2 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden
Donald E. Cobb .. .. 3 Pairick J. Bird
Sidney G. Riches .. .. 4 D. John'Hunt
Alan A. Hilliar .. .. 5 Francis C. Mogford .. 9
Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.
Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect for Mr. Frank Skidmore, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, who passed away on July 18th. 1960.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

DEBENHAM. SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., June 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $21 \% \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat
James Bi:nnett . . ., .. Treble Ernest G. Pearct .. .. 5
William J. Button.. .. 2 Thomas E. Spighi .. .. 6
Roger L. K. Whittell .. 3 Georfrey Drew $\quad$..
Peter M. Abcock .. .. 4 Leslie N. Melton .. .. Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by leslie N. Melton.
EBBW VALE, MONMOUTHSHIRE,
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 25 cwt 2 gr .11 lb . in D .
William A. Theobald .. Treble Peter Border .. .. .. 5
Ruth M. Border .. .. 2 -Robert C. Kippin
Tudor P. Edwards
Robert C. Kippin.
Thomas J. Southam
Wilfred Williams
Composed by F. Dench.
Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

* First peal in the method.


## BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 23, 1960. im: 3 Hours,
at the Church of St. Bertoline.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{} \mathrm{cW}$.
George Astbury.
Treble Sidney Hough. jun..
-Mrs. H. D. Holland
Frank Osbaldiston
5
Eric B. Allman ..
Denis Motiershead
Brian Schofield
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Denis Moriershead.

* First peal ‘inside.

A birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt . in F sharp
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { \#Lynne Thompson } & . & \text {. Treble } & \text { John S. Seager.. } & . . & . & 5 \\ \text { S. James Dunn } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Cyril Rusby } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { †Jicqueline A. Dye } & \ldots & 3 & \text { David G. French } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
 Composed by J. E. Burton.

Conducted by John J. L. Gilberi.

- First peal. + First 'inside

A birthday compliment to the conductor, who has now rung 100 peals on these bells.

## RATBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. July 25. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minules,
At the Chirch of SS. Philip and James.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .18 lb in G .
S. Marie Davenport
*Judy A. M. Cox ... Treble
.
Peter . Chilton
Keith B. Townsend
.
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text {-Judy A. M. Cox .. .. } & 2 & \text { Keith B. Townsend } & . . & 6 \\ \text { Sandra E. Chesterion.. } & 3 & \text { Brian M. Smith } & \text {.. } & . & 7\end{array}$
Eric Roberts ..... 4 A. James Poynor $\because$. $\quad$ Tenor
Composed by John Howrs. Conducted by A. Jamps Poynor.

- First peal "inside." First in the method as conductor. Average age of band 15 years 6 months. Believed to be the youngest band to ring a peal of Major.

Rung, on the Feast of St. James, as birthday compliments to Peter J. Chilton and Keith B. Townsend.

DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., July 28, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of the Holy Cross.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt .3 qr .9 lb . in E flat.
Hillary M. Johnson .. Treble + Richard Danby *G. Bonsor.
Mary J. Marshall.
Patrick Ivan Chapman. Composed by J. Howes. Hugh M. Johnson \#Malcolm Chown David J. Marshall . Tenor Conducted by David J. Marshall. "First peal of Major. + First of Major "inside." $\ddagger 30$ th peal. Rung as a welcome home to Malcolm Chown.

## BILLINGBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.
A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Denis A. Frith .. .. Treble J. Michael Simpson
*Pairicia A. Simpson .. 2 Wafter Tomlinson.. .. 6
${ }^{3}$ Louis Wiliders
John Freeman .. .. 4 Raymond F. Smith . Tenor
Composed by J. S. Wilde.

* First peal of Surprise Major.

Conducted by John Freeman. Tenor 7 cwt 2 gr .11 lb . USK. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sun., July 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, containing 1,120 Rutland. 1,280 Cambridge and Lincolnshire, and 1.440 Yorkshire, with 69 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor $14 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{cw}}$. ins F sharp. Jacqueline S. King .. Treble Wilfred Williams. Ruth M. Border .. .. 2 Thomas J. Southam William A. Theobald .. 3 William T. Cook .. .. 4 Composed by P. G. K. Davies
*David J. King.
Peter Border Conducted by Peier Boror *irst peal of Spliced Surprise
To mark the occasion of the marriage of Cyril A. Wratten and Margery A. Birch.

KENWYN, CORNWALL
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Aug. I, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Keyne
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
R. Jill SOUTHWOOD

Geoffrey W. Taysom
V. Mary Matthews

Philip Walker
Cond
peal.

* First 8-bell peal.

Rung in honour of the wedding, on Saturday, July 30th, at Hartley, Kent, of Cyril A. Wratten, of Cheltenham, and Margery A. Birch, a former Kenwyn ringer.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues.. Aug. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours und 54 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Vincent.
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr .8 lb .


275th peal
Specially arranged and rung on the l00th birthday of Mr. Nathaniel Moxon. father of the ringer of the second, a regular ringer and chorister for many years at this church.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Aug. 4, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, A the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 25 cwt .
Arthur Tomlinson Treble
Gary Wignall ..
-. Trebl
*Kenneth M. Durow
Gary Wignall .. .. .. 2 Anthony R. Mann. Anthony R. Mann...... 6
M. John Halliwell .. 4 Frank Birkett ... Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by W. John Couperthwaite.

* First peal of Major.


## WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs., Aug. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minures, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 UCKFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A .
C. Edward Lankester .. Treble Terry Earle .. .. .. Joan Beresford - .. .. 2 *G. William Critchley. .
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 J. Richard Castledine.. 7 Alick Cutler .. .. .. 4 John R. Mayne .. . Tenor Composed by Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by John R. Mayne. * 500th peal. First in the method.

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt 3 lb


* First peal of Surprise.

Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.

## WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri.. Aug. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 25 f cwt.
A. Stanley Woodard .. Treblc Bernard W. Fairhead .. 5

| Adrian Semkin .. | . | . | 2 | Frank B. Lufkin .. .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Bennett | . | Ronald W Steward |  |  | James Bennett .. .. ..

George E. Symonds
. Composed by A. T. King.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

## ANDOVER, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

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\text { On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in } 3 \text { Hours and } 5 \text { Minules, }
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At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR

Tenor 16 cwt .
Eric Woolgrove
Treble
Reginald W. Rex
Michael. Hatcheit
$\frac{2}{3}$
Ronald K. Russ $\quad .$.
Composed by Walter Charman. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.
First peal in the method by all the band except R. W. Rex, in the county, and for the Guild.
ESHER. SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt . qr .14 lb . in A flat.
*Susan Bell ...... Treble George W. Massey.. .. 5
A. Patrick Cannon .. 2 Frank Oakshott
Christine M. Harbott
John F. M. Maybrey . Tenor
$\begin{aligned} & \text { +Christorher F. Mew .. } 4 \text { John F. M. Maybrey } \\ & \text { Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by John F. M. Maybrey. }\end{aligned}$

* First peal. + First on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First of Major. First as †J. Marilyn A. Gibbs conductor and first attempt.

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HUISH EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .
 KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX,
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Alıg. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules. At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $9 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
Ron Duesbury
Treble *ANDREW Beckwirh.

Frank B. Lufkin
Rosemary Seabrook
*Samuel J. Twitchett Composed by F. Dench.

Heywood's variation.
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Trevor A. Cross
Cyril S. Jarrett
Doris E. Colgate
Paul J. Dye

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Treble

| . . Treble |
| :---: |
| 3 | John W. Smith Hubert H. Furminger George J. Butcher. Peter G. Righards

Conducted by George $\$$. Butcher.

The treble ringer has now "circled the tower.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Mon.. Jume 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Andrew and Botolph. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge, Kent, Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in A. Ernest G. Pearce ..... Treble || George E. Symonds
David H. Buxton .. .. 2 Cecil W. Pipe
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 3 Leslie N. Melion .. .. Tenor Conducted by Leslie N. Melion.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., July 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch,
A PEAL OF 5160 DOUBLES
Being ten six-scores Plain Bob (four callings) and 29 six-scores and two 240 's Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt . 1 qr .17 lh . *M. Fernyhough

Treble †S. J. Withey $\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { V. Griffin } \\ 3 & \text { A. Hatherall }\end{array}$ 4
5
$\dagger$ H. Austin
C. G. Jones

Conducted by C. G. Jones.

* First peal. + First in two methods. First of Doubles as conductor. Rung for the Patronal Festival.

> BURGH. SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., July 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Andrew and Botolph,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge and Plain Bob and one each of Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Kent. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in A. Alan Clarke .. .. ...Treble Roderick W. Pipe Ernest G. Pearce .. .. 2 Robert Downing
James Bennett .. .. .. 3 Leslie N. Melton .. ... Tenor
Conducted by Leslie N. Melton.

SWAVESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of London, Ipswich, Norwich. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.
Harold S. Peacock .. Treble| George E. Thoday cWt.
4
5 R. Frank Baker ... 2 Geoffrey A. Lucas. 5 Donald F. Murfet.. ... 3 Mansfield Cinn

Tenor Conducted by. Mansfield Ginn.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. H. C. Franklin (Vicar of this parish) and Mrs. Franklin, upon their departure to Miłton, Cambs.

CARLTON-JUXTA-SNAITH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Selby and District Society.)
On Sat., July 30, 1960, it 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Treble Ronald R. Warford

* Valerie Wilson

| . $\quad$. |
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|  |

2 \#Elizabeth Martinson
Barbara Hall..
†Alan Grundy..
† .
enor 6 cwt
*First peal. $\ddagger$ First "inside." $\ddagger$ First on tower bells.

## CORBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 13 cwt.
*S. Marie Davenpoi
Treble
John M. Jelley
Eric Roberts
David Lee .. .. .. 3 | Alan E. Hariley . . 3 Ames Poynor .. . . Treble
Conducted by A. James Poynor.

* First peal on six bells.

Rung as a compliment to Jennifer M. M. Cox and David T. Darby. both ringers at Humberstone, Leicester, on their engagentent. Also a birthday compliment to Ernest Morris.

NORTON DISNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Court and Single Oxford, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .27 lb .
Ronald S. Russell. . . Treble *Philip C. Pitchford .. 4 Walter Weston .. .. 2 *Frederick Derry Plercy D. Baldock ... ... 3 James H. Musson ... .. Tenor Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal in six methods inside.

A compliment to Paul, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Derry, on his first birthday.

PENN. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, comprising an extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob. Douile Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Eric P. Woolgrove .. Treble Michael Hatchett
Tenor 10 cwt .
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd
William Birmingham .. 3 Malcolm S. Cloke .. . . Tehor Conducted by Malcolm S. Cloke.
Rung for the collation of Fr. N. W. Hill to the parish of St. Mary's, Rickmansworth. which took place while the peal was being rung. Also as a birthday compliment to Misses Hazel and Cherry White of Dunsfold.

STISTED. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sun., July 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minures, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAI. OF 5040 STISTED DELIGHT MINOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 1 gr. 20 lb .
Mary Roast
*Mary Carveth
James Towler
-Treble Alan R. Syder 2
3 Joe E. G. Roast
E. G. Roast.

- First peal of Minor

Rung with the congratulations and best wishes of the band to Eyril A. Wratten and Margery A. Birch, who were married the previous day at Hartley. Kent.

HINTON WALDRIST. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Aug. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 4 Mimules,
Ai fhe Church of St. Margaret-of-Antioch,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 30 extents of Grandsire and 12 of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt .27 lb.
*Robin Hayden.. .. .. Treble Denis Lesiie
Norman Leslie .. .. 2 Michael Edney .. .. 5
*Pam Rooney .. .. .. 3 Allen O'Shaughnessy . . Tehor Conducted by Michael J. Edney.

* First peal.

HORBLING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Aug. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's and Grandsire, and 12 of Plain Bob.
Alan G. Payne
. .. ...Treble John Thorley Tenor 9$\}$ cwt. Josie R. Hutchings .. 2 F. Keith Williamson J. Marin Thorley ... . Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.
First peal of Doubles by all except the conductor.
MISSON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Doncaster and District Society.)
On Tues.. Aug. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At The Church of St. JOhn.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Kent T.B. and six of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .
Nancy Worsdall
Alec Wilson
Treble

| reble Harold Denman |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Robin Worsdall |

Frank Brunt .. .. .. 3 | Frederick J. Jackson .. Temor Conducted by Frederick J. Jackson.
Rung on the l00th birthday of N. Moxon, Sutton-on-Trent.
GREAT DALBY. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Aug. 3, 1980, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
Ar the Church of Si. Swilhun.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Bcing eight extents ench of St. Simon's, April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob (four callings), and ten of Grandsire (ten callings).
-John T. P. Thorpe.. . . Treble| Roland H. Cook
Mrs. C. E. COOPER ... 2 Harold T. Bonshor.. ... 4

> Charles E. Cooper .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold T. Bonshor.

* First peal.

Rung after the christening of Janet Margaret Wyckoff, first grandchild of the conductor and Mrs. Bonshor.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Aug. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours.
Af the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (i) Double Oxford and St . Clement's, (2) Oxford Treble Boh, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4), (5). (6) and (7) Plain Boh.

Tenor $17 \pm \mathrm{cwL}$
J. Aloysius Thorley
J. Aloysius Thorley .. Treble A. Godfrey Payne

James M. Thorley ... .. 3 . $\quad$ Francis K. Williamson ... Tenor
Conducted by James M. Thorley.
The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in this tower.
ADDINGTON. SURREY
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minules.
AT the Church of SI. MARY-The-VIrGIN.
A PEAL OF 5040 SL'RPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London. York. Beverley. Surfleet. Norwich. Ipswich and Cambridge.
Colin F. McGill.
John E. Cannell
Ralph Bird

| Treble | Andrew M. Macve |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Alan E. Bagworth |  |
| 3 | Frank E. Darby | .. |

Tenor
Conducted by Ralph Bird.

* First peal in seven Surprise methods.

STISTED DELIGHT
$\times 36 \times 16 \times 12 \times 1236 \times 12 \times 56$
2nd place l.-e.

CHATHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minules, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 Oxford Bob and 4.320 Plain Bob in six different callings, rung on front six.
*Derek Norris.
.. Treble
Albert Dunk
Christopher T. Lamb
2
3
$\dagger$ Alan Wrigley William A. J. Knight Charles E. J. Norris . . Tenor
Conducted by William A. J. Knight.
*First peal of Minor, also on six bells. $\dagger$ First of Minor in two methods.

Rung for the Queen Mother's 60th birthday.
LEVERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Eastern Branch.)
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Helena
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven extents.

*H. Lakin .. .. .. .. Treble *T. Mottram
*Miss N. Willingham .. 2 W. H. Lakin
*C. Askew . . .. .. .. 3 A. Pickwell
Conducted by W. H. Lakin.

* First peal and first attempt. First as conductor. First peal on the bells.

MARKET WEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The Beverley and District Society.)
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At The Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Barbara J. Fisher ... Treble
Janet I. Porter .. .. 2 A. Harry Hawcroft
David Johnson. Conducted by Ronald Ducker.
First peal in seven methods by all except ringer of fifth.
SHELLEY, HUDDERSFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the: Church of Emmanuel,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) College Exercise, (2) London Scholars'. Sandal and Kingston, (3) Duke of York, (4) Woodbine, (5) Kent. (6) Merchants Return, (7) Oxford.
James W. Buxton .. .. Treble| Herman Rusby
*Rodney Pagden .. .. 2 Trevor Tarbatt
*Peter Carbutt ..... 3 Noel F. Moxon .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Noel F. Moxon.

* First peal in nine methods.

STOKE-ON-TERN, SALOP.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 50.10 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of Norwich, Ipswich, Durham. York. London. Wells and Cambridge.
G. Arnold Moore.. .. Treble F. Hector Bennett
K. Peter Jones ... ... 2 Frfderick E. Wilshaw
*Charles A. S. Webb .. 3 *Geoffrey Davies .. . Temor
Conducted by Frederick E. Wilshaw

- 25 th peal together. First in seven Surprise methods by all exceptthe conductor.

A 27 th wedding anniversary peal for the parents of the second ringer.

## HANDBELL PEALS

MARPLE, CHESHIRE.
TIIE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Aug. 2, 1960, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,
At Whingarth, Ridge Road,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C .
Frank Osbaldiston .. $1-2 \mid$ Bernard F. L. Groves.. 3 - 4
Robert B. Smith ... .. 5-6
Conducted by Robert B. Smith.
First peal of Oxford T.B. Minor 'in hand by all.
HUTTON. LANCASHIRE,
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Aug. 4. 1960. in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes.
At Brentwood. 7. Skip Lane.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor size 11 in $G$.
*W. John Couperthwaite $1-2 \mid$ Anihony R. Mann
Cyril Crossthwaite .. 5-6
*First deal 'in hand ' away from tenors.
Rung with one extent non-conducted and each of the band conducting ewo extents.

## DATE TOUCHES

COLERNE, WILTS.-On July 23 rd. 1,960 Grandsire Triples: Mrs, D. Evans 1, A. F. Lee 2, C. J. A. Brown 3, W. H. Hurford 4, S. A. Read 5. J. R. C. Tiley 6. P. W. Weeks (cond.) 7. G. J. Hawkins 8.
OCKHAM, SURREY.-On July 10th, 1.960 Grandsire Douthes: C. Cotbett 1. Miss 1. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3, J. Martin 4, B. Priestley (cond.) 5, For Evensong.

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On July 14th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Elizabeth Hickman (first quarter) 1. Ann Sharpe 2. Pamela R. Gough 3. Diana M. Gough 4, R. D. Brown (cord.) 5, V. F. Gough h. For Evensong.
BAWTRY, YORKS.-On Aus 7th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Godley 1. M. Ball 2, A. Jowett 3. F. Walkinson 4. A. Wikon S. F. J. Jackson (cond.) 6.
BRIDGERULE, DEVON.-On July 31st. 1,284 Plain Rob Major: J. Clark 1, J. Bowden (first in method) 2, Mi:s M. Prockson 3. J. Tomsett 4. H. Spencer 3. C. Sangwyn 6, R. Sanders 7, M. Sinden (cond.) 8.
ERISTOL.-As St. Mary Redeliffe, on July 28th, 1.277 Grandsire Caters: Miss M. A. Hancock 1. A. M. Tyler 2. Miss M. D. Hancock 3. Mrs. M.
Mavell 4. W. Abraham 5. D. Helliwell (first of Mayell 4. W. Abraham 5, D. Helliwell (first of
Caters) 6. A. A. Hilliar 7. F. Hansford 8, E. F. Hancock (cond.) 9. S. Gillett to. In memuriam Frank Skidmore, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association and friend of all.
BURMARSH, KENT.-On July 30th, 1,260 Plain Hob Minor: T. Fage 1, Miss A. Rayner 2. Mrs. M. Watts 3. Mrs. R. Wratten 4, A. Berry 5, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 6. Rung for the gelden wedding anniversary of Mr. J. Willis. vice-president and chairman of the Kent County Association, and Mrs. Willis, an honorary member.

Chelsfield, KENT.-On Aug. 6th, 1.260 Doubles ( 780 Plain Bob, 480 Grandsire): Mrs. J. Parker 1. Jullian Outhwaite 2. D. C. Manger (cond.) 3. M. Legz 4. J. Parker 5, A. Sinith 6. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss $V$. Cott (a lecal ringer) to Mr. M. Midgley.
CHURCH GRESLEY. DERRYS.-On July 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. W. Cotton 1, N. Cotton 2. W. F. Woodward 3. D. P. Jones (cond.) 4, David Eames (aged 15) 5. A birthday compliment to the conductor and to his niece.
CRANLEIGH, SURREY.-On Aug. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss: M. Gregory (first quarter) 1. Miss J. Enticknap (first quarter) 2, E. R. Warner 3. Miss C. White 4, E. Woolgrove 5, O. L.
Warner 6, W. Beeson (cond.) 7, Miss 1. Hecsion 8.
EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On Aug. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Hitton (first of Triples) 1, Trudy Newcombe 2, T. Hawkins 3, W. George 4. D. Langdon 5, J. Duggan (cond) 6, J. Weeks 7. J. Bacon 8. For morning service.

FLITTON, BEDS.-On Aug. 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: M. Anthea A. Munday 1. Angela Grainger 2. B. Grainger 3. T. P. Harris (cond.) 4. P. J. Lawton 5. Janet Wilkinson 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frederick Northwood, sinme time churchwarden, bellringer and chorister at this church, also Thomas Edward Willingham, a bellringer of long standing in the district. Requiescat in pace. HANBOROUGH, OXON.-On July 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. H. Franklin 1. J. Keyte 2. W. Buter 3. H. Floyd (cond.) 4. A. Leach 5. W Franklin 6. Rung half-mufiled in respect for the Rey. O. T. Gillman, of Kidlington. who was interred at St. Thomas". Oxford. the same day.
HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS. - On May 15 h . 1.440 Ipswich Surprise Minor: P. E. Wella 1, E. J. Parivh 2. A. J. Davey (first in methed) 3. J. R. G. Spicer 4, F, R. Nicholls 5, H, S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on June 19th, 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. E. Welis 1. E. J. Parish 2. A. J. Davey 3. I. R. G. Spicer 4. F. R.
Nicholls 5. H. S. Peacuek (ennd.) 6. For morning Nicholls S. H. S. Peacuck (cond.) 6 . For morning
service. Als on July 24th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Howes 1. E. J. Parish 2. M. J. Dyer 3. J. R. G. Spicer 4. F. R. Nicholls 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service on Feast Sunday. Alao on July 31st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: C. Bell (first quarter) 1. J. R. G. Spicer 2, A. J. Davey 3. D. F. Murfet 4, F, R. Nicholk 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.
HIGHER WALTON LANCS.-On Aug. 3rd, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: K, Durow (first of Major) 1. C. Crosshwaite 2. Maryl Crossthwaite (first of Cambridge -inside") 3. D. Lawson (first of Surprise) 4. T. Barker S. A. R. Mann (first of Cambridge Major) 6, F. Siead 7, W. J. Couperihwaite (first Major) 6, Furprise as cond.) 8 .

## QUARTER PEALS

HILLINGDON, MIDDX.-On Aug. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: S. Parkman Shaw III (first on eight) 1. Marjorie Hill 2, J. Hill (cond.) 3. A. R. Turley 4. F. W. Goodfellow 5. N. D. Robingon 6 F. C. Price 7. W. H. Cole: 8 For Evensong

HOLSWORTHY, DEVON.-On July 271h, 1.260 Stcdman Triples: Miss M. Prockson 1, J. Tomsett 2 C. Taylor 3. W. Pruckson 4. H. Stacey 5, R. Sander; 6. M. Sinden (cond.) 7. H. Heard 8. First in method for $3,5,8$.
LILLINGSTONE LOVELL, BUCKS.-On July 29th. 1.260 Grandsire Duubles: Ann Holland 1. Gill Smith 2. A. Stanton 3, C. Stopps 4, G. Holland (cond.) 5. First quarter 1, 3 and 4. Rung to welcome baby daughters born to Mr. and Mrs, D. Robarts and Mr, and Mrs. H. Green, of this parish.
LUPPITT, DEVON.-On Aug. Ist, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Middleton 1, Miss M. P. Barnard 2. Dr F. H. W. Crabb (first quarter) 3. C. Churchill (cond.) 4. L. Marker 5, A. J. Crabb 6. Also on Aug. 2nd. 1.320 Grandsire Doubles: F J. Sage (cond.) 1. E Broom (first quarter) 2, A. Wright 3, L. Marker 4, T. J. Thorne (first 'inside') 5, E. Thorne 6.

MAIDSTONE, At All Saints Church, on Aus. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Janet Woodruffe Kathleen Yeo 2. L. Head 3. F. Leeson 4, L. Mannering 5. M. Downs (cond.) 6, T. Cross 7. F Hogan 8. For Evensong.
MERROW, SURREY.-On July 31st, 1,260 Doubles (240 Grandsire, 1.020 Plain Bob): D. A. R. May (cond.) 1, Jill M. Lanc 2, B, A. Todd (first 'inside') 3. B. G. Grover 4, G. L. Grover 5. A. Pamela Warren 6. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 7th, 1.260 Doubles 1120 St. Nicholas'. 120 St. Simon's. 120 Reverse Canterbury, 480 Plain Bob and 420 Grandsire): B. A. Told 1. Jill M. Lane 2. D. A. R. May 3. A. Pamela Warren 4, R. 1. Vaughan (most methods, rond.) 5, E. J. Mitchell (first quarter) 6 . For Evensong. Also on Aug. Eth, 1.440 Plain Bub Minor: D. A. Hughes (first quarter) 1. E. Warner 2. Miss J. Lane 3, Miss P. Laycock 4. D. Tubbs 5. S. Ponting (cond.) 6. Rung following the marriaze
of Miss M. Smith (a ringer at Holy Trinity, Guildof Miss M. Smith (a ringer at Holy Trinity, Guildford), to Lieut P. Duppa-Miller, R.N
MILVERTON, SOMERSET.-On Aug. Ist, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. M. Hartley 1. Mrs. E. S. Powell 2, Miss J. Taylor 3, E. Ford 4. H. V. Young 5. C. Tarr 6, J. Taylor (cond.) 7. H. Taylur 8. A coming-of-age compliment to the ringer of 3 rd.
NAILSEA. SOMERSET.-On Aug. 2nd. 1.284 Grandsire Minor: H. Hardwidge 1. Mary Powell 2. L. Derrick 3, M. J. Horseman 4. J. Brain 5, C Kortright (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate the engagement of Mary Powell to Tony York.
OLD HEADINGTON OXFORD.-On Aus 7ih 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R Bruce (first of Minor) 1, J. Cruickshank 2. Cherry Withell 3, E. Parsons 4. T. Smith 5, R. Trebilcock (cond.) 6. Rung as a comnliment 10 the Rev. G. D. and Mrs. Slaff, following their recent marriage.
OXENDON. NORTHANTS.-On July 29rh, 1.260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: R. Martin (firis quarter) 1. E. Marnin 2, A. Millward 3. C. Swann 4. D. Griffin (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled as a raken of respect for Michael A. Messam. aged 27, ringer of this tower.
PETERBOROUGH. NORTHANTS.-On Aug. 3rd. a! Si. Mary's Church. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Davis 1. L. Brighton 2. Mrs. M. Parker 3. F. Sisney 4. J. Roffe 5. M. Parker (cond.) 6. Rung for the third wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Parker. PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Aug. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Coasworth 1. F. Wetber 2. A.
Clayton 3. L. Allen 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5. B. Bull 6. Rung for Evensong in 39 minules, the fastest krown quarter on the bells.
RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.-Om July 30th. 1.280 Kent T.B. Major: D. M. Hibbert (first of Major) 1. Miss P. Doorn 2. Miss S. J. Slade 3. G Dodds (cond.) 4. A Correll 5. H. A. Bradbury 6.
M Hatchett 7. W. J. Arnold 8. Firsi of Kent T. B. M. Hatchett 7. W. J. Arnold 8. First of Kent T. B. Maior for 2, 3. 5 and 6. Rung as a compliment Albans Cathedral, on his collation to the parish of Albans Cathedral, on his
Si. Mary's. Rickmansworh.
ROUGHAM. SUFFOLK.-On July 30th. 1.440 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: Marion Greaves 1. Anthea Greaves 2. L. Wright 3, L. Nice 4, R. Rose (cond.) 5, E. Nice 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. Rose, on their silver wedding anniversary.
SHEPTON MALLET, SOMERSET.-On Aug. Ath. 1.344 Dnuble Norwich Court Bob Major: Bridect Sanger 1. R. Beck 2, V. Roberts 3. E. Wadman 4. D. Hoare (cond.) 5. M. Rose 6. D. Lee 7. Gwilym Salmon 8.

STAPLETON, BRISTOL.-On Aus. 2nd. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob): C. J
Richards 1, Gillian M. Hussey 2. F. C. Mugford 3 Richards 1, Gillian M. Hussey 2. F. C. Mugford 3,

1. R. Ketteringham 4, D. J. Hunt 5. Conducted by all. Rung as en appreciation of the life and work of Frank sikidmore-this being the tower where he learnt to ring in 1911.
SW.INSEA, GLAM.-On July 30th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: T. M. Roderick (cond.) 1. M. Larcher 2 . B Cousins 3. Hazel Way 4. J. A. Hoare 5. E. Morris 6. G. I. Lewis 7. J. T. Williams 8. Firat quarter in the method for 2, 3. and 4. and on the tells.
SOUTHPORT, LANCS.-On Aus. 6th. 1,440 Minos (720 London Surprise. 720 Cambridge Surprisz): Margaret Forrest 1. W, E. Court 2. P, Cuxal 3. R. Kenrick 4. T. Hesketh 5. J. Ridyard 6. N. Heaps tenor covering. Rung sfer meeting short for Major, in honour of the wedding of Doreen Dution and John Hunting, which rook place at Emanuel Church. Southport. earlier.
SWINDON, WILTS.-At Christ Church, on July 19th. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: W. W. T. Daniell 1. Mrı 1. Minchin 2, Mrs. L. Bladon 3. Mrs. H. J. Sutton 4. Miss M. Wright 5, C. G. Jones 6. V. Griffin 7. B. Bladon 8. E. Sutton (cond.) 9. P. Minchin 10. Rung half-mufled in memoriam Frank Skidmore, late Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. Also on July 31st, 1,263 Stedman Caters: Mrs. H. J. Sutton 1, Miss M. Wright 2. M. Stanley (first of Caters) 3. E. Sutton . Rev. R. G. Bryant 5, C. G. Jones 6. R. Townsent 7. A. G. Wells 8, R. O. Fry (cond.) 9. R. Drewitt (first quarter on ten bells) 10. Rung for Evensong.
THORPE BAY, ESSEX.-On July 30th, 1.296 Duffield Major: W. Ellis 1, R. Tomlin 2, M. Harch F. May 4. M. Hallett 5, G. Sandwell 6, W. Smith A. House (cond.) 8. First by all except 8.

THRUMPTON, NOTTS.-On July 23rd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: G. J. Fisher 1. L. Harrison 2. Mrs. Margarel E. Pollard 3. S. Adams f. C. W. Towers (cond.) 5. Rung in honour of the wedding f A. Ronald Priesiley and Rac Marjorie Jones. TWYNING, GLOS.-On July 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Hawkes 1, F. Hawkes 2, Christine Halling (first inside') 3. W. Williams 4. M. Hawkes (cond.) 5. D. Williams 6. Rung half-muffied in memory of Mrs. Newman, wife of a former Vicar's warden, who was interred this day. Also on July 22nd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Halling 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, A. Hawkes (first (inside ') 3. W. Williams 4. E. W. Penn 5. D. Williams 6. Rung for Evensong on the Patronal Festival.
TUNBRIDGE WELIS, KENT,-On July 14 th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: D. Davy (first quarter) I.
B. V. Collison 2. Miss A. George 3. J. Warner 4. C. Hancock 5. E. Brunger 6, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 7, S. Jenner 8. Arranged for the treble ringer, on his 14th birthday
WALDEN, HERTS. ()n Aug. Ist, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Joyce Dodds (cond.) 1. A. Day 2. M. Amy Cuburn 3. R. Hardy 4. F. C. Jacklin 5. G. Dodds 6. Rung with the loyal greetings of the band to H.M. Oucen. Elizabeth, the Oueen Mother, a native of this parish, on the occasion of her 60th birthday.
WEDMORE, SOMERSET. - On July 31st. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: P. C. Wright 1. W. S. Salmon 5. E. J. Munday 6. A. P. Cannon (cond.) R. G. Edwards 8. For Eventong

WESTERLEIGH, GLOS. On Aug. 2nd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. E. Monk 1. J. Powelf 2. P. Delaney 3. J. Ferris 4. H. T. Ferris (eand.) s, . Clark 6. Rung as a farewell greeting to Miss L. Brockwell.

WEST WICKMAM, KENT.-On July $31 \mathrm{st}, 1.2 \%$ Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. A. Hushes I. L. W. G. Skinner 2. D. Holland 3. J. Faircloth 4. A. ©S. Richards (cond.) 5, J. E.. Cannell 6.
WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET.-On Aug. Ist. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Maior: E. Wadman 1, 1. Carner 2, D. Hoare (cond) 3. G. Gaylard 4. H, G. Kecley 5. R. Pirman 6. H. J. Gaylard 7. R. Keeley 8. Rung for the weddings of Mr. M Arscott and Miss C. Brooks and Mr. A. Knight and Miss B. Travers. all service ringers.
WIVELISCOMBE: SOMERSET. On AUE. 184. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1. Mary Hall 2. C. Bellew 3. A. Turner 4. G. Sparks (cond.) 5. W. J.
Nurcombe 6. H. V. Young 7. W Baker 8. A molden wedding complimemi for Mr. Alfred Stone, for many years a ringer with the local hand, and Mrs. Stone.
WCODDITTON, CAMES.-On July 19th. at Sunny View. Woodditton Road. 1,280 Plain Bob Major: (cond.) 5-6, R, J. Palmer (IIrst in hand') 9-8.

## ST. GILES', LINCOLN

After a week of grey skies and heavy showers it was a relief to wake up on July 16th to sunshine and a clear blue sky. Soon after nine o'clock a coachload of ringers and friends from St. Giles' was speeding gaily along Ermine Street, bound for St. Nicholas Thorne, our first eight of the day. Here ringing, which included Stedman and Cambridge. was curtailed because of a wedding.
We were then bound for Hedon, another eight, over in the East Riding, so during this longer stage of our journey some of the party decided to eat. Unfortunately, the first few bites had no sooner heen taken than the 'bus passed a large field in which 'muck-spreading was going on, and after that the sandwiches seemed to have been penetrated by the smell! At Hedon we were greeted with the news that there was about to be a funeral, which made some of us wonder what next! In the waiting that was necessary before ringing, some seemed to find an attraction down at the 'Station While others preferred just to gaze on the splendour of the church, 'The King of Holderness.' Again our ringing time had to be shortened, but we were able to include a short touch of Spliced Surprise.
A shorter step took us to Patrington and tho Church of St. Patrick, 'The Queen of Holderness, our third eight. Happily, here there was to bo neither funeral nor wedding, but the various hazards of approaching the ringing chamber caused much amusement. For all except the youngest member of the party, who just ducked his head and ran, it was necessary to bend double and waddle along this sort of pig trough in the transept roof. Ringing here ranged from Plain Bob to a touch of London.
From Patrington we travelled to Beveriey, when the intervening journey saw the handbells brought into use, and our youngest. with great determination, showed himself capable of hunting the treble. Tea was first on the programme for Beverley which, in view of the 41 cwt . tenor waiting at the Minster, was essential. It was at the Minster that two of the fairer sex. because of many previous remarks, endea-

## OUTINGS

voured to ring up the tenor. They managed to get it chiming before it was taken from them, hut when up it was found to he wrong side and had to be rung down again! ... Ten minutes later we were able to begin. After ringing, Great John, the hour hell, was viewed with much awe, followed by mistrust whenunexpectedly for some-it began to strike six. and at least one person literally jumped! A walk to the other end of Beverley brought us to the line Church of St. Mary, where we had more 10 -bell ringing, including some Cambridge Royal.
The final tower of the day was Holy Trinity. Kingston-upon-Hull, where the recently-augmented 12 are rung from a well-spaced circle in a spacious ringing chamber. Here Mr. J. A. Freeman called a touch of Stedman Cinques.
The journey home. interrupted by a stop at Goole for the usual 'fish and four,' was coloured by renderings of all the old favourites until we were all too tired to sing any more. When we arrived home it was already Sunday.
Thanks for a successful outing are due to all incumbents, to our guide from Hull, and to Mr. J. L. Millhouse, our organiser.

## SELBY AND DISTRICT

A bright, sunny Bank Holiday Monday and seven rings of bells attracted a small convoy of vehicles to Burton-on-Stather in North Lincolnshire, where a perfect octave was soon being rung to some of the best Grandsire Triples of the day. The first tower 'conquered.' we passed on to Winterton, where the bells were already up.
A pienic lunch was enjoyed by the side of the Humber, with some of the ringers watching a yacht passing through a lock. Immediately one of our members decided that he was a better sailor than the owner of the yacht, so shouted instructions on getting the boat out of the lock, thus being called 'Captain Cook' by his fellow ringers for the rest of the day."

Further ringing took place at Barrow-onHumber and both churches at Barton-onHumber where, after 'Captain Cook " managed to kick over a bottle of milk. an excellent tea was appreciated. Filled to capacity with salad, ice cream and cakes, the convoy then set out to Goxhill and Scunthorpe, where further ringing was thoroughly enjoyed before returning home.
Thanks are due to the local bands for the use of their bells, and to the ladies at Barton-on-Humber for a delicious tea. A. G.

## CHELSFIELD

Eleven ringers from Chelsfield, West Wickham and Crayford, plus one 'foreigner' from Surrey, had an enjoyable outing in South West Kent and East Sussex on Whit Monday.
Ringing started at Goudhurst (8. ienor 25 cwt ). where the bells were regarded as rather a handful, and these were followed by the five at Ewhurst and the pleasant six at Northiam. After lunch came Beckley and the tunefut anti-clockwise six at Wittersham. More anti-clockwise bells followed at Stone-in-Oxney, to be followed by the lovely eight at Appledore, where members of the Central Council dropped in.

The unique five at Brookland, with its wooden detached campanile, fascinated all. The bells, rung anti-clockwise, are difficult to handle and so loud that the conductor, yelling lustily from the other side of the belfry, could not be heard. Ringing ranged from rounds and call-changes to Cambridge and London Surprise Minor. Incumbents, local ringers and organisers are all sincerely thanked.
D. C. M.

## HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM

Ringers from Handsworth, Birmingham. would like to thank most cordially all incumbents and tower captains who allowed the use of their bells for the annual outing held in Shropshire on July 9th. The ringers visited Newport. Hinstock, Market Drayton. Whitchurch, Prees. Hodnet and High Ercall, and all certainly seemed to enjoy themselves.

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Members not only of the

Kent County Association but the Exercise at targe will BFIFRY desire to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. John Willis. of Folkestone, on their golden wedding anniversary. For more than 60 years Mr. Willis has been a member of the Kent Association and for some years he has guided the Association as chairman and also as a vice-president. The Central Council is also indebted to him for his valuable work on the Biographies Committee.
Congratulations to Mr. John J. L. Gilbert on ringing 100 peals on the bells of St . Mary's. Handsworth. He believes that he is the first person to ring 100 peals in a Yorkshire tower.
The following was overheard in a Northampton belfry on practice night. Instructor to learner: 'No, no-don't do it like that. Look at the captain and do it like him. Oh! no. He's doing it as well.'
A maiden occasion took place at Leverton, Lincolnshire, on August 6th, when the first peal on the bells was rung by a band who had never rung a peal before. The occasion is unique in ringing history. The method rung was Plain Bob Minor.

The Syston District's peal week is becoming an annual event and seven peals to record this week by a young band plus the everyoung Mr. Ernest Morris is no mean achievement. There are those who sat at home and just cooked and the peal band would like to thank the two Mesdames Payne for all the extra meals they provided

Last year at St. Peter's Church, Freshford. near Bath. the Rector. the Rev. Francis Pollard. started to train a band of young ringers. They have now rung regularly, both for morning and evening service, every Sunday, for over a year. Recently, during Matins, the following were officially admitted members of the Parish Guild of Ringers: Miss Susan Axford. Peter Newman, John Axford, Michael Dunning, Duncan Hallam, John H. Green and Gerald Newman. They have also been elected members of the Bath and Wells

## GOSSIP

On August 4th. to mark the occasion of the 60th birthday of H.M. the Queen Mother. the bells of Winchester Cathedral were rung to rounds and 'queens ' and fired in 3 instalments of 21 times and another 60 times to record Her Majesty's age. Ringing took place at $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. under the captaincy of Mr. George Noice, and the local band were assisted by two from Southampton. who had to rise in the early hours to take part.

Mr. Robin G. Leale's tour started on August 13th and ends on August 27th. The Lake District: Northumberland and Durham are being visited by the party of 12 .

Dr. F. H. W. Crabb, principal of Emanual College, Saskatoon. Canada. is home on a short visit after five years absence. On July 31 st he rang for morning service at Luppitt. Devon. and the following evening rang his first quarter peal.

The peal rung at Tunbridge Wells, on August 5th, was arranged as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ladd; and was also rung on the birthdays of the conductor and F. H. Hicks, of East Grinstead, Sussex.
The peal of Stedman Triples, at Northflect. on August 6th. was arranged and rung as a farewell to Regimental Sergeant-Major Hubert (Dick) Furminger. who for the past twelve months has been attached to St . Botolph's tower. Dick is leaving next week for service in Malaya. The band and all ringers in the area wish him 'bon voyage,' and look forward to the time when he will be in their ranks again.

To avoid meeting clashes the Sheffield Society has a two-year fixture card ( 24 towers) and meetings are all on the first Saturday of the month. By arrangement, the Barnsley Society hold their meetings on the second Saturday, the Southern District of the Yorkshire Association on the third Saturday (quarterly only), and the Doncaster Society on the last Saturday. Each Sheffield Society member has a copy of the fixture card and can plan accordingly.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

## ESTABLISHED

## METHOD NOMENCLATURE <br> By JOHN R. MAYNE <br> TREBLE BOB METHODS

By the term 'Treble Bob' I refer to all those methods in which the treble does a treble bob hunt. This includes all Surprise methods. Another more specialised meaning for the term 'Treble Bob' will emerge later. Now. the column of figures printed is the first half lead of Yorkshire Surprise Major. It has been divided into groups of four changes. called 'sections,' corresponding to the four blows which the treble makes in each dodging place. (This procedure is useful for the purposes of proof.)

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The positions where the treble hunts from one dodging place to another (i.e. the boundaries between sections) are called 'cross-sections. For the purposes of the definitions about to be explained, the positions where the treble lies behind and where it leads are not considered as cross-sections. At every cross-section at least two bells must lie still. One of these places must be made above the path of the treble, and one below, otherwise the treble would make a second dodge in the position where it had already dodged once. There are usually a number of possible positions for these cross-sectional places. For example, when the treble passes through 2-3 in Yorkshire Surprise Major bells lie still at lead and in fourths. But there are other possibilities : viz. 1 and 6 and 1 and 8 . Similarly, the places which could be made at the second cross-section are 16, 18, 36 and 38 , and also if more than two beils lie still. 1236 and 1238 are possible. (This excludes 78 lying still.) The places 1 and 8 (lead and lie) are called 'external places,' while the other places are called 'internal' places.
We are now in a position to define the terms used for various classes of Treble Bob methods.
(i) If there is at least one internal place made at each cross-section, the method is a Surprise method.
(ii) If internal places are made at every cross-section except one, the method is a Delight method.
(iii) If no internal places are made at any of the cross-sections, the method is a Treble Bob method. That is to say, lead and lie are the only places made at the crosssections.
(iv) All methods not covered by the above definitions are called Exercise methods.
A few minutes will show the reader that there are no Exercise Minor methods. but there are Exercise methods on all higher numbers of bells.
It will now be seen that the incidence of a Kent slow work has nothing whatever to do with the classification of the method. Flamstead is a Surprise method because seconds and thirds are made while the treble goes through 45. The fact that one bell leads at the same time is incidental.

Mrs. I. M. Richards. Llanarth Vicarage. Llanarth, near Raglan. Mon. writes thanking those who responded to her appeal for postcards. She is still far from her larget and very anxious to get her bells ringing again.


SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE No. 34 JOHN P. FIDLER,

## Loughborough

Mr. J. P. Fidler is prohably the best known ringer in the country, for his work takes him amongst bells and ringers in all parts of the British Isles. It might he thought that he sees so much of bells that he would be inclined to seek his relaxations in other fields, but not so, for he is as keen on ringing and ringing inatters as the best (or worst) of us. He was one of the pioncers of Spliced Minor ringing, probably the result of coming under the influence of that very exacting task master,

## MORPETH CURFEW

The 'Morpeth Herald' seems to have a weekly feature on peal ringing interrupting the 8 p.m. curfew. Mr. N. I. Wright, who participated in the recent peal. has replied to the challenge of 'Saggerston," and pointed out that the curfew has been missed six times in the past 12 months and 20 times in the pasi nine years. on account of peal ringing.

Permission for peal attempts at the Watch Tower has to be ohtained from the Town Clerk. It seems obvious that the correct procedure is for the Town Clerk and/or the conductor of the peal to notify Miss Armstrong. 21. Duncan Gardens, Morpeth. of forthcoming attempts.
Since the recent dispute, Miss Armstrong informs us that she has not rung the curfew, but her brother Fred has every night, except on July 25th. when he could not get into the tower because of the peal in progress.
Whether peal ringing should supersede on a few nights the traditional curfew is a subject which could he debated at length. Mr. Wright points out that on a working day it would be impossible to start the peal carly enough to complete it hefore the curfew hour. The arbiters are the Morpeth Town Council.
Mr. Wright concludes his letter: 'I hope the air is now clear for curfew to ring nightly at 8 o clock, and to be joined on occasions by its seven musical sisters!
Miss J. S. Armstrong writes informing us that on August 10 th peal ringers rang on well after 8 p.m., thus preventing the curfew being rung. She and her brother Fred have decided never to ring the curfew again.
She adds that the visit of Mr. Clive Smith and his party on August 11th during their fortnight's tour gave great pleasure; they enjoyed night's tour gave great pleasure; they
their visit and the $W$ atch Tower bells.

Rev. A. T. Beeston. John was so keen on splicing that he wrote a series of articles in The Ringing World on Method Splicing. which were eventually published in book form.
He was born in 1897 at Hazel Grove, Cheshire. and educated there and at Salford Royal Technical Institute. He learned to ring at St. Thomas", Norbury, in 1914. but his ringing was interrupted by service in the Army when he enlisted in the 9th Highlanders. The Royal Scots. saw service in France. and was transferred to the King's African Rifles, serving in East Africa. At the conclusion of the war, he returned to ringing and rang his first peal. Minor in 7 methods. in 1920. In 1923 he took part in the first peal of Spliced Minor in 35 methods.

In 1926 he joined the staff of the well known firm of bell founders at Loughborough. as technical representative, and still serves there in that capacity. He has carried out no less than 3.500 bell inspections. and during the last war. with one assistant. he dismantled the bells of Si. Mary Redeliffe. Bristol. in the interests of safely. He also played a prominent part in the salvage of the bells at St. Sidwell s, Exeter, and St. Nicholas'. Bristol.

Bein, such a busy man he has not been able to build up a huge peals total, but he has. however. managed to take part in about 120 peals. He has one son. Arthur, who. of course. is a ringer. and also a practical bell engineer.

John is an honorary member of the Central Council. and has done very useful work on the Peal Boards Committee. He possesses a very keen sense of humour, and can tell many interesting stories of ringing and ringers he has met in his travels. Like most Northerners. John is very forthright. hates humbug, and is not afraid to call a spade a spade. but underneath a rough exterior there is a heart of gold, and this is appreciated by ringers generally. Whenever he turns up at a ringers' meeting, he is a popular figure, and he is always made welcome.

JAFUS.

## EWELL RINGERS MARRIED

Ringers at St. Marys, Ewell, were sorry not to be able 10 ring for the marriage on August 6th of a popular member of their band, Miss Maureen Candy, to Mr. Graham Quincey, of St . Ives, Huntingdonshire. For the wedding took place at St. John's Church. Stoneleigh. Ewell, where the bride was baptised and confirmed and where she was captain of the 1st Stoneleigh Company of Girl Guides who, after the ceremony, formed her guard of honour.

Looking lovely in a wedding dress of white brocade. the bride carried a bouquet of orchids. lilies-of-the-valley, white roses and stephanotis. The three bridesmaids wore dresses of lilac taffeta and nylon, with coronets to match. Their bouquets consişted of orange roses, gerbras and carnations. The bride's elder sister (chief bridesmaid) was responsible for the beautiful floral decorations. The two younger bridesmaids (sister and cousin) have both started to learn ringing.

The fully choral service was conducted by a former vicar of St. John's, the Rev. J. M. Evans, now Vicar of Walton-on-Thames and a good friend of ringers: he even suggested a run over to his tower ten miles away for a ring during the wedding reception. with the bride and bridegroom and a party of guests!

Maureen first became interested in ringing while at Bishop's Stortford College about five years ago. Since then she has been a regular ringer at Ewell, where she recently rang in her first quarter peal of Stedman, in pleasurable anticipation of the happy event. She will be greatly missed in the tower.
Graham, with whom Maureen first started corresponding when he was in Hong Kong, has also rung at Loughborough and Ewell : they both hope to continue when they settle down to farm life at Great Witchingham, Norfolk. The honeymoon is being spent in Guernsey.

## A LEICESTERSHIRE TOUR

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URING the first week of August a three days tour of Leicestershire was arranged by Mr. Brian G. Warwick. honorary genera secretary of the Lcicester Diocesan Guild and Ringing Master of St. Thomas', South Wigston. primarily for the South Wigston band, who were accompanied by friends from Cosby. Blaby and St. Margaret's, Leicester.
Monday dawned bright and clear and the first tower was St. Peter's. Oadby, where the six bells were rehung three years ago. The bells, despite the tong draught. certainly go
well. On to Great Glen (6, well. On to Great Glen ( 6 tenor 9 cwi.). where we were met by the local Ringing Master and secretary of the Marke Harborough District (Mr. L. W. Allen). The journey to Foxton ( 6. tenor $13 \frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{cwt} .) \text { ) proved }}$ rather tiring as the Church of St. Andrew is at the top of a steep hill. These bells are seldom rung and the Vicar had asked for a report on their condition. Our opinion was that they 'go' all' right but a drop of oil would certainly make things a lot easier. An easier ride followed-two miles downhill to All Saints. Lubenham (5, tenor 8 f cwt.). Here we had lunch in the churchyard before trying these bells, which are one of the best rings of five in the Diocese. We had a warm welcome from Mr. W. Carter. the Ringing Master. Who has quite a large number of ringers round him.
A mile over the border into Northamptonshire brought us to Marston Trussell (5, tenor 86 cwt .), recently rehung by Taylors. Back in Leicestershire we went to Husbands Bosworth. where the five bells (tenot 14 cwt ). at All Saints' certainly need some pulling. At North Kilworth (a minor five. tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.). we were welcomed by the Vicar. who gave the cyclists a welcome glass of lemonade each. At the neighbouring church of South Kilworth (5. tenor $13 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$. .) the bells are rung from the porch and anyone entering the church has perforce to pass through the circle. These bells require a lot of ringing and some ringers were noticed walking across the floor for their sallies! Our youngest member (Keith Bodicoat, aged 12), proved that it is easy to treble down if the rest keep in their right places.
Our last tower on Monday was St. Nicholas', Stanford-on-Avon. The parish is in Leicestershire and the Leicester Diocese but the Church is actually a few yards over the Northamptonshire border. Here is a good ground floor ring of five (tenor 12 cwt .) hung anti-clock wise. Being Bank Holiday the church was full of visitors paying a visit to the nearby Stanford Hall, who watched the ringing with interest.

## CHURCH IN A FIELD

After the rather large proportion of five bell towers on Monday we looked forward to Tuesday, which was made up only of sixes and eights. A cycle ride of 8 miles brought us to Peckleton. where the Church of St . Mary is situated in a field. Here we were pleased to see Mr. E. A Hall looking very fit and well. despite his 80 years. A mile away is the Church of All Saints. Kirkby Mallory. with a beautiful ring of six (tenor $7 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{}$.) which is spoilt by the ropes being too low and ton long. Here we were welcomed by Mr. F. R. Deacon.
The next tower was the main 'titbit' of the week-the octave at St. Peter's. Market Bosworth. The tenor here is $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. and very similar to South Wigston and just as good in tone. Mr. H. Hollis and Sergeant J. W. Rawson met us and some of the cyclists (not realising that they were talking to a policeman-in plain clothes-were nearly in trouble for admitting riding down a one-way street the wrong way!).

On to Stoke Golding. where once again we had lunch in the churchyard. Here Mr. H. Hill had left everything ready and we enjoyed this ring of six (tenor $9 t \mathrm{cwt}$.). which was famous for peals of Minor many years ago. At Higham-on-the-Hill we met the Vicar and Rural Dean (Rev. E. L. Fisher). who is a nephew of the Archbishop of Canterbury and himself a ringer. Despite the Vicar's remarks we think that Stoke Golding bells are just a little better than Higham's six (ten $10 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.). Nevertheless we certainly enjoyed them and the visit enabled the organiser to have his first ring on the bells.
A ride of 6 miles brought us to the Church of SS. Simon and Jude. Earl Shilton (8, tenor $11 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.). rung from a ringing chamber, which. without doubt, is the best kept in the Diocesc. It is certainly a credit to the Ringing Master (Mr. G. A. Newton) and his ringers.
Two miles downhill brought us to Thurlaston (6. tenor 15 zwt .). In the absence of the Ringing Master (Mr. J. Taylor-who we were sorry to learn is ill in bed) we were met by Mr. G. Pickering and his daughter. After we have finished ringing on these bells the village Post Office opened specially to sell drinks and ice-cream! The last two towers for Tuesday provided the lightest and heaviest rings of the week-St. Michael and All Angels'. Croft (6. tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.). and St. Mary's. Broughton Astley ( 6. tenor $18 t \mathrm{cwt}$.). We were welcomed by Mr. F. Watson at Croft. At Broughton Astley most of the party felt that they had had enough for one day as when the organiser proposed calling at Cosby on the way home (their practice night) he found no seconder!

## IN CHARNWOOD FOREST

It was just as well that Wednesday was scheduled to be a day of rest. The wind was rough and it was quite cold. Thursday was a good day for cycling and with renewed energy we had the most enjoyable day of the tour. despite the fact that our route lay over the very hilly Charnwood Forest area of the county.
Our first call was at Kirby Muxloe. where in the Church of St. Bartholomew. there are five bells with a tenor of $7 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$. In the small ringing chamber we had some good ringing on these excellent bells. Next to Groby. which has a even smaller ringing chamber. Here we were met by Mr. V. Geary and other members of his family. This was a famous tower for Minor methods in days gone by and we did not really do justice days gone hy and we did not real
to these hells (tenor $9 t \mathrm{cwt)}$.
Plenty of time had been allowed to reach Copt Oak as there are many hills (steep ones. too!). The writer's red mini-car going up one hill was likened to a lady bird crawling along as viewed by the cyclists on the hill behind. Both Copt Oak and The Oaks are two of the most widely scattered parishes in the Diocese. Both churches are in the midst of nowhere although they are only 3 miles apart. At Copt Oak we met the enthusiastic ringing Vicar. the Rev. F. R. S. Byfield (who. incidentally, is chairman of the Loughborough District). and the writer had the privilege of ringing Little Bob with him. which he specially requested. Due to his enthusiasm there are often up to 18 ringers at Copt Oak on their practice night. We enjoyed these six bells (tenor $9 \frac{1}{f} \mathrm{cwt}$.), but one or two needed a bit of pulling!
Before we rang at The Oaks (6. tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.). we had lunch. These bells are very good but as they are immediately overhead they are very noisy. From The Oaks we had a glorious downhill ride to Old Woodhouse. where at the church. delightfully named St. Mary-in-the-Elms. we rang on the six bells
(Ienor $12 \frac{\text { cwt.). Next to Woodhouse Eaves }}{}$
(6. tenor 10 f cwt .), and then again downhill to Swithland. These were the worst bells of the day. Up to the end of 1959 they were virtually unringable but due to the combined efforts of Mr. F. Bindley, of Thurcaston, and the locial band they can at least now be rung. although the $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. tenor is certainly a handful. The rope comes down a shute and the sally is inclined to stick in it with disastrous results. From Swithland to Thurcaston. where Mr. F. Bindley was waiting to welcome us. Here the bells are rung regularly by a band of girls. We did not enjoy our visit here as much as we thought we should. The eight bells (tenor 10 cwt.) are rather peculiar and need some time to get used to.
As this was the last day arrangements had been made for dinner at Blakeshay Farm. Newton Linford, and we all enjoyed the excellent threc-course meal provided after we had climbed to the farmhouse. To finish the day we rang the five bells at Newton Linford (tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWt}$.), and we had what was probably the best ringing of the week there.
In all 28 towers were visited. and although no one learned anything new all were able to consolidate what they were supposed to have been taught and in this respect the experience was invaluable. It also enabled the writer to visit some isolated towers which otherwise it migh! not have been possible to visit for a long time. Thanks are due to all tower captains and incumbents and it is worth noting that out of all the towers asked for there was not one refusal.

> B. G. WARWICK.

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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION <br> Rochester District

On July 16th some 40 members of the Rochester District attended a quarterly meeting held at Eastchurch. Isle of Sheppey. This tower contains a ring of six bells. tenor $12 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$. Ringing before and after the service ranged from rounds to London Minor, under the leadership of the District Ringing Master Mr. G. A. Naylor. The ringers' service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson. Vicar, who welcomed the Association to his parish. The lesson was read by the Rev. Dr. Pollard, from Bath.

Tea was partaken of in the new Village Hall. followed by a very short business meet ing, the Vicar presiding. Five new members and one honorary member were elected.
Mr. A Dunk, of Stockbury, moved that the three members from the Rochester District who rang in the veterans peal should be congratulated. They are
Mr. C. E. J. Norris (Chatham). Mr. J. Grensted and Mr. S. B. Dobbie (Sittingbourne). The vote of thanks to all who had helped in the meeting was moved by Mr. F. J. Cheal.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## FALSE COURSE ENDS

Dear Sir,-We are indebted to Mr. Corrigan and all other workers involved in the publication of collections of Surprise methods, and those who publish new Surprise methods in "The Ringing World.' There is, however, one aspect of them which is disappointing to the prospective composer, namely. in the recording of the falseness of the method, which is virtually useless.
It is evident when these methods are derived the falseness (tenors together) has been worked out completely, yet in the publications only the F.C.E.'s are quoted, without mention of the leads where the falseness occurs.

For example, suppose a method has the following F.C.E.'s-

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
34562 & 52643 \\
62345 & 36524 \\
46325 & 65243 \\
52463 & 46532
\end{array}
$$

Then these are either published in full or are referred to by code letters, e.g.: $p, q, s, r$, w. $\mathrm{v}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{u}$. This doesn't help the composer very much, and unless he attempts to obtain a composition using full courses (which is in many cases impossible) he must go through the work again to determine in which leads the falseness occurs.
It would, cf course, be quite simple to use a code to indicate the lead falseness: for example, $34562(2 / 3)$ could mean that the course 34562 has its third lead false with the second lead of the plain course 23456.

Again, the information san be condensed further, since it is only necessary to quote one member of an F-set (Maurice Hodgson's terminology) to identify all the members. Thus if the full information is

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
34562(2 / 3) & 52643(5 / 3) \\
62345(3 / 2) & 36524(3 / 5) \\
46325(6 / 5) & 65243(3 / 5) \\
52463(5 / 6) & 46532(5 / 3)
\end{array}
$$

this could be shortened to $34562(2 / 3), 52643$ (5/3) or even further to p 2/3, w $5 / 3$.

I hope we shall soon see a much fuller classified coilection of Surprise methods : if so, would the authors please bear this point in mind? Yours sincerely,

## Derby.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO HALIFAX

Dear Sir.-May I be allowed, through your columns, to congratulate the band and their conductor of All Souls', Halifax on ringing the peal of Six Spliced Surprise Major on July 23rd ('R.W. : page 524)? This is a remarkable achievement for a Sunday service band, and I think deserves special mention.-Yours, etc.,

## Rotherham.

## HOSPITALITY IN IRELAND

Dear Sir,-I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who treated my party and myself to such generous hospitality on our recent brief visit to Dublin. I would strongly recommend any ringer planning a holiday to visit the Emerald Isle for beautiful scenery, fine hells, and a welcome second to none, preferably notifying the friends across the water of his intended visit.-Yours sincerely.
D. P. JONES.

Castle Gresley.
Derbyshire

## PEALS OF MINIMUS

Dear Sir.-I would like it to be made known that there is at any rate one ringer who objects to the recognition of performances on four bells as peals.

The acceptance of peals of Minimus without comment at the Central Council meeting, and the lack of criticism since in "The Ringing World," is a regrettable sign of apathy in the Exercise. It could not have happened 50 years ago without an uproar.
In fact, was not one of the arguments against allowing 5 - and 6 -bell performances as peals that, if they were allowed, 4-bell peals would follow? Well, they have: and sure as fate, 3 hell peals will follow too unless the acceptance of 4-bell peals is rescinded.
The argument that 4 -bell performances can be as difficult as peals on higher numbers is invalid, as it could quite well apply to, say, a peal of Stedman Singles on three bells or, if anyone was crackpot enough to try it, an arrangement of 2,520 extents on two bells.
The real point is that the acceptance of peals on four bells allows a much lower minimum standard.

It is not that there is no value or interest to be gained from ringing four or even three bells, but to afford extended performances on them the same acclaim as received by peals on higher numbers makes nonsense of peal ringing.

It is not long ago that a similar lowering of standards occurred when single-handed handbell peals became acceptable. A general trend of this nature would be the end of changeringing, as who is going to trouble to attain that not worth attaining? -Yours sincerely.
P. H. WHITAKER.

Coleraine, Co. Londonderry.

## CAN THIS PEAL BE RECOGNISED?

Dear Sir,-Can the peal of Plain Bob Minimus on handbells, 10 which the Rev. Mr. Melville refers ('R.W.: July 29th), legitimately be called a peal, in view of the fact that peals of Minimus have been recognised by the Central Council only this year?-Yours faithfully.

JOHN CAMP.

## Amersham, Bucks

## A FALSE PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S

Dear Sir,-I wish to withdraw the peal of St. Clement's College Bob Major conducted by me at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough. on January, 4th, 1960 . The composition, a 5,008 by Sir Arthur P. Heywood, is false, there being a repetition in the second and tenth courses.
This peal appears in the Central Council Collection of Peals. Section II, on page 266 (No. 23). This means that the peal of Double Oxford Major rung at Duffield on October 8th, 1886, is also false.
I am indebted to Mr. R. F. B. Speed for calling attention to this.

I presume that the peal in full $(5,280)$, and by omitting three consecutive Homes ( 5,056 ), would be true: it appears that the falseness occurs solely in the use of the short course Middle. Before. Wrong.
Perhaps the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead will amend his records at Duffield and the Bell Foundry accordingly.-Yours faithfully,

Leicester.

## NAMES FOR TEA

Dear Sir.-It would be interesting to know the experiences of tea organisers at ringing meetings, as 10 whether there is any relationship between the number of names sent in and the number of people presenting themselve: for tea.
Despite various reasons given by people who tail to send in their names, but who attend the meeting, these reasons are more often than not mere excuses for sloth and lack of courtesy towards the hosts who go to immense trouble to give a real welcome to visiting ringers.
The hosts are often given a great deal of genuine worry and sometimes suffer financial loss as a result of this thoughtlessness and unkindness on the part of a large proportion of those attending meetings.
The corporate meal and opportunity for social exchanges is an important part of any association meeting and it would be a pity to see this custom replaced by ringers going off in small groups to take their chance in waiting at various eating establishments for a poorer meal, which would usually cost double that charged for subsidised teas provided by local companies.

Conversation which I have had with numerous hosts at ringing meetings indicate that the experience of a friend of mine, whose tower was recently involved in providing tea for about 50 ringers, and for which only one ringer in four had bothered to send in their names, is a commonplace experience.
The nosts are usually too anxious to make everyone comfortable and hesitate to complain. so it is up to all of us to remember the common courtesies of life and send in that card for tea when we know we intend going to a ringing mecting.
Since I feel I am voicing a general feeling and have attacked no one in person. I will sign myself. Yours etc.
$\mathbf{X} . \mathbf{Y} . \mathbf{Z}$.
Yorkshire.

## KIDDERMINSTER AND SYNTHETIC BELLS

Dear Sir.-With reference to the report of the proceedings at the Worcester Consistory Court, contained in .The Ringing World on page 546. and particularly to the reported comment of the Chancellor as to the Worcestershire Association not being represented before him in person: I should like it known that the question of personal appearance was very carefully considered by the officers of the Association, who. rightly or wrongly. thought the better way of dealing with the matter was by written representa-tion.-Yours truly.

WILLIAM B CARTWRIGHT. Master.
King's Norton. Birmingham.

## Rotherham Girls' High School

On July 28 th girls from Rotherham High School once again rang for their annual service at the Parish Church. Assisted by the Ringing Master and three of the local band they rang Grandsire Triples. Bob Major. Cambridge Minor. Stedman Doubles and call changes on ten. All the ringing was of a high standard

This event probably marks a break in the tradition of the last few years since most of these young people are moving on to college or university this year. Intense training has been going on at the Parish Church to provide against the temporary loss of about six of the Sunday service band, who are expected to go to college or university this autumn.
N. C.

## TOWER CLOCKS

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF
HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## THE TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## By T. A. BEVIS

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## ST. IEONARDS CHURCH.

LEVERINGTON
TINDOUBTEDLY one of the loveliest steeples in Fenland is that at Leverington. The 14:11 century tower has four recessed polygonal turrets from which springs it delicately ribbed spire. the base of which has been boarded over. This has an effect of enhancing the music of the bells-which are, in any case of fine tonal quality. St. Leonard's Church has a magnificent interior: a vast area lit by impressive windows, one of which portrays a medizval Jessie Tree.

There are six bells originally cast by Lester and Pack in 1752: since then they have been overhauled and introduced to the melting pot on no less than three occasions. Osborn and Dobson recast the second in 1808, and the treble and third were recast by Taylors in 1871. as were the fourth. fifth and tenor in 1924 when a teak frame was supplied
The bells possess no outstanding inscripticns. The fourth is inscribed Te Deum Laudamus (We praise Thee O God): Sursum Corda or Lift up your Hearts intones the fifth. and the tenor ( 15 . cwt. 2 qr. in $F$ ) has inscribed: Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy). They are rung from the ground stage.

## WISBECH ST. MARY

This village has no direct link with the barough of Wisbech. being situated approximately four miles from the latter and three miles from Leverington. The church is spacious and the somewhat unimpressive tower contains a pleasing ring of six bells, rung from a platform constructed above the vestry.
Five of the bells were cast by Osborn, in 1803, and in 1955 these were rehung with the addition of a treble. by Messrs. Taylor and Co Inscripions have no special interest. the second warning all to Give no offence to the Church. and the fourth Long Live King George the Third -a repetitional procedure from Osborn's establishment at that time. The tenor bears the names of the then churchwardens and weighs 10 cwt . 2 qr .15 ib

The first peal in the towes was rung on Sunday. April 22nd. 1956. and comprised five methods conducted by Ernest Mastin
A sanctus bell suspended from the chancel cote has a much travelled history. It was recast in memory of a captain of the Royal Norfolk Regiment. and the original fittings consisting of headstock. clapper and three imall portions of bell metal inscribed Nichalai Anno. '1618' have been preserved and are attached to the chancel wall
The bell was abandoned by German troops who had occasion to hurriedly withdraw from Plaegstrret Wood. Belgium, in the early days of the First World War. It was adopted and used as a gas alarm by the 32nd Royal Fusiliers, and was afterwards presented to their Chaplain. the Rev. Canon Mowbray Smith. M.A. who for several years was Vicar of Wisbech St. Mary.

## SS. PETER AND PAUL. CHATTERIS

A curate at Chatteris. over 50 years ago. possessed keen observant powers, and kept records of the everyday life of a small town (famous for carrots) in connection with its ancient parish church. He was the Rev. H. H. McNeice, and the gentleman in question may well have been inwardly amused or outwardly disgusted ' with the antics of belfringers in churches up and down the land in those good or bad old days.

The old office of blessing the bells gives us the best conception of the ideal to set before the ringers. he writes. 'After the Reformation the belfry seems to have ceased to be part of the Church. A separate door outside the church was generally substituted for that leading into the nave. To ring for a service and also attend was unexpected and unlooked for. The belfry became a solt of club on ringing nights. when the friends of the ringers indulged in the fragrant weed and a certain amount of beer. The pipes and mugs were hung up as fitting ornaments side bv side with the records of the members.' The curate


ST. LEONARDS. LEVERINGTON [Photo: A. M. French.
sadly concludes. 'Chatteris defined in no aspect from the usual run of belfries.

Erected in the 141 h century the tower of SS. Peter and Paul rises in three stages. and is of slender proportions. The winding stairway is so very narrow that it is doubtful if a person turning the scales at 15 stone would be able to ascend! Neatly arrayed with numerous peal records the panelled ringing chamber-which has a wall tablet to the memory of two ringers who did not return from the last war-provides a most beautiful aspect of the garden with which the church is surrounded. with glimpses of handsome trees and the lown's war memorial.

Older (and not so old) members of the ringing fraternity will remember Mr. J. 'Pop' Abrams. who was captain at Chatteris for many years. Widely experienced at breaking-in horses. he would tell of how. when St. Peter's Church possessed five bells, a meeting was called to explore ways and means of raising sufficient money to purchase a new tenor bell. - At the mesting (attended by many parishioners) we had a "whip-round " and the result put us well on the way to buying a bell.'

For many years the tower contained five bells, and between 1726 and 1728 they were in constant need of repair. Joseph Eayre recast these in 1735 but. strangely, the wellpreserved accounts makes no mention of payment to Mr. Eayre for his work. and the founder was frequently a resident at the ancient George Inn. opposite the church.
A mug made of bell metal is inscribed. The 5 th bell was broken in 187(?) and recast in 1887. but it was not satisfactory. During the restoration of the church in 1910-11 the whole ring was retuned and the 5th recast. and a new bell added by Taylors. of Loughborough ${ }^{\text {- }}$
Despite the fact that the bells have not received a major overhaul in 60 years, they go remarkably well. Four of them are inscribed with Eayre's favourite if unpoplar inscription: Work itself is pleasure. The treble bears a Latin inscription to the effect that With its sweet nature may it live a useful life: may the bell be pleasant sounding with its clear voice.
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## OBITUARY

## MR. MORRIS J. MORRIS

To the new generation of ringers in St Martin's Guild Morris J. Morris can be little more than a name or an occasional glimpse of recent years of a brisk, upright nonegenarian. standing in the Bull Ring to listen to the ringing for Matins, or brought by Mr. Ingram to spend an hour at the Henry Johnson Dinner. But it is a striking and awesome thought that well before the birth of this present century Morris J. Morris was a leading figure in North Wales ringing and an important factor in the spread of change ringing in the northern part of the principality.
It is, however in Birmingham that we knew him, and it was in Birmingham that he made his name as a remarkable ringer and striker. and as a partaker in some of the most notable feats the Guild has accomplished. He rang in the first peal of Cambridge Twelve. rung by St. Martin's Guild: in the 1922 handbell peal of Stedman Sextuples: and in the brilliant non-conducted peal of Stedman Cinques in which a draw was made to decide which pair of bells each performer should takc. This was a time of extensive (one might almost say feverish) handbell activity, and the number of competent exponenis of the art was so great that the handbell group took it turns to act as umpires. In all this Morris J. Morris was deeply invoived. and his magnificent ringing of $11-12$ to Stedman Cinques will long be remembered by those who saw it. As handbell ringers of Cinques know quite well, the success or failure of this branch of the art rests largely on the maintenance of the beat, and it was here that Morris excelled. Imperturbably, firm as a rock in storm and stress. he brought his tenor precisely where it should be and his llth in its exact course. and many a situation has been eased or saved by the firm uncompromising gesture of his right hand. This may. indeed. seem a small thing to enlarge and emphasise. but all competent handbell ringers. especially on 12 bells. will know the value of such a man on the back end.
Precision was Morris J. Morris' notable feature. His speech had that attractive Celtic articulation, his dress was correct. his moustache perfectly pointed. his umbrella in its right place: and ab he rang. his bell was in its right place too. and his short sturdy figure moved not a limb nor his face a muscle until touch or peal came to an end. In debate and argument he was forcible and uncompromising.

While an excellent exponent of Surprise ringing he took a great interest in what he called the real musical methods, and experimented boldly in the composition of Grandsire and Plain Bob. A great number of the touches in the Central Council Handbook of Grandsire Caters came from him. and among his peal compositions of Grandsire Caters is a celebrated 5.057 in short courses that has become a minor classic. His manuscript contributes to the revelation of his character, for the precision we have insisted on is expressed once more in the beautifully written lines of figures and the extreme neatness of the setting-out

In the ringing chamber of the Church of St . John. Portmadoc. there hangs a portrait of Morris J. Morris. It shows him. a young man. with his magnificent Celtic profile. his rather military moustache. and his general air of alertness and intelligence. North Wales will remember his work with gratitude. and we who were privileged to know him and ring with him uill remember with humble admiration the example he set us in regularity, punctuality, and a nigh standard of ringing
E. C.S.

## HIS PEALS

Doubles.-Stedman 1 .
Minor.-4 methods 2, 7 methods 1. Cambridge Surprise 2
Triples.-Plain Bob 1, Canterbury Pleasure 1. Grandsire 47. Erin 3, Stedman 76

Major.-Plain Boh 22, Little Bob 1, Kent T Bob 12. Oxford T. Boh 3, Forward 1, Double Yorkshire 2, Double Oxford 2, Double Norwich C. Bob 16, Superlative Surprise 4, Cambridge Surprise 21

Caters.-Grandsire 16, Erin 2, Stedman 51, Double Norwich C. Bob 2.

Royal.-Plain Bob 1. Kent T. Bob 2, Cambridge Surprise 4

Cinques.-Grandsire 4, Erin 1. Stedman 125 Maximus.-Cambridge Surprise 3.
Sextuples.-Stedman 1. Total: 430.


THE LATE MR. HARRY PROUT
In response to a number of friends of the late Mr. Harry Prout, whose obituary appeared on page 518. we are pleased to publish his photograph

His daughter. Mrs. Hilda K. Willcox. of 8. Newcastle Street. Warsop. Mansfield. Notts expresses thanks through our columns for the many letters of sympathy and the beautiful wreaths sent from various ringing fraternities.

## MR. SAMUEL WARD

An old member of the St. Mary's. Stansted. Essex. band. who had travelled much in his life to Canada ind Australia. Mr. Samuel Ward died on July 27 th after a short illness. He was 83.

In his early years he was a ringer at Manuden. near Bishop's Stortford. and while there took part in two peals. one being in six methods. which was conducted by his brother-in-law. Mr. George. Prior, a member of a well known Essex ringing family.
Prior to the firs! world war he went to Australia accompanied by his wife, and refurned there several times, the last being some six years ago. It was on one of these voyages
that he ivas pleased to meet the famous band of ringers. led by the late Mr. W. H. Fussell. and this meeting is recorded in . The Great Adventure. by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith. He had Adventure, by Mr. J.
also been to Canada.

To his memory a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled on August 3rd. at Stansted. Those taking part were A. Warboys 1. H. M. White 2. R. Hayden 3. H. Watts 4. H. Bird 5. F. Tharby 6, F Bird (cond.) 7, E. Rochester 8.

## MR. W. J. PRESCOTT

All those who were fortunate enough to have known Mr. William James Prescott, tower master of Bath Abbey, will regret to learn of his death, after a short illness, on August 7th at the age of 81 years.

Bill. as he was affectionately known to his fellow ringers and associates, joined the Abbey band in 1910, and served as tower master there for over 20 years. He is known to have rung nearly 300 peals, the majority of which were accomplished in his native county of Somerset. At one time secreiary of the Bath Branch, he was later elected an honorary life member of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.
Two of his proudest moments were associated with Sir Winston (then Mr.) Churchill. The first was the fact that he was the last surviving member of the band of ringers who rang at St. Margaret's, Westminster, over 50 years ago on the occasion of Sir Winston's wedding. and secondly when he was presented to him at the Sp: Guildhall in July. 1950. when Sir Winston received the Freedom of Bath.
Of a quiet, assertive disposition. 'Bill' was renowned as the perfect lower master, being gently persuasive yet absolutely thorough in all his many accomplishments. One of his outstanding qualities was the unflinching service $h$ : rendered to the young learner.
The funeral service. conducted by the Ven. E. A. Cook, was well attended, and a special prayer of thanksgiving offered for the long life of a great Christian gentleman. Those present included representatives from the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, the Bath Branch, and associate members from various towers in the county. The interment took place at Haycombe Cemetery, where a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells at the graveside by S. A. Read 1-2, H. W. Knight (Wrington) 3-4. R. O. Fry 5-6. W. H. Hurford $7-8$.
As a final farewell, a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was successfully scored, half-muffled, at the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul, by the following members of the Bath Branch: Mrs. D. Evans 1. S. A. Read 2, C. J. A. Brown 3. W. Brown 4. H. D. Taylor 5, G. J. Hawkins (conductor) 6, J. Hallett 7. W. H. Hurford 8. R. O. Fry 9. H. Merritt 10.

We shall always remember "W. J. for the grand ringer and conductor that he was. a friendly tower master with a charm of his own, and above all a staunch and sincere churchman.

## OBITUARY

THE LATE MR. G. N. PRICE'S PEALS
We are indebted to Mr. C. F. Sayer, dibrarian to the Herts County Association, for the list of peals rung by the late Mr. G. N. Price, of Oxhey. Herts, who died on February 25th, 1959. Of his total of 472 peals, no less than 458 were rung hetween the years of 1893-1913. He also rang four false peals and two others not good enough to be recorded.
In 1901 he called Holt's Original at Oxhey, the average age of the band being $18 \frac{1}{t}$ years, and in 1902 he called the first peal on the Alexandra hell's in the Queen's Tower. Imperial Institute, South Kensington, for the coronation of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra. During a week's tour of Devon and Cornwali in 1903 he rang nine peals, and in 1905 he rang three peals of London in 24 hours, and later on three peals of London in three counties in one day-some performance for those days.
His 100th peal was Stedman Triples. nonconducted. at St. George-the-Martyr's, October 31st. 1901, and the one hefore that was also Stedman Triples. conducted by the Rev. F. E. Rohinson, and was also C. F. Winney's 350 th peal. In 1906 he rang two peals of Double Norwich at Arklow, Ireland, conducted by George Williams. He called the first peal of London Royal at St. Dunstan's. Stepney, on November 11th, 1907 .
Another first he called was Stedman Triples at Sherborne Abbey, on May 20th, 1907, in 3 hours 35 minutes. The peal note states that by ringing this peal the tenor man, Richard $\mathbf{T}$. Hibbert, had now rung a peal on the heaviest ring on 8.10 and 12 bells, so he did his share on the 46 cwt . tenor.
During the 1909 peal tour of Norfolk and Suffolk, late September and October, he rang eight peals-the last was at Pulham-after which he cycled home to Watford, just over 100 miles, which was good going in those days: he certainly earned his peals the hard way. For his 400 th peal he called 5,0000 Stedman Caters at St. Peter's. St. Albans, on June 22nd. 1911.
But his greatest feat was when he called a different peal of Stedman Triples. Caters and Cinques from each pair (' in hand') of bellis. He was the first to accomplish this feat, and also called Carter's Odd Boh peal of Triples from each pair: all the peals of Caters and Cinques had the turning course at the end, thus enhancing the difficulty of the performance.
Appended is the list and the dates.

## STEDMAN TRIPLES

1-2. Thurstans Five-Part Sept. 6, 1905.
3-4. Thurstans One-Part. Jan. 16, 1908.
5-6. J. J. Parker's One-Part. Jan. 23, 1908.
7-8. Carter's Odd Bob One-Part.
Aug. 28, 1906.
STEDMAN CATERS

| $1-2$. | $5,002$. | F. Dench. | Mar. 23, 1905. |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3-4. | $5,555$. | G. Lindoff. | May 26. 1907. |
| 5-6. | 6.591. | C. H. Hattersley. | Sept. 5, 1908. |
| $7-8$. | 5.009. | N. J. Pitstow. June 1. 1907. |  |
| $9-10$. | $5,008$. | C. H. Hattersley. Mar. 20. 1912. |  |

## STEDMAN CINQUES

1-2. 5.019. C. H. Hattersley. Jan. 1. 1913.
$\begin{array}{cclll}\text { 3-4. } & 5,014 . & \text { John Carter. } & \text { June } 19,1912 . \\ 5-6 . & 5,002 . & \text { C. H. Hattersley. May 8. } & 1912 . \\ 7-8 . & 5,021 . & \text { John Carter. } & \text { Jan. 29. } 1913 . \\ 9-10 . & 5,555 . & \text { John Carter. } & \text { Mar. } 9.1912 .\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { 9-10. } & \text { 5.555. John Carter. } & \text { Mar. 9, } 1912 . \\ 11-12 . & 5.027 . & \text { John Carter. } & \text { Feb. 26, } 1913 .\end{array}$

## HIS PEALS

TOWER BELLS
Minor.-Seven methods 6 (conducted 5)
Triples.-Grandsire 24 (10). Bob Triples 1. Stedmun 126 (38, one non-conducted)
Maior.-Bob Major 7 (3). Kent T.B. 1 (1), Double Norwich 35 (15), Canterbury 1, Oxford TB. 2 ?
Surprise Major--London 45 (6). Bristol 14 (10), Cambridge 14 (3). New Cambridge I (1) Superlative 55 (22). New Cumberland I (1). Spliced (London, Superlative. Cambridge and Bristol) 2.
Caters.-Stedman 20 (2). Double Norwich 1, Grandsire 2.

Royal.-London Surprise 1 (1), Kent T.B. 6 Double Norwich 1, Plain Bob 1, Oxford T.B. 1 Cinques.-Stedman 8.
Maximus.-Kent T.B.
Total: 378 (conducted 118).

## HANDBELLS

Triples.-Siedman 44 (27, two non-conduc(ed). Grandsire 13 (7).

Major.-Superlative 3 (3), Double Norwich 2 (2). Kent T.B. 1, Plain Bob 5 (2).
Caters.-Stedman 13 (11). Grandsire 2.
Royal.-Plain Bob 1 (1).
Cinques.-Stedman 10 (7)
Total: 94 (conducted 61).
MR. E. C. MARLOW
Another link with the past has been severed by the death of Mr. Edward Charles Marlow. of Warminster, on July 11 th. He was 85 years of age and a man of varied accomplishments.
Known affectionately in ringing circles as - Old Ted. he had been a keen local ringer for many years. His great passion in life was bellringing, which he learned at Codford. Wilts, in 1900. He was a regular Sunday service ringer at Warminster at 80 years of age, and was presented with a silver watch in appreciation of his services spanning over 30 years. on behalf of fellow ringers and friends. During this time he held office as captain, vice-cuptain and steeple keeper. Except for occasional breaks, his ringing career extended over a period of 55 years.
He taught many young people to ring, and himself learned to ring Stedman at the advanced age of 62 . Good striking was always one of his strong points. He had retired from active ringing owing to ill health, but still showed a great interest in ringing in general. His great hope was to hear the rehung Warminster bells ringing again, but this was denied him by four days.
Handbells were rung at the graveside by members of the local band, and a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung at Corsley in the evening.
N. K. and P. R.

## REDEDICATION <br> WARMINSTER, WILTS

The bells of St. Denys', Warminster, were rededicated by the Rev. John Freeman. Vicar of Warminster, at Evensong on Sunday, July 31st.
The bells have been retuned, reclappered and rehung on ball-bearings by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. of the Whitechapel Foundry

## QUARTER PEALS

CHURCII KIRK, LANCS.-On July 30th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (7, 8 covering): B. Martin I. G. Salmun 2, J. Pilkingtun 3. C. C. Legg 4. R. Cockshott 5. 1. J. Williams 6. P. Cuckshutt 7. E. Hargreaves \&. A 21 se birthday compliment 10 Mrs . G. Fishwick, by her fellow members of the local band.
FLLHAM, LONDON,-On Aug, 7ih. 1,260 Siedman Triples: Miss D. Deverell 1. C. Hayter 2. Mrs. C. Harbot 3, E Talbot 4, S. Huckle 5, G. Penney (cond.) 6. G. W. Debenham 7, M. Harbot 8. For Evensong.

HITCHAM, BLiCKS.- On Aug. 5th. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob and Grandsire): M Sceeny (first quarter) 1. Jennifer Sceeny 2. T. Evans 3. G. J. Berry 4. H Oglesby (cond.) 5. Joan Bacon 6. Rung half-mufled after the funcral of the organist, Mr. A. Batstone, and his wife, who were killed in a motor accident the previous Sunday.

## TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## (Continued from page 564 )

Weighing 11 civt.. the tenor breathes 'Christus Perpetue Det Nobis Gaudia Vitae (May Christ ever give us the Joy of Life).
The first peal in the tower was rung on Tuesday. December 27th. 1910. and consisted of seven different extents of Plain Boh Minor It was conducted by Mr. Abrams and was the first peal by all the band and was successful at the first attempt.

## NOTICES

## Scale of Charges

Meetings: $3 / 6$ (minimum) for 30 words, afterwards $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. a word. Each additional insertion half charge.
Other Notices: $4_{i-}$ - (minimum) for 36 words, afterwards 11 d , a word.
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No guarantee of insertion after Monday, first post.

## BIRTH

EYLES-On August 7th. 1960. to Ruby and Graham. of Lyndale. Box. Wilts. a daughter. Pauline Anne.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. Brian J. Wylde is now 51. Gaol Road. Stafford

## PERSONAL

THE Lord bless thee. and keep thee." (Num, vi, 24.)
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## HANDBELLS WANTED

Set of at least eight handbells wanted Details. including price required. to $\mathbf{K}$ Lawson. 169. Stockton Road. West Hartlepool.

## PUBLICATION

ELEMENTARY CHANGE RINGING: by F. F. Rigby: an exceptionally good introduction to the art of change-ringing: 3 s . 6 d . postage 3d.-S.P.C.K.. Holy Trinity Church. Marylebone Road. London. N.W.I. 5250

## MISCELLANEOUS

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-Hali. day outing (private cars): Saturday, September 10ih. Meeting point Evercreech, ringing 2.15 p.m. Please bring own lea. Those having spare seats and those requiring same please contact the secretary so as to accommodate as many as possible. Details of route and ringing next issue.-B. Johnson. 10. Lancashire Road. Bristol 7 . -B. Johnson. 10. Lancashire
VETERANS REUNION-September 17 h . at St. Botolph's. Bishopsgate. London. Please send names now to John Euston. 28. Fairmile Avenue. Streatham. S.W.16. All welcome. (No need to write again if ;ou have notified.) Would all zower captains and others remind all veterans to come. or better still bring them along.

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PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 6 s . 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday. August $20 \mathrm{~h} .6 \mathrm{~F} . \mathrm{m}$. Forthcoming practices: August 30th. St. Lawrence. Jewry. 6.30 p.m.: September 6 th. St. Giles . Cripplegate. 6.45 : September 13th. Southwark Cathedral. 6.45 p.m. No practices at St. Paul's Cathedral. until further notice.-John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. 6424 ELY, DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Leverington. Saturday, August 20th. Bells (6) $\div .30$ p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis Sec. 6409 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.-Mecting at Great Staughton. Saturday. August 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea, Village Hall. 5. Service 6 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis. S.e.
GUII.DFORD DIOCESAN GUUD (42 Farnham District.-Combined practice at Seale (6). on Saturday, August 20th. from 6 to 9 p.m.

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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-South and West District.-Evening meeting, Saturday August 20th. at St. Mary Abbots. Kensington (near High Sircel. Kensington. Underground) Ringing 6.30 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-E. R. Gotham. Hon Sec.

6420
SUFFOLK GUILD-West Central District -Evening meeting at Oakley (6), Saturday August 20th. Bells 6.30 p.m.

6413
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION Southern Division.-Practice meeting. Ringmer (8), Sat urday. August 20th. Bells 3 p.m. 6391

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Axbridge Deanery. - Practice meeting. Congresbury. Saturday. August 27th Bells (8) 5 p.m.-David H. White.

6433
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Derby Dis (rict) \& MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD Annual joint meeting at Repton. Saturday, August 27 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. Jones. 24. Brook End. Repton.DUNCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Meeting. Campsall. Saturday. August 27th by August 25 th the Rev. G. Key. The Vicarage. Cumpsall. near Doncaster.-R.J Sanderson

EAST DERBYSHIRE \& NOTTS ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be at Teversall. on Saturday. August 27th. Bells 230 p.m. Cups of tea only 5 p.m.-B. A.
Sollis. Hon. Sec.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol Rural.-Meoing at Tytherington, August 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. First meeting here with six bells -F. Hussey, 39. Gordon Avenue. Whitehall. Bristol 5
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Chippenham Branch.-Meet-
ing. Corsham (6), Saturday, August 27 th, 3 ing. Corsham (6), Saturday, August 27th, 3
p.m. Service and tea. Names for tea essential by August 25 th. to H . Heath. 89, London Road. Chippenham. 6439
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Ashford District.-Meeting at Wittersham, on Saturday August 27th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday. to Mr. K. Hamilton, 9. Forge Meads, Witter sham. near Tenterden.-C. T. H.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Bolton Branch.-Meeting at Newchurch. near Warp.m. Tea 5 p.m. free. Business follows tea. p.m. Tea 5 p.m. free. Business follows tea. Rectory, Risley, near Warrington.-Thornley

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Fylde

 Branch.-Mecting at St. Cuthbert's. Lytham parish Cnurch, on Saturday. August 27th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided.John F. Turner. Sec. Meeting at Otley (8). on Saturday. August 27 h . at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea provided. bring own food.LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.-Quarterly meoting. Heydour: Saturday. August 27 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday 22 nd. to Rev. L. B. Impson. The Rectory, Welby. Grantham. Lincs.-F. G. Vickers. Hon. Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION 6407 Western Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Wells August 27 hh . Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. followed by the day. August 25 th. please. to J. Williamson. 47. Staith Street. Wells. Norfolk-C. Tovell. Hon. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-V.W.H. Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Ashbury. Saturday. August Servic. $^{27} .0$ p.m. Longcot hells availahle in evening. Names for tea. please, by Wednesday, August 24th. to R. F. J. Gilling. Branch Sec. Fernham. Faringdon, Berks
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIL.D - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. - Meeting at Chalfont St. Giles. Saturday August 27 th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 23 rd .-Miss Hague. 6. Stompits Road. Holyport. Maiden-

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Northampton Branch.-Business meeting at Brafield. Saturday. August 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. 10 E. Billings, 61 Melville Street, Northampton.
SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS 1672.-Mceting at Duffield (10), on August 27th. at 3 p.m. No service. Tea available at the cafe. All welcome
SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD Meeting at Si. Mary's. Langdon Hills. Saturday, August $27 \mathrm{th}, 3$ p.m. Please bring own lea. September meeting cancelled. 6443
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Eastern Divi-sion-Quarterly meeting at Christ Church, Eastbourne, on August 27th Service 4.30 p.m Tea 5 p.m. Please notify tea to F . Beeeney, Sec.. Hillbrat. Carters Corner. Hailsham.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.Northern District. - Quarterly meeting at Llanfeigan. Brecon. on Saturday, August 27th. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Teas 2s. 6d. Names by August 23rd.-G. Davies, 4. Free Sireet. Brecon. 6430
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-Meeting. Whitby (10). August 27th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea immediately after. Names by Thursday August 25 th. 10 Mr . John Hodgson. 28. Helredale Road. Whitby. All welcome particularly Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association members. - Edward Mudson. Hon. Sec

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DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch.Meeting. Woodbury, Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 to 8 p.m. Numbers for tea to J. L. Glanvill. Higher Bagmores, Woodbury. Phone 261.-R. Perry. Sec. 6442 ESSEX ASSOCIATION -S.E. Distria Meeting. Tollesbury. Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for lea to P. W Saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 6448
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Bridgnorth Branch) and SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.-Joint meeting at Much Wenlock (8) Saturday. September 3rd. 3 p.m. Names for tea. please, by the Wedresday previous. to Mr. H. Edge. 10. The Crescent, Much Wenlock. Salop. KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Tonbridge District.-Meeting at Leigh. on Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (2s. 6d.. per head) 5 p.m. Names for tea. with cash. please, by Wednesday. August 31 st. to Mr. B. Pankhurst, Chestnuts. The Green, Leigh, near Tonridge.

COUNTY ASSOCIATION. 6389 Rochester District.-By-meeting at Cobham, Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday please. to J. Coleman, Cohham Hall. Cohham. Gravesend.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDThe summer festival will be held at Welford. on Saturday. September 3rd. Commilles meeting in the village hall at 3.15 p.m. Service 4 p.m.. followed by tea. Tickets may be obtained at 3;6d. each C.W.O.. from Mr. E. M. Thresher. 22 Watson Road. Long Buckby. Rugby, before August 27th. Towers available: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Great Brington (6). Spratton (5). Yelvertoft (5). Lilbourne (5). Stanford-on-Avon (5). 1 to 2.30 p.m.: West Haddon (5). Ravensthorpe (5). Long Buckby (5). Eist Haddon (6). Creaton (6). 1 to 3.30 p.m.: Oxendon (5) Hazelbech (8). 2.30 to 3.30 I.m.: Cottesbrooke (6). Naseby (5). Marston Trussell (5). Sibbertoft (5). 2.30 to 4 p.m.: Welford (8). All will be available after tea until 8.30 p.m.. with the addition of Guilshorough (6). but with the exception of Spration. Stanford-on-Avon. Great Brington.G. W. Jeffs

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Meeting. September 3rd. Attenhorough. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea by August 31 st . to Mr. Rose. 'Wyoming.' Nottingham Road. Long Eaton.-S. Adams.
Dis. Sec. SW'ANSEA AND BRECON GUII.D Southern District. - Quarterly meeting. Gorseinon. September 3rd. Bells (8) avaitable 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All welcome-J. T. Williams. Dis. Sec. 6446

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Canterhury District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).-Combined meeting. Lyminge (8), Saturday. September 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 2s, per head. Names together with cash. please, by August 31st. to Mr E. J. Martin. 'Woodbury.' Church Road.
Lyminge. Folkestone.-T.C. P.

## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING HESTIVAL

The Society of Change Ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford
The Shropshire Association
The North Staffordshire Association of Change Ringers
Saturday: September 10th. 1960. Bells available: Kidsgrove (6) $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 12 noon. Tunstall (8) 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Norton-le-Moors (8) 11 a.m. 101 p.m. No lunch arranged-plenty of cafes in Hanley. Hanley (10) 2 to 4 p.m. Bucknall (6) 2 to 4. Stoke (8) 3 to 4.30 . Service at Stoke 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Stoke Church Institute. Names and remittance (3s. 6d. each) for tea by Monday
September 5 th, please, to J. G. Burton. 71. Bagnali Road. Milton. Stoke-onTrent. Bells available after tea: Sioke 6 to 8.30 p.m.. Fenton (8) 6.30 to 8.30 , Longton (8) 6.30 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-J. G. Burton. Hon. Sec.. North Stafts Assn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Halfyearly ringing meeting. Manchester. at 2.30 p.m. and committee meating in Manchester Cathedral Chapter House at 4.15. on Saturday. September 17th, 1960. Evensong at 3.30 . Bells available: Manchester Cathedral (10) from 2.30 to 3.30 .4 to 5.15 and 6.15 to 9 p.m. Salford. Sacred Trinity (8) from 2.30 to 3.15 and after tea until 8 p.m. Tea in the Refectory of the Cathedral at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names by Wednesday. September 14 hh . to Mr. D. Ogden. §. Carlyn Àvenue. Sale. Manchester.

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NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.- Special attention is drawn to the fact that the secretary will not be available from now until the end of October. All correspondence respecting the annual meeting in Leicester, on Saturday. September 24 th, to be sent to E. C. Turner, 173. Dominion Road, Glenfield. Leicester. Details of annual general meeting will be published later.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-The autumn meeting will be held at Newbury, on Saturday. October 1st. Any motions for inclusion on the agenda must be received by the general secretary before August 19th. The eightieth anniversary of the Guild will be held during 1961. The Guild Festival will be held in Oxford. on Saturday. July Ist. 1961. Will all members please make a note of this date.-M. R. Cross

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WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary. The 23rd annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall Worcester. on Saturday. October 8th. at 5.45 p.m. Tickets ( 12 s . each) shortly available and obtainable from branch officers or J. D. Johnson. Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow. Evesham. 6427

## QUARTER PEALS

HEAVITREE. EXETER.-On June 5th. 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: Mary H. Hall 1. B. A Shackleton 2, H. W. Woolven 3. R. G. Hooper D. J. Hunt 9. D. P. Jones (cond.) 6. R. G. Leale chrisecning. This day, by the Bishop in Exetes Cathedral. of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. N Cathedral. of the infa
Mallett. of this tower.

HORSHAM. SUSSEX.-()n July 30th, 1,260 Grand sirc Triples: Miss A. Trott 1. G. R. Crisp 2. R. A Rrown 3. C. R Longhurst 4. S. A. Price 5. E. F Packham 6, B W. White (cond.) 7. C. W. Denyer 8 A wedding compliment io Denis R. Mitchell and June $M$ Clements (ringers at

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## 5,184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By BRIAN DOWNES

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Repeat once with single for bob halfway and end.
First rung at Leyton, on July 16th. 1960, conducted by the composer.

IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On July 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Fordham 1, L. Pierce 2, H. King 3, M. Sharpe 4, E. Bishoo 5, K. G. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung following the wedding at this church of Miss G. Wilson (chorister at this church to Mr. K. Menual, also as a silver wedding anniversary compliment to the District Ringing Master, Mr. D. Rose, of Rougham.
KEA, CORNWALL.-On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. F. Dunstan 1. Miss J. Wooders (first -inside ') 2, A. Locke 3, A. J. Davidson 4, C. W. Jose (cond.) 5, M. Trenoweth 6. Rung as a 60th birthday compliment to the Queen Mother.

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## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

OPERATING through 11 branches, with a total membership approaching 1,000 ringing members, the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, whose summer festival is to be held at Welford on September 3rd, occupies an important place among the Guilds affiliated to the Central Council. Many regard the Midlands as being in the forefront of ringing, with such centres as Birmingham and Leicester, but the Peterborough Guild has a worthy record of the main purport of ringing, i.e., for Sunday service, although there are towers. like in all Associations, where conditions need improving. Commenting on this in his last annual report, the general secretary said just over 100 forms were returned as the result of the Sunday Service Survey, and these revealed situations ranging from very good to poor, some of the latter being due to the bad state of, the bells and fabric.

Under its present title, the Guild is in its 26th year, but organised ringing goes back very much farther. Its forbears were the Raunds, Wellingborough and District Society, formed in July, 1883, which by the end of that year had 63 members. The name was changed to the Central Northamptonshire Association in 1895, and by the end of the century it was affiliated to the Central Council. A conspicuous member of the Council was the late Mr. Fred Wilford, who served for 32 years. He was also general secretary of the Guild for 14 years. The decision to form a diocesan guild followed a meeting at Wellingborough in 1923, addressed by the Bishop of Peterborough. When the Diocesan Guild was formed the following January two other ringing societies were absorbed-the Oundle and District and the Peterborough and District. which was then a member of the Central Council. The county of Rutland is in this diocese, but it was not until 1933 that a Rutland Branch was formed, which has at present 11 towers possessing Guild members. Another was created in 1930, when the Towcester and District Society sank its individuality to become a branch of the Guild.

The present Master, Mr. Patrick I. Chapman, in his report for 1959 writes encouragingly, and regards the year as one of consolidation and progress. He had visited nine of the 11 branches and was impressed by the increased attendances and the enthusiasm displayed by the large number of teenage members present. This, he states, is
clearly the result of a lot of hard work by a considerable number of people. He makes one good point, which we trust will be considered by other Guilds. Many parishes are actively concerned with the Diocesan Stewardship Campaign, and he urges these parishes not to miss the apportunities thus afforded of recruiting beginners from puople who want to offer their talents in the service of the Church.

With a total of only 67 peals, the year under review was not prolific, but there were three first peals in the method for the Guild. These were Spliced Surprise in six methods, rung at Daventry, Double Bob Major at Wicken and Grandsire Minor at Cogenhoe. The Master, in congratulating some 20 members who rang their first peal, expresses the hope that they will go on to ring many more. He adds: 'Our chief purpose is to ring bells for service, but it should also be borne in mind that only the best we are capable of giving is good enough. The only way to attain our highest capabilities is by continued and prolonged practice, and the regular ringing of peals is the best way of doing it.'

It is interesting to recall that in the early days of the Guild a gold medal was presented to the member who had rung 100 peals. This was discontinued in 1914 and a new rule passed that a certificate which bore a photograph of Peterborough Cathedral be awarded to all members ringing their first peal. The rule still operates. The year, however, saw one 'gold medallist in spirit.' Mr. Ernest G. Orland, president of the Guilsborough Branch; but two other members passed ringing milestones-Mr. Percy D. Baldock his 150 th and the Master his 250th peal.

The general secretary, Mr. G. W. Jeffs, in his report mentions the continued good work of the Bell Restoration Fund, with grants of $£ 30$ each to Desborough, Marston Trussell, Woodford and Collingtree, and $£ 20$ to Creaton. The fund is healthy, with $£ 61513 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d. to its credit at the end of the year. Marston Trussell bells have been restored after a long period of silence. In the Northampton Branch report mention is made of the excellent work of Mr. George F. Roome and his helpers in overhauling and restoring to ringing order the fine ring of eight bells at St. Mary's, Easton Neston. in the Towcester Branch. This tower had been unavailable for many years owing to the ill health of the late Dowager Lady Hesketh, and to ring here is a great asset to the Branch.
Good luck, Peterborough Diocesan Guild, during 196061; may lapsed members be few and the steady work of recruiting new members continue.
PEAL WEEK-END IN DERBYSHIRE
ALL PEALS FOR THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

## ALL PEALS FOR THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

 ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sants,


## CRICH, DERBYSHIRE.

On Sat., July 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt 1 qr .9 lb . in F sharp.

| Malcolm Phipps .. .. Treble | Derek P. Jones.. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2 | Alfred E. Rushton.. |
| Douglas H. Rooke | Philip Mehew |
| D. John Hunt | Herbert T. Rooke . . . Temor |
| Composed by Roger baldwin. | Conducted by Derek P. Jones. |

> DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

On Sun., July 31, 1960), in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .
Elizabeth M. Yardi.ey.. Treble
*David J. Purnell
J. Frank Smallwood

Alfred E. Rushton
*D. John Hunt -..
DEREK P JNTES
Derek P. Jones
Philip Mehew.
. ${ }^{7}$
Ronald J. Bullen ..
Composed by C. H. Hattersley,
Conducted by Derek P. Jones.
*First peal in the method.

## A CHESHIRE TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. NANTWICH. CHESHIRE.
On Mon.. July 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes. at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .2 qr. 18 lb.


HYDE. CHESHIRE.
On Tues., July 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

## Middleton's.

Philip G. K. Davies
Treble
Fredk. Shallcross
A. Peter Whitehead

Peter Laflin
Conducted by Leslig Boumphrey.
Cambridge Surprise
*First peal of Cambridge Surprise.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE. On Tues., July 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Shirley Harris
+Maureen Barker
Neil Bennett ..
David J. Lleweliyn

Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr .22 lb .
Peter Laflin Brian Harlis Leslie Boumphrey .


Conducted by Brian Harris.

* 75 th peal. + First peal.

STALYBRIDGE. CHESHIRE.
On Wed.. July 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. At the Church of The holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Teror 15 cwt .8 lb . in F .

| er Lafuin | Treble | *A. Peter Whitehead | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Philip G. K. Davies | . 2 | Neil Benneit | 6 |
| redk. Shallcross. |  | Leslie Bolimphrey |  |
| *David J. Lleweliys | . 4 | Brian Harris | Tenor |
| nposed by H. Law |  | Conducted |  |

ECCLES, LANCASHIRE
On Wed., July 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## at the Church of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

 Tenor 19 cwt .3 qr. 13 lb.*A. Peter Whitehead .. Treble $\mid$ Roland F. Eccles .. .. 5
Neil Bennett .. ... ... 2 Leslie Boumphrey ... .. $\quad$. Fredk. Shallcross.. .. 3 Brian Harris .. †David J. Llewellyn .. 4 Peter Laflin ..... .. Tenor Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by Neil Bennett.

* 25 th peal. $\dagger$ First of D.N.C.B. First of D.N.C.B. as conductor.

ASHTON, LANCASHIRE
On Thurs., July 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Mimutes, at the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, being 1,760 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire and 1,600 Lincolnshire: with 84 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 18 cWt 3 qr .11 lb . in E .
NEIL BENNETT .. .. .. Tr
-David J. Llewellyn .. Treble *A. Peter Whitehead .. 5
Fredk. Shallcross ... 3 Peter laflin .. .. .. 7
Philip G. K. Davies $\because .4$ Brian Harris $\quad . . \quad$.. $\quad .$. Tenor Composed by Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by Brian Harris.
*First peal of Spliced Surprise. First in three Surprise methods
by all the band.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

On Thurs., July 28, 1961), in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5056 WARWICKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr. 22 lb. in F

*Neil Bennett ....
Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Basil Jones.

* First peal in the method.

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.
On Fri., July 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBR OFIDGE PETER. SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .10 lb .
Brian Harris
Philip G. K. Davies
Fredk. Shalleross.

David J. Llewellyn
Composed by H. Dains.
Leslie Boumphrey 6
A. Peter Whitehead ... Tenor
*First peal of New Cambridge. $\dagger$ First of Surprise "inside.'
The above peals were rung as a tribute to Mr. William Birmingham. for his services to the Exercise.

## A YORKSHIRE PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE.
On Tues.. Aug. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and S6 Minutes. Ar the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt . qr .7 lb .

| Marion Archer | Treble | Peter Scholfield |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B. Gillian Schofield | 2 | H. David Holland |
| Rita M. Jowett | 3 | W. Eric Critchley |
| Howard Scott | 4 | Ian M. Holland |

Composed and Conducted by Ian M. Holland.
CROFTON. YORKSHIRE.
On Wed.. Aug. 3, 1960. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Comprising seven different extents.
Howard Scoti .. .. .. Treble
marion Archer.. .. .. 2 W. Eric Critchley
Geoffrey Townend... $\quad . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Kenneth Park
Tenor $15 t \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by lan M. Holland.
CAMPSALL. YORKSHIRE.
On Wed., Aug. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5000 SPLICED MAJOR
Being 1,080 Little Bob and 3.920 Plain Bob. with 250 changes of method.
Pitir Scholfieid Rita M. Jowett
.. Trehle B. Gillian Schofield $\because \quad 3$

Howard Scott .. .. .. 4 | Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor
Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE
On Fri., Aug. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.


## CAWTHORNE, YORKSHIRE

On Fri.) Aug. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being one extent each of Sandal, Duke of Norfolk. London Scholars* College Exercise, Kingston, Norbury and Oxford. Tenor 9 cwt . in F Marion Archer.. .. ...Treble W. Eric Critchley .. .. 4 | Howard Scott | .. | .. | .. | 2 | H. David Holland .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cyril Rusby | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Ian M. Holland |
| Menor |  |  |  |  |  | Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

CONISBROUGH, YORKSHIRE
On Sal.. Aug. 6. 1961 , in 2 Hours and 46 Minules, At the Church of St. Pater,
A PEAL OF 5040 IDOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOH MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt

Elizabeth A. Wardil Peter Scholfield

$$
\begin{array}{l|l}
2 & \text { H. David Holland } \\
3 & \text { W. Eric Critchley } \\
4 & \text { Richard E. Price }
\end{array}
$$ Howard Scott Tenor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Richard E. Price.

BRISTOL AREA WEEK<br>ARRANGED FOR HERBERT W. WOOLVEN. BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Aug. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minules.
At the. Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt . in E

 Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducted by Herbert W. Woolven. * First peal of Plain Boh Major. $\dagger$ First on eight bells.

WINFORD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Aug. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's. Combined Kent and Oxford, two of Kent and two of Plain Bob.
Brynley A. Shackleton Treh
-Herbert W. Woolven .
tGillian M. Hussex ... 3 Francis C. Mogford .. Tenor Conducted by Patrick J. Bird

- First peal in more than one method. + First in five methods. \#First of Minor.


## COMPTON DANDO. SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thurs.. Aug. 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Tenor $14 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{\mathrm{cw}}$. in F
 §Cliff Richards .. .. 3 Francis C. Mogford .. Tenor Extents calied alternately by each ringer

- 25th peal together. $\dagger 25$ th peal together. $\ddagger 50$ th peal. § First of Grandsire Doubles

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Aug. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mark (Lord Mayor's Chapel),
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Tenor 12 cwt . in $F$.

| tMichael J. Hobbs |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †D. John Hunt | Treble | Reginald G. Hooper .. 4 |
| 4 |  |  |

¥D. John Hunt .. .. 2 *Herbert W. Woolven .. 5
§Brynley A. Shackleton 3 Francis C. Mogford .. Tenor
Conducted by the ringers of $2,3,4$ and 5.
*First peal of Doubles. $\$$ First in the method. $\$$ First of Stedman Doubles. § 25th peal. 175th peal for R. G. Hooper. First in the method on the bells.
Rung on the 21 st wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. C Mogford.

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Aug. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 21 cw . in E.
Albfrt M. Tylfer .. .. Treble | R. James Cook.. ... .. 6
Mary Hall .. ... 2 Herbert W. Woolven

| *Cilff Richards | . | .. | 3 | D. John Hunt | .. | .. | .. | 8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Francis C. Mogford | .. | 4 | Don E. Cobb | .. | .. | . | 9 |  |

Bryniey A. Shackieton 5 | Reginald G. Hooper ... Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Alberi M. Tyler.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters.


## TWELVE BELL PEALS

SHREWSBURY. SHROPSHIRE. THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 23, $19(0)$, in 3 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 39 cwt 2 qr .7 lb . in B.
G. William Critchley ...Treble| Patrick I. Chapman .. 7

Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 George E. Fearn .. .. 8
Ruth M. Border ... 3 Ralph G. Edwards .. ... 9
John A. Anderson .. .. 4 John H. Crampion .. .. 10
Roderick W. Pipe . . . 5 Peter Bordir .. .. .. 11
John McDonald .. 6 Cecil W. Pipe .. .. .. Tenor Arranged by Peter Border. Conducted by Roderick W. PiPE.

## BRISTOL

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary. Redcliffe. A PEAL OF 5237 STEDMAN CINQUES

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

| Denis N. Layton | Treble | Michael Lakin |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * Valerie W. Willard | 2 | John Armstrong |  |
| Dennis Beresford | 3 | Alan F. Thirst. |  |
| $\dagger$ Philip M. J. Gray | 4 | Noel J. Diserens |  |
| \$Michael Rose | 5 | Richard E. Price |  |
| \#Derek E. Sibson | 6 | John H. Gilbe |  |
| Composed by J. Carter |  | Conducted by |  |

+ first of Cinques. on 12 and of Stedman.


## READING. BERKSHIRE

 THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILDOn Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes, At the Municipal Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor $23 t \mathrm{cwt}$.
Brynley A. Shackleton. . Treble| Janet Livingstone .. .. 7
Reginald G. Hooper .. 2 Michael Hatchett .. .. 8
William Hibbert .. .. 3 Frederick A. H. Wilkins
Patricia Lewington
Brian R. White
Francis A. White .. .. 10
Herbert W. Woolven 6 David Livingsione .. 6
Composed by John Carter.
conducted by Reginald $\ddot{G}$. Hooper.

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## TEN BELL PEALS

LEYLAND, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minules,
A peal At The Church of St. Andrew, 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL Tenor $23 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{}$
Treble G. ALEC

Cyril Crossthwaite
*Maryl R. Crossthwaite
John H. Gartside
Donald Lawson
Composed by G. W. Debenham. Conducted by Cyril Crossihwalie, * First peal of Royal. † First of Royal on tower bells. BEDDINGTON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 18 cwt .1 qr .26 lb.
Brian D. Threlfall .. Treble Alan Rogers ...
Joan Beresford 6
7
Kathleen M. Chilcott
Michael V. Chilcoti
Stewart F. Kimblr.
David E. Parsons.
Composed by W. Eric Critchiey John E. Chilconion . T chor
CLAINES, WORCESTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS
R. George Morris

Treble
Reginald Woodyatt John J. Stanier.
Denis R. Morris
George E. Evenden Harvey Homans

Tenor
mas W. Lew
John G. Slater
Allen Morgan
Composed by Chas. W. Roberts, Conducted by Reginald Woodyait. 100th peal in the tower.
A wedding compliment to the Rev. Peter Chippendale (assistant priest) and Mrs. Chippendale. $\qquad$ Tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .26 \mathrm{lb}$.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. July 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minures, Ar the Cathedral Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
Tenor 14 cwt .
 Conducted by Charles W. Denyer.

* First peal and first attempt. First peal on the newly-recast ring. With the exception of the conductor, all are Aldershot ringers.


## DERBY.

THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN. On Tues., Aug. 2, 1960), in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes, At 1 he Church of Si. Andrew. Litchurch. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 18 cwt .2 qr .20 lb . in E .


Composed by N. Golden. Conducled by David K. Walklate. *First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First of Bob Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal Rung in memoriam George Freebrey.

> HENLEY. SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Mon., Aug. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CA MBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lh . in A flat| ier M. Adcock .. . Trebl | Roderick W. Pipe |
| :---: | :---: |
| - Roger L. K. Whitiell.. 2 | Cecil W. Pipe |
| Charles J. Sfidgtey | +Trevor N. J. Bailey |
| Bernard W. Fairhead | $\ddagger$ Leslie N. Melton.. |
| on | Conducted by Rod |

Composed by Chas. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. * 25 th peal. $\dagger 100$ th peal. $\ddagger 75$ th peal.

HENBURY, BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wed., Aug. 10, 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF St. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.
J. J. Parker's One-Part.
*lisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble
Philip M. J. Gray
George Locke
$\dagger$ Bryan Huddleston
Conducted by
†David J. Purnell...... 5
J. Anfhony Bennett
J. Anthony Bennet

Anthony W. T. Cleaver Tenor
Conducied by Philip M. J. Gray.

## HARROW WEALD. MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 11. 1960. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5152 TRLRO SURPRISE' MAJOR

GREASLEY. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.
On Sat. Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt . 1 qr .7 lh . in F sharp.
*Keith Marriott .. .. Treble Donald J. Beach

S. Patricia M. Nix .. 4 James H. Pailing .. .. Tenor

Composed by Edward Francis. Conducted by F. Neville Pailing.
*First peal. First in the method by all the band. except the ringer of the third. A birthday compliment to Mrs. P. Mary Beach.

MUCH WENLOCK. SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
Ort Sat.0 Alug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
Ai the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5024 DUUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .8 lb , in E .
E. Marion Key ... Treble. Robert J. Warrilow

Barnabas G. Key .. .. 2 Ricmard J. Warrilow
Cynthia Bibby
*Brian J. WYlde $\because$. 4 Davjd W. Friend ...... Tenor
2 Richard J. Warrilow
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by David W. Friend

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

A 20th birthday compliment to Cynthia Bibby.
FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Aug. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At thr Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $12 f$ cwt. 8 lb . in G.
*Michael. Arrowsmith .. Treble James Cunliffe ... .. 5

| Alberi Greenhalgh | .. | 2 | Thos. W. Smith | . | . | . | 6 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Rigby | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Geoffrey | Fothergill | . | 7 |

## John Rigby

Fred W. Brownlow .. 4 Joseph Thornley .. . . Tenor
Composed by T. B. Worsiey. Conducted by Geoffrey Fothergill.

* First peal. First of Major as conductor.

Rung as a farewell to the assistant priest at this church, the Rev. Edmund A. Lever, after a happy ministry.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Aug. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes
A PEAL OF 5120 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

| rnest Morris | Treble | John A. Acres |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gordon A. Halls | 2 | A. James Poynor |
| Mrs. G. A. Halls | 3 | Brian G. Warwick |
| Brian M. Smith | 4 | John M. Jel |

Composed by Ernesi W. Tipler (No. B68).
Conducled by Brian G. Warwick

* First peal in the method inside. Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb . in C. WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, containing 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, with 112 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 24 cwt .1 gr .16 lb . in D James G. Newman .. .. Treble | Ruth M. Border
Jennifer M. Davies.

| . Treble James R. Taylor |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| .2 | Patrick I. Chapman |

Ronald J. Sharp
Composed by A. I. Pitman
Alfri:d E. Rushton
Peter Border Conducted by Peter © Tenor

* 50th peal

Rung with the best wishes of the band for the future happiness of Stephen Ivin and Avril Thackray, married earlier in the day at the Church of All Saints, Houghton Conquest.

## SIX BELL PEALS

## MARLESFORD. SUFFOLK

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., June 25, 1960. in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Boh St. Clement's Bob. Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .5 lb . in A flat
Cecil W. Pipe .. .. .. Treble Roderick W. Pipe
4
Clifford R. Lovett .. 2 Ernest G. Pearce
James Bennett .. .. .. 3 Ronald W. Steward .. Tenor
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe
LANGHAM, RUTLAND
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. July 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B., Single Oxford, St. Clement's. Cambridge Surprise and two of Plain Boh.

Tenor 14 cwt . in F .
Anthony D. Sansom . . Treble Alan J. Frost
Diana M. Lawless . . . 2 David W. James David R. Perkins ..... 3 | Barrie Hendry

Conducted by Alan J. Frost.
MARLESFORD. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Fri., July 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Oxford T.B. and two each of Kent T.B.. St.
Clement's Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .5 lb . in A flat
Ernest G. Pearce ... .. Treble James Benneti Alan J. Clarke.. .. ... 2 David H. Buxton
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 3 Leslie N. Melton .. . . Tehor
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
Tenor

STON-INGHAM. HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASLRE BOB DOLBLES

Being 42 extents (six callings).
*William E. Spiers .. Treble
*Leonard Smith .. .. 2 Reginald G. Powell

Conducted by Reginald G. Pow

* First peal in the method.

On Sat.. July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
Ar the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt . 16 lh . in E.
*Keith C Richards
$\dagger$ Stephen J. Perry
Donald L. Hooper

Charles Phillips * Michael V. Powell
*Jor Smith.

> KINGSBURY, WARWICKSHIRE,
> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
Conducted by Gordon H. LaNE.
*First peal. + First in the method inside. First peal on the bells since augmentation from five to six.

## SULGRAVE. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sat., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James.

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { SURPRISE MINOR }
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Being one extent of Wells and two each of London, Beverley and

Cambridge.
J. George Shellard

Barry Saunders
William 1. Chester Tenor 10 cwl .3 gr . Conducted by George W. Holland.
Rung in memoriam George J. Shellard, ringer at this tower for 50 years, and Frederick Carter, churchwarden and friend of all bellringers.

HARMONDSWORTH. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minures, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 16 cwt .
David G. Picketi . . . Treble Dennis Morgan
*Edgar T. Skipsey .. .. 2 *Douglas Boniface... .. 5 Malcolm G. Lane . . . 3 Christopher Fynes .. Tenor

* First peal.

Conducted by Christopher Fynes.
BREEDON-ON.THE-HILL. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE \& NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN.
On Mon., Aug. 1. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, Ar the Church of SS. Mary and Hardulph

A PEAL OF 6000 DOUBLE
Being 14 extents of Plain Bob and 36 Reverse Canterbury.
Tenor 9 cwt . 1 qr .20 lb . in $F$ sharp.
James A. Robinson....Treble Frederick Hinds
Reginald Barkfr .. .. 2 Edward H. Willows .. 5
David K. Walklate .. 3 John Anseli. .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by David K. Walklate.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Geoffrey Bridges.
GNOSALL. STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Aug. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minures. At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with no $65^{\circ}$ s at backstroke.
*Harry Boswell Tenor 16 cwt . in F

| *Harry Boswell | . . | Treble Brian J. Wylde. | . | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur Pritchard | .. | .. | 2 | Richard J. Warrilow | .. | 5 |

barnabas G. Key .. .. 3 David W. Friend .. .. Tenor Conducted by David W. Friend,

* 200th peal. First of Surprise as conductor.


## SPROUGHTON. SUFFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwl
*Mrs. H. Ivings
John E. Ivings.
Treble
Hubert A. Mitson 2 George E. Symonds Robert E. Lester Ronald W. Steward ... Tenor Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

* First peal of Minor

A compliment to Jane Staines and Paul Fletcher, married prior to the peal. Also to John L. Girt and Shirley Hill, members of the Suffolk Guild, married at the same time, at St. Anne's, Stamford Hill.

## STOWTING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Alan Berry
.. Treble Nicholas J. Davies enor 6 f cwt .
tPaul A Batchelor 2 Crawford T Hillis $\dagger$ Philip E. Deverill.. .33 Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

* First peal. + First in the method.

Rung to celebrate the birth of Helen Margaret, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chapman.

TATTERSHALL, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Single Court and Plain Bob and three of Single Oxford.
Ronald G. Russell .. Treble: Frederick Derry
Philip C. Pitchford .. 2 *J. Edward Brown
Edgar A. Cole . . . . . 3 James H. Musson
Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal in three Minor methods "inside.


## BALSCOTE. OXON

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sun., Aug. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes, At Home Farm, balscote,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 14 extents each of Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Plain Bob.
Josfry M Stretion Tenor 1 cwt .22 lb . in C
Josfer M. Stretton i. Treble
Edmund E. Pearson. .
Christopher C. Clarke 3 | Charles O. S. Jarvis .. Temor
Conducted by Edmund E. Pearson.
*First peal of Doubles. + First peal. First peal on the lightest ring of six in the world.

> BARKSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Christopher S. Noakes Treble George A. Ingleby .. .. 4

*Colin McCartney .. .. 3 J. Michael Simpson.. ... Tenor Conducted by Denis A. Frith.

* First peal.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Aug. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes. at the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
 John Woodward Conducied by George Broughtone .. .. Tenor

Rung by the local Sunday ringers for the induction of the Rev. Dr. H. L. McDonald Liegeois.

> MORETON CORBET, SHROPSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR *G. Arnold Moore. Treble ${ }_{\ddagger} \mathrm{K}$. Peter Jones 4 $\begin{aligned} & \text { †Philip J. Evans } \\ & \text { †Charles A. S. Webb }\end{aligned} . .$. \#Charles A. S. Webb Conducted by Geoffrey Davies. ${ }^{3}$ \#Geofrey Divies .. . Tenor * 100 th peal for the Association. $\dagger$ First of Surprise. $\ddagger$ First of Minor in the method.

## BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Tues., Aug. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Botolph and Andrew, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Wells. Durham, Surfleet. Beverley, York. London and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 8 cwi. in A.
*David H. Buxton .. .. Treble
-Roger L. K. Whittell.. 4
*Roderick W. Pipe... .. 2 Peter S. Bedford .. .. 5 Jack Pilgrim .. .. .. 3 *Leslie N. Melton .. .. Tenor Conducted by Rodirick W. Pipe.

* First peal of Surprise Minor.


## RIPPLE, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Saf., Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minules,

AT The Church of St. Mary.
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 13 cwt .
Frank Lawrence .. .. Treble Charles Haylings .. .. 4
-Derek Price .. .. .. 2 Martyn Hawkes ... .. 5
John Clements .. .. 3 Leonard Dovey.. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Derek Price.

- First peal of Doubles. First as conductor.


## HANDBELL PEALS

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Aug. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. In St. Thomas Belfry.

## a peal of 5040 Plain bob royal

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Brian G. Warwick } & . . & 1-2 & \text { John A. Acres. } & \ldots & \ldots & \\ \text { Diana J. Perrins } & \ldots & \ldots & 3-4 & \text { John M. Jelley } & \ldots & . . & 7-8\end{array}$
Ernest Morris .. .. 9-10
Composed by Wilfrid F. Moreion. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
Conducted by Robert B. Smifh.
First peal in four Minor methods 'in hand 'by all. SHEFFIELD YORKSHIRE.
THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. Aug. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. At Whirlow Grange.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES
Tenor size 17 in $A$.
Edwin A. Lewis .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 5-6 Richard F. B. Speed .. 3-4 Rev. M. C. C. Melville 7-s Composed by F. Nolan Golden. Conducled by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

# John Taylor \& Co. 

The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

BATHWICK, BATH.-On Aug. 13th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Miss M. Viner 1, Mrs. P. Newman 2, R. S. M. Stubbs 3, Miss J. P. Crees 4. H. C. Newman (cond.) S, L. C. Cooper 6. P. R. Stubbs 7. K. Harrison \&. Rung half-mufled in memory of Mr. W. J. Prescott, who passed away on August 7th
BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.-On Aug. 14th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Beeson 1. V. Crikgs 2. Miss B. Saggers 3. W. Dunn 4. F. W. Bird 5. W. Inweud 6. G. Olliver (cond.) 7. 1. Burgess 8. Rung as a 2 ls birthday compliment to the treble ringer.
BKAMLEY, SURREY.-On July 23 rd. 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. I. Vaughan 1. Miss J. M. Lane 2, Miss A. J. Martin 3. C. C. Pain 4, D. A. R. May 5. P. G. Smart (cond.) 6.
BRAY, BERKS.-On Aug. 121h, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Wenda Harris 1. Pamela Jervis 2. Linda Kew 3. Diana Marris 4. B. May 5. J. Blackwond 6 K. Walters (cond.) 7. 1. E. Norsworihy 8 Firss of Triples 1. 4. 5 and 6. Rung half-mufled in memoriam Ronald Rusicll. aged 34. brother of late Ringing Master. who was interred this day.
BRISTOL.-At St. Ambrose's. on June 1 Mith, 1.260) Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. D. M. Bennell 1, M. J. Hobbs 2. M. J. Hoskins (first 'inside") 3. R. G. Hooper 4, B. A. Shackleton (cond.) 5, F, R. Hussey 6. Also on Aug. 7th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: H. W. Wooiven 1. F. J. Sampson 2. M. J. Hohbs (first of Stedman) 3. G. M. Hussey 4, R. J. Cook 5. R. G. Hooper 6, B. A. Shackleton (cond.) 7. D. J. Hunt 8. First of Grandsire Doubles and Stedman Triples as

## onductor

BURES, SUFFOLK.-On Aug. 7th. 1.280 Kem Treble Bob Maior: C. Buwer I. Miss E. R. M. Canndale 2. Mrs. L. Mills 3. Miss 1. M. Sourxin 4. D. L. Milk (cond.) 5. D. W. Brooks (first in method) 6. L. D. Mills 7. A. W. Cansdale \&. A 21 y birthday compliment to Miss $\rfloor \mathrm{M}$. Spurgin.

CHELTENHAM, GLOS. On Aug. 11 hh , at St . Mary's Church, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss P. Tyler (first of Caters) 1. Miss S . Parsons 2, W. Newman 3, C. Burridge 4. W. Dyer 5, W. A. Farmer (cond.) 6. Miss V. Willard 7. P. Baker 8, T. Burcham 9. J. Tyler 10 . Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr . C. A. Wratten and Miss M. A. Birch.

CHOBHAM, SURREY.-On Aug. 10th, 1.260 Grandsire Deubles Anne Junp (first quater) 1. C Hill 2, D. G. Hlows 3, J. W. Priest 4, Roy Collins (cond.) 5, Ron Collins 6. For the Patronal Festival.
COFFINSWELI., DEVON.-On Aug. 15ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Patricia Sharpe (aged 14, first quarter) 1. I. Hay (first inside ') 2, Heather Hood 3, E. M. Aikins (cond.) 4, M. D. S. Hond 5, D. McCollough 6. By St. Michael's, Teignmouth, band.
CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.-On Aug. 10th, 1.440 Surprise Minor ( 720 each of Sandiacre and Newcastle): 1. Riley 1, N. Sherratt (cond.) 2, W. Sherratt 3 R. A. Challinor 4, P. A. Mason 5, R. Worrall 6.

DAMERHAM. HANTS.-On Aug. 9Th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Molly Baverstock (first quarter) ${ }^{1}$, N. Bush (first -inside') 2. C. N. Baverstock (fint
quanter) 3. J. Baverstock 4. P. K. Waterman (cond.) quarter) 3. J. Baverstock 4. P. K. Wat
5. G. H. Baverstock (first quarter) 6.
EASTCHURCH. KENT. -On Aus. 14th. 1,2611 Plain Bob Doubles: Judith White (first quarter) 1. Marion Wash 2. P. M. Wilkinson (cond.) 3. J. Mason 4, H. Hayward 5. P. P. Lapham (first quarter) 6. Rung as a farewell to Peter Lapham. who is leaving the district.
EWELL. SURREY.-On July 2dih. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Maureen Candy (first in meshad) 1. H. E. Good 2. Gladys Anderson (first in method) 4
Bevant \&, J. E. Beams 5. D. G. Spittle 6. D. A. Carpenter (cond.) 7. P. Ford 8. Rung for the
impendigg marriage of Maureen Candy to Graham Quincey. on Ausust 6th.
FARNHAM. SURREY.-On Aug. 14th, 1.260 Suedman Triples: Sylvia Curtis 1. C. Denyer 2. R.
North 3. E. Box 4, S. Meadows 5. J. Marr 6 , North 3. E. Box 4, S. Meadows S. Fismore 8. For Evensons.
E. J. Wells (cond.) 7. D. Elsmur
FISHTOFT, LINCS.-In Aug. 9th. 1.260 Minor (Double Court, Single Oxford and Double Bob): G. C. Rix 1, B. E. Mathews 2. J. Thorley 3,
A. W. A. Legrett \&, F. K. Williamson 5, J. M. Thorley icond.) 6.

GREAT BARRINGTON, GLOS.-On Aug 14 th . 1.260) Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Katherine Hall (first away from tenor) 1. Suzanne Combray (first 'inside') 2. Brenda Hall 3. W. J. Dixon 4. T. W. Timms
(cond.) 5. L. M. Acock (first quarier) 6. Rung for (cond.) S. L. M. Acock (first quarier) 6 . Rung for evenime servic: Suzanme Cambray (Auqust 11th).

## QUARTER PEALS

HEMYOCK, DEVUN.-(In July 3ist, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. White 1. L. Morrell 2, L. Mutters (cond.) 3. L. Hart 4, T. Bright (first quarter) 5, R Mutters 6. Rung by a Sunday service band to welcome the first son to Mr. and Mra. Oliver Eley.
HOLME-PIERREPONT, NOTTS. On Aug. 14th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: S. Meredith 1. R. Blackshaw 2. Doreen Armstrong 3. M. Marrison 4. F. Bradley 5, 1. Higgs (firse quarter as cond.) 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss D. 1. Parker and Mr. B. inngley.
HORSELL, SURREY,-()n July 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (780 Grandsire and 480 Plain Bub): D. Priestley 1. Miss 1. Drury 2. J. Marsin 3. G. Oliver 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5, Miss P. Drury b. For Evensong. and as a compliment to D. Wright, on his engagzment. Also on July 10th. 1.260 Doubles ( 360 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 360 Plain Bob and 540 Grandsire): C. Cobbett 1. Mix J. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3. D. Wright 4, I. Martin (cond.) 5, D. Cooper 6. For children's service. Also on July 24th, 1.260 Doubles (480) Plain Bub, 780 Grandsire): S . Allen (first quarter) 1. Miss J. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury (lowth quarter) 3. G. Oliver 4. B. Priestley (cond) 5. J. Martin
INVERNESS.-At the Cathedral, on Aug. 7th. 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Miss 1. E. Clecve 1. A. J. Strathdee 2, Miss A. Barr 3, R. G. Smith 4. 1. H. Oram (cond.) 5. M. W. Fairey 6. C. M. Smith 7. P. N. Bond 8. Rung by the St. Christopher's Society, for Evensong.
KING'S NORTON, wORCS.-Un July 10 h . 1,250 Grandsire Carerv: Ann E. Fellows (first of Grandsire Caters) 1. Linda M. Hughes 2, J. Mary Funnell 3. Tonie J. Critchley 4, Alma M. Greaves 5, Verunica M. Miles 6. Susan Funncll 7. R. W. Pope icond.) y. R. J. Gay 9. K. H. Scrimshall 10. First of grandsire Caters © inside * for 4 and 9. For Matins. LECHLADE, GLOs.-()n Aug. 14th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian S. M. Walsh (first quarter) 1, G. W. Land (first in the method) 2, H. N. Evans 3, A. J. King 4, P. Kirby (cond.) 5, J. Ryman 6. For Evensons, by members of the Sunday serpice band Also as a birthday complmene to H.R.H. Princess Anne.
LEEDS, YORKS.-At the Church of St. Mathew Holbeck, on July 30th, 1,344 Cambridge Surprise Major: F. A. Munday 1, Joan M. Dawson 2. Shirley Mudd 3, R. J. Lumley 4, J. Gibson 5, P. M. Dawson 6, N. Smith (cond.) 7, A. Smith 8. First of Surprise Major for 2, 3 and

LLANDAFF, GLAM.-On Aug, 6th, 1,260 Stcdman Triples: Mrs. J. King 1. S. Dearden 2, B. Taylor (firse of Secdman Tribles) 3, D. King 4, T. Lewis 5, G. Davis 6, T. Yeomans (cond.) 7, N. James y. Rung for the visit of H.M. the Queen and the Duke of Fdimburgh to attend the thankggiving service at the Cathedral on completion of restoration. Also a wedding compliment to Philip Goodfellow and Christine Chapman, married this day, at St. Julian s Newport.
LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK,-At St. Margarets. on Aus. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Utton 1. B. V. Hindes 2. L. M. Raphael 3. A. E. Crowe 4. R. C. L Brown 5. M. J. Parker (cond.) 6. Firs quarter of Minor for all the band. Rung for the junior church service.
LUPPITT, DEVON.-On Aug. 16ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles. 1. Middleton 1. A. J. Crabb 2. Miss M. P. Barnard 3, C. Churchill (cond) 4, J. Sage 5. F. Sage 6. Rung after their wedding. as a comoliment to Raymond Broom (a local ringer) and Miss Irene Criftin.
MADRON, CORNWALL.-On Aus. 1 th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Davey (first quarter) 1 Mrs. R. E. White 2. G. W. Taysom 3. Rev. G. Ruming 4. B. Toms (first as cond.) S. M. Nicholls 6.
MALDON, ESSEX.-On Aug. 10 th . 1.360 Plain Bob Major: Ann Vowles (firse quarer) 1. B. G.
Mann 2. Alison Mann 3. J. Clarke 4. S. C. Easter Mann 2. Alison Mann 3. J. Clarke 4. S. C. Easter
S. F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 6. I. Panton 7. A. Hubble 8. A compliment to Mr. L. Jelly (headmaster of All Saints ${ }^{\circ}$ School and choirmaster of All Saints') and Mr. Jelly, on the occarion of their wedding anniversary.
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NORTH WEALD. ESSEX.-Un Aug. 14ih, 1.440 Spliced Uxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. King 1, Ann Hancock 2, Wendy Bowak 3. M. McOuistan 4, J. McPhail 5. W. Wedlock (cond.) 6 A birthday compliment to Martin McQuistan.

The peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major. rung at Mells. on July 30th (see page 539). was composed by Nolan Golden.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.-On Aus, 11 th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (on :he back six): Miss E. M. Wisehall 1. Mrs. E. M. Hill 2. Miss M. Birch 3, R. J. Hill (cond.) 4. F. J. Stimson 5, M. E. Stracey 6. First of Minor for 1, 2. and 3
PORT BURY, SOMERSET.-On Aus. Sth, 1.260 Duubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): C. Brown (first quarter) 1, Monica Horseman 2, V. Iames (first in two meihods) 3. G. Watl 4. M. Horseman (cond.) 5. R. Haskins 6. Rung as an engagemens compliment to Tony York, of R A. F., Locking, and Lichfield, and Mary Powell, of Nailsea.
POWDERHAM, DEVON.-On Aus. 4/h. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: 1. Hay (aped 13, first guarter) 1 Heather Hood 2. Philipna Russell (aged 13. first - inside') 3, E. M. Alkins (cond.) 4. M. D. S. Hood 5. D. McCollough (first quarter) 6. Also on Aug. Sth. 1.260 Grandsire Duubles: Elizabeth Rossiter (aged 14. first quarter) 1. E. M. Atkins (cond.) 2. D McCollough (first 'inside') 3. Hegther Hood 4 M. D. S. Hood 5. A. Mackenzic (firy quarter) 6. By St. Michael's. Teignmouth, band.
PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Aug. 14th. 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Heath (from Harnes, firs quarier) 1. M. Lewis 2. B. Coatsworth 3. A. Clayton 4. C Mow (cond.) 5. B. Bull 6. Firtt of Plain Bob Doubles for all. For Matins
RANDWICK. NEW SOUTH WALES,-On June 261h, 1.260 Doubles (6nt Siedman, 240 Grandsire and 480 cach Old and Plain Bob): I. C. Sheehy 1. W. D. Watson 2. J. H. Fryer 3. Audrey E. Pelers (first on tower bells as cond) $4 . \mathrm{W}$. M. Rowe 5. 1. Y. Seymour (firsp quarter) 6

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.-On Aug. 14th, 1.140 Duubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury. April Day and Grandsire): S. Hardy 1. F. Corringe 2. B. Aldridge 3. F. G. Wheeler 4, P. Braund (cond.) 5. R. Beard 6. For Matins, and ako in thanksgiving for the birth of daughter (Janet Evelyn) to Mr. and Mri. P. Braund.
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On July 17th. 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: K. Bodicoat 1. D. J. Bodicoat 2. M. G. Wood 3. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4. B. G. Warwick 5. B. M. Smith (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1, 2 and 3. First of Minor as conductor. For Evensong. Also on July 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. C. Warwick (cond.) 1. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2. M. G. Wood 3. G. H. Bray 4. B. M. Smith 5. D. W. Stenson 6. First of Grandsire for 3 and 6. For Evensong. Also on July $31 \mathrm{sr}, ~ 1,320$ Plain Boh Doubles: D. W. Stenson (first away from tenor) 1, B. G. Warwick 2. M. G. Wood 3. G. H. Bray 4, B. M. Smith (cond.) 5, D. J. Bodicoat (first on tenor) 6. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 7ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Bodicoat 1, B. G. Warwick 2. M. G. Wood (first of Grandsire Triples) 3. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4. G. H. Bray 5. A. E. Bodycote 6. B. M. Smith (cond.) 7. D. J. Bodicoat g. First of Grandisire for 1 and 8. First as conductor on 8. For Evensong.
STAFFORD, STAFFS.-On August 14th, 1.295 Grandsire Caters: F. Eley 1. Miss C. Bibby (firsi of Grandsirc) 2. F. R. Wigein 3. Roberi I. Warrilow 4. Richard J. Warrilow 5. D. W. Friend (composer and conducoror) 6. B. J. Wylde 7. A. E. Garbett 8, E. Malin ', C. Evans 10. For Matins.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.-On Aug. 11th, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew. Reverse Canterbury. Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. W Stapleford (first in four methods) 1. A. F. Lee (cond.) 2. Sandra Lewis 3. Rita M. Webb 4. J. J. Jefferies 5. J. Isaacs (first quarer) 6. Rung in memory of William Prescoth, tower master of Bath Abbey. whose funeral took place this day.
WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX. -On Aug. 7th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss G. Wild (firs quarter) 1. D. Hawkins 2. K. R. Scrimshaw 3. R. D. Peargon 4. M. C. Austin 5. H. Duncan 6. R. J. Chapman the band
WOTTON UNDERWOOD. BUCKS.-On Aug 6 h , 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. T. Hodges 1, J. Ewers 2. V. G. Phillips (cond.) 3. D. G. Wheeler 4. L. J. Gregory 5. W. A. Ayris 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mias Margaret Rand (a ringer at this church) and Mr. Thomas W. Roberts, who were married this day at Ashendon.
YATTON, SOMERSET.-Om Aus. 3rd, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: H. W. Knight (cond.) 1, Marjorie Legg 2. G. Prescott 3. I. Brain 4. R. Briee 5. C. Bishap 6. S. Smith 7. W. H. Kingcott \& First of Major for 5. 6 and 7

YEOVIL, SOMERSET, -On Aug. 6th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. J. Arscont 1. J. S. Carter 2. T. E. Marks 3. G. Gaylard 4. F. G. Knight 5, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 6, G. S. Morris 7. T. Setter 8.

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The visit of H.M. the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh to attend the thanksgiving service for the completion of the restoration of Llandaff Cathedral was marked not only by a quarter peal but general ringing throughout the day, in which the Cathedral band were joined by prominent members of the Diocesan Association including the general secretary, both branch secretaries and the Llandaff Branch Master. After the thanksgiving service. Nicholas Simon, aged 14. a Cathedral ringer. was presented to the Queen.

The many friends of the well known Notts and Derbyshire ringer Miss D. M. Murfin will regret to learn she is ill in hospital. and wish her a speedy recovery. Her address is Ward 1 . City Hospital. Derby.
Miss Ann Vowles, who has only been ringing for three months. came in at the last moment and rang the treble very well for her first quarter at Maldon. Essex. on August 10th. A peal attempt of Treble Bob had been planned but the party niet short.

Mr. James E. Burles, of Barrow-in-Furness. writes thanking Mr. Wilfrid G. Wilson for hi:; excellent article on 'Place Notation.' The Editor would also like to thank Mr. A. YorkBramble and Mr. John Mayne who also contributed articles on the same subject.
The peal of Stedman Cinques at Reading. on August 13 th. shows the result of earnest endeavour. B. Shackleton. H. Woolven, Janet Livingstone. M. Hatchett and David Livingstone all scored their first peal on 12 bells. and R. G. Hooper conducted his first of Stedman Cinques. H. Woolven had never before rung a touch in the method. A good effort!
Very satisfying progress has been made by six school children at the seaside tower of St . Michael's. Teignmouth. Devon. They have all recently rung quarter peals of Grandsire Doubles on light sixes in the neighbourhood and are now ringing the lighter bells in their own tower to Grandsire Triples. The help given by many visitors at this season is much appreciated.

## GOSSIP

The Mayor of Tamworth (Councillor C. A. Walton) has launched an appeal for $£ 850$ to provide two treble bells to complete the octave in the Parish Church of St. Editha, Tamworth. This is 10 commemorate the recent celebration of the 400th anniversary of the granting of the town's Charter of Incorporation by Queen Elizabeth I and the observance of the 1.000 th anniversary of the death of the patron saint. Editha. It is hoped to have the bells installed by the end of the year.
Mr. Roland F. Eccles rang his first peal at Eccles. Lancs. July 27th. His personal footnote is: First by Eccles, at Eccles.
Mr. D. J. Hunt has now rung Stedman from Doubles to Cinques. "The family' was comr pleted on August 8th with Doubles at Si. Mark's Church. Bristol.

Mr. Richard C. Ingram. who compiled the list of the late Mr. Morris J. Morris peals. published last week. informs us that the deceased gentleman conducted his first peal at Perry Barr, in 1920.
Following the peal at Send on August 12th. in honour of the wedding of the only son of the Vicar, the band were entertained by the Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Sylvester. The peal was postponed for a week so that they could hear it.
The University of London's summer week is now in progress with headquarters at Fircroft College. Selly Oak. Birmingham. The party numbers 42 . For the first seven days ringing is in Warwickshire, but for the last week-end the party move into Worcestershire and Staffordshire. Three peal attempts are scheduled.

Those who rang the peal at St. Mary Redcliffe. Bristol, for the University of London Society, wish to associate it particularly with three members of the Society: Dennis Beresford (the conductor), whose daughter was born on July 15th: Ranald Clouston, whose daughter was born on July 25th: Roger Keeley, who was ordained deacon on the day after the peal.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

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## AS OTHERS SEE US

In their scries of Portraits of Personalities. The Church Times ' of August 12 th honours our president. Mr. Frederick Sharpe. We append this delightful pen picture of Frederick Sharpe, which we feel should have pernianant $\backslash$ record in our columns.
Knowing about odd things is always a distinction, and Mr. Frederick Sharpe happens to know more about bells than any Englishman living. He is the president of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. Besides this he has been a chorister for forty-seven years. a server and sidesman for forty-two, a church councillor for thirty-five. captain of the ringers for thirty-three. churchwarden for twenty-eight -and also a lay reader. His record at Launton. in Oxfordshire, may not be unique, but it is certainly outstanding. and his work as head of his family building firm leaves him with less leisure time than many men. In the workshop and study in his garden are the records of over two thousand towers which he has visited. often in parishes with bell problem; which he could help to solve. There are also books-several of his own writing, the scripts of hundreds of lectures. photographs, models, plaster casts. the set of sixty-six handbells which he has collected and the tools with which he tuned and restored them. All this is evidence of that historical knowledge which has made him a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and of the practical experience of ringing bell-hanging and tower design which has made him president of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

To this work Frederick Sharpe brings the balanced judgment of an historian, the practical approach of a craftsman and an acute ear for music: but perhaps more precious than these. he has the manner of an enthusiast rather than that of a specialist. He never pontificates on this subject. but passes on his knowledge of the subject with lucidity and charm, and he is always ready to do so.

## Another Attempt At The Extent Of Major

 In an address to the Dorking Rotary Club on bell-ringing Mr. A. P. Cannon announced that the next attempt to ring the extent of Major at the Loughborough Bell Foundry would be on December 3rd. They regarded the feat of ringing the 40,320 changes as the Everest of ringing.FIRST PEAL ON LIGHTEST SIX
As will be seen from our peal columns. the first peal on the lightest six in the world was rung on August 7 th at Home Farm. Balscote. in 2 hours and 25 minutes. The band was an all local one from the Banbury and District Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and the peal in three Doubles methods was conducted by Mr. E. E. Pearson. of Dedding. ton.

Mr. Jarvis is perhaps now the unique holder of a ringing record, namely that of ringing his first peal on his own bells. He set a good steady beat with the tenor right from the start. and kept them going at the correct speed to hear these carillon tuned bells at their best. He is without doubt a. Master of his own He is without doubt a Master of his own
bells and whether it be tenor or treble (or one in each hand) sets a standard in handling which is unequalled.

When these bells were first installed by Mr. Jarvis in 1951 the go was far different from that of today. and it was quite an achievement even to get a 120 of Doubles round. But due to many major alterations over the past few years they now go and handle more like tower bells. Mr. Jarvis hit done all his own bell hanging ever since they were cast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

After this successful peal all were entertained to a farmhouse tea which was provided by Mrs. Jarvis and Beryl. and during this the peal was re-rung over again many times in conversation. Our thanks are due to Mr. Jarvis for allowing us the privilege of ringing this unique peal. and also 10 our conductor who kept such an "eagle eye on all our happenings throughout the forty-two $120 \%$.


## JOHN ASHLEY FREEMAN,

## Lincoln.

The story of Mr. John A. Freeman is a story of real Lincolnshire tenacity, against many difficulties. and of real pioneer work in the great county of Lincolnshire, and to John A.. together with that other great personality Rupert Richardson, must go the credit for huilding up a strong centre of good ringing in that part of the country.
Born at Market Deeping, in 1884. he went to school there and learned to ring a bell at the age of 12. The curfew was rung there in those days. and the sexton was only too pleased to allow the hoys to do his job for him. Local ringers. however. were not quite so helpful. and not much encouragement was forthcoming for the youngsters.

After serving his apprenticeship in the joinery trade. at Ewerby, he moved to Lincoln. and almost lost inierest owing to lack of progress, rut fortunately in 1906 he was invited to join the band at St. Peter-at-Arches (now St. Giles'). and came under the influence of Rev.
H. Law James, who conducted John's first peal. Kent T.B. Major, in 1908.
In 1911 he was elected Master of the company, and in that year he conducted his first peal of Stedman Triples, the first peal to be rung in the city by a local band. In 1914 he was elected to the Cathedral company, where at that time the bells were chimed only for service. He was instrumental in starting regular ringing for service. and eventually the frist peal ever to be rung by the Cathedral ringers was successfully accomplished. Stedman Triples. with John as conductor
During the period 1924-1928 the Cathedral was restored, and ringing there was suspended -but under John's influence the band kept together and regularly practised London Surprise Major on handbells-single handed. The result was that they rang the first peal in this method by all the band and by the Guild at Washingborough, in 1928, again with John conducting.
When the Cathedral bells were restored and augmented, he rang the tenor to the first peal of Cambridge Maximus, which was the first by all the band and by the Guild. This was conducted by Rev. H. Law James. In 1929 he was elected Master of the Cathedral company. and still serves in that capacity.
John conducted the first of Stedman Cinques. again first by all the band. at the Cathedral. and also the first of Grandsire Cinques by all the band: 1934 saw him conducting the first peal of Bristol by all the band, and first in the method by resident members. In 1937 he conducted the Lincoln Guild's first peal of Spliced in 4 methods. in 1938 its first in six methods, and in 1939 its first in 10 methods. The greatest achievement, however, was in 1947 when he conducted a peal in 22 Surprise methods-all first peals in such methods by all the band. In 1947 he also took part in the 14.144 London Surprise Major, at Heydour. In all, he has rung 280 peals, of which he has conducted 122.
John is a good churchman, having served as chorister at St. Peter-at-Gowts. and also as a member of the P.C.C. He served on the Central Council from 1940 to 1960 . In 1947 he succeeded the late Rupert Richardson as Master of the Lincoln Guild. and under his able guidance there is no doubt about the future of ringing in Lincolnshire-for when John A. feels like relinquishing the reins. which we hope will not be for a long time. he has brought up two fine sons who are prepared. as is their father. to serve Lincolnshire and the Exercise.

JAFUS.

## A YORKSHIRE PEAL WEEK

'WHIS began at Royston on August 2nd. where a good beat on the somewhat difficult bells was soon established. Unfortunately we were prevented from scoring our peal in 17 Minor methods. as an over enthusiastic ringer from Todmorden saw fit to break his rope during the fifth 720 . Undaunted by this early set-back. we made our way to Pontefract. where Yorkshire was scored. The heat of the day and some pungent farmyardtype smells from outside the tower, however, did their best to put us off.
The next day saw us visit Crofton. The bells are a really handy ring of six. rung from the chancel. and a decent peal of Bob Minor was scored. This was not entirely without incident, however, as the gradual disintegration of the conductor's rope conjured up visions of the previous day's disappointment being repeated Geoff Townsend and Ken Park. of Wakefield. spent the day with us. and acquitted themselves well both here and at Campsall in the afternoon. where the odd-struck hells found Spliced Plain and Little Boh well to their liking.

Both attempts on Thursday finished ingloriously. so the less said about these the better! It must be mentioned, however. that two-thirds of Pitman's 4 -Spliced was rung in a most creditable manner at Harthill, and it
would have been very appropriate for Eric Critchley to score this for his 500 th, he having called this complex composition some 30 times. As it was. he had to wait till the next day, when Cambridge Major was scored it Bolsterstone. For Friday afternoon it had been decided to ring seven T.B. Minor methods at Cawthorne, and Howard Scott seemed so keen to keep sober for this attempt that he even refused a second cup of tea at lunchtime!! In spite of the hilarity that crept in'o the proceedings at this juncture. the Cawthorne peal turned out to be the best of the week. Saturday was the last day, and the fated 17-Spliced Minor peal again went down the spout. at Wentworth, due to a miscall (no names mentioned!).
For the final attempt of the week. the 'oldfaithful tower of Conisborough was on the programme. Originally, it had been intended to ring the writer's present ohsession. Ashtead S.M. As everybody was feeling slightly weary by this time. the attempt was abandoned in favour of the more familiar Double Norwich, which turned out to be its conductor's only peal success of the week
Our thanks go to Eric Critchley for making the arrangements, and incumbents and local ringers at the various towers for having everything in readiness. Roll on next time!
I. M H.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

PEAL.-A peal is a performance not occasioned by all ringers. and because it is regarded by the Exercise as a creditable achievement there are several rules and conditions laid down by the Central Council which each peal band and ringer is. by duty bound and honour. required to comply with. otherwise the performance is not recognised.

Peals of Doubles. Minor and Triples shall consist of at least 5.040 true changes. whilst peals of Major. etc.. shall comprise not fewer than 5.000 true changes. all and always io be rung without interval.

PLACE,-In addition to dodge, another essential condition of change ringing in order to produce anything more than a plain course of Original is what is termed ' making a place. You will recall that in dodging the bell is kept moving, forward or backward. from one striking position to the next. but when making a place the bell is kept in the same striking position for twa or even mare blows. The first lead end of a plain course of Plain Bob will show the third bell striking twice immediately after the treble-the third is making seconds place, which is two blows in the second striking position. Look at the bobbed lead end of the same method and you will find one bell striking two consecutive blows in the fourth striking position-this is making fourths place. And. incidentally. on this particular oceasion the bell is also known to be " making the boh."
More than two blows are made in the same place, in a few methods. and Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob are no doubt the best known. It is when making a single in Grandsire that one bell strikes four consecutive blows in the third striking position and it is when making a bob in Kent that one bell strikes four consecutive blows in the fourth striking position, in both cases over two different bells as you will soon learn.

PLAIN HUNT.-A bell which plain hunts is one which changes its striking position at every stroke. except of course when leading and lying one whole pull. and hunts in a forward direction the whole time. All bells in Original are plain hunting bells, but only the treble in Plain Bob.

FLAIN LEAD.-For definition see the Central Council Handbook. It is otherwise the rows of changes between one treble lead and the next, and being without interference of any call.

PLAIN METHOD.-The requirement of a Plain Method is that the treble must be a plain hunting bell.

PRINCIPLE.-In change ringing there is an accepted difference between a Method and Principle. And a Principle is a collection of rows which form a perfect round block in which every bell does the same work: no bell moves up or down more than one place at a time; no bell lies more than two consecutive blows in any one place. Stedman is the most commonly rung Principle.

## THE CENTURY TOGETHER

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bowden. who each completed their 100 peals with one of Grandsire Triples at Henbury. Bristol. The peal also enabled Mr. Bryan Huddleston. the tower master, to score his firs peal on eight bells. As his work prevents him from standing in peals on Saturdays. he has had to wait patiently for some 30 years for the opportunity. Incidentally, the peal was the fastest on the bells. If anyone knows the correct weight of the tenor, the band would be grateful for the information. The weight given is as quoted by folk lore."

AN OUTING FROLIC


Miss Carpenter takes the first pull on the new ring at Wisley Lock during the recent Putney outing.

## PUTNEY OUTING

Putney ringers had their second outing of 1960 on July 23 rd when, joined by friends from Wimbledon and Kingston. they visited Surrey.

At the first stop Merrow (6). highlights of the ringing were London and York Minor. The eight bells at Worplesdon were found to be rather hard to strike well. Then came Old Woking (8) before a pienic lunch at Wisley Lock.

The low-light of the day was Kent Minimus at Ockham (5)-does the Central Council realise what it has let us in for! Hersham (8) proved to be a ring to our liking. After tea Esher (8) was visited and here a course of Superlative was nearly brought round. Our tired best was tried and at East Molesey (8). The return journey was hroken at The Swan. Thames Dition. where handbells were rung on the river bank. Thanks are accorded all clergy and Ringing Masters. who made such an enjoyable day possible.
A.C.

## DARTFORD AND DISTRICT

The visit of Dartford and District ringers for their outing to Essex on June 18th was the first to that county for over 10 years.
Ringing took place before lunch at Brentwood and Braintree. followed by an excellent meal at Mounts Restaurant. Braintree. In the afternoon the bells at Sible Hedingham and Finchingfield were enjoyed before tea at Great Bardfield. The evening ringing was at Great Dunmow and High Ongar.
The date coincided with the outings of the first four towers, but they all made arrangements for our visit. which were much appreciated. We hoped they enjoyed their outings as much as we did. Thank you Essex. including clergy and tower keepers.
R. G. R.

## OUTINGS

## MELTON MOWBRAY

August 13th was the day that 35 members and friends of St. Mary's Society, Melton Mowbray. logether with the Vicar (Canon Clarke), went on their annual ringing tour. The towers visited were: SS. Peter and Paul. Wisbech: St. Edmund. Downham Market; All Saints. Hilgay; SS. Peter and Paul, Swaffham: and St. Margaret. King's Lynn. Many of the local inhabitants thought that the Pied Piper of Hamelin was with us, as one of our members insisted on dashing around blowing a - pitch pipe to find out what key the bells were tuned to.
However, the ringing was good and improved as the tour proceeded but the condition of our bus did not. When the party reached Marham. it gave a gasp and rolled to a stop: the radiator was dry. so a large drink of water was needed to revive it and enable it to reach King's Lynn a little late.

The return journey to Melton Mowbray was fraught with frustration: the bus got thirstier and thirstier (and so did the ringers). until it finally refused to start after stopping for a drink. Not to be outdone the back-enders went round the 'back-end" and pushed: the engine revived. coughing and spluttering and the journey continued with clouds of steam bellowing out behind. It seemed as if Stephenson's Rocket had come to life, for the bus certainly consumed more water than petrol. Nevertheless. our bright hopes were short-lived. for a few miles further on the engine groaned and died. Who suid have an outing on the 13th?
A search found a nearby fish and chip shop together with a friendly hostelry. Some of the party adjourned to the Blue Boar, at Eye, to oil the bells' and whilst the remainder sat in the bus singing 'A bide with me. fast falls the eventide' and 'Rescue the Perishing. By $11.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the relief bus arrived and go next was called. Melton was reached in the early hours of Sunday morning.
The cry on our next outing wilt undoubtedly be 'Has anyone got a gasket?' Our grateful thanks are extended to all incumbents, ringers. and caterers who made possible an excellent day's enjoyment.
R. E. M.

## GRAPPENHALL BRANCH

Two coaches were in use for the Grappenhall Branch outing on July 16th, one leaving Frodsham at $7.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and the other Runcorn at 7.30 a.m. Both met at Stafford, where Bob Warrilow met the party, and ringing attempted included a half-course of Cambridge Royal and Kent T.B. Royal.

Penkridge, a good eight, had the longest draught of rope between ringer and ceiling that we have encountered. It is a pity that there is no service ringing on such good bells.

Lunch was taken in the New Market Restaurant in the shade of St. Peter's. Wolverhampton. The new church at Tettenhall has a nice ring of eight, and we were pleased to be informed by the tower captain that they had a regular service band. Old Swinford was difficult to find-it is a suburb of Stourbridgeand we had to curtail our ringing here to be on time for tea at Kidderminster.
On the homeward journey we made two calls -at Malvern Quatt, a very pleasant six, and at Bridgnorth. where the Vicar joined in the ringing. Methods rung during the day were Cambridge, London, Kent, Plain Bob and rounds. Home was reached at midnight. Thanks are accorded incumbents and tower captains, and to Mr. C. Raddon in organising the outing, a job he has done-with the exception of the war years-for 30 years. We hope he will carry on with the good work. W. A.

## LETTERS TO

DEGRADING THE STANDARDS
Dear Sir.-May I offer my congratulations to those members of the Leicester Diocesan Guild who have recently added further to the great achievement of that Society by establishing a new record length of Minimus (non-conducted. moreover). I would suggest. however. that they have over-estimated their achievement by four changes.

Since the Council decided to accept performances of the required lengih upon tour bells as peals. there have been several such puhlished. Now, I suppose, there is some shght excuse for recognising as a peal the appropriate performance in a four-bell tower (although why anybody should want to ring peals in these places is beyond me). but in my opinion peals of Minimus upon handbells are a complete and utter waste of the time and the very listle effort required to ring them.
Such stunts do nothing to enhance the reputation of the participants throughout the Exercise at large, and serve only to degrade the standards set by more responsible ringers. -Yours faithfully.
Coventry.

## PORTSMOUTH'S EXAMPLE <br> \section*{COMMENDED}

Dear Sir,-With the shortage of learners these days, there is only one way to make people interested in ringing. It is not to take them to the bells but to take the bells to the people. This was done at Portsmouth Cathedral on July 17th (' R.W: of July 29th), where there was a ringers' Evensong. The tower was open four times during the day for everybody who cared to ascend the stairs, and during Evensong handbells were rung in the nave. As is their custom, a "coffee hour' is held in the Church House after the service, and the ringers chatted among the congregation, with a result that two people are now wishing to learn.
Now if this could only be done in other churches throughout England, not only would the normal churchgoer know what ringing is like but there would be the odd one or two who would like to start learning. and the ringers would not be referred to as people who come out of a hole in the wall. as I heard once. after the service has started. and distracting their attention.
I have noticed as I have been going around various towers that ringing flourishes where there is a ground floor ring and everybody can see what is going on. Even in churches where there are no ringers, a team can go out and ring the bells and ihen use handbells during the service, and possibly 3 sermon on the sub-ject-as that given at Portsmouth-could be preached. When recruits are found arrangements can be made on the same principle as has been adopted by the Surrey Association.Yours sincerely.

ALAN A. J. BUSWELL.
Havant.

## RECRLITMENT

Dear Sir.-Owing to the industry of this South Devon seaside resort being mainly connected with holidaymakers. and the consequent departure of young people after leaving school. great difficulty had been experienced in the past in keeping up a band of ringers at St. Michael's Church.
In Advent, 1958, several very young Confirmation candidates expressed a desire to learn to ring. Some doubts were then entertained as to the possibility of teaching them on the rather heavy bells, some of which are oddstruck and rather awkward to ring (tenor $22 \frac{1}{4}$ cwi.). However, after great perseverance, six
young people have just rung quarter peals of Grandsire Doubles, and they regularly ring the front bells 10 Triples and the heavier bells to call-changes. The quarter peals were rung in nearby towers with light bells in villages which are too small to support bands of ringers and where the bells are rarely heard.
Great credit is due to these six schoolchild ren, who usually come to the church four times on a Sunday-once for early Communion and three times for ringing.
This letter is submitted in the hope that it may be helpful in places where recruitment is difficult. It is ten years since I retired and came to ring in Teignmouth, and it is very gratifying to me that we now have such a satisfactory state of affairs in the belfry.Yours faithfully,
E. M. ATKINS

Teignmouth, Devon.

## NAMING OF SURPRISE METHODS

Dear Sir.-With reference to 'Alphabet for Beginners, page 265. Extension of Methods. Norwich Surprise Minor extends to all even numbers of bells, in three different ways

Probably the best extension is the static extension, like Kent and Oxford T.B.. viz.:

- $34-14-12-36-34$ -
- $34-14-12-36-34-38-34-34$
$-34-14-12-30-34-30-34-30-34$
$-34-14-12-3 t-34-3 t-34-3 t-34-3 t-34$
In all cases the half-lead and lead-end places are as in Kent T.B.

There are two expanding extensions of the method, viz.:-
-34-14-12-36-34-
$-34-14-12-36-34-58-56$ -
$-34-14-12-36-34-58-56-$
$-34-14-12-36-34-58-56-70-78-$
$-34-14-12-36-34-58-56-70-78-9 t-90-$ and

## -34-14-12-36-34-

34-14-1256-36-34-58-56-
-34-14-1256-36-3478-58-56-70-78-
$-34-14-1256-36-3478-58-5690-70-78-9 t-90-$ Half-lead and lead-end as Kent T.B.

Might I point out that many people who are trying to compile a list of methods rung to peals do not possess a copy of Corrigan's Surprise Major. Also, that those who are just starting to 'collect methods find it necessary to start with new methods and gradually work backwards. Also, Corrigan's Collections have been so messed around by some condyctors that we cannot always rely on the names in that collection. The fact that Foxearth is 8ths place Feering is of no use to a beginner if he hasn't got Feering. Are we to assume that Romford. Birmingham and Shoreditch are as given in Corrigan's? Is Northolt the same as the method rung five years ago in a peal of Spliced? Methods have been rung in spliced and then the name changed when rung to a peal. Hillingdon Surprise Royal is not the extension of Hillingdon Surprise Major given in Corrigan's. This means that the name of Hillingdon S. Major will have to be changed, since it has not been pealed. Royston again!

Can we have the place notation or C.C number of every new method when it is published, and not some time after: also. will conductors and others please ary to use the names with the methods given in Corrigan's. and stop causing more confusion by needlessly (or carelessly) using a different name for a method named in Corrigan's, and also needlessly (or carelessly) using names in Corrigan's for other methods? - Yours sincerely.

## FRANK T. BLAGROVE

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## HANDBELL RINGING

Dear Sir--Mr. Heppenstall's letter on handbell ringing exactly sums up the way I have always done it: like him. I never learn the blue line of a new method for handbell:

To my mind. the whole foundation of handbell ringing is to master thoroughly the combined work of 'positions' of the various pairs in the plain hunting course, the number of these being equal to the number of pairs of bells involved Thus in Major there is (1) the coursing position, rung by $1-2$ and $7-8$; (2) the $2-3$ position. rung by $2-3$ and $6-7:(3)$ the $3-4$ position, rung by $3-4$ and 5-6. and (4) . opposites. rung by $4-5$. It helps to study these by combined diagrams showing blue lines of both bells: and the bells should then be rung as one unit and be made to help each other as much as possible until the performance becomes quite automatic. Only much practice can achieve this: it was. I think, my hardest fence when learning: but anyone capable of learning to ring at all can do it, only providing he is ready to try.

The mathod of ringing by the places then follows. Mr. Heppenstall described this very clearly and pointed out its advantages in his letter. He and his band have certainly given ample demonstration of what can be done!

Handbell ringers are sometimes regarded as people with rather abnormal talent: this was particularly so in my younger days when far fewer ringers realised how it was done. Remarks such as 'It must be twice as hard as it is in the tower. though gratifying to vanity, really do not represent the true state of aftairs! [ once heard of a man who could write two entirely different letters simultaneously with a pen in each hand: now he must have had an abnormal 'kink. I do not think the average person could do this. however hard or long he tried-I know I could not. The idea that to be able to ring handbells one must have such a kink is one that, I am sure. puts many people off trying.

Handbell ringing depends very much on rhythm and preserving the pattern. and cellapses much more easily than tower bell ringing. For thi, reason I always try to tie my bells up by knowing their individual course bells. and. in Surprise. by trying to ring them from lead to lead, as ringers do in the tower. London Surprise is particularly liable to rapid disintegration: and it is also very easy in this method to cros; one's pair without knowing it It was. I am sure. owing to this that William Pye said. 'Don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing. This saying seems to have been adopted as a sort of rule by some ringers, and, because it was said by a very great ringer. has been given much more weight than it deserves. I think it has done much harm. Not only does it perpetuate the myth that one must have rather an abnormal mind. like the man who could write two letters at once: but it also suggests to the learner that it is wrong for him to learn to ring by position and link his bells together as a pair. It is not an original saying. for it comes straight out of the Sermon on the Mount (St. Matthew vi, 3). and was intended to govern cur attitude to almsgiving and not as an instruction on how we should ring handbells! In the latter connection I wish it could be forgotten and never heard again.
Finally, I deprecate the use of the word expert.' There are so many bogus experts about in all subjects today. one might almost say 'quacks and have done with it. In is good sense it jndicates a man who knows all about his subject and has finished learning; but I think that the great attraction in ringing is that one can never reach this stage: there is always something more to learn.
C. W. WOOLLEY.

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## DOUBLE NORWICH FOR THE BEGINNER

By WILFRID G. WILSON

I INTRODUCTION

NoORMALLY. the four standard methods are reckoned to be Grandsire. Stedman Plain Bob and Kent (or Oxford) Treble Bob. We have dealt. at various times, with three of them and you may, therefore. think it would have been more reasonable to deal next with Treble Bob. But if you, as a learner. learn Treble Bob next or if you, as a teacher teach Treble Boh next, you will find that the obvious follow up from that will be a Surprise method. probably Cambridge. You will have learnt the treble bob hunting and. attracted by the name of Surprise. you'll never look back.

And that would be a great pity. There are many good ringers to-day-you meet them at every Association practice-who cannot or do not ring Double Norwich. And there are many more who cannot conduct it, though they can probably ring and perhaps cal several Surprise methods.
Double Norwich is or should be the step before Surprise Major ringing. It is, musical it is simple and it is one of a very large number of Plain Major methods which are almost completely neglected. Yet they are interesting to ring and have many advantages over Surprise methods. For one thing courses are half the length so you can get more variety. For another true composition is as easy as it is in Plain Bob-there are no false course ends to worry about. The regular coursing order of the bells is retained, as in Plain Bob. but with the added advantage that the dodging at the front and back gives you more time 10 see the coursing order

Jasper Snowdon, in the preface to his book on Double Norwich, written tn 1884, says. "This method is. I consider, the one to which each ringer should turn his attention after mastering the four standard methods.

## II THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIMPLE

## METHODS

From this point onwards you will find it worth while 10 have pencil and paper handy. 1 am convinced that just reading anything to do with figures is not nearly so useful as if you make the effort and write them out and work them through for yourself.
To help us to understand the basis of Double Norwich Court Bob Major let us go back to Plain Bob and see what it is that forms the method out of a plain hunting course. You can't ring Double Norwich on six bells. but we will use six for our examples at first. for simplicity. At the end of the twelve changes on six bells (a plain hunt) we produce a new series of figures. instead of coming in to rounds. by one bell making seconds nlace over the treble and leading againi.e. instead of 123456 we have 135264.

And if we do this for five lead ends we have a coutse of Plain Bob Minor. At each of these lead ends the treble has been made to course or hunt between a different pair of bells. Hence, each of the five leads is different. But. you will say, the treble has a fixed path so how could we have moved it to between another pair of bells? What we have really done is to make one of the working bells. which was coursing in front of the treble. stay twice in one place (seconds) and then go behind the treble. The other bells, not being able for the moment to continue their hunting because of the place making bell. have dodged and then continued their hunting. There are live working be'ls and if we make this alteration five times we come back to our plain hunting order-rounds
We could equally well have made our alteration at the half lead end-when the treble is at the back. Instead of $645231 \quad 645231$ 654321 we could have 462531 . The bell
which was last when the treble got to the back. that is hunting in front of the treble. makes fifths place under the treble and then goes behind it. The other bells dodge once (in $1-2$ or $3-4$ ) because the place making temporarily upsets their plain hunting path.

We have nuade an alteration which is similar in effect to the lead end alteration of Plain Bob Minor-but at the back at the half lead end instead. Five of these alterations will bring us back to the plain hunting course again and we have a plain course of Reverse Bob Minor.

Now let us see what happens if we put both these alterations into operation in one method. Here is a lead with the 123456
place made at the half 214365
lead end when the treble 241635
is at the back and at the 426153
lead end when it gets to 462513
the front again. 645231 half
We sec that we have 462531 lead moved the position of the 645213 place reble in relation to the other 654123 bells once at the half lead 561432 and again at the lead end. 516342 So we have, in fact. 153624 lead end reached the same lead end 156342 place as we would get in Plain Bob Minor after two leads. Do this five times and we come back to rounds, having now got a course of Double Bob Minor.

## III COL'RT PLACES

The alterations dealt with in the last section are made by ordinary lead end or half lead end places. But we can equally well make such alterations by making a bell pass from one side of the treble to the other in the middle of the work. If you examine this example you will see that all 123456 the bells are plain hunting. except that the bell (3) hunting in fron' of the treble in the first hali of the lead 423165 stops in fourths place until the 243615 treble catches it up. then crosses it. makes thirds place and hunts up behind it. And when the places are being made some of 465123 the other bells have to dodge 641532 because the place interferes with 614523 their regular hunting path. (The 165432 black figures denote internal alteration.)

In the second half of the lead the corresponding internal places are made. The bell hunting in front of the treble (5) makes


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thirds place, lets the treble pass it, makes fourths place and follows the treble down Again some of the bells have to dodge while the places are being made

We have two sets of places in our lead and as with Double Bob Minor, we produce the lead end 156342-the second lead end of Plain Bob Minor. These internal places are called Court Places.
If you make these Court Places in five successive leads you will produce a plain course of Double Court Minor. Then if you draw the blue line by joining up one of the figures throughout the five leads you will find that you have quite an interesting looking method-though a quite simple, regular one If this was an article on building up methods, we could go on to consider what happens when we add to this last method sreonds place at the lead end or fifths place at the half lead end. or both. Or what happens if we have half of our court places in the first half of the lead and the remainder in the second half-and so on. We would have quite enough methods to be getting on with. But if we have written enough to show what Court Places are and how they make an alteration with the same effect as an ordinary internal place, then we are ready to look at Double Norwich.
(To be continued.)

## NORWICH DIOCESAN

A very enjoyable meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Yaxham. on July 23 rd. Abcut 30 members and friends sat down to tea which was given by the local ringer's.

The chairman (Mr. A. G. Bason) welcemed the president. Mr. F. N. Golden. after his sccond spell in hospital. The president. whe seemed well and truly back to his normal self, read a poem relating to a peal board in Yaxham lower. much to the amusement of all present. He emphasised the importance of these old peal boards.

Mr. A. Twyman, of Bowdon, Cheshire. was elected a N.R.L.M.. and fellow members were present from Bowdon. Cheshire, and Epsom. A very interesting address was given by the Vicar, the Rev. D. F. J. Rutt. In the absence of the Ringing Master. J. R. Smith. the bells were kept going from rounds to London Surprise. under the guidance of C. F. Goodman. Next meeting October 15th. at Reepham. Methods for practice. London and Duke of Norfolk

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On August 13th ringers from the Biggles wade District held their monthly meeting a Northill The Rector. Rev. T. A. Frost. conducted the service and welcomed the visitors to his church

Mr. L. Bywaters was Ringing Master for the afternoon and he also took the chair for the business meeting, which followed tea. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Sandy, on September 10 th. A joint meeting with the Ely Diocesan Association had been arranged for Septeriber 17th at Si. Neols.

Mr. A. Smith said that Mr. C. E. Jeffries had been proposed as a non-resident life member of the Association, prior to 3 peal at Maulden. and this was duly ratified.
More visitors arrived when ringing was resumed and during the short interval, which was caused by a rope breaking. the company were entertained by handbell ringing. S. P.

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## GuILDFORD GUILD ASSISTANT SECRETARY WEDS



## EMMANUEL, PLYMOUTH, RINGERS IN SOMERSET

A telegram from the Vicar and Mrs. Young, on holiday in Scotland, extending good wishes for the day, was read before Emmanuel ringers set out on their annual outing on July 16th at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The idea was to get well beyond Exeter before stopping. This we did, and although there was a short stop for coffee two miles from Honiton, Crewkerne was reached on time and we received the congratulations of the Rev. Mr. Marshall. He and his wife joined us in a louch or two.
Traffic congestion was met at Yeovil, and this meant cutting the lunch period to be at the church on time and have an hour's ringing on the splendid ten. The fine eight at Milborne Port (tenor 29 cwt .) followed. before we had tea at Wincanton. We could not ring at Wincanton because of a broken gudgeon pin to the seventh, but Mr. Chilcott, the captain, kindly arranged for us to ring at Ditcheat, where we had some fine ringing.
Castle Cary was reached about 41 minutes late, but the captain there was waiting for us, he hiving heard of the slight change of programme. This was a grand finale to a grand day.
A most cordial welcome was accorded us at every tower. Mr. Chilcott was very upset that we could not ring at Wincanton as he had arranged the tea. He has a personal interest in Emmanuel as towards the end of the war, when stationed at Mount Batten, he rang with us on a number of occasions.
H. H.T.

I SSISTANT secretary of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Miss Winifred Rosemarie Hide, only child of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hide. of 8 . Crondall Lane. Farnham, was married Farnham Parish Church on August 6th to Mr. Geoffrey Hugh Chapman. a ringer and server at St. Michael's Church. Aldershot. The Rev. E. Wood officiated. and the bells were rung before and after the service by Farnham and Aldershot ringers.
Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a full-length white brocade dress with full-length veil held in place by a coronet of orange blossom. The bridesmaids were Ann (the sister of the bridegroom). Muriel Woodger and eight-year-old Janet Denyer. Mr. Gordon Williams was best man.
At the reception. the health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by Mr. C. W. Denyer. Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Handbells were rung at the reception and the honeymoon is being spent motoring on the Continent. Presents included a week-end case and tray from Farnham Parish Church ringers and a pyrex set from St. Michael's. Aldershot. ringers.
|Photo: ' Surrey and Hants News.'
WEDDING OF MISS MARGARET RAND
A member of a ringing family and a ringer herself. Miss Margaret Rand. only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Rand. of Ashendon. Bucks, was married to Mr. Thomas W. Roberts. only son of Mr and Mrs. D. Roberts. of Tring. Herts. at St. Mary's Church. Ashendon. on August 6th. The Rev. C. H. C. Edwards officiated.
Unfortunately. Ashendon Church has only three bells-one of those being cracked-and so 10 mark the occasion six friends attempled and were successful in ringing a quarter peal at nearby Wotton Underwood tower. where the bride has been a ringer for several years.

## A CHESHIRE WEEK

Reporting on his successful peal week in the Cheshire area. Mr. Brian Harris writes that for the fourth year running a week's ringing has heen held to help some ringers in the area to practise some of the simpler Surprise methods.
They had also one first pealer in a peal of Grandsire Triples and a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob for a change. David Ilewellyn. from Cardiff. joined the party and. as the footnotes show, made quite a lot of progress.
Only one peal was lost-Bristol Surprise-but. comments Mr. Harris. Perhaps we were a little rash to attempt this on a Friday evening!'

## Cheltenham Tower Captain and Bride



DICTURED here are Mr. Cyril A. Wratten. captain of St. Mary's Cheltenham, tower. and his bride. Miss Margery A. Birch. formerly of Truro after their wedding at All Saints' Church. Hartley. Kent. on July 30 ith . Wish them is Mr. Alan Carveth. the best man: the Rev. R. A. Williams. formerly of Truro, officiated.

The bride. who was given away by her father. wore a short dress of white broderie anglaise. The two hells of Hartley were chimed and handbells rung as the happy couple lefi the church. After a recention at Hartley Rectory, the bride and bridegroom left for a honeymoon in Guernsey. Their home will be 36. Waseley Road. Cheltenham

Peals in honour of the occasion were rung at Stisted. Essex. and Kenwyn. Truro.

## B.ARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Nine towers were represented at the monthly meeting at Eastwood. near Rotherham. on August 13th. Mr. Noel F. Moxon. who presided at the short business meeting. thanked all responsible for the excellent arrangements and the warm welcome. The next meeting. the cup contest. will be at Hoylandswaine, near Sheffield. on September 10th.

## THANK YOU

Congratulations and thanks to the veterans of the Kent County Association. and I would like them to know that I appreciate vely much the dedication of their peal to the memory of my husband. Thank you!
(Mrs.) E. M. MITC'HELL.

## A WEEK-END IN DERBY

AREA
The fortunate few who were privileged to take part in the August Bank Holiday weekend tour in Derbyshire. organised by Mrs. E. A. G. Bowden. will long remember it as a period of intense activity and enjoyment.
The main party assembled on Friday evening. July 29th. at Breadsall Rectory, where Mrs. Bowden's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Grime. held open house, and the earlier arrivals had the pleasure of joining the ringers at nearby Duffield in their weekly practice.
The following morning, the real business commenced. with a peal of Yorkshire Major at Crick, which was brought round in grand style. Lunch. at Ashover. was followed by a really fine peal of Double Norwich, which brought hearty congratulations from a prominent local ringer and the Vicar of Ashover. who invited us to the Vicarage for refreshments.
But a mere two peals was hardly enough to satisfy the enthusiasm of these lads and lasses, so we made a dash for Bakewell and were rewarded with a touch or two on the newly rededicated eight bells.

On Sunday morning we joined in the service ringing at Breadsall. and rang touches of Stedman. Cambridge and London. and in the afternoon a peal of Superlative was scored at Darley Dale.
The carly part of Bank Holiday was spent in a sort of treasure hunt. but eventually we found our objective-that architectural gem. the Church of the Holy Angels. Hoar Cross. and here we spent a pleasant hour on the very fine six bells.
A quick 'pull , at Church Gresley preceded lunch. after which came the last peal attempt of the tour. at Loughborough Parish Church. But here came the anti-climax. for this band. with a fair blend of talent and experience, just could not settle to Cambridge Royal and in spite of the gallant efforts of our conductor. D P. Jones, we had to bow our heads and steal away from the lower after about an hour's indifferent ringing.

However. three peals from four attempts was not bad going and all agreed that a most enjoyable and successful time had been hadwe evan enjoyed the more-or-less continuous search for the lost camera. the property of John Hunt. (What a name for a never-rest expedition!) At Loughborough we said our 'good-byes. hoping to meet again soon, and in the meantime we shall never forget the wonderful hospitality of the Rev. and Mrs. Grime. nor the welcome we were given by the incumbents of other places. where we were not only given permission to ring. but were even provided with refreshments after peals!

Yes, a memorable week-end indeed. spent among those lovely hills and dales, where we always found a welcome, enjoyed ringing on some excellent bells and renewed acquaintance with many old fricnds, including "Jafus." and that dynamic personality. Mr. C. E. Jeffries.
Finally, may I say, on behalf of us all:
Thank you. Elizabeth!'
A. E. R.

## MARSTON RINGERS' DAY OUT

The Thame-Aylesbury area was selected by ringers of St. Nicholas: Old Marston, and other Oxford friends. for their outing on August 6th.

After lunch at Thame, an hour's ringing took place on the eight bells of Long Crendon. followed by a visit to the five bell tower of Nethet Winchendon, where the Vicar and tower captain joined in the ringing. Other towers visited before a pienic lea were St . Nicholas. Cuddington. and SS. Peter and Paul's. Dinton. the heaviest ring of the day.

The long draught at St. John-the-Baptist's. Stone. caused some initial difficulties and at the last tower. St. Mary s. Haddenham. the Vicar welcomed the party. A tired hut happy company made it: way hack to Oxford. For their help in making the tour so successful thank: are accorded incumbents and tower captains.

## OBITUARY

MR. P. H. MARSHALL
Yatton. Somerset. ringers will sadly miss. both in the tower and church. a faithful member of the band. Mr. P. H. Marshall, who passed away after a comparatively short illness

The funeral on August 8 th was conducted by Preb. G. A. Beechey (Vicar), and was well attended as "Harry' was held in high esteem as honorary secretary of the ringers. deputy churchwarden, church councillor and sidesman He was also a prominent member of Yatton Bowling Club. The lesson was read by the captain of the ringers. Mr. H. A. Price (lay reader).

As a fitting tribute to a well-loved member a plain course of Grandsire Triples. on handbells. was rung by Mrs. Kingcott. Mr. H. W. Knight. Mr. W. Kingcott and Mr. D. Yeo (branch secretary) in the church at the end of the service

After cremation, the ashes were interred in Yatton churchyard privately later in the day

In the evening a half-muffied quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung. in his memory by M. N. Price 1. H. W. Knight 2. S. G. Smith 3. R. H. Brice 4. E. A. Price 5. D. E Vowles 6. H. A. Price (cond.) 7. J. K. Baker 8. Miss N. Baker and Messrs T. A. Price. L. W. Pullin and G. W. Westlake joined in the preliminary ringing. Our sympathy is extended to his widow and family

## KNIGHTS' KNAVES TOUR

August Monday saw 'Knights" Knaves again on a day's tour, although this year a few in the party could not be called. Knaves. The coach started from Willingham at 7.45 a.m and proceeded to Apsley End. Hertfordshire. there to be met by D. E. R. Knights, who had arranged the tour. Also waiting to welcome the party was Mr. W. Ayre and local members, and these fine bells were soon going to a varicty of methods.

Langleybury was visited before lunch at Watford. Then on to Bushey, Harrow Weald and Stanmore, with a fair selection on Major methods.

Tea followed at Edgware, after which we went to Elstree and Edgware to conclude the day's ringing.
Ringing at all the towers visited was thoroughly enjoyed, and the excellent "go' of the bells much appreciated
Our organist friend, who made the journey with us. enjoyed playing the organ at six of the churches. Leaving Edgware about 10 p.m.. Willingham was reached in the small hours. Thank you. Don. for another enjoyable day and also thanks to incumbents and ringers who met us.
H. S. P.

## Mrs. Elisabeth Bowden's 100 Peals

Mrs. Elisabett A. G. Bowden, of Westbury-on-Trym. Bristol, has an interesting list for her first 100 peals:-

Doubles.-Grandsire 1, 2 methods 4
Minor.-Plain Bob 7.2 methods 1, 3 methods 3. 4 methods 7. Kent T.B. 1. Cambridge 3.

Triples.-Plain Bob 1, Grandsire 2. Erin Stedman 4.
Major.-Plain Bob 4. Kent T.B. 3. Double Norwich 4. Little Bob 1, Kent and Oxford 1. Superlative 1. Cambridge 5. Yorkshire 8. Ruiland 1. London 2. Lincolnshire 3. Bristol 2. Pudsey 1. Painswick 1
Caters.-Grandsire 8. Stedman 10 (conducted 1).

Royal_Plain Boh 2. Kent T.B. 1
Cinques.-Grandsire 5. Stedman 1
Maximus.-Kent T.B.
Total: 100 (conducted i).

## LATE NEWS

We regret to announce the death of the Rev. A. D. H. Allan. of Weston-super-Mare, at Southmead Hospital. Bristol. on August 12 th, aged 86 years.
Mr. Roger Keeley. of Lyme Regis. a former Masier of the University of London Society. was ordained deacon by the Bishop of Salisliury. at All Saints Church. Harnham. Salisbury, on August 14 th . His ordination was deferred from Trinity Sunday as he was taken ill two nights before.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

UNIVERSITIES* ASSOCIATION-Dinner, January 7th. 1961. Victoria. London: four towers. Tour. August 18th-26th. 1961. it Pendley Manor. Tring. Herts. I shall bo away during September-urgent communicitions to Miss Cross. School House, Radley Abingdon. Berks.-D. J. Roaf.

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Derby District) \& MIDLAND COUNTIES' GUILD Annual joint meeting at Repton, Saturday, August 27 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m.-W. A. Morley. Dis. Sec. 6419 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION,-Dunster Branch.-Branch practice at Old Cleeve. Saturday. August 27th. 7 p.m. -A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec. 6486
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford District. - Meeting at Wittersham, on Saturday, August 27th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m-C. T. H.

6375
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETK.Meeting at Otley (8). on Saturday, August 27th. at 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided, bring own food
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Melton Mowbray District.-Mceting at Ashby-Folville, on Saturday. August 27th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea (please) not later than Wedne:day. August 24 ih. to Miss Betty Smith. The Hollies,' Barsby, near Leicester.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Chalfont St. Giles. Saturday August 27th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILDMeeting at St. Mary's, Langdon Hills, Saturday, August $27 \mathrm{th}, 3$ p.m. Please bring own ea. September meeting cancelled. 6443 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting at Christ Church, Eastbourne, on August 27th Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Northern District.-Mecting. Whitby (10). August 27th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea immediately after. All welcome particu. larly Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association members.-Edward Hudson. Hon. Sec.

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ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD -Meeting 10 be held at Marsden (10). on September 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Nimes for tea to Mr. D. B. Cater, "Newlands," 7. Lane Ings Marsden, please. All weleome.-D. Smith.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION--Ilchester Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Hardington Mandeville (6). Saturday, September 3rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for lea by Monday.-R. J. Fox. 109, Middle Street. Yeovil.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Bedford District.-Meeting at Bletsoe (6). Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, to Mr. R. G. Corby. 26. Heathfield. Putnoe.
Redford.-R. L. Piton, Dis Sec. Redford.-R. L. Piion. Dis Sec. 6490
DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch.Meeting, Woodbury, Saturday, September 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 to 8 p.m. Numbers for tea to J. L. Glanvill, Higher Bagmores, Wood-
bury. Phone $261-$ R. Perry, Sec.
6442 bury. Phone 261-R. Perry, Sec. 6442
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Ely District.-Meeting Chatteris. Saturday. Septem-
ber 3rd. Bells (6)
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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District Meeting. Tollesbury, Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W.
Saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 6448 saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 6448
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Guildford District.-Meeting on Saturday. September 3rd. at Willey. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to S. Ponting. Highdown. Milford Heath, Milford. Godalming 2176.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONWulford District.-Meeting. Aldenham (8), September 3rd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names. please. by August 31 st. io Mr. C. Evans. 20. Watling Street. Radlett.-G. W. W
Scaman. Dis. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northerr District.- Evening meeting at Ashwell. on Saturday. September 3rd. at 5.30 p.m. - E.
Buck. Dis. Sec. KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Tonbridge District--Meeting at Leigh, on Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (2s. 6d.. per head) 5 p.m. Names for tea. with cash. please. by Wednesday, August 31 st. to Mr. B. Pankhurst.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-By-meeting at Cohham. Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by previous Wednesday please. to J. Coleman Cobham Hall. Cobham. Gravesend.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-BlackLANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Black-
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Blackburn. Holy Trinity (3-5 p.m.). and St. Michael's (from 6.30 p.m.). Cups of tea. followed by niectung in Holy Trinity School. at
5 p.m.-John Pilkington.
6460 p.m.-John Pilkington.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Liverpool Branch.-Meeting. St. Peter's. Woolton. Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m... followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, August 31 st. to Miss W. Kenyon. 220. Hunts Cross Avenue. Wodton. Liverpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. September 3rd. at Christ Church. Southport. Bells 3 p.m. Please make your own arrangements for tea. 6491 borough District-Ibstock. September 3rd. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Church Hall. Names by August 30 th. to | Mr. |
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| $\mathrm{C} . \mathrm{W}$. Hall. | WORTH WALI. WALES ASSOCIATION-Halfyearly meeting. St. Thomas'. Rhyl. Saturday. September 3 rd. Bells ( 8 ) available from 2 p.m. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names by Wedne iday.

August 31 st . to W . Catherall. 19. Cuntiffe Walk. Garden Village. Wrexham.
19. Cunliffe OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - North Bucks Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Great Linford (6). Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 . Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to C. Sapweil. 3 Station Terrace. Great Linford. Newpor Pagnell. Bucks.-F Vickers.
peterborough diocesan guild The summer festival will he held at Weilford. on Saturday. September 3rd. Committec meeting in the village hall at 3.15 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} . . \mathrm{followed}$ by tea. Tickets may be obtained at $3 / 6 \mathrm{~d}$. each C.W.O.. from Mr.E. M Thresther. 22 Watson Road. Long Buchby.

Rugby. before August 27th. Towers available I1 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Great Brington (6), Spratton (5). Yelvertoft (5), Lilbourne (5), Stanford-on-Avon (5). 1 to 2.30 p.m.: West Haddon (5). Ravensthorpe (5). Long Buckby (5), East Haddon (6). Creaton (6). 1 to 3.30 p.m.: Oxendon (5) Hazelbech (8). 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.: Cotteshrooke (6). Naseby (5). Marston Trussell (5), Sibbertoft (5). 2.30 to $4 \mathrm{p.m}$. Welford (8). All will be available after tea until 8.30 p.m.. with the addition of Guilsborough (6), but with the exception of Spratton, Stanford-on-Avon, Great Brington.G. 'W. Jeffs.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting. Rowde. Saturday, September 3rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins 136. Bradley Road. Trowbridge. Wilts. 6305

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - Sillishury Branch.-Practice meeting September 3 rd Woodford (6) from 6.30 p.m.-Mrs. Abrahams 8. Dorset Road. Salisbury.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. -Meeting at Whiston. Saturday, Seplember 3 rd. 3 p.m. Cups of tea available. bring own food.-J. Seager. Sec.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Meeting, September 3rd, Attenborough. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea by August 31st. to Mr. Rose, 'Wyoming., Notingham Road. Long Eaton.-S. Adams. Dis. Sec.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District. -Practice nketing at West Stow (6). Saturday. September 3 rd. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m Please note Ixworth bells are not available, as proposed. owing to a visiting band of ringers. -A. F. Ballam. Dis. Sec.. West Stow. Bury St. Edmunds.

SURREY ASSOCIATION - Northern Dis-tricl.-Quarterly district meeting. September ird. West Hill. Wandsworth. Bells 3 to 4 p.m. Service at Putney at 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting in the new hall Names for tea by previous Wednesday, 10
Mr. L. W. Allen. 34. St. John's Avenue, Putney. S.W. 15 . Putney bells after until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ W. Parrott. Hon. Sec. 6461

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern Division.-Quarterly meeting. Dane Hill (6). on Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea only to those who notify by Wednesday. August 31st. Mr. A. J. Butcher. The Cottage. Christopher Fields. Dane Hill.E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec. 6476

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD Southern District. - Quarterly meeting. Gorseinon. September 3rd. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m All welcome.-J. T. Williams, Dis. Sec. 6446
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Christchurch District. - Quarterly meeting. Fordingbridge. Saturday. September 3 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.. The Albany Hotel. Breamore bells (4) available after meeting. Names for tea by Seplember 1st. to Mr. R. Marlow. Bickton. Fordinghridge. Hants. 6471

BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY Cup contest. Hoylandswaine. Saturday. Septemher 10 th . entrance fee 6 s . Names to J. W Buxton. Roydhouse. Shelley, Huddersfield. Tea, please notify not later than September 5 th. Mr. Noel F. Moxon. Green Gahles, Cawthorne. Barnsley
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - North wich Branch.-Meeting at Weaverham. Saturday. Septemher 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous. to Mr William Hornby, 33. Forster A venue. Weaverham. Northwich. 6468
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Northern District Meeting. Saturday. September 10th. Witham Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. E. Bright. 42. Cressing 6470 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Mecting at Tring. Saturday. September 10 th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. September 6th. to Mr. C. Badrick. 63. Dundale Road. Tring.-J. Gond. Dis. Sec. 6472

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Canter hury District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).-Combined meeting. Lyminge (8) Saturday, September 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 2s. per head. Names together with cash, please by September 7th, to Mr. E. J. Marin. 'Woodbury.' Church Road.
Lyminge, Folkestone.-T. C.P.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.-By-meeting. at Snodland September 10 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Tea 5 p.m.-R. L. Sills. Dis. Sec. 6469
LADIES GUILD.-Western District.-Saturday, September 10 orh. half-day outing (private cars). Ringing at Evercreech 2.15-3.15 p.m.. Shepton Mallet 3.30-4.30. Wedmore 6.15-7.15. Rowberrow $7.30-8.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please bring own tea. Members requiring transport contact the Secretary. B. Johnson, 10. Lancashire LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. Quarterly general meeting. Saturday. Septemher 10th. Bells available: Astrby-Folville (8) Somerby (6) and Great Dalby (5) 2-4 p.m.: Twyford (6) 4-4.30 and 6.30-8.30. Service at Twyford 4.30 (preacher Rev. A. W. Harrison. Vicar of Somerby). Tea, followed by meeting in Twyford School Rooms 5 p.m. Names for tea by September 7th. to Mrs. G. R. Farmer Lowesby Lane. Twyford. Melton Mowbray Leics. General Committee meeting in Twyford School Room, at 3.45 p.m.-B. G. Warwick. Hon. Gen. Sec.

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## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING

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September 5th, please to J. G. Burton. 71. Bagnall Road. Milton, Stoke-onTrent. Bells available after tea: Sioke 6 to 8.30 p.m.. Fenton (8) 6.30 to 8.30 Longton (8) 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.-J. G.
Burton, Hon. Sec., North Stafts Assn.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Burton-onStather (8). September 10 th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by September 7th, to Mr. Barnes. Tee Lane. Burton-on-Stather. Scunthorpe. 6480 LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Meeting at Llangibby. Saturday September 10th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business.-J. S. King. 6478 PETERBOROUGH AND ELY.-Joint meeting at Whittlesey, September 10 th. Afternoon ringing and service at St. Androw's. ringing also St. Mary's in evening. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday previous without fail. to G. Bush, 18. Princes Sireet. Peterborough.

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Why is it almost safe to say that no two bells run alike? Surely with modern bellhanging they should be very similar, apart from weight-but they are not! However, the instructor is right when he says that any ringer with correct technique of bell control can ring any bell within the limits of his physical strength. And the foundation of that technique is so simple-a long, straight pull at backstroke.

Examine the factors making bells different to handle:-

1. Length of Draught.-A long length of rope always increases the difficulty of handling, especially with light bells. In dry weather the ropes are very elastic and give a springy non-positive feel to the weight of the bell. The long draught also aggravates the amount of the shortening of the ropes in wet weather.
2. Height of Belfry Ceiling.-The ideal height is such that the sallies just disappear at backstroke. With higher ceilings in ground floor belfries it is usual to have sally guides, which counteract the tendency for ropes to drift out of reach, but usually they produce a considerable rattle which makes listening difficult. In any case, extra care must be taken to pull the backstroke well in. When the ceiling is too low there is a tendency for the sallies to lay on the floor above if the ringer is slack in his pull.
3. Weight of Bell.-Any bells under 5 cwt . need careful ringing. Bumping the bell off the stay is the most common fault, and this may be avoided by catching the sally high and keeping the rope's end short so that the body must be lifted on to the toes before a bump can occur. On heavy bells the pull must be judged very accurately, for if overpulled the bell will require more checking than the ringer is capable of. Economy of effort is essential. Ringing a heavy bell is a fine art. and good striking can only be maintained if the 'back bells ' are well handled.
4. The Hanging of the Bell--Modern hanging is seldom other than in ball-bearings, which naturally reduces the effort needed to ring heavy bells; but a bell properly hung in plain bearings is sometimes more pleasant to ring. Some old heavy bells are very long waisted, and the headstocks being attached to 'canons ' instead of the modern flat boss makes for much leverage against the ringer and also much slowness in striking. The modern arched iron headstock tucks up the bell. greatly reducing the pull required, though producing complications in 'clappering up,' which have to be solved by specially counterbalancing the clappers. The use of the straight 'Hastings' stay with ' $S$ ' guide instead of the old-fashioned curved stay and slider makes no difference to the feel of a bell, but the old style is more liable to be deformed and cause the bell to set awkwardly deep at one stroke.
5. Acoustics.-Many good rings of bells are unpleasant to ring owing to their being either difficult to hear or too loud for the conductor to be able to make himself heard. The ideal is to have an intermediate room between the belfry and bell chamber. When bells are close above and sound-deadening materials are put in, the volume of sound fluctuates when most of the sallies are in the rope holes at backstroke. The rattle of ropes in sally guides has already been mentioned as a nuisance in long-draught towers. Modern bells have so much more "breath' in them than old ones that they are seldom difficult to hear, but in some cases the hum and harmonics produced swamp the top notes and make the sounds indistinct.
You are probably not so fortunate as to be in an ideal tower, with the best of bells and ringing conditions, but if you ring well and do justice to your tower and bells you will gain much personal satisfaction and give pleasure to the many people in the parish who like the sound of their bells-A. W.

From ' The Belfry.'

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## FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PEALS

To commemorate the 50 th anniversary of her death (August 13th, 1910) and the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first Florence Nightingale Training School for Nurses.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { ALL RUNG FOR THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH } \\
& \text { DIOCESAN GUILD. } \\
& \text { BRIGHTWALTON, BERKSHIRE. } \\
& \text { On Wed., Aug. 10, 1960, in } 2 \text { Hours and } 45 \text { Minutes, } \\
& \text { At the Church of All Sainis, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR } \\
& \text { Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob } \\
& \text { and three of Plain Boh. } \\
& \text { Eric Woolgrove } \\
& \text {.Treble } \\
& \text { John C. Baldwin } \\
& \begin{array}{l}
\text { Bob and Kent Treble Bob } \\
\text { Tenor } 8 \mathrm{cwt} \text {. } 1 \text { qr. } 21 \mathrm{lb} \text {. }
\end{array} \\
& \text { John C. Baldwin .. .. } 2 \text { Arthur Sayers } \\
& \text { Reginald F. Crook.. ... } 3 \text { Geoffrey K. Dodd } \\
& \text { Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd. }
\end{aligned}
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First peal in more than one Minor method on the bells.

## CHRISTCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sat., Aug. 13. 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes. At the Priory Church of The Holy Trinity, A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 28 cwt . in D .


SOUTHAMPTON. HAMPSHIRE.
On Sut., Aug. 13. 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, At the Chlurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt .2 gr. 8 lb . in E flat.

| *Pamela A. Jones .. . . Treble | O. Neville Curtis. . . 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Norman Hayes .. .. 2 | David E. House . . . 6 |
| Janice E. Williamson. | Maurice J. Butler. . . 7 |
| Michael J. Thomas .. 4 | Robert C. Kippin .. . . Tehor |
| Composed by John Carter. * First peal. | Conducted by Robert C. Kippin. |

WINCHESTER. HAMPSHIRE
On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity and St. Swithun, A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor 35 cwt .2 qr .6 lb . in C .

Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

* First peal of Cinques.

BISHOPSTOKE. HAMPSHIRE.
On Sun., Aug. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5230 NIGHTINGALE TREBLE PLACE BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . in F sharp.
David e. House
Reginald W. Rex $\ldots$

## TEN BELL PEAL

## CROYDON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,
At The Church of St. John-the-baptist.
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 36 cwt .3 qr .13 lb . in C sharp.

| Arthur G. Mason | Treble | Frederick J. Cullum |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harold N. Pitstow | 2 | - Norman G. Steerf.. |
| Hirbirt E. Audsley | - 3 | George J. Butcher |
| Hugh Neill | 4 | Frederick E. Collins |
| Giordon T. Peters | 5 | Walter H. Dobbie |

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.
Conducted by Frederick E. Collins.

* First peal of Stedman, and on ten bells.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., July 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 CHURCH OF ST. PERER.
Tenor 13 cWL .3 qr .7 lb .


Composed by A. Craven.
Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.

* First peal of Treble Bob. $\dagger 150$ th peal.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saf., July 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael-at-Coslany,
A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in $F$.
William Clover .. Treble


| .. 2 |
| :--- |
| $\therefore$ |

Dennis Symonds ... .. 5
*Geoffrey R. Drew ... 4 *Leslie N. Melton.. .. Tenor
Composed by N. J. Pirsiow. Conducted by Henry Tooke.

* First peal of New Cambridge Surprise.

> LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
> On Sat., Aug. 19 , 1960 , in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

Ar The brle Foundry Campanile.

A PEAL, OF G720 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Edward Jenkins Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb . in C. \begin{tabular}{lll|lllll}
Fred Dunerley \&.. \& $\ldots$ \& 2 \& Basil Jones <br>
Brian Hartis \&.. \&. \&. \& 6 <br>
Bobert \& B. Smith \&.. \&. \& 7

 

Brian Harris <br>
Bernard F. L. Groves \& .. \& 3 \& 4 \& Jobert B. Smith Worth \& .. \& . <br>
7 <br>
\hline
\end{tabular} Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis. Conducted hy John Worth.

MORPETH. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Alug. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt 26 lh . in G.
J. Alan Ainsworth .. Treble| Kenneth W. Cheeseman 5

John E. Anderson.. .. 2 Nicholas I. Wright .. 6

| *Alan R. Patierson | . | 3 | George S. Deas |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Marion S. Ainsworth ... | 4 | Eric N. Harrison | 7 |

Composed by Walter P. Whitehead. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

* First peal of Major.

GREAT TEW, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 13, 19t0, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES


* First peal of Stedman.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Aug. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 19 Minules,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

## Johnson's variation.

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

| Ernest Morris | Treble | Russell S. Morris |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Richard J. Clifton | 2 | Brian G. Warwick |
| John A. Acres | 3 | G. Ronald Edwards |
| - Brian M. Smith | 4 | - $\dagger$ A. James Poynor.. . . Tenor |

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { John A. Acres } & . & \ldots & 3 & \text { G. Ronald Edwards .. } 7 \\ \text { - Brian M. Smith } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { †A. James Poynor... .. Tenor }\end{array}$
Composed by Charles Middleton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. * First peal in the method. +100 th peal.

EVESHAM. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Mon.. Aug. 15, 1960. in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

## AT THE BELL TOWER. <br> A PEAL OF 5072 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt 16 lb . in G sharp.

* Michafl C. Homans ..Treble Geoffrey J. Hemming .. 5
†Jacqufllinf A. Robfris 2 \#William B. Pomproy... 6 $\ddagger$ Michael G. Selby....
§Raymond W. Selby
§R Composed by Albert M. Tyler. Conducted by Geoffrey J. Hemming. - First peal. + First inside on eight. $\ddagger$ First of Major in the method. § First of Major.

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Aug. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules.
At the Church of St. Ambrose.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Grove's variation.

Victor J. Williams

- Michael J. Hobbs

Gillian M. Hussey
Cliff Richards
Clifr Richards
Clife Richards ... 4

Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.

Conducied by Reginald tFrank R. Hussey

- First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First peal.

Rung to the glory of God, and as an appreciation for the life, work and example of Frank Skidmore.

REVELSTOKE, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Wed., Aug. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwl , in F
H. Frederick Myers

Thomas G. Myers..

- Frederick E. Day.

Ann George
Treble

Composed by J. R. Pritchard
Conducted by Thomas G. Myers. bells.

Arranged for ringers of 4,5,6 and tenor, on holiday in the west. ERITH. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules,
At the. Church of Si. John-ihf-Bapilsi:
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE, MAJOR
In four methods, comprising 1.312 Bristol, 1.280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative; 112 changes of method and all the work for each bell.
$\begin{array}{lcc}\text { Doris E. Colgate } & . . & \text {.. Treble } \\ \text { Arthur G. Mason } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\ 2\end{array}$
Arthur G. Mason .. ...ceble *Ralph Bird
Thomas J. Lock

- Ian H. Oram

George J. Butcher
Frederick J. Cullum
Composed by A. J. Pitman (C.C.C. 13).
Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

- 100th peal logether.

BUCKINGHAM. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,
At rhe Church of SS. Peter and Paul
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 27 cw
William J. Chester .. Treble *James Linnell
Thomas E. Roblerts..
Frederick C. Case

| 2 | Charles Truman |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | George E. Green | Frederick Vickers

4 George W. Holland 7 Composed by C. Middleion. Conducted by George W. Holland

* First peal of Major in the method.

Rung as a compliment to Roger Keeley, whose ordination took place at East Harham on August 14th

KIRKBURTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of All Hallows.
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
David Cubiti
*Rodney Pagdin
Treble Geoffréy Townend
W. Eric Critchley

2
3
4
Kenneth Park
*Noel F. Moxon
*Herman Rusby
*Trevor Tarbatt
Arranged and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

- First peal on eight bells.


## LYDD. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis.
OF 5152 SPIICED SURPDISE
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1.280 each of London Cambridge and Superlative: 112 changes of method and all the work

Paul J. Dye
Doris E. Colgate
Joan Beresford
Arthur S. Richards
for each bell. Tenor 15 cwt 2 qr 7 lb.

Treble
Ralph Bird
Ian H. Oram
Philip A. Corby
Philip A.Corby
Pitman (C.C.C. 13).

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NORTH BRADLEY, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
At The Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOR MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt . in F .
Frederick S. Slatford ...Treble Brynley A. Shackleton. .
Reginald H. Newton .. 2 Herbert W. Woolven
Norman G. Kn Reginald G. Hooper Eric J. Hitchins
Conducted by Reginald G. Hooper.
Rung to mark the occasion of the marriage on Thursday. August 18th, of Laurence E. Hitchins, a member of this tower, and Gillian M. Watts.

RICKMANSWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt .20 lb . in D.
*Susan J. Slade .Treble | + John A. Underwood $\ddagger$ Brian A. Cracknell
Geoffrey K. Dodd
Alan R. Pink
$\dagger$ Reginald W. Rex.

Conducted by Alan $\ddot{R}$ Penor $\dagger$ Michael Hatchett

4 Composed by C. H. Middleton. - First peal of Major. † First of Major in the method. $\ddagger$ First in the method.

Rung within the octave of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and as a welcome to Father N. W. Hill as Vicar of this parish.

> SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJUR
Johnson's variation. Tenor 14 cWt .1 qr .19 lb . in F.
Herbert Goakes .. .. Treble | Brian G. Warwick..... 5
Patricia A. Wardle.. .. 2 John A. Acres.. Ernest Morris.. .. .. 3 Roland H. Cook Brian M. Smith .. .. 4 Russell S. Morris .. . . Tenor
Composed by Charles Middleton. Conducted by. Brian G. Warwick. Arranged for Herbert Goakes, of Peterborough.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 19太(), in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.). Tenor 13 cwt 1 qr 7 lb.

Cliff Richards .....Treble Herbert W. Woolven .. 5 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2 J. James Jefferies . Brynley A. Shackleton. .
Richard J. Bowden. .
Jilan F. Lee .
Percival R. Young. Conducted by Alan F. Lee.
Rung in memory of William J. Prescott, tower master of Bath Abbey.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and mixed Kent and
Oxford T.B.. two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt .
*Elisaberh A. G. Bowden Treble J. Anthony Benneit .. 4 Cliff Richards .. .. 2 Patrick J. Bird
Don C. Exell. . .. .. 3 *D. JOhn Hunt .. . . Tenor
Conducted by Patrick J. Bird.

- 25th peal together.


## OAKSEY, WILTSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 DURHAM SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt .


Peter 1. Hurcombe. . . . 3 L Brian Bladon .. .. . . Tenor Conducted by Anthony R. Peake:

* First peal of Surprise away from the treble. First in the method by all the band, and for the Association. First peal on the bells.

ALGARKIRK. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Double Oxford and Plain Boh, (3) St. Clement's and Childwall, (4) Oxford Treble Bob, (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .

$\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { F. Keith Williamson } & \text {. Treble } & \text { Albert W. A. Leggett. } & 4 \\ \text { *John Thorley } & \text {.. } & . . & . . & 2 & \text { J. Martin Thorley } & . . \\ 5\end{array}$ | *John Thorley |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Geoffrey C. Rix | .. | .. | 2 | *J. Martin Thorley | .. |
| Bernard E. Matthews | . Tenor |  |  |  |  | Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

* 25 th peal together. The conductor has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal of Minor in seven or more methods.

FOLKINGHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Aug. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Single Oxford and Double Bob, (3) Thelwall, Double Oxford. Childwall and St. Clement's, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt . Geoffrey C. Rix .. .. Treble Bernard E. Matthews .. 2 F. Keith Williamson .. 5 John Thorley .. .. .. 3 | j. Martin Thorley .. .. Tenor

## Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Oxford. Single Oxford. St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Albert w. A. Leggett

## Treble

2
3
Bernard E. Matthews
F. Keith Williamson Conducted by J John Thorley Tenor $17 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Martin Thorley.
A compliment to Paddy, who has now completed six years of marned lite with the conductor.

## LONG CLAWSON, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Thurs.. Aug. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minules,

## At the Church of St. Remigius,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In 27 methods. heing 42 extents: (1) Stedman. (2) Reverse St. Bartholomew. (3) Plain Boh, (4) April Day, (5) Kennington. (6) Besthorpe, (7) St. Simon s, (8) Eynsham, (9) St. Albans. (10) Shropham, (11) St Martin's, (12) St. Leonard, (13) St. Paul, (14) Mileham, (15) Southrepps. (16) Clifford's Pleasure. (17) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. (18) Costessy, (19) St. Giles. (20) St. Andrew. (21) St. Nicholas, (22) Norwich. (23) St. Miles, (24) St. John, (25) Winchendon Place, (26) Walsingham, (27) Grandsire. (28) Plain Bob, (29) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (30) Grandsire, (31) Plain Bob, (32) April Day, (33) Kennington. (34) Besthorpe. (35) Southrepps, (36) Clifford's Pleasure, (37) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (38) Costessy, (39) Plain Bob. (40) April Day, (41) Kennington, (42) Besthorpe. Tenor $19 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat. Brian G. Warwick.. .. Treble Russell S. Morris.. .. 3 John A. Acres.. .. .. 2 Brian M. Smith
A. James Poynor .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
First peal on these bells (the heaviest ring of five in Leicestershire) for 33 years. They were rehung on ball-bearings by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. in 1959.

THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Aug. 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
At the Churce of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Oxford Treble Boh, two of Kent Treble Boh and three of Plain Boh.
Stella Hughes..
. . Treble Shelagh R. Collins Frank Brunt
$\because \ddot{C}{ }^{3}$ Malcolm P. Phipps.

Wilfid F. Moreton
Rung half-muffed in memory of Evelyn May Fullerton, wife of John Fullerton, late of Thrybergh.

## SEND, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Aug. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Cambridge and St. Clement's, and two each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.
 John F. M. Maybrey .. 3 David G. Wright .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Dovglas A. R. May.

* First peal of Minor. First in five methods by all the band except the trchle ringer. Fastest peal on the hells.
A compliment to Mr. John E. K. Sylvester (only son of the Vicar of Send) and Miss Gillian Mary Oxenham, who were married at Aberdare on August 4 th.
'HOBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in five methods: (1) to (11) Stedman. (12) to (16) Plain Bob. (17) to (21) St. Martin's, (22) to (26) St. Simon's, (27) to (30) Plain Boh, (31) to (40) Grandsire, (41) and (42) Plain Bob. Ban . Wenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in B flat.
Brian G. Warwick ..Treble Ernest Morris.. *Mark G. Wood .. ... 2 RUSSEll S. Morris.

John B. Bennett
Russell S. M
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal ‘inside 'and first in more than one method.

WISTASTON. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Single Oxford and four of Plain Bob. *Divid W. Threlfall .. Treble Frederick S. Sutton .. 4 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Frank R. Morton... } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Herbert Sutton } & \ldots & . . \\ \text { John E. Brough } & . & 5 \\ \text { R. Anthony Trickett } & . . & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by John E. Broush.

* First peal of Minor. The tenor ringer has now completed the circle.'

BASSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Aug. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael and all Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Louis Willders .. .. Treble| Peter A. Sharp

| "Delia Smith | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | *A. Robin Heppenstall... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Clatre | Dillamore | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Jick L. Milhouse | . |

Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James.
Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.


## EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Single Oxford and three of Plain Bob.
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. Treble I Maurice W. Harrison.. 4 F. William Midwinter 2 Frank Bradley 5 *Doreen Armstrong .. 3 John Higgs

Tenor

* 50th peal.

Rung for the 21st birthday of Miss Judith Parker, cousin of Maurice W. Harrison: also on the eve of her wedding to Mr. Peter Barrie Longley-married at the Church of St. Edmund. Holme Pierrepont, Notts, on Sunday. August 14th.

## GAYWOOD. NORFOLK

THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Aug. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Mimutes, At the Church of St. Faith,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three 720's Plain Bob, two 720 's Kent Treble Bob and one each of Oxford Treble Bob and St. Clement's. Terior 12 cwt . 16 lb . in G.

Miriam Higdon
*Robin Shipp (14)
.Treble Norman V. Harding
Ernest A. Ship Conducted by H. William Bappett

* First peal


## SOUTH PERROTT, DORSET

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Aug. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Martin D. Bishor.. .. Treble
Joseph T. Barreti
Mrs. M. M. Godley .. 3 William E. Turner. . . . Tenor
Conducted by William E. Turner.

* First peal and first attempt.

To mark the ordination of the Rev. Roger Keeley as Deacon at Harnham Parish Church on August 14th.

## OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. Aug. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules At the Church of Si. Thomas-the-Martyr.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods, comprising four extents each of April Day. Northrepps. Reverse St. Bartholomew. Clifford's Pleasure, All Saints', Old, Southrepps Pleasure, Kennington. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Grandsire and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. in A *Noel D. Deam .. .. Treble

Roy H. Jones
*†ohn Pladdys .. .. 2 Euward R. Venn .. .. 5
Alec Gammon .. .. 3 †John S. Walker .. .. Tenor Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

* First peal in 11 methods. + First of Doubles. $\ddagger$ Flrst peal.

Rung in honour of Princess Anne's loth birthday (August 15th), and to congratulate Mr. J. S. Walker on passing the Local Government Clerical Examination.

## STOW. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Aug. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising 13 methods in seven extents: (1) Double Bob and Fulbeck, (2) Double and Single Court. (1) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. (5) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Reverse Bob and Canterbury.

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\text { Tenor } 10 \text { cwt. }
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| Claire Dillamore .. .. Treble | Peier A. Sharp |
| :---: | :---: |
| ia Smith | Jack L. Millhous |
| Robin Heppenstall .. 3 | Louis Willders |

A. Robin Heppenstall Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

Louis Willders
Tenor

NEWBURN-ON-TYNE. NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thurs. Aug. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes At the Church of Si. Michafi. and Ail Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 SLRPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Wells, London. York, Norwich, Beverley, Surfieet and Cambridge.
John E. Anderson... .. Treble *Charles N. Lea ... .. 4
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { George S. Deas ... } & \frac{2}{2} & \text { Denis A. Bayles } & \text {.. } \\ \text { J. Alan Ainsworth } & 5 \\ \text { Kenneth Arihur } & \text {.. } & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Denis A. Bayifes.

* First peal of seven Surprise Minor. First of seven Surprise Minor as conductor.

A farewell to the Vicar (Rev. Tony Clemens) and Mrs. Clemens, on their forthcoming departure for Sunderland

## RATCLIFFE-ON-THE-WREAKE. LEICESTERSHIRE <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Thurs., Aug. 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Botolph.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES IN 37 METHODS
Being 42 extents: (1) New Bob, (2) Huntspill Bob, (3) Stedman, (4) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (5) Reverse Bob. (6) Canterbury Pleasure, (7) Plain Bob. (8) April Day, (9) Kennington. (10) Besthorpe. (11) Old Bob, (12) St. Simon's, (13) Eynsham, (14) St. Albans. (15) Shropham, (16) Cassington, (17) St. Martin, (18) St. Leonard, (19) St. Paul, (20) Mileham, (21) St. Peter, (22) Southrepps, (23) Clifford's Pleasure, (24) Reverse Cinterbury Pleasure, (25) Costessy, (26) St. Columb, (27) St. Giles, (28) St. Andrew, (29) St. Nicholas, (30) Norwich, (3i) Si. Thomas, (32) St. Miles, (33) St. John, (34) Winchendon Place, (35) Walsingham, (36) St. Luke, (37) Grandsire, (38) Plain Bob, (39) Southrepps, (40) to (42) Plain Bob. Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in D. Brian G. Warwick. . .. Treble| Ernest Morris.. .. .. 3 John A. Acres .. $\quad . . \quad . \quad 2$ Brian M. Smith A. James Poynor $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tenor } \\ & \text { Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. }\end{aligned}$.

## HATHERN. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Aug. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minures.
Ai the Churci of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Judith Exon
+Valerie Lacey.

| . | .. | Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | . | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | 3 |  |
| Conducted by |  |  |



* First peal. † First 'inside

Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to the Rector of Hathern (Rev. R. Doble) and Mrs. Doble.

## GREAT TOTHAM. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sar., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 ALDERBOURNE DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven extents with 5.6 the right way throughout.
Tenor 7 f cwt . in B flat.
Mary Roast

Treble Peter J. Eves … 2 Joe E. G. ROASt | Ian Panfon |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest E. S. Johnson | . | 2 | 3 | Joe E. G. Roast | Dennis A. S. Symonds | . . Tenor Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells, and for the Association.

## CATHERINGTON, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules;

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { At the Church of All Saints, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR. }
\end{aligned}
$$

In three methods, being one extent of Double Oxford, two of St . Clement's and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .2 qr .20 lb. S. Johiv Hardina ... .. Treble
C. R. Chad Coussmaker 2 James R. TAYLOR ... ... 5
E. Winifred Keys . 3 Bernard E. Matthews .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard E. Matthews.
A first birthday compliment to Clifford Tribe, the grandson of the treble ringer, and also a birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

## HOLT. DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Ch:D,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's. Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.
 John S. Dean
Conducted by Iohn W. Griffiths.

A brthday peal for Geoffrey Parting.

HUTTON CRANSWICK, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(The Beverley and District Society.)
On Sat.. Aug. 20. 1960. in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In nine methods, being one extent each of Surfleet Surprise, Beverley Surprise. Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and Childwall. Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt . Harold F. Gibson .. .. Treble| John S. Rank Janft 1. Purter .. .. 2 David Johnson Keith Goldihorpe .. .. 3 Ronald Ducker 4
5 First Conducted by Ronald Ducker.
First peal in nine methods by all, and on the bells.

NETHER ALDERLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents, using singles only, and including one extent with 42 singles.

| eorge Forrester .. | Treble | *Denis Heapy |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| Haroid C. Lonyon | - ${ }^{2}$ | Barry Corbishley | Brian Schofield .. .. 3 Roy Worrall .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Barry Corbishley.

* First peal of Minor away from treble.

NEWTON, PORTHCAWL, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minures.

## At the Church of St. John Baptist.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In ten methods. being three extents each of Stedman, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, April Day, Kennington. Reverse St. Bartholomew, six of Plain Bob, four 240's (Pitman's) and four six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor $8 \frac{3}{z} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Michael Larcher | .. | .. Treble | Roy Throsby | .. | .. | .. | 4 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Barry Couzens | .. | .. | 2 | Gwy | I. Lewis.. | .. | .. | 5 | Edmund J. Morris .. .. 3 | Trevor M. Roderick ... Tenor Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

## WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.
Tenor 73 cwt .
Robin Brown .. .. .. Treble Alan G. Payne.. .. .. 4
Joseph W. Bailey .. ... 2 Leslie H. Taylor $\quad$. $\quad$. 5
-Daphne Brown .. .. 3 J. Martin Thorley ... .. Temor
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

* First peal "inside ' in more than one method.

CROFTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Aug. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
at the Church of All. Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methowis, being 720 Cambridge Surprise and two 720's each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 f cwt . Hildred S. Wickens .. Treble Harold Chant .. .. 4 - David Cubiti.. .. .. 2 †Geoffrey Townend ... 5 $\dagger$ Kenneth Park .. .. 3 ! Thomas Cullingworth.. Tenor Conducted by Harold Chant

* First peal in four methods "inside." † First in four methods.


## HANDBELL PEALS

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon. Aus. 8, 1960, in \& Hour and 56 Minutes,
At 19. Cromley Road, WOOdsmoor
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) and (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Double Plain Bob, (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C.
Brian Harris ........ $1-2 \mid$ Bernard F. L. Groves .. $3-4$
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun.. Aug. 14, 1960, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes. In St. Thomas' Belfry.
A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Brian G. Warwick .. .. $1-2 \mid$ John A. Acres .. .. .. 5-6
John M. Jelley .. .. 3-4 Ernest Morris .. .. 7-s
Composed by E. Maurice Atkins. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
JULIANSTOWN, CO. MEATH.
THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Aug. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes. at meadow Cottage.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Tenor size 11 in G .
*Alexandra M. Dukes .. $1-2$ | Frederick E. Dukes .. 3-4 +Christine A. Howlett 5-6 Conducted by Frederick E. Dukes.
*First peal away from the tenors. $\dagger$ First peal.
Rung to celebrate the passing of Advanced G.C.E. by the ringer of 5-6.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

ASHLEY, NORTHANTS.-On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Grandsıre Doubles: R. H. Martin 1. D. Williams 2, N. C. Spencer 3. W. C. Budd 4. E. W. Martin (cond.) 5. First known quarter on the bells, which were unringable for over 40 years until overhauled this year, by local volunteers.
BRAMPTON, HUNTINGDON.-On Aug. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Dyer 1, Lucy Allen 2. R. Cooper 3. E. J. Whiting 4. R. F. Baker (cond.) 6. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Patricia Jane Ellingion and John Ernest David Findlay.
HRISTOL.-At the Cathedral, on Aug. 5th, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D J. Hunt 1. Miss G. M. Hussey 2, C. J. Richards 3, J. R. Keteringham 4, D. E. Cubb (cond.) 5, D. J. Purnell 6. Rung as a compliment to Mary Powell and Tony York on the occavion of their engagement. Also on Aug, 21st, 1.296 Little Bub Major: M. J. Hobbs 1, D. C. Exell 2, B. A. Shackleton 3, Miss G. M. Hussey 4, D. Richards 5, C. 1. Richards 6, R. G. Hooper (cond.) 7, D. J. Hunt 8. Rung as a farewell to D. Richards, who is taking a teaching appointment in London.
BURBAGE, BUXTON, DERBYS.-On Aug. 14th, 1296 Carnbridge Surprise Minor: Margaret Findlow 1. A. Kirk 2. F. Forster 3, J. Kennett 4. R. Dawson 5, H. Kirk (cond.) 6. For evening service. DRONFIELD, DERBYS.-On Aug. 7th. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: Hillary Jackson (first quarter) 1, K R. Goodall 2. A. Wilson 3. J. W. Sykes 4. G. N. Goodall 5, L. Goodall (cond.) 6. Also on Aug. 23 rd, 1.320 College Exercise Bob Minor: K. R. Gnodall 1, J. W. Sykes 2, A. Wilson 3, G. N. Goodall 4. C. Longden (first quarter) 5, L. Goodall (cond.) 6.
EALING, Middx.-At St. Mary's Church, on Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Tomsett 1 , H. J. Eldred 2, A. M. Stacey 3 Miss J. Scrution 4. F. Ransom 5, D. Theedom 6, W. G. Wison (cond.) 7. A. H. Fulwell 8, Rung with bells halfmuffled in memory of Arthur H. Harding, aged 83, late captain and member of the local band for 60 years, whose funeral took place earlier in the day.
LAST MEON, HANTS.-On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: K. Sansom 1, Mrs, R. T. Jones 2, Miss B. Daysh 3, B. Gambrill 4, K. Tiffer 5, R. T,
Janes (cond.) 6. Rung on the eve of the 50 h h Jones (cund.) 6. Rung on the eve of the
anniversary of the death of Florence Nightingale.

EDMONTON, MIDDX,-On Aug. 14th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Jean Hilton 1, Trudy Newcombe 2. D. Langdon 3, W. George 4, J. Duggan 5. T. Hawkins (cond) 6. First of T.B. Minor for 1 and 4. For morning service. Also 1.260 Stedman Doubles: Trudy Newcombe 1, D. Langdon 2. H. Howson 3, W. Ceorge 4, T. Hawkins (cond.) 5 . For Evensong. Also on Aug. 21st, 1.268 Spliced Plain and Little Rob Minor: Jean Hilton 1, Trudy Newcombe 2, D. Towers 3, 1. Weeks 4, J. Dugkan 5, T. Hawkins (cond.) 6. First of Spliced for all. For morning service.

EPSOM, SURREY. - At Christ Church, on Aug. 14th. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: R. Fentiman, (first of Minor) 1. Sylvia Marsh 2. Carolyn D. Cockman 3. D. Herschell 4. W. Parrott (cond.) 5, G. A. Cockman 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Cherie Payne (for 12 years a member of the band) and Mr. Jame. E. Melhuish.

EVESHAM, WORCS.-On July 2nd, 1,260 Grandsirc Triples: W. B. Pomeroy 1, Jacqueline Roberts 2. M. G. Selby 3. Phillis Foley 4, R. W. Selby 5. Brenda Smith 6, E. J. R. Hartley 7. G. J. Hemming (cond.) 8. Also on Aug. 6th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major (on the back eight): R. W. Selby 1, M. G. Selby 2, E. J. R. Harley 3, W. B. Pomeroy 4. E. W. Penn 5, M. Hawkes 6, G. C. Hemming 7, G. J. Hemming (cond.) 8.
FLITTON, BEUS.-On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: M. Anthea A. Munday 1. B. Grainger 2. Janet Wilkinson 3. P. J. Lawton 4, T. P. Harris (cond.) 5, Julie Bell 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Rev. Frank Montimer Eagles. M.A. Vicar of Pulloxhill with Flitton 1954-1960. ' Requiescat in pace."
HARBLRY, WARWICKS.-On July 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. A. Andrews (first quarter) 1 . R. M. Andrews 2. T. K. Farrow 3, H. M. Windsar (cond.) 4, G. Smith 5. G. L. P. Aldhouse 6. Rung on the anniversary of the recasting of the bells, as a thanksgiving for the final payment of the cost of the work on the bells.
HiTCHAM, BUCKS.-On Aug. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. T. Collins 1. A. Petriford 2, A. Bob Minor: A. T. Collins 1 . A. Petriford ${ }^{2,}$ A.

## QUARTER PEALS

5, H. Oglesby (cond.) 6. A 70th birthday compliment (1) the Rev. G H. James, an honorary member of the Oxtord Diocesan Guild, and Rectur of this parish.
IRON ACTON, GLOS.-On Aug. 18th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): H. Taysom 1. A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 2. B. K. Lewis (first of two Duubles 'inside') 3, D. Elliot 4. K. W. Price 5 . T. T. Walters 6. Rung as a farewell compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. King. of Warmley.
MADRUN, CORNWALL.-On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss T. Davey 1, G. W. Taysom 2. B. Toms 3, Rev. G. Ruming 4, Mrs. R. E. White (first as cond.) 5, M. Nichulls 6.
MERROW, SURREY.-Un Aug, 20th, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: B. G. Grover 1. Angela J Martin 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, D. J. Tubbs (first of Cambridge) 4, P. G. Smart (cond.) 5, R. I. Vaughan 6.
NEWTON ST, CYRES, DEVON.-On Aug. 14th. 1.261 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Cork 1, N. Malletı (cond.) 2. G. Luxton 3, T. Ridgeman 4.. E. Cork 5 S. Skinner 6, G. Skinner 7, S. Gardiner 8. For Evensong.
OLD SWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-On Aug. 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Roden 1, F. V. Nicholls 2, M. G. Fellows (cond.) 3, M. D. Fellows 4. J. C. Eisei 5. A birthday compliment in Princess Margaret.
OXFORD.-On Aug. 21 st, at the Church of St. Aldate, 1.280 Grandsire Doubles: Miss L. Wolfe (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Godwin 2, J. Pladdys 3, R. Allsworth 4, E. R. Venn (cond.) 5, A. Ivings 6. Rung for Matins, and to mark the 30 th birthday of Princess Margaret.
PERSHORE, WORCS.-On July 2nd, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: E. J. R. Hartey 1, Jacqueline A. Roberts 2, M. G. Selby 3. D. Price 4, W. B. Pomeroy 5, M. Hawkes 6, G. J. Hemming 7, G. C. Hemming (cond.) 8.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Aug. 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss E. Hatch 1, R. Tomlin 2, W. Ellis 3. F. May 4. H. Warboys 5, M. F. Hatch 6, M. J. Hallett (cond.) 7, G. D. Sandwell 8.
REDHILL, SURREY.-On Aug. 21 st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Hankey 1, Miss F. Hankey 2, Miss B. Sagzers 3, D. Mundy 4, G. Clark (first of Triples) 5. G. West 6. A. Streeter (cond.) 7. H. Comber 8. Rung for Evensong, also as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Dove. on their golden wedding anniversary, and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Dove, on their silver wedding anniversary.

SHILTON, WARKS. - On Aug. 18ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. W. O'Donnell (12) 1, Miss E. Ginns (14, first - inside ') 2, G. Robbins 3, H. M. Windsor 4. N. A. Knight (16) 5, R. T. Oakford (first quarter)

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On Aug. 1th, 1,260 Doubles (4 extents Plain Bob. $6 \frac{1}{2}$ Grandsire): D. W. Stenson (first in 2 methods) 1. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2. B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3. A. E. Bodycote 4, B. M. Smith 5. K. Bedicoat 6. For Eventong.

STANTON ST. JOHN, OXON.-On AUg. 23rd. 1.320 Grandsire Doubles A. Dunkley (first of Duables) 1. R. H. Jones 2, N. D. Deam 3, E. R. Venn (cond.) 4, 1, S. Walker (first quarter 'inside')

TORQUAY, DEVON.-At the Chruch of All Saints. Babbacombe, on Aug. 14ih. 1.2 ht Plain Bob Major: F R Scut 1. J. R. A. Muller 2, A. K. Fortin 3, C. F. Longhirst 4, W. Simmonds 5. 1). J Ruberıs 6. N. J. Davies 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Believed to be the first of Major on the bells.
UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WURCS.-On July 1st, 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: F. Lawrence 1, M. Hawkes 2, G. J. Hemming 3. D. Price 4. E. W. Penn 5. 1. Clements 6, F. Hawkes 7. G. C. Hemming (cund.) 8. Firsi of Surnrise for 5 and 6.
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On July 10th, 1,331 Grandsire Caters: C. Diggins 1. A. J. Beyack 2. C. A. Hughes 3. F. C. Maynard 4. F. W. Sykes 5 . T. Hawkins 6. L. S. Woads 7. C. Willmington 8. B. Downes 9, R. Lumsden 10. For Evensong. Also on July 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Rixon (first quarter) 1, F. C. Maynard 2, A. Boyack 3, H. Warboys 4. M. Barton 5, F. Sykes 6, B. Downes 7, P. D. Chapman 8. For Evensung.

WELLOW, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Юoubles ( 4 six-seores each of Reverse Canterhury and Plain Bob and 21 of Grandsire): P. R. Young 1. J. R. Hobbs 2, L. R. G. Taylor 3, J. J. Jefferies 4. A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, L. Cox 6. Rung in memory of William J. Prescott.
WESTON-SUPER-MARE, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 17th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): M. Legg 1, G. Prescott (cond.) 2, J. Legg 3, S. White 4. M. White 5, D. Harris 6. S. Powell 7, D. Clark 8. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Rev. A. D. H. Allan.
WEST RETFORD, NOTTS,-On Aug. 21st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Angela Womack 1. Jill Easom 2. P. Illingworth 3, Valerie Waterfield 4, R. Hobbs (cond.) 5, D. McNeil 6. Rung before Sung Mass. as a compliment to Mr, and Mrs. F. R. Smith, who are leaving the district after more than 30 years* association with the church.
WINFORD, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 16th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Hazzard 1, C. York 2, H. Bali 3, R. Brice 4, G. Prescott (cond.) 5, S. Smith 6.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP

 and his and his band at Hambleden. Bucks, on August 19 th. In all 113 individual plain course methods were rung. The record for Minor methods is 126. rung in a peal of 6.480 changes. Congratulations!The peal at Rickmansworth on August 20th of Southwell Surprise Major was rung after meeting short for Royal.

Mr. L. Willders, of Lineoln, has 'circled" Bassingham tower to peals, compieted on August 14th with the treble to Cambridge Surprise Minor.

Mr. J. E. Jeater will be away from home from September 5 th to 17 th . Correspondence requiring immediate attention should be sent qo the Editor at Guildford.
Mr. Adrian J. Tumber, of Bishopstoke, writes expressing his thanks to Middlesex County Association ringers, particularly the Master (Mr. John R. Mayne), for their hospitality during his recent visit
A plaque recording the quarter peal of Grandsire Caters rung half-muffled in memory of the late Ernest J. Jelley will be unveiled and dedicated in the ringing chamber of St . John the Divine, Leicester during the practice night on Thursday. September 8 th. by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Basil Williams. An invitation is extended to all who wish to be present.
In expressing his apologies, to all concerned. Mr. A. James Poynor withdraws the footnote to the peal rung at Ratby. Lincs. on July 25th (see page 554) in which he stated that he believed the band to be the youngest to ring a peal of Major. His thanks are due to Mr. Ernest Morris, who gave him a cutting of the peal in the same method rung at Crayford on April 21st. 1934. The average age of this band was just over 15 years and the peal was conducted by John J. L. Gibert, who was then $15 \frac{1}{2}$ years. The amended footnote of the Ratby peal should read: 'Youngest band to ring a peal of Major for the Guild.'

Mr. Trevor Vendy, of Mar ket Harborough, with the minimum of help and expen diture. has recommissioned the five bells at Ashley, Northants, which for 41 years have been unringable. His work was proved by the first quarter peal there on August 6th.
Many ringing friends who visit Cornwall wil! be pleased to learn that Jan, Sangwin has. by ringing his first quarter of Stedman, achieved an ambition of 30 years, when he first learned the method.
We hear that whilst Mr. Gordon Halls, of Derby, is over in New York and Los Angeles on business for Rolls Royce, his wife, Pat. has slipped over to Paris for a holiday. Sauce for the goose, etc.!
Flying back to the States today is Mr. Russell Young, of Groton School. Massachusetts. His two months' visit to this country. the second year in succession, has brought him into contact with a large number of ringers who have been charmed with the American ringers. Last Sunday Mr. Young rang at Holy Trinity and St, Mary's Churches, Guildford, and in the evening at Hillingdon.
Although the date of the diamond wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clarke. of Leicester, was August 8 th the peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal at St. John the Divine. Leicester, in honour of the occasion was not rung until August 20th, owing to some of the band being on holiday. Mr. S. Harrison visited the couple to tell them of the attempt and was gratified to learn that the family celebration coincided with the rearranged date.

Whilst the recent quarter peal was being rung at Dean Prior. Devon, after the institution of the Rev. J. W. Timms to the benefice. several members of the congregation watched the progress of the ringing with great interest. At the conclusion the new Rector expressed his thanks, and gave a message to the ringers from the Lord Bishop of Plymouth, saying that his Lordship regretted not seeing the ringers personally because the quarter peal had already commenced.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE COMMEMORATED

A remembrance week-end was held in Hampshire to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the death of Florence Nightingale, and this culminated in a special remembrance service held at the Church of St. Mary, Southampton. on August 14th, which was attended by members of the staff of local hospitals, the British Red Cross Society and the St. John Ambulance Brigade. The service also commemorated the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first: Nightingale training school for nurses.

The Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild co-operated with the anniversary and rang five peals and a quarter peal over a wide area of Florence Nightingale's home country, i.e.. Bishopstoke, Christchurch Priory, St. Mary's. Southampton. Winchester Cathedral and Brightwalton. Berks.

The peal at Bishopstoke was of particular interest. A new method.' Nightingale Treble Place Bob Major, was found for the occasion by Mr. Frank Blagrove. Mr. R. Roger Savory, who conducted, had to use two different calls.
The quarter peal was rung at Romsey Abbey, the nearest ring of bells to Florence Nightingale's resting place at East Wellow. This consisted of 1,260 Grandsire Triples, and was rung prior to the Sung Eucharist on August 14 ih by Miss C. White 1, C. M. White 2, M. D. G. Northway 3, H. J. Page 4, D. Greenlaw 5, C. Redwood 6, A. W. Fry (conductor) 7, L, F. Cobb 8.

The bells of St. Mary's, Southampion, were also rung previous to the memorial service.

## Soothes Away The Worries

As a very busy business woman, 1 have to do most of my 'chores' in the evening. I always save the quiet jobs in the garden, weeding, transplanting, etc., until Thursday because that is the local church bellringers' practice night, and the peaceful, 'far-from-this-troubledworld' sound soothes away the worries of the week. -Mrs. M. James, Sale, Cheshire, to 'Woman's Weekly.'

## BEDFORDSHIRE RINGERS MARRIED

Two well known Bedfordshire ringers, Mr Stephen Ivin and Miss Avril Thackray, were married at All Saints* Church. Houghton Conquest, on Saturday, August 13th.
The bridegroom. who attended Bedford School and later studied at Merton College, Oxford, is the only son of Mrs. M. Ivin, of 26. High Street. Houghton Conquest, Beds.

The bride, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Thackray, of 79 , Spenser Road, Bedford, is a former pupil of Dame Alice Harpur School. Bedford, and subsequently atttended the Leicester College of Domestic Science.

Father Francis was the officiating clergyman.
Miss A. E. Lloyd, a college friend, made a charming bridesmaid and the best man was Mr. P. Border, whilst Messrs. J. R. Taylor and J B. Long acted as ushers.
About 30 guests were present at the reception at the White Hart Hotel, Ampthill.
As the ceremony proceeded, in this beautiful old church, those of us whose minds tended to wander probably recalled the time, about 12 years ago. when the bridegroom first became imterested in campanology and how. in no time at all. he handled a bell with the skill and assurance of a veteran.

His progress since those days is well known to all who are interested in ringing, but not all of us. probably, realise how much he has done for the advancement of change ringing. and many of us. who smugly pride ourselves on our regularity. overlook the fact that we could render far greater service to the church if we had a fraction of Stephen's penetration and persistence.
and persistence. If say that his charming bride is a lovely ringer I am in no danger of being wrong (whichever way I am interpreted!) and neither Boh Singles nor Surprise Maximus is any trouble to Avril!

As this young couple set out on the great adventure, their numerous friends wish them every happiness and many years together.
A.E.R.


## MR, C. W, DENYER

Master, Guildford Diocesan Guild.
Charies William Denyer was born at Tongham. Surrey. on March 25th. 1911, and a year later the family moved into Aldershot, where their father. Mr. William Denyer, was employed in the printing trade. Charles was educated at the local C. of E. school and later at Farnborough Technical (now Grammar) School. The light ring of six bells at Aldershot was augmented 108 in 1920, and the 3 young Denyer children. Grace (13), Nancie (10) and Charles (9). were the first three recruits to learn handling the new trebles under their father and C.Q.M.S. George Gilbert.
In 1924. at the age of 13, a local peal of Grandsire Triples at Aldershot enabled Charles to ring his first peal, although his sister Nancie had scored a peal of Plain Bob Major a year before-the youngest lady to do so and a record which stood for many years. Peal ringing is not his chief ambition in ringing. however, as the modest total of 90 on tower bells proves. On his 20th birthday he conducted his first peal (one of Minor) and his total conducted now is 25 . In each of these there has been one or more first pealers or first in the method. In addition he has rung two handbell peals-one of Minor with the late J. S. Goldsmith (Mr. Goldsmith's last peal) and one of Grandsire Triples with the late A. H. Pulling.

The Guildford Diocese was formed in 1927. and a year later Mr. Denyer was elected secretary of the Farnham District. a post he held until 1948 when he succeeded to the office of District Ringing Master. On vacating that position five years later he was made a vice-

## AN APOLOGY TO <br> MISS ARMSTRONG

In regard to the recent controversy over the ringing of the curfew at Morpeth Watch Tower. Miss J. S. Armstrong has received the following letter from Mr. J. Ainsworth:-

I would like to say on behalf of the persons who have rung peals on Morpeth bells recently that we were not aware of the inconvenience we are causing you. We sincerely regret that the whole business had to come to light in the public press. Finally, nay I say that I hope you will ring the curfew for many years 10 come.'
Visitors from Surrey and Hertfordshire rang at the Watch Tower on August 23 rd for half a hour.
president of the Guildford Guild and in 1958 was elected Guild Master. This year he has aiso been elected to the Central Council. He is able to ring double-handed on tower bells, and has completed two quarter peals-one being at Hersham. where Mr. W. Simmonds rang 1-2 and himself 3-4 and Mr. Tony Price 5-6 to Bob Minor. The other double handed quarter, of Grandsire Triples, was at Farnham earlier this year.
Like his late father, Mr. Denyer is a printer, having been apprenticed as a compositor to Messrs. E. W. Langham, The Herald Press, Farnham, in 1927. During the last war he served for five years in the Royal Artillery (Searchlights) and spent a short period in Norway. In 1942 he met Miss Edna Page. serving in the A.T.S. and they were married at Screatham. in April, 1943. At the close of hostilities Mr. and Mrs. Denyer first made their home at Aldershot, but moved to Farnham in 1949, when he was promoted to works manager of The Herald Press. Their son Michael (10) and daughter Janet (8) are hoth learning to ring at the St. Andrew's Parish Church. Farnham, where their father is now captain of the local company.
Apart from ringing activities which occupies most of his leisure hours he finds time to cultivate a large garden complete with greenhouse and beehives. As a boy and later as a man he sang in the choir at Aldershot Parish Church and served on the Church Council there. At Farnham he is a sidesman, a member of the P.C.C. and on the Church Restoration Committee, which included the recent recasting and rehanging of the eight bells.

Mr. Denyer comes from a family of bellringers, for his maternal grandfather rang call changes at St. Peter's Church. Ash. for over 50 years. In addition to his late father, the family ringers now include his wife and two children, two sisters. two brothers, two brothers-in-law, a sister-in-law, three nieces and two nephews, all of whom live in and around Aldershot and Farnham. His lifelong friend. Mr. William ("Delight ") Viggers has shared in his active life as for together they have been cubs. scouts, choirboys, church councillors. and of course, ringers. Incidentally, Bill Viggers is also a printer!

## HUMOROUS HUMUS

(Inspired by a recent Yorkshire outing. for Clare's benefit.)
Discussing crops the other day
Some words of wisdom came my way,
1 heard a hymn to humus sung:
Ah yes, my boy, you can't beat dung.
Use it. and you'll never fail
To grow the finest curly kale.
Onions that burn your tongue
Thrive when fed on lovely dung.
Spuds-like footballs-sweet peas, 100.
Come your way if only you
See that roots or seeds are sprung
From the whiffy, niffy dung.
Now farmers know the worth of nitrates,
Slag, salt. lime and superphosphates.
But since the days when they were young
They've all believed in rich dark dung.
Our village church amid the green,
Presents a charming sylvan scene,
And when the Matins bell is rung
What's the message? Dung, dung, dung.

## NOT NEWS

Dear Sir.-I suspect that the composition. published on page 584, for Osgathorpe Surprise Major is not original. It is a shortened version of the 6.496 which I obtained (for York Surprise Major) some time in 1950. At that time I understood that it was not new but I' do not know to whom it should he credited. Mr. C. J. Sedgley perhaps?-Yours faithfully,

ANTHONY W. T. CLEAVER

## RAVING RINGERS' 1960 TOUR OF KENT

## A Minima Ad Maximus

A FTER a rather hectic tour of South Wales in 1959 the Ruving Ringers chose a slightly flatter location for the 1960 tour. Saturday, July 23 rd, saw 14 Ravers bravely battling their way through the holiday traftic jams, following the various courses across England towards Rochester. Unfortunately only six Ravers arrived on time at the Cathedral but eventually another carload came in sight and we were able to set the ten ringing to Caters and Royal. During a touch of Royal a very out-of breath telegraph boy arrived in the belfry with a telegram for the Ravers. It was addressed to "The Belfry. Rochester Cathedral.: Congratulations to the G.P.O. for quick work. Unfortunately the telegram bore the alarming news that the remaining carload of Ravers was puncture bound two hundred miles away with best part of the equipment and provisions for the week. Not knowing exactly where the next meal might come from the Ravers took no chances and dined well before making their way to the camp site which was in the shadow of Barham windmill, just off the A2 from Canterbury to Dover.

COMPLETE AT 1.30 A.M
The tents that had arrived were soon erected and the party sat down in the middle of the field to cards. Dusk fell and as the night wore on those who had beds to go to left the card circle. Only three were left, huddled round the "Tilley. when at half past one the last car arrived bringing the remaining tents and bedding and, most important of all, the chief cook.

Although 65 towers were scheduled for the tour. an easy start was made on the Sunday with only four towers, including service ringing on the ten at Leeds ( 20 cwt .) and Maidstone Parish Church. We had a little difficulty in leaving Maidstone as a couple of handcuff happy police officers were anxious to arrest two female Ravers for jay walking. The Kentish population are so good that they hadn't had a conviction for weeks!
Monday morning dawned bright and clear and the party set off for the first full day's ringing in an assortment of vehicles ranging from a Riley to a Vespa. A good start was made on the six at Bekesbourne and nine towers were visited during the day ending at St. Laurence-in-Thanet. where we joined the local ringers at practice.

By Tuesday morning the full complement of ringers had arrived and the completed party consisted of 14 ringers representing eight counties. Tuesday's programme consisted of eight towers including Ospringe, where the tour photograph was taken with the Master in full regalia. In the evening we joined the Cathedral ringers at Canterbury and had a most worthwhile evening's ringing including Grandsire and Stedman Cinques and Plain Boh Maximus.

Wednesday saw the Ravers heading seaward and the eleven towers visited that day included Deal and Dover, where we joined the local ringers for practice.

AMONG THE SKULIS
Nine towers were visited on Thursday. a good start being made at Elham. where a well struck course of New Cambridge Major was brought round. The Ravers considered Hythe's to be the best bells of the day. Several Ravers spent an even better time amongst the thousand skulls stacked in the crypt and when the time came to leave it was difficult to tell which was which. The day's ringing ended at Folkestone. where we were made most welcome at the practice and enjoyed mixed ringing.
Friday was a day mainly of sixes and a variety of Minor and Doubles methods were


The Raving Ringers at Ospringe, Kent. Left to right (back row): Dennis Bowen, Peter Warren, Noel Waite, Tony Mann, Howard Oglesby (Ringing Master), Chris Clarke, Michacl Ling; (knceling) Dafydd Wood, Ron Russ (Master), Terry Collins; (seated) Clare Chambers, Olga Critchlow, Christine Pullin, Ann Petifore.
rung. meluding Norwich. Cambridge and London. Grandsire and Stedman. The only eights of the day were Ashford and Wye, where the ringing was most enjoyable, despite the fact that 'Wye' Surprise never did quite come round.
Saturday's ringing centred in and around Canterbury and began at St. Alphege's. where we had to burgle our way into the belfry due to a lost key. Lunchtime, spent at Whitstable. provided an excellent opportunity for some of the party to take their annual footbath to the great interest of the local holiday makers and the even greater amusement of the writer who chased the barefooted ringers with a crab. The day's ringing was concluded with a visit to Quex Park, an article about which has recently appeared in this journal. Here, with the aid of local ringers. we rang Grandsire and Stedman Cinques and Caters

The journey to Sunday's first tower was very short as we rang for morning service at Barham, where we were joined by three Girl Guide ringers camping locally. After an excellent sermon by the young Rector we moved to Canterbury for lunch. During the afternoon we visited the beautiful villages of Appledore and Wittersham and the day's ringing ended at New Romney for Evensong. A leisurely drive along the coast road to Folkestone gave us a chance to take a last look at the Kent countryside. then we headed back to camp for the Ravers annual conference. The conference lasted well into the right though the writer can report little of its happenings. due to the fact that she fell asleep around midnight
Monday dawned bright and clear and hectic packing activities were only interrupted by a short sudden deluge. which conveniently soaked the tents as they were about to be packed up. Only one tower was arranged for the day but. owing to traffic difficulties. only eight Ravers managed to get to the sixty-fifth tower of the tour.
Having had a most enjoyable tour in Kent. the Raving Ringers would like to extend their
sincerest thanks to the incumbents and tower captains of the churches visited and to the Kent ringers who were so helpful and hospitable. We would also like to say a big personal thank you to Chris Clarke and Dennis Bowen who put so much work into organising this year's excellent tour.

THAT'S ALL, STAND.
C. C.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T, J. LOCK

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Q SET.-The term Q Set was coined by W. H. Thompson to denote the interrelation of sets of rows. A definition is that it is a series of rows representing disconnected leads or sixes which require to be all treated alike in composition. i.e.. either all bobbed or all plained or. as in Stedman Triples, a certain group hobbed and an equal group plained. As the application of $Q$ Sets is in connection with compositions you are advised. if you wish to know more of the subject. to study a copy of W. H. Thompson's papers or to seek the benefit of some such knowledgable composer.

QUEEN'S-is the change in which the bells represented by odd numbers strike successively in their natural order. followed by those represented by even numbers also in their natural order. As 13572468 on eight bells and 1357924680 on ten bells.

QUESTION.-When is a ringer not a ringer?
Answer-When, without proper reason. he does not do his duty by taking part in Sunday service and practice ringing.

QUICK BELL.-Stedman's principle is composed of two parts. a quick six and a slow six. And a quick bell is one that having completed its double dodye in 4-5 down commences a quick six by hunting straight down to lead and, having led one whole pull, hunts straight up into $4-5$ again. In other words. it is plain hunting to and from lead after the double dodge in 4-5 down.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## WESTERN CANADA'S GREAT WELCOME

Dear Sir, -I came out to Canada to visit my daughter, who lives in a very large fruit-growing district in a valley in the Rockies. This week was the first time the daytime temperature was helow 90 degrees for 54 days--give me English rainy weather!
Bearing in mind what Jim Bennett, of Grundisburgh, had said, that if I met the ringers of Victoria and Vancouver I was in for a real royal time, I made the journey to Victoria with my daughter-a ringer in England-by air. We left at $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on July 29ith and landed at Victoria Airport at 10.15 a.m. Here we were met by Mr. Izard and conveyed by him to a motel he had kindly booked for us.
The day following. the ringers from Vancouver were visiting Victoria to ring on the fine bells of the Cathedral. After ringing standard methods, we were conveyed to the country cottage of Mr. Izard, jun., which is situated at a beautiful spot by the sea. Here we were entertained to a meal-some had a swim-and then handhells, until it was time for the Vancouver party to get the boat. A most enjoyable day.
On Sunday my daughter and I assisted in ringing for Cathedral services, during which we had some good striking. Mr. Izard, his son Arthur and daughter Margaret are all ringers. We had no time to relax, as before we left at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on the Monday either father Izard or Margaret would take us to interesting places. This was a ringing outing never to be forgotten. I was privileged on August 13 th to take paro in the Vancouver ringers' visit to the Benedictine Monastery. Westminster Abbey. Mission City. The Abbey is situated on a hill overlooking the Fraser Valley-a real beauty spot. The tower, which contains ten bells, is of unusual design, and the ringing chamber can be entered from either the outside or inside. The monks joined in touches and afterwards provided us with tea.

Back the 45 miles to Vancouver, and here I was provided with supper, hed and breakfast by one ringer. On the Sunday morning we went to ring at the Cathedral of the Holy Rosary. Another ringer entertained me to lunch. another to zea and a third took me in his car for four hours sightsecing. Yes. Jim Bennett. hospitality of the highest order. Thank you. West Canadian ringers!-Yours faithfully.

## Kelowna. B.C

## BIRD SONG WITH BELLS

Dear Sir.-On a recent Sunday morning the owner of a lape recorder fulfilled a longstanding promise to come and make a recording of our bells at Burghill before Matins

Later when the recording was played back to the band each member had an opportunity to assess the quality of his ringing. What also surprised me was the wealth of bird song coming continuously from the taps. during the periods when the bells were silent. Previously 1 had not heen aware of the amount of bird song in my garden and in the lane beyond. How many countrymen. I wonder, are deaf to the hundred and one melodious sounds produced by the various members of nature's orchestra: the rustling wind in the trees. the running water in the ditch. the bleating of sheep, the mooing of a distant cow. the songs of the cuckoo and other birds. One may well profit mentally from a few moments of quiet. listening to the symphonious strains coming from nature's orchestra.-Yours faithfullv.
F. MORRIS.

## FOUR-BELL TOWERS OF LEICESTERSHIRE.

Dear Sir.-Replying to your correspondent who asks for details of 4 -bell towers, here is a list of Leicestershire churches with four hells: Allexton. Rehung 1929, tenor 8 cwt 1 gr 15 lb.
Barkeston. Tenor 10 cwl ., approx.
Burrough-on-the-Hill.
Carlton-by-Bosworth. Tenor 8 cwt .
Coalville. A chime, tenor 17 cwt .3 gr .21 lb . Dalby-on-the-Wolds. Tenor 9 cwt 2 qr .2 lb . Evington.
Kimeote.
Leicester, St. Nicholas*. One bell hung for chiming, three on floor of church.
Loughborough. Emmanuel. Chime, tenor 5 cwt .1 qr. 20 lb .
Muston.
Orton-on-the-Hill. Tenor 9 cwt., approx.
Peatling Magna.
Pickwell.
Shearsby. Tenor 7 cwt 1 gr .23 lb ., hung as a chime.

## Sibstone.

South Croxion. Tenor 8 cwt ., approx.
Stathern. Tenor 10 cwt ., approx.
Stoughton.
Sutton-Cheney. Tenor 7 cwt., approx. cracked and on floor of church. Swinford. Tenor 10 cwt , approx.
Tilton-on-the-Hill. Recently rehung
Tugby. Tenor 6 cwt ., approx. Rehung 1878. Yours sincerely,

ERNEST MORRIS.

## FOLR BELL PEALS

Dear Sir.-In the issue of the "R.W. of August 19th. Mr. P. H. Whitaker, of Coleraine. states there is at any rate one ringer who objects to the recognition of performances on four bells as peals: May 1. through your columns, inform this gentleman that there are at least TWO.
1 raised this question a fortnight ago at our district meeting of the Suffolk Guild. and pointed out. in almost exactly Mr. Whitaker's own words. now that the door is opened to four bell peals. soon we should. most likely be hearing of "peals on three. Unfortunately cur district C.C. representative was unavoidably absent. and I'm wondering whether or not every member of all the Associations present at the Council meeting were in agreement with the recognition of peals of Minimus? If they were. well. it's surprising. I think.

All are entitled to their own opinion (or should be). but my own. for what it is worth (probably not much). is that performances on four bells should not be recognised as peals by the Central Council or included in the analysis. - Yours truly and respectfully.

JAMES BENNETT.

## Grundisburgh.

## FALSE PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD

Dear Sir.-I find I also have called the 5.008 of Double Oxford (peal 23, C.C. Collection) at Washingborough. Lincolnshire, on Septemher 24th. 1958. With apologies, to the band I withdraw this peal. number 3.556 in Lincoln Diocesan Guild report. - Yours faithfully.

Lincoln

## PEALS OF MINIMUS

Dear Sir,-Mr. P. H. Whitaker may rest assured that at least one other ringer agrees with the views on "peals ' of Minimus expressed in his excellent letter in "The Ringing World of August 19th.

In fairness to members of the Councit. however. it must be said that at the end of the meeting some doubt existed as to whether they had voted in favour of recognising such peals. There was a certain amount of confusion when voting on the Methods Committee's report, and the Standing Committee's recommendations arising from it, took place.

The answer would seem to be for a motion to be placed on the agenda for next year's meeting to the effect that the Council decline: to recognise peals of Minimus. This would provide a more satisfactory test of nembers opinions.-Yours faithfully.

## E. A. BARNETT.

Honorary Secretary
The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

## OWNERSHIP OF BELLS

Dear Sir,-Mr. T. J. Lock's 'Alphabet for Beginners ' is a valuable mine of information ; it has taught me many things which I would not have lighted upon otherwise.

However, I must disagree with his statement. in "The Ringing World of August 12 th , that there is no ownership of bells. Like all the goods and chattels of the church, bells and their ropes are in the legal ownership of the churchwardens, who are for this purpose a kind of corporation at Common Law.

This view was expressed by Sir William Blackstone in his 'Commentaries on the Laws of England" ( 1765 , seq.), and the point was neatly illustrated in 1835 in the slander case of Jackson v. Adams.

Adams alleged that Jackson, a churchwarden of the Devon parish of Stoke Gabriel, had stolen the parish bell-ropes. The judge ruled that since Jackson was a churchwarden he was the legal owner of the bell-ropes, and in the eyes of the law it was impossible for him to steal them.

The churchwardens ownership of bells is a bare legal title only, it does not confer on them al! the normal rights of ownership, and. as Mr. Lock points out, bells may only be rung with the incumbent's consent. The responsibility for the care, maintenance, preservation and insurance of bells is now in the hands of the Parochial Church Council.-Yours faithfully,

NORMAN R. PHILLIPS.
Windsor

## A MYSTERY ELUCIDATED

Dear Sir.-The publication of the 5.042 of Yorkshire Surprise Maximus by Peter Border in your issue of August Sth has elucidated the mystery of how this number was obtained

In consultation, Mr. C. J. Sedglev considered that the 'twisting' was achieved in quite the beginning of changes, thereby bringing up the middle lead, cutting out about half a course; this would obviate the use of the single.

In the early ' 30 's, two 5.040 's of Cambridge Surprise Maximus were rung at St. Mary-leTower. Ipswich-one by ringing Primrose at the first lead bringing up the Wrong, the other by calling the tenor 6ths. 7ths and home.

Referring to peals of Treble Bob hunt Maxi mus, all different numbers of changes up to 5.280 have been rung at the 'Tower church. including 5.088 and 5.184 of Rochester Surprise Maximus.-Yours sruly.

## G. E. SYMONDS,

Hon. Secretary, St. Mary-le-Tower Society.

## DOUBLE NORWICH FOR THE BEGINNER

By WILFRID G. WILSON

## (Continued from page 580 ) <br> IV ITS CONSTRLCTION

When we come to write out 12345678 figures with eight bells-or to 21436587 ling changes on them in the lower-we find that we can can make places or dodge in different positions. thus producing many different methods. But we will now confine ourselves to using the one very -that we have learnt about in The last section. Examine the figures of this lead. The treble is plain hunting throughout. except for the Court Places and consequent dodging.

The bell coursing in front of the treble (3) makes fourths place. crosses the path of the treble. makes thirds place and then courses behind the treble. While it is making fourths place the bells in $5-6$ and $7-8$ have to dodgethey can't get through otherwise. While it is making thirds place, the bells in $1-2$ dodge for the same reason. That completes one internal set of places. By this time the treble has reached the $5-6$ position and the next set of Court Places has begun. The new bell coursing in front of the treble ( 5 , because 3 has now gone behind it) makes sixth place. crosses the path of the treble, makes fifth place and then hunts behind the treble. Note that before it started these places, 5 had had to dodge once in 5-6 because of the first set of places. And note that the bell concerned in that first set (3) had to dodge in 3-4 after them because of the second set of places. While 5 was doing its sixth place the back two bells had to dodge and while it was doing its fifth place the first four bells (in 1-2 and 3-4) had to dodge.
That completes the second internal set of places, so that when we come to the half lead end the treble has been moved two positions relative to the other bells. Instead of being between 2 and 3 when it started. it first got between 3 and 5 and then between 5 and 7.
Now do just the same pieces of work in the second half of the lead. The bell coming down in front of the treble (7) makes fifths places. crosses behind the treble and makes sixths place. While it is making fifths, the hells in 1-2 and 3-4 dodge. While it is making sixths, the bells in $7-8$ dodge By this time the treble has reached the $3-4$ position and the next set of Court Places has begun.
The bell now in front of the treble (8) makes thirds place. crosses behind the treble, makes fourths place and follows the treble down to lead. While it is making thirds place the bells in 1-2 dodge. While it is making fourths place the bells in 5-6 and 7-8 dodge. We have made two more sets of Court Places-that is four alterations in all in the lead-and. as we would expect. our lead end is the same as the fourth leard end of Plain Bab Major-18674523.

## $V$ THE WORK OF THE METHOD

Now that we have seen how our method is constructed let us see what the work of one bell comprises. And although it is not essential. the best way for most of us to do that is to produce what has become known as the 'blue line.' That is. the path of one bell the
To do this. first of all write out the complete plain course-seven leads each constructed exactly as our lead shown and described above. I know that this is not necessary, but you will find it very well worth while. The repetition. on different bells but in corresponding parts of each lead. of our four sets of Court Places will fix the basic idea of the method firmly in your mind. When you have the whole seven leads written out, draw a line from beginning to end
through the figures representing one of the bells. Let us say you choose the second. Here is the path of that bell. described in words because of the difficulties of print. But if you can see on paper and later in your mind the actual shape of the line you will find it much easier to learn.

## THE WORK OF THE SECOND

(a) Laad; two dodges in 1-2 up; dodge 3-4: dodge 5-6; two dodges in $7-8$ up and a whole pull behind. This is called Treble bob losll up.' Note that it starts after the treble's whole pull on the lead. that you pass the treble as you (and it) go through 4.5 in between your single dodges in 3-4 and 5-6 up and that. as you finish your whole pull behind. the treble comes up to take your place at the back.
(b) You hunt away from the back in front of the treble. So when you get to fifth place you start Court Places in 5-6 down - nake fifths, cross the treble's downward path. make sixths and then dodge in 5-6 down. This is called 'Near places from the back."
(c) Hunt down to the front, dodge twice in 1-2 down, lead whole pull, dodge twice in $1-2$ up and then hunt up. This is called 'Full work on the front.?
(d) As you leave the front to hunt up you will leave one bell behind you and then the treble. When you reach 5-6 dodge once and make sixths. By this time the treble will have caught you up, so you cross its path, make fifths and follow it to the back having made Court Places in 5-6 up. This work is called 'Far places from the front.'
(e) You will reach the back after the treble and lie a whole pull; dodge twice in $7-8$ down; once each in $5-6$ and $3-4$ down ; twice in $1-2$ down and then lead. This is called "Treble bob bell down' and is the exact reverse of the work in (a) above. Note that it starts after the treble's whole pull behind, that you pass the treble as you (and it) go through 4-5 between your single dodges in 5-6 and 3-4 and that. as you finish your whole pull on the lead, the treble comes up to take your place.
(f) You hunt up in front of the treble. When you get to 3-4 you make Court Places there. Fourths place, cross the treble's upward path, thirds place, dodge 3-4 up and then hunt up to the back. This is called - Near places from the front.'
(g) Hunt up to the back, dodge twice in 7-8 up. lay a whole pull behind. dodge twice in $7-8$ down and hunt down. This is called 'Full work at the back.'
(h) As you leave the back to hunt down you will leave one bell behind and then the treble. When you reach 3-4, dodge once and make thirds. By this time the treble will have caught you up so you cross its path, make fourths place and follow it down to lead, having made Court Places in 3-4 down. This work is called 'Far places from the back, and brings you to the end of the course.

> Now we can summarise these pieces of (a) Treble bob bell up.
(b) Near places from the back (i.e. in 5-6).
(c) Full work on the front.
(d) Far places from the front (i.e. in 5-6).
(e) Treble bob bell down.
(f) Near places from the front (i.e. in 3-4).
(g) Full work at the back.
(h) Far places from the back (i.e. in 3-4).

If you have neither the time nor the patience to write out a whole course to get the blue line - or you feel it unnecessaryyou can produce it from the lead given above by tracing the path of the second up to the lead end. 2 is then in 7th place. so next trace the path of 7 from the start to the end of the same lead. 7 is then in fourth place. Back to the start and trace the path of 4 : then 5 : then 6 ; then 3 ; then 8 and you will be back to 2 again.

VI AIDS TO RINGING
Now let us see what we can find out by looking at our full plain course which will help us to keep right while actually ringing. 1. Althougli the treble does a plain hunt you will notice that, unlike in Plain Bob, it does not follow the bells in the same order as it hunts down as it did when hunting up. This and the fact that many ringers ring this method entirely by the position of their bell when they pass the treble means that you need an experienced treble ringer, not a beginner 2. When you are in the front (1-2) or at the back ( $7-8$ ) all your dodges are double ones. You can always tell when you have a double dodge bafore the whole pull (front or back) because the treble comes to you and your whole pull must be just before it arrives: or when you have a whole pull first (front or back) and the double dodge after, because the treble will be there when you arrive and you must have a whole pull to allow it to get away and another bell to arrive. At all the other times you will be doing full work (front or back)-that is a double dodge each side of your whole pull.
3. In the middle (3-4 or 5-6) you only have single dodges-one in each place if you are doing treble bob work and you pass the treble in $4-5$ between them. At other times one dodge in the position of your Court Places. 4. If you are doing near places (from the front or back) you have a single dodge after them and then plain hunt all the rest of the way up or down.
5. If you are doing far places you have the single dodge before them. having plain hunted from the front or back until you reach your places.
6. The double dodging. front or back, is caused by both sets of places. The single dodging in $3-4$ and $5-6$ before or after places is caused by the set of places in 5-6 or 3-4 respectively.

If you are left behind by the treble. either in the front or at the back, you are treble bob bell up or down
8. Of the two bells which were dodging together and which left the front or the back immediately before the treble. the first one away goes to far places. preceded by a dodge. The next one away does the near places, followed by a dodge.

Many ringers, having learnt what is involved in full work. trehle bob work and far and near places, ring Double Norwich almost entirely by two or three of these eight aidsespecially by the last two. But there comes a time when the treble goes wrong and then a knowledge of the 'blue line' is indispensable. (To be continued)

## SUFFOLK RINGERS' OUTING

Ringers from two popular Suffolk towers -Stratford Si. Mary and Higham-with friends. spent an enjoyable recent Saturday in Lincolnshire.
After ringing call changes and standard methods at Kirton-in-Holland the journey was continued to Boston. The many steps at Boston Stump were negotiated to ring on the Taylor ten and enjoy the view including the frightening but impressive hole in the floor.

After lunch Bennington bells were rung to methods. aptly including Lincoln Surprise. followed by visits to Frieston and Fishtoft, both with gigantic towers, as is typical of this lovely county.

On the way to Spalding one of our most ardent tower visiting enthusiasts. quite by accident. heard Surfieet bells ringing. On approaching Mrs. Richardson. who was meeting the Stowmarket ringers. We were invited to return and ring these pretty twelve after visiting Spalding. Mr and Mrs. Ted Chapman joined in the ringing at Spalding and helped us to lose Spliced. On our return to Surfleet. another attempt was made at five Spliced with the assistance of Ron Noon. which was unfortunately augmented to eight Spliced when the unworthy conductor had to use Plain methods to 'get them home.' Ringing also included Bob Royal and some very good rounds. on twelve, by the learners.

Thanks are extended to all clergy and local ringers and to Walter Bailey for arranging yet another successful outing.-L. N. M.

## LADIES' GUILD ANNUAL MEETING

## OBITUARY

## REV. A. D. H. ALLAN

NCE again the attendance at the annual general meeting of the Ladies Guild showed an increase, and the bells in the eight towers open during the day in and around Bath were kept going in a variety of methods. We are sorry that some did not get a ring at the Abbey, and would tender our apologies for the broken stay to the band which followed us. Those who witnessed the incident will be glad to know that the ringer concerned was not put off by this mishap and appeared in his own tower the following day with only a few bruises to show for his long drop!

The Guild service was held in the Abbey at 3.30 p.m.. conducted by the Archdeacon, the Ven. E. A. Cook, who welcomed the Ladies Guild to Bath.

Tea had bee: prepared at St. Mary's Mall by members of the Western District. a wonderful meal to which everyone did full justice: but it was noticed that this year the men did not take the strong hint about washing up afterwards.
Mr. Alan Lee, the secretary of the Bath Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, was present at tea, and welcomed the Ladies' Guild on behalf of the Association. He wished them a successful meeting. and safe travelling for those who had journeyed a long way in order 10 be present. The Guild last visited Bath in 1936. and Mr. Lee hoped it would not be another 24 years before they came again.

The president (Mrs. P. Staniforth) thanked Mr . Lee and also voiced the thanks of the Guild to the various incumbents who had given permission for their bells to be available, to the Archdeacon for taking the service and for his interesting and challenging address, to the organist. and to Miss Johnson and her committee for making all the arrangements for the meeting and catering for the tea. She also thanked the men for their support. and espe cially for their help in ringing the heavier bells.
At the husiness meeting which followed, Mrs. Staniforth was re-elected president, and a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded her for the work she had done in the past yeur. The other officers were also re-elected, viz.: Miss D. Colgate secretary, Miss J. Beresford treasurer and Miss A. Bitiley auditor. The president expressed the good wishes of the members to Miss Bailey on her recent engagement
With reference to the election of officers, it was felt that perhaps some members did not realise that nominations could he sent in even though the proposer and seconder might not be able to attend the meeting, and it was suggested that at the next annual meeting an additional rule should be considered to the effect that each District should send in its nominations for all officers by a certain date. Mrs. E. A. Barnett also proposed that a rule should be added that a certain sum should be paid to the Central Council representatives, as she felt that some members might not like to be nominated because they could not afford 10 attend the meeting.

## FINANCES HEALTHY

In her report the treasurer pointed out that the balance sheet was very healthy. the excess of income over expenditure being $£ 1717 \mathrm{~s} .8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. (We have had that halfpenny for some years now, and shall be quite suspicious when the treasurer manages to lose it.)

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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Mrs. T. Lock, of the Central District. asked if the Guild would like to replace the peal board, which commemorated the first peal of Stedman Caters rung by a ladies' band, and which had been destroyed when the Church of St. Clement Danes, in the Strand, was blitzed. The 35 th anniversary of this peal would fall on January 20th, 1961, and it was therefore agreed that, subject to the approval of the incumbent, a new hoard should be provided and a meeting held on Jinuary 21 st for the dedication of the hoard. The ten ladies concerned, all of whom are still alive (and active), will be asked to ring the service touch at this meeting.

Opinion, however, was not so unanimous, regarding the subject of a dinner to mark the 50 th anniversary of the founding of the Guild. Some felt that the dinner to mark the 40th anniversary, which had been held in Leicester, was so successful that they would like to go to Leicester again. Others felt that London was a more convenient venue. and on being put to the vote the result was in favour of London. A sub-committee was appointed and asked to make provisional arrangements, to be discussed at the next annual meeting

Where will that annual meeting be? That was some .ing which could not be decided as unfortunately it was not possible for the District concerned to be represented at the meeting, and although the District secretary had sent detailed suggestions the members at Bath put forward yet another possibility: hut as soon as the arrangements are agreed the venue will be announced in 'The Ringing World.
D. E.

## OBITUARY

## MR. MORRIS J. MORRIS <br> AN APPRECIATION

I was indeed very sad to read of the "passing of this grand old ringer as I have many happy recollections of enjoyable evenings sment here in Leicester with him.
Mr. M. J. Morris was a commercial traveller and his car held every type of button-all sizes, shapes. and materials-in a bewildering variety. He used to visit Leicester wholesale firms of tallors, haberdashers, and any who used buttons of any sort. His visits were usually about every 6 or 8 weeks for a couple of days. and invariably he would send me a message to meet him it the White Hart Hotel, where he always stayed. and we would either go to a bell practice or the picturcs that evening

Mr. Morris gave me many compositions some of which I called of Major. Caters and Cinques, and as Mr. Shepherd has said all these were 'written in beautiful lines of figures of extreme neatness of the setting out.
I rang a number of peals with him at St. Martin's. Birmingham, and one of my best handbell parals was in 1924, when H. J. Poole. George F. Swann. Albert Walker. Ernest Morris. James E. Groves, Morris J. Morris rang a splendidly struck peal of Stedman Cinques umpired by Tom Russam. who ticked off every course as rung. Mr. Morris had often expressed a desire to ring a Morris peal. but this never came into fruition, as we of that 'ilk' lived so far apart.
Morris J. Morris was one of nature's gentlemen and who, in all he did. in speech. dress or action, was a model of neatness. precision and exactness. The Exercise is poorer for his absence. but richer for his having taken the splendid part he played in it.

## ERNEST MORRIS.

## Leicester

## FARINGDON RINGERS' OLTING

Ringers of Faringdon. Berks. accompanied by friends from Stanford-in-the-Vale. Shrivenham. Hinton Waldrist. Buckland. Clanfield and Highworth. had an enjoyable outing on August 20th. Towers visited were Bourton-on-theWater. Evesham. Painswick and Watermoor (Cirencester). An excellent teit was provided at Evesham. Thanks are accorded to incumbents and tower captains for the use of the bells.

The death occurred at Southmead Hospital. Bristol, on August 12 hh , of the Rev. Alexander Dean Hugh Allan, in his 87th year, following an operation. He was at Oriel College. Oxford. taking his degree in 1896 and ordained in 1898 to the curacy of Chard. He became a housemaster at Reading School in 1900 , and in 1907 was appointed headmaster of Wimborne Grammar School. In 1929 he left Wimborne and accepted the living of Cromhall. where he remained as Rector until 1951. He was taught to ring by the late Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards and was a member of the Salisbury Guild. A member of the Clerical Guild. he participated in a number of their ringing week tours.
There were but two bells at Cromhall. Glos. during his incumbency. but his interest in ringing remained alive, and he gave talks on bells and ringing. It was as a result of a talk to a Girls Club in 1944 that he set about the task of raising enough money to get a ring of six bells for his church. At the same time he started to teach bands on other $b=l l$. mainly at Wickwar, and he and his pupils became members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association. and the Association had a two two bell tower in its repart soon after with 15 members. Almost at once his worth was recognised and he became chairman of the Wotton Branch. which office he held until his retirement in 1951. In November. 1948. the six new bells were dedicated. and opened by a hand taught by him. The Association made him a vice-president the following year.
In 1951 he retired to Weston-super-Mare and it was here that he was interred in the cemetery on August 16th. after a service a Christ Church taken by the present Rector of Cromhall. Rev. W. F. Burlton. who said of him. He was not only a good man of God a cherished parish priest. but also a skilled and keen bellringer. an active Mason of high office and a hymn writer and poet who did all this and much clse to the Glory of God and for the good of his fellows, whilst also being a devoted family man whose Christian home was a bright beam of love and example.

The Gloucester and Bristol Association was represented by the Rev. W. F. Burlton and Preb. Urch represented the Bishop of Taunton and the Rural Dean. A peal was rung at Cromhall the same evening by a Wotton Branch band. When in April. 1956, the preReformation bell. which had been retained in the six at Cromisall. cracked he painted a large nuniber of water colours to be sold 10 help replace poor 'St. Michael.' who had called the people to worship for over 500 years. The pictures were sold. and a new bell was made, fittingly called A. D. H. Allan. so his name will live on in Cromhall, and elsewhere, when the hymn. Again, O Lord, we bless Thy Name; which he composed for us, is sung.
C. $\mathbf{R}$

## NAMES FOR TEA

Dear Sir.-As no one else seems to have done so may I venture to reply to X.Y.Z. Some years ago when I took over the secretaryship of our branch, the relation between names set in and numbers attending was rather vague (perhaps 14 names so we would add 8 for luck). I have sometimes mentioned how many names had been sent (and added that 1 expected sume people's consciences were pricking!). and our own members are very conscientious about this now. I also take the precaution of sending the notice in to the 'R.W.' a fortnight before and a week before. but not the day before a meeting. to avoid visiors from other parts saying It's a fine day: where shall we go to grab a tower? Oh. I expect they will have put on enough tea for a few extra.
All the same. I sympathise with X.Y.Z. and his (or her) caterers and hope the correspondence will help some who have been thoughtless over this matter to think of the work that many ringers' wives and others cheerfully undertake in order 10 do us proud at a ringers meeting, and co-operate hy sending that card.-Yours sincerely. $A . C$

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## BIRTHS

MARSH.-On August 27th. 1960. at Four Gables Maternity Home. Horsforth. to Molly (nee Ambler). wife of Alexander E. Marsh. a daughter (Janet Lesley).
WOOD.-On August 28th. 1960. to Patricia, wife of the Rev. Eric B. Wood, of Leatherhead, a son (Stephen Alban).

## ENGAGEMENT

WINTER-THOMPSON - The engagement is announced between Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Winter. of Hillcommon, Taunton. Somerset, and Beverley Anne. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson. of Craiglands. Haverbreaks, Lancaster. 6507

## MARRIAGES

HEYWOOD-JONES-On September 5th, 1960. at Botton Parish Church. Alan William, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Heywood. 181, Ivy Road. Bolton. 10 Mildred Marian. only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Jones. 2. The Grove. Haulgh. Bolton. Future address: 20. Eskdale Avenue. Breighimet, Bolton. 6505
HITCHINS-WATTS. - On Thursday, August 18th. 1960, at Holy Trinity Church. Satton: Montis. Somerset, by the Rev. Mr.
Cooper: Laurence E. Hitchins to Gillian M. Cooper: Laurence E. Hitchins to Gillian M.
Watts.

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MATKIN-WALMSLEY.-At Bournemouth
on Wednesday. July 27th. 1960 Daniel on Wednesday, July 27th, 1960 D Daniel
Thomas Matkin. of 'Wilford. 26 . Wellington Koad. Bournemouth. to Irene Agnes Walmsley, of 36. Park View Road. Northfield. Birmingham. Future address as above. Tel.: Bournemouth 26342 .

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## DEATH

RUMSEY.-On August 24th. 1960, at Leiston. James George Rumsey, of Debenham. Funeral was at St. Margaret's Church. Leiston. on Monday, August 29 th.

## PERSONAL

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The address of Ernest Gosling is now -Westborough Road Stores. ${ }^{\text {- 96. Westborough }}$ Road. Boyne Hill. Maidenhead. Phone Maidenhe id 643.

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The address of Mr. Alexander E: Marsh. Yorkshire Association. Western District secretary. is now 18. Ashdene Crescent. Pudsey. Yorkshire.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

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## CANCELLATION

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-Meeting at Bletsoe postponed until October 1st. Details to be announced.R. L. Piron.

## MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Ely District.-Meeting Chatteris. Saturday. September 3rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 6474 ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. DistrictMeeting, Tollesbury, Saturday, September 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Guildford District.-Meeting on Saturday, September 3rd, at Witley. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Watford District.-Meeting. Aldenham (8), September 3rd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m G. W. Seaman. Dis. Sec. 6458 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION, Northern District.-Evening meeting at Ashwell, on Saturday, September 3rd, at 5.30 p.m.-E Buck. Dis. Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District.-By-meeting a: Cobham, Saturday, September 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 6444 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Great Linford (6). Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 . Tea 4.30 p.m. -F .

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - Salisbury Branch.-Practice meeting September 3rd. Woodford (6) from 6.30 p.m.-Mrs. Abrahams. 3. Dorset Road. Salisbury.

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting. Snaith. September 3rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food. cups of tea only available.-L. M. Woodhouse. Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. -Meeting at Whiston. Saturday, September 3rd. 3 p.m. Cups of tea available, bring own food-j. Seager. Sec. 6488

SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District. -Practice meeting at West Stow (6), Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m. Please note Ixworth bells are not available, as proposed, owing to a visiting band of ringers. -A. F. Ballam. Dis. Sec., West Stow, Bury St. Edmunds. 6482 SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, Northern Division.-Quarterly meeting, Dane Hill (6). on Saturday. September 3rd. Bells 3. p.m.-E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec. 6476

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday. September 5th, at 7 p.m.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice at St. Leonard's. Shoreditch. Wednesday. September 7th. 6.30 p.m.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNewark District.-Evening practice. Orston, Friday. September 9th. Bells 7.30 p.m. Methods: Oxford. Kingston. Capel. Sandal and London Scholars Pleasure.-W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-ClATION.-Dunster Branch.- 10 bell practice at Minehead. September 10 ih. 7 p.m.-A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Biggleswade District.-Monthly meeting Saturday. September 10th. at Sandy. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Norwich and Hereward are the special methods. You are welcome-A. Smith. Sec. BEVFRI EY ANID DISTRICT SOCIETY-
Monthly meeting. Patrington. Monthly meeting. Patrington, Saturday, September 10 th Bells (8) 2 p.m. Service 4.15.
Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by September 8 th . to Mr. D. Fewster. Lily Lodge. Patrington. Hull.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Northwich Branch.-Meeting at Weaverham. Saturday. September 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous, to Mr William Hornby, 33, Forster Avenue. Weaverham. Northwich. 6468
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirral Branch.-Liscard St. Mary. September 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea provided free for those notifying by Wednesday previous.-Alexander J. Martin. 19, Falcon Road. Birkenhead.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch. - Meeting. Christleton, Saturday, September 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea before Thursday, September 8th. please, to R. C. H. Sibley. 35 . Appleyards Lane. Chester

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-Meeting. Saturday, September 10th. Priors Marston, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea 10 P. A. Oram, 15. Henley Road. Leamington Spa. Warwicks. All welcome.

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DEVON GUILD. - Exeter Branch. Quarterly meeting. Brampford Speke. September 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSO. CIATION.-Eastern District.-West Hartlepool (Stranton), Saturday, September 10th. ${ }^{3} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by September 7th, to Mr. W Maughan, 1, Powell Street, West Hartlepool.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD - Annual outing on September 10th. Have you booked a seat? There are four left--C. A. Bassett. 3 . Pendrill Place. Wadhurst. Sussex. 6502
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge District.-Meeting Saturday. September 10 th, at Caxton. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.-E. W. Bullman. 6506 ESSEX ASSOCIATION-Northern District. -Meeting, Saturday, September 10th. Witham. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. E. Bright, 42, Cressing Road. Witham.

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GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch.-Meeting. Minety (6). Saturday. September 10 th. Names for tea by Wednesday. to Mr. R. Luton. 169. Cheney Manor Road. Swindon. 6519

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wotton-under-Edge Branch. Monthly meeting. Saturday. September 10th. Yate (6) 3 p.m. Service and tea.-B. T. Cooper. Rangers House. Dursley.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District.-Combined practice at Grayshott (8). on Saturday. September 10th. from 6-9 p.m.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Tring. Saturday, September 10 th. Bells $3^{\circ}$ p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. dale Road, Tring.-J. Good, Dis. Sec. 6472

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Canter bury District) and LADIES GUILD (Kent Branch).-Combined meeting, Lyminge (8), Saturday. September 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 2 s . per head. Names together with cash. please, by September 7th. to Mr. E. J. Martin, 'Woodbury,' Church Road.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.-By-meeting, at Snodland, September 10 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.-R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec. 6469 urday, September 10 th, half-day outing (private cars). Ringing at Evercreech 2.15-3.15 p.m., Shepton Mallet 3.30-4.30, Wedmore 6.15-7.15. Rowberrow $7.30-8.15$ p.m. Please bring own tea. Members requiring transport contact the Secretary. B. Johnson, 10, Lancashire
Road. Bristol 7.

6485 and Lake District.-Meeting Dalton-in-Furness Saturday. September 10th. 2.30 p.m. Names to T. Metcalfe. 33. Skelgate, Dalton-in-Furness. -N. M. Newhy. 6550
I ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch-Meeting at Walton-le-Dale. Saturday. September 10th. Bring own food. A6 road and Prestoil-Blackburn Old Road alight Chorley Road.-L. Walmsley.

## LEICESTER

DIOCESAN
Quarterly general meeting, Saturday, September 10th. Bells available: Ashby-Folville (8) Somerby (6) and Great Dalby (5) 2-4 p.m. Twyford (6) $4-4.30$ and $6.30-8.30$ Service at
Twyford 4.30 (preacher Rev. A. W. Harrison. Twyford 4.30 (preacher Rev. A. W. Harrison
Vicar of Somerby). Tea, followed by meeting. in Twyford School Rooms 5 p.m. Names for tea by September 7th. to Mrs. G. R. Farmer. Lowesby Lane. Twyford, Melton Mowbray, Leics. General Committee meeting in Twyford School Room. at 3.45 p.m.-B. G. Warwick Hon. Gen. Sec.

## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

The Society of Change Ringers for the Archdeaconry. of Stafford
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The North Staffordshire Association of Change Ringers

Saturday. September 10th. 1960. Bells a vailable: Kidsgrove (6) $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 12 noon. Tunstall (8) 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Norton-le-Moors (8) 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. No lunch arranged-plenty of cafes in Hanley. Hanley (10) 2 to 4 p.m.,
Bucknall (6) 2 to 4 . Stoke (8) 3 to 4.30 . Service at Stoke 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Stoke Church Institute. Names and remittance (3s. 6d. each) for tea by Monday September 5th, please, to J. G. Burton, 71. Bagnall Road, Milton, Stoke-onTrent. Bells available after tea: Sioke 6 to 8.30 p.m.. Fenton (8) 6.30 to 8.30 . Longton (8) 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.-J. G.
Burton, Hon. Sec., North Staffs Assn.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Burton-onStather (8), September 10th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by September 7h. to Mr. Barnes, Tee Lane, Burton-on-Stather,

## Scunthorpe.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION- 6480 Southern District. - Meeting, Saturday.
September 10 th . Bells 3,30 p.m. September 10th. Bells $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. followed by tea and business 4.45 p.m. St. Mary s. Twickenham. Evening ringing $6-7$ p.m. Ali
Hallows. Twickenham.- M Powell
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION,-Meeting at Llangibby, Saturday. September 10th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business.-J. S. King. 6478 MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION N. and E. District. - Meeting at Christ Church. Southgate (not Tottenham). on Saturday September 10th. Evening ringing only 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Bucks Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Swanbourne (6), on Saturday. September 10th. Bells available at 2.45 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m.
Names for tea by Wednesday previous.-D. G. Names for tea by Wednesday previous.-D. G.
Wheeler. 47 . Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury. 6459 Wheeler. 47. Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury. 6459
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. -- City Branch,-Quarterly meeting. Headington ( 6 ). Saturday. September 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. J Adams. 35. Church Hill Road, Cowley Oxford.
PETERBOROUGH AND ELY.-Joint meeting at Whittlesey, September 10th. Afternoon ringing and seryice at St. Andrew's. ringing also St. Mary's in evening. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday previous with out fail, to G. Bush, 18. Princes Street, Peter borough.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Dorset Branch.-Quarterly meeting Saturday September 10th. at Maiden Bradley. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business after. All welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 7ith - Richard Longridge, Bourton Vicarage. Gillingham.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD - North Notts District.-Crawford Cup Contest and meeting at Bahworth (6). Saturday. September 10th. at 3 p.m. Numbers from bands entering and names from others who require tea by September 6 th . to the Rev. E. F. Jessup. Babworth Rectory. Retford. This is important -H. Denman.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Western Division.-Practice meeting at Shipley (6). on Suturday. September 10th. Ringing 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring your own tea as no facilities available nearby. E. W. Keys. Hon. Sec.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Macclesfield Branch.-Third quarlerly meeting. Prestbury (8), on Saturday, September 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. in the School. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 14 th , please, to H. C. Lonyon, 8. Cardigan Close, Macclesfield. Buses and trains from Macclesfield.

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DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.Quarterly meeting at Stockland, September 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea by September 14th. to W. Webb. Oakwell, Millhead Road, Honiton.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W.-Crusader meeting. Woodford. September 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please, to Mr. J. W'augh, 30. Fuller Road, Woodford. E. 18 (BUC 7353)

ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.E. District Meeting at Langham, Saturday. Scptember 17 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea hy Wednesday. September 14th, please, to Mr. F. Smith. Holly Cottage, Langham. Colchester.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern District.-Rededication of Little Hadham bells, on Saturday. September 171h, at 3 p.m. Ringing from 2. Tea at 5 p.m.. at the Angel Inn. If you intend staying for tea please co-operate in assessing numbers by sending your name to Mr. A. S. Kent. 8 . The Bourne. Clapgate. Albury, near Much Hadham. Herts.-R. Durrant. Dis. Sec. 6484 LADIES' GUILD.-Midland District.Meeting to be held at St. Peter's. Belgrave (8) (No. 40 Corporation bus from Leicester), on September 17 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea must be sent by September 14th. to Mr. Kesterton, cio 5 Clovelly Road. Glenfield Frith Drive, Glenfield Leicester. Everyone welcome. 6522
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Rochdale Branch.-Meeting, East Crompton. September 17 th. Note date. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by September 14 th, to G. Abbott. 16. Waveney Road. Shaw. Oldham.-Hudson. Sec, 6525
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Lutton, Saturday. September 17 th . Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 14 th. to Mr. R. G. R. Buller. Victoria Cottage, Lutton. Spaiding.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch. - Meeting at Messingham. Saturday. September 17 th. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.. for those who notify, by previous Tuesday. Rev. P. M. Freeman. The Vicarage, Messingham, Scunthorpe. Tel.: Bottesford 268 . 6531

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch.-Meeting at St. Margaret's Lowestoft. September 17 th . Bells (8) from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Please note tea can only be provided for those who send their names by Wednesday. September 14ih certain. to The Sister-m-Charge. Harleston House. Park Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk.-P Newstead. Branch Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.The autumn meeting will be held at Hook Norton. on Saturday. September 17th. Service. Names for tea by Saturday September 10th, please. J. Keyte, Hon. Sec.. Freeland. Oxford. The rededication of Shipton-under-Wychbold bells. on Friday. September 23rd. Service 7 p.m. Ringing afterwards.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCISAN GUILD Daventry Branch.-Mecting. Staverton. Saturday. September 17 th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. to Mrs. C. Hall. Church Street. Staverton. near Daventry.-F. ${ }_{6532}^{\text {W. }}$

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD-

 Newark District.-Meeting, September 17th, Bingnam. bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea s p.m. Names for tea by fuesday previous. Kegret, no name no tea rule will apply. W. L. Exton, 60, Albert Street, Newark, Notts SUFFOLK GUILD.-South West District. Meetıng at Gilemstord (6), Saturday, September 17 tn . bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. U. Bloomneld, 10 , Tye vireen Glemstord, Sudbury 6521 SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section-Quarterly meeting, Godstone (8), september 17 th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea p.m. Mecting follows. Names for tea by September 1Jth, to Mr. Wood, 45, Warren Lane, Hurst Green.-G. A. West, Hon. Sec VETERANS REUNIUN, LUNDUN, September 17th. Ringing: St. Clement Danes Ulo 10 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry and St . Ulave's, Hart Sireet, 3 to 4 ; St. Botolph s Bishopsgate, 4 to 5. 1ea in Church Hall, rear of St. Botolph s, 5 p.m. Any more names for tea to John Euston, 28, Fairmite Avenue, Streat ham, S.W. 16 .WORCESIERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. ${ }^{6513}$ Northern Branch.-Annual meeting at Hartlebury, Saturday, September $17 \mathrm{tn}, 3$ p.m service 4.15 p.m., tollowed by tea and business. This meeting is by special invitation Please turn up and make it a success. Names tor tea by Thursday, September 15th.Bernard C. Ashtord, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge. 655

YORKSHIKE ASSOCIATION, - Next general meeting at Hull, on September 17th bells available: Holy Trinity (12) 3 ull 5 p.m and after meeting tull 9 p.m., Hedon (8) 2.30 till 4, Kirk Ella (6) 6.30 till 9 . Tea 5 p.m in Manor Cafe, Market Place. Names by 15th to Mr. F. C. Reed, 127, Holmgarth Drive Bellield Avenue, Hull. Committee meet 3.15 p.m. in their Choir School (South Church side). General meeting same premises following tea.-L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 63, Lilycrott Road, Bradtord 9. $\qquad$
PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.-Newly augmented 8 . Dedication service, Sunday, September 18 th , $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Ringing 10 a.m. Also ringing 2 p.m. ull 6 p.m. Witn Evensong at 3 p.m. Visitors welcome.
SI. BARTHOLOMEW S, CREWKERNE. Tower, sunday, September 18th. Bells (8) 5 p.m. Evensong 6.3 u p.m. Preacher the Kev. L. J. B. Marsnall. Bells after. All ringers wel-

DEVON GUILD-Mid-Devon Branch. Quarterly meetıng, Buckfast Abbey, Saturday,
Septemoer 24th. Dells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. septemoer 24h. dells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names tor tea by precious Wednesday, to Fr. Uswald Mowan, Bucktast Abbey
MAIDSIONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS SOCIEIY-Annual meeting at Barming on Saturday, September 24th. Bells (6) from 3.15 p.m. Lea ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Please send names to secretary, Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315, Loose Road. Mandstone. 6537
RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD - The autumn meeting. Bristol, baturday, September 24th. Bells available Si. James' (10) 11 a m. -12 noon. Lunch-make own arrangements. Christ Church (10) 1.30-2.30. St. Stephen's (10) 2.45-3.45, st. Mary Kedcliffe (12) 4.15-5.20. St. Phılips, (8) $7-8$ p.m. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{pm.m}$. (4s.) Staff Association Institute, Temple Meads Station.J. A. Hoare, Hon. Gen. Sec., 6, Gendros Crescent, Fiforestfach, Swansea.

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## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner, on

 October lst, at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, 6.15 p.m. for 6.45. p.m. Tickets 15s. Early applications with stamped addressed envelope, please.-F. V. Gant. 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch.$\begin{array}{r}\text { entral } \\ 6508 \\ \hline\end{array}$
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Commemorative dinner to J. Armiger Trollope, at Ealing Town Hall, on Saturday. October 1 st .
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-The 323 rd anniversary dinner will be held at The Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge. S.E.1. on Saturday. November 5 th. at 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (21s.) are now available. Details of ringing programme will be published later.-John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. 67. Farley Road, Selsdon, Surrey.

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## INTO CORNWALL WITH MISS WYMAN'S PARTY

FIOR many years the tours arranged by Miss Wyman have been a regular annual feature in these columns. This year Cornwall was visited during the last week of July, with headquarters at the White Hart Hotel, Launceston.

The programme on Monday opened at St. Petroc's, Bodmin, the largest parish church in the county. Mr. A. Harman, the Ringing Master for the morning, welcomed the company and expressed wishes for a happy tour. Grandsire, Cambridge, Yorkshire and Double Norwich were rung, and Miss Kathleen Powell, a promising young ringer from Leatherhead who was holidaying in the area, was able to participate. The second tower on this glorious day was Egloshayle, a suburb of Wadebridge, where Superlative and Stedman were added to the list.

Two very nice eights-St. Columb Major and St. Enoder-were visited during the afternoon, with Mr. Young as Ringing Master. An unusual mishap occurred at St. Enoder, when the toggle of the Hastings stay on the second got fast behind the block, leaving the bell set and immovable, thus reducing ringing to the back six. After tea, Bristol was added to the list on the light eight at St. Columb Minor.

An unexpected pleasure was to receive that, evening during dinner a visit from the lady Mayor of Launceston, who wished us a happy holiday. Unfortunately, owing to the full programme, we were not able to take advantage of her offer to see the town mace, charter and other historic documents. At the Bell Inn later in the evening we found a set of 12 handbells hanging behind the bar. Permission to ring was readily given, and touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major followed. Mr. Fred Collins loaned us his set of eight, and on these handbell touches were enjoyed during the week.

Tuesday was another five-tower day, under the mastership of Mr. L. Stilwell and Mr. Cheesman. A traffic jam, the only one experienced during the week, delayed arrival at Phillack. Ringing at Penzance was limited, but included three leads of 'Yorkshire Glory' (Kent T.B. to the uninitiated). The afternoon was spent at Gulval and Carbis Bay, and at the latter tower the Rev. A. S. Roberts made everyone feel very welcome; he joined in the ringing. and later entertained us with tea. - The light eight at Tuckingmill brought the ringing of the day to an end.

The leafy lanes of the West Country on a rainy day, when travelling in an 8 foot coach, can play havoc with a ringing tour programme, and this was our experience on Wednesday, when Mr: and Mrs. F. E. Collins joined
us for the day. Mr. Daniels was Ringing Master. Our first tower was Lifton, just over the Devon border, where Stedman and London went very well indeed. Back in Cornwall, the narrow lanes caused a change of programme, the six at Lanreath coming before lunch and the eight at Lansallos after: Fowey had to be missed. At Lanivet we met the Vicar, who afterwards acted as our guide to Lanhydrock, where the church is in lovely parkland. By ringing here, Mr. Collins has rung on the bells of every ringable ring in the county.

Seven tower were scheduled for Thursday, with your scribe in charge. The first two were in Devon-Appledore, a light eight, and Hartland, the tallest tower in Devon and Cornwall, which was well worth a visit. Kilkhampton, Stratton and Marhamchurch filled the afternoon pleasantly, and before dinner at Launceston the six at St.. Thomas', and after dinner the eight at St. Mary Magdalene's. To the delight of the local ringers, there was a half-hour of handbell ringing in the vestry.

There was a long journey on Friday to Redruth, with Mr. Clark in charge. The light six at Sennen were a pleasant unterlude on a fine afternoon. Tea was at Land's End, and then back to the heavy eight'at Prohus, where we had some of the best ringing of the week and were congratulated by the locals on our lower in peal.

Four towers in Devonshire were listed for Saturday. Ringing on the grand ten at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, with Mr . Rapley in charge, had to be curtailed owing to a wedding. The 195 steps to the churchyard at Buckfastleigh were, quite an effort after lunch, but we all made it and enjoyed our stay. Mr. A. Cutler was in charge here and also at Buckland, which was Mr. Len Stilwell's I, oooth tower. Bovey Tracey was our last tower of the day, with Mr. Oakshott in charge. Travelling over the moors to our headquarters, there was a short stop at Becky Falls and a passing glimpse of the prison.

Homeward bound on Sunday, we had a short ring at Crediton for morning service, a picnic lunch nutside Taunton and tea at Hurstbourne Priors. After the meal, Mr. E. Rapley expressed the party's indebtedness to Miss Wyman, and presented her with a handbag as a slight token of appreciation. There was also a presentation to the driver, who had done so much to make the tour a success, and this was made by Mr. Daniels.

In giving thanks for this week to be remembered; I should like to mention not only the Rev. A. S. Roberts for tea at Carbis Bay, incumbents and local ringers, but also my fellow travellers. I have learnt a lot, both about ringing and my fellow men. I don't want to list it all; but in saying 'Thank you' I hope I shall meet you all again and enjoy once more the pleasure of your delightful company.

IRVINE SLACK

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD. ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.
On Mon., Aug. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Memorial Tower of SS. Patrick and andrew
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 17 cwt .2 qr. 20 lb .

J. D. Painter (Caius) . Treble J. H. Fielden (St. Cath.'s) | M. D. S. Hood (Trin. Hall) | 2 | W. T. Cook (Jesus).. | $\cdots$ |
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On Mon., Aug. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 16 cwt . 3 qr. 23 lb .
Susan Jackson (Girion).. Treble P. K. Williamson (Trinity) 6 Hilary Muirhead (Newn.) 2 W. T. Cook (Jesus) J. Pilkington (Fitz. Ho.)
R. Leigh (St. Cath.'s) S. E. Darmon (St. John'si $)^{-}$J. H. R. Freeborn (Clare) 5 B. D. Threlfall (Trinity) Tenor Composed by Henry Tucker. Conducted by A. R. Heppenstall.

STANSTED MOUNT FITCHET, ESSEX.
On Wed., Aug. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes. Ai the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middleton's.
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Rev. E. G. Benson ${ }^{\text {T }}$ (St. Cath.'s) 5
R. Leigh (St. Cath.'s)

Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow
(Selwyn) 7
C. W. Woolley (Selwyn) Tenor Conducted by C. W. Woolley.

## UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY'S <br> SUMMER TOUR

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Tues., Aug. 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Glles,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 13 methods, viz.: (1) Hexham, Primrose and Berwick; (2) Bourne; (3) London and Wells; (4) Norwich: (5) Ipswich; (6) York and Durham ; (7) Beverley, Cambridge and Surfleet: with 66 changes of method. Tenor 6 cwt .3 qr .14 lb . in B flat. E. Jane Langton .. .. Treble Martyn Hawkes Shelagh R. Collins .. 2 J. Michael lakin.$^{.}$.. 5 Michael R. Rose .. .. 3 Derek E. Sibson .. ... Tenor Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
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Tenor Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

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Treble: Sandra E. Chesterton
2 alan E. Hartley Tenor


In 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. MARTIN'S BOB DOUBLES
 A. James Poynor

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4 John M. Jelley $\because$. Temor
Conducted by John M. Jelley.
In 2 Hours and 2 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 CRAYFORD COLLEGE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
John M. Jelley
Sandra E. Chesterton
A. James Poynor
.. Treble
alan E. Hartley
.... 3 Martin C. Faulkes..
Martin Jelley.
In 2 Hours and 2 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Sandra E. Chesterton .. Treble
Alan E. Hartley
John M. Jelley
Con.. $\quad 3$
Martin C. Faulkes. $\quad$. 54
Conducted by , John M. Jelley.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Aug. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Mariin

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

## Tenor 25 cwt .

Richard Grant .. ... Treble| Geoffrey M. Brewin ... 7
Ernest Morris .. ... 2 Herrick B. Bowley.. .. 8
*Barnabas G. Key .. .. 3 John A. Acres .. .. .. 9
*harold J. Hazell .. .. $\quad 4$ Pat I. Chapman $\quad$. $\quad$.. 10
*Jack P. Kesterton.. .. 5 Peter J. Staniforth .. 11
Shirley Burton .. .. 6 George S. Morris .. . Temor Composed by F. Dench: Conducted by John A. Acres.
*First peal of Cambridge Maximus.
Rung with the best wishes of the band to Doreen D. Dutton and John Hunting, and to Avril Thackray and Stephen Ivin, upon their marriage. Both brides are members of the Cathedral band.

## TEN BELL PEALS

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL
Tenor 21 cwt . in E .
Alan E. Hartley .. .. Treble $\ddagger \mathrm{A}$. James Poynor .. .. 6
*Sandra E. Chesterton .. 2 Russell S. Morris .. 7
† Peter J. Chilton .. ... 3 Maritin C. Faulkes ... 8
Barbara Manship ......
$\dagger$ Keith B. Townsend .. 5 । John M. Jelley .. .. Temor
Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by A. James Poynor.
*First peal of Royal. $\dagger$ First in the method. $\ddagger$ First of Royal in the method. First as conductor on ten
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clarke on their diamond wedding anniversary.

CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes. At the Church of St. Anta and All Saints, A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr .5 lb .
Alan Carveth .. .. .. Treble Mary Carveth
Robert A. Southwood .. 2 David J. King Jacqueline S. King.. V. Mary Matthews Geoffrey W. Taysom Composed by Edgar Guise. *Fitst peal on ten bells. to ten.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thurs., Aug. 4. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
On the Dixon eight.
Tenor 17 cwt .
John E. Anderson
Marion S. Ainsworth
Kenneth Arthur
Treble
J. Alan Ainsworth. .. $\quad 4$

Composed by C. Middleton.
First paal in the method as conducto
Rung for the birthday of Her Majesty the Queen Mother

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION
On Tues.. Aug. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt. in $F$
John R. Perrett (Sheff.) Treble Dermot J. Roaf (Oxford)

Rev. M. C. C. Mfiville (Birmingham)
*Eileen Hudson (London)
*Raymond E. Finch (Soiton)
Composed by Gabrital Lindoff:

* First peal in the method.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Aug. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes
Ai the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5024 BIDIDENDEN SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in G
Geoffrey S. Mills.. ..Treble Michael D. Fishwick Roger Leigh
Laurence J. Williams ${ }^{3}$ John P. Pariington. . .. 4 Composed by Stephen Ivin. J. Barry Pickup Norman Smith Walter E. Wilkinson . . Temur - 50th peal. First in the method for the Association, and by all the band.

HYDE, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Aug. 20. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## At the Church of St. George. <br> A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

 Tenor 18 cwt . II lb . in E

Carol Fearnley .. .. 4 H. David Holland .. .. Tehor
Composed by A. Knights (C.C.C. No. 2). Conducted by H. David Holland.

* First peal in the method

Rung to welcome the birth of David Graham, second son to Mr. and Mrs. Derek Ogden.

PRITTLEWELL. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $18 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cw}} \mathrm{cw}$. | Treble | Frank C. May |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Alfred J. House ... | 5 | 6 |
| 3 | Michael. J. Hallett | .. | 7 |

| - Peter. J. Perkins | Treble | Frank C. May |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark F. Hatch | ? | Alfred J. House |
| Philip H. Avey | . 3 | Michael J. Hallett | Cecil J. Belcham . . . 4 †David E. Belcham.. . . Tenor Composed by F. Bennett.

Conducted by David E. Belcham.

- First peal on eight bells. † First of Major. and as conductor, at first attempt

To mark the occasion of the marriage of Barry Cook and Shirley Stead this day at Rayleigh: also for the wedding anniversary of Malcolm and Myra Mawbey, ringers at Thorpe Bay, and as a 21 st birthday compliment to the conductor.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN. ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. Aus. 22, 1900 , in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $9 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Aug. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr .13 lb . in C.

Brian G. Warwick .. Treble Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 5
Richard J. Clifion .. 2 John A. Acres .. .. .. 6
Ernest Morris .. .. 3 Russell S. Morris .. .. 7 *Brian M. Smith .. .. 4 G. Ronald Edwards .. Temor

Composed by Ernest W. Tipler (No. B.67). Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal in the method "inside."


## TRUMPINGTON. CAMBRIDGESHIRE. <br> THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. at the church of SS. Mary and Michael. A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwl .
Hugh M. Bishop .. .. Treble $\mid$ T. Reginald Dennis .. 5

John G. Gipson ... .. 2 \begin{tabular}{l}
2 <br>
Eustace W. Bullman <br>
\hline

 

Eustace W. Bullman \&.. \& 3 \& EWilliam T. Cook .. .. 7 <br>
Ernest G. Hibbins .. \& .. \& 4 \& Roger Leigh .. \& .. \& .. Tenor
\end{tabular} Ernest G. Hibbins. .... 4 Roger leigh . . . . . Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

## * 200th peal.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of Mr. E. G. Hihbins* first peal ; also a welcome to his great-grand-daughter, Kim Diane Carter, one week old.

FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Aug. 24, 19nn, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Composed by N. J. Pirsiow. Conducted by Denis Maddock.

* First peal in the method.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter, Sheena Jane, to Jean and Denis Maddock ; also the wedding of the daughter of the ringer of the sixith.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs.. Aug. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

John F. Murfin Tenor 14 cwt .
. . Troble Burley P. Morris .. .. 5
Harold Taylor ... ... 3 *Clive Walklate $\quad .$.
J. Frank Smallwood .. 4 Ian M. Holland .. . Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Ian M. Holland.

- First peal in the method.

A belated birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

HARTHILL. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.
At the Church of All Hallows,
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1,280 London, 1,312 Bristol, 1.568 Cambriage and 992 Superlative, with 106 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.
Rita M. Jowett . . . ... Treble
Milion C. Fowler
Treble
2
renor $18 \frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{col}}$
B. Gilbian Schofield .. 3 Howard Scott
A. J. Pilman.

4 Ian M. Holland ..
Composed by A. J. Pilman.
Richard E. Price .. . . Tenor

* First peal of Spliced Surprise.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley. First of Spliced on the bells.

ORMSKIRK. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sal.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 25 cwt .

| tor Draper ... +i Treble | Ronald Kenrick |
| :---: | :---: |
| Margaret Forrest | Peter Coxall |
| William E. Court | Edin C. Birkett |
| Cyril Low | Joserh Ridyand .. .. Tenor |
| Composed by E. Timbrell. <br> * First peal. | Conducted by Joseph Ridyard. |
| Rung as wedding compliments | avid Heap (son of Mr. and Mrs. |
| . Heap. of Southport) and M | udrey Wilson (daughter of Mr. |
| nd Mrs. F. Wilson. of Bowness) | John Hunting, of. Leiceste:, and |
| iss Doreen Dutton, of Southpo |  |

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET. THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Aug. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, at the Church of SS. Wite and Candida,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{CWL}$. in D .
 Conducted by Harry J. Gaylard.

* First peal • inside.

Rung to the glory of God, and in honour of the ordination of Roger Keeley at Harnham on August 14th: also for the marriage of his twin sister, Rachel, to Mr. John Blow, of Horley, on Monday, August 22nd.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

SWYNNERTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Sat., July 30, 1960, ilf 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Being 42 six-scores.
Eric Young .. .. . . Treble

*First peal in the method
Rung for the wedding of Dr. Alan Henry Batten (son of the rector) and Miss Lois Eleanor Dewis.

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 20, 1960. in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes.
at the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 WINCHENDON PLACE BOB DUUBLES
Being 42 extents.
John M. Jelley.
Treble
Tenor 2 cwt. 1 yr. 5 lb
Sandra E. Chesterton
$\cdots$ Martin C. Faulkes.. John M. Jelley .. . Tenor Conducted by John M. Jeleey.

PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Wed., Aug. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
at the Church of The Holy Rood.
A PEAL OF 5040 WAVERTREE COLLEGE BOB MINOR Being seven extents. Richard J. Clifton. Brian M. Smith

Treble
2
Martin C. Faulkes... .. 3
Conducted by John M. Jelley.
LOUGIIBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 9. 1960, in 1 Hour and 38 Minutes,
at the Bell foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
$\qquad$ Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb
Alan E. Hartley
John M. Jelley
John M. Jelley

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\begin{array}{cc|c}
\text { Treble } & \begin{array}{c}
\text { Martin } \\
\hdashline . \\
\hline
\end{array}{ }^{\text {Peter J. }} .
\end{array}
$$

A. James Poynor

Peter J. Chilton
Tenor
Conducted by A. James Poynor.
LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 13. 1960, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 APRIL DAY BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents. $\quad$. Treble Alan E. Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb .
John M. Jelley
A. James Poynor

Treble Alan E. Hartley Marin .. ${ }^{2}$ P. Faulkes.. .. Tenor

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

CROMHALL. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, (Wotton Branch.)
On Tues., Aug. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten different callings). Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr. 7 lb. Richard Mclung Oliver Mills
Audrey Evans
Treble Clive Legg

| 2 | Ronald Cox |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | \#John Wood |
| \# |  |

Conducted by Ronald Cox.

* First peal.

Rung half-mullied as a token of respect for the life and work of the Rev. A. D. H. Allan, through whose inspiration thesc bells were provided.

> BRADSTONE, DEVON.
> THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Mor., Aug. 15,1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes. Ai ihe Church of Si. Non.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Wilfred C. Boucher .. Treble Charles E. Taylor *D. Roy Bould ..
*Ann Georate .. $\quad . \quad . \quad 3$ Sianley Jenner
Tenor 7 cwt .
ann George .. ..... Sianley Jenner .. . Tenor
Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* First peal of Minor inside.

In memory of George Fitze, captain of Kelly ringers.

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& \text { HAMBLEDEN. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. } \\
& \text { THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. } \\
& \text { On Fri., Aug. 19. } 1960 \text {, in } 2 \text { Hours and 50. Minutes, } \\
& \text { AT THE CHURH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRIN, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { SPLICED DOUBLES }
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Being 42 extents in 113 regular individual plain course methods, viz.: Coulsdon, Langley. Bishan Alliance, Greenford and Laleham Little Bob: Perivale, Lockinge Alliance, Littleton and Twyford Little Bob: Barkham. Bisham, Dorney Alliance and Lalehant Litrle Bob: Staines Alliance and Kempton Little Bob: Shepperton. Taplow Alliance. Stanwell and Hanworth Little Bob: Quainton Alliance and Spital Little Bob: Chalvey. Thorpe. Moreton Alliance. Clewer, Spital and Dedworth Little Bob: Lavendon Alliance and Ickenham Little Bob: He ton. Hinlisey, Bledlow Alliance. Hampton, Ickenham and Northoli Little Bob: Amersham Alliance and Twyford Little Bob: Astleham, Lockinge. Marsworth Alliance, Ashford. Twyford and Greenford Little Bob: Union, Uffington, Reverse St. Simon's and Reverse St. Nicholas': Reverse New Bob. St. Alphage, Reverse St. Simon's and Reverse St. Nicholas': St. Julian. Datchet. Reverse St. Osmund's and Reverse St. Remigius: Reverse St. Vedast's, St. Gregory's. Reverse St. Osmund's and Reverse Si. Remigius'; Stowe. St. Faith's, Reverse St. Martin's and Reverse Winchendon: St. Andrew's, Reverse Huntspill, Reverse St. Martin's and Reverse Winchendon: Coxwell. Stedman Slow Course, St. Botolph's, Reverse Boh and Canterbury: Reverse All Saints'. St. Sebastian's. St. Bartholomew. Reverse Shipway, Reverse Bob and Canterbury: New Boh. Itchingfield and Forncett: St. Vedast's. Bedingham and Chipstead: Bethnal Bob and St. Vedast's: Huntspill. Oakley and Ellingham: Reverse Heathrow, Reverse St. Edmund's and Huntspill: Shipway. Colnbrook and Tandridge: Westminster II. Knapton and Chesham: Cranford and Westminster II: St. Hilary"s. Intwood and Ockham: Blackburn, Broughton and Lyng: Reverse Canterbury, Raveningham and Dorton: St. Nicholas. Fundenhall and Longford: Heathrow and St. Nicholas': St. Remigius', Harpley and Hascombe: Winchendon and Thornborough: Haddiscoe and Winchendon: Plain Bob and Boxford: St. Simon's and Braywood: St. Edmund's and St. Simon's : St. Osmund's, Longworth and Merton: St. Martin's. Welford and Slapton:St. Simon's and Rugby, and Plain Bob and Candlesty: with 350 changes of method and plain leads only used throughout.
monica M. Blagrove .. Treble William Butler
Malcolm S. Cloke .. .. 2 Michael Hatchett .. 3
Frank T. Blagrove..... Tenor
Conducted hy Frank T. Blasrove.
The greatest numher of Doubles methods yet rung to a peal, and the greatest number of regular methods rung in a peal of 5,040 changes (126 Minor methods have heen rung in a peal of 6,480 changes).

WHITTLESFORD. CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Fri.. Aug. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minules. At the Church of SS. Mary and Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINUR
Being seven extents in eight methods, viz. : (1) London and Wells, (2) Norwich. (3) York. (4) Durham. (5) Surfleet, (6) Beverley, (7) Cambridge
E. Jane Langton Tenor 13 cwt .3 qr . 25 lb . in F Derek E. Latchford

Treble
T. Reginald Dennis

Conducted
Derek E. Sibson.

ILLSTON-ON-THE-HILL. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Aug. 22. 196(), in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the (hurch of St. Michafl and All Angels.
A PFAL OF $50 \div 0$ CA.MBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being severt extents. Tenor 8 cwt 2 qr .11 lb
Peter J. Chilton .. .. Treble Marin C. Faulikes Sandra E. Chesterion . . 2 Ai.an E. Hartley John M. Jelley . . . 3 A. James Poynor .. .. Tenor Conducted by A. James Poynor.

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At the Church of St. Iohn-on-the-Wall, A PEAL OF 5040 \$IINOR
In seven methods, heing one extent each of College Bob. St. Clement's College Boh, Double Oxford Boh, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Boh, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.
David Heighton .. .. Treble | Reginald G. Hooper *Cliff Richards .. .. 2 Brynley A. Shackleton.. 5 *Elisabeit A. Bowden 3 D. John Hunt
Conducted by David Heighion.

Tenar

* First peal in seven methods.

A compliment to Graham and Ruby Eyles on the birth of a daughier.
LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Wed., Aug. 24, 1961, in 2 Hours and 43 Minules, At the Church of Sr. Paul.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CRANFORI) SLRPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, with S-6 the right way throughous. Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lh . in A.
Ehristine M. Rimmer .. Treble Raymond. G. Smith .. 4 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Frank C. Price. . . . } & 2 & \text { John R. Mayne .. .. } \\ \text { Michael. Hatcheit .. } & \text {. } & 3\end{array}$ Conducted by John R. Mayne.

- 150th peal of Surprise. First in the method in the county, for the Association, and by all the band except the ringer of the second.


## WILLINGHAM-BY-STOW, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., Aug. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Helen, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Double and Single Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) St. Clemeni's and Double Oxford. (4) London Surprise. (5) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Boh. (7) Double Boh. Tenor 12 cwt . 1 gr. in F sharp.
 *Claire Dillamore .. .. 2 Louis Wiliders
Delia Smith .. .. .. 3 Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Tenor

- 25th peal.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## COSBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. Aug. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Mimules.
At the Church of St. Michafl and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in four methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent Treble Bob. (3) and (4) St. Clement's Bob, (5), (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. in $G$.

| Brian G. Warwick | $\ldots$ | Treble | Ernest Morris... | .. | . | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - Mark G. Wood | $\ldots$ | 2 | Brian M. Smith | $\ldots$ | . | 5 |
| Diana J. Perrins | $\ldots$ | 3 | John A. Acres. .. | .. | .. | Tenot | Diana J. Perrins Conducted By A. Acres

* First pesl of Minor.

BELTON. RUTLAND.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Syston District.)
On Sat.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOLBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Malcolm D. Barsby .. Treble
Ernest F. Payne .. .. 2
*James Mitchell
Conducted Frederick T. Bindley . . Tenor †ROYSTON WILMORE B. Stedman Payne. B. Stedman Payne.

## COUND, SHROPSHIRE

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
In 11 methods, being ten extents of Grandsire and four each of Spliced St. Martin's and St. Osmund's, St. Martin's and St. Simon's, Winchendon Place and St. Remigius', Winchendon Place and St. Nicholas', Stedman, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. April Day and Plain Bob. Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frldi. A. H. Cattell .. Treble Reginald H. Newton .. 4
Harry Poyner .. .. .. 2 Philip J. Evans .. i. 5
Mary C. Poyner .. .. 3 James Jones .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Harry Poyner.
The greatest number of Doubles methods rung in a peal by the Association.

HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.
TIIE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Sat.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minuses,
At ihe Church of The Holy Trinity.
Being seven different OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Leslie R G. Taylor
*Terence J. Milsom .. 2 George J. Hawkins.. .. 5
S. Arthur Read .. .. 3 Alan F. Lee .. .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George J. Hawkins.

* First peal of Minor 'inside.

Rung in memory of William J. Prescott.

## MILTON REGIS. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Oir Sat.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minures. At the Church of Thf. Holy Trinity, A PFAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 1.440 Plain Boh (four callings) and 3.600 Grandsire (ten callings).

* Diana R. Southam Tenor $10 \frac{1}{4}$ CWt. Treble William A. J. Knight .. 4
Francis J. Cheal. .. .. 2 Charles E. I. Norris .. 5 †James W. Sellen .. .. 3 Leslie B. Dobbie .. .. Tenor Conducted: by William A. J. Knight.
* First peal. + First on six bells, also on "inside" bell.

A hirthday peal for the tenor ringer's grand-daughter: also for John Hale, late of Rainham, Kent

WALKHAMPTON. DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sunt., Aug. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minures. At the Parish Church, (dedication unknown)
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.


* First peal of Minor. First on the bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to D. Roy Bould.

## HANDBELL PEALS

WEST HARTLEPOOL. CO. DURHAM.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 On Thurs., Aug. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.
## - PEAL OF 50.10 PIA IN ROB.

Being seven different extents.
-2। Mrs. Kenor size 12 in F. Kenneth Lawson Mrs. K. Lawson
Conducted by Kenneth Lawson.

* First peal.

A tenth wedding anniversary peal for Mr. and Mrs. K Lawson.
MARPLE, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri.. Aug. 26. 1960, in 2 Hours.
At Whingarth. Ridge Road.
a peal of 5040 Minor
Being seven methods in seven extents. viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) Single Oxford. (3) St. Clement's. (4) Kent T.B.. (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Double Plain Boh. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C. Brian Harris $1-2 \mid$ Bfrnard F. L. Groves
Robert B. Smith $5-6$
Conducted by Robert B. Smith.
First peal in seven Minor methods 'in hand by all.
Rung as a farewell to Bernard Groves, who is leaving Marple to live at Maidstone. Kent.

HINCKLEY. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tues.. Aug. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minules.

AI 128 . LEICESTER ROAD
A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS
Peter J. Stanifurth Tenor size $1-2$ in Alfred Ballard 1-2 Alfred Ballard ... .. 5-6 George S. Morris .. .. $3-4 \mid$ Ernest Morris Composed by Fredk. H. Dexter. Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.

ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.-On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. G. Barron 1, S, Kathleen M Knight 2, W. A. K. Gray 3, J. N. Haile 4, S. A. Scott 5, M. R. Walker (first inside ') 6, H. A.
Nobes (cond.) 7. T. K. Farden (first quarter) 8. Nobes (cond.) 9, T. K. Farden (first quarter) 8.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ernest Douglass. F.R.C.O., for 60 years' organist and choirmaster at this church.
AYLESTONE. LEICS.-On Aug. 21st, 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: S. Marie Davenport 1, Patricia A. Wardle 2, Sandra E. Chesterton 3, M. C. Faulkes 4. P. Martin 5. T. 1, Roper 6.
R. S. Morris 7, A. J. Poynor (cond.) 8. For Evensong.
BIRMINGHAM.-At Bishop Latimer's Memorial Church, on Aug. 21 st, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss J. Lane 1. D. E. Sibson 2, Miss E. J. Langton 3. Miss J. K. Exsen 4, N. D. Robinson 5, D. A. R. May 6. M. R. Rose 7. J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8. First in the method for 3, 4 and 6. For Evensons and a birthday compliment 10 the conductor.

COBHAM. SURREY.-On Aus. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Maultby 1, Susan Bell 2, Tessa Kemp 3, Catherine H. Powell 4, R. L. Caporn 5, B J. Woodruffe (cond.) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. George Marriner, tower captain, at Leatherhead.
DALLINGTON, NORTHANTS.-On Aug. 23rd, 1.260 Doubles (Canterbury. St. Simon. Plain Bob): R. T. Clarke 1. R. G. Chapman 2. K. Alton 3. E. Nobles (cond.) 4. J. G. Chapman 5. D. White 6. Rung by the Sunday service band for the golden wedding of Licut.-Col. and Mrs. T. E. Manning.

DARLINGTON. CO. DURHAM.-At St. Cuthberi's Church, on Aug. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. T. Cooke 1, E. Pannell 2, E. Jackson (first quarter) 3. T. Senior 4. T. Cooke (cond.) S, F. Hodgson 6

DEAN PRIOR, DEVON.-On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. L. Bennett 1. A. J. Collings 2, F. E. Day 3, D. R. Bould 4, T. G. Myers (cond.) 5. W. G. Lavers 6. Rung immediately after the institution of the Rev. J. W. Timms, of Buckfastleigh. to the united Benefice of Dean Prior with Buckfastleigh.
EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Aug. 23rd, 1,440 Plain Roh Minor: Christine L. J. Froggalt (first quarter) 1, R. Mills 2, R. Blackshaw 3. W. L Exton (cond.) 4. M. Harrizon 5. J. Hieges 6.
EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-At the Church of St. Bartholomew, on Aug, 21si, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. A. Bayles (cond.) 1, Miss M. Erik 2, Miss P. E. Jervis 3. Miss E. Farrow (first in the method) 4. F. E. Roberis 5, M. Hawkes 6, D. J Martin 7. J. V. Temple 8. For Evensong.
EXNING, SUFFOLK.-On Aug. 28th, 1.260 Plain Hob Doubles: Mise H. Cross 1, J. Y. Parker 2, D. G. Taylor 3. J. Genteman 4, A. R Mann (cond.) 5. Rung as a farewell to Mr. and Mrs.
R. J. W. Housden, of Burwell, Cambs, and M. J. R. J. W. Housden, of Burwell, Cambs, and M. J.
Tester. of Fordham, Cambs. Also for the christening of Andrew Jrohn Housden, this day.
FORDHAM, CAMRS.-On Aus. 2 lss, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Palmer 1, J. Goodwin 2, R. J. Palmer 3. K. Munns 4. M. 1. Tester 5. D. Morley Palmer 3. K. Munns 4, M. J. Tester 5. D. Marley
6. Rung for Evenaong and a farewell to M. J. Tester.
FRYER NING, ESSEX.-On Aug, 21st, 1.260 Minor (being 360 each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and 540 Plain Bob): S. Penfold 1, F. V. Gant (cond.) 2, 3 Carrott 3. W. Flatt 4. T. East 5. A. Salisbury 6. For Matins. and birhday compliment to W. Flatt of Harleston.
GREAT HALE. LINCS.-On Aug. 29th. 1,320 Phin Bob Doubles ( 4 callings): Sylvia A. E. Brown (firet on treble) 1. Daphne P. Brown (first as cond.)
2. E. A. Cale 3. R. Trevitt 4. R. Brown 5. G. T. Brown 6 .
GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.-On Aug. 21st. 1.264 Plain Bob Maior: Mrs. V. Hales 1, Ann Pryke 2. Mrs. P. Mills 3. A R. Andrews 4. P. Mills 5,
I. Cooper 6. R. G. Buge 7, E. E. Davey (cond,) I. Cooper 6, R.
8. For Evensong.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.-On Aug. 21st. 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: F. Bowden 1. C. Johnstone 2.
C Coussmaker 3. J Miles 4. R. Corner 5. E. Pearson 6, J. McDermott 7. J. Queen 8, H. Gauntleit 9. A. Queen (cond.) 10 . Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr, and Mrs. W. J. Queen, parents of the Sth and loih ringers. Firs guarrer of Plain Rob Royal on the bells. Also on Aug. 2A1h, 1:344 Plain Bob Malor: I. Weatherley 1, C. Johnstone 2. Mrs. F. Bowden 3, A. Carpenter 4, E. Peatson 5, J. McDermott 6, A. Queen 7, J. Queen (cond.) 8. For Ss. Bartholomen's Day.

## QUARTER PEALS

HENLOW, BEDS.-On Aug. 28th. 1.260 Single Oxford Minor: P. Thompson 1. M. Major 2, R Fuller 3, G. Mayes 4. P. W. Thompkins 5, L. H. Bywater (cond.) 6. For parish Communion.
KEA, CORNWALL.-On Aug, 27ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. W. Jose 1. A Locke 2, A. I. Davidson 3. G. D. Carter (first inside') 4, D Burnett (cond.) 5. H. J. Pascoe 6
LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Aug. 7th. 1.264 Plain Rob Major: S. H. Symonds (cond.) 1. R. Plain Rob Major: S. H. Symonds (cond.) 1, R.
Chambers 2, Jenifer Reeve (firse quarter)
3, Hunt 4. S. Smith 5, F. Boreham 6, F. F. Murtlock 7. E. Cracknell 8.

LOCKING, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 23rd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Marjorie Legg (cond.) 1, S, White 2, G. Prescott 3. R Ballam 4, D. Millier 5, F. Millier 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. M. Hutchings, ringer of this church.
LOWER OUINTON, WARWICKS.-On Aug. 26ih, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Veronica M. Miles 1. Susan Funnell 2. Linda M. Hughes 3. Alma M. Greaves 4. J. Mary Funnell 5, J. K. Foot (cond.) 6. First in method for all the band. Rung for the wedding of a local ringer. Miss Mary Higgins, to lvor Graham Potter. a week previously.
LYME REGIS. DORSET,-On Aug. 25th. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: F. Knight 1. Margaret Ross 2 J. Looker 3. R. Pituman 4. G. Gaylard 5. H. J. Gaylard 6. M. V. White 7. G. S. Morris (cond.) 8. First of Surprise Major for 3 and 5 . Rung in honour of the ordination of Roger Keeley, as deacon in the parish, of Harnham. Salisbury.
LYMINSTER, SUSSEX.-On Aug. 271h. 1,440 Minor ( 720 St. Clement's, 720 Plain Bob): M. J. Wake (first of Minor) 1. B. Burrough 2. L. Stilwell 3. G. Crisp 4. R. P. Wood 5, R. Wake (first of Miner as cond.) 6.
MARHAMCHURCH, CORNWALL-On Aug. 12th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Medland 1, Lesley Sherwin 2. E. Ford 3. R. 1. Hicks 4. C. E. Taslor (cond.) 5. B. Soper 6. For Parrnnal Fentival. Also on Aug. 24th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mary Medland 1. Lesley Sherwin 2. E. Ford 3, R. J. Hicks 4. C. E. Taylor (cond.) 5. A. Marsh 6. A
tarewell to the Rector, Rev W. Atwood Evans, who is leaving to take up duties in Hampshire.
MARK, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 27th. 1.280 Oxford T.B. Major: Monica Horseman 1, Audrey Bailey 2 . C. I. Clarke 3. D. Miller 4. D. J. Hunt 5. J. Brain 6. R. D. Short (cond.) 7 M. J. Horseman 8. First in the method by all except 2 and 5 .
MARPLE, CHESHIRE.-On Aug. 27th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: B. I. Woodrufic 1-2. B. F L. Groves 3-4. R. B. Smith 5-6, F. Nabaldiston 7-8. Rung silent:
MERROW, SURREY.-On Aug. 27th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: K. S Owen (first quarter) 1, Susan A. Bull (first - inside') 2. Angela J. Martin 3. A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 4. P. G. Smart 5. R. F. Warren 6.
NEWBURN-ON-TYNE. NORTHUMBERLAND.On Aus. 21 st . 1.292 Surdrisc Minor ( 720 Surfleet. 572 Beverley): T. M. Cox 1. K. Arihur 2. J. E. Andersoa 3. F. Ross 4. J. A. Ainsworih (cond.) 5 . G. S. Deas 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Tony Clemens, in his last Sunday in this parish.
PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.-On Aug 1sth, at the Cathedral Church of Si. Thomas of Canterbury, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Kathleen M. Knight 1. W. A. K. Gray 2. D. P. Jones 3. I, N. Haile 4. L. Smith 5.
S A. Scott 6. R. Baldwin (cond.) 7. A. Hoodless 8. S A. Scotr 6. R. Baldwin (cond.) 7. A. Hoodleas 8.
A welcome to the ringers of 4 and 6 .

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PYWORTHY, DEVON.-On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 callings): Mary Pryor (first quarter) 1. H. Heard 2, Ann George 3, H. Stacey 4, S. Jenner (cond.) 5, D. Brock 6.
ST. KEA, TRURO, CORNWALL.-On Aug. 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. J. Pascoe Davidson 2, A. Locke 3. Miss M. Driver 4. C. W Jose (cond.) 5, K. J. Moor (first quarter) 6. Rung as a farewell to H. J. Pascoe and K. J. Moor, who are leaving St. Kea. Also on Aug. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Duubles: G. F. Dunstan 1. Helen Hobbins 2. A. Locke 3. Marian Driver 4, C. W. Jave (cond) M. Trenoweth 6. In thanksgiving for God's gift of son 10 Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hood.
SELLY OAK. BIRMINGHAM.-At Fircroft College. on Aug. 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. E. Sibson (first in the method 'in hand') 1-2. P. M. J. Gray (cond.) 3-4. J. M. Lakin 5-6. G. Prath (first in hand') $7-8$
SOUTHGATE, LONDON.-At Christ Church, on Aug. 28th. 1,26u Grandsire Triples: Monica Moore (first of Triples) 1. Pam Miller 2. Ann Aldridge 3. S. G. Peek 4. T. Bailey 5, H. Mitler 6. C. Aldridge (cond.) 7. W. Wainwright 8. Rung as a golden wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. A. Glasscock, a member of the Christ Church band for 62 years. and Mrs, Glasscock.
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS,-On Aug. 21st. 1.320 Doubles ( 6 extents of Grandsire, 5 of Plain Bob): Mary Norman 1. Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2, T. Bolingbroke 3. B. G. Warwick 4. B. M. Smith (first as cond. in 2 methods) 5, D. W. Stenson 6. For Evensong.
STAINES, MIDDX.-On Aug. 7th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jean Williams 1, S. Gamble 2, J. Tomkinson 3. D. Hawkins 4. E. Skipsey (cond.) 5. R. Shepherd 6. Rung as a combiiment to Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Carter, on the occasion of their silver wedding. Also on Aug, 28ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Shepherd 1, R. Wiggins (first 'inside') 2. Carol OKelly (first 'inside') 3, E. Skipsey (cond.) 4. M. Bartlett S, B. Bartlett 6.

STOULTON, WORCS.-On May 27th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor. A. A. Jopp 1. R. G. Morris 2. Mrs. A. A. Jopp 3. J. Moule 4. I. Clements (cand.) 5. D. Price 6. First quarter on the bells. Tenor 107 lbs .

STRATTON. CORNWALL.-On Aus 18 th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Ann George 1, A. Bissatt 2, 1. W. Sangwin 3, C. Sangwin 4, M. J. Pryor 5, H. Stacey 6. S. Jenner (cond.) 7. J. Halford 8. Rung for the summer fete of the combined churches of Stration. Also on Aug. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. W. Sangwin 1. A. Hicks 2. H. Trewin 3. W. J. Brunt 4. M. 3. Pryor 5. H. Stacey 6. T. J. Setter (cond.) 7. J. Walford 8. First quarter of Stedman Triples by 1. 3. 5 and 8.
SUTTUN-COURTNEY, BERKS.-On Aug. 27th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: G. L. Armitage (first quarter) 1. J. S. Barnes (cond.) 2. G. Allam 3. 3. Greenwood 4. A. W. Hewes 5. G. Leyland 6. A wedding complimens to Miss Joan Partridge and Mr. Cyril Beasley. The bride has for several years been a chorister and Sunday School teacher at this church.
THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Aug 28th, 1.296 Minor (720 Norwich Surprise, 576 Cambridge Surprise): W. Downs 1. P. Mills 2. Miss M. Mills 3, F. Harvey 4, P. Woods 5. E. E. Davey (cond.) 6. For Evensong
UXBRIDGE, MIDDX.-On Aug. 14ch. 1.280 Grandsire Doubles: M. Sheehan 1. Mrs, P. Phillips (first - inside ") 2. Mrs. E. R. Gotham 3. H. W. Impey (cond.) 4. P. Phillips 5, F. Bedford 6. For Eveneong. WARBOROUGH, OXON-On Aus. 28th, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: V. For 1. Helen Butler 2, G Mcllhone 3. Jean Exon 4. Margaret Thewlis 5. A. Howes 6, F. Absolom (cond.) 7, D Exon 8. Firsi quarter of Plain Rob Triples for all except ringer of 3rd. Rung for 'Warborough Feast.
WEEK ST. MARY, CORNWALL. On Aug. 7th, 1.44t) Plain Bob Minor: B C. Kercher (flrst of Minor) 1. Ann George 2, C. E. Taylor 3. H. Sigcey 4. D. M. Hughes (first of Minor) 5. S. Jenner (cond.) 6.
WENTWORTH, YORKS.-On Aug. 27ih, 1.320 Piain Bob Doubles Rev. Camon A. King 1. A. King (first - inside') 2. M. R. Meadows 3. E. P. King 4. M. King (firse as cond.) 5, R. West 6. Rung at Wentworth, after the proposed quarter peal visit to Wortley had been called off. owing to heavy rain.
WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.-At All Samis' Church, on Aug 28th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Ellis 1. E. A. Parish 2. A. Mills (comp. and cond.) 3. J. Cooper 4, W. D. Peart 5, F. Pickering 6,
H. F. Baraclough 7. J. R. Cotteril) 8. For Evensang and aarewell to Preb. N. W. Wasson, who has accepted the living of Hinss-with-Weeford, is the diocese of Lichfield.

## STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS

Stratton St. Margaret ringers could hardly have selected a worse day for their outing than August 27th, and their objective to towers in the Wotton-under-Edge district took them to Dursley, which had earlier had the experience of a whirlwind. The start was delayed for half-an-hour to enable some ringers to change their clothes after being caught in a thunderstorm. A further delay occurred when only a short distance from the first tower. Stonehouse : a swan, apparently mistaking the wet road for the river, landed in front of the coach! Mr. Price was waiting to greet us, and we soon had the bells swinging.
The 'go' of Slimbridge bells was much appreciated, and Canon Thomas gave us a warm welcome. After ringing at Upper Cam, a gale and torrential rain were experienced en route for Dursley, where we had tea before ringing on the eight at St James Church. The last tower was Wotton-under-Edge, where the re-cently-rehung eight were a joy to ring. During the irip, methods rung included Cambridger and London Minor, and Cambridge and Double Norwich C.B. Major. With a strange sense of humour, the coach driver called at The Trouble House on the way home.

The trip was organised by Mr. Oram, with Mr. V. Griffin as Ringing Master. Our thanks are sent 10 incumbents and lower secretaries.
R. L.

## IN THE FYLDE AREA

Ten towers in the Fylde area were visited by a party of ringers from the Furness and Lancaster Branches on August 27th, and despite the interference of an enthusiastic 'speed cop, an enjoyable afternoon was spent.
Methods rung included Plain Bob, St. Clement's, Litlle Bob, Kent and Oxford T.B.. Grandsire, Stedman, Cambridge and Double Norwich.

Thanks are due to Mr. T. F. Metcalfe, tower secretaries in the Fylde area and, last but by no means least, the coach driver. R.W.D.

## OUTINGS

## BAWTRY AND TICKHILL

Saturday, August 20th, saw the first combined outing of Bawtry and Tickhill ringers. The first objective was the Bell Foundry at Loughborough, where a very interesting hour was spent looking around the Foundry, under the guidance of Mr. P. Taylor and Mr. J. P. Fidler. Although eagerly looked forward to, our attempts at ringing on the Foundry bells were far from being praiseworthy.

After partaking of a packed lunch we proceeded to Hathern, where we found a very pleasant ring of six, the bells being half-muffled as a token of respect to the Vicar and his wife, who lost their lives whilst attempting to save their dog from drowning in the sea. A pleasant hour was spent at Bunney and at Cotgrave, where we had a warm welcome from the Vicar, the Rev. Mr. Wakefield. who for 19 years was the Vicar of Bawtry. Tea was provided by Mrs. Wakefield and other kind helpers. and this was thoroughly enjoyed. A pleasant hour was spent on the bells, which we found very easy going. During this time our nonringing friends visited the Rectory gardens.
After Cotgrave we did not settle down as well at Whatton-in-the-Vale, but there was a marked improvemient at Bottesford, and everyone agreed that this was 'the tower of the day." Our final call was at Balderton, a light, very good-going six. Methods rung during the day ranged from rounds to Cambridge Surprise.

Thanks are extended to all the incumbents and ringers who welcomed us to their towers. to Messrs. Taylor, 10 Mrs. Wakefield and her helpers for providing tea, and to all those who in any way assisted towards making the outing a success.
A. W. and A. H.

## HENLOW, BEDS

Organised with quiet efficiency, as usual, by Mr. L. H. Bywaters, this year's outing of the Henlow ringers took place on August 27th, when they visited the Berkshire area.

The first tower, Dorchester, Oxon, was reached in good time, which meant that a cup of coffee could be enjoyed before ascending the tower, where good use was made of the easy-going ring of eight.

Next came Abingdon, whose splendid parish church has a ring of ten, and where we were pleased to meet Mrs. Lock, who welcomed us in her gracious manner. A very good lunch was enjoyed here before going on to Harwell. This lovely ring of eight was much enjoyed by all, after which we went on to Wantage, birthplace of Alfred the Great, on the fringe of the famous Vale of the White Horse. An excellent tea was taken here before journeying on to Blewbury, another good ring of eight.

Perhaps the best ringing of the day took place at our last tower, East Hagbourne, and well it might be, for these bells are a delight. to ring-an excellent example of what a ring of eight should be!

The thanks of all are tendered to the incumbents wherc we rang. to the local ringers who made us so welcome, and to Mr. Bywaterg for his splendid arrangements.
A. E. R.

## PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE

Packwood ringers and friends choose Worcestershire for their day's outing. There was some fine ringing on the beautiful bells of Stoke Prior and Hanbury. The young ringers had difficulty in controlling the bells of Upton Snodsbury. due to the great length of rope. but short touches of Bob Minor were brought round. Other towers visited were Witton. Broadwas, Inkberrow. Grimley, Wychbold and the day finished with some fine ringing on the delightful bells at Ombersley. Thanks are due to incumbents, to Paul Cattermole and members of his band and to all tower captains for allowing us to ring their bells. R.E.T.

John Taylor \& Co.

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We are sorry to learn that Mr. George Gilbert, of Burnham, Bucks, was admitted to

BELFRY
Cliveden Hospital on August 5th. He is in Ward 9, and his many friends will join us in hoping that this sojourn will be the means of his recovery and ultimate return to the belfry.

A loss to ringing in Marple, Cheshire, is the departure of Mr. Bernard Groves to live in Maidstone, Kent.
Eight peals from eight attempts were scored by Mr. A: Patrick Cannon's party during their Lake District tour.
Mr. Ernest G. Hibbins had a "golden' peal at Trumpington, Cambs, on August 21 st. It was rung on the 50 th anniversary of his first peal. Congratulations!
Mr. F. E. Collins has rung in every ringable tower in Cornwall. He completed his record by ringing at Lanhydrock when he joined Miss Wyman's tourists for a day.

- Gillian Schofield, of Bradford, deserves congratulations,' writes Mr. W. Eric Critchley. - for although she is still a schoolgirl, she rang Pitman's 4-Spliced Surprise like a seasoned veteran at Harthill on August 27th.' Well done!

Bidford-on-Avon ringers express their thanks to the London University Guild for their kind gesture in leaving a donation in the belfry after their visit on August 25th. Such thoughtful actions leave behind happy memories.

The quarter peal of Stedman Triples at Stratton was rung following a thanksgiving Sunday for a successful record church fete, visitors from Cardiff, Colchester, Rye and Yeovil taking part in the ringing.
Mr. W. Butler has produced an excellent number of 'The Ringers' Magazine for the August quarter. 'Bells in Law Reports,' by Norman Phillips, and 'Church Architecture, by John F. Williams, are two good articles. The Editor also makes a valued contribution with 'Bell Founders' Marks.' It is all very readable.

## GOSSIP

There will be no more ringing at Exeter Cathedral until further notice. It is expected that work on the bells will take at least until Christmas.

The Universities' Association have only one peal to record from this year's Week-Yorkshire Surprise Major, at Bolsover.

Cheshire ringers' tour of Worcestershire, organised by Mr. Basil Jones, resulted in 11 peals. There were two failures. Story next week

The Warborough and Dorchester (Oxon) bands would like to thank Mr. Frank Absolom. for the help he has given them in the past and also calling the quarter peals.
With the peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Leicester Cathedral on August 29th. Mr. Harold J. Hazell, of Enfield. completes Cambridge from Minor to Maximus. It was his 75th peal.
A colour film unit was in action at St . Mary's. Watford. practice night on August 30th. Members of the local cine society took action shots of ringers and bells for inclusion in a film of Watford to be shown to the public in the Town Hall on October 11th.
While the product of the University of London Society's summer tour in Warwickshire was only two peals and three quarters, it was most enjoyable. For one couple in particular the occasion was memorable-the announcement of the engagement of Mr. D. E. Sibson and Miss Jane Langton. Every happiness!
The Central Bucks Branch has lost a sincere friend by the death of its chairman, since 1958, Canon C. E. Last, Rector of Great Horwood. Canon Last died at sea. A memorial service was held at Great Horwood last Sunday. An appreciation of his services will appear in our next issue.
The convencr of the Editorial Committee (Mr. J. Frank Smallwood) rang in a peal of Yorkshire Surprise, at Darley Dale, on September 1st, in honour of his 76th birthday. The peal also honoured Mr. Herbert Langdon's 79th birthday on the following day.

# THE WHITE CHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD IN CAMBRIDGE

 assembled in Cambridge once more, on August 20th, for its annual ringing week, this time at Wilflete House, a new Clare hostel on Castle Hill.Some of us arrived on Saturday night, including the peal committee, who were soon in full session deciding our fate (so they thought) for the next week. The hostel, we found. was very modern and very comfortable, but had a number of obvious faults: the plumbing and the midnight handbell ringing were both universally audible, the latter especially so, as we were ejected from the dining-cum-common room at 11 , and had to adjourn to a bedroom.

The ringing got oft to a fine start on Sunday morning with Stedman Cinques at Great St. Mary's, despite the sex discrimination at break-fast-two eggs and three rashers for the men, one egg and two rashers for the women. At Trumpington, where we were met by Miss Willers, the bells were rung well, before we dispersed to meet again after lunch at St. Andrew's. A pleasant afternoon was spent ringing at Caxton and Bourn, before dinner.

The week's first peal band set off early on Monday for Elveden, where a peal of Rutland was successful, although there was some disappointment afterwards when it was found that the attractive house with a swinging sign and a car park was only the estate office. Stretham and Soham were visited by the rest of the party, a number of whom were due for a peal at Mildenhall in the afternoon. With this in view. junch was sought in Ely, but the wrong caft. was picked, where the service was lamentably slow. Moreover, the peal committee had excelled itself, and when ten ringers finally assembled at Mildenhall half-an-hour late, to ring a peal of Cambridge Royal, there was na conductor. However, yet another peal of Boh Royal was quite competently brought round. Meantime, there had been ringing at Fordham, Burwell and Swaffham Prior before we all reassembled for dinner! The evening was very pleasantly spent.

## FIRST FAILURE

Tuesday brought the first of a succession of failures: after two-and-a-half hours of Pitman`s 4 -Spliced at St. Neots, the tenor man gave up because it was not going too well-a great disappointment for all concerned. This was partly assuaged by an excellent grill at a small hotel before joining the remainder of the party. They had been to Long Stanton, Over and St. Ives before lunch, and the whole assembly visited the Hemingfords (Grey and Abbots). Huntingdon (All Saints') and Godmanchester before returning to Cambridge for dinner. Three of us had been requisitioned for an Ely peal at Trumpington in the evening, and a peal of Bob Major was duly scored there. After dinner some visited the local practice at Old Chesterton, while others attempted a handbell peal of Double Norwich. The latter failed after half-an-hour or so, but a good practice was had including methods up to London and Rutland.
The Corporate Communion was the first appointment on Wednesday, when a number attended Mass at the neighbouring Church of St. Giles, celebrated by the Vicar, with the president assisting. After breakfast a peal band set off for Stansted Mountfitchet and rang a peal of Yorkshire, despite some misgivings about the coursing order being back to front from time to time. Others were regaled with ringing at Sawston and Ickieton hefore lunch at Great Dunmow. The party were reunited at Great Dunmow Church after lunch, going on to Gieat Bardfield and Thaxted-a day of ground floor rings. which gladdened the hearts of the older memhers and produced some of the week's better ringing.

## 1961. WEST SUSSEX

After dinner, the meeting held in the hostel common room considered two or three important matters. First, it was announced that the reprinted Guild History was ready and could be purchased from the officers. Second, it was

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 37


## MR, WALTER AYRE

## Hertfordshire Association.

Mr. Walter Ayre is yet another member of the teaching profession who has given long and useful service to the Exercise. His work on the Peals Analysis and the Peal Boards Committees is well known to the Central Council, and, it is hard to conceive how such work could be better done. The peals analysis requires continuous and very alert attention, and there is little that escapes Walter's eagle eye.
He was born at Barton-on-Humber in 1891. went to school there, and progressed to Hult Grammar School and the Municipal College, Grimsby. After a period as pupil teacher. he took up a post as teacher at Gainsborough in 1911. He joined the Army at the commence-
decided to hold the 1961 Guild week in West Sussex, under the guidance of Brians Price and Threlfall, subject to the usual accommodation problems. Thirdly, and most importantly, it was decided, on the suggestion of the president and on the strict understanding that he himself had no intention of retiring as yet, to elect a vice-president, and the office was at once well filled by Bill Ridgman.

Subsequently more handbells were indulged in and a touch of Spliced Surprise (albeit probably false, but nevertheless ably called round at backstroke by the conductor) was rung.
A suggested peal attempt at Trumpington on Thursday morning was called off due to lack of support and to the local peal there two days previously, and so the full party were able to do justice to St. Neots. Eaton Socon and Biggleswade in the morning. Lunch in Biggleswade preceded ringing at Baldock, Barkway and Royston, although a peal hand for Stedman Cinques at Great St. Mary's was detached after Baldock. The peal, regrettably, was not a success, and after an hour-and-three-quarters ${ }^{\circ}$ average ringing came to grief at a single. Bene't's were visited in the evening, and some confusion was caused here by the man who asked onc of the ladies to join him in the Bath!

## UNFORTUNATE MISHAP

Lavenham for a peal of Bristol-a pleasant thought ; but the peal band here on Friday
ment of the Great War, serving in the artillery in France and Belgium, After completing further training at St. Mark's College he was appointed headmaster at Caythorpe in 1921, and then went as headmaster to Leverstock Green in 1922, in which post he remained until retirement in 1957.
He learned to ring at Barton, and rang his first peal, Minor in three methods, in 1911. This was quickly followed by a peal of Kent T.B. Major at Hull, and by 1918 he had commenced conducting. His first 12 -bell peal was at Southwark, to which he rang the tenor. He had joined the Cumberlands, and was contemporary with John D. Matthews, who conducted his first peal on handbells (Bob Royal). He took part in that Society's first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, and also a peal of Stedman Caters at the Imperial Institute, South Kensington. In 1948 he was elected Master of the Cumberland Youths.
Mr. Ayre also served as District secretary (Western), Herts Association, from 1923 to 1947, and was made president in 1935. Under his guidance and leadership the Apsley band, which he joined in 1932, has rung peals in up to 32 Surprise Minor methods. His peal total is 763 , of which he has conducted 417 .

His other love is music, and he possesses a resonant bass voice. He ran a successful choral society up to 1939 , which won cups and certificates at various festivals. He has been a member of one choir or another since he was 9 years old, and since 1944 has been a member at St. Peter's, St. Albans. His Sundays must be very busy, for before going to sing at St . Albans he rings at Apsley for service. He is often called on to read the lessons, and sometimes intones the service. He has taken an active part in local affairs, and joined the Special Constabulary in 1926, now being Superintendent in that Force.
Walter was a frequent visitor to Surfleet when Rupert Richardson was alive, and one of the exploits they got up to was to ring a handbell peal in hed. One on a boat and another on a coach whilst touring! They even contemplated ringing a peal whilst sitting in a large tree, but Mother 'put her foot down, and the idea was dropped. It can be readily understood by any. one who knew Rupert (20) stones or more) that he would have required a pretty strong branch to support his weight. Yes. Walter has enjoyed his ringing and his music, and we have enjoyed his humour. He is still in the prime of life, and going strong.

JAFUS.
could not make it go, and contented themselves with a quarter of Yorkshire before joining the rest of the party at All Saints., Sudbury. One driver had a most unfortunate mishap involving an old lady getting off a bus, which prevented him and his passenger from ringing at the first tower, Cavendish; but they reached Long Melford in reasonable time to join in the ringing there before continuing to Sudbury. There was time to look round the shops after lunch before we moved on to Bures. Here the clapper of the tenor broke-though we gathered it was a new one, only a few months old-after only one lead of our first touch. We were therefore reduced to the briefest of rings on the front seven: but after a little telephoning, we were lucky enough to get permission to ring at Stoke-by-Nayland, a most acceptable substitute. The last but by no means least tower of the week was Clare, reached through a cloudburst, hefore making our way back to Cambridge for the final dinner. The evening was happily spent in the Lion, in charge of the (self-transposed) - President of Vice.

As is the way with peals on the last Saturday morning, we could not ring Spliced at St. Andrew's, and so we adjourned once more. looking forward to Guild week next year and to Cambridge again in 1965.

The Guild's first woman secretary, Frances Secker, and her co-organiser, Hilary Muirhead, earn our very warm thanks for another memor: able Guild week.
B. D. T.

## BRISTOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY IN KENT

TOLLOWING successful 'ringing holidays in Cornwall (1958) and the Isle of Wight (1959), this year's cycling tour was arranged in Kent. The party, all members of the U.B.S.C.R., included Michael and Brenda Sprackling, Jane Cook. Angela Grainger, Beryl Abbott, John Baldwin. Roy Blackler, Terry Jones, Mike Austin and Pat Bird. Although only two of us remained from the original Cornish tour. Alan and Pauline Smith were able to join us for the day when we assembled at Canterbury on August 14th, and we commenced ringing at the Cathedral for Evensong. We enjoyed these bells, ringing various methods on eight and ten and a bob course of Grandsire Cinques. After attending the service and having a quick tea. we joined the local company at St. Dunstan's, and again at tended service before making our way to Canterbury Y.H.
On Monday we really got down to business. Nine towers were visited in all, starting-through John's kind efforts-at St Stephen's (Hackington) and St. Alphege's. where a slider fell out. After Sturry (6) we took lunch, and the now-traditional darts match - "East v West -was commenced The six at Littlebourne were not quite as bad as we had been led to believe, and here we were shown around the wardamaged church. Wickhambreaux (6) has a fine ring, and both Wingham (8) and Goodnestone (6) were enjoyed. At Bekesbourne (6) we opened the church to find it full of gas. This meant one quick ring at a time, then dashing out for a breath of fresh air! Our engineer diagnosed a leak and rurned the supply off at the mains! In the evening John took us to his home tower at Whitstable, where we were made most welcome at the local practice.

MOTORISTS TO
RAISE BELLS
On Tuesday we were joined by Peter Newing and party, travelling by van and motor scooter. They were most helpful in getting bells up before the flagging cycle party five at Thanington had such ! The mino Michael that he left the correspondence for the day's towers behind. However. Chartham (6) and Chilham (8) were both found successfully, although Selling (8) produced a rare chase for the key, and first evidence that Kentish folk can't tell their right from their left! Boughton-under-Blean went well to Major, but by the time we had found the elusive Faversham Church (8) (having carried our bikes over a railway footbridge!) we were tiring, and the ringing was not what it' might have been. However, a rest and tea put things right, and we improved at Ospringe (8), with its quaint saddleback tower

Hollingbourne (6) was our first call on Wednesday. followed by Leeds (10), aptly described as 'a bit lumpy.' However, we managed Grandsire Caters and Yorkshire on the back
cight. At Chart Sutton (6) we were pleased to ring with Mr. F. S. Macey. of the Kent Veterans, before going to Boughton Monchelsea (6), where ringing takes place in the chancel and the choir stalls have to be removed. At least one member of the party, elated by the thought of the long hill down into Linton, shot to the bottom before realising he had passed the church half way down. He was glad he climbed back - this eight was too good to be missed. At Marden (8) 2-Spliced came round. This is believed to be the first touch of Spliced Surprise rung by the U.B.S.C.R.

Whoever thought of putting a 25 cwt . tenor in a tower right at the top of a hill at Goudhurst had no thought for weary cyclists! We didn't stay long, and the traditional blood and thunder was enjoyed all the more in the nearhy inn! The warden at Goudhurst Y.H


THEIR WEDDING DAY SMILES. - A happy picture of Stephen Ivin and Avril Thrackray after their wedding at Houghton Conquest on August 13th. In harmony, we look forward to them adding lustre to the Exercise in the years to come. For report see page 593. [Photo by permission of * The Bedfordshire Times.
must have wondered why the sound of distant bells across the valley had such a startling effect on his hostellers that evening! We eventually traced the ringing to Kilndown, where the local ringers made us most welcome on a wonderful six.

## DOOR IN ORGAN CASE!

Had we known on Thursday that Horsmonden Church was not in Horsmonden. we could have saved ourselves five miles of hard riding. Still, this eight was worth finding. At Brenchley a touch of 3 -Spliced Surprise came round. Tonbridge (8), Shipbourne (6) and Ightham (6) were visited during our first hard rain. At the latter tower great concern was caused by the fact that no entrance could be found to the ringing chamber, but after making contact with the Rector we found a cunningly-concealed door in the organ case! Disappointment fol-
lowed at Seal Chart. where the church was locked and no one met us. However, we were made very welcome at Seal (6), and after ringing we enjoyed a fine dinner (with wine!) in a nearby hotel. It was voted to make this a regular feature in future years.

Friday was a day of disasters for the writer, occasioned. he feels, by the needless slaughter of spiders by others in the men's dormitory at Kemsing Y.H! A torn tyre meant that he only just reached Sundridge (6) after a mile's walk, that he missed Brasted (6) altogether. and that for the rest of the day he limped along on a bicycle that sounded as though it would fall apart at any minute! However. Westerham (8), Limpsfield Chart (6), with its exterior iron ladder. Limpsfield (6) and Oxted (6) were all enjoyed to a variety of methods during the afternoon. Lingfield (8) was paid a quick visit after tea. Did the seventh have a stay or not? The day's ringing came to a close at Edenbridge (a delightful eight rung from a gallery). Crockham Hill Y.H. was the scene of our 'last night' sing-song, and two of the ladies were most annoyed when their night attire mysteriously disappeared!
On Saturday morning we rang on the pleasant eight at Sevenoaks before making our final farewells. Our chief memories are of the large number of good rings visited ; of the morning coffee breaks-most acceptable: of how, traditionally, 'West' won the 'arrows" match: and of how we always seemed to be on the heels of the Raving Ringers! (But we, did find some towers they hadn't visited.) We must alt thank Michael for his first-class organisation and also all local ringers and incumbents for their welcome. Next year we may visit Essex -any other ex-U.B.S.C.R. member want a ringing holiday '?
P. J. B.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Ashford District

About 30 visitors attended the first meeting to be held by the Association at Wittersham. on August 27th. The service was conducted by the Rector, Canon H. A. Hodge. who welcomed the visitors to his beautiful old church. Afterwards tea was enjoyed in the Village Hall.

The business part of the meeting was very short. Six new members were elected to the Association. Mr. T. Cullingworth expressed the thanks of the gathering to the Rector, to Mr. Marshlain (the organist), the ladjes who prepared and served the tea, and to Mr. K. Hamilton. captain of the Wittersham band, for making all the arrangements

Even in the Ashford District Wittersham is tut a little known tower. and most of the vistors were enjoying their first visit. This is rather surprising as the late Mr. P. Hodgkin described the tenor ( 16 cwt. ) as one of the finest for a six bell tower in Kent. The "go of the bells has much improved lately, probably due to the care and attention they have received in the last year from Mr. Hamilton and his band.

A small but select gathering finally dispersed about $90^{\circ}$ clock
C. T. H.

The peal of Stedman Caters at Croydon on August 13 th was rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Norman Stecre, and in honour of his engagement to Heather Talbot, both members of the local band. The tower captain is now looking forward to arranging the wedding peal.

## LETTERS

## LIGHTEST BELLS

Dear Sir,-When reading - The Ringing World of August 26 th. I noticed the peal rung on Mr. C. Jarvis' light six. which 1
see is claimed as the lightest six hung for see is claimed as the lightest six hung for ringing.
I wish to publish a quarter peal of Plain Bob, rung of May 27 th on our ring of six bells. the tenor of which weighs 107 lbs ., as against Balscote's 1 cwt. 22 lbs.
These bells have been collected over a period of 14 years from various sources and were tuned in April, 1959. by the kindness of the directors of John Taylor. Loughborough. and now form a very pleasant little ring from which we have had much pleasure with our friends and many visitors.
We hope to attempt a peal on them before so long.-Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR A. JOPP.
Stoulton. Worcs.
NOTE.- The quarter peal appears on our quarter peal page.-Ed.

## HANDBELL RINGING

Dear Sir.-Mr. Woolley's letter on the above subject causes me to confess that until recently I had not heard about blue line, neither had I seen the book Change Ringing on Handbells." published by the Central Council. Perhaps this is because I am a Victorian and tune ringing was more popular in those days. but wher i came to Surrey in 1902 a few keen young man , including myself. commenced change ringing double-handed. and we soon realised the vast difference between tower- and handbell ringing.

Whatever way you look at it peals or touches in hand are a greater mental task and are more easily lost: so much more skill and concentration is needed when a pair is handled. Like my old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hairs. who rang many peals 'in hand' with me. I would like to know who the experts are? We have had men who thought they knew everything about everythin.. but they were always in a hurry when testing time came along. You strike the right note. Mr. Woolley, when you say there is always more to learn. - Yours sincerely.

> WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone. Surrey.

## MARKET BOSWORTH BELLS

AN APOLOGY
Dear Sir.-I must apologise for a very grave error which crept into the account of 'A Leicestershire Tour on page 562 of the - R.W. of August 19th.

It concerns the quality of the bells of St. Peter's. Market Bosworth, which I said were - very similar to South Wigston and just as good in tone. What I really meant to convey was that Market Bosworth's are similar in weight to South Wigston's but are vastly superior in tone When Messis. John Taylor and Co. added three trebles to the old five a few years ago a first class job was done and they rank as one of the finest rings of eight in the Diocese. It will be noted that we regarded them as the main 'titbit' of the hicek.
1 am most sorry for this misconception and I hope that the local ringers (and orhers in the Diocese) will be able to forgive me.Yours faithfully.

> BRIAN G. WARWICK.

Ringing Master, St. Thomas Church, South Wigston, Leics.

## THE EDITOR

AGAINST FIRING BELLS
Dear Sir,-I read in * The Ringing World of August 19th that at Winchester Cathedral the bells were rung to Queens and rounds and instalments of firing. What a pity the fatter was included. even for recording our Uueen Mother's age!

While I. as a ringer. appreciate the effectiveness and skill required to fire a ring of 12 bells well. its appeal to the majority of the general public is nil I remember a few years ago listening to the ringing for a wedding at Petersfield. when following a short touch of Triples the bells were fired and. although done reasonably well. a lady standing near by exclaimed. 'Oh! what a shame the ringers have all gone wrong.'
I for one think firing should be discouraged. After all no good music is produced by bells being fired.-Yours sincerely.
H. GAUNTLETT.

Liphook. Hants.

## MORPETH'S CURFEW

Dear Sir,-In view of the interest in the curfew at Morpeth Watch Tower, I append a copy of my father's notes concerning the curfew :-

The seventh is the curfew bell. William the Conqueror is credited with the institution of the curfew, though it was in existence in Saxon times, but he caused it to be vigorously enforced in order to prevent the risings that were hatched around the village fires at night.

It was rung at 8 oclock, and then both fire and candle must be quenched. The law of curfew was abolished by Henry I in 1100 . but the custom was still kept up in many places. It is claimed that in Morpeth it has been rung without a break all through the centuries.'

## Yours faithfully,

JENNIE ARMSTRONG.
Morpeth.

## COMPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Dear Sir.-The composition on page 584. and referred to by Mr. A. T. W. Cleaver. on page 593, is by Gabriel Lindoff and it is capable of many variations. Whilst on the subject of composition. is it not up to the budding composer to find out for himself the things mentioned in Mr. D. R. Carlisle's letter on page 563? If he did it would at least give him a good knowledge of the method he was working on.-Yours truly.

CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

## Ipswich.

## IN FAVOUR OF MINIMLS

Dear Sir.-I am quite sure that the members of the Central Council were right to vote in favour of the Methods Committee's report and the Standing Commitfee's recommendations 'that recognition be given to peals of Minimus.' The committee members concerned had given this matter very considerable thought and attention: any attempt to reverse this decision. by general motion or otherwise. will. I think. be defeated.-Yours faithfully.
P. NEWING.

Littlebourne. Kent.

## PEALS OF MINIMUS

Dear Sir.-In reply to Mr. Peter Border (whose letter appears on page 579 of the 'R.W.' of August 26th). I am quite sure that the peal of Minimus on handbells credited to the Leicester Diocesan Guild cannot be regarded as a great achievement by the Guild and the members of the Guild who rang it deserve no congratulations.

I think it is true to say that the Leicester Diocesan Guild has been the leading Guild for peal ringing each year since 1948 and I should hate to think that we (or any other Guild for that matter) should achieve this by virtue of having such peals in our total.

Presumably the peal of Minimus, rung during 1959 was accepted by the Central Council at Folkestone because there is nothing about Minimus in the Central Council Handbook. I should like to propose at the 1961 meeting of the Council that peals of Minimus should not be recognised but I should be glad to hear the views of other readers first.-Yours faithfully.

> BRIAN G. WARWICK
> Honorary General Secretary.
> Leicester Diocesan Guild.

Dear Sir.-Whilst many ringers will share Mir. Border's views on the ringing of peals of Minimus 'in hand." it seems a pity that he should air his views on this trivial matter in such a sarcastic manner. Especially so is his reference to the achievements of the Leicester Diocesan Guild some of which. for instance peals of Cambridge Maximus 'in hand and Spliced Surprise Maximus. have yet to be equalled by him or anybody else.-Yours faithfully,
Rothley. Leics.
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN

Dear Sir-I would like to thank Mr. Border for his congratulations, relating to the establishment of the new record length of Bob Minimus. To be congratulated by a ringer of his standing is indeed a rare honour. I would also l:ke to thank Mr. Border for pointing out my limitations in the mathematical field. For the error of four changes I hereby offer apologies in profusion. And for that error alone.
On the subject of this and similar performances, being a waste of time I'm afraid I must beg to differ from Mr. Border. Perhaps Mr. Border could suggest a better way in which two men could occupy themselves for 1 hour 25 minutes.) The mere fact that these performances are beyond him does not necessarily mean that they are beyond those whose outlook is somewhat broader than his own. I certainly consider it to be no more a waste of time than composing peals of Yorkshire Maximus with singles. The C.C. Handbook says. in its section. The Council's Decisions, (e) Methods, etc., Calls.' 'Singles in Treble Bob methods may be used only when a desired -result-cannot-be obtaiped-by. Bobs.' I fail to see what result Mr. Border desired to obtain, but if it was merely to obtain a peal of Yorkshire Maximus of normal (approximately 5.000 changes) length. then I know, as well as I am sure Mr. Border musi know. that this can be obtained by bob; alone. I. for one, would. therefore, consider that the handbell peal of Bob Minimus in question. for all its error of four changes, was far less a waste of time than Mr. Border's peal of Yorkshire Maximus. Probably far more legal, ioo.

I think by far the best policy Mr. Border can adopt on this subject is one of "live and let live. - Yours sincerely.

JOHN M JELLEY

# DOUBLE NORWICH FOR THE BEGINNER 

By WILFRID G. WILSON

## (Continued from page 596)

## VII BOBS AND SINGLES

Many bands, who can ring plain courses of Double Norwich quite well, are unsuccessful with touches-as soon as bobs are called they get lost-and with singles that's the end Equally many conductors, quite at home with Surprise methods, know little about conducting Double Norwich. Which is a pity, because calling and making calls in the method are really quite simple.
With almost all the methods rung today the calls are made on the front three working bells, and if the back bells are affected at all (as in Kent or Bristol) they dodge and then repeat the previous lead. In Major methods Double Norwich is the chief exception. The bob is made on the three bells which are at the hack at the lead end. But if you realise that the bob is made almost exactly as in Stedman. you will probably find it much easier.

In Stedman Triples the bell dodging 4-5 up makes fifths place and then dodges 4-5 down. The pair of bolls in 6-7 dodge three extra times. In Caters or Cinques the pair of bells at the back ( $8-9$ or $10-11$ respectively) dodge three extra times. while the bell in 6-7 up or 8-9 up. respectively, makes the place in front of the dodging pair and thon dodges down.

Now apply this to eight bzlls as in Double Norwich. The bell which is treble bob bell up has dodged in 3-4 up and is dodging in 16847253 5-6 up when the bob is called, 18674235 It makes sixths place and becomes the bell which is treble loob bell down. After the place it dodges in 5-6 and then 3-4 down. Meanwhile the two bells which were dodging in $7-8$ when the bob was called do three more dodges there-one at the lead end, behind the bell making sixth place. and then two more-the normal two dodges at the back at the start of a new lead
This table shows the effect on the three balls.

The lead ends in Double Norwich at which (1) 8674523

3527486
6482735
(4) 5738264

4263857
(6) 7856342
(5) bobs can be called without affecting the tenors are the first. fourth and sixth. You will see from

2345678 that at those three leads he front bells which These three lead ends correspond respectively to the W, M and H of Plain Bob Major. The bells affected by the bobs are actually also the same ones
If you call a hob at the fifth lead end the back two bells will be 7 and 8 and they wil dodge together at the back. So a bob then will bring up the course end in five leads. This corresponds to the Before in Plain Bob but instead of adding one lead to the course its effect is to shorten the course by two leads

Now if you apply your favourite touch of Plain Bob to Double Norwich, changing bobs W to bobs at 1 : bobs $M$ to bobs at 4 ; bobs $H$ to boh at 6 and bobs Before to bobs at 5. you whi have a corresponding touch of Double Norwich. The only difference will be that if you have bobs at 5 instead of Befores the touch will not be so long-three leads, 48 changes. less for each.

Some examples: Two course touches 224 changes-W and $H$ iwice becomes 1 and 6 twice ; M and H twice becomes 4 and 6 twice Three course touches ( 336 changes)-3 W becomes 3 at $1: 3 \mathrm{M}$ becomes 3 at $4 ; 3 \mathrm{H}$ becomes 3 at 6.
The popular 240 changes of Bob Major called B, W and M or W and M. B becomes a touch of 192 changes called either 1 and 5 4 or 4.1 and 5.
Double Norwich Court Bob Major is very musical. it has sufficient work in it to be interesting and it is a gateway to many more Plain Major methods. It deserves to be rung much more thar it is and will well repay the bands which make the effort to learn it.

|  |  | Plain Lead | Bob Lead | Next work |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) | Bell doing treble hoh work up | Double dodge in 7 -8 up | Make 6th place | Treble bob beil down |
| (b) | Bell double dodging in 7-8 up at start of full work | Whole pull hefore double dodge 7-8 down | 3 extra dodges in $7-8$ up | Near places from back |
|  | Bell double dodging in 7-8 down | Treble bob bell down | 3 extra dodges in 7.8 down | Far plazes from back |

If you ring the method by watching for the treble. then if you are one of the back two bells you continue dodging until the treble comes up. You will knov by whether you have to go down first or second of the two whether you will go to far places or near places

At a single sixth place is made as at a bob and the two bells dodging at the back stay behind. But at the lead end, instead of 16847253 a dodge. they lie still behind 18674253 -making sevenths and eighths places (just as in Stedman) and then have the normal two dodges at the start of the new lead. They will have changed coursing order with $\in$ ach other and will therefore either proceed to near instead of far places or vice versa. In fact the bell which made sevenths (called making the single) will be the one to come away last and therefore makes near places from the back.

VIII FOR THE BOB CALLER
A short note which will perhaps help one of your band to be able to call touches. so that you can get out of the plain course. For details of how to 'conduct' Double Norwich see 'On Conducting.' now being reprinted by the Central Council.
In Plain Bob Major calls are usually made so as not to affect the tenors ( 7 and 8) or at least to keep them coursing. They come at four leads of the course-the first. sixth and seventh leads. called respectively Wrong (W) Middle (M) and Home (H). or at the lead when 7 runs out and 8 runs in. giving you an extra lead in the course. This lass is called Before (B),

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

Five teams entered for the draw at the annual meeting and six bell contest at Hoylandswaine, near Barnsley. on July 16th, but unfortunately Thornhill were incomplete when their turn came to ring and were disqualified Mr. T. W. Hilion, of Darfield, was the judge Order of ringing: Shelley 30 faults rang out: Cawthorne 21 faults: Friezland 50 faults rang out: Meltham 51 fauks. Cawthorne were declared the winners.

In his comments, Mr. Hilion said the whole of the afternoon's ringing had been marred by trips and. worse still. I wo of the teams had broken down with the test piece. Thus it was not a satisfactory afternoon's work.
Votes of thanks were accorded the churchwardens, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehouse. for providing an excellent te3, Mr. Trevor Tarbutt. for the arrangements. and the judge.

At the business meeting the audited balance sheet showed a loss on the year of $£ 112 \mathrm{~s} .3 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. due to a drop of $£ 3$ in subscriptions. Mr. J Burgess appealed to members to meet their arrears and recruit new members. when possible. The officers were re-elected and Mr . Hilton was appointed officigl judge. An appeal for donations to the Alfred Pulling memorial bell at Guildford Cathedral was left to individual members. Further ringing concluded the meeting.

## YAXHAM RINGERS

There was five ringers in Yaxham did dwell. They went into the steeple to ring the five bells: And for twenty peals they did all pull down. Saying the first man that lost it should pay a crown.

The first peal they pulled for was Steadman's Slow Course.
The bells they went well, but the third she was hoarse.
The alieration of hunts was rung off very plain. There's not five more ringers can ring them again.

There was little Charles Meachen, the treble did ring
She was a small bell, but so well she did sing. He stroke her so well he ne er made a clamour He stroke her as if she stroked with a hammer.

There was young Chamberlain Bulwer rung the second you know.
She was a small bell, but how well she did crow ;
When they pulled down. if the bells made a clap.
With his right foot, he began for to scrap.
There was Stradling John Hudson, the third he did ring
She was a split bell, but he swung her well in;
There he stood stradling steered like a pig.
And his hair stood as upright as if he got on a wig.

There was Jerry Smith, the fourth bell did ring, She was a large bell and he swung her well in:
There he stood champing. and ne'er made a smile.
The bacco juice running from his mou:h all the while.

There Major Boulter. the tenor did ring.
She was a large bell. and he well pulled her in ; He stood underneath her, just like an old block, And he made them all start. when he called a bob.

There was William Stringer, the candles did snuff
He kept a snuffing. till he thought 'twas enough
There he kept snufting, and began for to steer, For he was so dry. for the want of his beer

On the first of December. the year $\quad 23$.
These peals were rung off, you plainly may see ; Go into the steeple look upon the hoard.
You see all the names they can afford.
These ringers went on with their hearts full of glee.
They said if they got it. they'd have a good spree ;
They stroke them so well they never made a clamours,
They stroke them as if they were stroke with hammers.

ANON.' 19th Cent.

## CONSTANTINE, CORNWALL, RINGERS' OUTING

The dull. wet weather did nothing to daunt the spirits of Constantine ringers on their annual outing on August 13 th . Twelve ringers and four learners, accompanied by the Vicar and other friends, made an early start by coach for the Penzance area.
The morning's ringing was at St. Hilary's Gulval (a very pleasam eight) and Sennen After lunch. the twisty road was taken to Zennor, where we were met by the Vicar (Rev. G. L. Clowes). who escorted us to Towednack where we found a tuneful eight. Carbis Bay. Lelant and Phillack.

Carbis Bay was the highlight of the day, and it was the first time the band had rung on ten bells. Fun was had in trying to master the four light bells of this ring. On the homeward journey the sun broke through and marked the end of a very enjoyable day. Grateful thanks are accorded incumbents and local ringers, who turned out in the rain to greet us.

## THE TOWERS OF THE FENLAND

## By T. A. BEVIS

## (Continued from page 564)

## ST. MARY'S, WEST WALTON

It would not be in order to conclude this series of articles appertaining to the bells and towers of Fenland without briefly mentioning the spiendid Church of St. Mary. West Walton.
The campanile is architecturally superb, and is understandably one of the very finest 13th century towers in Great Britain. It has arches opened on all sides, and consists of two lofty storeys with shafted lancet arcading continued round angular turrets, each of which is crowned with a substantial, crocketed pinnacle. The belfry windows are exquisite and occupy practically the whole of the second stage. An exterior triforiun: is an unusual feature: a passage pierces the thickness of the walls and on each side three arches divided by shafts are open outwards

There are five bells, but these are, unfortunately, unringable. The oldest bells was cast by John Draper in 1620. Thomas Norris, of Stamford, made the fourth in 1629, and inscribed it: "Let all things be dono to the glory of God.' The second bell dates from 1693 and also came from the Stamford foundry. being cast by Tobias Norris. who probably supplied the treble (1699). The tenor (11 cwt.) was created at Peterborough by Henry Penn in 1708.

Well established in North Cambs, the versatile Norris family provided bells for Tydd St. Giles (1625). Walpole Si. Andrew (1622), Upwell (1661) and Elm (1673).

Matthew Norris, of Leicester, was the forerunner of the famous Lincolnshire foundry, and his son (Tobias) was honoured with the Freedom of Stamford in 1607, becoming one of the Capital Wardens of that town. Thomas Norris succeded his father. Tobias, and was 'Conduit Master' for many years. He also served in 1656-57 as Chief Magistrate and as Alderman, the style of Mayor not then being adopted.
St. John-the-Baptist Church. Parson Drove, has the only unringable bells in the Isle of Ely. They are five (tenor 12 civt.) and were cast by Osborn in 1787 . The fourth bell implores "Percute Dulce Cano' (Strike (me) I sing sweetly).

ALL SAINTS: WALSOKEN
Walsoken has one of the finest 12 th century churches in East Anglia, with Late Norman arcades profusely decorated with typical chevron ornament. Tall trees hide the tower, built during the Iransitional Norman-Early English period.
Standing beneath this venerable pile, in a space allocated to the ringers, one commands an impressive vista of nave and chancel, altogether quite outstanding
The six bells (tenor 13 cwt 2 gr .7 lb . in F) are a complete ring by Thomas Osborn, and are dated 1795. They were restored with the spire in the late 19 th century by the children of the late Mr. R. Young, an M.P. for North Cambridgeshire. The bells were then suspended from an oak frame positioned high in the tower, which was more recently found to be detrimental to the ancient structure.
It became necessiry for the hells to be rehung, and this was carried out in 1956 by Mears and Stainbank. In addition to swinging in a steel frame (with aceommodation provided for two new trebles at a future date). the hells are also located in the former ringing chamber. 20 feet below the louvres, thus restoring balance 10 the stecple. The result of lowering the instruments tends, from the exterior, to stifte them, yet this has, nevertheless, a pleasing effect on the ear.
They were rededicated on November 4th 1956. by the Archdeacon of Wisbech. Ven. J. P Pelloe. who is no stranger to the ringing fraternity.
The bells bear common inscriptions peculiar to the age in which they were created, hut the fifth. like its sister at March, bears false testimony in that it utters ' Our voices shall with joyful sound make hills and valleys eches round.

All Saints Church possessed three hells in the reign of Edward VI, and these are recorded


ST. MARY'S, WESI WALTON.
as having turned the scales at 6,9 and 11 cwl . In his will (November 27th. 1556) Rohert Martyn, of Walsoken gave 'to the Shotynge of ye gret bell. iijs. iiijd.

1 nus we near the end of this "tour" of Fenland. and reaching into the hat draw out the last of those great churches. many of which must at present remain unmentioned.

## ST. MARY MAGDALEN, WIGGENHALL

This sturdy mediæval church has a ring of six bells, originally cast in 1767 by Lester and Pack. of London. Number three of the old ring was put into the melting pot in 1841. During 1952 all six bells were recast and rehung in a steel H -frame by John Taylor and Co.. two spare bays being provided for future augmentation.
The inventory of Edward VI mentions three bells, of 8.10 and 11 cws .

Rung from the ground floor, the present hells (tenor 10 cwt 3 qr .22 lb . in G) retain their ancient inscriptions, No. 4 stating: 'At proper times our voices wo shall raise, in sounding to our Benefactor's praise. The fifth bell has a reply for some who easily complain: "Tho'
much against us may be said: To speak for ourselves we are not afraid '!

One cannot help wondering if it were these hells-and their musical qualities are goodthat helped to inspire that 18 th century gentleman who, we might imagine, could tolerate the sound of bells no longer and, snatching his quill and parchment, wrote in a testily manner:-
Ye rascally ringers, unmusical foes
Disturbers of those who seek to repose :
How I wish for the peace of these lands
That ye had round your necks what ye hold in your hands.

Other churches difficult to omit are Tilney All Saints' (a fine quality six), Long Sutton (a delightful eight), and a host of others

They share with those already introduced to these pages the distinction of: belonging to the Fenlands, the glorious sunset of which sithoueftes the noble fanes against an awe-inspiring background-a vast, colourful plain-by which the master huilders of old devoted their skills to an ohvious advanlage mrovided by the nature on the latid

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## ENGAGEMENT

WINDSOR-ELLIMAN. - The engagement is announced between Harry Mellows. son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Windsor, of Sketchley Hinckley. Leics.. and Joyce Mildred. daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. Elliman, of The Gables. Shrewley. Warks.

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## DEATH

tAST.-At sea, Canon C. E. Last, Rector of Great Horwood. Bucks. and chairman of the Central Bucks Branch of the Oxford Dincesan Guild since 1958. A memorial service was held last Sunday at Great Horwood.

## PERSONAL

THERE is therefore now no condemnation to thent which are in Christ Jesus. (Rom. viii, 16.)

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## MISCELLANEOUS

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY Would freshers coming up to Aberystwyth. Bangor. Cardiff. Swansea. or Lampeter next session please contact the secretary, B. J. Couzens. Glam Grosvenor Road, Sketty,
ST. MARY'S, WATFORD - No practice possible September 13th. but visit 10 St. Andrew's, (5, hemispherical) and All Saints' Leavesden (8, hung dead), being arranged.R. G. Smith.

YATTON.-Communications concerning Si. Mary-the-Virgin ringers and bells should be addressed to Mr . D. Marshall. The Vicarage Flat. Yatton. Bristol.

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ALDERSHOT--There will be no ringing practices at St. Michael's. Aldershot. on Friday. September 9th, and Friday. September 23 rd. - E. Bragg.

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## MEETINGS

DEVON GUILD. - Exeter Branch. Quarterly meeting. Brampford Speke. September 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge District.-Meeting Saturday, September 10 hh, at Caxton. Belts (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 o'clock.-E. W. Bullman.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Meeting. Saturday, September 10 h. Witham. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please. to Mr. E. Bright, 42. Cressing Road. Witham.
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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Farnham District-Combined practice at Grayshott (8). on Saturday. September 10th. from 6.9 p.m. KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Maidstone District-By-meeting. at Snodland. September 10th. Bells (6) 3 n.m. Service 4.15. Tea S.Rem.-R. L. Sills. Dis. Sec. 6469

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-

 Southern District. - Meeting, Saturday, September 10th. Bells 3.30 p.m.. followed by ea and business 4.45 p.m. St. Mary's. Twickenham. Evening ringing $6-7$ p.m. All Hallows'. Twickenham.-M. Powell. 6552OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - City Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Headington (6), Saturday. September 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Mr. A. J. Adams. 35, Church Hill Road, Cowley. Oxford.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western Division.-Practice meeting at Shipley (6). on Saturday. September 10th. Ringing 3 oclock. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring your own tea as no facilities available nearby.E. W. Keys. Hon. Sec.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane, E.C.. Saturday. September 17th, 6 p.m -John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. 6558 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting at Butcombe and Nempnett. on September 17th. Belk available: Butcombe (6) 4-6 p.m.. Nempnett (6) 6-8 p.m.-D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 6416
BATH AND WELLS $1 I O C E S A N$ ASSOCIATION. - Crewkerne Branch. - Quarterly meeting. Mcrriott. Saturday, September 17th. Usual arrangements, notify for tea.-T. J Lock. Hon. Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Taunton Branch. - Mecting. Norton-Fitzwarren (6). September 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, -A. H. Reed. Mimosa. George Street. Taunton. 6561
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Luton District.-Meoting. Saturday. September 17 h . Barton-le-Cley. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Short service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Mann, 67. Hexton Road. Barton-le-Cley. Beds. No name no tea.-K. G. Spavins. Dis. Sec. 6574 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Macclesfield Branch.-Third quarierly meeting, Prestbury (8), on Saturday, September 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . in the School. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 14th, please, to H. C. Lonyon, 8, Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. Buses and trains from Macclesfield. 6498 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Crewe Branch - Church Lawton. September 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 14th. No name no tea.W. Kerr, 102. Moreton Road. Crewe. 6567 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Peak and Chesterfield Districts.-Meeting at Ashover, September 17 th. 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements All welcome.-H. E. Taylor. A. B. Couper. Dis. Sec.

DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.Quarterly meeting at Slockland. September 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea by September 14 th , to W. Webb, Oakwell, Millhead Road Honiton.

EMMANUEL CHURCH. SHELLEY Annual cup contest. Saturday. September 17th Names for tea by September 13th. to F. R Brook. 173. Huddersfield Road. Shelley Huddersfield. 6570 EI. Y DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch. - Meeting. Shouldham. Saturday. September 17 th . Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tca 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec. 6577 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Hunts and Biggleswade Districts).-Joint meeting at St Neots. Saturday. September 17 th . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. followed by business meetings.-M. J. Dyer A. Smith. Dis. Secs. 6575 ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W.-Crusader meeting. Woodford. September 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please. to Mr. J. Waugh. 30. Fuller Road. Woodford. E. 18 (BUC 7353).

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.E. District. Meeting at Langham. Saturday. September 17 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea hy Wednesday. September 14/h. please. to Mr. F. Smith. Holly Cott:ige. Langham. Colchester

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cirencester Branch. Preston (5) 2.30 to 4 p.m.. September 17th Siddington (6) 4.30. Tea 5. Service $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Names by September 15th. to Mr. J. Hope 18. Ashton Road. Siddington, Cirencester.Wenban. Sec.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Stow Branch.-Meeting a Bourton-on-the-Water. Saturday, September 17 th . Bells (8) a vailable 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, not later than Tuesday. September 13th. to F. Newton, 44 Bishops Drive. Bishop's Cleeve, Glos. 6585

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILDFarnham District.-Meeting at Bagshot (8), on Saturday. September 17th, from 2.30 p.m Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to Mrs. M. Welton Ringwood, Vicarage Road. Bagshot. Surrey

HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting, Saturday, September 17th. Batte. Members, please support.-E. A. Fellows.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Eastern District.-Rededication of Little Hadham bells. on Saturday. September 17th, a 3 p.m. Ringing from 2. Tea at 5 p.m., at the Angel Inn. If you intend staying for tea please co-operate in assessing numbers by sending your name to Mr. A. S. Kent. 8 The Bourne. Clapgate. Albury, near Much Hadham. Herts.-R. Durrant. Dis. Sec. 6484

LADIES* GUILD.-Midland District Meeting to be held at Si. Peter's, Belgrave (8) (No. 40 Corporation bus from Leicester), on September 17 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea must be sent by September 14th, to Mr. Kesterton, cio s Clovelly Road. Glenfield Frith Drive, Glenfield Leicester. Everyone welcome.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Lutton Saturday, September 17 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 14th, to Mr. R. G. R Butler, Victoria Cottage, Lutton, Spalding.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.- Meeting at Messingham Saturday. September 17th. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., for those who notify, by previous Tuesday. Rev P. M. Freeman, The Vicarage. Messingham Scunthorpe. Tel.: Bottesford 268.

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MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION -South and West District.-Meeting at Cranford, on Sat urday. September 17th. Full details will be published next week.-E. R. Gotham, Dis. Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONEastern Branch.-Meeting at St. Margaret's Lowestoft. September 17th. Bells (8) from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Please note tea can only be provided for those who send their names by Wednesday, September 14th certain. to The Sister-in-Charge. Harleston House. Park Road. Lowestoft, Suffolk.-P Newstead. Branch Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD, Chipping Norton Deanery Branch. The autumn meeting will be held at Hook Norton. on Saturday. September 17th. Service. Names for tea by Saturday September 10 th, please. J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Freeland. Oxford. The re dedication of Shipton-under-Wychbold bells: on Friday, September 23rd. Service 7 p.m. Ringing afterwards. 6528

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - New Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. September 17th. Ringing at Aston Clinton (6) 3 to 4 p.m only followed by service and tea. Weston Turville (5) after tea. Names for lea by Wednesday previous.- D. G. Wheeler. 47. Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury. Bucks. 6556 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-A combined practice as Sandhurst, on September 17th. at 6.30 p.m. Special method for practice: London Surprise Minor.-B. C. Castle.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - North Berks Branch.-The half yearly meeting will be held at Brightwell, on Saturday, September 17 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.15 . Tea 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 14th, to Mr. F. C. Castell, Brightwell. Wallingford, SALISBURY GUILD. - Calne Branch.Meeting. Bremhill (6). September 17th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea, please, to W .
Frayling, 9, Lodowicks, Bremhill. Calne.-W. Frayling
Hacker.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.Dorchester Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday. September 17 th, at Litton Cheney. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meet-
ing 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, ing 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday,
September 14 th. to Rev. A. Lynch. The Rectory. Litton Cheney, Dorchester, Dorset.R. H. Duke. Hon. Sec. 6569 SALISBURY GUILD.-West Dorset Branch.

- Meeting. Broadwindsor. Saturday, September 17 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea please.-Barrett, 120. Gerrards Green, Beaminster

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.- Quarterly meeting at Northfleet. Kent. on Saturday. September 17 th. Bells of 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea by Thursday, September 15 th, to Mr . Evening ringing to he announced later.A. W. J. Butler. Hon. Sec. 6568 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNewark District.-Meeting, September 17th, Bingham. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.
Regret, no name no tea rule will apply.Regret, no name no tea rule will apply.-
W. L. Exton, 60 , Albert Street, Newark, Notts. SUFFOLK GUILD.-South West District.Meeting at Glemsford (6), Saturday, September 17 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Bloomfield. 10. Tye Green. Glemsford. Sudbury.
$\underset{i c t}{6521}$ SUFFOLK GUILD - North East District -
Meeting on Saturday. September 17th. at Marlesford (bells $2.30^{\circ}$ p.m.), and Wickham Market (bells 6.30 ). Service 5 . Tea 5.30 p.m.
Names for tea by Monday, September 12th, Names for tea by Monday, September 12th,
to Mr. G. Finch. The Lodge, Marlesford Hall. Woodbridge. please.-A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section-Quarterly meeting, Godstone (8), September 17 th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea by
September 15 th, to Mr. Wood. 45 , Warren Lane, Hurst Green.-G. A. West, Hon. Sec. SUSSEX ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division.-Quarterly meeting. Maresfield (8). Saturday. September 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service and tea. Please notify Miss B. Catt, 55, Lampool Corner, Fairwarp. Uckfield. numbers for tea by Wednesday. September 14th.-George
North. 11. Richmond Terrace, Brighton. 6583 North. II. Richmond Terrace, Brighton. 6583
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Southampton District. Quarterly meeting. September 17th. Bitterne Park. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m... at North Stoneham. followed by tea and meeting. Names by September 12 th. to J. Hartless. 17, Testwood Crescent. Salisbury Road. Totton. 6581 WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch.-Annual meeting at Hartle bury, Saturday, September $17 \mathrm{th}, 3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. This meeting is by special invitation. Please turn up and make it a success. Names for tea by Thursday. September 15th.Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane,
Pedmore. Stourbridge. Pedmore. Stourbridge. general meeting at Hull. on September 17th. Bells avainable: Holy Trinity (12) 3 till 5 p.m. and after meeting till 9 p.m., Hedon (8) 2.30 till 4. Kirk Ella (6) 6.30 till 9 . Tea 5 p.m.
in Manor Cafe, Market Place. Names by 15 th in Manor Cafe, Market Place. Names by 15th
to Mr. F. C. Reed. 127. Holmgarth Drive, Bellfield Avenue. Hull. Committee meet 3.15 p.m. in their Choir School (South Church Side). General meeting same premises following tea.-L. W. G. Morris. Ho
Lilycrof! Road, Bradford 9.

ST. BARTHOI.OMEW S. CREWKERNF. Tower. Sunday. September 18th. Bells (8)S p.m. Evensong 6.30 p.m. Preacher the Rev,
C. J. B. Marshall. Bells after. All ringers welcome.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS - 274th anniversary, Saturday September 24th. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. ( 2 s . per head). Names for tea, not later than Tuesday, September 20ih, to C. D Launder. Spring Cottage, Painswick. Siroud. Glos. Painswick Feast. Sunday, September 25th. Ringing at 2 p.m. and 5.15 p.m. 6587

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Joint meeting with the LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Hinckley Branch). at Claybrooke, on Saturday. September 24th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall, Ullesthorpe, at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please by September 21st, to Mr. C. Clarke, 23, Goodacre Road. Ullesthorpe, Rugby. Please do your best to attend and make the meeting a success.-J.L. G. H

DEVON GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch Quarterly meeting, Buckfast Abbey, Saturday, September 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m Names for tea by precious Wednesday, to Fr Oswald Mowan, Buckfast Abbey.

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LADIES GUILD,-Lincolnshire District.Meeting at Butterwick, near Boston. on Sat urday. September 24th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs A. Mills. 8. Upsall Road. Butterwick, near Boston.

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LADIES GUILD - West Midlands District -Quarterly meeting. Saturday. September 24th, at St. Michacl's. Brierley Hill. Staffordshire. Ringing 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service $4.30-5$. Te: 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringiig from 6 to 8 p.m. approximately. Notifications for tea, not later than Wednesday, September 21st. to Miss M. Funnell. 7. Lanchester Road. King's Norton, Birmingham 30.6592 MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS SOCIETY-Annual meeting at Barming on Saturday, September 24th. Bells (6) from 3.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names to secretary. Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315, Loose Road. Maidstone. 653 NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS. - The annual meeting will be held at Leicester on Saturday. September 24th. Business meeting. City Police Headquarters Charles Street. at 3 p.m. The dinner, followed by a social evening, will be at the Co-opera tive Assembley Rooms. Humberstone Road. Leicester, at $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, price 11 s . 6 d ., obtainable from E. C. Turner, 173, Dominion Road. Glenfield, Leics. Latest date for tickets September 20th (Tuesday). Everyone welcome Ringing arrangements: St. John's (10) 12 noon to 1 p.m... Cathedral 1.30 to 2.30 , St. Margaret's (12) 3 to 4. All Saints' (8) 4 to 5 , Cathedral 5 to 6.15 p.m. 6560
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD -Towcester Branch.-Quarterly meeting to be held at Cosgrove. on Saturday. September 24th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to E. R. Lambert, 8, Manor Close, Cosgrove, Wolverton, Bucks. 6566
RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD-The autumn meeting. Bristol, Saturday, September 24th. Bells available St. James' (10) 11 a.m.-12 noon. Lunch-make own arrangements. Christ Church (10) 1.30-2.30. St. Stephens (10) 2.45-3.45, St. Mary Redcliffe (12) 4.15-5.20. St Philip's, (8) $7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (4s.) Staff Association Institute. Temple Meads Station. J. A. Hoare, Hon. Gen. Sec., 6, Gendros Crescent, Fforestfach, Swansea,

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner, on October 1st, at the Säracen's Head Hotel. Chelmsford, 6.15 p.m. for 6.45. p.m. Tickets 15 s . Early applications with stamped addressed envelope. please.-F. V. Gant. 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - The autumn general meeting of the Guild will be held at Newhury on Saturday. October 1st. 2.30 p.m.. husiness meeting in the Corn Exchange. Newhury: 4.30. service in the Parish Church: 530 . tea in the Corn with remittance of 2 s . 6 d .. should be made to Mr. H. Lawrenson. 52. Kings Road. Newbury. Berks. hefore Wednesday. September 28th. Tickets can he collected at the business meeting. It is essential that names should be sent to Mr . Lawrenson in order to facilitate catering arrangements. Towers available and
ringing times (subject to confirmation and alteration): 10-11 a.m.: Lambourne (8). Peas more (6). Stanford Dingley (4), Beenham (6) 11-12 noon: East Garston (6). Chieveley (6) Midgham (6): 12-1 p.m.: Great Shefford (6) Shaw (6). Bucklebury (8); 1.2 p.m.: Speen (6). Newhury (10); 6.15-7.30 p.m.: Newbury (10): $6.30-7.30$ p.m.: Kintbury (6). Thatcham (8); 6.45-7.45 p.m.: Hungerford (8), Hampstead Norris (6). Aldermaston (8); 7-8 p.m.: Compton (6), Yaltendon (6). Mortimer (8); 7.30-8.30 p.m.: East Ilsley (8). Brightwalton (6) Burghfietd (6) -M . R. Cross.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -The 323 rd anniversary dinner will be held at The Bridge House Restaurant. London Bridge. S.E.I, on Saturday, November 5 th. at 6 for $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets (21s.) are now available. Details of ringing programme will be published later.-John Chilcott, Hon. Sec. 67, Farley Road, Selsdon, Surrey

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## OUTING

## BURGHILL, HEREFORISSHIRE

For their annual outing on June 18th. Burghill bellringers visited towers in four counties A pleasant. early morning run towards the Black Mountains took them to Clodock (Herefordshire)-an ancient church founded (circa 520) and dedicated to a British King. St Clydawg. Stedman. Grandsire and Plain Bob went smoothly on the six bells (Taylor. 1953)
An hour's coach ride through Monmouth shire to Christ Church. Ebbw Vale. followed. Here a very fine ring of eight ( 25 cwt ) gave the tourists much pleasure. "Not unlike the back eight of Hereford Cathedral.' observed member of the band. Grandsire Triples went like clockwork but-through no fault of the three members of the local band who rang with us-touches of Stedman Triples failed to come into rounds.
Three churches in Breconshire-St. Mary's Brecon. St. Mary's. Bronllys, and Si. Gwendoline's. Talgarth. provided some good ringing The tower of St. Mary's, Brecon. was surrounded with scaffolding and men were at work repairing the fabric when we arrived but the Dean had previously very kindly given us permission to ring there for 45 minutes.
The detached tower at Bronllys stands about six feet away from the N.E. of the church and houses a ring of six. At Talgarth (6) we had tea before ringing. Kent, Plain Bob, Stedman. Grandsire and rounds were rung during our 40 minutes' $\cdot$ visit.
Next al longish run to Old Radnor, where at the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr (6) we found nice-toned, easy-going bells.
Our last tower was at St. Andrew's. Presteigne. Here the ringers were the guests of the Rector, the Rev. E. G. Benson, a former Vicar of Burghill. who had met and joined the band in Hereford that morning. The excellent octave provided some good ringing. Courses of Stedman and touches of Grandsire went well. Some of the young memners of the Rector's band rang with us here.

Thanks are expressed to the incumbents, lower secretaries and captains for permission to ring, for help in arranging the tour and for the friendly welcome awaiting us at each ower
F. M.

## SWANSEA AND BRECON GULLD

At the quarterly meeting of the Southern District held at Gorseinon on September 3rd. a presentation of a watch from the parishioners was made to Mr. William Dobbins. in recognition of his long service, 46 years, to this tower. Tribures to Mr. Dobbins' faithful service were paid by Canon Morris. the churchwardens and Mr. D. Lewis, of Cadoxton. The company of 40 ringers included Miss Margaret Lewis. of Kingston-upon-Thames. and Mr Lionel Hughes. of Hertford. Canon Morris, assisted by the Rev. Gereant Hughes. conducted a short Evensong. Tea was kindly provided by Canon Hughes and churchpeople of Gorseinon. who were thanked by Mr. T. Roderick. Ringing ranged from Grandsire to Cambridge Surprise Major

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## BRISTOL SURPRISE

IN H. G. Wells' entertaining fantasy, 'The New Accelerator ' (which, by the way, should be read by anybody who has enjoyed Folkestone Leas), the narrator opens his story with the remark: 'Certainly, if ever a man found a guinea when he was looking for a pin it is my good friend Professor Gibberne.' The unfolding of the fantastic little drama justifies the comment, and the comment serves to remind us that many important discoveries in this world have often been either accidental or else by-products of some other line of investigation. Examples of these may be found in the history of changeringing, and it may be noted how often the significance of a discovery has not been fully realised until some considerable time has passed. The origin and first appearance of Bristol Surprise illustrate this point.

Towards the end of the 19th century there was a great revival of activity in the theoretical field of change-ringing and a manifestation of much enterprise among leading ringing bands in a desire to break away from the existing standard methods. Surprise ringing of the time was confined almost entirely to Superlative, Cambridge and London, and the first of these enjoyed a popularity that has since considerably diminished. A number of clever composers of the time were, however, busy behind the scenes, and much new material was already born and much more conceived. In 'The Bell News' of December 4th, 1897 , Frederick Dench published Brighton Treble Bob, a method which he explained was to provide an improvement on Kent, and for which he claimed the distinction of being the first Treble Bob method with a lengthening lead and a clear proof scale. A peal in this methor does not appear ever to have been rung, and the method itself has lapsed into obscurity. But in the long line of changeringing tradition it has importance in that it led directly to the appearance of Bristol Surprise.

On December irth there came a letter from that very shrewd investigator and innovator, E. Bankes James. He pointed out that Mr. Dench's method had not a clean proof scale and that no method up to that time had been published showing the combination of lengthening lead and perfect freedom of composition. He went on to say, nevertheless, that many such methods were to be had, and that in seeking for Gloucester Surprise he had como across a whole group bearing a strong family likeness.

As an example of what he contended, he published a lead of what we now know as Bristol, although he appended no name to the figures and left it purely as an illustration, so that we do not know whether or not he appreciated just what he was offering to the Exercise.

Bankes James added at this point some remarks on the classification of methods that should be interesting to us who are so used to what has now become accepted in method nomenclature. He says: ' I would distinguish Treble Bobs from Surprise methods by a rigid adherence to the bell in the Slow (as in Oxford and Kent) in the former. And again, no method should be classed under the title of Court Bobs in which consecutive places are made. This, of course, is only my personal opinion.
The personality and achievements of Bankes James are apt to be somewhat obscured by the more prominent public activities of his brother, Law James, hut we now see him as a brilliant investigator and student, reaching out far beyond the times in which he lived.

The important figures published by Bankes James attracted no immediate attention, and it was more than three years before the first peal of Bristol was rung. On March 22nd, Igor, the famous Brighton band, under their remarkable conductor, George Williams, rang 5,088 at the Church of Peter in three hours and nine minutes. In 'The Bell News' of April 6th George Baker, who rang in the peal, republished a lead of the method, commented on its qualities, and concluded his letter with the assertion: ' For complexity in ringing, all the band agree that Bristol Surprise stands first, and London Surprise must for ever take a back seat.' Time has proved the worth of Bristol, and whether or not George Baker was right there can be no doubt that the method, first put forward to demonstrate an academic point, has achieved a popularity that perhaps its author himself did not foresee.
E. C. S.

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## A YORKSHIRE PEAL TOUR

SHEPSHED. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes. AI IHE CHURCH OF ST BOTOLPH.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods, containing 1,280 each of London and Rutland, 1,120 Bristol and 480 each of Cambridge, Yorkshire and Superlative, with 129 changes of method. Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble Wilfred Williams.. 15 cwt in F Ruth M. Border Tudor P. Edwards John A. Anderson Composed by Stephen ivin.

| Treble | Wilfred Williams | .. | .. |
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| 2 | Peter Border ... | . | . |
| 3 | Alan F. Thirst | . | . |
| 4 | Derek P. Jones. . | . | . Te |

Conducted by Peter Border.

## DERBY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS,
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL
In three methods, containing 1.840 Pudsey and 1,600 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, with 39 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 19 cwt .1 lb . Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble
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Tudor P. Edwards
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John A. Anderson
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William A. Theobalid ... 4 Cecil W. Pipe .. .. .. 9
Derek P. Jones..
Wilfred Williams
Tenor
Arranged hy Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by Wilfred Wililams.

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On Sun., Aug. 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
A Peal At the Church of St. Mary.

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HAWKSHEAD. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Aug. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR


KILDWICK. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. Aug. 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Arthur h. Reed
Ruth M. Border Derek P. Jones.
Peter Border Tenor 15 cwt . qr .18 lb . in F
.. .. 4 Wilfred Williams ... .. Tenor


## BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .1 qr .7 lb . in E flat.
Donald G. Clift ... Treble Alan F. Thirst.
Wilfred Williams i. ... 2 John A. Anderson
Peter Border
Derek P. Jones... .. ... Tenor
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Ruth M. Border } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 3 \\ \text { Cectil W. Pipe .. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 4\end{array}$
Composed by Frederick Dench.
Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

## HOWDEN, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
At the Minster Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .1 qr. 3 lb . in E flat.
*Arthur H. Reed.....Treble William A. Theobald .. 5
Alan F. Thirst .. .. 2 Peter Border ... .. .. 6
Derek P. Jones $\quad . . \quad .$.
John A. Anderson..... 4 Wilfred Williams ... .. Tenor
Composed by T. B. Worsley.
Conducted by Peter Border.

SOWERBY. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Aug. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church or St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

John A. Anderson
Tenor 16 cwt . 2 lb . in F.
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { John A. Anderson } & . & . & \text { Treble } & \text { William A. Theobald } & . . & 5 \\ \text { Cecil W. Pipe .. } & . & . . & 2 & \text { Tudor P. Edwards .. } & . & 6\end{array}$
Ruth m. Border...
Arthur H. Reed .. .. 4
Composed by William Barton.
Derek P. Jones........ Tenor
Conducted by Derek P. Jones

RIPON, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Wilfrid,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Arthur H. Reed
Tenor 23 cwt .24 lb . in E flat.

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Wilfred Williams
Tudor P. Edwards 6
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John A. Anderson
Derek P. Jones
Cecil W. Pipe
Alan F. Thirst
Peter Border
Tenor
Composed by WILLIAM PYE.
Conducted by Peter Border.

## NORTHOWRAM. HALIFAX. YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> On Sat., Aug. 27. 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes. At the Church of St. Matthew.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods, containing 1.920 London, 960 Rutland, 640 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire. Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire. with 119 changes of method. Tenor $15 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .16 \mathrm{lb}$. in E. Arthur H. Reed .....Treble Alan F. Thirst Wilfred Williams ... .. 2 Peier Border Ruth M. Border ... .. 3 Derek P. Jones ... .. 6 Tudor P. Edwards .. $\quad . \quad 4$ John A. Anderson..$\quad \cdots$ Telor Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Peter Border.

BRADFORD. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960. in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL
William A. Theobald ..Treble John A. Anderson .. .. 6
Ruth M. Border .. .. 2 Leslie W. G. Morris i. 7
Cecil W. Pipe ..

Wilfred Williams ......Tenor
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A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 26 cwt 18 lb . in D

| Edward Jenkins | Treble | Frederick E. Whishaw |  |
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| Fred Dunkerley | 2 | Bernard F. L. Groves | 8 |
| Frank Osbaldiston | 3 | William H. Dowse. | 9 |
| Basil Jones | 4 | John Worth | 1) |
| Philip G. K. Davies | - 5 | Robert B. Smith | 11 |
| Leslie W. G. Morris | 6 | Brian Harris | Tent | leslie W. G. Morris . . 6 Brian Harris .. .. .. Tehor

Conducted by John Worth.
The conductor's 100 th 12 -bell peal.
HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Sun., Aug. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minules, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt . 1 qr .15 lb , in F sharp.
Robert B. Smith .. .. Treble Frank Osbaluiston
Fred Dunkerley .. .. 2 Philip G. K. Davies

William H. Dowse.
Bernard F. L. Groves
Composed by J. S. Wilde.

| 2 | Philip G. K. Davies |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Basil Jones | .. | .. |
| 4 | Brian Harris | . | .. | . Tenor CLENT. WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Mon.. Aug. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt 18 lb . in F sharp.


Frederick E. Wilshaw ..
Frank Osbaldiston
Composed by J. W. Parker.
Denis Mottershead Edward Jenkins 7

Conducted by Robert b. Smith.
HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Mon., Aug. 15, 1690, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt. in E .
Bernard F. L. Groves .. Treble Philip G. K. Davies
Fred Dunkerley $\quad .$.
John Worik
Basil Jones
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.
Denis Mottershead. Brian Harris

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tues., Aug. 16, 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minules.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
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Frederick E. Wilshaw 2
Basil Jones
Frank Osbaldiston
Leslie W. G. Morris
John Worth ...
hilip G. K. Davies
Wililam H. Dowse.
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Composed by ... .. 6
Denis Mottershead
Edward Jenkins

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducled by Leslie W. G. Moris SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE
On Wed.. riug. 17. 1960, in 3 Hours and $2 \frac{1}{2}$ Minutes.
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A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwl . 4 lb . in F sharp.
William H. Dowse.. . Treble Frederick E. Wilshaw
Basil Jones ... .. .. 2 Bernard F. L. Groves
Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 3 Brian Harris
Brian Harris
Edward Jenkins
Leslie W. G. Morris .. 4
Composed by C. H. Hattersley.
Conducted by Basil Jonts.
NORTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
On Thurs., Aug. 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and' 45 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{cr} .14 \mathrm{lb}$, in $F$, sharp.
Edward Jemkins ....Treble| Bernard F. L. Groves ... 5

| Fred Dunkerley | . | .. | 2 | Denis Mottershead | .. | 6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Basil Jones ... | . | .. | 3 | Brian Harris | .. | .. | . | 7 |

Robert B. Smith
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Composed by Thos. B. Wonsley
John Worth
Tenor
Conducted by JOH, WORIH.
UPTON-ON-SEVERN. WORCESTERSHIRE
On Thurs.. Aug. 18, 1961), in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peifr and Paut.
A PEAI. OF SOS6 PIDSEX SURPRISE MAJOR


On Fri., Aug. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .4 lb . in $F$.
*Frank Osbaldiston .. Treble
Frederick E. Wilshaw..
Frederick E. Wilshaw
Basil Jones ..
William H. Dowse.
Edward Jenkins .. .. 4
Composed by Thos. B. Worsley.
Denis Mottershead
John Worth
Conducted by JOHN WORIH.

* 150th peal.

GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Fri., Aug. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .4 lb . in F sharp.
John Worth .. .. .. Treble | Philip G. K. Davies .. 5
Frederick E. Wilshaw .. 22 Robert B. Smith Denis Mottershead.

Brian Harris 6 Leslie W. G. Morris ... 4 Edward Jenkins ... .. Tenor Composed by Wm. Barton. Conducted by Robert B. Smilh. BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Sat.. Aug. 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 18 cwt . in E flat.
Brian Harrts .. .. .. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. 6
Leslie W. G. Morris .. $2 \frac{2}{}$ Philip G. K. Davies $\quad$. 978
Basil Junes
William H. Dowse. 7
8
Frank Osbaldiston .. . . . 4 . 4 Robert B. Smith $\quad$.. John Worth ...... 5 Edward Jenkins w G .. Tenor Composed hy Wm. PYe. Conducted by Leslie W. G. Morris.
Rung as at welcome to John, born to the Rev. C. F. Pilkington (Vicar of Bromsgrove) and Mrs. Pilkington the previous day.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., July 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
*Alma M. Greaves .. Treble George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Muriel Reay .. .. .. 2 David J. Purnell .. .. 8
Elizabeth M. Yardley.. 3 Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 9
Ruth M. Border .. .. 4
RODF:RICK J. LeEs . . .. 5 JOHN ANDERSON.
Norman J. Goodman .. 6 Peter Border ... ... 11

* First peal Arranged and Conducted by Peter Bordir.

First peal on 12 hells. Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D.

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Aug. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor $31 \mathrm{cwt}, 21 \mathrm{lb}$. in D .
Alma M. Greaves .. .. Treble George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Avril Ivin .. .. . . . . 2 George E. Evendon.. .. 8
Ruth M. Border .... 3 Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 9
R. George Morris +i. 4 John McDonald .. .. 10

Roderick J. Lees . . . 5 John A. Anderson
Peter Border .. .. .. 6 Stephen J. Ivin
Rer.
WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHTRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes.
At the Caihedral Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
Peier Woodward
J. Frank Smallwood

Tenor $35+$ cwt.


Composed by D. Parsons.
I. F. Smallwood (76) and Herbert Langdon (79) on their birthdays. which were on September 1st and 2nd respectively.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs.. Aug. 4, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF SO40 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt . 21 lb . in D .


APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD On Wed., Aug. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 14 cwt .2 qr .19 lb.
Frederick C. White ...Treble Ernest J. Munday * A. Terence Collins .. 2 *Bertram J. Coggins $\dagger$ Christine M. Woodward +Buian R. White
J. Howard Freeborn

Alan R. Pink ..... Malcolm S. Cloke. J. Howard Freeborn ern 5 Malcolm S. Cloke.. .. Tenor
Composed by E. C. S. Turner. * First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First of Royal in the method.

Rung on the Feast of St. Laurence.

## CLAINES, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 13 cwt .3 qr. 26 lb .
R. George Morris .. .. Treble Reginald Woodyatt .. 6 Thomas W. Lewis . . . 2 John J. Stanier .. .. 7 David Beacham ... .. $\quad 3$ Denis R, Morris ... .. 8 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { John G. Slater } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 4 \\ \text { Allen Morgan .. } & \text {.. } & \text {. } & 5\end{array}$ Harvey Homans $\quad .$. Composed by Chas. $\dot{W}$. Roberts. Conducted by Reginald Woodyatt. 100th peal in the tower.
A wedding compliment to the Rev. Peter Chippendale (assistant priest) and Mrs. Chippendale.

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Sept. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL M. Hughes Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb . in D .

Linda M. Hughes .. Treble David Purnell . Alma M. Greaves . . . . 2 Norman J. Goodman Ruth M. Border John Pinfold George E. Fearn John McDonald Roderick J. Lees Composed by W. PYE. Peter Border Conducted by PETER Border Rung as a wedding compliment to David M. Lees.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Aug. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At jhe. Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR


* First peal of Major.


## DRAYTON. SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Aug. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes, At the Church of St. Catherine,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
1 A. Lambert's variation of J. R. Pritchard's. Tenor $19 \frac{3}{8} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E. *Philip W. Gay ... Treble Olive D. Couchman Elizabeth M. Yardley.. 2 Roger J. Gay. †Monty W. Gilbert .. 3 Colin A. Tester Margaret A. Ladd .. 4 David J. Purnell $\qquad$ enor Conducted by Colin A. Tester.

> * First peal. † First of Major.

## BARTON-ON-HUMBER. LINCOLNSHIRE <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

 On Sat. Aug. 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt .3 qr .3 lb .

Robert Harrison
Jack Bray
Giorge Moody
Stephen Bromfield Treble James Chapman

4 Arthur W. Hoodless .. Tenor Fipored by Arthur W. Hoodless.
First peal on the bells, dedicated August 3rd, 1947
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. B. Sylvester. Vicar of the parish for 15 years.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Aug. 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 ewt. 2 gr. 16 lh . in E .
Bernard V. Collison .. Treble John Warner
Frederick S. Macey .. 2 Charles A. Bassett
Couchman

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Colin A. Tester.
Rung as a 90 th birthday compliment to the Rev. C. E. Ward,
Rector for 45 years.
CONGLETON, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 13 cwt . 1 gr .2 lb , in $F$.


| Robert B. Smith | . | . | 3 | Barry Corbishley |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter | Sherrat | . | . | 7 |
| Hector Aidley .. | .. | .. Tenor |  |  |

Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Barry Corbishley.
First peal of Bob Triples by all the band, and on the bells.
Rung as a farewell to David Boon, a ringer at the above tower, who is leaving the parish.

SPELDHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr .26 lb . in F sharp.
Olive D. Couchman .. Treble John O. Weller .. .. 5
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 2 Bernard V. Collison .. 6
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Margaret A. Ladd ... .. } & 3 & \text { Colin A. Tester } & . . & . . & 7 \\ \text { Reginald E. Lambert } & . . & 4 & \text { Ernest J. Ladd.. } & . . & \text {. Tenor }\end{array}$
Reginald E. Lambert .. 4 Ernest J. Ladd....... Tehor
Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Colin A. Tester.
First peal in the method as conductor. Mr. T. E. Sone has now 'completed the circle' in this, his 17th tower to do so.
A compliment to Mr. J. Willis (chairman of the Kent County Asso. ciation) and Mrs. Willis. on the occasion of their diamond wedding.

ACCRINGTON. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 26. 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
Ar the Church of Sr. James.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt I qr. 14 lb . in G .
Laurence J. Williams . . Trebie Charles Clegg . . .. .. 5
*Pamela Blakeley
John H. Fielden ....
Peter Scholfiel.d .. .. 4 Barry Pickup .. .. .. Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Barry Pickup.

* First peal of Major. First as conduetor.

DORCHESTER, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf.. Aug. 27. 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPIES

## Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 21 cwt in E .

* $\dagger$ Wendy S. Bongard
.Treble
* John W. Porter ....... 2 .
Margaret M. Godley..
Richard H. Duke
* Betiy J. Dyke
Arthur V. Davis

Conducted by Arthur V. Davis.

* First peal of Triples. + First peal at first attempt

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. K. Meiklejohn, who was to be inducted as Rector of this parish on September 8th.

HOLBEACH. LINCOLNSHIRE
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of Ail Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .2 gr .14 lb . in E flat.

| Margaret A. Swann | Greble | Geoffrey R. Parker .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stanley E. Bennett | . | 2 | Albert W. A. Leggett .. | 6 |

Claire Dillamore . . .. 3 Ronald C. Noon .. .. 7
Edwin T. Chapman. . . 4 Jack L. Millhouse .. . . Tenor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Jack L. Milihouse. MOULTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter ani Paul.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
*Roy Keeves .. .. .. Treble Alan 3 d. Frost
Diana M. Lawless. .
$\dagger$ Michael R. Bennett
Barrie Hendry
Patrick I. Chapman ... Tenor
Geoffrey E. Watson .. 4 Patrick 1. Chapman
Composed and Conducted by Patrick I. Chapman.
peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First of Yorkshire. First of Surprise
Major as conductor.

STRATFIELD MORTIMER, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Aug. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, containing 1,120 Rutland. 1.280 Cambridge and Lincolnshire and 1.440 Yorkshire, with 69 changes of method. Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .23 Jb . in F sharp.

"First peal oi Spliced Surprise Major. MORECAMBE, LANCASHIRE THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sun.. Aug. 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . 1 qr. 14 lb . in G .
*Irene Bradshaw .. .. Treble William Gerrard
$\dagger$ Dorothy Eccles Wilfred Bolton
*Herbert Rainford .. .. $\quad 3$
Composed by G. Williams.
†George E. Braithwaite 6
§Geoffrey Schofield
Roland F. Eccles .. Tenor
Conducied by Roland F. Eccles. shire Association. § First of Major.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. Aug. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Mimutes. at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAT OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.
imaRuaret a. IURNER .. Treble ann Barr
Diana I. Perrins

- David Ingram

Tenor 12t. cwt. in F sharp. Andrew Stubbs. Roderick J. Lees OOLLEY 5 Bryan D. A. Woolley John McDonald

Tenor Conducted by John McDonald.

* First peal of Surprise Major.

SOUTH LEIGH. OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. Aug. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
Ait the Church of St James-the-Great
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
A. Kinch Tenor 10 cwt . I qr. 23 lb .
J. Howard Freeborn $\ldots$... 2 Treble Edgar J. Smith

Christine M. Woodward 3
Dennis C. Bowen .. .. 4
Composed by C. Midoleton.
Brian R. White
*Bertram J. Coggins
Alan R. Pink Conducted by Alan $\ddot{R}$. Pink.

* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.'


## GILMORTON. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minures,
at the Church of All Saints.
A. PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .19 lb . in G.
Ernest Morris. .Treble
G. Stedman Morris

Peter J. Staniforth
harold J. hazell
Brian M. Smith Crian G. Warwick. Conducted by Brian G. WARWIck. B.32).

* 50th peal. + 100th peal for the Guild.

SHIRLEY. WARWICKSHIRE
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Wed., Aug. 31. 1960. in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James-the-Great.
A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Elizabeth M. Yardley .. Treble John McDonald
George E. Fearn .. .. 2 Edwards T. Lloyd
David J. Purnell
Andrew N. Stubas
3 John A. Anderson
Composed by Fredk. Dench.

## Peter Border

Conducted by Peter Border.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ALDERTON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., July 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In seven muthods, being six exlents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, April Day, Old, Kennington and Plain Bob.
David Buratdae
s ... ...

Treble Harry E. Curtis
Alan $\ddot{C}$ Cozens
anthony G. Osborne
Conducted by Alan C. Cozens.
SAXTHORPE, NORFOLK.
THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. O., Mon., Aug. 1, 1950, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,
In four methods, being four extents Plain Bob and one each of St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.
ne each of St .
Tenor 2 cwt .
Geofrrey R Drew.....Treble| Thomas E. Spight
cwt.
4
5
Tony Owen
2 Dennis Symonds
Conducled by Geoffrey R. Drew.
First peal as conductor away from the tenor. Fastest peal o.n the bells.

## RADLEY, BERKSHIRE

THE OXFURD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Aug. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being an extent each of Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's. Childwall. Single Oxford. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
$\left.\begin{array}{ll|l|l}\text {-Catherine M. Chapman Treble } & \text { M. Jo Moreton } \\ \text { Marie R. Cross } & . . & . . & 2\end{array}\right)$ +Michael Coleman

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

* First peal. † First in seven Plain Minor methods

Rung as a farewell to Mr. R. Raven. a member of the local band,
who is joining the staff of Shrewsbury School in September.
WILBURTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Orr Sat., Alug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
a peal Ar the Church of St. Petter.
OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Geoffrey A. Lucas. . . Treble George E. Thoday... Tenor 10 cwt . Shirley M. Parsons $\left.\ldots 2^{2}\right)$ Geoffrey R. Drew.. Donald F. Murfet .. ... ${ }^{3}$ Mansfield Ginn .. . Tenor

Conducted by Mansfield Ginn. HORDLE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Aug. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SUREH OF ALL SAINTS
Being seven extents.

- A. Rosert Parjetier .. Treble

William T. Godfrey .. 2 Frank L. Harris
Tenor 11 cwt
Andrew M. Macve .. .. 5
Conducted by John Hartless.

* First peal on tower bells. First as conductor.

Rung in memory of William Frederick Feltham, captain of this tower for about 20 years.

CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH. GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Aug. 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the church of St. Catwg.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
${ }^{-}$Doris M. Smith
$\dagger$ Michael Larcher
Treble
Roy Throsby

Tenor 7 cwt .2 qr .2 lb . treble tBarry Couzens | $\mathbf{2}$ | TREVOR M. ROD |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\mathbf{j}$ | $\ddagger$ GWYN I. LEWIS | Conducted by GWYn I. Lewis.

*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Minor. $\ddagger 200 \mathrm{th}$ peal.

## QUENIBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Wed., Alug. 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minures,

## At the Church of St. Mary,

Being 42 extents: (1) New Bob, (2) Huntspill Bob, (3) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (4) Stedman, (5) Plain Bob. (6) Kennington, (7) April Day. (8) Besthorpe, (9) Oid Bob, (10) St. Simon's, (11) St. Albans. (12) Eynsham. (13) Shropharm, (14) Cassington, (15) St. Martin, (16) St. Paul, (17) St. Leonard, (18) Mileham, (19) St. Peter. (20) Southrepps, (21) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (22) Clifford's Pleasure, (23) Costessy, (24) St. Columb, (25) St. Giles, (26) St. Nicholas. (27) St. Andrew, (28) Norwich, (29) St. Thomas, (30) St. Miles. (31) Winchendon Place, (32) St. John, (33) Walsingham. (34) St Luke, (35) Plain Bob, (36) Kennington, (37) April Day. (38) Besthorpe. (39) Old Bob,
(40) St. Simon's. (41) St. Albans. (42) Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwl . 1 gr. 7 lb . in A flat.
Harold J. Hazell .. .. Treble Brian G. Warwick .. .. 3
Ernest Morris .. .. .. 2 A. James Poynor .. .. 4
Martin C. Faulkes.. . Tenor Conducted by Bran G. Warwick. THARSTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wed., Aug. 31, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in four variations of calling. Tenor 10 cwt . in A flat. -Clive R. Calton ... .. Treble | ¥Leonard J. Minns .. .. 3 †Pauline M. Adcock ... 2 §Paul Catiermole .. .. 4 Harry B. Fuller .. .. Tenor Conducted by Paul Cattermole,
*First peal at first attempt. † First "inside" and of Doubles. $\ddagger 25$ th peal for the Association, and first at a 5 -bell tower. $\$ 25$ th as conductor. First of Doubles for tenor

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Moss, Ringing Master at SI. Mary's. Diss.

WEST PENNARD, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
 Conducted by Ronald G. Beck.

## HARTFORD, CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Rev. E. Bankes James' arrangement. A. Gordon Lawrence .. Treble Reginald W. Worrall .. 4 Cynthia Bibby .. .. .. 2 Denis Maddock 4
5 Harold Worrall .. .. 3 | Harry W. Howard .. .. Tenor Conducted by Harry W. Howard.
First peal of Cambridge on the bells.
WAINFLEET ST. MARY, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sun., Sept. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Ipswich Surprise, (2) Plain and Double Bob, (3) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (4) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (5) Bourne Surprise, (6) Double and Single Court. (7) London Surprise.

Tenor 11 cwt .2 gr .22 lb . in F sharp.
Geoffrey R. Parker
Treble Jack L. Millhouse
Peter A. Sharp Claire Dillamore ... .. 3 Louis Willders .. .. . Teñor - Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

- 800th peal.

A birthday compliment to Mr. Horace M. Day, of Market Deeping.

## HANDBELL PEAL

## BURWELL, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE EI.Y DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues. and Wed.. Aug, 30 and 31. 1960, in I Hour and 34 Minutes.

## At Hill Croft, Toyse Lane.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor size 14 in D.
Roger J. Palmer . . .. 1 -2 | Anthony R. Mann .. .. 3-4 Richard J. W. Housden.. 5-6
Conducted by Richard J. W. Housden.
Umpires: Miss O. Brenda Carter and Miss Maureen E. Laurence.

* First handbell peal.

Rung for the christening of Andrew . John Housden at Burwell on August 28th.
This peal was umpired by the godmothers and rung by the godfathers and father.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At St. Peter's Cathedral, on Aug. 30th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: W. B. Pitcher 1. Enid Roberis (first of Stedman
Doubles as cond.) 2. H. Grcenhalgh 3, F. N. Smeaton 4, C. H. Bagot 5, J. O. Goulter 6. First of Stedman 1 and 5. First of Stedman on the bells.
ASHTON, NORTHANTS.-On July 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. Curtis 1. R. Keeves 2, A. Osborne 3. M. Harvey (first inside ') 4, A. C. Cozens (cond.) 5. Rung for the induction of the new Vicar.
ASHTON-KEYNES, WILTS.-On Aug. 7th, 1,260 Reverse Camerbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Heather Pulion 1. J. E. Pul|on 2, M. J. Fellows 3, M. D. Fellows 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. Rung for Evensong by visiting ringers from Worcestershire.
BATHFORD, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Williamson (first away from tenor) 1, June P. Crees 2, Brenda M. White 3, E. Naylor 4, S. A. Read (cond.) 5, R. S. M. Subbs 6. in memoriam W. J. Prescott.
BLEDINGTON, OXON.-On Aug. Sth, 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Heather Pullon 1, J. E. Pullon 2, M. J. Fellows 3. M. D. Fellows 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. L. H. G. Gittins 6. Rung on Wychbold Young Ringers' summer tour.
BLUNSDON, WILTS.-On Aug. 20th, 1,440 Plain Boh Minor: Miss M. Aubrey (first quarter, age 12 ) 1. Miss S. Peake 2, Miss A. Porter 3, Mrs. G Swain 4. B. S. Sheppard S. A. R. Pcake (cond.) 6.
BROCKENHIIRST. HANTS.-On Sedt. 2nd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. J. Hobbs 1, R. N Marlow 2, Mrs. C. Reed (first of Surprise) 3, W. T Godfrey 4, L. F. Cobb 5, A. W. Fry (cond.) 6. BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.-At the Norman Tower, on Sept. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal
W. Stannard i. A. W. Rolfe 2. P. Everitt 3, D Rowland 4. A. Ballam 5. H. Clarke (first) 6 R. Rose (cond.) 7, W. Goodship 8, F. Buckle 9 G. Jennings 10. Birthday compliments to A. W
Rolfe (73), A. E. Moore (78), snd F. Buckle (69). Rolfe (73), A. E. Moore (78), 2nd F. Buckle (69).
BUSHEY, HERTS.-On Sept. Sth, 1,260 Stedman Triples: S. E. Darmon 1, E. Ashby 2, P. Parslow 3 Mrs. J. Darmon 4, C. W. Woolley (cond.) 5, J. E Rootes 6, N. Jenkins 7, R. Rowley 8. Rung for the institution and induction of the Rev. W. H. Chivers as Rector of Bushey.
CANFORD MAGNA. DORSET.-On Aug. 2lst 1.260 Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob, 600 Grandsire): W Shute 1, Mrs. W. Read 2, J. Foote 3. D. Read 4, H. Pitman (cond.) 5, G. Finnemore 6. Rung as a
farewell to the Rev. R. S. Miller, who has accepted farewell to the Rev, R.S. Miller, who has accepted
an appoinment at Gatcombe, Isle of Wight. Also 21 st birthday compliment to Miss J. Baker.
CAPEL, SURREY.-On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Minor ( 20 Kent Treble Bob, 540 Plain Bob): R. Tullett 1. Hannah Penfold 2. E. Rapley 3. A. Harman (cond.) 4. Barbars Sheldon 5, P. Ede 6. First of Treble Bob for 5 and 6. For Evensong.
CARLISLE, CUMBERLAND.-On Aug. 28th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Hodgann 1. J. Ling 2, S. Hadgson 3, A. Hodgson 4. R. Warburton 5, J. Houstead (cond.) 6, A.
Forsyth 7. Rung as a farewell to Miss J. Hodgson. who is leaving the district
CHISLET, KENT,-On Aug. 23rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Pauline Fennell 1. Mary S. Taylor 2. Beryl W. Abbott 3. H. J. Webb 4. P. Newing 5. J. C.
Baldwin (cond.) 6 . Rung as a compliment io Beryl Abbott, on graduating from Bristol University.
CIRENCESTER. GLOS.- On Aug. 30th. at Holy Trinits. Watermoor. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R Wakefield (first quarter on 8 bells) 1, F. J. Lewis, snr.. 2. P. Wakefield 3. H. L. Cooke 4. E. H. Jeffires 5. P. Morgans 6. B. Wakefield (cond.) 7. W. Wrigley 8. Rung half-mufled in memoriam Mrs. Skues, wife of the pricst-in-charse at Watermoor.
CRANFORD, MIDDX.-On Aug. 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1, A. Grant 2,
June Richardson (cond.) 3. G. Thrush 4. Josephine Pole 5. J. Goodfellow 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker, on their 23 th wedding anniversary CONSETT, CO, DURHAM.-On Sept. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Armstrong (firs quarter) 1. J. G. Wall 2, J. Vickery 3, K. Ather 4. R. Kelion
5. W. Tyson (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of the marriage this day of Miss Ella Foreman, ringer at this church, and Mr. Stanley Green.
DULLINGHAM. CAMES.-On Aug. 30th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Maureen E. Laurence (first quaner) 1, D. G. Taylor 2, R. J. W. Housden (cond.) 3. R. J. Palmer 4. A. R. Mann 5. Also, the same day. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: O. Brenda Camer (first quarter) 1, D. G. Tavior 2, R. J. Palmer 3, R. J. W. Housden (cond.) 4. A. R. Mann

DUNS TEW, OXON,-On Aug, 24th, 1.320 $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Doubles ( } 240 & \text { Grandsire, } & 360 & \mathrm{St} \text {. Martin's, } & 360 & \mathrm{St} \\ \text { Simon's. } & 360 & \text { Plain Bob); } & \mathrm{H} . & \text { Ivings } & \text { 1, Mrs. } & \mathrm{H} .\end{array}$ Ivings 3, C. C. Clarke 4, J. E. Iving (cond.) 5.

## QUARTER PEALS

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.-On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Peck 1, Mrs. H. Ivings (first in method) 2, J. Sharpe 3, J. E. Ivings (first in method) 4, Miss D. Reeve 5, H. Fuller 6, J. Paul (cond.) 7, N. Watson 8. Rung for the wedding of Miss J. Massingham and Mr. P. Newton-Gates, son of the Rector. Also on Sept. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Boh Triples: C. Banham 1. P. Newing 2, H. Fuller 3, Miss D. Reeve 4, J. E. lvines 5, N. Watson 6, J. Paul (cond.) 7. H. Ivings 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Napier, widow of the late Rector.
FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.-On Sepr. 4th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. H. Mills 1, P. N. Murgatroyd (cond.) 2, P. Joyce 3, G. S. Joyce 4, D. P. Treble 5, R. E. Finch 6. Firss of Cambridge for 2, 4 and 5. First quarter in a Surprise method rung by the Sunday service band. Rung as a Whelane
KEMPSFORD, GLOS.-On Sept. 1st, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, Adril Day. Grandsire and Plain Bub): A. Cox 1, G. Land (first in more than one method) 2. W. Godwin (cond.) 3, B. Wakefield 4, P. Wakefield 5, R. Wakefield 6.
LECHLADE, GLOS.-On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Heather M. Pullon 1, M. J. Fellows 2, J. E. Pulton 3, M. D. Fellows 4, H. C. Evans 5. P. Cattermole (cond.) 6. Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells. Rung on the Feast of St. Lawrence.
lichfield. STAFFS.-At St. Mary's Church, on Aug. 2xth, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marlene Joncs (first quarter) 1, Penelope Sedgwick 2, J. B. Webb 3, B. J. Townsend 4, J. H. Allen (cond.) S, C. M. Smith 6. For Eensong.
LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET. On Sepr. 2nd, 1.280 Bristol Surprise Major: R. J. Bowden 1. J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 2. Elisabeth Bowden 3, R. G. Hooper 4. B. A. Shackleton (first in method 'inside') 5 ,
D. J. Hun' 6, J. Brain (first of Bristol)
7 D. J. Hu

MAGDALEN, NORFOLK.-On Aug. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): P. Gagen 1, S. Elsey 2, W. W. Cousins 3, V. Bowen 4, J. Fox 5 F. H. Mastin (cond.) 6. Rung for the induction of

MARSTON TRUSSELL, NORTHANTS.-Or Sept, 3rd. 1.260 Doubles ( 60 Stedman. 240 each of St . Simon's and St . Martin's and 360 each of Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss R. Anderson, Co, Durham (first in 5) 1, A. Jopd. Worcs (first in 5 Doubles) 2, C. C. Clarke, Oxon 3, R. H. Daw, Wilts (first in 5) 4, E. T. P. Field, Somerset (cond.) 5. Rung at the special request of the Vicar, by visitors to the Peterborough Diocesan Guild Festival, whilst the tower was not officially open.
MINSTER-IN-THANET, KENT.-On Aug 23rd, 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: Beryl W. Abbott 1, Pauline Fennell 2, J. C. Baldwin 3, P. Newing (cond.) 4. Mary S. Taylor. H. J. Webb 5. First quarter of Minimus for all the band
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Sept. 4th. 1.440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Bridges 1. Ann Hancock 2. L. Cordell 3. S. King 4. J. McPhail (cond.) 5. Wedlock.
NORTON ST. PHILIP. SOMERSET.-On
12th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Vennell
Smith 2. 1. Phppen 3. F. Phelps 4. E. Bray (cond.) 5. D. Applegate 6. Rung half-muffied in memory of W. J. Prescont, of Bath.
OLD SWINFORD. STOURBRIDGE. WORCS. On Aug. 26th. 1.260 Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob, 660 Grandsire): P. J. Brown 1, M. D. Fellows 2, J. E. Pullon (cond.) 3. M. J. Fellows 4, J. C. Eisel 5. J. E, Lawley (first quarter, age 13. ringing \& months)

First quarter on the frome six
PRESTON (WEYMOUTH). DORSET.-On Sepr. 2nd. 1.260 Doubles (Siedman, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. Cornick 1. Miss Sylvia Watson 2. Miss B. Marsh 3, Mrs, A, J Slade 4, A. J. Slade (cond.) 5, G. H. Perry 6. Rung as arewell to the Vicar, Rev. P. W. H. Isdell-
Carpenter, M.A., who is leaving Preston, after 12 Carpenter, M.A., who is leaving Preston,
cars, to become Rector of Frimley, Surrey,
OUENIBOROUGH, LEICS. On Aug. 29th, 1.260 Doubles (Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Margaret Kirk 1. S. W. Parker 2. C. Lowe 3, G. Stonchnuse 4, D. Lowe (cond.) 5. First quarter on bells by a Sunday service band. Rung halfmufied in memoriam a churchwarden's father
ROADE, NORTHANTS.-On July 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury, Southrepps, Cliffords Pleasure, April Day, Kennington, Old and Plain Bob): M. April Day, Kenninston,
Harvey (first quarter) 1, G. Walker 2, Misa F. Curis 3, R. Keeres 4. A. C. Cozens (cond.) 5.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.-On Aug. 31st, at the Church of St. Stephen, 1,260 Doubles ( 240 each of Stedman, Plain Bob, St. Martin's, St. Simon's, 300 Grandsire): G. Pennev (cond.) 1, Miss A. Macfarlane 2. Miss C. Bland 3, Miss C. Rimmer 4, P. J. Fells 5. A. Malvan 6. First of Doubles in 5 methods by all
ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WiADE, KENT.-Un Aug. 23 rd . 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Hob): H. J Webb 1, Beryl W. Abbott 2. Mary S. Taylor 3. Pauline Fennell 4. J. C. Baldwin 5. P. Newing (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to the conductor, who
ST. PETER-IN-THANET, KENT.-Un July 17 gh . 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. Elsdon 1. C. Cobbold 2 , P. Fennell 3, S. Davies 4, M. Taylor 5, J. H. Baxter 6, T. H. Holmes (cond.) 7. W. Bridges 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss J. Steed and entering Rochester Theological College
SEVENOAKS
SEVENOAKS, KENT.-On Aus. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Corby 1. Miss J. Buss 2, Mrs. L. M. Corifoy 3. Miss P. Buss 4, R. V. Fuller 5, Miss D, E. Colgate 6, P. A. Corby (cond.) 7. P. J. Dye 8. First guaner 1 and 2. For morning service.
SWALCLIFFE, OXON.-On Aug. 26th. 1,320 Plain Bot Minor: A. W. Ivings (first of Minor) 1. Mrs. H. Iving 2, H. Ivings 3. W. Ivings 4. J. E lvings 5, C. C. Clarke (first of Minor as cond.) 6.
TENDRING. ESSEX.-On Sept. dih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Brazier 1, Ann Collier 2. Ann Pryke 3, E. E. Davey (cond.) 4, Mrs. V. Hales 5 I Cooper 6. For Evensong.
TEWIN, HERTS,-On Aug. 31st, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss V. M. Ford 1, Miss J. M. Gambling 2. M. L. Jordan 3. D. M. Gambling 4, Miss A. M. Baitey S, P. C. F. Wooster (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 3. Rung for the christening of Angelique Austin.
TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.-On Aug. 29rh. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. J. Jefferies 1. C. J. Barrable 2, Pat A. Burt 3, A. F. Lee (100th quarter) 4, T. J. Milsom (cond.) 5, D. F. Jefferies 6. A compliment to the conductor on his 21 st birthday.
TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.-On Sept, 4th, . 440 combined Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor: Miss Gcorge 1, Miss O. D. Couchman 2, E. J. Ladd S. Jenner 4. B. V. Collison 5, C. A. Tesser (cond.)
First in the method by all. Rung for Evensong. WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. R. Downes (cond.) 1. P, Chapman 2, R. Lumsden 3, C. Dizgins 4, D. Hewitt 5. F. W. Sykes 6, A. J. Boyack 7, F. Taylor 8. For Evensong.
Wairon-leddale, lancs.-On Aug. 14th, 1,280 K $\bumpeq$ nt T.B. Major: J. W. Couperthwaite 1, Maryi R. Crossthwaite 2, Judy Moir 3, Betyy Faunch 4. D. Lawson 5, B. Tomlinson 6, J. B. Pickud 7, F. Stcad (cond.) 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4 th.
WARMLEY, GLOS.-On Sept, 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doublea: Rita M. Webb 1. Myra J. Wilkins 2. A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 3, H. Taysom 4, B. K. Lewis 5. I. G. Smith 6. Rung half-muffed in memoriam Mrs. Gibbs, grandmother of the conducior.
WELLS, SOMERSET.-At the Cathedral. on Sept. 4th. 1.281) Camhridge Surprise Royal: A. H. Reed 1. E. Naylor 2, P. N. Tubbs 3, P. C. Wright 4, V. Roberts 5. M. Rose 6. J. Brain 7. G Salmon 8, E. J. Chiven 9. J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 10. For Evensong.
WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.-On Aug, 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Christine Harcup (firit quarter) 1, R. G. Blackman 2. D. S. Jones 3. E. Treagus 4. L. Stilwell (cond.) 5, R. P. Wood 6. M. Marshall 7. N. Bridger (fint quarter) 8. For Parronal Festival Evensong.

WHITNASH, WARWICKS.-On Aug. 27ih, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Huxley 1, Miss D. V. Elsan 2. R. Edden 3. I. C. Maycock 4. W. Male (cond.) 5. D. Harrison 6. A wedding compliment to Miss E. A. Trindall

WILLINGHAM, CAMBS.-On Aug. 2ist, 1,296 Surprise Minor: D. Murfet 1. Shirley M. Parsons 2 G. Thoday 3, G. E. Crisp 4, G. R. Drew 5, M. Ginn 6. For Matins.
WORCESTER.-At the Cathedral, July $10 \mathrm{hh}, 1.440$ Cambrides Surprise Royal: J. P. Stanier 1, R. G Morris 2, R. J. Lees 3. N. Goodman 4. H. Neil 5. J. McDonald (cond.) 6. D. Beecham 7. T. W. Lewis 8, J. 4. Anderson 9, R. G. Edwards 10.
YORKTOWN, SURREY.-On Aug. 31st. 1.280 Plain Bob Mator: R. H. Mills 1. P. J. Joyce 2 P. Treble 3. W. W. Wright 4. G. S. Joyce 5. J.
Basher (first of Maior) 6. P. Murgatroyd 7. R. E. Finch (cond.) 8. First on 8 bells for 2, 3 and 4, and first quarter on 8 bells by Farnborough Sunday service ringers.

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Entering St. Margaret's
Church, Whitnash. for her wedding on Aug. 27th. Miss E. A. Trindall passed through th A. Trindall passed through the ringing chamber, which had been decorated for the occasion. The bride was one of the original band of postwar ringers at this church and had lately been secretary. After the ceremony she returned to the ringing chamber to start a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor, which was successfully brought round.

To mark the christening of Andrew John Housden at Burwell, Cambridgeshire, a handbell peal was rung by the father and godfathers and umpired by the two godmothers.

Starting to ring in February, Valerie Ford and Martyn Fordan, of Tewin, Herts, rang their first quarter on August 3lst. Congratulations!

The Rev. R. P. Farrow has resigned the living of East Lulworth and left the district. His address now is Ramsey Hall, Byron Road, Worthing. Tel. Worthing 580.

The band who rang the peal at Stapleton, Bristol, on September 3rd, would like to associate it with the memory of the late Mr. Frank Skidmore, who learnt to ring on these bells. which are hung anti-clockwise.

Mr. Wilfred Williams has now conducted a peal of Surprise in each county in England and Wales and is the first ringer to do so. The last was Co. Durham.

A peal attempt of Yorkshire Surprise Major at East Grinstead on July 30th broke down after nearly three hours ringing. The attempt had been arranged as a compliment to Miss June Clements and Mr. Dennis Mitchell, who were married that day at Worthing.

Mr. Walter Ayre informs us that his first peal as conductor was Bob Minor at Thornton Curtis, Lincs, on October 19th. 1912, in which there were four first peals. He adds that he tried hard to persuade the conductor of his first peal at his home tower, St. Peter's, Barton-on-Humber (April, 1911), that he wanted to call his own first peal, but he would not budge.

## GOSSIP

By ringing the tenor to the peal at Aspenden on September 3rd, Mr. F. Aldridge has become the first member of the local band to ring a peal at Aspenden since October, 1746. when a peal of Triples was rung by a resident band.

Mr. John C. Baldwin expresses his thanks to ringers of Newbury and district for their hospitality during his stay there.
Mr. A. Patrick Cannon has now rung 99 peals of Double Norwich Court Bob Major in 99 different towers.

Mr. Michael Hobbs, of St. Ambrose's, Bristol, while on holiday in the New Forest organised a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor at Brockenhurst on September 2nd.

Mr. P. Newing, of Littlebourne, Canterbury, is entering Rochester Theological College. On August 23rd he and John C. Baldwin, with friends, rang three quarter peals-3t Chislet, St. Nicholas-at Wade and Minster-in-Thanet.
The Church of St. Andrew. Puckington. near Ilminster. Somerset, has lost its tower captain by the death, on August 29th, of Mr. Harry Bungay, aged 80. To his memory a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung on September 1st.
The ringers of St. Peter's, Pentre. Rhondda. wish to thank all persons connected with the following towers for the hospitality extended to them while on annual outing to Somerset on September 3rd: St. Andrew's Banwell: St. Mark's, Mark; St, Cuthbert's, Wells; St. Andrew's, Burnham ; St. Mary's, Wedmore.
Richard Brown, of Kessingland, Suffolk, was unfortunate, whilst on holiday in Lincolnshire. in losing a peal of Minor (his first on six) on September lst at Whaplode. Having rung two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob, his rope broke 130 changes from the end of the third and last extent of plain. The band were sorry to see him go away emplyhanded after ringing so well, and wish him greater success in his next attempt.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## GOLDEN JUBILEE OF BUCKFAST ABBEY BELLS

$I^{\mathrm{N}}$September, 1910, the Community of Buckfast Abbey received from the late Sir Robert Harvey, of Dundridge, near Totnes, the munificent, gift of a ring of 14 bells. These bells, cast by Warner, with a tenor of 28 cwt . in D flat, were solemnly blessed on Michaelmas Day, 1910. The bells were first hung 'dead ' in the old Abbot's Tower. In autumn of 1920 the tower of the present Abbey Church was sufficiently advanced for the bells to be hoisted into position and hung for ringing. The bells were hung in what is now the ringing chamber and were rung from the lantern gallery; an experience which many visitors found disconcerting as there was a sixty foot drop from the gallery to the chancel pavement. The bells were first rung by a band from Bucktastleigh for Christmas, 1920. Only one peal was ever rung on these bells; in 1930 a peal of Stedman Cinques, conducted from the tenor by the late Mr. William Pye. In 1935, with the commencement of the completion of the tower, the bells were taken down and sent to Mcssrs. Taylor's foundry, at Loughborough. Here they were recast-considerable metal was added so that the present tenor is 41 cwt . in C. In Maroh. 1936, the 14 bells roturned to Buckfast. together with a new bourdon bell - 'Hosanna,' which weighs $7 \frac{1}{2}$ tons, and strikes F , a fifth below the tenor of the ring. All fifteen bells were rehung on steel frames and were first rung for Easter, 1936.

Since the hanging of the original bells in 1920, the community band had always rung call changes, until in 1955 the Rev. Oswald Mowan, U.S.B., became captain of the Abbey band. Greatly encouraged by the late Mr. J. E. Lilley, the Abbey ringers made a determined effort to master halt-pull ringing. In the last few years great progress has been made, due mainly to the help received from members of the Devon Guild, among whom special thanks are due to Mr. E. M. Atkins, of Teignmouth
Two years ago one of the community rang he treble to a peal of Grandsire Triples, at Wolborough, and six of the Abbey band rang a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles without any outside help. During the present year three of the community rang in a peal of Plain Bob Minor and in a quarter of the same method, whilst in the last few weeks four of the community have rung in two quarters of Plain Bob Triples. The same four monks are also enthusiastic handbell ringers and ring touches of double-handed Plain Bob Major.

Since the bells were hung in their present permanent home, six peals of Stedman Cinques have been rung on them, also one of Grandsire Cinques and one each of Yorkshire and Cambridge Surprise Maximus, and one each of Plain Bob Major and Minor
September 29 th of this year will mark the golden jubilee of the Blessing of Buckfast Abbey bells. It is to be hoped that the event will be marked by at least one more peal, in which some at least of the ringers will be members of community.
A. L. B.

## MR. A. JAMES POYNOR'S 100 PEALS

Minimus.-Plain (1) ('in hand' non-conducted).
Doubles.-Grandsire 2 (cond. 2), Reverse St. Bartholomew 1. St. Martin's 1. Winchendon Place Bob 1: 3 methods 2 (1). 4 methods 1 (1), 5 methods 2.7 methods 2 . 20 methods 1,21 methods 1. 27 methods 1. April Day 1.
Minor-Plain Bob 6 (1). Kent T.B. 1 (1), Crayford College Bob 1. Oxford T.B. 1. 2 methods 3 (2). 3 methods 4 (1). 5 methods 3 (2). 6 methods 1.13 methods

Triples-Plairi Bob 1. Grandsire 4. Stedman 4.

Major-Plain Bob 11 (I). D.N.C.B. 1, Braunstone 1. Bristol 1, Cambridge 7 (1) Derwent 1. Derby 1. Osgathorpe 1. Rutland 1. Superlative 3. Southall 1,. Xenia 1. Yorkshire 6. Spliced Plain and Little Bob 1.

Caters.-Grandsire 2. Stedman 1.
Royal.-Plain Bob 3. Little Bob 1. Double Oxford 1. St. Clement's 1. Cambridge 3, Osgathorpe 1, Primethorpe 1. Queniborough 1, Xaymaca 1.


## MR. WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT Master,

Worcestershire and Districts Association.
Mr. W. B. Cartwright is a most valuable member of the Central Council. His advice and help, often sought, are uagrudgingly given, and he has piloted the Council through many a knotty problem. He is a solicitor of the Supreme Court, practising in the city of Birmingham, and is held in very high esteem in the ranks of his profession. The story of his progress is fascinating and shows what
can be done by sheer hard work and perseverance.
He was born at Selly Oak, Birmingham, in 1900 and was educated at St. Mary's and Bournville Schools. He entered a solicitor's office in 1915. and by hard work qualified. passed his final examination, and was admitted as a solicitor, in 1940. This year he is taking part in the American Bar Association's annual conference and also the Commonwealth Law Conference at Ottowa.

Mr. Cartwright learned to ring at Selly Oak in 1919, and rang his first peal at Harborne. Birmingham. in 1920. This was Stedman Triples, conducted by the late George Pigott. Bill Cartwright has always been unswervingly loyal to the Worcestershire Association. and early in his ringing career he conducted many peals of London and Bristol Surprise Major. His work prevented him from building up a huge peals total, but he has, nevertheless, achieved a total of 272 , of which he has conducted 105 . He served the Association as Ringing Master of the Northern Branch from 1922-1924. and as secretary from 1934-1936. He was made an honorary member in 1937, and was appointed Master in 1956. which office he still holds.

Elected as Central Council representative in 1951. he was soon preferred for service on the Standing Committee, where he is able to give invaluable help and guidance. He is a good churchman, and has held a number of offices at St. Mary's, such as churchwarden, sidesman, and secretary of the P.C.C. for well over 20 years. He has done nearly everything. except take a service, and has even played the organ! Since 1922 he has served as Ringing Master at St. Mary's, ringing regularly for service there. He is married and has two children.

Such men as Bill Cartwright are the salt of the Exercise and we count ourselves fortunate to possess him in our ranks. He is remarkably modest and unassuming, a shining example to all of us.

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## LINIERSITY OF LONDON

HOR the second year in succession the University of London Society was fortunate in finding accommodation for the annual ringing week which combined comfort with scope for the youthful mind of the company to find expression. Situated on the outskirts of Birmingham, Fircroft Theological College forms part of the Cadbury Trust, and adheres strictly to the Quaker temperance ideals which were written in when the Trust and the Bournville village were first established.

At this headquarters some of the more notable ringers of the area stepped from the pages of 'The Ringing World' and joined us for dinner on the first evening. For those of us who had not previously done so, it was a pleasure to meet Messrs. George Fearn, Frank Perrins, Edgar Shepherd and William Cartwright, who later joined in ringing handbells with members of the Society.

Having settled in, we began our programme in earnest on Sunday. when bands were dispatched to aid or impede various of the Birmingham towers, and two quarter peals were scored. The afternoon of Sunday was something of a lull before the Warwickshire countryside was stormed, and gave us an opportunity to be good tourists and visit places of interest in the area.

During the memorable week which followed. our routes took us as far east as Rugby and south-east to Coventry, Leamington, Warwick and the lovely town of Stratford-on-Avon with its equally-lovely bells. Here we disguised ourselves as cultured human beings and, contrary

## SOCIETY RINGING WEEK

to the forebodings of those in whom the disguise was most thinly applied, spent a most enjoyable evening in the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, watching "Twelfth Night.

The itinerary was planned to select bells of quality rather than to achieve a large total. and in this we were highly successful and generally managed to do justice to the bells by selecting bands for each touch rather than issuing a general invitation to "catch hold. The technical highlights of the week were courses of London Surprise Royal, Glasgow Major and various touches of Spliced up to a maximum of nine methods. Four peals were attempted, of which two succeeded, a slightly higher proportion than the previous year.

On Tuesday morning we were entertained on the Bournville carillon by Clifford Ball, B.Mus.. who gave a most impressive and energetic recital and showed us 'the works' as well.

Friday night of a U.L.S. tour is traditionally party night, and proves a most successful way of reaching that final stage of exhaustion which a week of late nights and climbing steps just. fails to produce. As usual, to the continued amazement and admiration of the entertainments committee, members accepted the most fiendish forfeits the aforesaid committee could devise, and emerged in good voice for the equally traditional sing-song which both ends the party and begins the next day.
The week concluded with a night in Dudley and. after a final dinner there, we were entertained by Dennis and Margaret Layton at their new home in Kingswinford. Thanks are due to Dennis and Margaret for all their work to arrange the week and make it a success, and also to all correspondents and local ringers who met or helped us in any way.

## CHESHIRE RINGERS IN WORCESTERSHIRE

GATURDAY. August 13th, found us bound for Walsall. the main body of the party having assembled at Macclesfield, before calling at Newcastle to pick up Fred Wilshaw. The delightful bells at Walsall sounded well to the music of Yorkshire Maximus, which was John Worth's lorth peal on 12 bells; incidentally, he has a fine record of having rung over 100 peals on each of $6,8,10$ and 12 bells. On leaving Walsall it was raining quite heavily, but it had eased a little when we stopped in Birmingham for a meal, before continuing on our way to Great Malvern, where we were to spend the week.

We awakened on Sunday in time to see the early morning mist rising from the surrounding lowlands, revealing some truly magnificent countryside, in which the Malverns' sit like miniature Himalayas. Breakfast over, we made tracks for the Parish Church at Malvern Link, where we enjoyed ringing for morning service. After lunch, a leisurely ride was made to Hanbury, where 'the youngsters, rang a peal of Cambridge Major in 2 hours and 59 minutes. We didn't meet any of The Archers.' of course. but the bells alone at Hanbury are worth 3 hours of any peal ringer's time. Meanwhile. the critics in the form of Messrs. Jenkins. Morris. Wilshaw and Worth had listened until "the rains came down,' then they departed to ring for Evensong, at Dodderhill, another fine Worcestershire eight. Dinner at cight was 'par excellence' and it was at this point we were joined by Denis 'Umbala', Mottershead, making our number for the week up to 13 .

Clent was the tower for our first attempt, Yorkshire, on Monday and we found that these bells moved along quite well, with very little effort. Those who had missed the morning attempt left Clent to go swimming at Stourbridge, but they returned in time to hear us come round. Time for a quick meal, then on to Hartlebury, where a peal of London was successfully accomplished on a ring of bells which have been returned to the 6th and as a result blend very well. After dinner the more energetic members of the party took to table tennis and handbell ringing.

## BROKEN ROPE

It was an early start for us on Tuesday morning as we had to travel to Birmingham, to attempt a peal of Bristol at Erdington Abbey. Here we suffered our first loss of the week when the rope on the 6th bell broke after 1 hour and 50 minutes enjoyable ringing. Our attempt at Birmingham St. Martin's was not due to start until 5.30 p.m. so we, spent most of the afternoon 'window gazing.'
We were late starting. which necessitated rather We were late starting. which necessitated rather
fast ringing and a peal of Cambridge Maxinus was brought round in 3 hours and 32 minutes. We joined several of the well known Birmingham ringers for refreshment in the local. before returning to Great Malvern "and so to bed.
The following morning. Wednesday, we travelled in brilliant sunshire to Salford Priors and subsequently rang a peal of Bristol. which was followed by refreshments in the nearby inn. We were due to attempt a peal of London at Mickleton in the afternoon, but with the exotic weather continuing (and sunbathing in mind) we were destined to ring for not more than a quarter of an hour. Returning to the hotel. there was time to go swimming in the open air pool before dinner, which in turn was followed by one or the other of the two more leisurely pastimes (depending upon the taste of the individuals concerned!!!).
Just to prove to ourselves that we were still capable of ringing London we rang a 'tenors parted ' peal in the method at Norton (Glos),
on Thursday morning. The tower is set in most pleasant surroundings and the bells have unusual interest in that the treble and second have the same strike note

## THE HIGHEST RING

The members of our party who had not been ringing at Norton remained at Malvern on Thursday morning. hence they travelled directly to Upton-on-Severn for the afternzon peal attempt. which was to be Pudsey. Leslie called a delightful composition by Arthur Knights to a brisk peal, in which incidental $6-5$ 's seemed to appear from nowhere. There was time for us to visit Stoulton, near Worcester, where we rang on the lightest ring (tenor 108 lbs .) of six in the world. also we were able to have a pull on the six at the Parish Church. It was a dash back to Malvern, where we arrived just in time for dinner. Surplus energy was once again used up on table tennis and handbell ringing. John Worth showed us that he can still move round a table tennis table at great speed.
Those listening to the peal of Bristol at Badsey on Friddy were alarmed when it was suggested that th: ringing should be interrupted so that an inspection of the tower could be made by an architect. Fortunately 'Arris.' using a little decorum, was able to persuade the architect to postpone his inspection, and the peal was completed without further ado. Great Hampton bells were one of the most pleasant surprises of the week and gave us tho trouble in completing a peal of Lincolnshire in 2 hours and 55 minutes. We had a meal in Evesham, and with an hour to spare we accepted the invitation to ning on the 12 at the bell tower, where we enjoyed a half course each of Yorkshire and Cambridge Maximus. We rang on the majestic eight at Pershore Abbey in the evening. where some had to pluck up courage to go into "the cage for the first time! ! After ringing at the Abbey we had a ring on the six at Pershore. Highlight of the evening was when Ted rang with the very young local ringers. the sum total of their ages not adding up to his age: and he still showing us how to ring tenors! !
Saturday arrived all too soon, we set out for Bromsgrove, where we scored a peal of Cambridge Royal. We were more than pleased to learn that. by a pleasant coincidence, the peal was to celebrate the binth. on the previous evening, of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Pilkington.
Our thanks are extended to all incumbents. tower captains, and ringers who- had made this tour possible: to Mr. Basil Jones, for his superlative arrangements, and to Messrs. Dunkerley. Worth and Jones for the use of their cars. It all passed so quickly, but time always does when you're having fun.
R. B. S.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

A meeting of the Guild held at Marsden on September 3 rd was very well attended. Ringing ranged from rounds and call-changes to Bristol, Superlative and other Major methods, with one or two rings with the ten going. Quite a few learners attended and the committee were pleased with the result. A short service was held in the Lady Chapel of this 'Colne Valley Cathedral.' conducted by the Vicar of Marsden. who gave a warm welcome. A fine tea was provided by the local ringers, and quite a lively business meeting followed in the School Room Ringing was had until the late evening, and handhell ringing followed. Next meeting pro-

NEWS FROM VANCOUVER, B.C.
On July 30th. members of the Vancouver Society of Change Ringers were guests of the ringers of Christ Church Cathedral. Victoria, B.C. The group travelled on the Tsawwassen service linking the two cities, from sales south (chaw-wassen), 20 miles south of Vancouver to Swartz Bay, 25 miles north of Viotoria.
Touohes of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung at this first visit of the Vansouver group to Victoria. Visiting ringers were Mrs. Sally Luttrell, Mrs. Frances Bodie, Miss Maureen Good. Mr. Anthony Collins. Mr. Ronald Hyatt, all of Vancouver.
Other visitors were Mr. Fred Westlake, of Port Coquitlam, B.C., Mr. Peter Crook, of Botton, Lancashire. and his daughter, Mrs. Paines, from Kelowna, B.C.

Later, at the beautiful Brentwood home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Izard. the group enjoyed a buffer supper and a plunge in Brentwood Bay.

A second outing was held on August 13 th when both the Vancouver and Victoria groups journeyed to the ten-bell tower at the Benedictine Monastery, Mission. B.C. On this trip the Vancouver group were accompanied by their Ringing Master. Mr. Edwin Lee. formerly of Newark. Nots. Visitors from Victoria were Mr. E. W. Izard. Miss Margaret Izard, Mrs. Mary Barlow. Mr. Arthur Izard, Mr. Douglas Boniface and Mr. Ved Donaldson. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Harold McDonald. of Ireland. Mr Westlake and Mr. Crook. Touches of Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire Triples and Caters were rung. An attempt was made at Stedman Caters. Guests were received by the Rev. Father Dunstan, Ringing Master, of the Abbey. Members toured the Abbey, after which tea was served.
E. G. WHITE. Chairman.

Vancouver Society of Change Ringers.

## A SHALFORD WEDDING

A romance in Shalford (Surrey) tower was sealed by the wedding at the Parish Church on September 3rd of Mr. Alan Charles Arthur Hunter. only son of Mr. Leslie C. Hurter (captain of the tower) and Mrs. Hunter. of Chilworth, and Miss Pamela Ann Purdue, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Purdue, of Shalford. Both bride and bridegroom are keen ringers, and the bride is also Sunday School superintendent.
The Vicar and Rural Dean (Rev. W. R. Horth) officiated, assisted by the Rev. Cadoc Davies. Thd bride was attended by three child bridesmaids. Mr. Paul Butler was best man and Michael and Peter Johnson groomsmen. The reception, attended by 100 guests, was held at the Parrot Inn, Shalford, and the honeymoon is being spent at Dunsford. Devon.

## OBITUARY

## MR. ARTHUR HARDING <br> AN APPRECIATION

It was with deep regret that I read of the passing last month of Mr. Arthur Harding, as I well remember him coming forward to help the South and West District of the Middlesex Association. A few of us found plenty of spade work to do in the District, and one of my rewards was a peal of Kent Major with Arthur in his own tower of St. Mary's, Ealing. in February, 1910. He proudly told me it was the first peal of Major on the bells since 1798!
Arthur was fond of Major on the tenor or seventh. and he loved good striking: but what a wonderful record of service in his own tower. 60 years! One could write at length about Arthur, but the wards 'well done' were never more deserving, and he will not easily be forgotten.
W. SHEPHERD.

## LETTERS

## NIGHTINGALE T.P.B. MAJOR

Dear Sir,-With reference to the Florence Nightingale peals, I did not produce a new method. Nightingale T.P.B. Major. This method was first produced by William Sottanstall and pealed at Liversedge in 1868 . The method is an example of a class in which the work of the treble consists of dodging and place making (without plain hunting).

Students of change-ringing will know that, strictly speaking, a "place " is made internally, and that the original word for dodge was bob. For these reasons I think these methods could be all grouped under the heading Treble Place Bob.
Below are half-leads of each type of method in this group. As will be seen from their false course ends, peals in these methods are very difficult to obtain. Nightingale T.P.B., which is the first example below. has 12 f.c.e.. and when Mr. Savory asked me to produce a simple composition I found it easier to use both 4ths and 6ths place bobs.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL AND PEALS

 OF MINIMUSDear Sir.-Having never attended a Central Council meeting. one can only wonder how they must be run after reading Mr. E. A. Barnett's letter on the voting for or against recognising peals of Minimus.

Surely the matter of whether or not peals of Minimus should be recognised was important enough to deserve a vote of its own: obviously Mr. P. H. Whitaker and Peter Border thought so from their recent letters, whilst Mr. E. A. Barnett was in complete agreement with them from the start. as it was on his guidance that the first peal of Minimus in five methods was published as a Miscellaneous Performance.

I am in complele agreement with Peter Border. When two Surprise ringers ring a peal of Plain Bob Minimus on handbells, there is a degrading of the standards, and it is on this basis that the motion should be based.

I am sure that when the Standing Commitree recommended that Minimus peals be recognised shey had in mind ringers of 4 - and 5 -bell towers who may wish to ring peals, certainly not handbell ringers who wish to anuse themselves for an hour or so.

If. as now seems to be the case, the Central Council have to discuss the same motions year by year, there is still hope for Erin and Saturn Treble Bob Doubles, not to mention 9-bell peals. Put them all on next year's agenda and let us test members opinions once again.Yours sincerely, GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Highclere.

## COLLECE OF CAMPANOLOGY ANNUAL MEETING

The reunion this year, at Staines on Augsut 27th, although not a triennial elective meeting, took the form largely of a conference on the miany matters of importance now arising in College activity. Attendance, though not large, included members from districts up to 300 miles apart.

The vice-president (Mr. Harry Miles) presided. Messages of good wishes and/or apologies for absence included the president (Mr. Ernest Morris), the College chaplains, the belfries consultant (Mr. Frederick Sharpe), the carillonneur of Chicago University (Mr. James Lawson), the Misses Marie Cross. Marion Lidgey and Kathleen Knight (the retiring registrar), and others at home and abroad. Acknowledgment of gratitude was made to Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Shepherd, who kindly made all local arrangements for ringing and for the meeting. and generously provided attractive refreshments.

To fill vacancies arising from retirement, Professor R. 1. Brocklehurst (Somerset) was elected as a governor. Comdr. C. F. Jackson, R.N.. registrar, and Dr. R. G. T. Bennett press and public relations officer: Other officers continue as hitherto, with registrar's office remaining at 40, Parkstone Avenue. Southsea.

## THE ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report showed steady progress, the 100 th membership registration having been effected during the year. Other interesting results for the year included (with numbers in brackets as totals since foundation-less than 40 per cent. so achievement is probably of a higher rating all round) correspondents 6 (19), tutors 6 (38), examiners retired 1 (15), College representatives in 29 counties in Britain, and in Eire, Northern Ireland, U.S.A.. Tanganyika, Southern Rhodesia and-awaiting confirmation -New Zealand: schools of ringing now affiliated 2, learners instructed 143 (581). learners helped 187 (431), centres of instruction 44 (125), courses run 12 (34), lalks and lectures given. including one B.B.C. broadcast, 61 (131). Efforts to advance the work of ringing training and practice in 1960 ) are recorded in a list of some iwo-dozen interesting varying activities. Participation in a municipal arts and crafts ex. hibition, with a ringing stall" and handbell demonstrations and a lecture, proved most successful. The belfries consultant gave valuable help and advice during the year. The report features the standard of instructional work being carried out.

Courses.-Three types are now being run: (1) The "serial" 10 - or 12 -session introductory course in bell-handling and control in the ele-

## PEALS OF MINIMLS

Dear Sir.-Now that the Central Council has committed itself to the recognition of peals on four bells, will it please-to prevent further lowering of the standard of ringing-take steps as soon as possible to obviate peals on itree and two bells? - Yours faithfully.

CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.
Ipswich.
Dear Sir,-I should be very grateful if Mr. J. M. Telley, who recently asked for suggestions as to a better way for two men to spend 1 hour and 25 minutes than in ringing a handbell peal of Minimus, would communicate with me at my home address.-Yours sincerely,
10. Peyton Place,

London. W. 1.
ments of change-ringing: (2) The week-end residential course in two or three ringing subjects: (3) The one-day instructor's course in elementary training. The numbers of courses quoted above are mainly of type (1). The first of type (3) course was given successfully by the College in Bristol in March last. The College also assisted, through one of its tutors, in the Oxford Diocesan Guild's course at Bigwood (type (2)). A College type (2) course is being considered for next spring in the South Midland area.
The report also emphasised the need for reporting activity and for correcting any false impression that the College is anything but altruistic in its work and publicity, and was adopted.

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The bursar, Surgeon-Captain A. Lawrey, detailed the accounts. which showed a credit position of about double that of the preceding year. hut stressed the need for co-operation of all members in prompt payment of dues and prompt response to notices, etc., to avoid unnecessary postages and other expenses, since the organisation is entirely voluntary. The statement was adopted.
A reissue of the College Constitution, revised to correct minor points to date, was authorised. Copies will go automatically to new members, and to old members on application, enclosing 3d. postage. In respect of the rising status of the College, proposals were discussed for its public recognition. These are to be initiated in part immediately, with consideration later of the remaining proposals, depending on the maintenance of College achievement.

AFFILIATION TO CENTRAL COUNCIL
At its foundation the College Constitution enjoined its loyal adherence to the Rules and Decisions of the Central Council, to the support of 'The Ringing World, and it provided for application for affiliation to the Council. but as to the latter only when the College should be demonstrably attaining its objectives and its numeric qualification for membership of the Council. As the College is now entering its fifth year of progress. it was resolved to consider such application at the close of the year.

Sales of recently-issued 2 nd edition of Part I of the Ringers' Manual of Reference were reported as "steady. It was agreed to sponsor the publication of Part 11- Method Structure in Change Ringing, which it is hoped to issue by the end of the year. booking of copies being invited. The other six 'Parts.' in various states of notes, etc.. by specialists, are to be issued as soon as circumsiances permit. It was resolved that one or more pamphlets, as interim publications in lieu of the complete 'Parts,' shall be issued, starting with one on Part IIIPractical Method Ringing.
Resolved that leaflets be issued as follows: Leaflet ' N '-A revision of old leaflet No. 3, on the organisation and work of the College for the Exercise (Information): Leaflet M On the nature of the Parts of the Manual of Reference, but specifying the relevant Central Council and other publications, recommended for College study and practice ; Leaflet ' C On the three types of course now being run and/or sponsored by the College. Type (1) course being detailed as to initiation and checking to completion.
The next reunion was proposed for London on Saturday, September 30th. 1961, when the triennial elections will be held.

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## ROVING \& RINGING IN FIVE COUNTIES

(14th innual tour of the Society of Roving Ringers, July 23rd-August 1si)

$I^{1}$T had been a week of thunderstorms and as Saturday approached we crossed our fingers and walted anxiously. We werenit to know then that the 1960 tour was to be one of the driest ever: in fact, we were not to don our cycle, capes until the final Saturday, and then only for a few minutes

Because ratlway time-tables were not devised for our convenience alone, only half of us arrived on time at Newark and we contented ourselves with sorne pleasant Grandsire Caters. Nineteen assorted ringers took part in the
cour including one young lady. whom we cour including one young lady. whom we
lound was regarded by the Y.H.A. as - juvenile

Six yowh hostels were visited and the appsarance of that at Southwell assured us (ilat our Sunday morning duties would be casily disposed of. Accordingly, we arrived at the Minvier on time. The difnculties of ringing on this an:i-clockwise eight are appreciated by many, but the local ringer present assured us that the exriking in at least our intial
touch of Grandsire had not been beaten by touch of Grandsire had not been beaten by
a visiting band. Spurred on we attempied Cambridge-with regret! Some of us attended norning service and the rist adjourned to the ringers' room for handbell ringing. We prefer to think that the course of Grandsire Cinques came to grief purely because of the choir's efforts in the same building.

## SUNDAY'S MEAGRE RATIONS

Food is alway, difficult to find in the countryside on Sundays and all we could scrape together for lunch were a couple of pieces of bread each, some cheese and an of us for the rest of the week but the proprietors of Evenden's Enterprise, had not then opened shop. However. we were assured that one pint equals 250 calories and made do accordingly.

We were due to ring at Bingham after lunch bu: the vestry key had unfortunately been taken out for an afternoon spin. However, lhrough the kindness of the locals. we eventually rang at Whatton (6), instead. We were now oehind schedule as we crossed the tip of Leicestersnire into Lincolnshire and arrived for evening service at Barrowby (6). feeling rather peckish. The Vicar had kindly offered refreshment afterwards but the hostel meal had already been booked and we regretfully had to decline. However, having been given precise instructions as to the quickest approach. we all stayed untll immsdiately before the sermon.

On Monday morning the Cambridge Royal at Grantham gave a good start to the day although our Master soon realised that attention to striking, particularly of the little bells, would be the order of the week. Billinghorough followed and, to the metronomic accompaniment of the clock pendulum, we rang our first London on this light eight. From here we could see the Stump-our destination the following day. As expected, good striking was again lacking at Surfieet, our only twelve, and after some indifferent Stedman and Grandsire we resorted to Bob Royal. Left to our own resources we had no lit?!e trouble in removing the "drum" mechanism at Holbeach and ringing here was greatly curtailed. By a sroke of genius Mr .
Joint Secretary had arranged two nights at the local ' Do it yourself ' hostel. Have you ever slept in a courtroom? Not every hosiel can boast a coffin in the vaults. a theatre, a cinema. and a gymnasium all rolled into one.

## BOSTON STUMP

Without saddlebags now we started on Tuesday for Algarkirk (6)-pronounced quite differently-another anti-clockwise ring in the midst of the transepis. At Kirton-in-Holland we accomplished our first full courses of Brisiol and Double Norwich with. incidentally. the treble up the wrong way! We have still to decide how many steps there are to the top of Boston Stump but none of us felt inclined to make the journey downwards to listen to the outside effect of the half course of Cambridge. At Sutterton, after ascertaining we could ring neither Spliced nor
sizire. On reflection some may suggest that the quality and variety of this years ringing was not difficult to surpass, but at least one veteran was heard to say that no tour had been more enjoyable.

We passed the 100 mile mark on the way back to Holbeach and when we left on Wednesday morning, not without regrets, the Warden and his encourage raised no objection to our small memenioes of the visit. Before ringing at red-bricked St. Paul's. Fulney (8) at the approach to Spalding, we relaxed in the sun on the banks of the Welland. The mere 15 cwt. of the tenor at St. Mary and St. Nicholas*. in the heart of Spalding. gives little indication of the majestic tone of this eight but, although they are easy to ring even from the ground floor, the difficult hearing produces a tendency to rush these bells. We followed the Welland south-west and collected more midges than we care to remember as we headed for Market Deeping (6). The metal facings bridging the very worn steps coupled w :h the narrow siaircase required carefu negotiation as we entered the chamber here The local capiain, who, incidentally, conducts a peal of Spliced every birthday, called us off to a good course of London,
We were now leaving the Fens-perhaps two days there on bicycles are enough-and after exchanging greetings with several hundred black sineep we net the Al-and the trafficin Stamford. The mellow six at All Saints are rung from a spacious chamber whose decor is second to Hone, and our first touch of Double Court was again called by the locals.

## GRAND SOCIAL EVENING

The thought of a mere 20 miles the follow ing day spurred us onwards as we tackled the climb south into Northamptonshire and the hostel at King's Cliffe. The warden(ess) here had planned a grand society evening (until 10.30 p.m.!) and so after the usual nightcap pleasantries, we redescended upon our hosts in jovial mood. To Uncle Victor's music we did our best with the Slow Bobtrot, the Sixscore Reel. and the extent of Highland Surprise, and we only hope the unfortunates who had by chance chosen to share our roof that night enjoyed it as much as we did.
Even the voice of the warden's daughter would have been lost in the local tower (6) next morning and it seems that ropes too have ears because one decided there and then that its working days were over. The rest of
Thursday was to be spent in Rutland and Thursday was to be spent in Rutland and, as we entered through the fields of golden barley, we realised how well the weather was treating us. We found the bells at Edith Weston (6) still half-muffled (back-stroke) from the previous day's ringing at the inierment of the old Vicar. To appreciate the delightful echo effeot of ringing in whole pulls (we kept this to Plain Bob). one might advecate the repetition in the echo of any trips arising at handstroke! Shopping at the court for lunch and the baker's van arrived just at the right time-and, one might add, at the right place too!

## LANDLORD A RINGER

The Cuckoo. at Wing (our first five), opened specially for the occasion: as well as having been a ringer for 40 years the landlord appeared to have the monopoly of several of the village's industries. From here to
Glaston (6) and so to Uppingham, the second town and the other eight of Rutland. The long draught gave the usual difficulty but our course of Rutland was respectable by any tandards.
Rutland may be small but it has its quota of shont. sharp hills and we were glad to reach Loddington hostel just over che border in Leicesiershire. Two unfortunate circumstances led to our first accident as we again approached the hostel later that night. Firs:ly, the "local' was not local enough and. secondly. the Y.H.A. Handbook warned us about the wrong hill! A few kicks and a subsequent professional three and sixpennyworth soon put right the buckled front wheel, but one can only hope that our Sherwood member involved will steer well clear of his merry 'Woe-men in future.

We had not looked forward to breakfast at 7.30 on Friday. but we were soon glad to be out 'en bloc' (or so we thought) in
the inviting sunshine. and Mr. Joint Secretary again showed his brilliant organsing powers by arranging our 22 mule get-off-tor-coffeeonly morning on this particularly glorious day. In keeping to the valleys we found ourselves opening no fewer than seven gates and finished up struggling into Northamptonshire along the mire of a cart-track. It couldn't have been a more suitable day for a puncture and. sure ensugh, in between the gates and the mire we had our one and only
Thrapston's was our only eight of the day and, paradoxically, although tnere were but two fives to come. th.s last full day together was one of the most enjoyable. We entered Hunsingdonshire and climbed away from the main road into picturesque Leighton Broms wold. There is litule pleasure in ringing a heavy " long-draughted" five on a "sticky" af.ernoon but-who knows?-someone migh be listening. somewhere. This parish has had no Vicar of its own for many years, and $£ 500$ is needed to rehang the bells. But the church with its two pulpits is kept spick and span by the local farmer's wife (a churchwarden), and the former was not long in showing her appreciation of our ringing on her birthday. The 'fee' her eligible daughter ('I hope I shan't be here next time you come ') brought found its way by popular consent into the alms-box and the pallon of lemonade waiting for us outside was indeed welcome. Our Master asked the young lady to convey our birthday greeting to mother and, permission having been volunteered, we departed over the farmlands and through the undergrowth towards Brampton (5).
On this trip our (hitherto) lively junior had a litle trouble with her sweater and as a result found herself sampling the road surface at close quanters. However, we eventually reached Houghton Mill (No Smoking) and passed our last night together over the sound
of rusining waters. We exhausted our limited of rusining waters. We exnausted our limited indulgence of the Warden) and began to look forward to next year when some industrious member hopes to publish a Hostel Harthology - perhaps incorporating a Guide to the Juke Boxes of Britain (?)
The drift homewards started on Friday everning but was more than offset by the weekenders (i.e. trousers and skiris), whose arrival gathered momentum as Savurday progressed. From Godmanchester (8) and Spaldwick (6) we passed the Three Shire Stone and entered Northamptonshire for the last time. As we approached Higham Ferrers (8), we reluctantly put on our capes, although not for long, and eventually arrived at Wellingborough (8), with only ten miles to go. We cycled these last few of our 250 miles against the wind dreaming of the luxurious hot baths waiting for us at The Angel and The Ram, in Northampcon. and as our weary bones descended irto the soothing waters, our tour of 1960 was virtually over

## 1961 REUNION-SHREWSBURY

After dinner that night we decided to hold our 1961 reunion in Shrewsbury and we look forward to our cine enthusiasts reminding us there of the things we did when we thought no one was looking
The rest of the week-end was spent ringing at eight towers in and around Northampion (at least some of us were up and about by 7 a.m. on Sunday). where we received many warm welcomes. In particular it is worthy of note that Easton Neston (8) are again ringable due to the untiring efforts of local ringers. who have spent many hours working on these bells. A very good course of London at Moulton on Bank Holiday Monday afternoon brought the whole proceedings to a close

Refusal to give permission to ring is virtually unknown today but we aould never take for granted this privilege. which is so unhestatingly bestowed and we do appreciate the co-operation of all the incumbents and locals at the 36 towers visited this year. Our two join secretaries again excelled themselves in carrying through the complicated arrangements without hirch and the maps and guides and assortmens of muki-coloured pins may again rest for another six months or so.

## ST. CUTHBERT'S CHURCH, DARLINGTON

- Ring forth. Holy Bells, Ring forth from your Tower,

With music that rells, of Christ's saving power.
Proclaim" Christ is Risen" Exalted and Crowned And hath opened death's prison, And set free the bound.'
HOR over seven-and-a-half centuries the bells of St. Cuthberts have rung out over the town of Darlington, and at no time is their message more becoming and welcome to Christian peop!e than at Eastertide.

Built in the later years of the 12th century. the early church would no doubt have a low central tower with a single bell. When the spacious belfry and tower were added, nearly two centuries later. four bells would be introduced. In pre-clock days, people relied on the bells to tell them the time of worship, and for centuries the bells of the parish church were the only bells heard in the town.

The church records abound with references to the use of the bells. It is of interest to note that when the King's Commissioners visited St. Cuthbert's in 1553, to purloin what was of value. for the 'King's Highness use.' they left at the church-' four belis in the stepell; a sance bell, two hand bells, three sacring bells. and a little bell that the clock smyteth on.

The bells were used extensively during the Stuart regime, and they proved an expensive item in the churchwardens' accounts. One ttem in 1630 is for 'Soape to the belles 2d; but it is quite evident from the subsequent expenditure that more than soap was required The next year a new headyoake for the Great Bell "-six feet long and 26 inches square-was brought from Elm Park. 16 miles away. at a cost of 15 s .

17th CENTURY RECASTING
In 1633 the Great Bell had to be cast anew, the bell founder and his men coming to Darlington to do the work. They set up a furnace near the church, and used 100 lb . of metal at 8 d , a lb . 100 lb . at $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. a $\mathrm{lb} . .75 \mathrm{lb}$. at 7 d . a lb . and 24 lb . of 'Pewther' at IId. a lb . When the casting was successfully accomplished the churchwardens expressed their entire satisfaction by giving the bell founder and his men 7s. to go and enjoy themselves for the rest of the day.

The local ringers were certainly broadminded in those changing times. In 1632 they received 2s. 3d. for ringing for Charles I. but 19 years later the Presbyterian Vestry paid them 5 s. for ringing to mark the defeat of Charles II at Worcester

In January, 1753, a notice was brought before the parishioners as follows: - Whereas some of the bells of the Parish Church. Darlington. are broke and cracked, and others so disproportioned in six. and now hang so badly. that they are at present of little use. and the major part of the parishioners are very desirous to have a new and compleat set of a Ring of 6 Bells. Now we whose name: are hereby subscribed do hereby severally promise $t 0$ pay into the hands of Mr. Francis Holmes, of Darlington, afforsaid; on or before March 25, 1755. the several sums set down below.

Among the subscribers were the Earl of Darlington, $£ 21$; the Duke of Cleveland, $£ 1010 \mathrm{~s}$.: John Pease, $£ 22 \mathrm{~s}$., and the total was $\{1635 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d .. a substantial amount in mid 18 ih century currency.

A record of August, 1755 , states:. Darlington nas lately completed a New Ring of Bells, with Chimes, by subscription. The Bells were cast by Lister of London, and at the same time the chimes were added by J. Harrison, of Barrow: It would seem that at that time four old bells were recast and two new bells added. USES OF BELLS
The bells were used on many occasions in those early days. The 'Passing-hell' was tolled by the sexton immediately after every death in the town, even if it occurred at midnight. This melancholy procedure was to invite the prayers of the parishioners for a soul
passing into eternity.
Spencer records the story of old Willie Hall. who lived in Church Row. who on hearing the 'Passing-bell' made his way to the belfry and inquired. Who are you ringing for now? The sexton being exasperated by Willie's constant inquiry, reported. I'm ringing for the death of Willie Mall! This so upset the old man that he never inquired again. and soon afterwards the bell colled for Willie himself.
The 'Sacring-bell' was used during the solemn parts of the Mass and was last heard in St. Cuthbert's on November 17th. 1569. at the time of the . Northern Rebellion. It would seem from the inventory of 1553 that. in addition to the small bell used inside the church a larger bell. in the Sancte-bell-cote. was used to inform outsiders of the progress of the Mass.
The Curfew-bell. was rung for many generations at 8 p.m.. and the "Funeral-bell" was used for centuries. when the churchyard was the only sepulchre in the town. A church bell was rung in case of fire, and this continued until 1864

## RINGERS ON STRIKE

A local paper of May, 1860, records the following-. Tell it not in Yarm. whisper it not in Stockton. that at a recent confirmation service at Darlington-Darlington the con-
ventional. the respectable-no peal of bells was rung. The brass-bell was sulky, the tenor bell was gruff, the treble bell was cantankerous. and all were silent. The reason-because there was no funds to pay the ringers.
At the great restoration of the church (1863-5) the bells were taken down and five of them recast. For some time the authoritics had been desirous of providing a ring of eight bells. When the market lower was being built at that time. Mr. Joseph Pease (of the monument) made a gift to the town of the clock with its bells.

When the first iwo bell arrived they were found unsuitable. and on being informed that these bells were just what was required to make a ring of eight for St. Cuthbert's. Mr. Pease very generously gave them for the church belfry
The name of the donor was inscribed on the bells. and the full ring of eight was first heard on June 22nd. 1866. which was Mr. Pease's 67th birthday
This was a 'Bell Festival' for Darlington. Ringers came from Leeds. Ripon and Masham. to assist in the event. The Darlington amateur ringers led off at 6 a.m.. the professional band taking up the ringing at 9 a.m. After a good dinner at the Bull's Headwhen a toast to Mr . Pease was honoured with

acclamation-inging was resumed until 8 p.m. Crowds gathered near the church to hear the music by the increased ringing of - Sweet Chiming Bells

NEW YEAR CONSTERNATION
A former Vicar. the Rev. T. E. Hodgson. who considered the age old custom of ringing the New Year in as nonsense and an antiquated custom. ordered the ringers to cease their activities at 11.45 p.m. on December 31st. 1880. This caused great consternation on the High Row. where a large crowd waited in vain for the "Midnight Peal': when it was not forthcoming they jumped to the conclusion that ancther strike had disturbed the harmony of the belfry.

After being silent for 30 years the carillon was restored by Sir J. E. Backhouse and his brother Charles. in 1907, in memory of their father. Edmund Backhouse, who was the first M.P. for the Borough

In 1937. under the Barron bequest, all the bells were recast at Croydon, and afterward; rehung on iron frames with ball bearings. The present captain. Mr. T. Cooke. has given over a quarter of a century of service 10 the church. His wife and daughter are also active members of the band

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## PERSONAL.

The ordination of Mr. John Orme will take pisce. in Chester Carhedral. on Sunday. September 25th. 1960, at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. 6594
WHEREFORE let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. (I Cor. X. 12.)

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

WiAl an ringing friends please note my change of address: Gladys Manchip. 61. Long Arrouts, Hemel Hempstead. Herts. Telephone Boxmoo: 4794. 6617

## HANDBELLS WANTED

WANTED.-Sea of handhells: G. Yaxley, 43. Staumon Raid. Coleford. Glos. 6604

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## PUBLICATION

- ELEMENTARY CHANGE RINGING.' by F. F. Rigby: an exceptionally good introduction to the art of change-ringing: 3 s . 6 d .: postage 3d.-S.P.C.K.. Holy Trinity Church. Marylebone Road. London. N.W. 1


## MISCELLANEOUS

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS welcome freshers to their first praotice on Thursday. Octoher 6th. at 7.45 p.m.. at St. Giles ${ }^{\circ}$ Church. Reading. Further information from Jennifer Davies. 101. Denmark Sweet. Bedford.

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SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY GUILDRingers coming up to this university as freshers next tern: are invited to contact the secretary. Notices concerning meetines will be displayed
in the Union.-J. S. Rank. c/o 24. Fairfield in the Union.-J. S. Rank. c/o 24. Fairfield
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## meetings

ANCIFNT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting at the Rising Sun. Carter Lane. E.C. Saturday. September 17th, f p m -John Chilpott. Hon. Sec. 6558

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Taunton Branch. - Meeting. Norton-Fitzwarren (6). September 17 hh . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, -A. H. Reed. Mimosa. George Sireet, Taunton. CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Macclesfield Branch.-Third quarterly meeting, Prestbury (8). on Saturday. September 17 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 n.m.. in the School. CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Saleburn. on Saturday. Sepiember 17th. at 3 p.m.-P. W. B. Semmens. Hon. Sec.
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Peak and Chesterfield Districts.-Mecting at Ashover. seotember 17th. $3 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Own tea arrangements. All welcome.-H. E. Taylor. A. B. Couper. Dis. Sec
EI, Y DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - Wisbech Branch. - Meeting. Shouldham. Saturday. September 17 th . Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-3. Fox. Dis. Sec. 6577

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION and BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Hunts and Biggleswade Districts).-Joint meeting at St . Neots. Saturday. September 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m.. followed by business meetings.-M. J. Dyer.
A. Smith. Dis. Secs. ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W.-Crusader meeting. Woodford, September 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please to Mr. J. Waugh, 30, Fuller Road, Woodford. E. 18 (BUC 7353).

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION-N.E. District Meeting at Langham. Saturday. September
17 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-
Farnham District.-Meeting at Bagshot (8), Farnham District.-Meeting at Bagshot (8),
on Saturday, September 17th. from 2.30 D.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 6545
HAWKHURST GUILD.-Meeting. Saturday. September 17 th. Battle. Members, please support.-E. A. Fellows. Eastern District.-Rededication of Little Hadham bells, on Saturday, September 17th, at 3 p.m. Ringing from 2. Tea at 5 p.m.. at the Angel Inn. If you intend staying for tea please co-operate in assessing numbers by sending your name to Mr. A. S. Kent. 8. The Bourne. Clapgate. Albury, near Much Hadham. Herts.-R. Durrant. Dis. Sec. 6484 LADIES' GUILD -Midland DistrictMeeting to be held at St. Peter's. Belgrave (8) (No. 40 Corporation bus from Leicester), on September 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30.
ea p.m. 5 SSOCIATION S 6522
District.-Meeting on Saturday. September 17th. at St. Dunstan's. Cranford. Ringing 6-8.15 p.m. only.-E. R. Gotham. Hon. Dis Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.Dorchester Branch. Quarterly meeting. Saturday. September 17th. at Litton Cheney. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.
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-Meeting. Broddwindsor, Saturday, September 17 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea please.-Barrett, 120. Gerrards Green. Beaminster.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - Quarterly meeting at Northfieet. Kent. on Saturday. Sepiember 17th. Bells of St. Botolph's available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for teat to Mr. G. Butcher. S1. Dover Road. Northfleet. Kent. Evening ringing to be anaounced later.-A. W. J. Butler. Hon. Sec. SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD- 6568 Newark District.-Meeting, September 17th, Bingham. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-W. L. Exton. 60. Albert Sireet. Newark. Notts.
SUFFOLK GUILD - South West DistrictMecting at Glemsford (6), Saturday. September 17th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Bloomfield, 10. Tye Green. Glemsford. Sudbury. 6521
SUFFOLK GUILD - North East District.Meeting on Saturday. September 17 th . at Marlesford (bells 2.30 p.m.). and Wickham Market (bells 6.30 ). Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. -A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec. 6576 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Southern Division.-Quarterly meeting. Maresfield (8). Saturday. September 17 th . Bells 3 p.m. Service and tea. Please notify Miss B. Catt. 55, Lampool Corner. Fairwarp. Uckfield, numbers for tea.-George North, 11. Richmond Terrace, Brighion
WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Northern Branch.-Annual meeting at Hartlehury. Saturday. September 17th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m.. followed by teit and business. This meeting is by special invitation. Please turn up and make it a success.Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17. Ham Lane. Pedmore. Stourbridge.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.-274th anniversary. Saturday. September 24th. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. (2s. per head). Names for tea, not later than Tuesday. Seniember 20th. io C. D. 1 under. Spring Cottage. Painswick. Siroud. Glos. Painswick Feast. Sunday. September 25th. Ringing at $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5.15 p.m. 6587

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Practice meeting. Rowberrow. Saturday, September 24th. Bells (6) 5 p.m.-David H. Whate. 6606
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-ClATION.-Bath and Frome Branches.-Combined meoring. Corston. September 24th. Usual arrangemems. Newton bełls also available. Names for tea, please. by 20th. to Mrs. Parfrey, 18. Meadlands, Corston, Bath.-E.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Grappenhall Branch.-A meeting will be held at Stretton. on Saturday. September 24th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. 6636

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Stockport Branch.-Meeting at Fairfield. Buxton. on September 24ih. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea please advise, before September 26ih. Mr. E, EHison. 70. Kings Road. Fairfield. Buxion, Derbyshire.-C. K. Lewis.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD -Joint meeting with the LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Hinckley Branch), at Claybrooke, on Saturday. September 24th. Bells available 3 n.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall, Ullesthorpe, at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by September 21st. to Mr. C. Clarke, 23, Goodacre Road. Ullesthorpe. Rugby. Please do your best 10 attend and make the meeting a success.-J. L. G. H.
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Derby and llkeston District.-Monthly meeting at Horsley. Saturday. September 24th. Bells (6) 3 p.m Names for tea 10 W. A. Morley, Dis. Sec.: 29. Short Row. Belper

DEVON GUILD. - South-West BranchQuanterly meating at Modbury. September 241h. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. The Red Devon Hotel (3s. 6d. each). Names hy 19th. to T. G Myers. 79. Regent Street. Plivmouth.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Meeting at Bentley. on Saturday. September 24th. Bells ( 5 -recently retuned and overhauled) 3 p.m. Tea 5 D.m.. for those notifying, the undersigned at 109. Woodhouse Road. Whe ulev. Doncaster, by Thursday, 22nd R. J. Sanderson. 6618 DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN
ASSOCIATION
(Southern District) and I.ADIES' GUIID (North-Eastern District). Joint meeting. September 24th. at Brancepeth. at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Cuns of tea nrovided-please bring own food. Those coming. plase let $m$ : know by September 22 nd . This is imnorfant L-F. P. Rock. Rosegarth. Yarm Road. Faglesclifie. Co. Durham. or phone Eaglescliffe 2451.

GIOUCFSTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Bristol Rural Branch,-Duarterly meeting at S. Werburgh's (6): Saturday, September 24 h . Bells 3 p.m. Service. tea and mecting in follow.-F Hussey. 39. Gordon Avenue. Whitehatl. Bristol 5. 6629 GLOURESTER AND BRISTOL ASSO-CIATION-Cheltenham Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Aldenton (6). September 24 th .3 D.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 D.m.. followed bv business Names by Setember 20th. to Mary Bliss Berrh Pike. Cheltenham.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Chertsey District.-Merting at Oatlands Park. Saturday. September 24th. Bells (8) 3 D.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea by orevious Wernesdav. In Miss J. Smith. 5. Pantile Rnar Oatlands Park. Wevbridge
LADIES CIUILD. - Snuth Wales Distrirt Meeting at Cheostow. September 24th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 D.m Names for tea nlease 10 J. S. King. 1. Hughes Crescent, Chenstou
TADIES GUILD-Lincolnshire DistrictMerting at Butterwick. near Boston. on Sal
urday. Sentember 24th. Bells $? 30 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15 Tea 5 n.m Names for tea in Mrs. A. Mills. 8. Upsall Road. Bulterwick, near
Hoston.
GA63 1 ADIES GUIL.D.-West Mirlands Distrirt - Onarlerly mpetinf. Saturdav. Sep'ember ?dth Ringing 3 to $4.20 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$ Service $4.30-5$. Tea s p.m. followed by business meeting. Ringing rom 6 in 8 n m. anproximatelv. Notifications far tea, noi later than Wednesday. Septemher ?lst. in Miss M. Funnell. 7. I anchester Raad. King's Norton. Birmingham 30. 6592

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton
Branch.-Meeting. September 24th, at St. George's. Botton. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cups of tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Evening ringing at Holy Trinity only. Business foltows tea.-Thornley Sec.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Hinckley District) and COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Joint meeting. Claybrooke, September 24 th . Bells ( 8 ) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at the Village Hall. Ullesthorpe, 5 p.m. Names for tea. please, by the Wednesday previous,
to Mr. C. Clarke, 23, Goodacre Road. to Mr. C. Clarke, 23, Goodacre Road.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Syston Distriot.-Meeting at Thurcaston. on Saturday. September 24 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea at Wheatsheaf Inn $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names by the
previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. F. T. previous Wednesday, pl
Bindley. 31. Mill Road.
MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS ${ }^{6626}$ SOCIETY-Annual meeting at Barming on Saturday, September 24th. Bells (6) from 3.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names to
secretary. Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315 , Loose s.ecretary, Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315, Loose
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Road. Maidstone. Moad Maidstone. COUNTIES GUILD.-Next meeting Winshill. Saturday, September 24th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Teal and meeting
ai 5.15 pm . All welcome. NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE at Leicester on Saturday, September 24th Business meeting. City Police Headquarters. Charles Street, at 3 p.m. The dinner, followed
by a social evening, will be at the Co-operative Assembley Rooms. Humberstone Road, Leicester, at 6.45 p.m. Tickets, price 11 s . 6 d ., obtainable from E. C. Turner, 173, Dominion Road, Glenfield, Leics. Latest date for tickets September 20th (Tuesday). Everyone welcome. Ringing arrangements: St. John's (10) 12 noon $\begin{array}{ll}\text { to } 1 & 1 \text { p.m.ii Cathedral } 1.30 \text { to } 2.30, ~ S t . ~ \\ \text { Margaret's (12) } 3 \text { to } 4 \text {. All Saints' (8) } 4 \text { to } 5 \text {. }\end{array}$ Cathedral 5 to 6.15 p.m. NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Meet(8) 3 p.m. Service 5 . Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 21 st. to Mr .
E. Roberts. 26. The Crescent. Derby Road. Uttoxeter.-J. G. Bunton. Hon. Sec. 6602 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeling. Saturday,
September 24 k , at Marlow. Ringing 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 20th. Miss Hague 6. Stompits Road. Holyport. Maidenhead. ${ }^{\text {PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. }} 6604$ Northampton Branch.- Meeting. Saturday. September 24th. at Boughton. Bells (5) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea ${ }^{5}$ p.m. Numbers for
tea by Tuesday previous to
E. Billings. 61 . Melville Street. Northampton. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD-Oundle Branch. -Meeting. Nassington (5). 5 p.m. Names for tea and transport from Elton. by Tuesday previous. to Mrs. Clarke.

## 7. Bassett Place. Oundle.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
-Towcester Branch.-Quarterly meeting to be held at Cosgrove. on Saturday. September 24th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to E. R. Lambert, 8, Manor Close. Cosgrove. Wolverton, Bucks. 6566 RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD.-The autumn meeting. Bristol, Saturday. September 24th. Bells available St. James' (10) 11 a.m.-12 noon. Lunch-make own arrangements. Christ Church ( 10 ) $1.30-2.30$, St. Stephen's ( 10 ) 2.45-3.45, St. Mary Redcliffe (12)
Philip's, (8)
$7-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (4s.). ${ }^{\text {. }}$. Staft Association Institute, Temple Meads Station.J. A. Hoare, Hon. Gen. Sec., 6, Gendros Crescent. Fforestfach. Swansea. 6493 SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Monthly meeting. Escrick. Saturday. SeptemPlease provide own food. cups of tea only available-L.M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec. 6635 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Mansfield District-Meeting ar Greasley (8). Satur-
day. September 24 th . Note change of venue. Rells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. Sepiember 21 st. 10 Mrs. D Beach. 'Peasholm. 17. Coach Drive. Mansfield Road. Eastwood. Noths.-D. H. Rooks, Hon. Sec. 6597 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION -Eastern Division. -Practice meeting at Willingdon. on Septem-
send names for tea to R. W. R. Percy, Esperance. 47, Oldfield Road. Willingdon. -F , Beeney. Sec.
WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD -Andover District-Quarterly meeting. Longparish. Septemier 24 th . Belk 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Room. Hurstbourne Priors 7 to 7.45 p.m. St. Mary Bourne F. 45 to 9 p.m. Names for lca by previous Tuesday, to Mr. G. Brown, Lower Farm, Longprirish.

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WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD.
Winchester Distriot.-A quarterly meeting Winchester Distriot.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ropley, on September 24 th. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify by September 20 th, to P. Dickinson, Riverbank Cottage, Cheriton, near Alresford, Hants.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Western Dis-trict.-Meeting at Tadcaster, on Sasurday, September 24 th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Britannia Inn. Business meeting to follow in Church Rooms. Names for tea by Thursday. September 22nd, to Mr. J. Harrison, . Wharfe Banks, Tadcaster. - A. E. Marsh.
Hen. Dis. Sec. 6638

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF, THE EXERCISE.-Autumn gathering. King's Arms, Friday. September 30th. Tour of Kingsbridge area. Names for accommodation, to C. Savage. Earea. Names for accommodation, to C. Savage.
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## COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. -

 Quirterly meeting. October 1st. Service 4.30 p.m. Whitnash Parish Church. Tea and meeting will follow in Whitnash Parish Rooms. The principal business is to pay tribute to the veterans of the Guild. and it is hoped to have them all present. The following towers will be open for ringing: Wellesbourne 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.. Sherborne 11.30 to 12.30 p.m.. Whisnash and All Saints. Leamington Spa 2.30 to 4.30. St. Nicholas and St. Mary's, Warwick, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. Please send names for tea by September 28th. to Mr. P. Oram. 15. Henley Road. Leamrington Spa. This is a DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly. Chesterfield (10). Saturday. October ist. Bells from 2 to 5.15 p.m. Committee 4 . Business meeting in betfry at 5.15 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Staveley (8) available in evening in conjunction with meeting of Sheffield and District Society.-B. P. Morris.Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION - Annual dinner, on October 1st, at the Saracen's Head Hotel. Chelmsford, $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for 6.45 . p.m. Tickets 15 s . Early applications with stamped addressed envelope, please.-F. V. Gant. 3, Central Drive. Hornchurch. 6508 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Nonthern District.-Quarterly meeting
Baldock. October lst. $3 \mathrm{p.m}$. Tea 5.15 Baldock. October lst. 3 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m.
Names by Thursday. September 29 th . to E. Buck. 13. The Rise. Baldock. 6610 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting ai Great Gaddesden. Sarturday. October 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. September 27th. to Mrs. Robinson. 3 Gade Cottages. Great Gaddesden. Herts.-

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Ashford District-Annual general meeting at Ashford Saturday. October 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, to Miss M. Jones. 30. Park Road. Ashford - C. T. H. 6633 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Lewisham District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION Wickham. Saturday, October 1st. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for lea by previous Wednesday, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43 Wansunt Raad. Bexley.-M. R. Andrews and W. Parrott. Hon. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Tonhride Distriot-Annual District meeting. Saturday. Octoher 1 st , at Tonbridge. Belts (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for
tea by Thursday. September 29th. to Mr. W. Dobbie. 13. Baltic Roud. Tonbridge. 6616 MIDDLESFX COUNTY ASSOCIATION 1 Amixer Trateone Commenomilive Dimer aill boyid al Esing Town thall on saur from any officer of the Association. Ringing
during the afternoon.-T. J. Lock, Hon. Sec. 57. Holloways Lane, North Mimms, Hatfield, Herts

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The autumn general meeting of the Guild will be held at Newbury on Saturday, October lst. 2.30 p.m., business meeting in the Corn Exchange. Newbury; 4.30 , service in the Parish Church: 530 , tea in the Corn Exchange. Applications for tea tickets, together with remittance of $2 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .$, should be made to Mr. H. Lawrensom, 52, Kings Road, Newbury, Berks. before Wednesday, September 28 th. Tickets can be collected at the business meeting. It is essential that names should be sent to Mr. Lawrenson in order to facilitate catering arrangenments. Towers available and
ringing times (subject to confirmation and alteration): $10-11$ a m. Lambourne (8), Peasmore (6), Stanford Dingley (4), Beenham (6): 11-12 noon: East Garston (6), Chieveley (6), Midghain (6); $12-1$ p.m.: Great Shefford (6), Shaw (6). Bucklebury (8); $1-2$ p.m.: Speen (6). Newbury (10); 6.15-7.30 p.m.: Newbury (10): $6.30-7.30$ p.m.: Kintbury (6), Thatcham (8); 6.45-7.45 p.m. : Hungerford (8), Hampstead Norris (6). Aldermaston (8) ; 7-8 p.m.: Compton (6), Yattendon (6), Mortimer (8); 7.30-8.30 p.m. East Ilsley (8). Brightwalton (6). Burghfield (6)-M. R. Cross.
ST, MARTIN'S GUILD. BIRMINGHAM -Quarterly meeting. Aston. October 1st. Bells (12) available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Guild
Hotel. Wittor Road Hotel. Witton Road, for those who notify by September 28th.-G. E. Fearn. 92, Etwall Road. Birmingham 30. SPR $1025 . \quad 6632$

SUFFOLK GUHLD - West Central District -Meeting, Barking (6), October 1st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for lea by
September 28 th . to Mrs. Lester, 40 , Stowmarket Road. Needham Market.-H. Mitson Dis. Sec. 6612
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Quarterly meeting at York, on Sat urday. October 1st. Service in Minster 4 p.m Choir festival, augmented choir. Minster bells 2 to 3.50: Acomb and Architectural Institute after meeting Tea 5 p.m... in Railway Institute. Names by September 29 th. to Miss M. E
Milkman. $10 . \mathrm{St}$. Oswald's Road. York Milkman. 10. St. Oswald's Road.
Snowdon Dinner tickets available.-H Morley. Mon. Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canter bury Distriat.-Annual meeting. St. Dunstan's Canterbury, October 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 2s. per head. Names together with cash. please, not later than Wednesdiv. October 5th. to me. Nominations for Distriot officers same date. Full details on tower notices. Copy to non-district members on receipt of S.A.E.-T. C. Phillimore. 47. SH. Peter's Giove. Canterbury. 6631 CIATION. - The 23rd annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall. Worcester. on Saturday. Octoher 8 th. at 5.45 p.m. prompt. Bells available: Cathedral (12) $3.30-5$ p.m.. All Saints' (10) 4-5.15 p.m. Tickets (12s. each) obtainable until Wednesday. October Sth. from Branch officers or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec. Sedgeberrow. Evesham.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Cecil Ebberson Memorial. Dedication service Dersingham Saturday October 15th Full details later.-W. Love. Gen. Sec

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD -Preliminary notice. Annual dinner and social will be held at the Masonic Hall. Coventry. on Saturday, October 22nd. 1960. Full details tater.

> ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-The 323 rd anniversary dinner will London Bridge. S.E.I. on Saturday, November 5 th. at 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (2ls.) are now available. Details of ringing programme will be published later.-John Chilcott, Hon. Sec. 67. Farley Road, Selsdon, Surrey.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Advance notice of dinner at Finion Tavern (opposite K 630 pm Tickets 20s.) available from F.J. Mauhews. 145. Wimbledon Park Road. London, S.W.18. $6596^{\circ}$

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BRISTOL,-At St. James' Church, on Aug, 31st, 1.440 Yorkshire Surprise Royal: P. L. Pearce 1, Monica Horseman 2, D. J. Hunt 3, B. A. Shackleton 4. D. C. Erell 5. M. J. Horseman 6, R. G. Hooper 7. J. Brain 8, A. E. Cox 9, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 10. First of Yorkshire Rayal for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8.

EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Aug. $31 \mathrm{st}, 1,260$ Minor ( 720 Single Oxford and 540 Plain Bob): Christine Frogmott 1, Ruth Blackshaw 2, R. Wilde 3. M. W. Harrison 4, F. Bradley (cond.) 5, J. Higgs 6. First in 2 methods 1 and 3. Rung as a farewell to Roderick Wilde, joining the R.A.C. for 12 years. Also a birthday compliment to Josephine Jennings.

WAECOT, BATH. On Sept, 1st, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: L. R. G. Taylor 1. A. F. Lee 2, I. J. Jefteries 3, T. J. Milsom 4, J. R. C. Tiley 5 , D. E. House 6, C. J. A. Brown 7. H. L. Parirey (cond.) 8.

WINFORD, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 24th. 1.260 Doubles (Grandaire. April Day and Plain Bob): B. Worner 1. L. Derrick 2. V. James (first in three methods) 3. M. J. Horseman (cond.) 4. J. Brain 5, H. Hardwidge 6 .

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## THE CARILLON WORLD

ENGLISH bellringers invariably take a passing interest in carillons and, while the art of a carillonneur differs materially from the art of change ringing, the common use of a bell, although in a different manner, provides a link. There is big news in the carillon world in the retirement of Kemel Lefevere, who for the past 33 years has been the foremost American carillonneur. His position of carillonneur of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial carillon at the Riverside Church, New York, has meant that he has been in charge of the largest and heaviest carillon in the world, with 74 bells and a bourdon of 20 tons.
As a recitalist, teacher, lecturer, composer and author, Dr. Lefevere has done more to promote the European art of the carillon in the New World than any other living carillonneur. He will sail to his birthplace, Belgium, on September 3oth, but he has promised to return to New York in July, ig6I, to give carillon concerts.
His successor is James R. Lawson, carillonneur of the Rockefeller Memorial Chapel and Mitchell Tower chimemaster at the University of Chicago for the past seven years, and he takes up his appointment on October Ist. Mr. Lawson is known to many English ringers. In 1959 he made an extended tour of this country and Europe and met a number of the leaders of our art of change ringing. He returned to America imbued with the spirit of introducing change ringing at the Mitchell tower as a subsidiary. At Chicago he had established an extensive library on all branches of ringing.
A man of initiative and energy, Mr. Lawson has received the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Riverside Church for the transfer of the headquarters of the Societas Campanariorum (Society of Bellringers) from Chicago to New York, and from here his various publications and bell music will be published and sold. On the 2ist floor of the Riverside Church will be housed not only the library from Chicago but also the Margaret H. Shurcliff Memorial Library of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. The Campanological Museum will be moved to the zoth floor and this will be further developed.
Associated with Chicago University there was a carillon school, and Mr. Lawson plans to establish a similar institution at the Riverside Church. The quarterly bulletin of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers will also be issued from this centre by a new Editorial Board. In 1964, the year of the next World's Fair in New York City, it is hoped that the Riverside Church may be the host for a great national festival of handbell ringers and also an international congress of carillonneurs.

## THE NAVIGATRESSES

IF the feminine of actor is actress, then presumably the feminine of I navigator is navigatress. . anyway, that is what we had-two of em-on Saturday, September 10th, when the Tewkesbury and District Branch set off to tour some of the hest towers in South Wales.

The tour started off as all tours start off-bleary-eyed and slightly bemused ringers, whose usual hours of rising, in the main. were much later than 6 a.m., staggering in silent protest to their seats on the coach. Not even the self-appointed wag could summon a flicker of a smile at that early hour of the morning. However, after much shunting from one point of the district to another we got under way, and made our first call at Chepstow. St. Mary's (10). We enjoyed ringing here and also on the light six at Penhow, St. John's.

And then to Newport, All Saints* (8). It was in Newport, after apparently going round in small circles, that we had the first niggles of doubts as to the abilities of our 'navigatresses.' hut when we did arrive our patience was amply rewarded by the excellent bells. After a most pleasant lunch at Newport we went to Caerphilly, St. Martin's (8). Here again we had a delightful ring on the well-going bells.

It was from Caerphilly that our troubles of navigation really started. Whether it was that our navigatresses were unable to read the Welsh signposts, although to the uninitiated the problem did not seem great. we do not know. Suffice to say that the "navigatresses " were joined by navigators, confusion was added to confusion and chaos to chaos. We found ourselves attempting, apparently, to go down coal mines and to climb unclimbable hills.

We were trying to get to Ebbw Vale, but I doubt if anyone can now tell the route we actually took. The instructions we received from the helpful Welsh seemed only to complicate matters further. There was considerable argument between the "navigatresses" and navigators as to who was right. Wheever was right. we found ourselves going up and up, reaching dizzy heights which, it was obvious from the expressions of sheer amazement on the faces of the natives and the startled expression of mountain sheep, had never been reached by a coach before. There were times, as we passed through mountain mist, when some of us wondered whether we were not in orbit; others called for oxygen, while others pointed out that the parachutes were in the boot of the coach.

There was one point when those in charge decided that yet another wrong turn had been taken and that we would have to reverse. "Anything behind?' called the long-suffering driver. "Nothing. was the reply, not even the road. On we pressed, praying fervently that the coach would not break down, as it was very apparent that apart from mad English bellringers and mountain goats, the hills we were on were uninhabited and seldom visited. We were all now suffering from euphoria caused hy the rarified atmosphere. It had just been decided to form a people's committee to take over the running of the coach when signs of civilisation appeared. Believe it or not, we had come to a main road.

Eventually we found ourselves, rather later than expected, at Ehhw Vale. Christ Church (8), and we hope the kind lady who met us will. if she reads this, forgive our ironic laughter when she remarked: "Indecd to goodness. I thought you must have got lost,' We were most grateful to her for waiting for us. At Ebbw Vale we had a most enjoyable tea, and Mr. T. Stewart, our oldest travelling member, took the opportunity of expressing thanks to our Ringing Master, Mr. T. Newbury, for arranging the outing. Mr. T. Brazier. on behalf of the Evesham District ringers, who had joined us, supported the thanks. Our last tower call was on the most excellent ten at Abergavenny. St. Marys. How we delighted in these bells! Perhaps these were the pick of the bunch. although Ebbw Vale's, or indeed any of the other towers, were of very high quality and very well worth visiting.
Our hour of return was rather early in the morning, and the writer learnt later that one of our "navigatresses "had had the misfortune of being locked out and had slept in her car for the rest of the night.

Our thanks go to all the many incumbents, secretaries, stceple keepers and others who corresponded with us, met us and generally looked after us.

## LAKE DISTRICT \& NORTH OF ENGLAND TOUR

BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .8 lb . in E

| Anne C. Garnett | Barwell B. Dibben |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gillian A. Neal Smith .. 2 | A. Patrick Cannon |
| S. D | Robin G. Leal |
|  |  |

Alan E. Bagworth .... 4 Ralph G. Edwards... .. Temor
Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

## SEDBERGH, YORKSHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mon., Aug. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE ANDREW, 15 MES MAJOR Tenor 15 cwl . 1 qr. 25 lb , in F
Ernest J. Munday
Barwell B. Dibben
William S. Deason
Alan E. Bagworth reble J. Richard Castledine Colin A. S. Harwood Ralph G. Edwards A. Patrick Cannon ... . Tehur Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon Rung with celicitations to Mrs, A. P. Cannon on her birthday. HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Aug. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt . in G
A. Patrick Cannon Treble William S. Deason. Ernest J. Munday Gillian A. Neal Smith 2
3 Alan E. Bagworth Raiph G ideason Ralph G. Edward
Robin G. Leale J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor Conducted by Robin G. Leale.
Composed by A. P. Heywood.

## CROSTHWAITE, CUMBERLAND

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Aug. 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Kentigern,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .2 qr. 8 lb . in F .
Anne C. Garnett William S. Deason Alan E. Bagworth Barwell B. Dibben Treble ERNEST J. Munday .. *Colin A. S. Harwood *J. Richard Castledine. A. Patrick Cannon.
$\qquad$ Composed by W. Barton. Conducted by J. Richard Castledine. * 50th peal together.

CLEATOR MOOR, CUMBERLAND.
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Aug. 19. 1960. in. 3 Hours and 4 Minutes. At the Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist.
A PEAL OF 5688 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .2 gr. 17 lb . in E .
Gillian A. Neal Smith .. Treble J. Richard Casiledine .. 5 $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Anne C. Garnett } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Barwell. B. Dibben } & . & . & 6 \\ \text { Colin A. S. Harwood } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Robin G. Leale.. } & . . & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
 Composed by A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Barwell. B. Dibben. ASPATRIA. CUMBERLAND.
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Kentigern.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . 10 lb . in F sharp.

Robin G. Leale. . . . . 2 Alan E. Bagworth ..
Gillian A. Neal Smith .. 3 J. Richard Castledine Ernest J. Munday .. ... 4 A. Patrick Cannon

Tenor Composed by A. P. Heywood. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon. First peal on the bells.

> BAMBURGH. NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Aug. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours, AT THE Church of St Aidan.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt in $F$
A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Treble Eric N. Harrison

Gillian A. Neal. Smith
William S. Deason.
barwell b. Dibben

| Treble Eric N. Harrison |
| :---: |
| 2 | Robin G. Leale.

J. Alan Ainsworth ... Tenur

ROTHBURY, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon., Aug. 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . in $\mathbf{F}$

J. Alan Ainsworth. $\begin{array}{cc}. \text { Treble } & \text { Alan E. Bagworth } \\ . & 2\end{array}$ Ernest J. Munday F. Hector Bennett Marion S. Ainsworth | 2 | Eric N. Harrison ... |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Colin A. S. Harwood | 5

6
7
Composed by S । ${ }^{2}$ J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor
TYNEMOUTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tues., Aug. 23, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules, At Christ Church, North Shields.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 16 cwt . 1 qr. 18 lb . in E flat.

Colin A. S. Harwood ...Treble Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 6 | Barwell b. Dibben | .. | 3 | Eric N. Harrison | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| F. Hector Bennett | .. | 8 |  |  |  | William S. Deason .. .. 5 A. Patrick Cannon .. ... Temor Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth. ALLENDALE, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wed., Aug. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes. At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . in G .
Ernest J. Munday .. .. Treble Barwell b. Dibben
 Colin A. S. Harwood .. 4 Eric N. Harrison .... Temor
Composed by G. Baker.
Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Aug. 25, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Mintutes,

Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 22 cwt . 23 lb . in E flai.
F. Hector Bennett .. .. Treble Barwele B. Dibben .. .. 6 Alan Ainsworth William S. Dfason Ernest J. Munday
Colin A. S. Harwood 2
3
Elan E. Bagworth
Eric Harrison 6 J. Richard Castledine .. 9 A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenur Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
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THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Aug. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
J. W. Parker's Odd and Even Bob Ten-Part

Tenor 15 cwt . in F .
William S. Deason.....Treble George S. Deas
Charles N. Lea
John E. Anderson
Barwell B. Dibben
Ernest J. Mundiy Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

## CHESTER-LE-STREET. CO. DURHAM

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Aug. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt .2 lb . in E.
 Marion S. Ainsworth .. $\frac{2}{3}$ Colin A. S. Harwood
f. Hector Bennett. Eric N. Harrison . Alan Ainsworth
A. Patrick Cannon. Tenor Composed by W. Barton. Tenor NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, On Sat., Aug. 27. 1960, in 3 Hours and 47 Minutes. at the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 37 cwt 2 gr .17 lb . in D flat.
Barwell b. Dibben.. .. Treble Ernest J. Munday
George S. Deas .. .. 2 A. Patrick Cannon. F. Hector Bennett.. .. 3 J. Richard Casiledine William S. Deason.. .. 4 Eric N. Harrison Colin A. S. Harwood
3. Alan Ainsworth Arranged and Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

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## GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 8 cwt .23 lb . in G


## CARDIFF, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sut. Sept. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAE, OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 26 cwt .4 lb . in D .
Rfginald G. Hooplir .. Treble
Jacquiline S. King.
2
3
Siliwyn H. Dearden
Roberi E. Coles
George Davis
Composed by A. M. Tyler.

| Donald G. Ciaft ... .. | 6 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brynley A. Shackilion .. | 7 |  |  |
| Herbert W. Woolven | .. | 8 |  |
| Tudor P. Edwards ... | .. | 9 |  |
| David J. King . . | . | .. | Tenor |

CULLOMPTON. DEVONSHIRE.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Sat.. Sept. 3. 1960., in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

 Tenor 19 cwt .2 gr .4 lb . in E . | Michael D. S. Hood |
| :---: |
| *Frederick Wreford |
| .. |$\quad 5 \quad$ †Harry Gaylard .. .. 9 Thomas G. Myers.. .. Tenor Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by Norman Malleil * First peal of Royal. First on ten as conductor, and lirst of Plain Bob Royal.

A compliment to Roger Keeley on the occasion of his ordination as at deacon at East Harnham.

BRISTOL.
IHE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed.. Sept. 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF 5152 LITTLE BOB ROYAL
Tenor 20 cwt . in E .


- First peal of Little Bob Royal. + First, of Little Bob. $\ddagger$ First of Little Bob and of Royal. First in the method as conductor.

BRADFORD. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of St. Peier,

## A PEAL OF 5055 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor $25 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Roy Beitley-Cooke .. Treble | *Roger J. Lumley .. .. 6
John H. Fielden .. .. 2 Frederick A. Munday..
Rita M. Jowett
*B. Gillian Schofield

- Peter Dawson

Derek Ogden .. ... .. 9
*John Rhodes
Composed by Curnelius Charge.
Conducted by Derek OGden

* First peal of Stedman Caters.


## LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD On Sar., Sept. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minures. <br> Ai ihe Church of All Sainis,

A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor $30 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

WICKEN. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Aug. 27. 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Barry Davis .. .. .. Treble Cwi. 1 qr. 20 lb .
bames Dinnell .. .. Treble Christopher C. Clarke..
James Linnell.. .. .. 2 Charles E. Truman
+Mrs. Jo Moreton.
Herbert C. Edwards
$\therefore 4$ WIlfrid F. Moreton .. Tehor

* First peal. Midoleton Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
* First peal on eight bells. † First of Surprise Major 'inside.'

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Aug. 31, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39. Minutes.

## At the Church of St. Mark.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TRIPLES

Comprising 140 St. Clement's, 700 College Bob, 350 Double. Grandsire and 3,850 Grandsire, with 50 changes of method. Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. *Michael J. Stanley .. Treble *A. Terence Collins .. 5 Anthony R Piake. Eric Sutton Victor Griffin
Lesley J. Bladon 7 Brian Bladon
Barry S. Sheppard. Lesley J. Bladon Tenar Holt's Ten-Part.

Conducted by Anthony R. Pl:AKE. * First peal of Triples. First of Triples as conductor. First of Spliced Triples by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Sept. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
a peal of the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
J. Frank Smallwood .. Treble| Burley P. Morris .. .. 5

Ronald H. Bullen .. .. 2 Harold Taylor. . .. .. 6 John F. Murfin 3 Clive W. Walklate... ... 7 George H. Paulson. . 4 lan M. Holland .. . Tenor Composed and Conducted by Ian M. Holland.
A birthday peal for Messr;. J. F. Smallwood (76, September 1st) and H. Langdon (79. September 2nd).

## WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUICD On Thurs., Sept. 1. 1960, in about 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 QUEENSFERRY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr .25 lb .
Celia F. Whitfeld .. .. Treble Thomas J. Lock .. .. S
Joan Beresford
G. William Critchley ...

Claudia A. Critchley ... 3 Alfred J. House ..
Alick Cutler .. .. .. 4 Richard F. B. Speed .. Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.
First peal in the method

## YARDLEY. BIRMINGHAM

ST MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs.. Seps. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules.

At the Church of Si. Edhurgha.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .16 lb . in F sharp.
*V. Roy Tallis ... .. Treble | David Ingram
†Margaret A. Turner

Andrew Srubss $\quad \cdots \quad . \quad 6$

Arranged and Conducted by John McDunald.

* First peal of Plain Bob Major. + First of Plain Bob Major inside.'


## ASPENDEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Sept. 3, 1960. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Holt's Original


eric Edmondson ..... 4 \#Frederick Aldridge .. Tehor

* First peal in the method and first of Triples. + First in the method 'inside.' \$ First on eight hells. First of Triples as conductor.

QUEENSFERRY SURPRISE MAJOR
$-38-14.56-56.38-14-58,36,14,56,18$
8 ths place lead-end. 4ths place bob.
Composition as for first peal of Esher Surprise

BILSBORROW. LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saf., Sept. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minure.
At the Church of St. Hilda.
A PEAL OF 5040 BILSBORROW IMPERIAL BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt .
John H. Gartside
Maryl R. Crossthwaite W. John Couperthwaite Thomas Barker Composed by C. Charge. Treble Donald Lawson Donald Lawson
William G. Wilson.
G. Alec Dimmock G. Alec Dimmock
Cyril Crossthwaite Conducted by Cyril Crossiriwalte

## CRESSWELL. DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .2 gr .4 lb.
HLinda M. Jones (13)
H. . Treble
tCarolyn Collier. $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { +James T. Rooke } & . & \ldots & 3 & \text { Herbert T. Rooke.. } & . & 7 \\ \text { +Malcolm Foster } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 & \text { Douglas H. Rooke } & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Composed by Stephen H. Wood. Conducted by Douglas H. Rooke. * First peal on eight. † First in the method. First of Little Bob Major as conductor.

EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960. in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 502 A DUUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 19 cwi .18 lb . in E flat.
-Angela J. Mariin .. . . Treblc | Reginald T. Jones.. .. 5
Gillian A. Neal Smith.. 2
Robin G. Leale
John F. M. Maybrey .. 4
Composed by A. P. Heywood.

| Reginald T. Jones. . | . | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| †Peitr S. Smart | 6 | 6 |
| William S. Deason | . | 7 |
| A. Patrick Cannon. . | . Ten |  |

Conducled by A. Patrick Cannon.

* First peal of D.N.C.B. + First of D.N.C.B. 'inside.'

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. E. B. and Mrs. Wood. of Leatherhead, on the gift of a son.

## HANDSWORTH. BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
At The Church or St. Mary.
A PFAL OF 5152 SPLICEI) SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods. containing 1,600 London, 1,440 Rutland. 640 Camhridge and 480 each of Bristol, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method. Tenor 15 ewt. 2 yr. 22 lb . in $F$
David J. Purnell
John Pinfold
Michael Eison.
Norman J. Goodman $\quad . .6$
Ruth M. Border
P'eter Border
Andrew Stubbs.
John McDonald
Andrew Stubbs. . . . . $\quad$ John McDonald
Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by John McDonald. ICKLETON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 12 Minules, At tiff Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $18 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Gi. William Critchley Treble |
| :--- |
| George A. Spencer |
| Claudia A. Critchiey... |

* First peal Conducted by G. William Critchley.
*ung as a compliment to David Sutcliffe and Pauline Mitchell. who were married at Baldock on this day.

KING'S LANGLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwi.
Robert E. Hardy . . . Treble Keith D. Waples
Michael E Stracer
Gillian E. Graney
2 Ronald A. Wright
Mikaela Erik
3 Mariyn W. Harboit
Composed by C. H. Martin Gerald Penney . Gerald . Tentor
First peal.
A 2lst birthday compliment to Michael E. Stracey.
NETHERTON, WOBCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

* YVONNE EDWARDS Tenor 13 cwt .3 lh.
ERNEST Siltch..
Howard Howell
William Davifs
Composed by G. Williams.
* First peal in the method.
the tower three times.


## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes. At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1.312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London. Cambridge and Superlative, with 110 changes of method and all the work of every bell in each method.
Philip G. K. Davies .. Treble
Fred Dunklrley
$\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{2}$
Eileen Fearn
Tenor 14 cwl L 1 qr
C. Kenneth Lewis
John Worth
Robert B. Smith
Edward Jenkins
Conducted by C. Keni... Tenor Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.
Composed by Albert J. Pirman. Conducted by
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat. Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . 2 qr. in $G$.
Eric Woolgrove
Treble| Reginald W. Rex ..
Robert C. Kippin ... ... 2 Michael J. Thomas... .. 6
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { M. Elizabeth Chapman } & . . & 3 & \text { Ernest J. Munday .. } \\ \text { Tom Chapman ... } & 7 \\ \text { Geoffrey K. Dodd } & . . & \text {... Tenor }\end{array}$ Composed by C. Midoleton. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodo.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major as conductor.
Rung immediately after the wedding of Julian Elliot and Mary Sanders, eldest daughter of the Rector of Overton and Mrs. F. A. Sanders.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE. LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Sept. 4. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
A PEAL OE 5056 WARWICKSHIRE: SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt . 3 qr .11 lb . in E.
Carol Fernley.. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb . in E.

| Eileen M. Fearn .. ... |
| :--- |
| Frederick Shallcross |
| Fi. Peter Whitehead |

Frederick Shallcross
Derek Taylor
*Edward Jenkins
Conducted by Neil Benneil.
Composed by A. J. Pirman.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells, and by the Association.
Rung as a 15 th birthday compliment to F . Shalleross ( 35 th peal). WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Sept. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules.
At the C'hurch of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . 9 lb in $F$.
Herbert E. Audsley .. Treble| lan H. Oram
Doris E. Colgaie .. .. ? George J. Butcher .
Arthur G. Mason .. .. 3 Frederick J. Cullum $\qquad$
Frank 1. Hairs
Philip A. Corby
. Tenor
Composed by C. W. Robleris. Conducted by Frederick J. Cullum. HIGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Wed., Sept. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michafl and All. Angels,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt .27 lh.
Rfy. Frfidk. A. Sanders Treble †Eric P. Woolgrove
-Ronald K. Russ .. .. 2 Arthur W. Sayers.
Ernest J. Munday .. 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd
Reginald W. Rex
Reginald F. Crook
. Tenor
Compqsed by John R. Pritchard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd,
*First peal of Plain Bob Major. † First on an 'inside bell. S0th as conductor.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. T. W. Lewis.
BUSHEY. HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Sept. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMRRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middleion's.
H. Georje Hart

Elsie K. Hart
Neville Jenkins
2
3
4 - Reginald Rowley ..
D. Kay Adkins

Chris. W. Woolley .. Tenor
Geoffrey W. Seaman
Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

* 200th peal, and has now circled the tower."

Rung as as welcome to the ne + Rector (Rev. W. H. Chivers). instituted on September Sth: also to Carolyn Jayne Barker, grand-daughter of the ringer of the fifth. born August llth.

FOBBING. ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960 . in 2 Hours and 58 Minules,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation. Treble Ernest E. Stenor 11 cwt 27 lb .
*James Towifr
Mary Roasi

* lan Panton
*Richard 3. Harrison
* First peal cf Cambridge Surprise.


# SIX BELL PEALS <br> HASKETON, SUFFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD. <br> On Mon., July 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes. At the Church of St. Andrew, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR <br> Being one extent each of Double Court Bob. Cambridge Surprisc. Oxford T.B., Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Kent T.B. and <br> Treble <br> Clifford R. Lovett <br> Roderick W. Pipe <br> $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Clifford R. Lovetit } & \cdots & 2 & \text { Ernest G. Pearce } \\ \text { Roderick } W \text { W. Pipe } & \cdots & 3 & \text { Leslie N. Melton }\end{array}$ <br> Cecil. W. Pipe: <br> Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. <br> Rung for the induction of the Rev. Musgrave-Brown. 

 Plain Bob.Alan J. Clarke

## HASKETON, SUFFOLK

JHE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41) Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Kent T.B., Double Oxford Bob, Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's Bob, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt 3 gr , in $\mathbf{A}$ flat.
Roger L. K. Whittell . . Treble Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4
Ernest G. Pearce . . . . 2 Ronald W. Steward
Clifford R. Loveti .. 3 I James Benneti
Tenor
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

## BUCKLAND. SURREY

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Aug. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the. Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Richard E. Fentiman
Treble
Gibson
tSylvia Marsh.. .. .. 3 Nicholas D. J. Webe .. Tenor Conducted hy Nicholas D. J. Webb.
*First peal. + First of Minor
Rung by members of the Christ Church, Epsom, Sunday service band.

HOLT. WILTSHIRE
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Aug. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Katherine,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 40 extents (ten different callings) and one 240.
Tenor 9 cwt .6 lb . in G.
Richard Humphries (1s) Treble Frederick W. Box.
Philip S. Gaisford. . .. 2 Robert J. Purnell
Robert J. Purnell
Robert J. Drewett
Richard Lovelock
Conducled by Robert J. Purnell.
First peal by all the band. and first peal at first attempt for areble and tenor.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. E. Lawson Brewis, who has retired from the ministry through ill health. Also as a wedding anniversary compliment to Frederick W. Box.

## DARRINGTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wed.. Aug. 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minures,
At the Church of St. Luke and All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr .25 lb .
Howard Scott
David Cubitt
W. Eric Critchley
*Kenneth Park..
$\qquad$ Wilfrid F. Moreton

* First peal of Sutprised by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

A farewell peal to David Cubitt, who has moved from Wakefield to Norwich.

## IBSTOCK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Sept. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Denys.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Double Oxford Bob, (2) and (3) Cambridge Surprise. (4) Plain Boh, (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob.
*Mark G. Wood .. . Treble Brian G. Warwick.. .. 3 Brian M. Smith Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

- First peal of Minor in five methods.


## LYMPNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Sepr. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Stephien,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.

* Robert P. Brotherston Treble Nicholas J. Davies

Violet 1. E, Relf .. .. 2 Crawford T. Hillis
Maurice C. Hughes .. 3 David Staples
enor 12 cwt

Conducted bj Crawford T. Hillis.

* First peal. A birthday compliment to Mrs. R. B. Davies, mother of the ringer of the fourth.

> THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri.. Sept. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules,
At the Church of St. Leonard
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR
Being seven extents in 74 methods: (1) Mendlesham and Tonbridge Alliance, Belvedere Little Bob. Thelwall. London, Lytham, St. Clement's, Childwall, College, Wavertree College. Horsmonden. Killarney, Plain, Double, Reverse, Fulbeck, Canterbury, Frodsham, Windermere, Ennerdale and Cumberland Bob and Pontefract. Wath. Donottar and Ca. sbrooke Delight: (2) Gedney, Gunby, Spilsby, Bicker, Surfleet. Spalding, Pinchbeck, Wainfleet, Normanton and Sibsey Alliance. Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Sandal, London Scholars Pleasure, Kingston, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Kent and Bastow Little Court: (3) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Marple, Braintree, Taxal. Humber, Clarence ard Elston Delight and Morning Star Treble Bob: (4) Walsingham, Lammas, Olney, Fulmer, Cromer, Steventon, Tibenham and Chalfont Alliance and Little Bob: (5) London and Wells Surprise: (6) Cambridge and Primrose Surprise; (7) Double Oxford and Plain Bob; with 135 changes of method. Tenor 8 cwt 26 lb Mrs. Jo Moreion .. .. Treble Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 4 Howard Scott .. $\cdot . \quad . \cdot \frac{2}{}$ W. ERic Critchley Harold Chant $. . \quad \ldots \quad . .3)^{3}$ Ian M. Holland $\quad . . \quad$.. Tenor Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
Most methods in a tower bell peal by all, and for the Association. The first extent ( 25 methods) is included in a peal for the first time. CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saf., Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise. Ox-
ford Trehle Bob, Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob.
Tenor 11 cwt in G .
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { John Robinson... } & . & . . & \text { Treble } & \text { epeter Dale ... .. } & \text {.. } & 4 \\ \text { Brian Schofield } & . . & . & 2 & \text { Frank Osbaldiston } & . . & 5\end{array}$
 Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

* First peal in four methods "inside. Mr. Frank Osbaldiston has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

POLSTEAD, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Judith Mander
.. Treble Walter D. Bailey Barba Matihews $\quad . \quad 2$ George N. Orman Roy Duesbury ... .. 3 James B. Morley .. .. Teñor

* First peal.

The Accumulated Experience of Four Generations is behind all our Clocks

## SAXTHORPE. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 1 Hour and $58 \frac{1}{2}$ Minutes, at the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Frfda P. Greaves .. .. Treble
John V. Temple
.. 2
Beyan W. Willgress
Condu
$\qquad$
Peter Adcock Tenor $2 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. .. 3 Geoffrey R Drew..... 5 Fastest peal by all the band. on the hells, and for the Association. SEND. SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes. at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Tessa P. Kemp
Treble Tenor 10 cwt .3 qr .5 lb , in A flat *J. Marilyn. Gibbs .. .. 2 †Rupert L. Caporn ... 5 tGeraldine M. Pipir . 3 brian J. Woodruffe .. Tenor. Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

* First peal of Trehle Boh. $\dagger$ First peal.

SILK WILLOUGHBY. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Mimutes,
At The Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR'
Being three extents of Kent Treble Boh and four of Plain Boh. Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr .18 lb.

*First peal (aged 13) at first attempt.

## DARLINGTON

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Sept. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes. At the Church of The Holy Trinity. A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of Carlisle, Chester, London, Surfleet. Beverley, Cambridge and York.
John E. Anderson .. .. Treble Eric N. Harrison .. .. 4

| Gebrge S. Deas ... | . | 2 | W. Norman Park | .. | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3. alan Ainsworth.. | .. | 3 | Roland Park | .. | .. | .. Temor |

Conducted by Roland Park.

## DEAN PRIOR, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Wed., Sept. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, Ai the Church of St. George-the-Mariyr. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven $720^{\circ}$ s.
Tenor $11 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Aubrey L. Bennett ...Treble Frederick E. Day
Ren. Paulinus Angold .. 2 D. Roy Bould .
Rev. A. Oswald Mowan 3 Thomas G. Myfrs .. .. Tenor Conducted by Thomas G. Myers.
Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the third, who is shortly going abroad.

## PURLEIGH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Sept. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, viz.: (1) Alnwick, (2) Chester, (3) London, (4) York. (5) Beverley, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 12 cwl .

Mary Roast
Treble I Joe E. G. Roast
Bourn
4
5
Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 3 Howard W. Egglestone.. Temor Conducled by Howard W. Egglestone.

> THORINGTON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sar. Sept. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalen, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, heing one extent each of Double Court. St. Clement's, Single Court. Cambridge Surprise. Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Trehle Bob and Plain Boh. Rachel J. R. Newstead. . Treble Bernard W. Fairhead .. 4 Daisy M. Andrews.. .. 2 George N. Orman .. .. 5 Alan R. Andrews .. .. 3 Roy Duesbury .. .. Tenor Conducted by alan R. Andrews. GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Mimutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
(C.C.C. Nos. 28, 29, 34, 49, 50, 51 and 52.) Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ Ronald Russell .. .. Treble J. Martin Thorley. John G. Ames .. .. .. 2 Frederick Derry
alan G. Payne .. .. 3 James H. Musson .. .. Tenor Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

## DATE TOUCH

HEDON, YORKS.-On Sept. 12th, 1,960 Minor 1720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and 520 Spliced Plain and Little Bob): J. Singleion 1, I. Booth 2, I. Goldtharpe 3. R. Gibson 4. G. Pybus 5, J. Rank (cond.) 6. First date touch by all.

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At St Pcter's Cathedral. on Sept. Sth, 1.272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. B. Pitcher 1, H. Greenhalgh 2. Enid Roherts (cond.) 3, F. N. Smeaton 4, B. R. Cox 5, C. H. Bagot 6. For Synod Evensong. Also on Sent. 11th, 1,272 Oxford Treble Bub Minor: H. Greenhalgh 1. W. B. Pitcher 2, Enid Roberti (first of Oxford as cond.) 3, F. N. Smeaton 4, B R. Cox 5, C. H. Bagot 6. First of Oxford 2, 4. 5. 6. Firsm of Oxford on the bells and in the State. For Evensong.
ASHFORD. KENT.-On Sedr. 4ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Josephine Hardy (first of Triples) 1. Mrs, T. Cullingworth 2, Margareı Jones 3, H. S. Wickens 4. N. J. Davies 5, T. Cullingworth 6. J. R. Cooper (eond.) 7. D. Godden 8 . Rung as a wedding compliment 10 Mr. G. Pearson and Miss J.-A. Hedges
BALDOCK, HERTS.-On Sept. 11th, 1,344 Plain Boh Major: June Dear 1, M. Hopkins 2. C. Harwood (cond.) 3, P. Flack 4, N. Newman (first of Major) 5 . 1. Dear 6. E. Buck 7, R. Castledine 8.

BATHAMPTON, BATH.-On Sept. 8ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Scolt-Watson 1. Miss 1. P. Crees 2, Miss M. Viner 3, K. Harrison 4 R. S. M. Stubbs (first as cond.) 5, F, Gooding 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam William J. Prescott.
BEXHILLLON-SEA, SUSSEX.-On Sept, 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 6 and 8 covering): D. George 1, J. Carr 2. Audrey Eldridge 3, M. Swift (first -inside ') 4, C. F. Pilbeam 5. C. E. Verdon (cond.) R. Vale 7. For Evensong and as a farewell to the Rev. E. J. Utley (assistant curate), on leaving to become Chaplain of the Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham.
BUXHALL, SUFFOLK.-On Sept. 1st, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. H. Ivings 1. H. A. Mitson 2. F. Borley 3. T. A. Brett 4, H. Ivings 5. E. A. Cracknell (cond.) 6. First as conductor. Rung half-muffied in memory of Mrs. Copinger-Hill, widow of the late Rector.
CANTERBURY, KENT.-At the Cathedral, on Sept. 6th, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: J. W. Unwin 1. Mrs. D. A. Chapman 2, J. C. Baldwin 3, P. J. Small 4, C. T. Hillis 5, S. Walter 6, D. C. Chatfield 7. N. J. Davies 8, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 9, B. J. Luck 10.

CARITON COLVILLE, SUFFOLK.-On Sedt. 13th. 1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. J. Hubbard (first quarter) 1. Miss M. Solomon 2, R. C. L. Brown 3. R. W. Bickers 4. M. J. Parker (cond.) 5. Birthday compliments to the treble ringer and to Mrs. E. Flaxman.

CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.-On Sept. 4th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (8 callings): B. A. Cracknell (cond.) 1. B. Edwards 2. Mrs. P. S. Cracknell 3. Mrs. E. M. Roberts 4. P. Aikins 5. I Onians 6. First of Granusire 'inside' for 2 and 5. The conductor has now circled the tower' 10 quarter peals. For Evensong ont the Patronal Festival.

CHISTERTON. CAMBRIDGE.-On July 16 th . 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. J. Algood 1. C. A.
Johnson 2. Miss M. M. Lovelace 3. S. Brown 4. H. Muncey 5. G. Prait (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to Mr. Alan C. Charter on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Frances Meller.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.-On Sept. 11th, 1.280 Kent T.B. Major: Miss A. Lowings 1. A. W. Beard 2. J. Carrott 3. Miss J. Peacock 4, A. H. Worhoys 5. D. W. Beard 6. F.
Salisbury 8. For Matins.

CROYDON, SURREY. - On Sept. 4th. at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1.301 Stedman Caters: Miss H. Talbot (firsit of Stedman Caters) 1. Mrs. F. E. Collins 2. E. J. Razzell 3, F. E. Mitchell 4. G. H. Humphries 5. N. Brown 6. C.
Cartwright (first of Stedman Caters) 7. N. G. Cartwright (first of Stedman Caters) ${ }^{7}$. N. G.
Stecre 8, F. E. Collins (cond.) 9, R. G. Abboti 10.
DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.-AI St. Cuthbert's Church, on Sepr. Sth, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. T. Cooke 1. F. Hodgson 2. E. Pannell 3. E. Thompson (first quarter) 4. W. E. Mashiter 5, T. Cooke (cond.)
Drortwich spa, worcs.-On sept. Ith. at is. Peter's. Witton. 1.254 Grandsire Doubles: A. Rawlinge (first quartes) 1. G. Rawlings (first inside ') 2. M. J. Fellows 3. M. D. Fellows 4. P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. A, H. Hawker (first quarter) 6. Rung for Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

EAST LANGDON, KENT.-On Sept. 12th, 1,296 Plain, Reverse and Double Boh Minimus: J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 1. M. Taylor 2, P. Fennell 3, N. J. Davis (first of Minimus) 4. First quarter in three methods for 2 and 3.
EYNSHAM, OXON.-On Sept. 10th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day. St. Bartholomew's and Crandsire): H. Mills 1. H. Floyd (cond.) 2, D. Floyd 3. A. Hicks 4. C. Bennelt 5, A. Harris 6. For the wedding of Miss Pnylli, Elizabeth Hole (a local ringer) to Mr. Andrew George Pimm.
EXNING, SUFFOLK On Sept. 11th, 1.260 Doubles (Sit. Nicholas', St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Cirandsire and Plain Bub): Miss H. Cross 1, J. Genteman 2, W. J. Couperthwaite 3, R. J. Palmer 4, R Mann (cond ) 5 First quarter in five methods by all the band and on the belts.
HARTPURY, GLOS.-On Aug, 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Kinsey 1, W. Spiers 2. Joy Smith 3, W. Dudley Wilson 4, L. Barry (cond.) 5, R. Chew 6. Rung half-muffied in memory of Mr. Frank Skidmore.
HASTINGS, SUSSEX.-On Sept. 11th, at Christ Church, Blacklands, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. 1. Downing 1, E. F. P. Bryant 2, Joan M. Downing 3. K. I. Vaughar 4. A. Jackson 5, J. Downing 6, Kung for the baptism of Jill Susan Downing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Downing
HERSHAM, SURREY.-On Sept. 8th 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Warner 1, H. Colcombe 2, Pamela Bird 3, Gwen May 4, J. F. Maybrey 5, J. King (cond.) 6, C. N. Chinnery 7, D. Leach 8. For the induction service of the Vicar, the Rev. F. H. Hargroves.
HESSLE, YORKS.-On Sept. 10th, 1,260 Minor ( 7,4 Kent T.B., 540 Spliced Plain and Little Bob): 1. Singleton 1, 1. Booth 2, 1. Goldthorpe 3, S. Pybus 4, R. Gibson 5, J. Rank (cond.) 6. First quarter of Minor in three methods for all except the conductor.
HORSELL, SURREY.-On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob and 780 Grandsire): D. Priestley 1, J. Martin 2. Miss, J. Drury 3, G. Oliver 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5, Miss P. Drury 6. For Evensong.
HUTTON, ESSEX.-On Sept. 3rd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, All Saints and Grandsire): P. Friend 1, C. Hill 2, B. Shedel (cond.) 3, W. Hill 4, R. Jones 5. Rung as a birthday compliment to W . Hill, vice
LLANGASTY TAL-Y-LLYN, BRECON, BRECON-SHIRE.-On Sept. 9th, 1,416 Plain Bob Minimus: M. T. Johns 1, T. H. Owen 2, M. R. Thomas (first - inside and first as cond.) 3, C. A. Lewis 4 Witness: H. F. Williams. First of Minimus by all the band
MERROW, SURREY.-On Sept, 4th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Dedworth, Grandsire and Plain Bob): K. Glue (longest length) 1, Ann Lepper (first inside 2, Jill Lane (cond.) 3, Pamela Warren 4. D. May 5, J. Mitchell 6. For Evensong.
NORTHILL. BEDS.-On Sept. 4th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Cooper 1. A. H. Smith 2, F. Hull 3. P. Smith 4. B. Sims (cond.) 5, L. Norman 6. An sutn birthday compliment to Mr. W. Wagstaff. of the local band. who has rung at Northill for 60 years.

NORTH STONEHAM. HANTS.-On Scpt. Ith 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Reay 1. Mrs. M Hayes 2. N. Hayes 3. J. Murphy 4. C. Taylor 5. D. House 6. D. Forder (cond.) 7. J. Dacombe 8. A tribute to Mr. S. Silverlock. organist and choirmaster of the church for 32 years.
NUNBLRNHOLME, YORKS.-On Sept. 3rd, 1.320 Plain Bub Minor: Barbara Cammack 1. I. Booth 2 1. Goldthorpe 3, G. Pybus 4, R. Gibson 5, J. Rank (cond.) 6 .
OCKHAM, SURREY.-On Aug. 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. D. Leach 1, Miss J. Drury 2. Mis P. Drury 3, J. Martin 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5. For morning service.
PENARIH. GLAM.-On Sept. 10th. 1.344 Plain Bub Majo:: W. J. Goodfellow 1. R. G. Havard 2 D. Llewellyn 3, N. Tamping 4, A. M. Coombs 5
R. Hughes 6, B. Taylor 7, E. J. R. Hartley (cond Hughes 6, B. Taylor 7, E. J. R. Hartley (cond.) 8. Rung as a wedding complime
Bowen and the Rev. Philip Holford.

PLYMOUTH. DEVON.-On Sept. 11th, a Emmanuel Church. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Virginia Drake (first quarter) 1, H. H. Thomas 2, G. Godard 3. Sylvia Sims 4, F. Day 5, A. Weatherley 6. J. P Sims (cond.) 7. A. E. Perkins 8. Rung for Evensing at which Jeremy Charles, son of the Rev. Trevor and Mrs. McCabe, was christened. Jeremy is the first great-nephew of the ringer of the gecond.

POCKINGTON, YORKS.-On Sepr. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Camerbury, Clifiord's Pleasure, April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): 1. Campbel (first quarter) 1, 1. Booth 2, J. Rank 3, I. Goldthorpe 4. R. Gibson (cond.) 5, J. Lumb 6. With best wishes 10 . Tom Darley, of Hemingbrough, for a speedy recovery.
PUCKINGFORD, SOMERSET.-On Sepr. 1st. 1.280 Grandsire Doubles: R. Dean 1, 1. Drew (cond.) 2. G. Manckton 3, R. Welch 4. T. Lock 5. J. Sienner 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Henry Bungay (80), caprain of this tower, interred this day.

PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Sept. 11th. 1,260 Deubles (P!ain Bob and Grandsire): A. Martin 1. L. Allen 2, B, Coatsworth 3. A. Clayton 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5, B. Bull 6. For Evensong
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.- On Sedt. 1 th. 1.260 Double Court Triples: W. Ward 1. M. Hallet 2, G. Sandwell 3. F. May 4. W. Ellis 5, M. Hatch 6, A. House (cond.) 7, E. Blower 8. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. E. Harvey, curate of this parish, who is leaving for Morpeth.
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.- On Sept. 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples; K. Welch 1. F, Welch (cond.) 2, G. Monckton 3, R. Pond 4, J. Cornelius 5. R. C. Beale 6. R. Welch 7, J. Stenner 8. Runs in thanksgiving for Ciod's gif! of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. D. Walters, born in Cyprus. Sept. 5th: granddaughter of conductor
STRATTON, CORNWALL.-On Aug. 28th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: J. Sangwin 1. C. Sangwin 2. Mrs. 1. M. Kippin 3, C. Durham 4, H. Heald (first quarter - inside ') 5, S. Everett 6. H. Stacey 7, C. H Kippin (cond.) 8. Rung after Evensong.
TENBY. PEMBS. On March 13 hh. 1.259 Grandsire Triples: T. Osborne 1. N. Bennett (cond.) 2. Stella Lewis 3. J. Webb 4. E. Williams 5, W. G. Thomas 6, H. Jcnkins 7. T. Griffiths 8. Rung halfmuffled as a tribute to the late Frederick Jenkins. foi many years a ringer at this church. Also. on May 15th, 1.260 Minor ( 720 Kent and Oxford T.B. 540 Double Oxford): Stella Lewis 1. J. Webb 2, W. G. Thomas 3. A. R. Price 4., H. Jenkins 5. N. Bennett (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the tower captain. Harry Jenkins.
WEST RUCKLAND, SOMERSET.-On Sepr. 7th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Joan L. Taylor I. J. J. Ford 2. Mamela M. Stevens 3, C. J. Stevens 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5, H. Taylor 6.
WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.-On Sepr. 7hh, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. M. Horn 1, S. Howard 2, M. Fromm 3. D. Smith 4. J. Parslow (cond.) 5. R. Harmer (first quanter) 6. A farewell to the assistant curate, Rev. Donald Brett, with all good wishes.
WHITBY, YORKS.-On Sept. 3rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Lamerton 1, A. V. Coates 2, G. White 3. Kathleen Mallinson 4. S. R. Elwick (cond.) 5, June Mallinson 6. H. Waters 7. F. Lamerton 8. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Taylor on the uccasion of their ruby wedding.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Scpt. 6th. 1.260 Stcdman Triples: J. Linnell 1, P. D. Taylor 2. R. Rogers 3. G. E. Green 4. T. E. Roberts 5. F. C. Case 6. C. E. Truman (first on eight as cond.) 7 ,
G. Foddy 8 A birthday compliment to T E. Rubers. Also, on Sept. 11th. 1.260 Siedman Doubles: T. E. Roberts 1. F. C. Case 2. C. E. Truman 3. J. Linnell 4. G. E. Green (cond.) 5. G. Foddy 6. First of Stedman Doubles for 3 and 5. A birthday compliment to G. Foddy.
WIMBLEDON, SURREY.-On Sept. $8 \mathrm{th}, 1.272$ plain Bob Minimus: Barbara Johnson (first quarter) 1. Susan Rawlings 2. C. Mew 3. K. Newman (cond.) First of Minimus for all the hand.
WITNEY, OXON.-On Sept. 11/h, 1,261 Grandsire Triples: Judith Cogkins I. E. J. Hill 2, Valerie Lewis (first quarter) 3. D. J. Smith 4. B. R. White 5. E. J. Townsend 6. B. I. Coggins (cond.) 7. L. T. Olife 8. For Parronal Festival Evensong.

## LATE NEWS

An old London ringer. Mr. Fred Digby, died on September 17th. He was a loyal and valued member of the band that rang for service ringing at St. Margaret's, Westminster, and St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate.
Mr. Tom Riley, connected with SS. Peter and
Mary's Church, Liss, for 40 years, died on August 30th in Haslemere Hospital. aged 59.

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Guildford Drocesan Guild has had a big disappointment. Last October they made ar-

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 rangements for their annual dinner, and confirmed these in March when they were told there would be a slight increase in the price of tickets. Now they are confronted with not only a 2 s . increase in. the price per head but also a 10 guineas hall fee and starting time delayed. The terms were regarded as excessive. A search for an alternative venue in Guildford and other towns has not been successful, and the dinner for this year has been cancelled.Thanington, Kent, had its peal on the bells on September 3rd.
A maiden peal was rung at Holt, Wiltshire, on August 30th. It was the first peal by all the members of the band.
Mr. D. J. Hunt writes strongly discouraging attempting the peal of 5,184 Plain Bob Major composed by Mr. Brian Downes ('R.W. August 19th). "To have 18 courses of a peal with 8-7's at back-ugh!'
Mr. David Cubitt, who has contributed frequently to our columns on the history of ringing in Wakefield, has moved to Norwich. We wish him every happiness in his new appointment.
Mr. Brian Threlfall writes calling attention to two errors in the report of the Cambridge University tour. The peal at Stansted should have read Cambridge. The peal attempt at St. Neots which was lost was 'going too well" and not 'not going too well,' as appeared.
Another of Mr. James H. Musson's pupils-13-year-old Roger Asher-makes his first appearance in our peal columns with a peal at Silk Willoughby, Lincs, on September 3rd. 'A most creditable performance," writes the conductor.

Mr. E. A. Barnett, hon. secretary of the Central Council, had a nasty fall from a ladder into his greenhouse while painting his house at Crayford. Cuts to his arm and hand necessitated hospital treatment. Sympathy was sent to him from the Veterans" gathering in London on Saturday, with thanks for arranging for ringing at St. Clement Danes".

## GOSSIP

cast in the Home Service on
Monday. September $26 t h$ at Monday, September 26th, at 3 p.m. is the harvest thanksgiving service for the Blind, from Little Berkhamsted Parish Church, Herts. The three bells, all cast before 1552, and hung in a wooden steeple. will be heard before the service. The Rev. J. Shep-heard-Walwyn, who is blind. will conduct the service; the preacher, the Vicar (Rev. H. G. Bawtree-Williams), was formerly blind, and the lessons will be read by two blind people-Mr. William Sharp (aged 83) and Mrs. Peggy Jackson. The congregation of blind people will be drawn from all over the county.

We apologise to all concerned over the error in the 'Contents' on page 585 concerning the wedding at Houghton Conquest. Alas, a case of mental aberration.

Among those who rang in the quarter peal of Grandsire Triples at Blacklands, Hastings. for the baptism of Jill Susan Downing were her father, two grandparents, two godparents, an uncle and aunt. Her parents were ringers at this church and now reside in Watford.

Bells will be heard prior to the harvest thanksgiving service to be televised by the B.B.C. from Sherborne Abbey. Dorset, at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, October 2 nd . The preacher will be the Bishop of Sherborne, the Rt. Rev. V . J. Pike. The captain of the ringers is Mr . Percy Lambert.
Can any reader supply the old inscriptions in ochrous red on the white plaster of the north wall of Imber Church, on Salisbury Plain? This church is War Office property. The inquiry comes from a member of a party of archaologists, who thought the figures indicated early examples of change-ringing. The possible date is 1682 .
Mr. Ernest Morris gave a talk on "The History and Romance of the Bells, to the Leicester Rotary Club on September 12th. This Club is one of the largest in the United Kingdom. with over 150 members, the majority of whom were present and much appreciated Mr . Morris's discourse.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

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RAISING.-To listen to Raising (and lowering) as it should be done, visit certain lowers, particularly in Devon and Cornwall. I would imagine that in this part of our country as much attention is given to raising and lowering as is given to the remainder of the ringing. whether it bo round, call or change. 'Raising in peal' is wher all the bells, hanging freely with their mouths downwards, are swung higher and higher until all swing the full circle so that they can be set up, at the same time being caused to strike continuously in rounds. Of course, one, two or more bells may be raised at a time. There are two ways of raising a bell, one being the wrong way! This will he explained later
REGULAR METHOD.-Not all methods which have been composed, even if they have been based on a principle, are accepted as regular and, as such, are not recognised. At the same time, it would be difficult to express in a few words what a regular method is There are one or two essential conditions such as, every working bell must do the same work: no bell must move more than one place at a time; a method must be truc within itself. It would be better to test the regularity or otherwise of a method by trial and error i.e., can a bell lead for three or more blows, can the treble be made to dodge in 2-3: can this be done; can that be done? If the reply is in the negative then the method would not be regular.
REVERSE METHOD.-A Reverse method s one in which the places are made at the same distance from the treble's lying behind as they are in the original of the method from its leading. Study Reverse Plain Bob when you will most probably have the effect of turning Plain Bob round about or upside down. In many cases the methods have distinctive names; for instance, Reverse Hereward Bob is known as Pershore Bob
RIGHT:-This term has the same meaning as. and is often used instead of, Home
ROLL UP.-Even if the allegation that ringers when in their own company can talk only about ringing is true, you will rarely hear this term mentioned in conversation The occasion when 'Roll up' or 'Roll 'em up is most often called. or even shouted, is when the ringing is a bit rough and the conductor is giving his command. It has been known that the delinquent ringer or ringers wake up, as well! A roll up is taken to be when the back bells are struck in their natural order, as in rounds, and most usually occurs at. just before or just after a lead end. The lowest number of bells to which the term is applied is eighi, when the fifth, sixth, seventh and tenor are struck in this order, but if the lead end 13245678 came up that would be a roll up as well. One could say that a roll up on ten or twelve bells would be when the back bells from either the fourth, fifth, sixth. or seventh onwards are struck in their natural order-there is really no hard and fast definition.
ROPESIGHT.-Ropesight is the power of noticing the rope and finding out and following the right one. and it is the faculty of being able to pick out the bell which has to be followed that is the foundation of all change ringing. This last sentence is quoted from the Jasper Snowdon Change Ringing series 'Ropesight.' copies of which are still obtainable. The power of noticing the ropes comes naturally with experience. and whilst it may seem at first to be beyond you, you sooner or later acquire a field of vision that embraces all the ropes. Moreover, ropesight is gained by a certain amount of elimination to the extent that if say. you were ringing the second bell to a plain course of Plain Bob Minor and you had just finished your lead. the fourth would come to take you from the lead. You sight the fourth and strike alter it. you then sight the sixth and strike after that. By this time you can forget about, or eliminate. these two bells which then leaves the fifth. the third and the treble. You sight the fifth and strike after that. eliminate it. and so yo's repeat with the remaining two bells the third and the treble.


## MR. CECIL W. HIPE Suffolk Guild

Thirty-five years or so ago, Mr. C. W. (Jim) Pipe was the lype of young man who could be guaranteed to set the young ladies' hearts afluttering. Tall, fair, and extremely goodlooking, he had a physique and bearing which only service in the 1 st Life Guards could provide. He greatly enjoyed his five years' service in that Regiment, especially when on Horse Guard in Whitehall. No doubt he was one of the much-photographed guards who create so much interest for the sightseers visiting London. He had personality, too, which proved to be very useful later, when he raised, single-handed, a sum of no less than $£ 1,300$ for the repair of Grundisburgh Church tower and the rehanging and augmentation of the bells from eight to ten.

Born at Hasketon, Suffolk, in 1906, he joined the church choir at Grundisburgh when 8 years old. Seeing the sexton raise the tenor bell for a death, he went up the next day, tied a sack round the clapper and raised a bell by himself without breaking the stay. He invited his friends to ascend the tower to see the bell upside down. Then he taught five other boys to

## WEDDING OF MR. GEOFFREY PEARSON

Mr. Geoffrey Pearson, of Worsley, Lancs, was married to Miss Jane-Ann Hedges. of
Headcorn. Kent, on September 3rd, at SS. Peter Headcorn. Kent, on September 3rd, at SS. Peter and Paul's Church. Headcorn.
Ringing friends of the bridegroom were joined by the bridegroom and his best man. Mr. Alan Pendlehury, for a touch of Stedman Triples before the wedding service, and rang out the happy couple with a course of Bristol Surprise Major. A peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major was then competently performed, and the ringers were afterwards entertained by the bride's parents and the bridegroom's mother and brother Alan himself a ringer

Unfortunatcly, the bride and bridegroom had already departed by this time (by devious route) for the Channel Islands, having listened to part of the peal prior to joining the train at Headcorn Station.
The couple will be living at Little Wilbraham Cambs, following the honeymoon.
ring, and they went around to various towers ringing. None of them broke a stay and they paid good attention to the matter of striking. His first peal, Bob Major, rung in 1920, was conducted by Mr. G. E. Symonds, and his second peal was conducted by James Motts.

His service in the Life Guards took him to London, and he soon came under the influence of the College Youths. in which Society he served as junior and senior steward. On returning to Grundisburgh, he took up insurance work in 1931, and also became actively interested in the affairs of the Suffolk Guild, serving as general secretary and treasurer from 1946 to 1957. He was elected as their representative on the Central Councit in 1946, and in 1957 was made a vice-president.

Jim Pipe has rendered yeoman service in Suffolk, and has spent many hours in belfries other than his own, oiling, repairing, splicing cleaning, etc. He has inspected many rings of bells, giving advice which has often led 10 rehanging and improvement. He has given many talks on bells and ringing to various bodies such as Rotary Clubs. He has taught scores of youngsters to ring, including his two sons, George and Roderick, who are both brilliant conductors.

His wife, Sylvia, is one of the foremost lady ringers in the country, and she conducted the peal he is most proud of-Spliced Surprise in four methods-from a non-observation bell. His peals total at the beginning of August was 463. of which he has conducted 50 . He has organised many ringing tours in all parts of the country - who hasn't heard of 'Pipe's Pilgrims '? One of his theories is that the number of changes required for peals should be reduced. Another, much more practical, is that more attention should be given to the control of noise from all towers. His pet saying is that if he had not given half his life to ringing he would be a rich man! However, we sup pose he has thoroughly enjoyed it all, and we are glad to have such a man in our ranks As captain of the Grundisburgh band, he has maintained regular service ringing twice every Sunday, and regular weekly practices

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## MISS DOREEN DUTTON MARRIED

The marriage took place on August 6th between Mr. John Hunting and Miss Doreen Dutton. The ceremony was solemnised at the Parish Church of Emmanuel, Southport, where the bride first learnt to ring.

The bridegroom, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Hunting, of 40, Skampton Road, Leicester, studied at the Leicester College of Technology and Commerce, and later qualified as a teacher at Loughborough Training College. An up-and-coming football referee. he is learning to ring.

The bride, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dution of 26, Links Avenue. Southport, was educated at Southport High School for Girls and the City of Leicester Training College. Doreen, who is a county hockey and cricket player, still finds time to enjoy midweek and Sunday ringing at Leicester Cathedral, where she is secretary of the Cathedral Society She is also a member of the Roving Ringers

The Rev. B. F. F. Crane officiated at the service, in which the choir was led by the organist, Mr. A. E. Salmon.

A white figured lace ballerina-length dress with tiered net bustle back was worn by the bride, who was given away by her brother. Mr. Derek Dutton. Bridesmaids were the Misses Margaret Forrest, who is a ringer at Emmanuel Church. Hilary Corlett, a school friend, and Brenda Keir, of Bedford. Mr Ronald Kenrick. Ringing Master at Emmanuel Church. was best man, and groomsmen were Messrs. George Waterhouse, David Bromilow and Donald Holt.

After a reception at the Bold Arms Hotel, Churchtown, the honeymoon was spent in the Austrian Tyrol. Their permanent address is 3, Ashbourne Road, Wigston, Leicester.

## KENT RINGERS

N Sunday, August 14th. a party of ringers from Kent were joined by ringers from Somerset and Birmingham for a week's tour of Somerset and the Dorset coast.
Ringing started at Yeovil with an unsuccessful attempt for a quarter peal of Bob Royal. Most of the party seemed unused to heavy hells ( 40 cwt .), but more was to come in the afternoon when we joined the local band in ringing for Evensong at Wells Cathedral ( 10 , 56 cwt .). Another ten was visited in the evening, Evercreech ( 21 cwt .).
The tour started in earnest on Monday morning on the very pleasant eight at Clevedon (St. Andrew's, 14 cwt .). Ringing commenced with a good course of Cambridge Major, followed by Stedman and Grandsire Triples. After this the eight at Blagdon (1912 cwt .), with rather a long draught, proved a little tricky, but Double Norwich was rung quite successfully.
Unfortunately, the party lost two of its local male members for the afternoon. because they had to make hay while the sun shone! Meanwhile the eights at Banwell ( 23 cwt .), Winscombe ( 17 cwt .) and Cheddar ( 23 cwt .) were visited by the remainder.

## A VISIT TO THE CEILING

Tuesday dawned bright and clear. and ringing eventually started at Langport ( 17 cwt .). a pleasant six, which were rung to Stedman Doubles, St. Clement's, Plain and Littic Bob and Surfleet Minor. We were a little worried at first because, after raising the hells and being asked to stand, the ringer of the second was lifted nearly to the ceiling. Fortunately no damage was done-the slider had slipped the block, and subsequent ringing, though brief, was enjoyed. At the next tower. Curry Rivel. a well-toned eight, Bob Major. Stedman and Cambridge were rung without mishap.
We lunched at West Coker, where an enthusiastic stalwart considered it well worth a pint of ale to run and fetch the keys and raise all the eight bells ( 14 cwt .) so that the afternoon's pealers would save energy. Ringing here was necessarily brief before a peal of Bob Major was attempted at Martock ( 25 cwt.). This was successfully (though unintentionally) brought round at the halfway stage, since the two and three changed courses.
Meanwhile the 'enthusiastic stalwart' was not a little disconcerted to arrive back at the Dormobile to find it enveloped in a smoke sereen, produced from a rather burnt leg of lamb.

Crewkerne ( 8,22 cwt.) was visited after tea, and the party was joined hy Harry Gaylard. of Yeovil, and the local tower captain. This fine Taylor eight was much enjoyed and was rung to Yorkshire. Little Boh. Siedman and Grandsire.
Wednesday was a day by the sea. The first lower was Lyme Regis, where lack of parking facilities delayed one carload. and the first touch was of Minor. Subsequently these bells were much enjoyed. Thence to Bridport (8. 21 cwt.). where we were watched hy two French schoolboys. We envied the local ringers. there being no shortage of diverse hostelries all along the road, one of which had a sign depicting the belfry of this church.

## RUNG KNEELING

The next stop was Burton Bradstock ( $6,10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwi.), where our ' enthusiast ' was again bribed to fetch the keys. The ropes and sallies were so low here that. after fetching six hassocks. a touch of Bob Minor was rung-all ringers kneeling! After quenching our fiery thirsts at a pleasant local inn, we made our way to the beach for a swim and some lunch. Unfortunately, this was the point of departure for one of our Birmingham ladies, who had to return to work.

After a long stop for tea in Bridport we visited Beaminster, with a pleasant, rather heavy Bilbie eight ( 25 cwt.). The party seemed to lack energy or inspiration. despite a restful afternoon. as we didnit really do these bells justice

## A SUCCESS

Thursday morning was booked for a peai attempt at Drayton, and after repeated warnings from the organiser not to be late, we were all amazed andmot a little amused when he eventually arrived three-quarters-of-an-hour later after getting lost trying to find another Drayton. A peal was successfully brought round in 3 hours 2 minutes, details of which appear elsewhere.
After lunch we rang on the pleasant, though a little heavy, six ( $17 \mathrm{cwt}$. ) at Stoke-sub-Hambdon, and the rather noisy six at Norton-subHambdon ( 18 cwt. ). Crewkerne was again visited for tea, and we then had a brief ring at Merriott ( $6,12 \mathrm{cwt}$.), omitted earlier in the week due to lack of time. The last bells of the day were at South Petherton (8,23 cwi.) in a fine octagonal tower. Resources of energy had been considerably exploited by this time. and this and the long draught combined to produce little striking worthy of these bells.
The final day's ringing started at Bruton, on a melodious hut heavy six ( 25 cwt ) : nevertheless. Cambridge Minor, Grandsire and Stedman were rung. We were rather late at Charlton Horethorn, as one car had to retrace a mile to collect the spare wheel from a local garage. We were not very impressed with this eight (14 cwe.), and soon made our way to Castle Cary, where we enjoyed the eight ( 15 cwt ), although only Plain Bob. Grandsire and Stedman were rung. The tour finished in the afternoon by ringing at Chewton Mendip, on a very fine eight $(24 \mathrm{cwt}$.). Litton, a rather noisy six ( 11 cwt .), and Hinion Blewett, a tuneful five ( $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.),
Our thanks are due to the organiser and ati the local incumbents and tower captains who allowed us to use thein bells and who met us.

## TALGARTH RINGERS IN THE MALVERN HILLS

The ringers of SI. Gwendoline's Church. Talgarth, were joined by ringers from places as far afield as Brecon. Glasbury, Gilwern, Eardisley. Old Radnor and Llandrindod Wells for their annual ringing tour, which this year. on August 31st, was in the Malvern district. Ledbury, the first lower, was reached shortly after $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .$. and here the party were joined hy the Vicar of Llanarth, the Rev. Ivor Richards. Touches of Grandsire. Bob Major and Stedman Triples were rung on the fine ring of eight (tenor 24 cwt.). housed in a detached campanile. At Dodderhill, touches of Grandsire. Bob Major and Stedman were rung at the Church of St. Augustine on the ring of eight $(18 \mathrm{cwt}$.). These hells went remarkably well and were enjoyed by all.
Thence to Droitwich. where the party split up and went their several ways for lunch. In the afternoon two towers were visited-St. Mary de Wych. Wychbold, where touches of Grandsire, Stedman. Bob Minor and Kent were rung. and St. Marys. Hanbury, situated in a position of pre-eminence on top of a hill.
The party returned to Worcester for tea. The heavy rain spoilt an otherwise perfect day. At Tarrington the ringing was brought to a premature end when the clapper of the fifth bell fell out after touches of Stedman and Bob Minor.
The trip was organised by Mr. D. H. Bennett. the Talgarth Ringing Master, to whom the thanks of all are due for arranging five excellent rings of bells.

## OBITUARY <br> CANON C. E. LAST

Great Horwood ringers will sadly miss in the tower a faithful member of the band, for Canon Charles Edward Last, the Rector for the past seven years, took as much interest in the west end of the church as the east.
His death at sea was a shock to his wide circle of friends, especially after hearing that the voyage to some extent had done him good. His voice had failed him for two years, and after trying treatment in various hospitals without success, he was invited to Singapore for Chinese treatment. But he died before reaching the harbour.
Canon Last was the son of the Rector of Launton. His early years in the ministry were spent in the Carlisle diocese. In 1956 he became Rural Dean of Mursley. When he first came to Great Horwood his ringing was limited to a plain course of Grandsire Doubles. but he made rapid progress and was soon able to master five methods. He became chairman of the Central Bucks Branch in 1958. As well as a keen ringer he was a fine bass singer.
Great Horwood Church was filled to capacity on Sunday, September 4 th, for the memorial service. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. Dilworth (Vicar of Whaddon) the lesson read by the Rev. C. L. G. Hutchings. R.D., and the address given by the Bishop of Buckingham (the. Rt. Rev. R. M. Hay). Prayers were led by the Ven. Gordon Savage, and the service closed with the singing of the Nunc Dimittis.
Previous to the service his fellow ringers at Great Horwood rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles, the band consisting of Miss J. Emery 1, E. Barrs 2. F. G. Edmans (captain) 3 F. Gregory 4. M. Jamieson (conductor) 5, K Moore 6. As the service concluded a shor touch was rung by officers of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and the Central Bucks Branch Those taking part were H. L. Roper (librarian) Miss M. R. Cross (general secretary), D Wheeler (secretary, Central Bucks Branch). F Gibbard, F. G. Edmans and D. Wheeler.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. ERNEST J. JELLEY

On September 8th. at St. John the Divine's. Leicester, before a good company of ringers and friends, a plaque commemorating a halfmuffled quarter peal of Grandsire Caters to the memory of the late Ernest J. Jelley. of South Wigston (who was a great helper at this church). was dedicated by the Vicar (the Rev. Basil Williams).
A perfect course of Grandsire Triples on handbells followed, rung by John J. Jelley 1-2. Sidney Harrison 3-4, Ernest Morris 5-6. Russeli S. Morris 7-8.

Both before and after the ceremony the ten bells of St. John's were rung to a variety of methods, in which all attending took part.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MR. PETER BORDER'S REPLY
Dear Sir,-I was glad to see in your issue of September 9th the various comments provoked by my letter on the subject of handbell peals of Minimus.
!n reply to Mr. Brewin, I would say that if he were to take the trouble to re-read my original letter, he would find that the sarcasm of which he complains refers entirely to the footnote accompanying the peal in question. I did not intend (and I do not believe that I did) ta slight the Leicester Diocesan Guild in general at all.

With reference to Mr. Jelley's letter, I could indeed suggest many ways in which two men could occupy themselves for 1 hour and 25 minutes. However, as the peal report shows that a Mr. K. B. Townsend was also engaged for the same time, perhaps it would be better if I suggested an occupation for three?

Mr. Jelley has also seen fit to raise comment upon an entirely irrelevant subject, viz.. peals of Yorkshire Maximus, to which I will take the opportunity to reply. The whole point of using the single at Wrong in such a composition is to obtain a peal of approximately 5,000 changes without disturbing the coursing order of the back bells. Of course, I am aware that 5,040 can be obtained by the use of bobs alone, but only at the expense of rather peculiar music while the necessary juggling is being done. claim no originality in conception for this de vice : in fact, the idea is quite well known, but to the best of my knowledge it has not previously been employed to shorten peals of Surprise Maximus.-Yours faithfully

PETER BORDER.
Coventry

## FIRING, AT WINCHESTER

Dear Sir,-I believe the 'firing' of the bells at Winchester Cathedral for the Queen Mother's birthday must be a local custom, because it took place when I visited the Cathedral with a touring party a few years ago, and on a Sunday, morning at that. It was an experience I don't wish to share again, and judging by the faces of some of my colleagues. I was not alone in this respect.

Firing " is by tradition associated with festive occasions, and whilst this custom at weddings. and to some extent on national occasions, is deep-rooted and likely to remain so, I think the practice should be used sparingly, and not used simply as a sort of supporting act of the "you're happy down there. so are we-just listen type.

Prolonged 'firing is unnecessary, whatever the occasion, and has nothing to commend it. At best it is a bad habit, lacking in imagination, and at worst a rather crude demonstration which shows a negative approach to the situation. What is worse. it leaves a sense of bewilderment as well as a had impression on the non-ringing public, especially those living nearby, who are often enforced listeners anyway. These people can be our best or worst amhassadors, and in my opinion they are more likely to react favourably to the sound of a well-struck quarter peal. This. hy contrast, has the merit of being a far more tolerable, as well as a more practical demonstration. and more fitted to the occasion. whether it is a national one or as a compliment to a distinguished birthday.-Yours sincerely.

Backwell. Somerset
JOHN BRAIN.

## 'FIRING ' OF BELLS

Dear Sir,-In his recent letter with regard to the "firing of bells. Mr. Gauntlett quotes the case of bells heard 'firing " reasonably well. Whilst 'firing cannot be defended on strictly musical grounds, there is no doubt that this traditional form of salute can be extremely effective provided that it is performed only with absolute precision.
The effectiveness of 'firing ' is entirely due to the contrast between it and the preceding rounds or changes. The resounding crash, preceded as it is by a dramatic pause and then when repetition of this mighty sound is stil expected, the bells breaking out into the cascading thirds of the Queens change. cannot fail to impress even the unaccustomed ear of the layman. However, the essence of this effectiveness is contrast, and the prolonged 'fir ing of bells can only detract from the listeners appreciation of the performance. Possibly the hest arrangement is two bursts of 'firing ' each of seven whole pulls, preceded by and ending with rounds, with the possible inclusion of Queens between the two salutes. although it eften requires considerable physical effort to hreak fluently into that change immediately after 'firing.

The attainment of good 'firing: like al things worth while, is not easy, particularly as the opportunities for intentional practice are few: but our art would be the poorer if one should never again hear a sonorous ring im maculately engaged in the performance of this inimitable salute.-Yours faithfully,

Selsdon, Surrey. IOHN CHILCOTT,

## THE LIGHTEST RING

Dear Sir.-I read with interest in . The Ring ing World: dated September 9th, of Mr Arthur Jopp's claim to the lightest ring of six in the world. thus relieving Mr. Jarvis of this proud title.
At the present lime Mr. Jarvis can claim ownership of the lightest ring of six on which a peal has been rung; I therefore wish the footnote of our Balscote peal to be amended accordingly.
May I, on hehalf of the Balscote band, wish Mr . Jopp and his ringers every success in their attempt to claim this unique record from Mr . Jarvis.
The best of luck, Mr. Jonp, and may we read of your success in the not-too-distant future.-Yours faithfully.
Deddington. Oxford.

## FIELDS FOR COMPOSITIONS

Dear Sir.-The composition rung to Osgathorpe and published in the "R.W. of August 26th is not merely a reduction of the 6.496 but a different composition. As proof of this the longer peal is false to Southport. the first named of the published list of methods to which the 5.152 is true. There are many other methods which have the f.c.e. 26543 in combination with the York group of f.c.e.: all of which are false to the 6.496 but true to the 5.152
On the subjeat of Surprise Major composiions. it is a great pity that so much time is wasted in trying to find new avenues in the built-up areas of Yorkshire and Pudsey, when there is so much badly needed development required in the wide open spaces so ahly being done by such composers as Dick Speed. Stephen Ivin and Dennis Knox. I have hundreds of good methods for which there is no composition: a few of them have recently been rung to peals composed by the ahove-named. Yours, etc.

Leicester

## Settling An American Argument

A statement made by Professor Price. of the Unisersity of Michigan, before a convention of sound experis, that the socalled technique of 12 -tone composition and serial writing, starled by Schonberg and other composers aboul 30 vears ago was not modern but had been used in English change-ringing for about three centuries, was challenged by members of the audience.
To settle the argument. the Professor wrove 10 Mr . Paul Taylor for recordings of typical English church bell music. These recordings were made by Leicester Cathedral band on September 12 th , in charge of Mr. Herrick Bowley
First was rung on the back six of the Cathedral bells rounds, reverse rounds (654321), Queens, rewerse Queens (642531) ottwards' (342516), the first 38 changes only of Oxford T.B. Minor, Stand' being called at the reble's hackstroke dodge in 5-6 halfway whough the second lead.

Then on 12 bells rounds, reverse rounds, Queens, reverse Queens, 'outwards' and the first lead of Bob Maximus (omitting the dodge and running round at the treble lead). This was followed by set changes on 12 bells especially' designed by' the Professor for musical effect.

For good measure, rounds on 13 (including the flat 6th!), and as requested Grandsire Doubles (back six). Triples Caters and Cinques, and a bobbed course of Grandsire Triples on the Stelfex eight were ring.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Canterbury District With Ladies' Guild

Summer came at last for the joint meeting of the Canterbury District and the Kent Branch of the Ladies Guild at the Church of SS. Ethelburga and Mary, Lyminge. on September 10th. This was a delightful setting in a very beautiful old church with many historical associations.

A large number gathered to ring on the re-cently-restored eight. Unfortunately, the meeting was marred by an accident 10 a visitor. when she fell in the church, necessitating her removal to hospital. We hope that she will soon be fully recovered.
The service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. F. G. A. Luckett), who has recently come to this parish from Pluckley

After an ample tea in the Village Hall, the Canterbury District held a short business meeting. under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Willis. A number of new memhers were elected, many of whom were young ringers from the local tower. The next District meeting will be the annual on October 8th. Mr. Luck welcomed the Ladies' Guild, on behalf of the District. and thanked all those responsible for the success of this meeting. As Mrs. Mitchell had to make an unexpectedly early departure (though she was able to return later in the eveningl. Mrs. Barnett responded for the Ladies' Guild. thanking the Canterbury District for their welcome and congratulating them on the excellent attendance at their meeting, which could not he entirely due to the presence of the ladies. The next ladies meeting will be on October 15th at Milton-next-Gravesend

Further ringing was enjoyed during the evening, and a ladies touch of Stedman Triples was achieved.
S. M. D.

## LAKE DISTRICT \& NORTH-EAST TOUR

ERIDAY, August 12th, saw the managemen of the King's Head Hotel, Loughborough rolling out the red carpet for two carloads of peal-hungry tourists, comprising a Metropolitan contingent in the shape of Jill Neal Smith. escorted by Messrs. Dibben, Deason and Leale, followed eventually by the Provincials, these heing Anne Garnett chaperoned by Messrs. Munday, Bagworth. Castledine and Harwood The receptionist seemed surprised that break fast was not ordered for 5 a.m., but was even tually convinced that the guests were not yet tired of life and therefore had no intention of performing at the Foundry next day.

At Old Glossop (8) on Saturday morning they were joined by Ralph Edwards and Pat Cannon, whose respective wives had also come along to keep them in order. Some brisk touches were rung on these pleasant bells, without overturning the stayless treble and second. In rather depressing weather the convoy proceeded through the Lancashire countryside (viai Ashton-under-Lyne, Oldham and Rochdale) to St. Peter's, Burnley, where Mr. Norman Smith met them and a peal of Yorkshire was rung on this excellent eight. Later in the evening the Lake District was entered, and the Skelwith Bridge Hotel, near Ambleside, became the headquarters for the next four days.

## 'CANNON'S FOLLY'

On Sunday, ringing for Matins on the majestic eight at Ambleside was followed by an expedition, which was intended as a relaxing scenic tour but will probably go down in history as 'Cannon's Folly': transit of the infamous Wrynose and Hardknott passes involved the nego:iation of continuous 1-in-3 gradients clinging to the edges of awesome precipices, and the destination was reached with chronic palpitations and molten grease dripping from the hub-caps. Two touches of Bob Major sufficed at the tower in question. Despite coming home the easy way, some were still too late to ring for Evensong at Langdale (6). and are grateful to Mr. Birkett for allowing ringing after the service.

On Monday morning the peal attempt was at Sedbergh (8), where they were pleased to meet Mr . Gardiner and hear, something of Mr. Woodhouse and his famous ringing machine. 'The tenor king " masterfully brought Middleton's round for the umpteenth time.

Ringing in the afternoon was first at Orton, a pleasant eight. whose ropes have seen better days: the eight at Kirby Stephen, rung from the ground floor in a most impressive church; and Appleby (6), another ground floor ring. The day's ringing concluded on the fine eight at Penrith, where one who knew not his own strength neatly bisected the tenor slider at the conclusion of the rise, thus disgracing the party, who were, however, somewhat compensated by his subsequent short (very short) period of quiet meditation.

## 'A GERM

Tuesday dawned to the sound of dismal wailing from those of the party stricken by a localised outbreak of plague: they received scant sympathy, however, from our 'medical officer, who confidently, but somewhat vaguely, diagnosed ' a germ' and prescribed bed and no peals. The morning peal was on the excellent light eight at Hawkshead, where the hand were pleased to ring with the Vicar and Mr. Shuttleworth. In the afternoon some bold hearts ventured on to Lake Windermere, whilst others remained idle until the time came for ringing at Bowness (8) and Brathay (6).

On Wednesday morning. Cambridge Royal at Dation-in-Furness was lost at the halfway stage through an error on the part of the conductor: however. he can at least claim credit for craftity shifting the blame on to shoulders more accustomed to bearing it. Ringing after lunch was at Ulverston (6). Broughton (a good eight) and Millom (6). Later some of the party rang an extent of London Minor at Kirkby Ireleth and returned to Skelwith Bridge via a route which. to the amazement of the driver (but not of the navigators), involved a further crossing of the Wrynose Pass.

On Thursday morning ' goodbye ' was said to Skelwith Bridge, with hopes for better weather elsewhere. At Crosthwaite Mr. Brownrigg recorded the first five minutes of the peal of Lincolnshire: it is to be hoped that no one who subsequently hears it will think that it was all like that! The afternoon was free: whilst some climbed mountains, others swindled the local stamp dealers, and all eventually met again at the Globe Hotel, Cockermouth. Ring ing in the evening was at Bridekirk (6) and Cockermouth (8), where Mr. Roger Wettenhall met the party. The first touch of Spliced Surprise was rung on the bells.

## FOLLOWING "BOND'S BASHERS

Friday was an energetic day, with a peal of New Cambridge on the excellent eight at Cleator Moor to set the ball rolling: those not ringing were kindly entertained to tea by Mr . and Mrs. Tembey. After lunch we rang on the eights at Arlecdon and Hensingham, another pleasant but very odd-struck ring. Frequent reference to visitors' books in this area gave the impression that preceding the party was a company referred to locally as 'Bond's Bashers perhaps we left a better impression. Evening ringing was at St. Bees (8), Egremont (where Derwent Surprise Major went well) and Workington, where the eight have recently been rehung and our medical officer challenged A P. C.'s opinion of women in the belfry by turning in the tenor io Spliced.

After saying goodbye to Anne Garnett, Mrs. Cannon and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards on Saturday morning, those remaining made their way to Aspatria. As this was to be the first peal on the bells, we decided on a dead cert, with the result that the well-known music hall turn of Cannon and Heywood put on a three-hour show. Although, contrary to popular belief, these bells go extremely well, their quietness in the ground floor ringing chamber detracts from their appeal. The afternoon was spent at sunny Silloth. At Thursby, Hector Bennett joined for the remainder of the tour: the six here certainly needed some ringing, and we were very grateful for the subsequent refreshments at the Vicarage. The last tower of the day was St. Stephen's, Carlisle, where Mr. Butterfield met us and later joined us at the Red Lion Hotel.


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On Sunday morning, after ringing for Matins at Carlisle Cathedral, both cars set their separate courses for Scotland, and some hours later entered the fair city of Edinburgh, where the master in charge at Fettes College was probably surprised to receive two parties of tower-grabbers within half-an-hour of each cther: the tower key not being available. neither was successful. We rang for Evensong at both St. Cuthbert's and the Cathedral, and are most grateful to Messrs. Wilson and Raine for accommodating us at such short notice Another two hours driving brought us ta Berwick-upon-Tweed. England, where we were pleased to see Marion and Alan Ainsworth and Eric Harrison, who were to complete the party for the rest of the tour.
The responsibility for the arrangements here passed from the writer to Alan Ainsworth, and the resulting outbreak of fanaticism meant two peal attempts on Monday. In the morning Bristol was rung on England's most northerly ringable bells-the musical eight at Bamburgh the back-enders had to work hard here. After lunch a Cannon knock-knock gained permis sion for us to ring at Embleton (6), after which the writer handed over his notebook to A. P. C and headed for southern climes.
R. L.

After ringing at Embleton we said goodbye to Jill and Robin, and continude to Alnwick to book in at the White Swan. The band that went to Rothbury, a pretty village set in the Northumbrian hills, scored a good peal of Yorkshire on a somewhat noisy ring, watched by a lady who stood in the belfry for over two hours!
Tuesday morning started with fine weather and our first tower was the famous Watch Tower at Morpeth, where we were welcomed by Miss Jennie Armstrong and Mr. Nicholas Wright: we rang a fast course of London on these modern Taylor bells. Mr. Wright accom panied us to Cramlington (a line, heavy six and Whitley Bay (8), home of the famous Gofton family, where we rang Rutland.

## ONE OF THE BEST

After booking in at the Rex Hotel, a substamial lunch prepared us for one of the best peals of the tour-Cambridge Royal at North Shields: the bells here are a handy ring by Mears and Stainbank, and have been a ten since 1878. Although, as usual, there were some odd-struck bells, a brisk beat was maintained throughout, and we finished an excellent peal in the fast time of 3.2 .

Coming out of the tower we were greeted by that well-known Cheshire and Suffolk leg-puller. David Vincent, and enjoyed a pleasant hour in the 'local." during which the subject of bellhanging was the chief topic! "Bor Deervud came to Newcastle Cathedral practice. where our 12 -bell ringing was not distinguished, but we finished with a good course of London on the back eight.
On Wednesday, the frequent wet weather returned. We rang at Newburn, a noisy and heavy six, Newton Hall (6) and the well-known Hexham Abbey, where we rang Bristol and Superlative on a fair ring of fixed vintage. We continued to Allendale. set in lovely country where we found a first-class Taylor ring, cast in 1910. The Vicar welcomed us at the church. and a very fast peal of Rutland was well rung in 2.29. Arriving back at Whitley Bay, we en joyed the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Capey, parents of Marion Ainsworth. who had prepared a sumptuous supper for us. Their kindness was much appreciated.

## BOTH FEET OFF THE GROUND

On Thursday another peal of Cambridge Royal was rung, at Gosforth on the northern outskirts of Newcastle. This was also a big day for the maternity hospital next door to the church; we understand that our "fastest on the bells " was not the only record broken. Although the bells are generally a very fine ring. the toggles on 2-3 tend to stick a little, with the result that Bill Deason was able to demonstrate his unusual skill at ringing with both feet off the ground on a number of occasions.

## LAKE DISTRICT TOUR-Cont.

After lunch we visited St. George's, Jesmond. where we rang Lincolnshire and Spliced, and then to Fenham, where Mears and Stainbank cast one of their best rings in 1930. Here we were joined by Kenneth Arthur and Alan Ainsworth's sister, who joined us for a touch of Stedman. Once again we were delighted 10 enjoy northern hospitality, this time at Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ainsworth's. Alan's parents, for a grand tea. An extra peal for the evening was something out of the ordinary. The tower was Gateshead, a fast-moving ring, where three of our band joined five Tynesiders and Alan called a complex peal of Stedman Triples by J. W. Parker.

Friday brought us to our only day in County Durham, where our first job was to ring a peal of Lincolnshire at Chester-le-Street, an oldstyle Taylor ring. After lunch we visited parts of the county which are mainly industrial but still preserve some scenic beauty. First was Lanchester, a very fair ring of six, and then Tanfield, scene of the annual ringers' cricket match. As this was the writer's 2,325 th tower, he decided to try something new (for him), and called nine leads of spliced four including London. The band decided he'll be out of the beginner's stage very soon now!

At Benfieldside, where the six are hung in two tiers in a very small tower. we were met by Mr. C. T. Lamb, who had kindly also arranged the next two towers. These were the two eights at Blackhill, where we found a fair ring at St. Aidan's and some fine, modern Taylor bells at St. Mary's. In the evening we attended the practice at Consett, and were later most generously entertained to supper by Mr. and Mis. Norman Errington.

## THE FINAL PEAL

The last day of the tour arrived and. after a free morning, we met at Newcastie Cathedral where, with the assistance of George Deas. We rang a very good peal of Bob Royal. Alan Ainsworth making a fine job of the 37 cwt . tenor. To encourage him in his task he was presented with a gramophone record token before the start. with our very grateful thanks for his excellent arrangements. Thank you Alan, and also Eric for the use of your car
After spending Saturday night in Boroughbridge, we rang on Sunday morning at Sher-burn-in-Elmet, where the writer was pleased to meet some old friends. So, after a fortnight. we returned home. having covered some 1.700 miles with ringing in 59 towers and passing through 23 counties. We shall always remember the North of England for its wonderful scenery and the kindness and hospitality of its ringers.
A. P.C.

## BARNSLEY DISTRICT CUP

## CONTEST

Four teams entered for the cup contest on September luth, held with the monthly meeting at Hoylandswaine, near Sheffield. Two new teams entered-Ossett and Wentworth-the latter including Canon King and his two sons. The test was 720 changes, with Mr. Tom Hilton as judge and his sen as marker.
Results and order of ringing were: Wentworth 121 faults. Shelley 55 . Cawthorne 49 , Ossett 101. The cup was presented by Mr Fred Wigmore, a member of the Ely Diocesan Association. Receiving the cup on behalf of Cawthorne. Mr. Wilfred Broadhead recalled that 34 years ago he helped Cawthorne to win it. Mr. Edward Atkinson thanked the judge and marker, and all who had helped with the meeting.

An excellent tea was served in the Church Hall, and the next meeting was fixed for Hemsworth, near Pontefract, on October 8th.

Mr. H. Chant has adapted and increased Mr. C. K. Lewis 22 methods of Minor in an extent to 25 . It was rung in a peal at Thry bergh, Yorks, on September 2nd

## EAST RIDING RINGERS' SUMMER TOUR

HOR their summer tour, the East Riding
Ringers decided to visit towers in the more scenic parts of Yorkshire. Ten ringers from churches in the East Riding took part, and were joined from time to time by other ringing friends. Most of the party assembeld at Malton Youth Hostel on Friday, August 26th.

On Saturday, ringing took place on the octaves at Malton and Norton before a pleasant ride through the Vale of Pickering to Wykeham, where we were joined by our tenth member, who had cycled from Middlesbrough that morning. Here we rang a variety of Doubles methods on the five bells, which stand in a separate tower at the entrance to the churchyard. Scarborough was covered in mist when we arrived, and the bells had competition from a fog horn on the pier. A wet ride over the moors brought us to Boggle Hole, where we spent the night.

Bcfore the Sunday morning service we made the tower at Fylingdales sway nicely to Stedman and Grandsire Triples. The Vicar, in his sermon. thanked us and appealed for a 'local crew ' to ring the bells. We arrived in Whitby after lunch to ring the famous. Bells of St. Mary's prior to the annual blessing of the fishing boats in the harbour below. Here we had a large audience as many thousands lined the quaysides for the service. After riding across the moors in a thunderstorm, we arrived at Saltburn in time to ring the heavy octave for Evensong. We attended the service and were given permission to ring the hells again hefore proceeding to the local youth hostel for the night.

## A - STRONGARM * HOUSE

The following day was spent in the Clevelands, and we soon arrived at Marske, where we were able to ring the back fivet of this very light six to a variety of Doubles methods. The fine octave at Skelton was put to good use. and after lunch we were pleased to find that Guisborough has a lower where two of the six bells are provided with seats for ringing! Here we tried some Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Boh Minor in comfort! The six at Stokesley proved very awkward to ring, but we all liked the fine octave at Carlton, where we rang Cambridge and Grandsire Triples. At Whorlton two of the local band joined in a course of Grandsire Doubles before we ascended the steep road over the Hambletons via Scarth Nick to Osmotherley, where we spent the night at a 'Strongarm house. We were awakened at regular intervals throughout the night by a two-bell clack chime at the nearby church.

Tuesday started fine, and assisted by a back wind we soon arrived at Thirsk, with its impressive church. Here we were ioined for the day by ringers from York and Bradford: Stedman Triples and Cambridge Minor were rung. After taking the wrong road, we eventually arrived at Kirby Wiske, where we rang the delightful six before having our packed lunches in A. B.'s garden. Bolton-on-Swale bells were not considered suitable for peal ringing, but by using 'brute force ' we were able to knock out some Bob Minor. Catterick had a curious assortment of ropes, but the bells were somewhat better than the previous tower's. At Richmond courses of Cambridge and Yorkshire Major were rung before a pleasant ride up Swaledale to Grinton Youth Hostel, where we stayed the night. In the local inn we learned that Grinton bells are the finest in the North.
The following morning a quarter peal was attempted before leaving Grinton, but this came to grief due 10 intruders. A short ride over the moors brought us to Middleham for our second visit this year. A short detour was made to ring at East Witton, also for a second visut by the band. This concluded the ringing on Wednesday, and a Icne. hard ride up Coverdale and through Upper Wharfedale brought us to Linton, where we spent the night. After supper, our Ringing Master proved his skill by cycling across the forded river in the dark for a pint of ale.

## AN ACCIDENT

On Thursday, three of us were involved in an accident. one cyclist being taken to hospital. With depleted strength. we managed to ring at Gargrave. Skipton. Kildwick. Addingham and Ilkley. The 'Yorkshire tail-ends' characterised the ringing that day

Rain accompanied us when we left Burley Woodhead Youth Hostel on Friday, but we were cheered up by a well-struck touch of Kent Major at Otley. Ringing was difficult in the confined space at Collingham. After a visit 10 Kirk Deighton tower, we cycled to York for the night

The last day of our cour beg.n. after an early start, with a quarter peal of Doubles at Pocklington. A second quarter peal was rung at Nunburnholme. After ringing at Mrket Weighton the team split up to wend tieir various ways home. This ended a very succeisful holiday, in which we cycled over 350 miles and visited 32 towers.
Thanks must he accorded to Ian Goldthorpe and John Rank for organising the tour, and to all incumbents and tower cavtains for their cooperation and the use of their bells. J. I. B.


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## BIRTH

BORER.-On Saturday, Sept. 10th. 1960, at 80, Hilltop Road. Frindsbury, to Peter and Jennifer (nee Highiey), a daughter. Denise Ann.

## RFTURN THANKS

Mr. E. T. Paul Field expresses his sincere thanks for the sympathetic attitude of very many ringing friends during the tive months which have elapsed since the loss of his beloved wile. Especially he thanks the bands of St . Mary's and St. James". Tiunton. for their unfailing kindness which hus lessened the loneliness of hereavement.

## PERSONAI.

If God he for us, who can be against us? (Rom. viii, 31b.)

## HANDBELLS WANTED

WANTED-Set of handbells: G. Yaxley, 43. Stitunton Road. Coleford. Glos. 6604

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## PUBLICATIONS

BELLRINGERS ${ }^{\circ}$ GUIDE TO CHURCH BELLS-DOVE. Please note that the second edition is now completely sold out in all three types of binding.-W. Viggers. Aldershot
BELLRINGERS' DIARY. 1961.-Sincere thanks to all secretaries who have sent Diary information. There are still some others, howcver. from whom I anxiously await copy. llease send per return or it will be too late to alter the present (1960) setting.-W. Viggers. 37. Hightield Gardens, Aldershot

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD DIN-NER.-Owing to circumstances beyond the control of the committee, the dinner this year is cancelled. 6651
OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Ringers coming up to Oxford University this term are invited to attend the business meeting at $8.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Tuesday, Oct. 11th, in the Old Bursary. New Col-dege.-N. J. Martin. St. Peter's Hall. 6646 UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM SO-CIETY.-Will freshers coming up this year, and other menthers interested in a pre-sessional conference peal, please contact J. G. Underwood, The Department of Chemistry. The Universily, Notlingham. 6643
DAVENTRY BRANCH OUTING.-Members taking part please note: Willoughby 12.10 , Daventry 12.20, Staverton 12.25, Byfield 12.35. Newnham 12.50, Weedon 12.55. Bugbrooke 1.5, Lower Heyford 1.10.

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UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY All ringers who are coming up as freshers this year are invited to write to the Secretary: 1. Maycock, 1109, Heathcote Road. Whitnash. Leamingion Spa.

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COMPLETE YOUR 1959 FILE.-Copies available of most isssues. Price 6d. post free. The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

## MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Stock port Branch.-Meeting at Fairfield. Buxton, on September 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Derby and Ilkeston District.-Monthly meeting at Horsley, Saturday. September 24th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Chertsey District.-Meeting at Oatlands Park, Saturday. September 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. 6624
LADIES' GUILD.-South Wales District.Meeting at Chepstow. September 24th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. 6622 LADIES GUILD.- West Midlands District. -Quarterly meeting. Saturday. Seplember 24th, at St. Michael's, Brierley Hill. Staffordshire. Ringing 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30-5$. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. Ringilig from 6 to 8 p.m. approximately.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Syston District.-Meeting at Thurcaston, on Saturday. September 24 i h. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea at Wheatsheaf $\ln n 4.30$ p.m.
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD-N626 meeting Winshill. Saturday, September 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15 p.m. All welcome. 6619 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. September 24th, at Marlow. Ringing 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 6604
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Bicester and District Branch.-Annual meeting, Brill. Saturday, Sept. 24th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m.-C. H. Kinch, Hon. Sec 6656
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. -Practice meeting at Willingdon. on September 24th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. - F. Beeney. Sec.

WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD - Andover District-Quarterly meeting, Longparish. Septemior 24 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Room. Hurstbourne Priors 7 to 7.45 p.m. St. Mary Bourne 7.45 to 9 p.m. 6593

WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD. -Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ropley. on September 244. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. 6620

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-Meeting, Bletsoe (6), Saturday Oit. 1st. Bells from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Please assist by sending names for tea by Sept. 28th at very latest.-R. L. Piron. 8. Bowhill. Bedford (tel 61835). 6672 COVFNTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Quarterly meeting. (ketoher lsf. Service 4.30 p.m.. Whitnash Parish Church. Tea and meeting will follow in Whitnash Parish Rooms. The principal business is to pay tribute to the veterans of the Guild, and it is hoped to
have them all present. Adjusted arrangements
St. Peter's, Wellesbourne. 10.30 to $11.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. All Saints', Sherborne, 11.30 to 12.30 : St. Mary Magdaline: s, Lillington, 2.30 to 3.30 : St. Margarets. Whitnash. 3 to 4.30 . Service. Whitnash, 4.30. Tea, Whitnash. 5. All Saints* Leamington Spa, 6 to 7.15 : St. Nicholas', Warwick: Si. Mary's (10), Warwick. 7 to 9 p.m. Please send names for tea by September 28th to Mr. P. Oram, 15. Henley Road, Leamingion Spa. This is a must--J. L. G. H. 6598
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - General quarterly. Chesterfield (10), Saturday, October 1st. Bells from 2 to 5.15 p.m. Committee 4. Business meeting in belfry at 5.15 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Staveley (8) available in evening in conjunction with meeting of Sheffield and District Society.-B. P. Morris. Sec.

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DEVON GUILD.-North East Branch.Quarterly meeting, Burlescombe, Saturday. Oct. lst. Bells ( 6 ) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business after. Holcombe-Rogus hells (6) available after 7 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Sept. 26th, to Secretary, Roseneath. The Avenue, Tiverton.

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting. Newcastle. Saturday. Oct. Ist. Ringing: Gosforth 11 to 12.30. Jesmond 2 to 3. Fenham 2.30 to 3.30 , Cathedral 3.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9. Gateshead 7 to 9 p.m. Service in Cathedral 4.15, with lea at Si. John's 5 p.m.. followed by business mecting. Names for tea by Sept. 29th to D. A. Bayles. 12, Crichton Avenue, Chester-le-Street.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION-A Annual dinner, on October 1st, at the Saracen's Head Hotel. Chelmsford, $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for 6.45 . p.m. Tickets 15s. Early applications with stamped addressed envelope, please.-F. V. Gant. 3, Central Drive. Hornchurch.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Furnham District. - Combined practice, Pirbright (6). Saturday, Oct. Ist. from 6 to 9 p.m. 6649

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District-Quarterly meeting at Baldock. October 1 st. 3 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Thursday. September 29th, to E Buck. 13. The Rise. Baldock.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting at Great Gaddesden. Saturday. October 1st. Bells 3 p.m Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for sea by Tuesday. September 27th. to Mrs. Robinson 3 Gade Cottages. Great Gaddesden, Herts. J. Good. Dis. Sec

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Watford District.-Meeting at Rickmansworth (10), Saturday, Oct. 1 st .3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names, please, by 28 th , to Mr H. A. Bradbury, 74, Winton Drive, Croxley Green. Rickmansworth.-G. W. Seaman. Dis Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford District.-Annual general meeting at Ashford, Saturday. October 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday. to Miss M. Jones. 30. Park Road. Ashford-C. T. H. 6633
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Lewisham District) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (Northern District).-Joint meeting. West Wickham. Saturday, October 1st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to Miss M. R. Andrews. 43. Wansunt Road. Bexley-M. R. Andrews and W. Parrott. Hon. Secs. 6623

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Tonbride Distriat.-Annual District meeting. Saturday. October 1st. at Tonbridge. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 n.m. Names for tea by Thursday. September 29th. to Mr. W Dobbie. 13. Ballic Road. Tonhridge. fifl6

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch.-The annual meeting will take place at Morecambe (8) on Saturday. Oct. Ist, after tea. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Handley, Heversham Hall. Milnthorpe. Westmorland. 6650
LEFDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Meeting, Drighlineton (8). Saturday, Oct. Ist. Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tex to Mr. M. Brown, 3. Driftholme Road, Whitehall Road Drighlington. Bradford.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Leicesler District-Meeting, South Wigston, Saturday, Oct. Ist. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Teal and meeting in Church Rooms 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 28th, please. to Mr. B. G. Warwick. ${ }^{12}$. Dorothy Avenue.
Glen Hills, Leicester,-J. P. Kesterton, Dis. Sec. 6661
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION J. Airmiger Trollope Commemorative Dinner will be held at Ealing Town Hall, on Saturday. October 1st. 6.30 p.m. Tickets 17 s . each. from any officer of the Association. Ringing during the afternoon.-T. J. Lock, Hon. Sec., 57. Holloways Lane, North Mimms, Hatfield. Herts.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The autumn general meeting of the Guild will be held at Newbury on Saturday. October 1st. 2.30 p.m., business meeting in the Corn Exchange. Newbury; 4.30, service in the Parish Church: 530 , tea in the Corn Exchange. Applications for tea tickets, together with remittance of 2 s . 6 d ., should be made to Mr. H. Lawrenson. 52. Kings Road, Newbury, Berks, before Wednesday. September 28th. Tickets can be collected at the business meeting. It is essential that names should be sent to Mr . Lawrenson in order to facilitate catering arrangements. Towers available and ringing times (subject to confirmation and alteration): 10-11 a.m.: Lambourne (8), Peasmore (6), Stanford Dingley (4), Beenham (6); 11-12 noon: East Garston (6). Chieveley (6), Midgham (6): 12-1 p.m.: Great Shefford (6), Shaw (6). Bucklebury (8); 1-2 p.m.: Speen (6). Newbury (10); 6.15-7.30 p.m.: Newbury (10) : 6.30-7.30 p.m.: Kintbury (6), Thatcham (8) ; 6.45-7.45 p.m.: Hungerford (8), Hampstead Norris (6), Aldermaston (8) ; 7-8 p.m.: Compton (6), Yattendon (6), Mortimer (8); 7.30-8.30 p.m.: East Ilsley (8). Brightwalton (6). Burghfield (6).-M. R. Cross, 6563
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Thrapston Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Titchmarsh (8). Saturday, Oct. 1st, Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, please.-L. Witton, 4, John's Street, Thrapston, Kettering, Northants
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM -Quarterly meeting, Aston. October 1st. Bells (12) available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Guild Hotel, Witton Road. for those who notify by Seplember 28th.-G. E. Fearn. 92, Etwall Road. Birmingham 30. SPR 1025.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Westbury. Saturday. Oct. Ist. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins, 136. Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wilts. 6306 SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION.-Annual eight-bell festival (call-changes), Dartmouth (St. Saviour's), Saturday, Oct. Ist, commencing with service at $30^{\circ} \mathrm{clock}$
SUFFOLK GUILD - West Central District -Meeting, Barking (6). October 1st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 28th. to Mrs. Lester, 40. Stowmarket Road, Needham Market.-H. Mitson. Dis. Sec.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Southern Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Bretforton. Saturday. Oct. Ist. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 27th, to W. J. Newman. 7. New Road. Hampion.

## Evesham.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION Western Branch.-Practice. Wychbold. Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells (6) available 7 to 9 p.m. F. Hyde. Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Quarterly meeting at York, on Suturday, October 1st. Service in Minster 4 p.m. Choir festival, augmented choir. Minster bells 2 to 3.50: Acomb and Architectural Institute after meeting Tea 5 p.m... in Railway Institute. Names by September 29th. to Miss M. E. Milkman. 10. St. Oswald's Road, York. Snowdon Dinner tickets avaikable.-H: S. Morley. Hon. Dis. Sec.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterhury District.-Annual meeting. St. Dunstan's. Canterbury. Octoher 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 2s. per head. Names together with eash. please. not later than Wednesday. Ociober 5th, to me. Nominations

## WAITING TO RING



PICTURED here are the ringers of St . Curig's, Porthkerry, Glamorgan, waiting to ring for a wedding. The church will only accommodate 70 people, even when chairs are placed under the tower at the west end where the ringers stand. These chairs are removed while the register is heing signed so that the bells can greet the happy couple leaving the church.
This tower has eight senior and six junior members. Like Chepstow. it is a family tower, and includes a father and son. father and daughter, brother and sister, and three sisters (two twins). The average attendance on Sundays is 11 for this 6-bell tower, and ringing includes a variety of Doubles and Minor methods.

An outing was held in May, with ringing at Llangibby, near Usk, Staunton and Newland (Forest of Dean). and Marshlield, near Newport. [Photo by courtesy of

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for District officers same date. Full details on lower notices. Copy to non-district members on receipt of S.A.E.-T. C. Phillimore. 47. St. Peter's Giove. Canterbury. 6631
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Eastern Branch.-Meeting. Sibsey, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Rells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Oct. 3rd, to me.W. E. Clarke. 99. Norfolk Street. Boston.

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LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO. CIATION. - Llandaff Branch. - Meeting at Dyffryn. Neath. Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business. -R. E. Coles. Branch Sec. 6662 LONDON COUNTY ASSOC'ATION. Meeting. Saturday, Oct. 8th. St. George's, Wells Way. Camberwell. 4 to 5.30 p.m. Business 5.30 to 6. St. Margaret's. Westminster, 7.15 to 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.-Rogers, 53. The Grove, Isleworth. ISL 3921. 6657 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Southern Branch.-Meeting, New Buckenham. Saturday. Oct. 8th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Time of service to be arranged. Names for tea by Wednesday. Dat. 5 th. 10 Mr . W. G. Saunders, King Street. New Buckenham, Norwich. - C. F. W. Phillippo. Hon. Sec. 6654 SOUTH WALES NOMADS - Practice meeting. Cu'mcarvan, Saturday. Oct. 8th, 4 to 7 p.m. All welcome. For transport from A40 bus stop please contact D. Pike. 58, Caradog Road. Caerleon. Newport.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District Ringing meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th, Mildenhall ( 10 ). Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea by Wednesday. Oct. 5th, to Mr. J. Y. Parker Broom Cottage. Worlington, Bury St. Edmunds

WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-The 23 rd annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall. Worcester, on Saturday. October 8th. at 5.45 p.m. prompt. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 3.30-5 p.m. All Saints' (10) $4-5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets (12s. each) obtainable until Wednesday. October 5th, from Branch officers or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec. Sedgeberrow, Evesham

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION -
Annual dinner, Saturday, Oct. 29th, Rose and Crown Hotel. Tonbridge. 6.is for 6. $45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets (13s.) from Miss D. Colgate. 30. Buckhursi Avenue, Sevenoaks. Please apply early as number limited.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ST. JOHN'S. HILLINGDON.-No practice on Monday, Sept, 26th. Joint meeting of Ladles", Oxford and Middlesex Guilds on Saturday Oct. 29th.-F. W. Goodfellow.
(For Late Notices see back page.)

## OUTING

## To N.W. Bucks and District

A very enjoyable day amongst the 5- and 6hell towers of N.W. Bucks and nearby Oxon and Northants was spent by a small party of ringers on August 27th.

Two of the local band met us at Wotton Underwood, which is approached by a milelong road in very poor condition; unfortunately one carload arrived late, but managed a quick pull before continuing to Brill, another ground floor six of quite pleasant tone. Two fives followed. Ludgarshall and Piddington, which Whites, of Appleton, have recently rehung Mr. E. H. Jones welcomed us here. It was a long drive to our next call at Souldern, where the sallies often catch in the rather small rope holes: however, the bells 'go well, and a rapid iob course of Cambridge was enjoyed. Croughton Church possesses a fine ring of five by Taylor's (1924), and we were pleased to have one of the locals join in a touch. Orfe more visit hefore lunch was to Brackley, an old six rehung and retuned by Mears to make a good $13 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{cw}}$. ring. Although ropesight is difficult. due to the ropes hanging in two straight lines. a course of London was successfully brought round.

A longer lunch interval than intended caused us to be late at most of the afternoon towers. The first two were fives-Eventey, a light, poortoned ring, and Tingewick, a 'lumpy' ring, rung from a gallery. Our pull at Hillesdon was very short as the key arrived late: however. we were able to admire the fine church while wait ing-regrettably, the hells do not match the church. The Rector and his wife met us at East Claydon, and before we raised the bells in peal the Rector recited the Oxford Guild Office. Then on to North Marston, 10 find another good Mears six of exactly the same weight as Brackley's : the Vicar met us and related some of the interesting features of his church and its history. Granborough's five were sampled prior to a break for tea.

Another gallery ring was found at Swanbourne ( $6,14 \mathrm{cwt}$.). while our last ground floor six was at Mursley, a very musical ring The Vicar and one of the old ringers greeted us at Drayton Parslow, having a six which are very rarely heard, though again a tuneful ring The final tower was Wingrave: the bells require a lot of effort-it is hoped to have these rehung in the near future.

As the party included ringers from as far apart as Staffordshire and Kent. a prompt de parture soon after 9 p.m. was advisable. but not hefore agrecing thit it had been a successful day. Thanks to all those who had readily given us permission to ring at their various
towers.

1. H. O.

## LATE NOTICES

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDGuilsborough Branch.-Meeting, East Haddon (6), Saturday, Oct. 1st. Names for tea by Tuesday previous 10 E. Thresher, 22, Watson Road, Long Buckby, near Rugby.

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.General meeting, Saturday, Oet. 15th, at St. Olave's Parish Hall, Mark Lane, E.C.3, 4 p.m. Ringing: St. Lawrence Jewry 2 to 3, St. Olave's, Hart Street, after meeting and tea. Weekly practices begin at St. Olave's on Oct. 11th at 6.30. Freshers especially welcome. Nearest tube, Tower Hill.

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## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION -The annual

 Jasper Snowden commemoration dinner will be held at Rotherham on Saturday, Oct. 22nd. The bells of Rotherham Parish Church (10), Eastwood (8), Whiston (8), Thrybergh (6), Wentworth (6), Rawmarsh (8) will be available morning or afternoon, times to be published moter. Tickets. 12 s .6 d . each, from Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert. 56, Glencoe Road, Sheffield. 2, also inquiries for hotel accommodation. Peals will be arranged Friday evening or Saturday morning if desired. The Ecclesfield Handbell Ringers will entertain at the dinner. A cordial welcome will be extended to all visitors. -N . Chaddock. J. J. L. Gilbert, organising committee. 6678
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## THE NAME OF SNOWDON

THE mention of the name of Snowdon straightway brings to mind that excellent series of ringing text books which still forms the vade-mecum of the average ringer.

Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, who originated the series, had a deep and extensive insight into all aspects of changeringing, from elementary instruction to the composition and proof of complex methods. An even greater gift which he possessed was his willingness and ability to impart this knowledge to others, with a clarity of written expression which few writers achieve. Though many books on ringing preceded his, Jasper was the man who really popularised the ringing text book, and his introduction of standard diagrams was an original and progressive step.

Whilst some of his written works are designed for beginners, others form the foundation on which many modern composers build up their systems of composition and proof in advanced methods.

Jasper Snowdon, born at Ilkley in 1844, established a competent local band there and was instrumental in the augmentation of the bells from six into eight. On his initiative the Yorkshire Association was established in 1875. and he served as president from then until his untimely death in 1885.

- The Exercise and the Yorkshire Association were fortunate that the good works begun by Jasper were able to be developed and completed by his brother William, who became second president for 25 years. Aided by his wife, Laura, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. he effected the completion and publication of Jasper's manuscripts, thus preserving these valuable works for future generations.

William Snowdon was noted for his punctual and regular attention to service ringing and to the affairs of the Yorkshire Association. He was esteemed as a perfect gentleman, holding the view that 'ringing makes all men equal.' In all that he did he was supported by his wife Laura, who, until her death in 1941, continued publication of The Snowdon Series. Their daughter. Margaret E. Snowdon, then took over the responsibility of the books.

This gracious lady is still an ardent church worker at Cartmel Priory, and during the years after 1941 she has, aided by such men as the late J. A. Trollope and Ernest C. S. Turner, seen that the books have been thoroughly revised, brought up to date, and republished.

In 1959 she handed over care of the series to a younger person, Mrs. Winifred Turner, who can be relied upon to ensure their continuity in the future. Although the books have moved with the times, they still have the hallmark of the illustrious name of Snowdon.

It is fitting that such names should be remembered, and on October 22 nd this year members of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers and friends from many parts of the country will. on the occasion of their annual commemoration dinner, gather at Rotherham to pay tribute to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and other past officers of the Yorkshire Association.
N. C.

## A BELL FOR THE MISSION FIELD

7 HE seed was sown in the autumn of 1959 when Father Cox. of the U.M.C.A., home on leave from his new church. St. Michael's. M'twara, Tanganyika Territory, ascended the detached tower of St. David's Cathedral one practice night to see the ringers and tell them what a fine ring of bells they had. In conversation, it transpired that his church had not a bell, and his people were summoned by a hammer being beaten on a tractor wheel!

The ringers decided that they must try and find a bell for M'twara Church. Mr. Frederick Sharpe was consulted. and through him they learnt that Mr. F. A. White, the bell-hanger at Appleton, had one for sale, cast in 1848 by William Taylor, of Oxford. The price was $£ 45$, and a deposit was paid to secure the bell.

To raise the money the ringers took on various jobs in their spare time, such as potato picking, pruning and rooting out nettles. Another gave a part of his B.B.C. fee for a broadcast. and there were also personal gifts. Then it was decided to make the appeal to a wider circle. A collecting box bearing the story of the M'twara bell was placed in the Cathedral to attract the sympathy of the many visitors. The Dean. however, had a more appealing idea-placing the box on the top of a huge old bell which stands in the nave, a reminder of the sad old days when the Cathedral bells had cracked. A coffee morning in the City Hall finally completed the task.

On September 14th St. David's ringers heard from Father Cox, expressing his thanks and saying how much he was looking forward to the early arrival of the bell. which will be going out from Central Africa House with a priest who is soon leaving for this diocese.


## GRUNDISBURGH. SUFFOLK

On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version.
Cecil W. Pipe.
Treble
Joe E. G. Roast
*Roger L. K. Whittell.
John McDonald
*James B. Morley
Composed by C. Kenneti Lewis Lewis. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe. First peal of London Surprise Royal. First of London Surprise Royal as conductor.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.
On Sun. Sepr. 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At ihe Church of SS. Botolph and Andri:w
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Ronald W. Steward
Roger L. K. Whiriell
Treble
Roderick W. Pipe
Conducted by RODERICK A. ANDE

* First peal of London Surprise Minor.


## TWELVE BELL PEAL

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960 in 3 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 30 cwt .3 qr .11 lb . in C .

G. William Critchley

Thomas J. Lock
\#Frederick R. Scott
Arthur S. Richards

Treble
*Stanley Jenner $\ddagger$ Wilfrid G. Wilson §Thomas Cullingworth. $\ddagger$ Walter H. Dobbie
\$Frank C. Price
Philip A. Corby .. ... Tenor
First 12 -bell peal. $\dagger 300$ th peal. $\ddagger$ First of Yorkshire Maximus. § First of Maximus.

## TEN BELL PEALS

BUCKFAST, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sa!., Sept. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 52 Minutes.
At the Abbey Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SLRPRISE ROYAL

## Geoffrey M. Brewin

James G. Newman
Ronald C. Noon
Barrie Hendry
James R. Taylor
Composed by John Carter,

## Treble

First 10-bell peal on the bells.
Rung in connection with the golden jubilee of the blessing of the Abbey bells on Michaelmas Day, 1910.

ROTHERHAM. YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAR.

No. 3 version.
John N. D. Chaddock. . Treble
*John J. L. Gilbert
Leslie W. G. Morris
*howard Scott
*Gordon Bfnfield
Composed by C. Kenneth 5 - First peal of London Royal. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton. - First peal of London Royal. + 100th peal for the Association. First of London Royal for the Association hy a resident band.

Tenor 34 cwt 3 qr . in D flat. | W. Eric Critchley |
| :--- |
| - Ian M. Holland .. | Wilfrid F. Moreton ... 8 -J. Henry Fielden .. 9 - Norman Chaddock .. Tenor



WATFORD, HERIFORDSHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF CULLEGE YOUIHS. On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minures. at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 24 cwt .1 qr .6 lb . in $E$ flat.
J. Richard Castledine .. Treble Gordon T. Peters
G. William Critchley .. 2 Alan E. M. Bagworth Michael P. Moreton .. 3 Jack S. Dear Arthur S. Richards .. 4 John H. Crampion .. .. 9 John Hill $\quad . \quad . \quad \therefore \quad 5$ Frederick E. Collins $\quad . \quad$ Tenor Composed by William Pye. Conducted by Frederick E. Collins. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Sept. 15, 1960. in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .

Alma M. Greaves .. .. Treble John A. Anderson .. .. 6 Muriel Reay .. .. .. 2 Norman J. Goodman .. 7 Roderick J. Lees ....${ }^{2} \quad 3$ John McDonald | John Pinfold |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| David Jf. Purneii | $\cdots$ | .. | 4 | George E. Fearn | $\ldots$ | .. | 9 | Conducted by Peter Border.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CROSS STONE. TODMORDEN. YORKSIIIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri. Aug. 9, 1980). in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Philip J. H. Hudson .. Treble *Peter Scholfield
*S. Barry Schofield .. 2 *John H. Fielden
*B. Gillian Schofield .. 3 Norman Smith ...... *Geoffrey Cheetham ... 4 W. Eric Critchley.. .. Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by W. Eric Critichley.

* First peal in the method. First of London on the bells. The conductor has now rung peals at 100 ) Yorkshire churches.


## HEADCORN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
at the Church of SS. Peier and Paul
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .
Mrs. T. Cullingworth. . Treble | Mark S. Lancefield .. 5
*Kathleen M. Yeo John R. Cooper
$\frac{2}{3}$ Maurice E. Downs .. 4 Thomas Cullingworih .. Tenuor Composed by C. H. Hatiersley. Conducted by Mark S. Lancefield. - 50th peal.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Geoffrey Pearson and Jane-Ann Hedges, married at this church immediately prior to the commencement of the peal.

DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
the peterborough diocesan guild. On Sun.. Sept. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules. At the Church of the holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt 3 qr .9 lb , in E flat.
David J. Purnell ... .. Treble Ralph G. Edwards
Patrick 1. Chapman .. 2 John A. Anderson Peier Border Peicrard C. Price
Richard Philip Mehew George E. Fearn $\quad . \quad$. $\quad$ Temor Conducted by Peter Border.
Composed by C. W. Roberis
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tues., Sept. 6, 1960. in 2 Hours and 37 Minules,
A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLANI SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt I qr. 22 lb . in F .
Shirley Harris .. .. Treble *Roberi b. Smith .. .. 5

| Eileen M. Fearn | .. | .. | 2 | Leslie Boumphrey .. | .. | 6 |  |  |
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| Carol Fernley | .. | .. | .. | 3 | Brian Harris | .. | .. | .. |
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Frank Osbaldiston .. Tenor
Conducted by Basil Jones.
Composed by C. W. Roberts.

- 100th peal of Major.

NORTH STONEHAM. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed.. Sept. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN COB MAJOR

Norman Hayes
Tenor 9 cwl . 2 fl lb . in G.
Mary S. Taylor
David E. House:
Treble Juhn R. Faithfull

Pauline Fennell.
Janice E. Williamson
David I. Forder
Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Michael J. Thomas.

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On. Fri., Sepr. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cms .1 lb . in E flat
Richard J. Bowden .. Treble Michael R. Rose .. .. 5 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden D. John Hunt.

2
3 - Donald E. Cobb

Composed by Stephen IVIn.

* First peal in the method

3 *Patrick J. Bird
First peal in the method. First Conducted by John H. Gllbert 1925.

## BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All angels,
A PEAL OF 5038 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt 1 qr .21 lb . in D flat
Rev. John B. T. Homfray Treble | Wendy Bird
Peter Baker ...... 2 Peier T. Hurcombe
Fred Newton... .. .. 3 Cyril A. Wratien.
*Derrick Aston .. . 4 Leslie Asion ... Composed and Conducted by Cyril A. Wrafien.

- First peal of Major "inside.

Rung as a farewell to Miss Wendy Bird. of the local band, who is leaving for the Teachers' Training College. Salisbury.

## MOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sal. Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
Ar the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt . in F .
Routrick W. Pipe
Treble Cecil W. Pipf
James Benneit
*Brenda E. Downing
$\frac{2}{3}$ George E. Symonds
Charles J. Sedgley
*Robert F. Downing
William J. Buiton
. Tenor
Composed by Charles J. Sedgley (No. 8). Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

- First peal of Surprise Major.


## LINCOLN

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, at the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwI .2 lb . in E.

|  | Treble | Peter A. Sharp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Delia Smith | 2 | Geoffrey R. Parker |
| Margaret A. Swann | 3 | Jack L. Millhouse |
|  |  |  |

## *Claire Dillamore

John Walden
Tenor
Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. * First peal oi Double Norwich Court Bob.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## LODDON. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of The holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Composer's Twelve-Part. No. 17 in the method. Tenor 11 cwt . in G. Godfrey G. Walpole .. Treble F. Charles Goodman .. 5 arthur G. Bason .. .. 2 Norman V. Harding $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Nolan Golden } & . . & . . & . . & 3 & \text { Bert Gogle ... } \\ \text { W. William barbti }\end{array}$

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung in honour of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barrett, who were married at this church.

## LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Sept. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
F. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part Tenor 6 cwl . 2 qr .13 lh . in C
 Gordon A. Halls

Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

- First peal of Stedman Triples.


## NORTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours. At the Church of St. Nicholas,A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt . 2 lb . in A flat.
Claudia A. Critchley Treble| George A. Spencer .. ..
*Horace E. Werret.. .. 2 A. Rex Agg
Edwin G. Buck .. .. 3 Colin A. S. Harwood .. ${ }^{7}$
Eric Edmondson ... 4 George E. Thoday .. .. Tehor
Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by Colin A. S. Harwood.

* First peal in the method.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. David Ritchie and Mrs. Ritchie.
ROMSEY. HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. Sept. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Ethelfredi,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt .8 lb . in D.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William A. Theobald | .. 2 | Robert C. Kippin |
| William T. Cook | 3 | Brian D. Threlfall |
| r Savory | 4 | Wilfred Willi |
| Composed by Arthur |  | Conducted by |

## UFFCULME. DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sar., Sept. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the: Church of St. Mary-the-Vikgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Dexter:s.
Pihlip N. Tubbs
Frank L. Harris
Ramond P. Selway
Tenor 21 cw .3 4r. 20 lh.
Frank L. Harris $\quad . . \quad . \quad 2$ David T. North $\quad .$.
Gwilym Salmon....
Conducted by Arthur H. Reed.
QUEENSBURY, YORKSHIRE THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Mont., Sept. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods. heing 960 London. 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, 672 Cambridge. 512 Dorchester. 448 Pudsey and Superlative, and $416 \mathrm{Lin}-$ coln: all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 14 cwt .
J. Neville Parkin .. .. Treble Geoffrey F. Bryant

Mrs. Sheila M. Moulds 2 J. Henry Fielden
Patricia Reeve
M. Vivien Copping $\quad . \quad . \quad 3$

Composed by A. J. Pitman.
John F. Bryant..
Roberi E. Moulds ... .. Tenor
Rung by the Sunday service band Conducted by J. HENRY Fielden.

## HERSHAM, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Sept. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
a PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt .2 qr. in G sharp.
A. Patrick Cannon ...Treble William S. Deason

Christine M. Harbott. 2 Eunice A. Hiley

- Colin Chinnery

John F. M. Maybrey
Catherine M. Powell .. 4 Frank W. Lewis .. . Tenor Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducted by A. Pairick Cannon: * First peal "inside." The conductor has now "completed the circle of this tower.
Rung as a compliment to the new Vicar (Rev. F. H. Hargraves) and his wife.

GATESHEAD. COUNTY DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Sept. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Taylor's Six-Part.
J. Alan Ainsworth

Frederick Ross.
Norman Erringion
Treble

William Tyson..
Conducted by Kenneth Wort Cheeseman.

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WILLESDEN MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Thurs.. Sept. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules, at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A.
G. William Critchley .. Treble Dennis Knox Joan Beresford

John R. Mayne. Claudia A. Critchley Alick Cutler .. .. .. 4 Richard F. B. Speed ... Tenor Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

HARROW WEALD MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri.. Sept. 16, 1960. in 2 Hours and 49 Minules. AT The Church of All Saints.


## BOLSOVER. DERBYSHIRE

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sal., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor $14 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cw}} \mathrm{cm}$.

 church, destroyed by fire in 1959.

## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Sept. 16. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
At the Church of St. John-thf-Bapist
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE, SURPRISE MAJOR
Peier F. Borer Tenor Treble Ralph Bird

* Arthur G. Mason .

Frank 1. Hatrs
Treble Ralph Bird
†Andrew M. Macve lan H. Oram \#Herbert E. Audsley
Trevor A. Cross
Tenor
Composed by Charles J. Sedgley (C.C.C. S). Conducted hy lan. H. Oram.

* 75 th peal on the hells. $\dagger$ First in the method. $\$ 1.100$ th pesl.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Borer on the birth of daughter, Denise Ann.

## ESHER. SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Sept. 17: 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt .1 qr .14 lb . in A flat.

1. Patrick Cannon .. Treble Peter G. Smart

- Angela J. Martin .. .. 2 §Kathleen M. Higgins $\dagger$ Rupert L. Caporn. Catherine M. Powell John F. M. Maybrey William S. Deason

Tenar
Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducted by Catherine M. Powell.

- First peal on eight bells "inside." $\dagger$ First on eight bells. $\ddagger$ First peal. First touch of Major as conductor.

BOURNEMOUTH. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. Sept. 17 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Mirultes.

Ar the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5056 HAMPSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $21 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cmt}}$. in E .
Herbert A. Mitchell .. Treble Herbear H. Abrahams Dorothy T. Gardiner
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay 2
3 Lewis F. Cobb Michael J. Best
Composed by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method for all.
HAZELBECH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE,
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . 12 lb . in $F$ sharp

| rick I. Chapman | Treble | Roderick J. Lees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Diana M. Lawless | 2 | Alan I. Frost |
| Eric Billings | 3 | George E. Fearn |
| Ruih M. Border | 4 | Peier Border | Ruit M. Border

Peier Bopper
Composed by Patrick 1. Chapman.
Conducted by Peter Border.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS



## STAPLETON, BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sar., Sept. 3, 1960. in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
As the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In six methods, being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and one each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob. Double Oxford. St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwl 3 qr. 15 lb . in F sharp. John H. Gilbiri .. . Treble *Don C. Exell. *Cliff J. Richards ... $\frac{2}{3}$ D. John Hunt... .. .. 5 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 3 +John Brain .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by D. Iohn Huni.

* First peal in six methods. t First of Minor. First in six methods as conductor. First on the bells.

THANINGTON. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
Ai the Church of Sit Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 2.640 of Grandsire (Morris's 240 and 20 extents) and 2,400 of Plain Bob.

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in C.
*Jost phine D. Hardy .. Treble| Nicholas J. Davies.
+Paul A. Batchelor .. 2 Crawford T. Hillis
Dennis A. Chapman
. Tenor
Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.

* First peal. + First of Doubles. First of Doubles as conductor. First on the hells.

FINDON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Sept. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT TIIE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

## Being seven extents.

*ANDREW J. Thomson
Being eeven extents.
*Andrew J. Thomson . . Treble Raymond A. Brown..
Tenor 9 cwt .

* Vicior J. Dale .. .. 3 George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

First Conducted by George E. Thoday.

* First peal. The conductor's 50th peal.


## GAMSTON. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Sept. 7. 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 14 methods: (1) Double and Single Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise. (3) St. Clement's, Childwall. Double Oxford and Thelwall, (4) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob, (5) Double Bob and Fulbeck
(6) Kent and Oxford Treble Roh. (7) Reverse Bob.
(6) Kent and Oxford Treble Roh. (7) Rever

| John Coates | Treble | Louls Willders | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Clatre Dillamore | 2 | Harold Denman | 5 |
| Jack L. Millhouse | 3 | Peter A. Sharp | Tenor |

Eenducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
SHELLEY. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Sept. 7, 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of Emmanuel,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.
Trevor Tarbatt Tenor 11 cwt 2 gr. 9 lb in G. Wilifid F. Moreton Rodney Pagdin

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

CONSETT, COUNTY DURHAM
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thurs., Sept. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

At Chrisr Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Single Oxford.

St. Clement's, and three of Plain Bob. J. George Wall

## Treble

 Kenneth W. Cheeseman*Robert B. Skelton
Richard Oliver
Tenor William Tyson

Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

* First peal in five methods.

Ruag for the wedding at this church on September 3rd of Miss Ella foreman, of the local band, to Mr. Stanley Green.

## WORMINGFORD. ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Sept. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minules.
At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In 15 methods, being seven $720^{\circ}$ s. viz.: (1) London and Wells Surprise, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, (4) Hereford and Oxford Bob. (5) Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Childwall and Thelwall Bob. (6) Double and Plain Bob, (7) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt .

- David E. Cul.ham.
*Bernard W. Fairued
2 Conducted
* Most methods to a peal.


## EAST SUTTON, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 14 methods: (1) London, Wells and Cunecastre: (2) Lightfoot and Wearmouth: (3) York and Durham: (4) Beverley and Surfleet: (5) Annable's London: (6) Norwich: (7) Cambridge. Ipswich and Bourne.

John R. COOPER Crawford T. Hillis andrew M. Macye

## Treble

2
Ralph Bird
Conducted by Ralph Bird.
First peal in 14 Surprise methods by all the band, and on the bells,

HADDENHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

> At the Church of The Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, comprising an extent each of Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Bob. Kent Treble Bob. Oxford Treble Bob. Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's Boh and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt . in F.

| George A. Walker ... Treble | Anthony R. Mann |  | . | 4 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rosemary J. Seabrook | $\mathbf{2}$ | Roger I. Palmer | .. | . | 5 |
| †W. John Couperthwaite | 3 | Mansfield Ginn | .. | . | Teno | Conducted by Roger J. Palmer.

*First peal in seven methods. +25 th peal for the Association. First as conductor in more than one method.

## WOOTTON WAWEN. WARWICKSHIRE. <br> THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sat., Sept. 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUbles

## Being 42 extents (four callings).

*Keith C. Stone .. .. Treble

First of Plain Bob Doubles
Rung to commemorate the engagements of Mr. H. Windsor to Miss

BROADWAS-ON-TEME. WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Sept. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents of Broadwas Bob and ten each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. April Day, Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$, in D flat minor.
*Peiter J. Brown .. .. Treble *John C. Eisel
Michael J. Fellows .. 2 Paul Cattermole
Martin D. Fellows .. Temor Conducted by Paul Cattermole.
*First peal on five bells. +25 th peal for the Association.
Rung within the octave of Holy Cross Day.
BURGH, SUFFOLK.
On Tues, Sept. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
Ait the Church of SS. Botolph and Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 13 methods: (1) Norfolk Surprise, (2) Cambridge and 1pswich Surprise, (3) Double Court and College Bob, (4) St. Clement's. Double Oxford and Oxford Bob, (5) London Surprise. (6) Plain and Double Bob, (7) Kent and Oxford T.B.

| Ernest G. Pearce .. .. Treble | Roderick W. Pipe |
| :---: | :---: |
| James B. Morley | Peter S. Bedford |
| Jack Pilgrim |  | Condusted by Roderick W. Pipe.

The greatest number of methods rung in a peal of Minor by the band. on the bells. and for the Guild.

CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues.. Sept. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At ihe Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket,

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
$$

Being seven methods in seven extents: (1) Single Oxford Bob, (2) St. Clement's Bob, (3) Double Plain Bob, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Cambridge Surprise. (6) Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt . Carol Fernley .. .. Treble Basil Jones
Eileen M. Fearn
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Elleen M. Fearn } \\ \text { Leslie Boumphrey } & . . & . . & 2 & 3 & \text { Brian harris } & \text { Robert B. Smith } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Tenor }\end{array}$

## Conducted hy Robert B. Smith.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed.. Sept. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Cuthbert,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Beverley Surprise. (2) Camhridge Surprise, (3) Kent and Oxford T.B.. (4) Double Oxford, (5) Single Oxford. (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor $6 \pm \mathrm{cwt}$. in B. John E. Anderson .. . Treble Kenneth Arthur Marion S. Ainsworih .. 2 Frederick Rose Stephen Th:ompson .. .. 3 George S. Deas ... .. Tenor Conducted by Kenneth Arthur.

## WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE

TFIE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Wed.. Sept. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents each of Plain Bob and Grandsire, three each of April Day, Dedworth. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Stedman. and two each of Kennington, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Wychbold Pleasure. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G sharp. paul Catiermole ....Treble Arthur D. Cook
James E. Pullon .. .. 2 Martin D. Fellows .. 5 Michael J. Fellows .. 3 Arthur D. Fellows .. Tenor Conducted by Paul Catiermole.
Fastest peal on the bells. Most methods rung to a peal by all. and on the bells.
A birthday compliment to Mr. E. Dudley Wilson, of Redmarley DAbitot.

## NORTON DISNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Sepr. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peier.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) Double and Single Court. (3) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (4) London Surprise, (5) Plain and Oxford Boh, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Double Bob. Tenor 8 cwt 27 lb . in B flat. Delia Smith .. .. .. Treble Margaret A. Swann .. 2 A. Robin Heppenstall .. 3 G. Leonard Thompson Geoffrey R. Parier Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

GREAT TOTHAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minules. Ar the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods. being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt . 11 lb . George Barber .. ...Treble | Sidney C. Easter .. .. 4 *alison mann .. ... .. 2 James Towler .. .. ... 5 Bfrnard C. Mann .. .. 3 Arthur Hubble .. .. Tenor Conducted by Arthur Hubbi.e.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung as a compliment to John Easter and Celia Bloomfield on their engagement, and as a going-away peal for Alison Mann, who is attending a teachers' training college at Putney.

## DAVENHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., Sepl. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Wilfrid.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of one extent of St. Clement's, two each of Plain Boh. Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. Christopher Jones .. ...Treble John Ryder Dennis Maddock .. .. 2 Harold Worrall .. ... 5 Michael Thompson.. .. 3 Harry W. Howard .. .. Tenur Conducted by Harry W. Howard.

## SUTTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE,

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents of Norwich Surprise, two of Cambridge Surprise and one of Plain Bob.
Arifur Yarrow Bob... Treble George Thoday Tenor 18 子 fwt . Roger I. Palmer .....${ }_{2}$ Mansfielid Ginn... Donald F. Murfet .. .. 3 Geoffrey A. Lucas .. . Tenor

Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.

## WOULDHAM. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham. (3) Beverley and Surfeet, (4) Annable's London, (5) Norwich, (6) Ipswich and (7) Cambridge. Tenor $13 \downarrow \mathrm{cwt}$. in G . Trevor A. Cross
.. .. Treble Ian h. Oram
.4
andrew M. Macve .. .. 2 Ralph Bird 5
John R. Cooper.. $\because \ldots .3^{2}$ Thomas Cullingworth . . Tenor
Conducted by RaI PH BIRD.
First peal on the bells since 1925, that being the first.

## HANDBELL PEAL

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed., Sept. 14, 1960, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes. at 24. Doyle Avenue, Hilsea,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Bob, Reverse' Bob, St. Clement's Bob and College, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor size 7. *Neville Haile Roger Baldwin Conducted by Rocer $\because .5$

* First hardhell neal of Minor in more than one method. A birthday compliment to the ringer of 1.2 .

ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.-On Sem. 14th, 1.440 Surorice Minor): J. Riley 1. N. Sherratt (cond.) 2. W Sherratt 3. R. A. Challinor 4. P. A. Mason 5, R Worrall 6. First in the Chester Group by all the band
ASTON-ON-TRENT, DERBYS.-On Sept. 16th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. W. Pincombe 1, J. S. Knighton 2. M. A. Fern 3. G. Cheverton (first quarter) 4, A. Whiting (cond.) 5, E. Barker (first quar-

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.-On Sept. 1 ith, 1.26 i Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Beeson 1. T. Bird 2. G Olliver 3. Miss F. Hankey 4. F. W. Bird 5, W. Dunn 6. A. Streeter (cond.) 7. 1. Burgess 8. For Evensong also the birthdays of Mr. F. W. Bird and Mr. T. Bird. BOSHAM, SUSSEX.-On Sent. 61h. 1.440 Minor (Single Oxford and Double Oxford): C. R. C. Coussmaker (Oxford) 1. Jennifer Davies (Reading) 2, $R$ Brown (Southampton) 3, G. Crisp (Southampton) 4. A. J. Griflin (Cambridge) 5. J. R. Taylor (Cambridge cond.) 6. For the Universities Association.
BRISTOL.-On Sem. 18th, at 76. Hill Street, Toterdown. 1.272 Bob Minimus: K. W. Price 1-2. T. K. Price 3-4. Witness: David J. M. Price. To commemorate . Batte of Britain. Sunday
CARDIFF, GLAM,-On July 24th. 1.328 Plain Bob Major: L. Muller 1. F. Hannington 2. I. Davies 3. W. Harford 4. T. Yeomans 5, 1. Hulber 6. J. Pryor T. Lewis (cond.) 8

CHEW MAGNA, SUMERSET.-On Sept. 16th 1.260) Siedman Triples: Pergy Dando I. Gladys Bishon 2. D. Dande 3. A. Hazzard 4. P. Gallop 5, C. Hall . C. Bishop (cond.) 7. H. Babb \&. First of Stedman for 2 and 6. Rung by the Sunday service band for the enthronement this day of the Rt. Rev. E. B Henderson as Bishop of Bath and Wells.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.-On Sept. 16th, 1.32U Plain Bob Doubles: C. Harvey 1. Mrs. A. J. Frith 2. R. W. Treasure 3, C. Allward 4, F. C. Mogford (cond.) 5. L. B. Coles 6. Rung in honour of the enthronentent shis day of the Ri. Rev. E. B. Henderson as Bishop of Rath and Wells.
CONINGSBY, LINCS.-On Sept. 13hh. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Burrell (first quater) 1. Mary Morriss 2, E. Flintham 3. A. E. Flatters 4. J. P. Morriss 5. L. H. Taylor (cond.) 6.
DONCASTER, YORKs.-On Sept. 4th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Kathleen Mallender 1. Marguerite Battram 2. E. Baldwin 3. G. Graham 4. H. Scotı 5. H. Wagstaff 6. W. E. Critchley (cond.) 7. G. White 8. DORKING, SURREY.-On Sent. 18th. 1.260 Grand-
sire Triples: A. P. Cannon (cond.) 1. B. Read 2 , C. Lloyd 3, Ethel Clear 4. J. Stedman (first inside ${ }^{\circ}$ ) 5 , E. G. L. Coward 6, G. F. Pratt 7. B. Coward 8. The corductor has now called a quarter-peal from every bell in the tower.
EAST HARPTREE, SOMERSET.-On Aug. 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( 10 calllngs): Philippa King (first quarter) 1, Jacqueline A. Purnell 2, R, J. Gay (cond.) 3. P. W. Gay 4, D. Uphill 5. F. H. Andrews 5. ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.-On Sept. 18th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1. Mrs. H. Ivings 2, Miss A. E. J. Lester 3. R. E. Lester (cond.) 4, J. E. 1vings 5, H. lvings 6. J. Paul 7, H. Fuller 8. For Matins on ' Battle of Britain S Sunday.
EPSOM, SURREY.-At Christ Church. on Sent. 18th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: R. Fentiman (first of Major) 1. G. A. Cockman 2. Sylvia Marsh 3. D. Herschell 4, W. Parrott 5. Adrienne Gibson 6. F. Dakshott 7. N. D. J. Webत (cond.) 8. First of Major - inside for 2 and 4. Rung for 'Battle of Britain Sunday and to welcome the new Vicar (the Rev, R, E. Falkner, M.A.).
GORING-ON-THAMES. BERKS.-On Sept. 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Pepler (first quarter) 1. Patricia Hibbert 2. Mrs. C. Hibbert 3. N. Tull 4 C. J. Hibbert (cond.) 5. J. Hibbert 6. W. Irving J. Hiscock 8.

HASTINGS. SUSSEX.-On Sept. Iltin. at Christ Church. Blacklands, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Downing 1. E. F. P. Bryant 2, Joan M. Downing 3, R. I. Vaughan 4. A. Jackson 5. J. Downing (cond.) 6 . tism of Jill Susan Downing. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Downing.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS. On Aug. 21st, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Bell 1. J. R. G. Spicer 2,
F. R. Nicholls 3. P. E Wells 4, A. D Davey 5 H S Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Sept. 18th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss B. Foster 1. C. Bell (first inside') 2, A. Sinith 3, F. R.
Nicholls 4. A. J. Davey 5. H. S. Peacock 6. For

## Nicholls

HEREFORD.-At the Cathedral, on Sept. 11th 1.264 Plain Bob Major: M. Munn 1. Rosemary Jarrett 2. F. Reed 3. A. T. Wingate 4. T. Wood 5. G.
Davis 6. G. T. Cousins 7. A. W. Davis (cond.) 8 . First of Major for 1, 2 and 5. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

KIMPTUN, HERTS.-On Sedt. 17th. 1.680 Plain Bob Minor: Miss V. M. Ford 1, Miss J. M. Gambling 2, D. M. Gambling 3, D. S. Harris 4, J. G. Cull 5 P.C. F. Wooster (cond.) 6. Rung to mark the wedding of Audrey Bailey to Ronald Short, which took nlace at Tewin this afternoon.
KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS. On Sept. 11th. 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: P. Harper (first quarter) 1. Miss G. E. Graney 2. D. J. Goodman 3. Miss M. Erik 4 R. J. Picton 5, R. W. R. Picton 6, B. M. Barker (cond.) 7, K. D. Waples 8.
LYME REGIS, DURSET. On Sept. I8th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: C. W. Powell 1. Mrs. D. A. Chapman 2, G. S. Morris (cond.) 3. Mrs. C. W. Powell 4. D. A. Chanman 5, R. Pittman 6, H. G. Keeley 7 J. Rattenbury 8. For Evensong.

NORTHMOOR. OXON.-On Sept. 91h, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Bowsher 1. V. Clifton 2, N. Leslie 3. A. Cantwell 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, P. Trinder (first quarter) 6. A wedding compliment 10 Mr . A. Pimm and Miss P. Hale.
OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.-On Sepr. Ilth 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. C. Turner 1, E. J. Manley 2, E. Marks 3. C. J. Turner 4. J. Carter 5, J. Quick (first of Triples as cond.) 6. F. Shenherd 7. R. T. Wood 8. Rung before the Sunday afternoon organ recital at this church.
OXFORD.-At St. Giles' Church, on Sept. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples : Miss L. Woolf (eirst of Triples) 1. P. Walker 2. L. Stilwell 3. Mrs. T. J. Lock 4, A. H. Gearing 5, T. J. Lock (cond.) 6, P. J. Colcs 7 , H. J. Pratley 8. For Evensong in the octave of St. Giles. Also at the Church of St . Martin and All Saints, on Sept. 18th. 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: E. G. Moore 1, F. A. H. Wilkins 2. Dawn V. Elson 3. E. R: Venn 4. C. Coles 5, N. 1. Allnutt 6. R. B Meadows 7, W. F. Judre (cond.) 8. Rung prior to Matins for 'Battle of Britain ' Sunday
PUTNEY, S.W.-On Sept. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1. Hughes (first quarter) 1. Miss C. Carpenter 2. A. Clayton 3, M. P. Moreton 4, A. Bishop 5. B. Coatsworth 6, C. Mew (cond.) 7, B. Bull 8. A birhday compliment to the conductor on his 19th anniversary. For Evensong.
RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.-On Sept. Ilth. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Bennett (first quarter) Miss A. Chetle (first quarter) 3, S. P. Hodgkins 1. Mills-Clifton 5, B. Whitworth 6. A. L. Priestley W. Dickens 8. Rung to welcome the Rev. David and Mrs. Croad to this parish
SKILGATE, SOMERSET. - On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Droubles: Miss V. Churchill (first on five) I. Miss J. Stevens 2. Miss P. Stevens 3. C. J. Sevens 4. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Short with the band's best wishes for their future hanpiness.

STONELEIGH, WARWICKS.-On Sept. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. K. Hubhard laged 12, first quarter) 1. Gillian A. Williamson 2, K. J. Hancock (first Inside') 3. Sheila J. Rench 4. P, K. Williamson (cond.) 5. For Evensong.
STORRINGTUN, SUSSEX.-On Sept. 11th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Linda Lee (first quarter) I. Mrs. Chacksfield 2. J. Chacksfield (first 'inside') 3. Jean Horton 4, J. R. Maple (cond.) 5, K. Pritchard 6. For Evensong and as a birthday compliment to the rreble and tenor ringers. The conductor has now circled the tower
STRATTUN, CORNWALL.-On Sept, 10th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. Sangwin 1. A. E. Bissat 2 Miss B. Boyle 3. C. Sangwin 4. H. Heard 5. H Stacey 6. F. Sangwin (cond.) 7. G. Halford 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss P. Simpson and Mr.

STRENSHAM, WORCS.-On Sept. 11th. 1.260 Doubles ( 120 each of Besthorpe. Kennington. Old Bob April Day. Reverse St. Bartholomew. Reverse Canter bury, 240 each of Plain Bob and Norfolk, and 60 Grandsire): D. Penn 1. M. Hawkes (cond.) 2. J. Firkins 3, A. Halling 3, E. W. Penn 5, R. Perks 6 For Evensong.
TWYNING. GLOS.-On Aug. 28th, 1.260 Si . Simon's Bob Doubles: Christine Halling I. F. Hawkes 2. Judith A. Harding 3, R. G. W. Roberison 4. M. Hawkes (cond.) 5. R. Hawkes 6. First in the method for all the band.
WALKINGTON, YORKS.-On Sept. 20th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: J. Rank 1, 1. Booth 2. J. Singleton (first of Minor 'inside') 3. G. Pybus 4. I. Goldthorde 5, R. Gibson (first of Minor as cond.) 6.
WENDOVER, BUCKS.-On Sept. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Parsonage (first quarter) 1. Miss S. Howard 2. Miss M. Hobbs 3. Miss M. Barrett 4, W. Lee (cond.) 5. L. Floyd 6. For Evensong.
WESTERLEIGH, GLOS.-On Sept. 16th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret Wild 1. J. Ferris 2. W Taylor 3. M. Webb 4. H. T. Ferris (cond.) 5, H. Shellard 6. For Harvest Festival.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Aug. 301h. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Linnell I. G. E. Green (cond.) 2. F. C. Case 3. C. E. Truman 4. R. Rogers (first on eight) 5, T. E. Roberts 6. P. D. Taylor 7. G Foddy 8. Also on Sept. 13th. 1.260 Erin Triples G. W. Holland 1, T. E. Robers 2, C. E. Truman 3 R. Rogers 4. W. A. Yates 5. J. Linnell 6. G. E. Green (cond.) 7. G. Foddy 8. First quarter of Erin on the bells and by all the band.
WIVELISCUMBE, SOMERSET. On Sept. 16 th 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1. C. Bellew 2. G Sparkes 3, A. Turner 4, W. Hartnell 5. W. J. Nur combe 6, F. Casely (cond.) 7. W. Baker 8. Rung for the enthronement of the new Bishop of the Diocese this day at Wells Cathedral.

-The striking of these visiting ringery will cause our family to develop bad habits.'Mother Kestrel Hawk at Tanstock, Devon. (R.W.', page 416.)

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After countless attempts, Mrs. Pat Halls has at last BELERY scored her first peal of Stedman Triples. The credit for

## GOSSIP

## We were pleased to note

 that Mr. Nolan Golden conducted the peal at Loddon on September 10 th in honour of the silver wedding anniversary of his old friends Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barrett. It was at Loddon Church that they were married, and after the peal the ringers and friends were most hospitably entertained in the Church Hall.Leverton, near Boston, has had its first peal rung on the bells. The performance on August 6th was by a band all of whom had not rung a peal previously. Congratulations!
The extents of Broadwas Bob included in the peal of Doubles rung at Broadwas-onTeme, Worcs, on September 12th, consisted of Norfolk Doubles with plain bob leads replaced by Reverse Canterbury plain leads.
An interesting note regarding the peal of Bristol Surprise Major at Bristol Cathedral on September 9th is that the last peal of Bristol in the city was at St. Stephen's on September 12th. 1925.
The new Vicar of Hersham, Surrey (Rev. F. H. Hargraves), showed his appreciation of the band who rang a peal in honour of his induction by entertaining them to refreshments. A much-appreciated gesture

To welcome the Coventry Guild to Whitתash for their quarterly meeting tomorrow (Saturday) will be Mr. F. W. Hauley, who reaches his 95th milestone today. He hopes not only to participate in the ringing with ocher veterans but also to read the lesson at the service.

Miss Catherine M. Powell, of Stoke D Abernon, gave another example of her accomplishments when she called her first peal of Major at Esher on September 17th. Every call was in its correct place, and her ability enabled Mr. A. P. Cannon to ring his 800 th peal! Catherine is the first lady to call a peal of Major for the Guildford Guild. Mr. Cannon's peals have been rung in 616 towers with 1,259 different ringers. He has conducted 412 peals.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED


VETERANS STILL FORGATHER NINETY-FIVE-YEAR-OLD Mr. F. V. Sinkin came from hospital on September 17 th to attend the veterans reunion at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, London. The 37 other male veterans present accorded him a hearty welcome. This year's gathering was honoured by ladies, and qualifying for the veteran distinction were present Miss Evelyn Steel, Mrs. E. M. Mitchell. Mrs. Hairs, and in the background. superintending the tea. Mrs. E. E. Davis.
For five years these gatherings have been organised by the originator, Mr. A. W. Coles. The planning of this year's function was in the capable hands of Mr. John Euston, and when the future of these gatherings was discussed there was a unanimous wish that they should be continued and that Mr. Euston should make the arrangements
In the afternoon there was ringing at $S t$. Lawrence Jewry, St. Clement Danes and St. Botolph's. The bells of St. Olave's. Hart Street. were also available, but not sufficient ringers attended. A short service was conducted in St. Botolph's Church by Prebendary H. H. Treacher, who is retiring from the living after some $10 \frac{1}{2}$ years in office. As in previous years. he came to the tea table, and in a short speech of welcome told the gathering that it was "his last time." I know the value of these gatherings, of getting together and having a good old natter.' He congratulated Mr. Sinkin on being present, and hoped that the fellowship St. Botolph's had to offer would be continued in years to come.
The story of this year's gathering was told by Mr. Euston. First he had a word of appreciation for Mrs. Davis and her helpers for the excellent tea.

Pressed to reply, Mrs. Davis said it was a great pleasure to have them all. 'Some of us,' she added, "feel we are veterans as much as you are.'
Mr. Euston read out a long list of. apologies. Among them were Messrs. A. A. Hughes, the Leatherhead contingent, Maynard (Walthamstow), Wainwright (Southgate). Alf Poole (Horley), Brinklow and Bert Aldridge (Bexley), Jim Bennett, Stephen Hoare, Gilbert Goodship. William Shepherd, Dr. Taylor and Canon C. Carew Cox.

## DEBT TO VETERANS

Not a veteran himself. Mr. Euston had complimentary things to say to the veterans present. If one glanced through "The Ringing Worlds ${ }^{\text {a }}$ until 1930. they would read of their achievements in peals. He did not think the ringing today was better than what they achieved. (A voice: "What about Minimus?') It was also to these veterans that they owed Sunday ringing, and it needed to be more encouraged. The reason he was so interested in these veterans' reunions was because they did all the work for the foundation of ringing today. It was not then easy travel, but meant walking miles.

The 38 veterans present that afternoon made an average age of 74 . The following, who had died since the last reunion, were remembered: Bill Wenban. Bill Langdon. Bob Grimwood. Fred Mitchell, Frank Skidmore, Albert Lock. of Abingdon, and Miss Stella Davies.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Jack Euston for his work in organising the gathering was proposed by Mr. S. Howard.

## THOSE PRESENT

F. V. Sinkin (95), H. Stalham (87), Reuben Sanders (86), I. J. Altwater (82). A. F. Wellington (82). F. Howard (81), J. W. Chapman (79). T. R. Dennis (77). Richard F. Deal (76). W. H. Hewett (74), H. E. Smith (74), H. Belcher (74). N. Tomlinson (74). A. Hunter (74), E. W. Furbank (73). C. J. Sedgley (73). A. W. Coles (72). F. W. Wicks (72), A. Turner (72), Tom Collins (72), F. I. Hairs (72). C. E. J. Norris (71). R. Stilwell (70).

Under 70.-S. Howard. H. Allen, H. J. Hazell. W. J. Rawlings. W. A. J. Knight, A. D. Barker. P. J, Spice, J. Marks, E. E. Holman. W. Insley. T. W. White, H. W. Clark, R. Newman, A. Cutler.

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 40


## JOHN FREEMAN

## Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

Mr. John Freeman is a man held in high esteem by the Exercise and the Central Council. Quiet and thoughtful. he is never noisy in debate, but when he does speak he is listened to with much respect. Like his father, he is solid and reliable, and his sound common sense ensures that his contributions to discussions on the Standing Committee are of the utmost: value.

Born at Lincoln in 1919, he was educated at Lincoln School, and later qualified as a Public

Health Inspector. He is also a member of the Institution of Municipal Engineers. He learned to ring at Lincoln Cathedral in 1934, and in just over a year conducted his first peal, Stedman Cinques, a really remarkable achievement for one so young. His services to the Lincoln Guild have been outstanding, for besides being a member of the Guild's committee, he represents that body on the Diocesan Advisory Committee, and has been Central Council representative since 1948. Such a useful man would naturally find his way to the Standing Committee, and in 1954 he was elected to both that and' the Towers and Belfries Committee.

His ringing performances are outstanding, and amongst many notable achievements are the record length of 14,144 London Surprise Major, which he conducted, a peal of 5,016 Stedman Cinques in short courses throughout. called from a non-observation bell. and a "John ' peal of Cambridge Maximus, rung by College Youths, which he also conducted. Other notable peals were 'silent' Spliced Surprise Major in four methods, 'silent' Stedman Triples at Gainsborough, Spliced Surprise Major in 32 methods, Cambridge Surprise Major ' in hand, 'H. Law James' seven-part peal of Stedman Triples and Erin Triples, all of which he conducted. He also took part in the first peals of Surprise Major in 16 and 22 methods, and peals of Spliced Plain Major 'in hand' in up to 50 methods. He has conducted peals on all numbers from 6 to 12 , both on tower- and handbells.
His peals total up to July was 355, of which he conducted 198. Of the total, 84 peals have been on handbells, rung by the "blue line method. The foundation of the handbell ringing was laid in the period 1937-39, when John, his father and brother used to practise daily John Freeman is a very likeable young man: his quiet modesty has endeared him not only to ringers in Lincolnshire but to the Exercise generally.

JAFUS.

## THE WEDDING AT TEWIN

The wedding of Miss Audrey Bailey, one of Herlfordshire's best-known ringers. to Mr . Ronald Short, secretary of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, at St. Peter's Church, Tewin, Herts. on September 17th, was a very happy occasion.

Ringing for the wedding was first by the bride's Tewin friends, followed by the Somerset contingent. A choir solely of bellringers sang for the service conducted by the Rev. Blamire-Brown, prest-in-charge, with another ringer (Mr. Garrod) as organist. The best man was Mr. H. Best and the bridesmaid Miss M. Christie.

During the signing of the register Tewin ringers rang handbells from the choir stalls, and formed an archway with handbells as the bridal party left the church. Ringing after the service was by members of the Hertfordshire County Association.
The reception was held in the School Hall, Tewin, after which the bride and bridegroom left for the Cotswolds for their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Short are making their home in Bridgwater. Hertfordshire's loss is very much Somerset's gain.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

About 45 members from 18 towers attended the meeting at the Church of St. Nicholas, Witham. on September 10th. The Vicar (Rev. R. D. Black) welcomed visitors and conducted the service. Mr. Osborn was at the organ. After the service, the Vicar conducted the ringers round the ancient church, pointing out some of the historical features.

An excellent tea was arranged by wives of the ringers and was served in the Church Hall. At the meeting, two new members were elected, both of Sible Hedingham. Wethersfield was chosen for the next meeting, and November 19th the proposed date. M.E. M.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## Week-end Ringing Course

To spend a whole week-end learning and talking about bells and ringing was a new experience for almost all of the 30 people who were at Hartpury from September 16 th to 18 th. On reflection one realises that although the Association has held hundreds of meetings of its members over the years, this is probably the first one where the agenda has been entirely devoted to ringing rather than to procedural details of running the Association (i.e., election of officers, place and date of next meeting, etc.).
This is a strange fact when you think about it, for surely the spreading of knowledge about bells and ringing and the teaching of ringing are also subjects with which any Association should be concerned? At any rate, all of us who were at Hartpury for the week-end learnt something we did not know before about the history of bells, method structure, ringing instruction, care and maintenance of bells, belfry organisation and conducting, and we became the more useful ringers for the knowledge. What we also realised was that there was a great deal more besides that we ought to know and do not, and that there are many others in our Association who would also like to know more. so we hope that this course will have started something and lead on to other courses of a similar or different type.

One thing is certain-that getting to know some more about ringing in such pleasant surroundings as those at Hartpury was a most en joyable experience for us all.

Mr. Paul Cattermole, in a peal at Wychbold. introduced Wychbold Pleasure, which is Dedworth with the plain lead-ends rung as Reverse Canterbury. He states that a search of old 'Ringing Worlds' has not revealed another name for this variation.

## BRIDGE THAT GAP! <br> By B. D. PRICE

THE Central Council have dealt admirably with teaching a beginner to handle a bell, and many books have adequate expositions on method ringing, but there is a gap between the beginner ringing call-changes and blue line ringing, which is not in practice bridged by a graded set of exercises for the learner. This (these) article(s) are an attempt to bridge that gap.

It is quite obvious to the ringer who travels about that there are fundamentally different approaches to change-ringing. At one extreme are ringers who learn a string of numbers, can only ring a limited repertoire of plain hunt. plain courses, etc. Many cannot strike their bell well because the ropesight on which they depend does not give sufficient notice for proper bell control in changes. There are next those who learn a coursing order, and can adjust it at calls for simple touches, but still rely on memorising numbers. It is more likely than not that a ringer in either of these categories cannot hear his own bell, or the rhythm of the changes, but rings purely by ropesight. and the finer points of striking bells of different weights are unknown. Most rely on the tenor for leading, and hence cannot ring evenhell methods

Then there are ringers who have freed themselves largely from numbers, but rely wholly on such mnemonics as first, last, near, full. far.' Finally the blue line ringers who ring by rhythm and a knowledge of their own position in that rhythm, with ropesight as an aid.
It cannot be doubted that the biggest single factor in arrested progress is the lack of hearing one's bell, and hence of hearing the rhythm of the changes. The two faculties of rhythm and ropesight must be united at the earliest possible stage for the beginner, and a too rapid transition from call-changes to plain hunting avoided. The beginner so often falls into a struggle for numbers. or just ropesight without rhythm, and rhythm is acquired by accident rather than by design on the part of the instructor.

The graded exercises to be explained were invented for a special need-that of training beginners in a way which would obviate a local tradition of learning by numbers, but they have proved very successful over a short period and are set down here for others to try. The cardinal point is not to move the learner's bell too far at once (plain hunting is too difficult in this respect) so that he has time to digest the important matter of rhythm. and to acquire the sheer physical skill of cutting in and 'holding up without taxing his brain at the same time. One does not give a car driver his first lesson on gear-changing in a busy street!
All the exercises are on even numbers, and no cover bell tolerated, as 'leading of the tenor is but a special case of learning numbers. This does not. of course. rule out oddbell ringing later. Use the "blue line " method from the start. Emphasise rhythm and picking out one's own bell. Tackle each exercise a little before the last one is done correctly (i.e.. well struck), and run quickly through them all at each practice. The sequence will be found very useful for starting a band from scratch.
Exercise 1. All place making.
1234
2143
2143
1234
1234
Exercise 2. All dodging
1234
2143
1234

Ring these two exercises continuously. Use the traditional 'Go next time, and "This is all' from the start. Extend to six and eight bells, but prudently.

Exercise 3. 1-2 places. 3-4 dodge.
1234
2143
2134
1243
1234
Not as artless as it looks, as 1 and 2 when leading have to lead by rhythm since the bells behind are different.

Exercise 4. 1-2 dodge. 3-4 places.
Extend these to six and eight bells. Ring the changes on the pairs dodging and place making.

Exercise 5. Dodging with places.
1234
2143
1234
2143
2143
1234
2143
1234
1234
This gives, practice at holding up and cutting in, at hand and at back. Ring the changes on the pairs. with plain dodging. and plain places. Exercise 6. Places and hunting (four bells only).

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 24 | 1 | 3 |  |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

The more experienced ringers on 1 and 4 . Those on 2 and 3 still make places, but have to look for different bells. Add 5-6 dodging if desired.

Exercise 7. Little Bob.


This is a bigger step, but the treble ringer is just making places. and in practice it has been found that dodging gives more time for thought than plain hunting. Extend to six later.

Exercise 8. Treble Bob Hunt.
1234
2143
1234
2143
2413
421

Everyone dodges with two bells alternately. and passes another. Extend to six later.

Exercise 9. Double Bob (on four only).
1234

## 2143 <br> $\begin{array}{llll}24 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ <br> 2431 <br> 4213

The treble hunts (a more experienced ringer!). The others dodge as in treble bob hunt except with the treble, when they make places.

Exercise 10. Plain Bob on four.
The gap is now bridged!
If this system were to be adopted in a thriving belfry, beginners could have ten to 15 minutes devoted to them with experienced ringers helping, and the rate of progress would be correspondingly quicker. Fundamental differences in the teaching of early change-ringing are so vital that the Central Council should set up a committee of enquiry to resolve the matter, and save in the future the tremendous waste of energy which I am sure occurs now.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The Guild summer festival again proved to be an attraction for many ringers on September 3 rd. Visitors from far and wide swelled the numbers of members to something like 120 at tea in the Parish Hall at Welford. They were given a hearty welcome at the service in church by the Rector (Rev. H. G. Withey) and also by the Guild president (Canon G. F, Turner) at tea.

The Guilsborough Branch, in which area Welford lies, went all out to provide ringing to suit everyone with an imposing array of 18 towers. In this historical part of the country is Naseby, scene of the battle between Charles I and Cromwell on June 14th, 1645, and marked in a field nearby with an obelisk. In the church was seen Cromwell's table.
Two recently-restored rings-Marston Trussell and Cottesbrooke-were ' on show;' and enthusiastic appreciation of the work done at each tower was heard many times. For their work in preparing for such an extensive day's ringing the Guilsborough Branch officers and members were thanked by Mr . E. Nobles, seconded by Mr. M. Coleman, after tea, and included in the thanks were the Rector of Welford, the organist. and the ladies who provided a tea suitable to the occasion.
A number of 'new towers' were added to the list of some of the younger members, what were out in great strength.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

A quarterly meeting of the Northern Disrtict was held at West Hill. Wandsworth and Putney, on September 3rd. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. at West Hill. under the direction of Mr. Norman Bagworth.
The service to the Association's form was taken at Putney by the Curate (Rev. J. Mason). who joined the company of 27 ringers at tea in the New Church Hall. This was in true Putney style, and once again those present were the guests of the Putney ringers.
The routine business meeting concluded with voteg of thanks to all who had made the meeting so enjoyable, with special reference to Mr. Whelan, of Wandsworth, for arranging the ringing there, and to Mr. Tony Clayton for so ably organising the meeting at such short notice.
Ringing for two hours on the Putney bells, under the direction of Mr. F. E. Collins, concluded a happy day.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## THE RESTORATION RINGERS

Dear Sir,-After reading your publication about the efforts of young people renovating disused towers, I would like to inform you of the efforts of six ringers, whose average age is only 16. who bave. during the past three months, restored the ring of bells at Halling which have been silent for 28 years.
Under the able captaincy of R. G. Rye, the six members of the young band climbed the tower steps and spent a week of hard work and spare time oiling the bearings, cleaning the tower, painting the frame, replacing broken stays. and clearing $1 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of dirt from the tower's three rooms. The band restored the tower in a week so that the six bells could be rung for the Whitsun services.
Later, the 'Restoration Ringers," as they are now known, taught a band of local inhabitants to ring, and now that the Halling band are progressing steadily, the ringers are set to move across the other side of the River Medway to the neighbouring parish of Wouldham to teach change-ringing to the Wouldham band. and it is the Restoration Ringers wish to ring a peal soon.
It is also hoped that the towers of the Kent County Association which are not normally rung at will. in the near future, he heard regularly after a few visits of the Restoration Ringers.
The thanks for the success of the ringers efforts are due to the incumbent of Halling and the Rev. R. Godfrey (incumbent of Wouldham). who both agreed to the idea.-Yours raithfully.

## Rainham. Kent.

R. CRANE.

## BRIGHTON TREBLE BOB

Dear Sir,- The reference to the late Mr. F. Dench ahd his producing Brighton Treble Boh. also that a peal of it was never rung, is inleresting: but one of his compositions he inlended for the method was rung at Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, on August 28th, 1911. Here is the footnote to a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Bury on September 29th, 1912: - This peal was rung to replace a peal rung by the same band on August 28ih. 1911. which was afterwards proved to be false in several places. Mr. F. Dench having published the composition in 1897 as a 5.056 of Brighton Treble Bob and not intending it for Kent.
It was rung on handbells by $F$. Dewell $1-2$. H. A. Turner 3-4. A. E. Moore 5-6. F. J. Levitt 7-8. and conducted by A. E. Moore. Who is still living and recently celebrated his 78th birthday. He is a skilful ringer and con-ductor.-Yours. etc..
Cambridge.

## IMBFR CHLRCH INSCRIPTIONS

Dear Sir,-The late Miss Edith Olivier, $\bar{n}$ iltshire writer and historian, who lived at The Daye House in the grounds of Wilton Park, near Salisbury, had a copy of the 17th century table of changes painted on the walls Imber Church, as she once showed it to me. If I remember rightly, she also told me that the Wiltshire Archzological Society had some records on the matter. I understand that her niece now lives at Wilton, and it is possible that Miss Olivier's papers have been preserved, so an inquiry there might be suc-cessful.-Yours faithfully,

EDWARD G. CAPLE.

## Clevedon. Som

PS.-Walters does not mention the writings
n his Church Bells of Wiltshire.-E.G.C.

## NO RIGHT TO CRITICISE

Dear Sir,-In almost all societies and fraternal organisations-sad to say, in the Christian Church itself-will be found a certain minority of folk always ready to pour contempt upon their fellow men

The ringing fraternity is by no meansi an exception, judging by recent correspondence in The Ringing World on peals of Minimus. It would he interesting to know how much time and patience has been given for the benefit of learners by Mr. Border and his fellow critics.

As Ringing Master of St. John-the-Divinc's. Leicester, for the last 14 years, I would like to point out that we now have a first-class band of enthusiastic youngsters, loyal and regular attenders for both Sunday service and practice ringing. The lads all share in the running of the belfry, conducting, etc., which has produced a wonderful fellowship, second to none.
Whilst in no way wishing to be disrespectful to the Leicester Guild, I contend that one's duty to one's church takes priority to that of any Guild. Little help came from the Guild as a whole during the years when we were struggling for existence.

The two persons (one a local ringer) who rang the much-criticised peal of Minimus have done a great deal of spadework for our benefit by constant attendance at practice and by arranging 6 -bell peals for our youngsters, although good Surprise ringers themselves. No doubt the 15 -year-old (also a local ringer) derived a certain amount of pleasure from it. It was rung after Evensong.
I am a person of straight speaking, and would point out that if permission is given by me for a so-called 'stunt' to be performed in my own belfry, which in my opinion would contribute lowards this fellowship, it is not within the province of Mr. Border or anyone else to shoot their darts of sarcasm at those concerned. Personally, I couldn't care less for his opinion or what he says. There is far too much of this kind of snobbety among ringers. which in some cases is the cause of depleted bands and empty belfries.

1 am sure that many ringers who knew the late William Willson, for many years Ringing Master of St. John's, will agree that he would have resisted in the strongest terms any attempted interference in the affairs of his belfry.
Let us not waste any more valuable space in - The Ringing World on petty arguments. Let Christian spirit prevail.-Yours sincerely,

Leicester.

## ONE-MAN PEALS NEXT!

Dear Sir,-Having read the letters in recent issues on the ringing of peals of Minimus, no one has mentioned the greatest danger to our art. One man could ring a peal of Minimus on handbells, thus destroying our argument that recorded bells, etc., do not call for a team effort.

This would also give the enthusiast a chance to pile up his peal total and to stop even more people from sending their names to you with more than 25 peals at the end of the yearYours sincerely,

Baldock, Herts.
EDWIN G. BUCK

SAPCOTE. LEICS.-On Sem. 11th, 1,260 Minor (720 Cambridge Surprise and 540 Plain Bob) : Miss D. Page 1. Miss C. Sirarford 2. Miss J. Siratford 3. Miss D. Suratford 4. A. M. Lindsey 5. M. E. Brown (cond.) f. Rung for the Wake Festiva) M. E. Brown (cond.)

## AGAINST 'FIRING' BELLS

Dear Sir,-I would like to endorse Mr. H. Gauntlett's views concerning the 'firing; of bells, although not wishing to alter any traditional practice on royal occasions. How long has it been usual to "fire " the bells in royal salute? Perhaps someone could trace the history of this practice for us, then we should be better able to judge whether 'firing the bells on royal occasions is justified. I suggest it would be betten to leave the firing of royal salutes to the guns! -instruments made for that very purpose.
The late Mr. Sam Hector used to refer to the bells hanging in Trowbridge tower as those musical instruments.: I consider that *iring * bells produces a hideous noise: why use our ' musical instruments' for such a purpose? I am sure any wedding party would prefer some nicely-rung changes on the bells.

One other point: the late Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth, one-time Master of the Salisbury Guild, convinced me that the practice of - firing ' the bells of St. Peter's Church. Bournemouth, was fraught with some danger to the bells and fabric of the tower. I should explain that the tower is a long and slender one in design and is surmounted by a spire as high as the tower itself. The bells are hung to swing in one direction, i.e., east and west. To "fire" such bells is ' like giving a man a terrific punch in the belly," was Major D'Aeth's forthright way of putting his view.-Yours faithfully.

ARTHUR V. DAVIS.
Southbourne, Bournemouth.

## CECIL EBBERSON MEMORIAL

Dear Sir.-With reference to the notice advertising the service of dedication of the Cecil Ebberson memorial, the Norwich Diocesan Association wish to thank the many friends of the late Mr. Ebberson who have subscribed towards the cost of the memorial.

The memorial is a tablet. 12 in. $\times 17$ in.. executed in Hopton Wood sione, and is being erected in the belfry of Dersingham Parish Church. The lettering is as follows:-

In grateful memory of
CECIL VICTOR EBBERSON
a ringer at this church for
thirty years and Ringing Master
of the Western Branch of
the Diocesan Association
1953-1959.
Yours sincerely.
W. LOVE.

General Secretary and Treasurer.
N.D.A.

## COMPOSITION FOR EIGHT METHODS

Dear Sir,-May I he allowed to make a small correction to the composition on page 616? It is really a composition of Lincolnshire, and the 43265 F.C.E. should not have appeared. It was used for New Cambridge and will go to all eight methods with the F.C.E.-Yours faithfully.

Ipswich.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> Biggleswade District

The Biggleswade District's monthly meeting at Sandy on September 10th was not very well supported, only eight District members being present. Visitors from the Bedford District and Middlesex increased the number to 12 The service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. T. Colls), with Mr. R. Ward at the organ. Tea was arranged at the King's Head. and this was followed by the business meeting. with Mr. B. Sims in the chair. Methods rung ranged from Plain Bob to Norwich Surprise.

NEW INSTALLATIONS OF ALL TYPES REPAIRS AND CONVERSIONS OF HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## PIPES PILGRIMS' NORTH COUNTRY TOUR

1 SMALL but an enthusiastic party left Grundisburgh Green at $5.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on Sunday, July 31 st, for the North Country. After an uneventful journey, Sleaford was reached at 9.45 a.m., and after ringing for Matins the party was augmented by several old faces and some new ones.

An early light lunch was well received at Grantham, and further Pilgrims nearly completed the coach's complement. Grantham ringers very kindly arranged ringing on their fine ten the previous evening for those Pilgrims staying overnight.

Tea was taken at Kingston-upon-Hull after a very long journey. The recently-augmented 12 at Holy Trinity was the objective afterwards. and while all had their turn in ringing, which included Stedman Cinques and Cambridge Royal, those not ringing were able to enjoy the wonderful view from the church roof, from which can be seen three cathedrals. A cross country route through York brought us ta Boroughbridge where. after an evening meal and an enjoyable social hour, we retired, very sleepy, to bed.

Monday morning was bright and sunny as we lefl for another cross country journey to Lake Windermere, which was viewed in all its glory from the coach windows. Ample justice was done to a chicken salad luncheon at Dalton-inFurness, and at St. Mary's Parish Church, almost adjacent to the hotel, all were able to enjoy a good hour-and-a-half's ringing on a grand ten.

## IN THE LAKE DISTRICT

Sightseeing was to follow, with Coniston Water the objective. A brief halt was made on the west side of this lake for the enthusiasts to rake photographs before carrying on to Ambleside for tea and further ringing on the heavy eight (tenor 32 cwt .), which are a joy to the listener. It was here where many were caught without protection when a cloudburst descended. Journeying on past Rydal Water and Grasmere Lake, our night's resting place was the Rothay Hotel. Grasmere. This charming hotel is in extensive grounds in a beautiful fell-land setting, and is owned by the Rev. Mr. Dand (a former vicar of Woodbridge) and
Mrs. Dand, who were known to many of the party.
We were sorry indeed to leave Grasmere on Tuesday morning, but all enjoyed the sightseeing drive through Kirkstone Pass and along one side of Ullswater. Lunch was taken at Keswick ind was followed by a visit to Derwent Water before proceeding to Cockermouth for an hour's ringing on a modern, very pleasant light eight hy Mears and Stainbank. It was here that we were met by Roger Whetenhall, who joined us in ringing. After tea the party proceeded to Cleator Moor 10 ring on a delightful 21 cwt. eight. Here the only touch of Spliced Surprise of the week was rung.
Headquarters for the night was the Abbotts Court Hotel, St. Bees. After refreshments, some took a stroll to the beach. while others found their way to the town to sample the local waters. The Church of SS. Mary and Bega is within easy walking distance of the hotel, and so early ringing did not mean early rising. The party also visited the light eights at Egremont and Workington during Wednesday morning.

## STEEPLE-KEEPING WORK

After lunch at Workington the coastal journey to Silloth was pursued. Whilst most of the party enjoyed an afternoon by the sea, a few valiant members, under the direction of Ron Edwards, ascended the tower in an attempt to put into order a ring of bells silent since 1928 and now declared unringable. With limaited facilities. the gallant few achieved the impossible, which included almost the rehanging of the seventh. Ropes were put on and after tea the bells were raised very carefully one by one before the ringing of several methods on a most pleasant 23 cw . eight which only needed rehanging. What a pity to find such fine bells never rung.
On 10 Carlisle to ring on the peculiar eight at the Cathedral, and the 14 cw . ground floor
eight at St. Stephen's, before seeking out our night's resting place-the State-owned Red Lion Hotel.
Thursday morning took us right across country to Newcastle upon Tyne. The party was privileged to see parts of the ruined remains of the historical Hadrian's Wall en route. Our first ring of the day was on the recentlyaugmented ten at Gosforth, where we were me: by Dennis Bayles, who kindly piloted us for the rest of the day. Lunch was taken at Whitley Bay, but a heavy mist prevented us from viewing the sea.
The pleasant 17 cwt . eight at St. Paul's were put into action immediately after lunch. Although a giant pendulum swings across the ringing room, our efforts were not thwarted and the standard was fairly high. More ringing was to follow, at Tynemouth, on a fine ten in a large tower. The journey to Roker included a ferry trip across the Tyne. the coach almost filling the space reserved for vehicles.

## AT ROKER

After tea at Roker we said farewell to Dennis Bayles hefore we found our way to the Parish Church of St. Andrew, a modern church which had the appearance of being built on prison lines, with a grey, forbidding look. The bells. a modern ten by Gillett and Johnson, are magnificent, rather loud but ideal from the ringing viewpoint. No excuses for poor striking can be offered here. The ringing included a course of Double Norwich Caters and a fine touch of Grandsire Caters to end with.
On down the coast to West Hartlepool, where we were greeted by Fred Hodgson and two of his learners. Ringing here ranged from rounds to Cambridge Royal, before we left to continue to Middlesbrough for the night. It was on the snooker table at the Star and Garter that the so-called experts proved to be not as good as they thought when coming up against two beginners who won all their small change.
On Friday morning the Church of St. Cuthbert, North Ormesby, eluded us for a while. When it was eventually found, our efforts were rewarded by some good ringing. An early lunch was taken at Darlington so that as much time as possible could be devoted to ringing on the glorious eight. Journeying back down the Al we turned off to visit the very old church at Bedale, where the tenor is a pre-Reformation bell and does not quite reach the intended note of D natural. However. the bells are well worth a visit.
The fourth ring of the day was at Ripon Cathedral. A delightful ten here, but what a pity that the ninth shouts above the others. Satisfactory ringing was followed by a delicious tea before, like Turpin, we rode to York where, unlike Turpin, we were privileged to ring at the Minster. What a glorious sound these bells make outside, but how disappointing to the ringer. for they can be hardly heard inside the lower. Three leads of Treble Bob Maximus were followed by Stedman Cinques and Caters.

## PRESENTATION

After the evening meal. Arthur and Mrs. Barker suitably conveyed the appreciation of all 10 Jim and Sylvia Pipe for their untiring efforts and usual efficient planning to ensure a happy, carefree week for the party. A pair of garden shears was presented to Jim and a wrought-iron plant pot holder to Sylvia. Our driver, who had sportingly entered into the spirit of things, was also presented with a cigarette lighter as a token of our appreciation. On Saturday morning we rang at Epworth on a. very pleasant ground floor eight before carrying on to Gainsborough, where a course of Gainsborough Surprise Maior was brought round. At Grantham, sad farewells were made. The nucleus continued the journey back to Grundisburgh. reached at $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., after covering 1.100 miles in seven days.
It had been a most enjoyable holiday, and our heartiest thanks are due to our organiser for his excellent arrangements, which must have entailed endless hours of hard work.
B. D. A. W.

The Sunday service band at All Souls* Halifax, continue in the forefront of ringing. Their latest-Spliced Surprise Major in eight methods.

WORCESTERSHIRE YOUNG RINGERS
Worcestershire Young Ringers from Wychbold and Stourbridge had a 10 -day cycle tour embracing six counties, which started from Worcester on August 2nd. The first tower was Powick, having the heaviest six in Worcestershire.

The first full day was spent in the Avon Valley and included Berrow, having the best five in Worcestershire, Tredington, a half-timbered tower with a good five rung from round the font, and Bishop's Cleeve with bells really worthy of the fine church.
St. George's, Didbrook, on the Thursday morning, had some unusual features. The ropes hang just inside the main enirance, with four in a straight line on one side and the tenor on the other side of the doorway. To complicate matters the 'circle' is anti-clockwise. The day was spent in the valley of the Windrush River, the Slaughters being lovely villages, with a fine ring of nive at Upper Slaughter. A wonderful welcome was received from the ringers of Stow-on-the-Wold when we joined them at practice, and every member of the team tried the 30 cwt . tenor,
A good quarter of Doubles was rung at Bledington on Friday before journeying to Bourton-on-the-Water, where the lovely eight bells were rung to call-changes and Doubles. Saturday was spent in the valley of the Thames, and among the towers visited were Great Rissington. Windrush. Coln St, Aldwyn and Meysey-Hampton. At Ashton Keynes we were rather disappointed at the narrow dyke which is apparently the Thames.
The lovely five at Cricklade were much enjoyed before attending morning service. In the afternoon we rang at Preston and Ampney Crucis, where 2 and 3 have exactly the same note, and for Evensong a good quarter at Ashton Keynes.
Three people were needed to get Purton tenor up the right way on Monday, and after these lovely oells Lydiard Millicent and Rodbourne Cheney seemed very light. The Vale of the White Horse was visited on Tuesday to ring at Shrivenham and Uffington. Wednesday started with a good quarter of Minor at Lechlade. and later at Leafield the Vicar entertained the party to a sumptuous tea. Thursday was a very wet day. A good new ring was found at Enstone.
Great Pollright, having a minor six which had not been rung for several years, was the first tower on Friday. At Sutton-under-Brailev the five are rung from the church porch, and the ropes of 1 and 3 fall about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches from the walls! The last day's programme was only two towers-Henley-in-Arden and Studley. with some of the best ringing in Spliced Doubles and Minor.
Thanks are accorded to local ringers and incumbents.

## STONE, STAFFS, RINGERS' OUTING

St. Michael's, Stone, outing this year was into Shropshire. Good ringing, including Stedman and Plain Bob Major, opened the ringing programme at Church Stratton. The long climb of 136 steps to the ringing chamber at Ludlow Parish Church was well rewarded. although ringing was resiricted 10 half-an-hour owing to the nearby hospital.

After lunch the border was crossed into Wales, and at Knighton. Kent T.B. Major. Plain Bob and Grandsire were all brought round. The curate met the party and joined in the ringing at Bridgnorth, and at Newport, the last tower, local ringers had everything in readiness. A good fall in peal ended 3 plezsant tour. To all who contributed to the success of the outing sincere thanks are returned.

ST. COLUMB MAJUR. CORNWALL.-On Aus. 18th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: C. A. Lewis (first on eight) 1. J. K. Foot 2. R. C. Warburton 3. R. G. Morris 4. R. E. Tallis (jun.) 5. M. C. Hugher 6. M. S. Hart 7. P. S. Bennetl (cond.) 8. Rung on the Packwood ringers tour as a birthday compliment to Miss Pamela M. Turner, non-touring secretary.

## OBITUARY

## JAMES GEORGE RUMSEY <br> AN APPRECIATION

Jim Rumsey has been described in the Suffolk idiom as "a good owd ringer.' He was indeed: safe, a good striker, could ring any bell as required: had one ambition, which was to be punctual in attendance and of use when he arrived.

Born in Holborn in 1882, he removed to Debenham as a boy of seven. One of six brothers and sisters, he and they became members of the church choir. Later on Jim joined the ringers, who at that time were under the leadership of William Grimes. With Alfred W. Grimes, William C. Rumsey (a cousin) William J. Groom and others joining about that time, a new era commenced in Debenham tower. The old saying that Debenham bells if pulled off and left to themselves would ring Bob Triples came to an end.

In 1897 Jim rang his first peal. Bob Major. This was followed in succession by peals of Treble Bob, Oxford, followed by Kent, the 'correct ' order in Suffolk in those days, and Double Norwich. About the time the writer joined the tower, Superlative Surprise was being considered. After much practice, and a few peals with outside help. the first Surprise pe al by the Sunday band was rung, Jim ringing the tenor. This was in 1907. The signwriter who wrote the peal board put the words "weight 20 cw : directly beneath the name James $G$. Rumsey, which caused Jim-who had a fine sense of humour-to remark that he had no idea he weighed so much.

In 1911. some time after his marriage, he removed to Leiston, and worked for many years for Richard Garrell and Sons, agricultural engineers. Recommencing where he left off at Debenham, he was soon a member both of the choir and the ringing society, and thus became connected with the Bailey family, then going ahead smartly under the conductorship of that remarkable man, Charles F. Bailey. Service ringing, combined with a succession of peals in a good selection of Surprise methods, some of which were rung for the first time. with occasional visits to other towers in East Anglia, made up the rest of Jim's ringing carreer.

The Leiston men did much handbell ringing with the success which is now history, but Jim took little part in this, ringing two peals only. Later in life he took up the duties of sexton and verger, and his devotion to this work gained him the appreciation of both clergy and congregation.

Failing health compelled him to retire and also to give up ringing, his last peal being aporopriately enough rung at Debenham in 1950. In his declining years, his wife having predeceased him. he owed much to the devoted care of a sister, being often in pain and weak. ness.
He was interred in Leiston Cemetery on August 29th. Tollowing a service in the church, at which his two remaining sisters and a brother, with brother ringers present, listened to a moving tribute by one of the clergy. In the evening the Leiston band rang muffled bells to mark the end of a dedicated life. P.L.

## HIS PEALS

Doubles. Grandsire and Plain 1. T.B. Minor 4. Grandsire Triples 3. Siedman Triples 14. Plain Bob Major 19 ( 2 handbell). Kent T.B. 16. Kent Royal 4. Kent T.B. Maximus 1, Oxford T.B. Major 24. Double Norwich 27 Surprise Major.-Superlative 34. Cambridge 31. New Cambridge 4. Bristol 52, London 39 , Guildford 8. Suffolk 5, Dublin 2, Rochester 12. Surrey 2: and one each of the following: Norfolk, Yorkshire, Lancashire. Edinburgh. Camdon. Essex. Premier and Waveney. Total 310.

## MR. GEORGE GILBERT

We regret to announce that Mr. George Gilbert, of Burnham. Bucks, died early on Friday morning at the Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow. He was 73
The funeral service was held at Burnham Parish Church yesterday at 3 p.m.

Briefly announced in our last issue. Mr. Tom Riley died on August 30th in Haslemere Hospital after a few days' illness from coronary thrombosis. He was 59

- Tommy Riley had been connected with the ringing at St. Peter and St. Mary's Church. Liss. tor 40 years, and at cimes he was the only ringer. He never reached great heights in change-ringing, but endeared himself to many by his hard work behind the scenes. especially in organising outings, special ringing and the like. For many years he was tower secretary: he was also a keen member of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.

Besides ringing, he served the community in other directions, such as being treasurer of the football club for 22 years, treasurer of the slate club and scorer for the cricket club. A great litule man and a true friend, he will be missed by many.

At the funeral service. the church bells were rung before and after by 12 ringers representing Liss, Petersfield, Blackmoor and Hawkley towers.
C. E. B.

## SHELLEY CUP CONTEST

The Shelley Cup contest, held on September 17th. Wis won by Cawthorne with 31 faults, followed by Meltham 34. Warsop 41) and Friezland 73. The test piece was 600 changes preceded hy 120 changes practice. Messrs. Percy Hawthornethwaite and Herbert Holbrook were the judges, and Mr. Albert Goldthorpe marker, Mr. Noel F. Moxon received the cup on behalf of the winners, and each member of the team received a jam dish.
Thanks to the Shelley ringers were voiced hy Messrs. Moxon. Harry Mann and Rooke, whose team (Warsop) were compeling for the first lime.

The meeting stood to remember Mr. Harry Roherts, of Kirkhurton, who commenced his ringing at Shelley before going to Kirkburton. He was a judge for the Halifax Socie:y for many years.

## ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD

An encouraging feature of the quarterly meeting of St. David's Guild, held at St. Mary's. Pembroke, was the number of young ringers present and the election of eight probationary members. The company present included ringers from Tenby, Burry Port, Carmarthen. St. David's. Llanelly, and the local band.

Following a service conducted by the Rev. T. C. Johns, the ladies of Pembroke provided a very nice tea in the Church Hall, and they were thanked by the Rev. I. J. Thomas, Vicas of Burry Port. The Rev. T. C. Johns presided at the business meeting, when it was decided to accept the invitation to hold the December meeting at Llandovery. A collection for the Bell Restoration Fund amounted 10 £ 11 s. Mr. H. Jenkins proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, and the proceedings closed with prayer. A very good day's ringing was then concluded in the tower.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD <br> North Dorset Branch

The quarterly meeting of the North Dorset Branch. held at Maiden Bradiey on Sepiember 10th. was attended by a larger nuniber than usual. there being 40 present from 13 towers, including visitors from the Bath and Wells Guild. Doubles and Minor were rung on the six hells before the service.

After an excellent tea in the Village Hall, the business meeting was despatched with reasonable brevity under the acting-chairmanship of the Vicar (Rev. J. Wright), who welcomed the Branch 10 his parish. The business included the election of a new member from Mere, and the decision to contribute is to the Guild funds in addition to the ordinary subseription. This was in response to a suggestion made at the annual meeting of the Guild last May.

Ringing was later resumed at Maiden Bradley, Horningsham and Bourton

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD Views On Minimus

For the September quarterly meeting of the Leicester Diocesan Guild a 6-bel! tower was chosen as the venue for the first time since the Guild was formed in 1946. It was undoubtedly a tremendous success, as over 50 members and friends sat down 10 tea, and the tiny village church at Twyford was competely filled for the service, which was taken by the Rev. A. W. Harrison, Vicar of Somerby.

During the afternoon, bells at Great Dalby (5) and Somerby (6) were available for ringing. At the business meeting, which was presided over by the president (Mr. P. J. Staniforth), a special welcome was given to Mr. Evander Littlewood. who has been ringing at Asfordby for over 60 years. The president presented eight certificates-live to ringers from Blaby, who are to have their five bells rehung by the end of the year. This tower now has 13 enthusiastic ringers who are learning to ring at South Wigston, Whetstone, and other churches.
After the routine items on the agenda had been disposed of, members were reminded of the annual dinner and social, which would be held on October 29th in the Shakespeare Hotel. Braunstone, on the outskirts of Leicester. The Lord Bishop of Leicester and the Provost of Leicester Cathedral (together with their wives) were to be the guests. Tickets (price 12s. 6d.) would be available from the secretary shortly. Ringing during the afternoon would be arranged by the Le:cester District committee
Under the itens 'Any Other Business,' memhers expressed their views on the recent peal of Minimus rung for the Suild. (PPerformance. please. © one member said!) It was moved by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mr. Rowley, that 'the Guild ask the Central Council not 10 recognise peals of Minimus." This motion was eventually carried hy 26 votes to 1 .
The secretary then had the unpleasant task of reporting that he had received a telephone complaint from the Vicar of Copi Oak who, having granted a band permission for a peal at. tempt at his church, had waited two hours for them to arrive, and had had no message saying they were not coming or apology since. Mr. Harrison agreed to contact the Vicar of Coni Oik and find out more details of who the culprits were

Miss Betty Smith, of Ashby Folville, requested that when peal binds sisited her church and altered the langth of ropes they should replace them afterwards. F.nally. Mr Day gave a warm welcome back to Mr. J. Harry Cook, the popular Ringing Master of the Melton District, who is recovering from an internal operation.
Thanks were expressed to all who had made the meeting so enjoyable.

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## MISCELLANEOLS

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.The first practice next term is on Wednesday, Octoher 5th, at 8 p.m., at Great St. Andrew's Church. Ringers coming up are welcome. Or contact the Secretary, Frances Secker. Girton College.

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## ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North Eastern

 District.-Mistley, Essex: Weekly practice resumed Thursday, 7.30, not Monday as before. -A. Honeywood, 2, Oxford Road. Mistley.MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.First practice. Sacred Trinity. Salford, Saturday, Oct 11 th. Week-end tour, Octoher 28th to 30th: all freshers welcome.-R. Johnston. 8. Moor Park Mount. Headingley, Lceds, 6.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.-Ringers coming up to Oxford University this term are invited to attend the business meeting at 8.15 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11th. in the Old Bursary, New Col lege.-N. J. Martin. St. Peter's Hall. 6646
SUFFOLK GUILD.-S.W. District.-The supper and social arranged for October 15th has had to be cancelled owing to catering difficulties.-R. J. Seabrook.

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## MEETINGS

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Newcastie. Saturday, Oct. 1st. Ringing: Gosforth II to 12.30, Jesmond 210 3. Fenham 2.30 to 3.30 Cathedral 3.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9 . Gateshead 7 to 9 p.m. Service in Cathedral 4.15, with tea at St. John's 5 p.m., followed by business mceting. 6669
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner, on October 1st, at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, 6.15 p.m. for 6.45 . p.m. Tickets 15s. Early applications with stamped addressed envelope. please.-F. V. Gant. 3, Central Drive. Hornchurch

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnham District.-Combined practice, Pirbright (6). Saturday. Oct. Ist. from 6 to 9 p.m. 6649
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Watford District.-Meeting at Rickmansworth (10). Saturday. Oct. Ist, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 n.m.-G. W. Scaman. Dis. Sec. 6591
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Ashford Saturday. October ist. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 П.m1.-C. T. H.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigar Branch.-Meeting. St. Peter's, Hindley, Saturday, Oct. Ist. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please make your own arrangements for te3.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -J. Armiger Trollope commemorative dinner, Ealing Town Hall, Saturday, Oct. Ist. Service 6 p.m. in Church of Christ the Saviour, Ealing Broadway. Ringing alrangements: Si. Siephen's. West Ealing, 2.30 to 4 p.m. : St. Mary's and Christ the Saviour, 4.30 to 5.45 p.m.T. J. Lock, Hon. Sec.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM Quarterly meeting, Aston, October 1st. Bells (12) available 3.30 p.m. 6632
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Southern Branch. - Quarterly meeting, Bretforton, Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Northern Division) and SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern Division). Joint meeting. East Grinstead (8), Siturday, Oct. Ist. Bells 3 p.m. Tea for those who have notified.-E. L. Hairs and G. A. West, Hon. Secs. 668 ?

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION -Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube sta-

 tion), Monday. Oct. 3rd. 7 p.m.6698
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice on Wednesday. Oct. Sth. will be held at St. Leonard's, Shore ditch, 6.30 p.m.

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BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY - Meeting. Hemsworth, near Pontefract, Suturday Oct. 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.-J. W. Buxton.
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Bridgwater Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Westonzoyland. Saturday, Oct. 8th, 3.15 p.m. Usual arrangements, Please notify for tea.R. Short, Chilton Trinity. 6693 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.-
Dunster Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Skilgate. Dunster Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Skilgate, by Oct. 5th.-A. R. Tudball. 6707 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Quarterly meeting, Dunkerton, Saturday. Oct. 8ih. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to A. F. Butt. 10, Brooklands, Dunkerton, Bath. Alan Lee. Sec. welis AssOcIATION86 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION, Frome Branch.-Quirterly meeting, Ashwick
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BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.Monthly meeting, Walkington, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Hall. Names for tea by Thursday. Oct. 6th, 10 Miss J. Gray, 7. Northgate. Walkington. Beverley. 6688
BUXTON, NORFOLK.-The overhauled ring of six will be rededicated by the Rev. cesan Association) on Saturday. Oct. 8ih. Service 3 p.m. Ringing and refreshments afterwards. All ringers cordially invited.

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EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Next meeting will be at Wingerworth. Siturday, Oct. 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea \$ p.m. Names to E. Blythe 58, Church Street South. Derby Road, Birdholme, Chesterfield.-B. A. Sollis, Hon. See

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Joint meeting with the Cambridge District and Cambridge University Guild at Longstanton. Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. -D. F.
EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Mecting at Capel (6). Saturday, Oct. 8th. Tea and business in the Institute. Newdigate $(6)$ in evening. Don't let the local ladies down: please send nost card for tea.-C. A. Bassett. 3. Pendrill Place. Wadhurst, Sussex.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W, DistrictMeeting. St. Mary's (8). Old Harlow, Saturday Oct. 8 th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea at the Queen's Head.-G. Blake, Dis. Sec., Hamlet House, Roydon, Harlow. 6691 GLOUCESTEK AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Gloucester Branch. -Meeting, Ashleworth (5) (No. 3 unringable). 3 to 4.15 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8th. Evening ringing at Hartpury (6) approx. 7 to 8.30 p.m. Names by Oct. Sth to Green, 30, Malvern Road. Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIO. CESAN ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch.Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th, Hannington, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Blunsdon. Evening ringing at Blunsdon. Names for tea to R. Luton,
169. Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 6694 169. Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 6694

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. - South Forest Branch. - Meeting at Tidenham, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for lea to Coombe, Oaklands Farm. Newnham. Glos.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIO. CESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wollon Branch Monthly meeting. Wickwar (6). Saturday. Oct. 8th. Usual arrangements. Notify for teiB. Cooper. Ranger's House. Dursley 6724 bury District.-Annual meeting, St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. October 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 2s. per head. Names together with cash, please, not later than Wednesdzy, October 5th, to me. Nominations for District officers same date. Full details on tower notices. Copy to non-district members on recept of S.A.E.-T. C. Phillimore. 47. St. Peter's Giove. Canterbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.-Annual meeting, All Saints'. Maidstone, Saturday. Oct. 8th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to L. Mannering. 30 . Hastings Road, Maid-stone.-R. L. Sills, Dis. Sec. 6706
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Preston Branch.-Meeting, St. Mark's Preston. Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bring own food. Lane Ends and Larches buses from town centre and rail-
way station, alight Pedder Sireet.-L: Walmsley.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th, at St. Mary's, Walıon. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea not later than Wednesday. Oct. 5th, 10 Mr. A. Jackson, 77, Bedford Road. Liverpool, 4.-T. E. Radcliffe.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furncis and Lake District Branch.-Half-yearly meet ing. Saturday. Oct. 8th, 2.30 p.m.. Ambleside Names for tea to A. Capstick. Kirkwood. Millans Park. Ambleside.-N. M. Newby LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Loughborough District.-Meeting, Kegworth. Saturday, Oct. 8th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Oct. 4th to P. J. Sutton. 12. Broadhill Road, Kegworth, near Derby.-C. W. Hall.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.-Meeting. Sibsey, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Oct. 3id, to me.W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION. - Llandaff Branch. - Meeting at Dyffryn, Neath, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business -R. E. Coles, Branch Sec. 6662 LONDON COUNTY ASSOCBATION. Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th. St. George's, Wells Way, Camberwell. 4 to 5.30 p.m. Business 5.30 to 6. Si. Margaret's, Westminster. 7.15 to 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.-Rogers, 53. The Grove, Isleworth. ISL 3921. 6657

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-N and E. District.-Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th. at St. Mary-the-Virgin's. Monken Hadley. Ringing 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service 4.30. Tea at the Olde Tea Shoppe. Barnet. 5.15 p.m... only for those who notify by Oct. 5th C. W. Ward, 12, Alston Road, Barnet. Hertfordshire. Evening ringing 6 to 7 p.m.. also at St. Iohn-the-Baptists. Barnet. 7.30 to 9 p.m. 6687
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Ringing meeting. Saturday. Oct. 8th. Swynnerton (6). Bells 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. Oct. 5th. to Mr. W. H. Watkin. Early Lane. Swynnerton. Stone.-J. G. Burton. Hon. Sec. $67 \geq 0$

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Southern Branch.-Meeting. New Buckenham. Saturday. Oct. 8th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Time of service to be arranged. Names for tea by Wednesday. Oct. 5th, to Mr. W. G. Saunders, King Street. New Buckenham, Nor-wich.-C. F. W. Phillippo. Hon. Sec. 6654
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.Daventry Branch.-Meeting, Preston Capes, on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Names for tea by Monday previous to me.-F. W. Hancock. Church View. Willoughby, Rugby

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SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting. Berrington, Saturday, Oct. 8th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to $\mathbf{W}$. Lloyd, Belswardine Hall, Cressage, Shrewsbury.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.Nottingham District.-Annual Goose Fair meeting. Saturday, Oct. 8 th . Bells: St. Mary's (10). 3 p.m.: St. Peter's (10). 6 p.m. Own tea arrangements.-S. Adams, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6703
SUFFOLK GUILD-North West District.-
inging meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th. MildenRinging meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Mildenhall (10). Bells 2.30 pm . Service 4.30 Tea
$5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Meeting follows. Names for tea by W.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea by Wroom Cottage. Worlington, Bury St. Edmunds. 6674
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting, Southern and Western Divisions, at Steyning (8). Saturday. Oct. 8th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to bourne, Chichester. Sussex. No tea guaranteed unless names are received by Thursday, Oct. 6th.

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## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH

 DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.Quarterly meeting, Wickham. Saturday, Oct. ${ }^{8 t h}$. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m.. Church Hall. Names by previous Tuesday to Mr. John Rolph. 20, Buddens Road. Meon Park. Wickham. 6701WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSO-CIATION.-The 23 rd annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall. Worcester, on Saturday, Ootober 8 th. at 5.45 p.m. prompt. Bells availabie: Cathedral (12) $3.30-5$ p.m.. All Sains's' (10) $4-5.15$ p.m. Tickets (12s. each) obtainable until Wednesday. October 54h. from Branch officers or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow. Evesham.

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Western District.Meeting. Saturday. Oct. 15th, 2.30 p.m.. Hexham Abbey. Names essential for tea ( 3 s . 6 d . per head) to C. T. Lamb, 26, St. Mary's Crescent. Blackhill

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W. District.Quarterly meeting. Thorpe Bay (8). Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. H. R. Wlison, 133. St. Augustine Avenue. Thorpe Bay.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Rochester District) and LADIES GUILD (Kent Branch).-Rochester District annual meeting combined with the Ladies' Guild at Milton-next-Gravesend. Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. F. A. Mitchell, 21. Lamorna Avenue, Gravesend.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Dersingham. Saturday, Oct. 15th. Service of dedication: CECIL Ebberson Memorial. Service to commence 3 p.m. Preacher. The Archdeacon of Lynn. the Ven. H. K. Percival Smith. M.A. Tea directly after the service. Names to Mr. A. E. Nurse. 7. Centre Vale, Dersingham, King's Lynn. -W. Love, Gen. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.-Annual general meeting. Saturday, Oct. 15th. Newhury. Bells from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday Oct. Ilth. to H. P. Reed. 74, Queens Road. Newbury.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Banbury and District Branch.-Meeting at Sandford St. Martin (6), Saturday. Oct. 15 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and business $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Duns Tew (5) 7.30 p.m. Names for tea by Oct. Ilth to C. C. Clarke. High Street. Deddington. -Rutland Branch.-Meeting at Seaton (5). Saturday. Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark. Middle Street. Wing. SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting. Walsall (12), Saturday, Oct. 15 th . Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names by Wednesday, Oct. 12th, to Mr. G. W. Hughes, 3, Delves Road. Walsall. Dinner tickets available at this meeting. Bells also available at Rushall (6), 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. Carillon recital, Town Hall, 12.30 to 1.15 p.m.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION - The annual Jasper Snowdon commemoration dinner will be held at Rotherham on Saturday, Oct. 22nd. The bells of Rotherham Parish Church (10), Eastwood (8). Whiston (8), Thrybergh (6), Wentworth (6), Rawmarsh (8) will be available morning or afternoon, times to be published later. Tickets, 12s. 6d. each, from Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, 56. Glencoe Road, Sheffield, 2, also inquiries for hotel accommodation. Peals will be arranged Friday evening or Saturday morning if desired. The Ecclesfield Handbell Ringers will entertain at the dinner. A cordial welcome will be extended to all visitors.-N. Chaddock, J. J. L. Gilbert, organising committee. 6678

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Annual dinner, Saturday. Oct. 29th, Rose and Crown Hotel, Tonbridge, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (13s.) from Miss D. Colgate, 30, Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks. Please apply early as number limited.

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## LATE NOTICES

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Autumn general meeting. Saturday. Oct. Ist. Newbury. Business meeting Corn Exchange. $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service. Parish Church. 4.30 . Tea. Corn Exchange. 5.30. Ringing-10-11 a.m.: Lambourne (8). Peasmore (6). Stanford Dingley (4). Beenham (6): $11-12$ noon: East Garston (6). Chieveley (6), Midgham (6) ; 12-1 p.m.: Great Shefford (6). Shaw (6). Bucklebury (8) : $1-2$ p.m.: Speen (cancelled). Newbury (101: curtailed to before meeting: Kintbury (6). Thatcham (8): 6.45-7.45 p.m.: Hungerford (8). Hampstead Norris (6). Aldermaston (8): 7-8 p.m.: Compton (6). Yattendon (6). Mortimer (8): 7.30-8.30 p.m.: East Ilsley (8). Brightwalton (6). Burghfield (6).—M. R. Cross. 6726

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 8th, Healey. Bells 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea to B. Coop. 123. Markel Street, Whitworth Rochdale.-Hudson. Sec

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD <br> West Dorset Branch

About 30 members and visitors attended the quarterly meeting at Broadwindsor on September 17th. The bells were raised in peal, and methods included London Surprise Minor. The service was conducted by the chairman of the Branch (Rev. J. S. Arthur), Canon C. C. Cox read the lesson and the Rev. P. Smith gave the address.
Tea was served in the Reading Room, kindly given by Broadwindsor P.C.C. At the business meeting four new members were electedDorothy Symonds. Patricia Keats. Vivienne Denning and Michael Dawe, all of Beaminster. Mr. F. Wreford, who was elected a non-resident member prior to a peal, was duly ratified.
Notice was given of the dedication of the new sixth bell at Powerstock. Other meetings were arranged as follows: October 14th at Netherbury. November 18th, at Evershot. The annual to be at Lyme Regis on November 26th. The chairman thanked Broadwindsor for their hospitality, and Mr. Studley, Vicar"s warden. very humorousy replied.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Sonning Deanery Hold Striking Competition

An innovation in the form of a striking competition among the towers in the Sonning Deanery Branch took place at St. Michael's, Sandhurst. on September 17th.

Six towers entered teams of six ringers, and the object was perfect striking, whether in rounds, call-changes, or a method. Two well known members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild-Major E. T. Bragg and the Master Mr. C. W. Denyer-adjudicated, and were in stalled in a schoolroom close to the church. Mr. Harold Smith, a Branch Ringing Master was in the tower to watch the ringing and give advice. while Mr. W. Parker marshalled the teams. In another schoolroom Mrs. Parker and her helpers provided tea from 4 till 6 p.m. which was much appreciated.
Each team decided to ring Grandsire Doubles. and some good striking was heard. As the last team vacated the tower the judges left the schoolroom, and in announcing their verdict gave a summary of the faults of each team and general comments on the ringing, which proved most helpful for future contests.
The results were: Sonning 38 faults, Hurst 44, Sandhurst 46. Easthampstead 62, Twyford 83 and Arborfield 96.

Mr. Smith thanked Major Bragg and Mr Denyer for their services. Mr. and Mrs. Parker for all the local arrangements, and the Branch secretary for his part in organising the event
A combined practice followed. It is hoped the contest will be an annual event. B.C.C.

## THE BEGINNER

As a child I used to go out and sit on the church roof, while the men inside pulled the bell ropes. Even then I was aware that all the words my grandfather bellowed across the ringing chamber were not ringing terms; but I wasn't quite sure what they were. (They did not sound at all amiable.) Now I know.
As I stand holding the rope, arms stretched up, with sweating hands, palpitating heart, and weak legs, the terms from my childhood comes floating across to me, painfully clear, to mingle with the clashing of the bells and numbers desperately rushing through my brain: four, six. five, dodge, three, five, one, three, lead. Even as I think of these numbers am filled with a sense of guilt, and I think quietly, lest anyone should hear-because I am breaking the law. Ringing by numbers is just not allowed. I must ring by my position.
More clashes and we 'stand.' Hands, with skin like aged yellow parchment. blister bloated, relax: legs, trembling, sink to the wooden benches and a cool stone wall supports the back and helps to calm the exploding heart.
There is silence for a while: the body regains its composure and shredded nerves gather themselves together. Then. rueful smiles break across the faces of experts-and others. and someone suggests we try again.

This time an expert falters-in despair? We grin in gladness, and in doing so lose our flace again and. grin gone, blushing, pull the tell rope harder
Place regained (with music and discord), we pull on.
Sweat-soaked. no nerves left. arms aching. overcome by tiredness and yawns, suddenly we find we have completed a course. place perfect (if a little badly struck). We brighten up and smile. ring 'simple rounds,' and stand.

On Saturday night. in some foreign village tower. a hardened ringer asks: "And what would you like to ring?'
And startled. the timid whisper, 'I'm only a beginnner. Like a worm to a beautiful butterfly.

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## QUARTER PEALS

HESWALL. CHESHIRE.-On Sent. 3rd. 1.260 Doubles 1660 Grandsire and 600 Plain Bob): R. H. Davies 1. Kay Richmond 2, E. Briton 3. E. T. Carvell 4. A. J. Martin (cond.) 5. T. A. Morgan 6. First quarter 1 and 2. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Davies, of Moreton, on their 25 th wedding anniversary.
KENWYN, CORNWALL.-On Sept. 18th. 1,260 Grandsire Trinles: Mrs. R. J. Southwood 1. C. Sanswin 2. C. Holloway 3. D. C. Woodward 4, F. A. White 5, B. R. White 6. R. A. Southwond (cond.) 7, C. Taytor 8. Rung following evening Communion for the Harvest Thanksgiving.
KETTERING, NORTHANTS.-On Sens. 11th. 1.296 Little Bob Royal: Miss A. Hales 1. Miss S. Collins 2. Miss D. Lawless 3. A. Idle 4. R. Turner 5, R. Black 6. R. Marsh 7. B. Austin 8. G. Watson (cond.) 9. A. Frosi 10. Firss quarter 1 to 8. For Evensong. I.EICESTER. At St. Markaret 's Church. on Sent. 11th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: T. G. Still (first quar1er) 1, E. Morris 2, F. P. Harwood 3. W. J. Tanscr 4. K. Mason (first of Triples) 5, A. E. Hartley 6. G. A. Olliffe (cond.) 7, P. Davis 8. Rung for Evensong and as a compliment to Edward J. Clements, a ringer of this church, on his marriage to Miss Barbara Chalmers, of Bothwell, Lanarkshire, which look place at Great Falls, Montana, U.S.A.

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## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, September 10th. was an historic day for the Diocese of Lichfield as far as ringing was concerned. On this particular day a Ringing Festival was held, embracing the three Archdeaconries comprising the Diocese of Lichfield. Three ringing societies were involved - the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, the Shropshire Association and the North Staffordshire Association. The whole venture was to be known as the 'Lichfield Diocesan Ringing Festival.'

To obtain a true background to the Festival one must go back to 1882 when the North Staffordshire Association was founded, followed closely in 1883 by the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. It is interesting to read from the very first report of the latter Society, published in June, 1884, the following: 'As a Society had already been formed for North Staffordshire (the Archdeaconry of Stoke) it seemed advisable to found a similar Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford: We have reason to hope that ere long a Society will be formed for the Archdeaconry of Salop, and that the three will work together, and thus embrace the whole of the Diocese of Lichfield.' In June, 1959, at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, a proposal was put forward that an approach be made to the other two societies in the Lichfield Diocese with a view to holding an annual joint Ringing Festival. Such a Festival is to be held in the territory of each Archdeaconry in rotation.

There followed a considerable amount of correspondence between the three societies, and after a lapse of six months the final details were worked out. It was decided that the first Festival should be held in the Stoke-on-Trent area with the North Staffordshire Association as hosts. This was particularly appropriate, as this year is the 50 th anniversary of the establishment of Stoke as a city.

The day arrived at last, and the weather was kind. A sprinkling of ringers was soon in action at all the available towers in the area. Ringing began at $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. at Kidsgrove, where the delightful six bells were put to good use. Two more towers followed before lunch-Tunstall. Christ Church, with eight bells, tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. of good tone, and Norton-le-Moors, an excellent 'Taylor' cight with tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. There were no formal arrangements for lunch, and visitors made their own amongst the many cafes in Hanley.

During the afternoon three more towers were available: firstly the fine-sounding ten at St. John's, Hanley (tenor 18 cwt .), secondly the pleasant six at St. Mary's, Bucknall, where ringing during the afternoon was sandwiched between weddings, and lastly the headquarters for the day, St. Peter's, Stoke. Here the eight bells (tenor 20 cwt .) were fully employed, and some of the best ringing of the day took place. A short service was held at St. Peter's and was conducted by Preb. F. A. R. Chapman, Vicar of Stoke. In his address he welcomed members of the three societies to the Potteries. He had, he said. served in all three Archdeaconries during his time in the Ministry, and it gave him great pleasure to see so many ringers coming to Stoke for this Festival.

After the service tea was taken at Stoke Church Institute, where a salad meal had been prepared for visitors. Approximately 75 people sat down, but this in no way reflects the true attendance at the Festival as many made their own arrangements in nearby cafes. It is estimated that about 120 ringers from all parts of the Diocese attended during the day.

Following the tea the chairman of the North Staffordshire Association, Mr. G. W. Biddulph. extended a welcome to all visiting ringers. This was a new venture, he said, which had been an unknown quantity. He was, however, very pleased that it had been so successful and expressed the hope that it would be the precursor of many similar Festivals. Mr. D. J. Tranter, secretary of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, thanked the North Staffordshire Association for their hospitality, and Mr. Harry Poyner expressed the thanks of the Shropshire Association.

In the evening ringing continued at St. Peter's, Stoke, Christ Church, Fenton, with its ring of eight bells (tenor 14 cwt ), and St. John's, Longton, another 'eight' with a tenor of 15 cwt . As dusk fell ringers gradually dispersed and made their various ways home to all parts of the Diocese, filled with many happy memories of a very successful day.

We are all indebted to Mr. J. G. Burton and his many helpers from the North Staffordshire Association for a memorable day in the Potteries. The organisation and enthusiasm of everyone was first-class, and a very high standard has been set for future Ringing Festivals. We look forward with pleasure to meeting our new-found friends next year, when the Festival is to be held in the Stafford Archdeaconry.
D. J. T.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Sept. 24. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes. at the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban, A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor $23 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
Bertie A. Cornell .. .. Treble William T. Cook ... .. 7
Wilfred Williams .. .. 2 William J. Arnold. . .. 8
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 Dennis Randall .. .. 9 Alan F. Thirst.
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Composed by Cures ... 6 Philip Mehew...... Tenor Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Sept. 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 25 cw .

| Richard Grant | reble | Geoffrey M. Brewin | 7 |
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| William A. Lacey.. | - ${ }^{2}$ | * David T. Darby | 8 |
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| Robert B. Smith |  | E. Alan Jacques | 10 |
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| Herrick B. Bowley | 6 | William J. Root | Tenor |

Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.

* First peal of Maximus.


## TEN BELL PEAL

MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Mon.., Sept. 26. 1960, in 3 Hours, At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor $23 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt
Alan A. Potts..
. Treble Donald Peason.
Donald Peason
Gerald Farrer
Harry Farrer
harold C. Lonyon
John Worth
Edward F. Potts
Dennis A. Henshaw
Composed by J. Reeves.
$\begin{array}{ll}3 & \text { Harry Farrif } \\ 4 & \text { Basil }\end{array}$
Basil Jones
5 Brian Harris $\quad$. $\quad$. Tenor
Rung for the marriage of John C. Brocklehurst to May Lomas. which took place on September 24th at the above church. Miss May Lomas is a member of the service ringing band at the church.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .


Janet Harvey.
1RTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr. 4 lb . in G .
Elizabeth M. Yardley .. Trebl
Ruth M. Border
Peter Border
Patrick I. Chapman
Composed by F. Dench.

* First peal in the method.
Barrie Hendry.*David J. PurnellArthur V. PearsonGeorge E FearnConducted by Peter Border.


## NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURP


Composed by Wm. Barton. Conducted by Robert B. Smith. *First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First in the method 'inside.'

RUSPER, SUSSEX,
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Stanley G. Ponting Tenor 14 cwt . in F.
.. Treble Alan E. Bagworth. . .. 5
Gillian A. Neal Smith. . 3
Bernard E. Matthews .. 4 Robin G. Leale .. .. 7
Composed by W. Barton. Conducted by Robin G. Teno SHIFNAL. SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960 in 2 Hours and 55 Minules,
AT THE ChURCH OF St. ANDREW.
A PEAL OF 5020 SHIFNAL ALLIANCE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .3 qr. 9 lb . in E flat.
Richard E. Morris.. .. Treble Barnabas G. Key ... .. 5
Beryl W. Abbott .. .. 2 David Friend .. .. .. 6
Mary C. Poyner .. .. 3 Reginald H. Newton .. 7

Harry Poyner .. .. .. 4 Arthur Pritchard .. .. Tenor
Arranged and Conducted by Harry Poyner.
First peal in the method.

## WAREHAM, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,
At the Church of Lady St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5152 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .2 gr. 14 lh. in E .
*Gillian A. Hussey . Treble Colin Conway.. .. .. 5
D. John Hunt
$\ddagger$ J, Anthony Bennett +Cliff J. Richards. 2

Wifliam Simmonds 6
+Don C. ExElL. . .. 4
Composed by Stephen Ivin.
John H. Gilbert .. . Tenor

* First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First in the method $t$ First . Gilbert Norwich 'inside.' First peal on the bells since being rehung.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Sept. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In nine methods, comprising 1,280 London. 1,280 Rutland, 640 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge. Superlative. Yorkshire. Pudsey, Wembley
and Lincolnshire; with 120 changes of method.
Tenor $18 \mathrm{cwt}, 3 \mathrm{qr} .11 \mathrm{lb}$. in E.
Edward Jenkins .. .. Treble A. Peter Whitehead .. 5
Fredericí Shallcross.. 2 Neil Bennett .. .. .. 6
Frederick W. Grocott 3
John H. Fielden .. ..
4 Derek Ogden .. .. .. 7
Composed by A.J. Pitman. Conducted by Derek Ogden.
*First peal of Spliced Surprise. First in nine Surprise Major methods for the Association.

Rung as a farewell to the tenor ringer, who is leaving to join H.M. Forces.

STRATTON, CORNWALL
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Mon., Sept. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Grove's variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 21 cwt .3 qr .16 lb
Charles Sangwin .. .. Treble Clive Holloway

- David C. Woodward .. 2 Francis A. White
†Henry Trewin .. .. 3 Brian R. White
4 Oliver I. Gittins $\quad 4$.
* First peal of Triples "inside." Brian R. White.

> SHIFNAL ALLIANCE MAJOR
> $2.56 \times 56.8 \times 18 \times 18 \times 18$
> $3527486: 41 \mathrm{hs}$ place bot: c.p.s.

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## ALLESLEY, COVENTRY

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Sept. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
P PEAL OF THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.


* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge.

Rung as a compliment to the Rector of Allesley (Rev. G. A. Hughes) on the 21 st anniversary of his ordination, and a 21 st birthday compliment to Roger Harris.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

## AT Chisist Chirory

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Being 1,280 London, 1,312 Bristol, 1,568 Cambridge and 992 SuperlaSive, with all the work of every method for each hell.
Susan Chaddock .. .. Treble Robert E. Moulds i-
M. Vivien Copping.. .. 2 John J. L. Gilbert .. 6

Sheila M. Moulds.. .. 3 †Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 7
J. Henry Fielden .. .. 4 norman Chaddock .. Tehor Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Norman Chaddock. *750th peal. Tenor $11+\mathrm{cwt}$. in G.
DRAYCOTT-IN-THE-MOORS. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .25 lb . in $F$ sharp.
Harry Griffiths .. .t Treble Derek J. Tranter .. .. 5
Arthur Pritchard .. ... 2 J. Dennis Holden .. .. 6
 Composed by Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by Eric E. Speake. GODALMING. SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., Sept. 24. 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 24 cwt . in E flat.
Ann M. Cox .. .. .. Treble Stanley G. Poning

Jill M. Lane
William T. Beeson

* Ciive G. Johnstone

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

* First peal.
$\begin{array}{lllc}\text { Stanley G. Poning } & . . & 5 \\ \text { - Elizabeth Stevinson } & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Douglas A. R. May } & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Harold A. May } & \ldots & \text { Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Harold A. May.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYDON, EUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat.. Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, At the Church of St. Olave, Hart Street.
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1.312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative. with 112 changes of method and all the work of each method for each bell. Tenor 11 cwt 1 qr. 1 lb . in G. Joan Beresford

Treble
J. Michael Lakin

Howard W. Egglestone
Peter J. Eves
Thomas H. Francis
Thomas H. Francis
Composed by Albert J $\quad 4$ Dennis Beresford.. . . Tenor

* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Sept. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes At the Church of St. Nicolas.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . in G .
Bridget Forder
.Treble *Tessa P. Kemp
Cedric J. Murphy
M. Elizabeth Chapman..

Bryan J. Woodruffe
Adrian J. Tumber David J. Forder
Tom Chapman..
. Tenor

* First peal "inside. PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat. Sept. 24. 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minures,

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { At the Abbey Church of The Holy Cross. } \\
& \text { peat. OF sogg SpLICED SITRPRISE MAJC }
\end{aligned}
$$

## A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SLRPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 1.088 London. 1.024 Cambridge and 992 each of Bristol, Pudsey and Superlative, with 101 changes of method and all the work of the five methods for every bell.

Thomas W. Lewis .. Treble
*R Groper Mopris. tJohn N. Diserins. - Grorge E. Evenden

Composed by A. J. Pirmav.
First peal of 5 -spliced.
Rung by members of the
Rung by members of the compliment to Ronald D. Short and Audrey M. Bailey.

## WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.
Tenor 24 cwt .1 qr. 16 lb . in D .

Joan M. Wilcockson . . Treble Alfred E. Rushton Henry B. Whitney .. 2 John R. Mayne | Valerie Willard | . | . | 3 | W. Norman Genna | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Robert L. Piron | . | . | 4 | Bruce Grainger | .. | . | Conducted by John R. Mayne.

* First peal of Stedman Tripies.

Rung for the ordination of P. Palmer (priest) and B. J. Gardiner (deacon), both of Leighton Buzzard, which took place at St. Albans on September 25th. Also to commemorate the 92 nd anniversary of the dedication of this church.

## MORPETH. NORTHUMBERLAND

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon., Sept. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Watch Tower,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

 Tenor 10 cwt . 26 lb . in G.| *Kenneth | Arthur .. . . Treble | +Nicholas 1. Wright |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John E | Andirson .. 2 | Frederick Ross |
| $\dagger$ Norman | Errington -. 3 | * +J . Alan Ainsworth |
| Marion | . AINSWORTH .. 4 | §George S. Deas .. |

Composed by James W. Washbrook.
Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

* 100 th peal together. $\ddagger$ First in the method. $\$ 250$ th peal. § $100 t \mathrm{~h}$ peal.

Rung as a compliment to the Duke of Northumberland, who was presented with the Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Morpeth on September 22nd, 1960.

## FIVE AND SIX bELL PEALS

## WENHASTON, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Trehle Bob, Double Oxford Bob. St. Clement's College Boh. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Boh.

Tenor 12 cwt. in $F$ sharp.
C. Jack Gibson .. .. Treble Peter S. Bedford

Ernest G. Pearce .- . . 2 John W. Blythe
Roger L. K. Whittell .. 3 Leslie N. Mflion ..
Conducted by Leslie N. Melton.
Rung in honour of the joint birthdays of Messrs. Pearce and Bedford, as a birthday compliment to Miss Janet Gibson and Mr. Ken Brown, and a 2lst birthday compliment to Miss Margaret Ladd, of Tunbridge Wells.

CHURCHILL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Sept. 12, 1960, int 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr .22 lb .

| Harold Hooper | $\ldots$ | . | Treble | Cecil Mogford |  | .. | .. | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George Prescoti | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Sidney Smith | .. | .. | .. | 5 |
| Mariorie Legg .. | . | . | 3 | John Baker | $\ldots$ | .. | .. | Tenor |

Conducted by George Prescott.
Rung in memoriam E. J. Avery.
WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE,
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Sept. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor 8 cwt 11 qr .25 lb . in A flat.
*Michael Hopkins.....Treble Claudia A. Critchley
June I. Dear .. .. ... 2 J. Richard Castledine
†Robert E. Dymond in | Edwin G. Buck .. .. Tenor
Conducted by J. Richard Castledine.

* First peal. † First 'inside,' and of Minor.

WARKTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. Sept. 15. 1960. in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes. At the Church of Si. Edmund.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr .6 lb.

$\dagger$ Diana M. Lawless .. 2 \# 2 Alan J. Frost. Burley P. Morris ... Tenor Conducted by Buriey P. Morris.

* First peal at first attempt. + First of Doubles. $\ddagger 25$ th peal together, and Grandsire from Cinques to Doubles.

HENSINGHAM, CUMBERLAND.
CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes, At the Church of St. John,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven extents.



Ienor $13 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{CW}$ Geoffrey Tembey Stanley Richardson Denis Mottershead
in $F$ sharp. Vera C. Bell *Edna Birney Conducted by Denis Motiershead.

- First peal.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. Whittaker.

## NAVENBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Single and Double Court, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) London Surprise, (5) Plain Bob and Oxford Bob, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Double Bob. Margaret A. Swann Claire Dillamore

Treble Tenor 13 cwt . 1 qr. in $F$ sharp. Peter A. Sharp ... 3 Geoffrey R. Parker .. 5 Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
A wedding compliment to Dr. Franz Jakob Frolich and Miss Freda Margaret Palmer Jones, whose marriage took place at this church earlier in the day.

## QUEENBOROUGH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Sept. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In three methods, being three different extents of Plain Bob and two different extents each of Single Oxford and St. Clement's.


Tenor 9 cwt . in B .

| Eter | Treble | $\dagger$ Peter M. Wilkinson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joseph Grensted | 2 | George Kenward |
| William A. Wood |  | George A. Naylor | tude to The Few.

## LEWTRENCHARD. DEVON

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. On Sun., Sept. 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Ten callings.
*Horace Hicks
William Manning
Treble
Jack Benoy
Tenor 8 cwt .
William Manni
D. Roy Bould
2
Wilfred C. Boucher
*Bernard C. Heal
4

* First peal Furst Conducted by D. Roy Bould.

First peal. First peal on the bells.
Rung for Harvest Festival, and as a wedding compliment to Mrs. Janet Jeffery, daughter of the fourth ringer.

## BLYTHBURGH, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Man., Sept. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
at the Church of The holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob, and one each of St. Clement's, Childwall and Kent T.B. Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr .10 lb . Peter S. Bedford ..... Treble H. William Barrett
Jack Pilgrim .. .. .. 2 John W. Blythe
Raymond Peck.. .. .. 3 C. Jack Gibson
Conducted by John W. Blythe.
A birthday compliment to Susan Blythe, daughter of the conductor.

CORBY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Sept. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in six methods: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) St. Clement's, (4) and (5) Single Oxford. (6) Double Oxford, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr .19 lb audrey M. Hales .. .. Treble Ronald G. Russell .. 4 Shelagh R. Collins .. 2 alan J. Frost .. .. .. 5 Diana M. Lawless.. .. 3 Arthur Gibbs .. .. . Tenor Conducted by Alan J. Frost.

## LYDIARD MILLICENT, WILTSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL 'DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Sept. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

> At the Church of All Saints,

A DEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
Being 31 methods in seven extents: (1) Whitley, Wooler, Northumberland and Carlisle; (2) Munden. Chester. Alnwick and Newcastle: (3) Cambridge, Norfolk. Ipswich. Primrose, Hull and Bourne; (4) Surfleet. Hexham. Berwick, Beverley, Durham and York ; (5) Rossendale, Stamford, Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Annable's London and Netherseale: (6) London, Wells and Cunecastre; (7) Allendale and Westminster: with 105 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt .
A. Terence Collins Treble Ronald A. Wright.

Lesley J. Bladon .. .. 2 Anthony R. Peake
Victor Griffin
Conducted by Anthony R. Peake
The most Surprise and Minor methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.
Rung in memoriam Mr. G. V.. Bladon. father of the tenor ringer, who passed away on September 18th. 1960.


THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wed. Sept. 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Ciement,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, viz.: Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Kent T.B.. St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. in $\mathbf{F}$.
*William Garrard.. .. Treble Hubert A. Mitson .. .. 4 Robert E. Lester.. .. 2 Ernest G. Pearce .. .. 5 Roger L. K. Whitieli. 3 Leslie N. Melton .. .. Tenor Conducted by Leslie N. Melton.

- First pcal.


## LANGLEYBURY. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Sept. 21. 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Paul
A PEAL OF 5040 HATHERN SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5 -6 the right way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt .13 lb . in A .

| Frank C. Price ... .. Treble | Raymond |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Claudia A. Critchley | Gmith.. | .. | 4 |

G. William Critchley .. 3 John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. The treble ringer has now "circled the tower.'

THORPE-LE-SOKEN. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Sept. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being extents of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt .
Mrs, Violet A. Hales .. Treble Percy W. Mills
Alan R. Andrews .. .. 2 Edward E. Davey
 Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mills on the occasion of their silver wedding; also a birthday compliment to Mrs. P. W. Mills

WILLINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Sept. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

## DEA OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Court Bob, St. Clement's Bob. Doubla Oxford Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surpise and Plain Bob.
Marion J. Clarke .. .. Treble Helen B. Nevin Deborah Hopkins 2 Jennifer M. Davies James R. Taylor Bryan Pattison Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Conducted by Bryan Pattison.
Rung on the 74 th birthday of Mrs. Wooding, mother of the local captain.

GREAT WITCOMBE, GLOUCESTER
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Fri., Sepi. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In nine methods, viz.: (1) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Single Oxford. (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Kent T.B.; (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
*Allan A. Paton .. .. Treble Shirley M. Parsons
Ivor Goulter.
2
Geoffrey R. Drew.. .. Tenor
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.

* First peal. $\dagger 25$ th peal. First in nine methods as conductor.

EDGMOND SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes, at the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, differently called. Tenor 9 cwt. (approx.) in G. *Ernest Morrall .. .. Treble ! †Richard E. Morris Mary C. Poyner .. .. 2 Frederick A. H. Cattell 5 Harry Poyner

Conducted by Harry Poyner.

* First peal, first attempt. † First of Minor "inside.

A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Toogood.
KILNDOWN, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sepf. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At Christ Church.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being an extent each of Netherseale, Primrose, Wells, Durham, Wearmouth, Bourne and Surfleet. Ralph Bird

Tenor 9 cwt . I qr. 10 lb . in A John R. COOPER

Treble Andrew M. Macve. 2 Crawford T. Hillis Bernard F L Groves Ian H. Oram

Groves .. 5 Conducted by lan H. Oram.
First peal in seven Surprise methods on the bells.
OXENDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE,
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 six-scores of Grandsire
Tenor 7 cwt 2 lb . in A .
Arthur J. Millward .. Treble *Mary D. Wilford.. .. 3 W. John Kinchin .. .. 2 Cecil A. Swann

> Derek E. Griffin
> Conducted by Derek E. Griffin.
*First peal. The tenth peal on the bells.
RANWORTH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Chlirch of St. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in ten methods: Single Court, Double Court. Spliced Double Oxford and St. Clement's, Spliced Plain Bob and Double Bob. College Bob, Combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise; 55 changes of method. Tenor 12 cwt . in F. David Cubitt.. .. .. Treble Nolan Goliden
Arthur G. Bason
H. William Barreit
F. Charles Goodman

5
*William Love..
Conducted by Nolan Golden.

* 100th peal. First in ten methods on the bells.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Simon Everard, son of the Rector, and Miss Georgina Weir, of Storrington. Sussex.

> YALDING. KENT.

TIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sal. Sept. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { AT THE CHURCH OF SS PFTER AND PAUL. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { SURPRISE MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being an extent each of Cunecastre. Lightfoot. Warkworth, London, Beverley, Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 18 cwt .1 qr .15 lb . in $\mathbf{E}$. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Andrew M. Macve. . . Trehle Ian H. Oram ... .. } \\ \text { Bernard F. L. Groves . . } & 2\end{array}$ John R. Cooper $\quad .$. Crawford T. Hillis .. 3 *Ralph Bird .. .. . . Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

- 50th peal iogether. First in seven Surprise methods on the bells, and the first peal since 1936.

TEWIN, HERTFORDSHIRE.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUICD On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minures,

At The Church of ST. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5160 DOUBLES
Being 43 extents in ten methods, viz.: One extent of Stedman, two each of St. Remigius' Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, St. Osmund Bob. St. Martin's

Bob, St. Simon's Bob and Grandsire, and 26 of Plain Bob.
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in A flat.
*Joan Spreadbury .. . . Treble | †William D. N. Foote .. 4
Trevor N. J. Bailey .. 2 Michael J. Rowe .. .. 5
†Alan G. Spreadbury.. .3 Conducted by Trevor N. J. Bailey.

* First peal. † First of Doubles.

> CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun, Sepr. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being three extents each of Clifford's Pleasure and April Day, and 12 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 jb . in $F$ sharp.
L. Clive Prosser .. Treble i Robert Hatcher
*Colin A. Lewis .. ... 2 A. Bryan Ellsmore.. .. 5
John Hope .. .. .. 3 Danzey Watkins .. .. Tenor
Conducted by A. Bryan Ellsmore.

* First peal of Doubles. Rung to welcome the Rev. C. J. Hayes.

WEST RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Sepr. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael-the-Archangel,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of'Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

| Alec Wilson | Treble | George Challans |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Katherine Burchnall | 2 | A. Harry Hawcroft | 5 |
| Grace Burchnall | 3 | Harold Denman |  |

Conducted by Harold Denman
ung after the Conducted by Harold Denman. Anita Waterfield and Mr. Richard Gozney Hobbs; both were ringers at this tower.

## GREAT DALBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

On Tues., Sept, 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
At the Church of St. Swithun,
Being 480 Stedman, 720 April Day, 960 each St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt . Harold T. Bonshor .. Treble Mrs. C. E. Cooper .. .. 3 *Arthur J. Stimson ... 2 Roland H. Cook Charles E. Cooper ... .. Tenor Conducted by Charles E. Cooper,

* First peal.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar. Rev. Gilbert Leonard Slater. CLUTTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed.. Sept. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods: Spliced College Bob and St . Clement's College Bob, Combined Thelwall Bob and Double Oxford Bob, Wavertree College Bob, Childwall Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob; 63 changes of method. Tenor 10 cwt . | Reginald G. Hooper | . . Treble | Brynley A. Shackleton.. 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cliff Richards | 2 | David Heighton | Patrick J. Bird. . .. .. 3 Francis C. Mogford . . Temor Conducted by David Heighton.

First peal in ten methods by all the band, and on the bells.
NEWTON FERRERS, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Thurs., Sept. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different 720's.
Walter H. Marks .. .. Treble Alan J. Collins
William G. Lavers. . . 2 A. William Myers.
D. Roy Bould . . .. .. 3 Thomas G. Myers .. .. Tenor

Cohducted by Thomas G. Myers.
First peal on the bells.
To mark the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Also a birthday compliment to T. G. Myers.

## HANDBELL PEAL <br> HILSEA, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes, At 24. Doyle Avenue,
A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor size 7 in $D$.
K. Susan M. Knight .. 1-2| Rocer Baldwin ... ...5-6
M. Elizabeth Chapman.. $3-4 \mid$ Tom Chapman .. ... .. 7 . 8

Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

## HALF PEALS

MARCH, CAMBS.-On July 3rd, 2,520 Plain Bub Minor: M. Jones 1, D. Feek 2. June Peel 3, 3. Payne 4, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, W. Moore 6. Firse length of Minor over 720 changes for 1, 2, 3 and 4. First half peal in tower. Rung for Morning Prayer.
ROTHERHAM, YORKS.-()n Sedt. 19th, 3.240 Plain Roh Royal: Mrs. N. Chaddock 1, Mary Atkinson 2. Pat Walker 3, M. Fowler 4, Susan Chaddock 5. I. Tilling 6, P. Walker 7. J. Seager 8. N. Chaddock (cond.) 9, J. N. D. Chaddock 10 . Longes length by 2 and 7 ( inside '). A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddock.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.-On Sept, 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Rowe 1, A. J. Tumber 2 J. R. Faithfull 3, Mrs. M. E. Chapman 4. G Hutchinson 5. H. H. H. Higson 6. T. Chapman (cond.) 7. E. C. Wheeler 8. Rung half-mulfied as a last respect to Mr. A. G. Hall, former church-

## warden. BRIOL.-At St. Werburgh's Church, on Sept

 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Keith Ingham (first quarrer) 1. Leslie Clash 2. Kenneth W. Price (cond.) 3. Sydney G. Riches \&. Patrick C. F. Wooster Arthur True 6. For Harvert Festival.BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Groves 1. Miss E. Frith (first - inside ') 2, M. J. Edwards 3, A. R. Groves 4, A. S. Hudson 5
Harvest Festival.

BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMERSET.-On Sept. 16 h h 1,280 Plain Bob Major: A. J. Garbert 1. H. W. Knight 2. Marjoric Legs 3, K. Prime 4, F. B. Comer 5. D. H. White 6, G. Prescott 7, M. V. White (cond.) 8. Rung as a compliment to David H. White, secretary of the Axbridge branch, and Annette E. Lang. both members of Uphill Tower, on the occasion of their marriage the following day at Burnham-on-Ses.
CAMBRIDGE.-On Sept. 22nd, at the Church of Our Lady and the English Maryyrs, 1,248 Cambridge Surprise Maior: P. H. Pigg 1. H. Muncey 2, Miss H. Muirhead 3. T. R. Dennis 4, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 5 ;
Ouinney 8
CHEWTON MENDIP, SOM.-On SeDt. 22nd. 1.280 Lincolnshire Surprise Major: Donald Lee 1 Ronald G. Beck 2, Peer E. Wright 3, Michacl R Rose 4, Victor G: Roberts 5, Alec W. Firy 6 Gwilym F. Salmon (cond.) 7. Edward J. Chivers 8
CHIPPING NORTON, OXON. On Sept. 11h 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Francis 1, J. Keyte 2 S. Pulker 3, M. Sinden 4. I. Hartis (cond.) Renfield 6, F. Perry 7, C. Tompkins 8.
COMPTON BISHOP, SOM.-On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Feltham 1, H. Hooper (cond.) 2. A. J. Petens 3, J. Hooper 4, J. Brinson 5. J. Loxton 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to David H. White and Miss Annette Lang. Also a birthday compliment to ringer of fifth
CORFE, SOM.-On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: P. N. Tubbs (cond.) 1, B. Burston 2, R. Shire 3. G. Satter 4, H. Churchill 5
EALING, MIDDX.-On Sep. 25th. at Christ the Saviour, 1.260 Stedman Triples: J. Rank (first in method) 1. D. Johnson (firs in method) 2. Miss J. Scrutton 3. H. J. Eldred 4. J. Perrett 5. D. Theedom Evensong.
Evensong. r-hin Bob Doubjes: Judith White 1. P. M. Wilkinson (cond.) 2, H. Gardner 3, J. Mason 4. H. Hayward 5. D. Pellet (first quarter) 6. Rung as a farewell to Judith White, who is leaving to go to training college. ECCLESTON, LANCS.-On Sept, 20ih. 1.260 Kent T. B. and Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1.
I. Owens 2. J. Humble 3. D. Marsden 4. R. Crowe J. Owens 2, J. Humble 3, D. Marsden 4, R. Crowe
S. W. H. Hunter 6. Rung to selebrate the official opening of the new Hishop Rawsorne C. of $E$. Secondary School. Croston, Lancs.
FELERING. ESGEX.-On Sem. 24th. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: C. Turner 1, W. G. Wade 2. W. G. Bilner 3, H. Langsane 4. G. Evereth (first as cond.) 5. H. Nichols 6, J. Papworth 7. A. T. Beckwith 8 . Rung for the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. P F. Marshall.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS, On Sept. 10ib, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. J. Hibbert (cond.) 1, G. W Bishop 2, J. W. H. Hibbert 3, J. H. Napper 5, C. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, W. Corderoy 7, L. F. Cox 8. HALIFAX, YORKS.- On Sept. 4ch, at All Souls: Church, Haley Hill, 1.280 Lincoln Surprise Major: J. N. Parkin 1, Mrs. Sheila M. Moulds 2, Patricia Reeve 3, J. F. Bryant 4, C. Sweeney 5, G. F, Bryant 6. J. H. Fielden 7, R. E. Moulds (cond.) 8. Rung to mark the chriztening of Richard Sweeney.

HAWKLEY. HANTS.-On Sept, $21 \mathrm{st}, 1,440$ Plain Bob Minor: I. Wetherley 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, Mrs. F. Bowden 3, B. S. Gambrill 4, C. Johnstone 5. C. Pound 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

HESTON, MIDDX.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Harbour 1. M. Hawkins 2. Miss S. Garrett 3, P. Ruch 4, B. Rose 5, R. Sumner 6, P. Betridge (cond.) 7, S. Purter 8. For Harvest Peatival.
HIGHER WALTON, LANCS. On Sept. 4th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Martin 1, J. Taberner 2, D. Harwood (first 'inside') 3, W. Mansley 4, H. Calderbank 5. F. Sicad (cond.) 6. Also on Sept. 7th. 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: D. Harwood (firse of Treble Bob) 1. Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 2. C. Crossthwaite 3, D. Lawson 4, L. Walmsley 5. M. Morgan 6. A. Gardner (first of Treble Bub) 7, F. Stead (cond.) y. Both rung as a mark of esteem and appreciation to Canon B. E. Hughes on his retirement from the ministry.

INGHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Y. Parker 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, Miss D. M. Reeve 3, A. F. Ballam (cond.) 4. H. Ivings 5. Rung for the diamund wedding of Mr. A Footer, for many years a ringer at this church, and Mrs. Footer. Also for Harvest Thanksgiving.
KENSINGTON, LONDON.-On Sepr. 24th, at St. Mary Abbors Church. 1.277 Grandsire Caters: W Williams 1. H. Belcher 2, W. Rawlings 3. R. Hinde 4, E. Rowe 5, R. Overington 6, W. Cook 7. C. W. Ortey 8, J. Phillips (cond.) 9, J. H. Lott 10. Rung on the occasion of the collation and induction of the Rev. H. L. O. Rees, M.A., to the living of St. Mary Abbots.
LUTON, BEDS.-Un Sept, 24th, 1.249 Siedman Caters: Miss J. Wilcockson 1, J. R. Mayne 2, G Hawkins 3. B. Hullatt 4. R. Piron 5, R. Kendall 6. L. A. Goadenough 7, H. Wood 8. A. E. Rushton (cond.) 9. H. R. C. Mann 10. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss J. Hobbs-Webber and Mr. K Skinner, which took Dlace at this church this day
MARKET BOSWORTH, LEICS.-On SepI. 2Ash. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: G. Chesterton 1, J. Law rence 2, R. Statham 3. B. Newton 4, H. Hollis 5 1. Hodgetts 6, G. Newton (cond.) 7, R. W. Proudman 8. For thanksgiving gift day for Church Restoration Fund on eve of Harvest Festival, and as a wedding compliment to Miss Rachel Graver, of St. Peter's band, and Mr. Phillip Horne, ringer of St. Mary's, Nottingham.
MILVERTON, SOMERSET. On Scpt. 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. M. Hartey 1, Mrs. E. S. Powell 2, Miss J. Taylor 3, M. V. Young 4. E. Ford 5. W. Stevens 6, C. Tarr (cond) 7. H. Taylor 8. Rung for the enthronement in Wells Cathedral that afternonn of the Right Rev. Edward Barry Henderson. 2s the 74 th Bishop of Bath and Wells.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On Sept. 17th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Powell 1. J. Ketteringham (cond.) 2. P Parry 3. L. Derrick 4, H. Hardwidge 5. Olwen Ouint 6. Also on Sept. 18th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Brake 1, Mrs. Ketteringham 2, Mary Powell 3, C. Korright (cond) 4. H. Hardwidge 5, Olwen Quint 6. Also on Sepr. 20th 1.260 Grandise Doubles: Jennifer Brake 1. 1. R. Quin? 2. T. Phillios (first quarter as cond.) 3. P. Blake 4. C. Kortright 5, H. Hardwidge 6.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sept. 25th, 1.260 Plain Rob Minor: B. Branston (first of Minor) 1. L. Brighton 2. G. Davis (first 'inside') 3. Miss P. Ridley (first quarler) 4.
Mrs. M. Parker 5. M. Parker (cond.) 6. For morning service
PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Sept. 21st. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles. M. Heath 1. A. Clayton 2. C. Mew 3. B. Bull 4. B. Coatsworth (cond.) 5. J. Harrold 6. Rung on the Feass of St. Matthew and to the memory of William $T$. Elion, sometime ringer at Putney. Also on Sept. 25th. 1.280 Plain Bub Major: A. Clavton (fimt of Major) 1. J. Perrett 2. M. Lewis 3. J. Rank 4. D. Johnson 5. B. Coatsworth (first of Major) 6, G. Guodman 7, C. Mew (first of Plain Bob Major and fires of Major as cond.) 8. For Matins and as a birthday compliment 10 Patricia Randall, of Kineston.
ST. albans, herts.-At St. Peter's Church, on Sepr. 18th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: C. F. Sayer 1. H. V. Frost 2, F. J. Spicer 3, Miss C. Pullin 4. Mrs, J. Dodds 5, S. P. Darvill 6, K. J. Darvill 7, R. W.
Darvill 8, T. J. Southam (cond.) 9, G. W. Debenham Darvill 8, T. J. Southam (cond.) 9, G. W. Debenham
10. Rung as a wedding compliment to Audrey M. Bailey and Ronald Short, who were married at Tewin the previlous day.
SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS.-At St. Mary's Church. on Sepx. 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Tribles: Miss M. Green 1. M. J. Thomas 2。 Mrs, M. Taylor (first quarter) 3. J. W. Faithfull (cond.) 4, K, S. B. Craft 5, Rung to celebrate the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. Beech. Mrs. Beech being a member of the local band.

SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.-On Sent. 21 st, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. J. Stanley 1. W. A. Godwin 2. V. Griffin 3, B. Wakefield 4. A. R. Peake (cond.) 3, P. Wakefield 6. A tarewell to P. Wakefield, who is lcaving for Nuttingham Training College. and to B. Wakefield, who is leaving for Oxford l'niversity.
SOUTH WIGSTUN, LEICS. - On Aus. $28 \mathrm{ch}, 1.261$ Plain Bob Triples: K. Bodicuat 1, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2, M. G. Wood (first of Plain Bob Triples - inside') 3. B. G. Warwick 4. G. H. Bray 5, A. E Budycute G, B. M. Smith (first of Plain Bot Trintes as cond.) 7. D. W. Stenson (first on eight) 8. For Evensong. Also on Sent. Ilth, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. W. Stenson 1, K. Bodicoat (first inside') 2, M. G Wood 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4. B. G. Warwick (cond.) 5, D. J. Bodicoat 6. For Evensong
STAINES, MIDDX.-At St. Peter's Church. on Sedt. 4th. 1.260 Plain Bub Tripjes: Mis C. O'Kelly 1. R. Wiggins (first of Triples) 2, Miss J. Williams 3. R. Shepherd (cond.) 4, J. Tomkinson 5, E.
Skipsey 6, M. Hartelt 7. B. Shepherd \&. Firsi quaner peal by a regular Sunday service band for uver a quarter of a century.
STREATHAM, LONDON.-On Sept. 25th. at St I.conard's Church, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. R Sanders 1. D. J. Woodhams 2, J. W. Rea 3, J. W. Chapman 4, R. Sanders 5, J. W. Euston 6, J. W Smith (cond.) 7. E. Wright 8. For Harvest Festival.
SWINDON, WILTS.-At Christ Church. on Sept. 25th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. P. Minchen Mrs, E. Sutson 2, Dr. H. Craig 3. R. G. Townsend 4 P. Minchen 5. W W. T. Daniell 6. E. Sutton (cond.) 7. E. Vincent 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.
TALGARTH, BRECONSHIRE.-On SemA. 24th. 1.260 Plain Buh Duubles: W. Chick 1, E. J. Smith 2. D. H. Bennet! (cond.) 3. S. V. Edwards 4, W. G. Smith 5, J. Parry 6. A compliment to Mr. Req Rees (a member of the tower) and Mrs. Rees on the secasion of their wedding at Berkeley. Glos. this day.
TEWIN, HERTS. -On Sept. 25 th, 1.260 Doubles ${ }^{720}$ Grandsire. 540 Plain Bob): F. J. Garrod 1, C. Geeves 2, M. Jordan 3, D. Gambling 4, W. T.
Holmes (cund.) 5. Mrs. B. Banks 6. Rung for Harvest Festival service, also for Miss A. M. Bailey and Mr. R. Short, who were married on Seps. 7 hh , at Tewin.
THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On SeDt. 18th. 720 St Clement's. 540 Plain Hob Minur: Mrs, $\mathbf{P}$ W.
Mills 1. Mrs. D. Stuteley 2, F E Davey (cond) Mrs. V. Hales 4. P. W. Mills 5. W. Downs 6. Rung for Evensong, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Downs, alao a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mils on their silver wedding anniversary.
TICKHILL, YORKS.-On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila Concah 1. W. Canning 2. H. Barnes 3. R. Watkinson 4. K. Durdy 5. A. Hulley (cond.) 6. A 21 st birthday compliment to Miss $\mathbf{P}$ Frankland, a member of the local band
TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.-On SeD. 18th, 1.320 Plain Bot Doubles: Pat A. Burt 1. T. J. Milsum 2. C. J. Barrabie 3, J. R. Hobbs 4. A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, D. F. Jefferies 6. First in the
method by all the hand. Also on Sept. 21st. 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): P. R. Young C. J. Barrable 2. Pat A. Burt 3. A. F. Lee (cond.) 4. T. J. Milsom 5. Eileen Elliott (first quarter, age 16) 6 . Buth rung half-muffed as a tribute to Herben Edward Mullins. The first was runs on the day he died while attending Communion service, the second on the day of his funeral.
WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.-On Sept. Ath, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. C W. Roberts 1. D. Hawkins 2. H. Neil (cond.) 3. Miss V. Miles 4. M. C. Austin 5. K. R. Scrimshaw 6. R. J. Chapman 7. R. D. Pearson 8. First of Stedman 2 and 6. WARMLEY. GLOS.-Un Sept 25th, 1.260 Plain Bubb Minor: 1. G. Smith (first of Minor) 1. Rita M. Webb 2. Myra J. Wilkins 3. Gloria M. Newion 4. B. K. Lewis 5. A. W. Gibhs (cond.) 6. Fot Matins.
WENTWORTH. YORKS.-On Sept. 18ih, 1,320 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Grandsire and Plain Bob): K. West 1. M. King 2. M. A. Besumont 3. E. P. King 4. M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5. A.
Beaumont 6. Firse quarter in 3 methods by all the band. Rung to commemorate the Battle of Britain.
WEST WICKHAM, KENT.-On Sept. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A Winsborougt 1, Jillian Outhwaite 2. R. Abbott (ffrst quarter) 3, M. Legg 4. D. Manger (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. For the weddins of Miss S. Ryan to Mr. J. Pannell. a local ringer. Also on Sept. 18 th , 1.272 Plain Bob Minor: Hillary Martin 1. Ann Buncombe 2, D. L. Parker 3, N. J. Marin 4, J. C. Parker 5, D. C. Manger (cond.) 6. Rung is a farewell to Mr. J. Parker, a former caplain of the band, and Mra. Parker, who are leaving the disurict.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The tower of St. Brandon's, Brancepeth, was crowded for a joint meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association's Southern District and the North East Ladies ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Guild on September 24 th . The visitors found a ring of eight which was not easy to strike well, and the ropes of several bells badly needed adjustment. At one point we had the secretary of the Southern District kneeling on the trapdoor 10 ring the fourth.

The Rector conducted the service, and his sermon was one of the best the ringers had heard. He spoke of ringing as a gift of time and service, as a call to duty and as a bringer of joy to those who heard the bells. He is himself learning to ring.
At a meeting which followed tea. Mr. Kenneth Arthur, thanking the Rector and wardens for the use of the bells, descrbied the church as a gem, but referred to the fact that ringers there had never been members of the Association. He hoped this would be remedied when the Association got its scheme of instruction under way.

Miss Bertie thanked the ladies who had prepared the tea.
This was the District's annual meeting, and Mr. F. W. Cooke (Darlington) was re-elected Vice-president and Mr. Peter Rack (Egglescliffe) secretary. It was agreed to hold a joint meeting on November 26 th with the Yorkshire Assoclation at Richmond.
Ringing during the afternoon and evening included Plain Bob and Grandsire. Stedman, Triples, Yorkshire Surprise and Double Norwich, with rounds and call-changes for a number of beginners.

Brancepeth Church is one of the most attractive in the county, standing in parkland adjoining Brancepeth Castle, and having a great wealth of fine woodwork inside. E.P.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

Visitors to the meeting of the South Wales District of the Ladies' Guild, held at Chepstow on September 24th, included Mr. and Mrs. Kortwright (Brockley) and Mr. and Mrs. R. Short, who were only able to stay for one ring.

The choral service was conducted by Canon Ernest Evans who, besides welcoming the Guild emphasised the invaluable services rendered to the church by lady choristers and lady bell ringers.
Tea was waiting in the Church Hall, and Mr . J. Pryor thanked all concerned with the preparations. Mrs. Audrey Bruton thanked Canon Evans for his kind welcome, and Miss Dilys Hulbert thanked the organist and choristers.

At the business meeting five new members were elected from Chepstow, St. Mellons and Llangibby. Mrs. Bruton reported on the annual meeting in Bath, and it was decided that the next District meeting would be in January.
The Cowbridge ringers, on their annual outing, joined in the ringing in the evening.

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## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH

Very pleasant weather favoured the meeting of the Monmouth Branch, held at Llangibby on September $10 t \mathrm{~h}$. Some 45 ringers were present including visitors from Lydney and Hereford. Mr. George Ward (Master) arranged suitable ringing for all, and this varied from rounds to Spliced Triples and Surprise.

Cunon E. T. Davies, the well-known diocesan historian, conducted a very lively service with fine music, hearty singing and an inspiring address. The Rev. Ivor Richards read the lesson. Tea was enjoyed in the Church Clubroom. provided by the young Llangibby ringers and their mothers. Who were all sincerely thanked by the Rev. Ivor Richards.

New members were elected from Caerleon. Panteg and St. Woolos", Newport. Mention was made of restoration funds for Panteg and Llanarth, and any donations could be sent to the respective incumbents. It was decided to hold the Branch dinner on the last Saturday in January.

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD

The 13 th annual outing of the Guild on September 10 th was a great success. Some confusion over the bridges on Tonbridgel made us 15 minutes late at Kingswood, where all enjoyed the good six. Mr. Symonds welcomed Us at Ashtead. where Yorkshire would not go. There was a frantic search by one of the locals at Christ Church, Epsom, for the key, but the main attraction here was the garden in front of The Cricketers.

Some good Minor was enjoyed at Cobham, as was the tea awaiting us at Old Woking. Mr. Munday met us afterwards, and good touches were rung on this musical eight. The six at Stoke were put to good use.

The fine tenor voice of Ray Large added to the attractions of the homeward journey; but when a stop was made for refreshments the appeal of the juke box and dart board was such that it was well past midnight when - Ernie’ put nis car away. C.A.B.

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#### Abstract

Cawthorne bell ringers have this year won the triple crown in contest ringing,

\section*{BELFRY} viz.: The Halifax Cup, the Hoylandswaine Cup and the Shelley Cup. Previous teams with three wins were Friezland. 1949, and Silkstone, 1951. Liversedge in 1935 won four competi-tions-the quadruple crown. The weekly practice night at Winshill, Bur-ton-on-Trent, has been changed to Tuesdays, 7.30 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All visitors welcome.

Here's a coincidence. Hitch-hiking to Canterbury during the Reading and Southampton Universities' summer tour, a ringer acquired a lift to Canterbury in the same ancient green car as last year and. what's more, the car's owner was also a ringer. The ringing of bells at Putney on St. Matthew's Day is of ancient origin, dating from a 17 th century will. This was observed by the ringing of a quarter peal on September 21 st. The whole band also attended a Corporate Communion in the morning. The three quarter peals of Grandsire Doubles rung at Nailsea were to mark the enthronement of the new Bishop of Bath and Wells, to congratulate Miss Audrey Bailey and Mr. R. D. Short on their marriage. and as birthday compliments to H. Hardwidge and Tony York. To the delight of Miss J. Armstrong. the Duke of Northumberland, when he was made a freeman of Morpeth, mentioned the curfew. Alas, a peal a few days later to commemorate the honour conferred on the Duke again disturbed the curfew. We hear that Miss Armstrong and her brother, Fred, have been chiming the Ellacombe set in lieu of the curfew. The Newcastle Cathedral Guild, with Triends. enjoyed a week-end in Yorkshire on September $17 \mathrm{th} / 18 \mathrm{th}$, highlights being the ringing at Bradford Cathedral on the Saturday and at Skipton for the Sunday morning service. The week-end was voted to be the most successful of recent years, with all thanks due to the secretary, George Deas.


GOSSIP
Reading Mr. Frank T. ing of Surprise methods, that many ringers did not possess a copy of Corrigan's Surprise Maior methods. Mr. Ernest Weatherby, of Los Angeles, has kindly sent to the Editor his copies to loan to ringers desirous of borrowing them. We thank Mr. Weatherby for his kind thought. If any reader desires to consult these volumes, will he send a stamped addressed envelope to the Editor. The books must be returned within seven days.
The ringers in the quarter peal at Ingham, Suffolk, were lucky to score it. as the rope broke as the tenor was being lowered.
Mr. Charles J. Sedgley makes a correction to his letter, 'Composition for Eight Methods ' (page 659). It should read: 'It was used for New Cambridge and will go to all B methods with b F.C.E.
During the absence abroad of the Rev, Oswald Mowan, all inquiries regarding the use of Buckfast Abbey bells should be addressed to the Rev. Paulinus Angold. Buckfast Abbey, Devon.

Mr. Leslie N. Melton, of Ipswich, asks us to state that in his report of a Lincolnshire tour he meant nothing derogatory 10 Mr . and Mrs. Ted Chapman when he said: "They helped us to lose spliced.
We are asked to state that the triennial elections of the College of Campanology will take place in 1962 and not 1961 as stated in the report on page 627 . The figures given in the college's annual report are based on a return of 40 per cent of the forms sent out.
The quarter peal of Plain Boh Triples by the St. Peter's Guild, Staines, the first for over a quarter of a century, is a landmark in the progress of the new Guild. The practice repertoire now includes Stedman, Kent T.B. and Cambridge Surprise (no Grandsire yet), and they hope to be ringing Surprise methods as a regular Sunday service feature by Christmas. Excluding the Master, the average age of the band is 15 years.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The autumn general meeting of the Association took place at Hull on September 17th, providing an opportunity for members to try out at Holy Trinity Church the most recent addition to Yorkshire's rings of 12 bells. Unfortunately, the attendance fell short of that of the corresponding meeting last ycar, one result being that little use was made of the charming ring of eight at Hedon during the afternoon, although the heavy six at Kirk Ella proved quite an attraction in the evening. It was generally agreed that an excellent splice had been made at Hull, the two added trebles blending beautifully with the noble ten, and quite distinct from some other recent augmentations in the county, adequately powerful through the simple expedient of not lacking in weight

Following an excellent tea at the Manor Cafe, the business meeting was held when, in the absence of the president, the chair was taken by Mr. Vernon Bottomley, supported by the general secretary (Mr. L. W. G. Morris), the hon. treasurer (Mr. G. Benfield) and the hon. secretary (Mr. W. E. Critchley).

An omnibus vote of thanks to the incumbents of Holy Trinity Church, Hull, Hedon and Kirk Ella parish churches was unanim-

## THE NEW QUARTER

This issue is the first issue of a new quarter. We welcome the many new subscribers and remind those whose subscriptions are due that early payment saves much clerical work. Remit to Mr. J. E. Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro, Cornwall. Rate: 3 months 9 s . 6 d ., 6 months 18 s ., 12 months $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$.
ously accorded on the motion of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. L. M. Woodhead, and a similar vote of thanks to the respective local companies on the motion of Mr. E. Hudson, seconded by Mr. W. Barton. In reply, Mr. F. G. Reed kindly undertook to convey them to the appropriate quarters. There being no specific invitation regarding the next meeting, the chairman announced that the committee had recommended that it be held at Bradford Cathedral on January 21 st . if suitable arrangements could be made. Mr. E. Hudson moved and Mr. W. E. Critchley seconded that the committee's recommendation be accepted, and this was carried unanimously.

## A LANCASHIRE APPLICATION

The chairman next reported that the committee had considered a letter from the secretary of the Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association, concerning two remote 6-bell towers situated in the extreme West Riding. He had correctly pointed out that these towers (Slaidburn and Gisburn) were more accessible to his branch, and sought to ascertain the opinion of the Yorkshire Association on the question of holding a meeting of his Branch at one or both of these towers. Following a short discussion. Mr. J. Seager moved and Mr. L. Drake seconded that no objection be raised, and that the secretary concerned be informed accordingly. This was carried.

It was unanimously agreed to accept all committee recommendations in connection with the report of the rules sub-committee, the only outstanding item being the tower affiliation scheme. The committee proposed to make inquiries from three Associations
known to operate such a scheme, and to conknown to operate such a scheme, and to conof information gained.

The chairman reminded the meeting that the Snowdon dinner would take place at Rotherham on October 22nd, and appealed for loyal support in order to ensure its success.

On the motion of Mr. J. Seager, seconded by Mr. W. E. Critchley, the following new members were elected: Ian Campbell (Kirk Ella) and Paul Scrowston (Cottingham) as resident members, and as out-county members, D. G. Clift (Harrow). T. P. Edwards (Pentre Rhondda). A. H. Reed (Taunton) and Mrs. R. M. Border (Coventry). The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chairman for the able manner in which he had conducted the business.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 41



## MR. FRANK I. HAIRS

## Honorary Member of Central Council

Mr. Frank I. Hairs is prohably the first person a new member sees on entering the Central Council. For several years he has been in charge of the attendance roll, and very efficiently does he carry out his duties. He has a high respect for the dignity of the Council, and would be in the forefront were it ever necessary to defend its traditions. Never very wordy in debate, either in Council or Standing Committee, his contributions are listened to with great respect, for they are full of sound common sense.

It was a stroke of good fortune for the Central Council that he was elected to 'The Ringing World ' Committee when it was reconstructed some years ago, and his first-class know-
ledge of printing-he was a printer by tradehas proved invaluable to the Committee.
Born at Clapham in 1888, he learned to ring at St. Mary's and rang his first peal there in 1906. This was Grandsire Triples, conducted by J. W. Driver, of Fulham. Round about 1913 he formed a friendship with Miss Elsie L. Bennett, daughter of Frank Bennett, and their enthusiasm for ringing was such that on one occasion they cycled 30 miles, rang three handbell peals-Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob-and cycled 30 miles back, all in the space of 12 hours! In 1916 Elsie and Frank were married, and they rang a handbell peal of Stedman Caters at Guildford the same day.
Apart from being a most capable handbell ringer, Elsie was an accomplished swimmer, and on one occasion when they were out swimming together, Frank was taken ill, and Elsie saved his life by bringing him ashore unaided. Her prowess on handbells was recognised by the College Youths, who waived their rules and elected her a member. She is now, so far as we know, the only lady member of that Society. Frank and Elsie took part in the first married couples' peals of Grandsire, both on tower- and handbells, and Cambridge Royal on tower bells.
They were frequent visitors to Surfleet where. during the lifetime of Rupert Richardson, many ringers' parties were held, and many were the exploits some of them got up to-ringing handbell peals in bed, etc., etc.
Frank has always been a staunch supporter of the Sussex County Association, and acted as peals secretary (1931-1944), Central Council representative (1939-1950) and Master (19441949). In 1951 he was elected an Honorary Member of the Council, and: he serves on the Standing Committee and "The Ringing World ' Committee. His daughter, Olive Barnett, is the wife of the Central Council's secretary.
Frank Hairs' peals total is 560 , of which he has conducted ten. He has never been keen on conducting although quite capable of doing so. It will be seen from all this that Frank and his family have played an active part in building up the Exercise as we know it, and now that he has retired we can wish him many happy years of retirement; and perhaps he will now find time to settle down to a little steady peal ringing!

JAFUS.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS <br> Mid-Devon Branch

Over 70 ringers, representing Cornwall. Devon, Berkshire, Somerset, Dorset. Oxford and Surrey, combined for some good ringing, ranging from rounds to Stedman Cinques, when tho Mid-Devon Branch met at Buckfast Abbey on September 24th. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar of Buckfastleigh (Rev. J. W. Timms) in the Chapel close to the Abbey.

At the business meeting, which followed tea, Guild certificates were presented to Keith Fursdon and Neil Forrester, both of Torre. Confirmed as non-resident life members were $G$ Brewin. J. G. Newman. J. R. Taylor, J. G. Hernming. A. E. Rushton, G. Hemming, B. Pattison. P. J. Chapman, R. C. Noon, J. K Ward and Miss Gill McMurray.

The following were elected as new members of the Branch: J. Squance, L. J. Prowse (Torre): T. Canon, W. Force, Miss J. Manvell. Miss Milcham. Miss J. Moore (Paignton) ; Miss C. Dodridge. R. Hart (Dartmouth. St. Clement's) : Mr. Colquhoun (Teignmouth) and Rev. Brendan Prior (Buckfast Abbey).

The secretary said that with the new members the Branch now had a membership of 80 and that in three years a deficit of 15 s . had been turned into a balance of $£ 9$. It was proposed that the annual meeting should be held at Teignmouth on January 14th.
The chairman (Mrs. H. Hood) extended the best wishes of the Branch to the Rev. Oswald Mowan (captain of the Abbey ringers) for his visit to Rome, and thanked him for the use of the Abbey bells, a privilege for which the Branch was extremely grateful.

## WESTON FAVELL BELLS REHUNG

Weston Favell, Northants, bells have been rehung by Messrs. White, of Appletof, at a cost of approximately $£ 350$, and at a try-out on September 23 rd a considerable improvement was noted in the 'go.' Previously the tenor. fourth and second were apt to drop. This has been remedied and the frame has been bolted to the main beams and single irons fitted to give added strength. Ball-bearings have replaced plain.
The bells are a minor five and take up all the room in the bell chamber: there is insufficient space for another bell. The oak frame. built for five bells only by John Over, of Rugby, in 1808, is still in good condition. It replaced an earlier frame, portions of which had done service since circa 1450 , when the tower possessed only three bells-a beam in the belfry of that date showing three rope holes is still preserved. In 1683 these three bells were recast into a four by the brothers Henry and Matthew Bagley

They were doubtless then a major four, and only a treble would have been needed to have made them into a major five. But in 1707 along came Henry Penn. of Peterborough, who altered the note of the third by bevelling the lip of the bell in order to add a tenor instead of a treble, obviously to sell more metal. And so Weston Favell became a minor five, and a minor five they will have to remain, in view of the major operation that would have been needed to have made them otherwise.

## QUARTER-PEALING WITH <br> E. W. P.

Saturday, September 24th, was, most surprisingly, hot and sunny, and off we set to ring quarter peals
First came Toddington, with a quarter of Grandsire: second Dumbleton, with a quarter of Grandsire; third 'The 'Hobnails,' with sustenalice: fourth Beckford, with a quarter of (you'll never guess, Grandsire!). Last came Kemerton, and it was here that 'E.W. P. did his level bist to wreck the piece de résistance - a quarter of mixed Doubles with multitudinous variations
Swinging his 17 -odd stone on the end of a short and springy new rope, he performed antics enough to keep a circus audience enthralled: the effect on the rest of the band was nearly disastrous. For a start, every time he stretched up on tip-toe at backstroke (oh, a graceful bird is the elephant!') a rift appeared amidships. Which he tried to cover up with one hand while endeavouring to control his mitransigent bell with the other. However, on receiving an assurance that the ladies would avert their eyes should the worst befall. he was able to concentrate on the bell; but many were the despairing passes he made at a sally that danced tantalisingly away from his grasp !

Now maybe we could have coped with these distractions but for the fact that only the conductor had any clear idea as to what we were supposed to be ringing. There are Doubles methods that are seldom encountered outside the Central Council's Collection, and now we know why. Such things as Reverse Canterbury plain course with All Saints plain leads as bobs. at the 6 nd of a long day, would discourage the best of men. Simall wonder then that E.. W. P. was reduced to uttering wild, despairing sounds and making faces at the conductor (and eyes at the treble), while the mirth that convulsed the rest of the band did nothing to help the striking. But all the best things come to an end, and the eleventh methodjvariation was triumphantly brought round despite all attempts at sabotage !

Our grateful thanks to Martyn Hawkes for arranging a most enjoyable outing, to the incumbents for the use of their bells, and to E. W. P. for providing the light relief.

NAVIGATRESS.
Afterthought.-If E. W. P. really wants to know the route we took from Caerphilly to Ebbw Vale. a fortnight ago, the above-signed will be only to pleased to tell him. The shortest way it may not have been. but lost were we? Never! Indeed to goodness, no! -N .

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

Despite the counter attraction of 'open day at lacal R.A.F. stations, some 60 ringers altended the West Lindsey Branch meeting held at Messingham on September 17th. Evensong was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. P. M Freeman), who gave an interesting address in which he stressed the importance of ringing from the right motives.
Following tea in the Church Hall, a business meeting was presided over by the vice-president (Mr. C. H. Baker), when four new members were elected from Messingham. An application for membership from ringers at Dunholme was not accepted. Mr. J. M Blaikie proposing that this tower should first make a formal request to the Guild committee to be Iransferred from the Central Branch. The Secretary (Mr. G. L. A. Lunn) pointed out that an alteration to the existing boundary in the Dunholme area would result in a more equitable distribution of towets beiween the two branches

After votes of thanks. a return was made to the tower where ringing continued until 9 p.m.

## A 'FIRST' IN A STAINES TOWER


[Photo: G. Cattley.
The St. Peter's Guild of Ringers, Staines, scored a 'first' of a different sort on Septen)ber 10th, when the first marriage between members was solemnised at St. Peter's Church. The bridegroom was Mr. Edgar Thomas Skipsey, the popular assistant Ringing Master, and his bride Miss Jean Elizabeth Williams, the secretary/treasurer of the tower. The bridegroom is also an assistant Scoutmaster, and the bride has been a Sunday School teacher at St. Peter's for some years.
The Vicar (Rev. R. W. Carter) officiated at the choral service. The bride was given away by her father and was attended by four bridesmaids, who included her sister, Margaret, and the bridegroom's sister, Linda.

Ringing friends from Stanwell joined with St. Peter's ringers to celebrate in the traditional manner, and the bells were 'fired' as the bridal couple left the church.

A reception was held at the Anne Boleyn Hotel. after which the happy couple honeymooned at Torquay. The Guild presented the couple with a set of front door chimes

## bUSHEY HEATH OUTING

An early start was made on September 17th by the Bushey Heath bellringers and friends for their outing to the Isle of Wight, which was reached by $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Four towers-Newport. Carisbrooke, Brading and Ryde - were visited. and ringing included rounds. Grandsire Triples. Stedman, Boh Major and Kent T.B.

After an enjoyable day the party returned by the $7.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. ferry, during which some members found to their discomfort that it is very unwise to sit on the windward side of a boat in a fairly choppy sea. A very tired and happy party arrived home at 12.15 am . Thanks are extended to all those who met us at the various towers.
F. M.

## OUTINGS <br> MARLBOROUGH BRANCH IN

 WYE VALLEYFavoured by a glorious spell of fine weather. the annual outing of the Marlborough Branch on September 24 th was an outstanding success The two coaches, one in charge of the popular secretary Arthur Palmer, and the other the no-less-popular chairman, George Newman, met at the rendezvous, Chisledon. after picking up their loads.
The objective was the Wye Valley, with Ross-on-Wye as the focal point. The morning ride through the Cotswolds and the magnificent view over Birdlip was much enjoyed to the first tower. Huntley, where touches of Grand sire and Bob Minor were safely negotiated. It was only a 15 -minute run to Longhope, and here we were greeted with the news that a wedding was to take place shortly. We duly greeted the blushing bride with our very best efforts. Incidentally, the churchyard at Longhope was the best any of the party had seen
After lunch at Ross, the ring of eight at Bridstow was our first objective. The journey resulted in Arthur's coach missing the route. but after retracing their path for two miles the tower was reached. Owing to local difficulties, ringing was not possible at Fay, but we were privileged to have a full afternoon at Bridstow, with touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples. Tea was taken at Ross, and we left at 6 p.m. for Weston-under-Penyard. A stiff climb from the main road was well rewarded by a beautifully-toned six (tenor 10 cwt .) hung on ball-bearings, and some delightful ringing was accomplished. It was not until 7.30 p.m. that we left on the homeward journey, with a stop at Cricklade for refreshments.
Our heartfelt thanks include not only incumbents and tower keepers but Mr. Swain, of Ross-on-Wye, for his excellent feeding and ringing arrangements.
W. A. E.

## INTO N.W. OXFORDSHIRE

Ringers from Old Marston were joined by friends from St. Giles' and St. Aldate's. Oxford, Radley. Wolvercote, and Stanton (St. John's) for a half-day outing to the Chipping Norton Branch area on September 24th
Ringing started on the somewhat noisy bells of Enstone, where various Doubles methods as well as Plain Bob and Kent T.B. Minor were enjoyed. The huge tower at Spelsbury, with the bells hung in one corner, provided a novelty, and at Chadlington a good start was made with a very quick 120 Stedman Doubles. It was a hungry party that had tea at Chipping Norton and heard the last part of a very good peat of Plain Bob Major.
Before ringing at Great Roliright ( 10 cwt ), members of the party who were not courting visited the Rollright Stores. The bells are very lumpy and out of tune, and those ringing five and six had a very trying time until a local ringer mentioned that the bells had been rung up the wrong way. The last tower was Swerford (5), where the long draught presented a little difficulty to the beginners.
Methods rung during the day were Grandsire. Stedman. Reverse Si. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob Doubles. Plain Bob and Kent T.B. Minor. Thanks are accorded the organisers, incumbents and tower captains.
E. R. V.

HUNITUN, DEVUN,-On Sept. 16th, 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Davies (Reading) 1. Helen Nevin (Southampton) 2, B. Grainger (Nottingham) 3, F. Sage (Reading) 4, A. Y. Griffin (Cambridge) 5, J. R. Taylor (Cambridge, cond.) 6. Rung by members of the Universities' Association camping in Devor.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## BOND'S BASHERS

Dear Sir,-As one of the participants in this year's tour of the St. Christopher's Society, I feel that the above title, applied to our party by Robin Leale in his article on page 644, is far from justified. It should be mentioned that none of the local ringers we met in Cumberland complained of any poor ringing on our part: if any such remarks were made behind our backs,' then surely such criticism is not worthy of notice.
We also took tape-recordings of our ringing on the tour which will show that we did not bash -unlike those who rang in the peal at Crosthwaite. apparently!
I look forward to our tour next year with plenty more good ringing, and hope'Mr. Leale's party will be equally fortunate. - Yours sincerely,
Lee, S.E. 12 .
IAN H. ORAM.

Dear Sir,-The term 'Bond's Bashers' in the account of a Lake District and North East tour in this week's 'Ringing World ' is, I strongly suspect. R. L. 's quip and not that of anyone on the spot. If he had known I was the rabbit of the party so opprobriously referred to, he could have indulged his alliterative leanings in the singular. I will say this, that I heard other members of our party in some of the best striking I have had the pleasure of listening to.
But the crux of the matter seems to me to be in the next phrase. We have a saying up here that 'too much of owt's good for nowt.' A well-struck peal is pure delight to ringers. cither performing or listening (so far, I've only listened), but from my observations and inquiries it is 100 much for most people, and I should be surprised. therefore, if R. L. and his friends, however good their performances. left behind a better impression than we did, for a successful quarter at Inverness was our longest attempt.
I count it a privilege to have been invited to tour with Peter Bond and his friends, who are now more to me than names in "The Ringing World.' My car is at their disposal for future occasions, and I hope to repay their unselfish help and do better next time.
There is a reference to the fine ring here on the next page to his account, and if ever R. L. comes to try it I shall be honoured to join him in a touch of Plain Bob or Grandsire. In the meantime he can count me a Bondsman. -Yours sincerely.
A. BASHFORTH.

Kirby Wiske, Yorks.

## 'FIRING' AT WINCHESTER

Dear Sir,-I remember the touring party mentioned in Mr. Brain's letter coming ta Winchester Cathedral on August 4th a few years ago. The late Mr. Lampard wrote to Mr. Brain. the leader, saying we had to ring the Cathedral bells for a royal birthday that morning at 9.15 and that the Cathedral band would carry out this duty, and after that the visitors would be free to ring until the time of the service at $10.25 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. The visitors took over with one or two locals to help. and all 12 bells were rung. No long and disgruntled faces were seen!

We have never had any complaints about the 'firing of bells for royal birthdays. In Winchester we have to do as we are told, so I expect the 'firing will continue.-Yours truly.

Winchester.

## FIRING, OF BELLS

Dear Sir,-When I lived in the shadow of Winchester Cathedral I considered it an honour to be invited to take part in early morning ringing on occasions of national rejoicing. Firing notwithstanding. the reaction of my neighbours whose bedrooms fronted the Cathedral green. was: "Bells? we never hear them."

What, in passing is wrong with local custom? It will be a dreary day when statutory orders are issued by a central authority, and birds of passage like myself have to produce their certificates of competency to ring.
I am. sir, yours faithfully.
J. MERRITT, Lt.-Cdr., R.N. H.M.S. 'Lion.

## A QUESTION OF COMPOSITION

Dear Sir.-I was very interested to learn another criterion for determining the originality of a composition (see page (643).

I should be even more interested to know how a composition which contains the whole of the courses headed by 26543 and 23456. for instance (as does the 5.152 Osgathorpe). can be true to methods having 26543 as a f.c.h. -Yours faithfully.

ANTONY T. CLEAVER.
Redbank, Bristol.

## A BEDFORDSHIRE WEEK-END IN SOMERSET

At 5 a.m.. on September 17th, ten enthusiastic ringers from Bedfordshire set out for what was to prove a most enjoyable tour of Somerset.
Reaching Evercreech a little before 10 o'clock. the main party were joined by the Hertfordshire contingent of three, who had travelled overnight, and Philip Mehew, who probably has a magic carpet - he always seems to turn up when there is any ringing to be had!
The pleasant ring of ten at Evercreech made a suitable beginning to a splendid day's ringing. A short journey brought us to Chewton Mendip. where the very tuneful ring of eight was a real delight. Next came Chew Magna (8) and Wrington (10) before tea at Yatton, followed by an hour's ringing on the fine eight bells of St. Mary's Church (where the oldest bell, the seventh. has been in service for 509 years!) and the last tower of the day, Long Ashton.
Throughout the day a good standard of ringing was maintained, and if there were moments when things didn't go quite as they might have done amends were made by some quite immaculate touches, notably the Yorkshire at Chewton Mendip and the 5 -spliced at Yatton. It was a real pleasure to have 9 few local ringers join us for an occasional touch.

Saturday night was spent at Bristol where thanks to the co-operation of Mr. D. J. Hunt. excellent accommodation had been reserved. and on Sunday morning our attentions were divided between Si. Mary's. Redcliffe. Bristol Cathedral and St. Stephen's. Some of us were also privileged to have a pull at St . George's before leaving Bristol (again. thanks to the good offices of Mr. Hunt).
The return journey was completed in sum-mer-like conditions. Somerset will be remembered for its beautiful scenery. its noble churches and its fine bells. and above all for churches and its splendid hospitality: and our sincere thanks are due to the incumbents and local ringers who gave us such a hearty welcome. For a splendidly arranged trip. our sincere thanks are extended to the organiser, Ron Sharp

## SCHONBERG AND RINGING

Dear Sir. - The reported comparison by an American professor of change-ringing with the 12-note music of Schonberg and his followers ('R.W.', page 643) is interesting but founded upon a misunderstanding.

Schonbergs method of composition invalves the use of all 12 notes of the chromatic scale (on the piano, all 12 notes, black and white. within an octave). These notes are arranged by the composer in an arbitrary order (a socalled note-row'). A piece of music consists of repetitions of the chosen note-row. which is subject to variation only in pitch. rhythm. or by some of its notes being combined into chords. The 1? notes must always be played in the same order or in one of two closely related orders, in which the row is either inverted or reversed.
Change-ringing shares with 12 -note music the principle that each note must sound once only in each change (or repetition of the noterow), but it is based on a quite different idea. Whereas in 12 -ncte music the order of the notes is fixed and the pitch and rhythm varies. in change-ringing the pitch and (we hope) the rhythm is fixed, and the only variation is in the order of the notes; to ring according to Schonberg's theories would involve restricting the number of changes used to four which are closely related, while varying the striking and including - firing. A further point of contrast is that whereas 12 -note music is always based on the notes of the chromatic scale, each note being accorded equal importance with is fellows, change-ringing is based on a diatonic scale which may fall short of or overshoot the octave mark according to the number of bells. and in which. as in diatonic music generally. the botiom (tonic) note is of prime importance. The praiseworthy efforts of the Leicester Cathedral band should certainly settle the argument. but not. I fear. in Professor Price's favour.-Yours, ctc

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## B.B.C. AND BELL RINGING

The following letter has been sent to Mr . Roy McKay, Secretary. Head of Religious Broadcasting, Central Religious Advisory Committee.

Dear Sir,-To all bell ringers-and thousands of listeners-the most nauseating announcement of any week must be the bland announcement: Out of over 40 t hours of broadcasting, there might be some items you have missed, or would like to hear again.

Yes, out of the 400 hours of some utter bilge. many would like to hear something more than five seconds' two whole pulls and a half pull-five whole seconds-of those lovely bells of Ashbourne Church last Sunday, the nicest music in existence-bell music.
The five seconds was a sheer insult to the producer's intelligence, and to the ringers, after so much preparation.
The message of the belts is just as important as any other part of the service. Can you wonder that people get not only annoyed but thoroughly disgusted? - Yours sincerely. Crewe.

## PEAL FALSE

Dear Sir,-I regret to say that the peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major on page 616 is false. As the note states, it is true 10 methods with F.C.E.'s 24365 and 43265: 43265 is always associated with 32465 , and this composiion is only true with a very limited class of methods with this F.C.E. New Cambridge is not one of them.- Yours sincerely.
Rugby
RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

## ST. CHRISTOPHER'S SOCIETY TOUR

SIXTEEN ringers from eight counties made up this year's party for a tour of the North of England and Scotland during the first fortnight of August
The official assembling point was Kirkby Lonsdale, Westmorland, on the evening of Saturday, July 30th. However, on the way up several of the party had a pull at Leigh, Lancs, and at Westhoughton and Blackrod. Ringing at Kirkby Lonsdale was considerably curtailed as the tenor clapper fell out in the first touch but fortunately the necessary tools were available to enable it to be replaced; those not ringing found a very interesting church to occupy them.
After a stormy night Sunday dawned bright, and saw us ringing for morning service at Crosthwaite and after Matins at Bowness, where a rope had to be spliced. A long cross country run followed, eventually bringing us to Orton, having a good Taylor eight: regrettably, there is no local band here, but this is an ideal tower for peals as the bells are very quiet outside. A notable feature in the church is three old bells, dated 1637, resting on the old wooden frame. Ringing for Evensong was on the octave at Kirkby Stephen, and the final call for the day was Appleby, where the guides provided some awkward moments

BELLS WORDSWORTH HEARD
Bank Holiday Monday's first tower was Shap, having a light six with a very low ring ing room ceiling. Bampton's five gave several of the party their first encounter with 'Yorkshire tail-ends' which, with extremely long ropes, made ringing rather tricky. The Church of St. Andrew, Penrith, is built on Classical lines: the tower contains a good eight (tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.), on which a course of London was brought round. After lunch, a trip out to the remote, fortress-type tower of Great Salkeld where the fine-toned six are somewhat odd struck. Returning westwards. we came to 'the other ' Crosthwaite, just outside Keswick: a pleasant Warner eight rung from the ground floor. A very scenic ride then took us to Grasmere, where we rang the three bells that Wordsworth is reputed to have heard. Many offers have been made to have these increased but all have been refused for sentimental reasons.

Several of the party were able to 'complete Westmorland at Langdale; then back into Lancashire for a most enjoyable pull on the recently-augmented ring at Hawkshead. Ulverston (6) was the first call next morning, and York Minor was achieved. The Warner eight at Barrow need a lot of ringing, due to 'tower wobble, "but most of the touches were respectable. Having answered the call of the inner man, two very good Taylor rings were to be found at Kirkby Ireleth and Broughton-in Furness. Re-entering Cumberland, we visited the good $13 t$ cwt. Warner six hanging in the central tower of Millom, and concluded the day on the 'musical box' at Egremont.

SILLOTH BELLS SELDOM RUNG
Due to some error, we arrived at St. Bees the following day the same time as Pipe's Pilgrims; however, all was resolved satisfactorily, and we enjoyed both the bells and the fine Priory church. Three Taylor occtaves ensued: Cleator Moor, Hensingham and Arlec don. Bill Stote joined us for the day at Cleator Moor, where a course of Rutland was rendered on this majestic $21 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. ring. We were met at Cockermouth by Roger Wettenhall, who joined us on the pleasant Mears ring, before we adjourned for tea. For a change, a 6-bell tower followed at Bridekirk. The ground floor eighl at Aspatria produced mixed feelings, and certainly a mixture of methods, among them Duffield, Grandsire Major and St. Simon's Triples! One more call that day-Silloth: the bells had not been rung for quite a few years, but fortunately Pipe's Pilgrims had visited the tower earlier in the day and carried out one or two repairs, so that we only had to put five ropes on.
Thursday was our last day in Cumberland and included a visit to Thursby, where we were entertained to tea and biscuits by the Rector and his wife: it is hoped to have the six bells
rehung in the near future. St. Stephen's, Carlisle, bells are rather tricky to ring as they hang in two tiers, with considerable movement in the top tier. An excellent lunch was enjoyed before the long climb to the belfry of Carlisle Cathedral: it is advisable to have the seventh up wrong here. Our final call in England for the day was Brampton, where the bells have recently been rehung by Mears and Stainbank. The night was to be spent in Kilmarnock, and en route the inevitable visit was paid to the blacksmith's shop at Gretna Green!

## GRAND SCOTTISH SCENERY AND BELLS

Our arrival in Scotland caused a drastic reduction in numbers of towers, but this was made up to some extent by being able to admire the scenery and visit more places of interest on the journey without the plaintive cry of "We're late!' The first ring in Scotland was at Glasgow's Episcopal Cathedral: here there is a noble 32 cwt. Taylor ten, which must surely rank as one of the best rings for its weight in existence. Mr. Stafford, the local secretary, and the Provost met us after our ring here and expressed pleasure at our visit.
Several miles away is Paisley, and at St James' Kirk there is a grand Taylor eight, spoilt only by being hung rather high up causing the tower to rock. The physical effort of ringing here was more than rewarded by the music of this 22 cwt . ring, which some compared with Chewton Mendip. The secretary of the ringers here, Mrs. Caldwell, and her husband then entertained us to a really mag. nificent meal, which will be remembered for many years to come. A moonlit drive along the shores of Loch Lomond brought us to our halt for the night at Arrochar

The drive on Saturday morning to our one and only tower was extremely picturesque. The one tower was the famous one of Inveraray; the last time these bells $\left(10,41 \frac{1}{2}\right.$ cwt.) were heard was in a peal several years ago. The bells hang in a detached tower buil by one of the Dukes of Argyll, and we had to fit our own ropes before ringing. This ring is one of Taylor's masterpieces, both for tone and' 'go,' but what a tragedy that they're not rung.

A QUARTER PEAL AT INVERNESS
Sunday morning saw most of the party at the Episcopal Church in Fort William, which has four bells hung for ringing. Then a drive along the side of Loch Ness to bring us to Inverness, whose Cathedral stands northsouth. These bells have no local band either, and were last rung three years ago by a visit ing team from Edinburgh: the octave (tenor 20 cwt .) is by Warner and not noteworthy. A quarter peal of Yorkshire was rung for Even song (see 'R.W.', page 575) and we rang again after the service, and were pleased to welcome a visitor from Hugglescote, Leics.
Monday must have been unique in ringing ours-no towers at all! Back to normal next day, commencing with the two Dundee eights both from the Whitechapel Foundry. The Old Steeple is unusual, for here there are three churches under one roof. Alloa's lighter octave is a little odd-struck, and another Taylor ring was enjoyed at Dunblane: here the bells (tenor 243 cwt.) were originally hung for chiming only, but in 1952 were converted to a ringing ring. Unfortunately our time here was curtailed by faulty chime hammers.
Our final day in Scotland found us descending on Edinburgh, with a pull first on the Mears octave at Leith, which are badly in need of attention. After driving along famous Princes Street. we reached the Classical style Church of St. Cuthbert. where a fine Taylor octave sounded well in a variety of touches. Another Taylor ring at St. Marv's Episcopal Cathedral, with Mr. Raine waiting to greet us: we found this 41 cwt . ten very disappointing in the tower, but certainly better outside The final much-awaited call was to Fettes College ( $5,2 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt.): numerous extents of Doubles were sampled, once we had accustomed ourselves to the 'front end.' The bells
hang in a small turret and are completely open to the elements, and can be seen from outside in the grounds; half of the ringing chamber fioor folds back to reveal a staircase.

## MORPETH'S 'MUSICAL BOX

We started our onslaught on Northumber land on August llth, commencing at historic Bamburgh, where the tower ascent is by a square spiral.' Embleton was reached with gratitudo by the 6 -bell ringers-our first six for a whole week-and the fortified. vicarage noted On exploring the tower at Alnwick the bells were found to be in a deplorable condition: we hope it will not be long before they are re hung. It took us half-an-hour to find the tower key at Rothbury. Great pleasure was derived from another Taylor ' musical box' at Morpeth Watch Tower, where Miss Armstrong made us very welcome. What a pity the bells of Hexham Abbey are not as good as the church! However, to make up for this we journeyed out to Allendale, with a jolly 10 cwt Taylor peal, where a new band is in training
Friday's first call was to Newburn-on-Tyne where the jovial Vicar greeted us. We again had a long wait for a key-at Gosforth (a noble ten) before visiting another ten at North Shields. Two more Taylor rings at Whitley Bay, home of the well-known Gofton family, and here we were joined by David Vincent, on holiday in the area: and the good, heavy six at Cramlington. Alan Ainsworth met us at the only 12 of the tour, but unfortunately we were not capable of any methods on the 12 . Blaydon-on-Tyne has six bells by Blews, and we also visited South Shields ( $8,9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.). Congratulations to the Durham and Newcastle Association for getting Jarrow bells going again-a Warner six beneath a truncated spire. A fine Gillett ten at Roker's modern church preceded our visit to the collegiate church of Chester-le-Street, to be met by Denis Bayles and some of the local band: a good 19 cwt . octave here. Houghton-le-Spring (8, 12 cwt .), having an interesting church, concluded the day's activities.
LONG CLIMB AT DURHAM CATHEDRAL Saturday was our last full day: all three towers in West Hartlepool were on the programme. the best being St. Aidan's 14 cwt . octave, though the ten at St. Oswald's Church sound well rung at speed. After lunch, a short pull at Heighington; then to Gillett's bells at Bishop Auckland, which are in need of attention. A long cross-country drive brought us o the industrial district of Consett-quite a fair course of Bristol here-and thence to Blackhill. First to the R.C. Church (a good Taylor eight, tenor 16 cw .), then a pull at Benfieldside, thanks to Chris Lamb, the District secretary, before returning to St. Aidan's, Blackhill, where the ringing chamber is approached by a vertical wooden ladder. The Norman chancel arch was noted at Lanchester (a tuneful six of various dates), and lastly Tanfield, renowned for its cricket matches. where Kenneth Cheeseman met us.
Sunday morning ringing was at St. Nicholas*. Durham, and Brancepeth, a fine church in a park, where the party stayed to Matins. A special treat awaited us in the afternoonringing for Evensong at Durham Cathedral (8, 30 cwt .): while the bells are an old ring of average tone, the opportunity of a ring here is rather rare. The bells hang right at the top of the central tower (a climb of some 250 steps) of this magnificent cathedral, so that the tower sway is considerable: however, several good. short touches were achieved. Moving south, a visit was paid to Northallerton, where a scheme is afoot to rehang the bells: and a last call at Kirby Wiske. having enjoyed an excellent tea s guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bashforth.
So ended another year's tour, and certainly was extremely successful. The bulk of the organisation was in the capable hands of Clive Smith, while John Allen arranged most of the accommodation. To them our grateful thanks: and many thanks also to all the incumbents and tower captains, and especially a word of appreciation for the generous hospitality extended by the Caldwells at Paisley and the Bashforths at Kirby Wiske.

Thank you, everyone, for a grand tour!


The Rev. Roger Keeley, former Master of London University Society, with the Bishop of Salisbury (the Right Rev. W. L. Anderson, D.Sc., D.D.), after his ordination as deacon with a title to Harnham, Salisbury, on August 14th, at All Saints' Church, East Harnham. On Mr. Kecley's right are his parents from Lyme Regis, and also in the picture are Canon C. Carew Cox (Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild) and Canon E. W. Heaton (Chancellor of Salisbury Cathedral).
[Picture by courtesy of 'The Salisbury Times.'

## 'TANFIELD,' 1960

In country churches old and pale 1 hear the changes smoothly rung And watch the coloured sallies fly From rugged hands to rafters high As round and back the bells are swung. 'Church of England Thoughts, -Jahn Betjeman.

sUCH similar thoughts were in the minds of many visitors at the fourth of this series of revived meetings of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association on July 16th, when the cricket match-President's XI versus Vicar of Tanfield's XI-was played on the old village cricket ground for the last time. Before next year's game, the field will have been sacrificed to the insatiable demands of the house builders. and yet another tradition will have been lost to posterity in the cause of progress.
Under the captaincy of the new president (Mr. T. Cooke) the visiting team had a distinctly 'southern' look this year, while the Vicar's team reflected a more northern flavour than usual. While umpires G. Wall and F. W. Cooke went to the wicket, and scorer Master Tom Wright took up his stand, the captains tossed for innings, and on making the correct call the Vicar elected to bat first. The home side made a good start with some sparkling batting by Errington, but when the first wicket fell at 17 the good work was not maintained, and the side was all out for 37 runs in 18 overs.

During this innings, most appropriate background music was provided by a voluntary on the chiming bells of nearby Stanley Parish Church. Whether this had been specially arranged by the Vicar of Tanfield to divert the attention of his opponents has not been confirmed!

At the interval between innings, the mobile shop of Maison Lea was much appreciated by the spectators, and Monsieur Charles was kept busy distributing orange slices to the two teams. Incidentally, the proceeds of this little venture netted $£ f$, which was donated to the new Education Fund of the Association
The president's team then went in to bat fult of confidence, but were shocked by a keen attack, which brought about the fall of the first four wickets for only 11 runs. The ninth wicket fell with the total at 33, and victory lay in the grasp of the Vicar for the first time. Then a dark horse from Yorkshire came in and like a worthy 'tyke' commenced some lusty hitting, which produced a winning hie with a 'six' into the garden of mine host of the Peacock. Thus once again the "ashes? were snatched from the hands of the home side.
Following a sumptuous tea, served by Mrs. K. W. Cheeseman and her helpers in the Vicarage, the president voiced the thanks of all present to the Vicar (Rev. R. Race) and Mr. K. W. Cheeseman for their efforts in planning the arrangements once again, and to the umpires, scorer and lady helpers for their respective services. He also wished the Vicar better luck next time in his attempt to win the trophy. The Vicar suitably replied and extended a welcome to all for next year's event.

As is now the custom, the ringing side of the programme followed, and the eight bells of St. Margaret's Church were smoothly rung to a variety of methods, under the direction of the Ringing Master (Mr. K. Arthur), while a handhell contingent made music in a room at the Vicarage. Finally, those of a reminiscent frame of mind made an adjournment to the Peacock, where past glories of cricket and ringing were replayed and rerung

## THE SCOREBOARD

Vicar of Tanfield's XI
N. Errington c. Scott b. Arthur Miss P. Brabban b. Miss Harrison . Vickery b. Arthur
Rev. R. Race c. Arthur b. Thompson Miss Henderson b. Miss Harrison P. Birdus b. Cox

Rev. O. Dickinson c. Cox b. Arthur
K. Ather c. Cooke b. Cox . . . . 9
H. Thompson b. Cox .
E. Bell not out
G. Henderson b. Lawson

Extra
Total 37
President's XI
K. Arthur b. Birdus

Miss Harrison run out
K. Lawson c. and b. Henderson Miss Lamb b. Miss Henderson E. White b. Ather
D. A. Bayles b. Henderson
E. N. Harrison b. Race
T. Cooke b. Henderson
T. M. Cox not out
E. Thompson b. Henderson
J. Scott not out

Extras<br>Total (9 wickets)

KEMPSTON, BEDS.-On Aus. 30hh, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: Helen B. Nevin 1, J. H. Fdwards 2. Jennifer M. Davies 3. F. W. Rivell 4, A. Gibbs 5, J. B. Long 6, K. Wakefield 7, B. Pauison (cond.) 8. Rung with the hest wishes of the band to Phyllis M. Gray (a ringer at Kempston) and Roger Turf, who were married on the previous Saturday.

## NOTICES

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## ENGAGEMENT

BALDWIN-KNIGHT. - Mr. and Mrs. Knight. of Gosport. have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter. Kathleen to Roger. second son of Mr. and
Mrs. Baldwin. of Hilsea.

## IN MEMORIAM

OHN BASS, who passed away October 6th. 1958.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Thorley is now: 45. Rotten Row. Pinchbeck Spalding. Lincolnshire. Regular guests please note-a mucia smaller garden.

## PERSONAL

FOR it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure. (Phil. ii, 13.)

## HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

BOURNEMOUTH.-Close sea: full board 25s. 6d.; hed/breakfast. 17s. 6d. Daily booking (part hoard) accepted. Free parking. Breakfast 8.30 , dinner 1 , high tea 5.30 , refreshments 10 p.m.-PRICE. 9. Fisherman's Avenue. Bournemouth. Tel. 46005.

## MISCELLANEOUS

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL - No practice meeting during October Next practice Nov. 12th. 6 -7.30 p.mı. 6730 PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 6 s . 6 d . post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.
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## CANCELLATION

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch.-The meeting arranged for October 15th. at Reepham. is postponed for the time heing.-C. Bird. Hon. Sec.

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## MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.Frome Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Ashwick (6). Saturday, Oct. 8th. Usual arrangements. -E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 6715
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ely District.-Joint meeting with the Cambridge District and Cambridge University Guild at Longstanton. Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. -D. F. Murfet. Dec. Sec.

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EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Meeting at Cape! (6). Saturday, Oct. 8th. Tea and business in the Institute. Newdigate ( 6 ) in evening. Don't let the local ladies down. 6689
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-N.W. District.Meeting. St. Mary's (8). Old Harlow, Saturday. Oct. 8th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea at the Queen's Head-G. Blake, Dis. Sec.. Hamlet House. Roydon. Harlow. 6691
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Maidstone District.-Annual meeting. All Saints*, Maidstone. Saturday, Oct. 8 ih . Bells (10) 3 m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.-R. L. Sills.

Dis Scc. LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Loughhorough District.-Meeting, Kegworth, Saturday. Oct. 8th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to P. J Sutton. 12, Broadhill Road. Kegworth, near
Derbv.-C. W. Hall.
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MIDDIIFSEX ASSOCTATION-N. and F Mary-the-Virein's. Monken Hadley. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m Service 4.30. Tea S.15 p.m. Evening ringing 6-7 p.m... also at St. John-the-Baptist's. Barnet. 7.30 to 9 p.m

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Bransh.-Buxton bells will be rededicated by the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow. M.A.. on Saturday. October 8th. at 3 p.m. Tea. which is free. follows the service. -C . Bird. Hon. Sec. 6736 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Annual Goose Fair meeting, Saturday, Oct, 8th. Bells: St, Mary"s (10). 3 p.m.; St. Peter's (10), 6 p.m. Own tea arrangemenis.-S. Adams. Hon. Dis. Sec.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Joint meeting, Southern and Western Divisions, at Steyning (8). Saturday, Oct. 8th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne. Chichester. Sussex. 6697 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.Quarterly meeling. Wickham. Saturday. Oct 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Church Hall.

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ASH. SURREY.-Surprise Minor practice. Monday. October 10th. Methods: Beverley. Bourne. Canterbury. Durham. Ipswich. Netherseale. Norwich. York, Wells. 6755

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Newark District.-Evening meeting. Sutton-onTrent. Wednesday. October 12th. Methods: Kent. Cambridge. Yorkshire. Please note change of date.-W. L. Exton, Hon. Sec.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Glaston Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Wookey, Saturday, October 15th. Usual arrangements. Notify for tea before Tuesday, 11 th.-W. Marsh, 4. Dovecotes, Sireet. 6760
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Luton District.-Quarterly meeting, Luton. Saturday. October 15th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Business in belfry 3.45. Tea 5 p.m... arranged for those who send names by 12 th, to Mr. R. Kendall. 9 , Canberra Gardens, Luton. Note. ringing contest for cup to be held at Westoning, on Saturday. November 19th.-K. G. Spavins. Dis. Sec. DIOCESAN CULD 6750 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.- Crewe Branch.-Nantwich, October 15th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m, Names for tea by October 12th. No name no tea.-W. Kerr. 102. Moreton Road. Crewe. Guil 6749 CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirral Branch.-St. Andrew's. Bebington. October 15 th. Bells ( 8 ) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Wednesday previous. -Alexander 3. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Meeting at Ormesby. on Saturday. October 15 th , at $3^{2}$ p.m.-P. W. B. | Semmens. Hon. Sec. |
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| DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD |
| 6748 | DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.Meeting at Wordsley, October 15 th. Bells a vailable $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. service 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to

R. A. Peakman. 'Les Cloches.' 10 . Court Crescent. Kingswinford. 6745 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION - Hunts District.-Meeting at Holywell, October 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-M. J. Dyer. Dis Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W. District.Quarterly meeting, Thorpe Bay (8). Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. H. R. Wlison. 133. St. Augustine Avenue. Thorpe Bay.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Guildford District.- Practice meeting. Godalming. Saturday. October 15th. 6-9 p.m. Learners and experienced ringers please attend en masse. (er District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).-Rochester District annual meeting combined with the Ladies' Guild at Milton-next-Gravesend, Saturday. Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. F. A Mitchell. 21. L.amerna Avenue, Gravesend.
I ANCASIIIRE ASSOCIATION - Mancheter Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. October 15th at Ashton-under-Lyne (St. Peter's). Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m.-G. ${ }_{676}$
Fearnehough. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.-Melton Mowbray District. - Meeting at Great Dalby, on Saturday, October 15 th. Bells 3 p.m Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Royal Oak Inn. Great Dalby, at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. October 12th. please. to Mr. Harold Bonsher. White Cottage. Great Dalby. Leicestershire. Whit Coltage. Greai
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Market Harborough District. -Meeting, Misterton. Sat urday. October 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Arrange own tea-L. W. Allen.

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NORWICH, DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Dersingham. Saturday, Oct. 15th. Service of dedication: CECIL Ebberson Memortal. Service to com mence 3 p.m. Preacher, The Archdea con of Lynn, the Ven. H. K. Percival Smith, M.A. Tea directly after the service. Names to Mr. A. E. Nurse, 7, Centre Vale. Dersingham, King's Lynn. -W. Love, Gen. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newhury Branch.-Annual general meeting. Saturday, Oet. 15 th. Newbury. Bells from 2.30 p.m Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Oct. 11th, to H. P. Reed, 74, Qucens Road, Newbury.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-A combined practice will be held at Warfield, on October 15th. at 6 p.m. Special method for practice: Little Bob Major PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD -Rutland Branch.-Meeting at Seaton (5), Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A.Clark, Middle Street. Wing. Kettering Branch.-Ouarterly meeting. East Carlton (6). October 15th. Usual arrangements Names for tea please by Tuesday previous, to M. Coleman. 16. Greening Road. Rothwell

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Culworth Branch.-Meeting at Croughton. on Saturday. October 15 th. Service 4 p.m. Notify by Tuesday previous of those requiring tea.A. E. R. Walker. Eydon. Rugby. 674 SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting. Walsall (12), Saturday. Oct. 15th. Bells 3.30 p.m Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wed nesday, Oct. 12 th , 10 Mr . G. W. Hughes. 3 Delves Road, Walsall. Dirner rickets available at this meeting. Bells also available at Rushall (6), 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. Carillon recital. Town Hall, 12.30 to 1.15 p.m

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY General meeting. Saturday, October 15 th. at St. Olave's Parish Hall. Mark Lane. E.C.3. 4 p.m. Ringing: St. Lawrence. Jewry, $\frac{2}{}-3$ p.m.; St. Olave's. Hart Street, after meeting and tea. Weekly practices begin at St.
Olave's. October 11 th. at 6.30 p.m. Freshers Olave's. October 11 th . at 6.30 p.m. Freshers
especially welcome Nearest tube. Tower Hill. 6675

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD -Annual supper. social and cabaret. on Saturday. October 22nd, at the Masonic Hall. Little Park Strect. Coventry. 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets 14 s . 6d. each from J. L. Garner-Hayward. 8. Orchard Crescent. Coventry. Phone 22897 or 23477. HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting and six bell contest will be held at Kirkburton. on October 22nd. For teas. please. notify Mr. E. Burton. 3, Lane Head Lane. Kirkburton. Huddersfield. by October 15th. No names no tea.-A. Farrand. Sec. 6728
LADIES GUILD.-Southern District.Meeting. Saturday. October 22nd, at Steep (6). Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Miss Roberts. Bedales. Petersfield. Hants. Peters. field (8) 6.30-8 p.m.-C. M. Harbott. 6734
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Institu ion of Rev. Peter Blackman (ringing curate of Aylectone) as Vicar of Ratby and Ciroby, October 22nd. All Guild members invited to service at Ratby, 3 p.m. General ringing at Ratby after service until 5.30 p.m. Tea avail ahle. Please notify undersigned if attending
service so that seats can be reserved.-B. G Warwick (Hon. Gen. Sec.), 12. Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hilis. Leicester. (Tel.: Wigston 3244.)

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Waltham (6), October 22nd. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by October 19th to Mir. J. Willows. 81 . Grimsby Road. Waltham, Grimsby.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Banbury and District Branch.-Meeting at Sandford St. Martin (6). Saturday, Oct. 22nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 . Tea and business 4.45 p.m. Duns Tew (5) 7.30 p.m. Names for tea by Oct. 11th to C. C. Clarke, High Street,
Deddington. Deddington

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salisbury Branch.-October 22nd. Amesbury. Belis from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by quarterly business meeting. Bells at Durrington also available in evening, Names for tea by October 18 th, please, to Miss Eloie. 8, Albany Road. Salisbury

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SUFFOLK GUILD-North-East District-Meeting at Beccles (10). Saturday, October
22nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea at 5 ${ }^{22 n d}$. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service 4.15 . Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday.
19th. to Mr. E. R. Goate. S1. Grove Road Beccles.-A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The Snowdon dinner will be held at The Co-operative Restaurant. Rotherham. on October 22nd, at 6.40 p.m. Tickets 12 s . 6 d. each from Mr J. J. L. Gilbert. 56 , Glencoe Road. Sheffield 2 . modation as soon as possible. Ringing as follows: Thryhergh (6) 10.30-11.30 a.m... Rawmarsh (8) 11-12.30 p.m... Wentworth (6) 11.30-1. Whistor (8) 2.30-4.30. Eastwood (8) 2-3.30. Rotherham Parish Church (10) $3-6$ p.m. The Ecclesfield handbell ringers will entertain
at dinner. A cordial welcome to all. N . ${ }^{\text {at dinner. A cordial welcome to all. }-\mathrm{N} \text {. }}$

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Annual dinner. Saturday, Oct. 29th. Rose and Crown Hotel, Tonbridge, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets ( 13 s. ) from Miss D. Colgate. 30, Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks. Please apply early as number limited.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual dinner and social at the Shakespeare Hotel. Braunstone. Leicester. October 29th. Tickets (12s. 6d.) from undersigned by October 24th. at latest. Dinner 6 for 6.30 p.m. Guests include the Lord Bishop of Leicester. Ample parking. Buses L1 and L12 (frequent service) from Newarke Street, Leicester. Bells available : St. Margaret's (12) 2.30-4 p.m.. St. John's (10) $3.30-5$ p.m.-B. G. Warwick (Hon. Johns (10) $3.30-5$ p.m.-B. G. Warwick (Hon.
Gen. Sec.), 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills. Leicester.

## IN MEMORIAM-JOHN THOMAS

May I say how grateful we are to our visitors for the beautiful ringing which preceded this service. It is almost two years to the day since Mr. John Thomas died in this belfry. and we are glad to welcome his widow, loved ones and ringing friends, who have come here to remember one who dedicated his life to, and did so much for, the noble art.
Such were the words used by the Rev. H. F. Heal, Vicar of Painswick, to a large congregation at Evensong on September 18th. The visiting ringers consisted of nine members of the Hinton-on-the-Green band with two friends. and a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was rung, with Miss V. Barnes and Wm. J. Newman scoring their first quarter on ten tower bells and the latter his first as conductor.
The band was: Miss V. Barnes 1. Mrs. J. Thomas 2, Mrs. P. Harris 3. R. Harris 4. H. F. Raxter 5, J. D. Johnson 6. Wm. J. Newman (conductor) 7, P Harris 8, J. E. Newman 9 and H. Plumb 10 .

The ringing concluded with a plain course of Grandsire Caters, with Richard Newman making his first acquaintance with ten bells, and the falling of the ten bells in peal.
Once again, our gratitude to the Vicar and local ringers at Painswick for the welcome and the privilege.

## OBITUARY

## MR. LUTHER J. HONESS

With deep regret we record the death of Mr. Luther 3. Honess at Pembury Hospital, on September 28th. after a stroke, at the age of 79 years.
He came to East Peckham 30 years ago. writes T. S., and was a regular Sunday service ringer until a short time ago. Luther made many friends in the Tonbridge and Maidstone districts and hild been a member of the Kent County Association for over 50 years. He had rung some 250 peals. of which we had rung 150 together and was always willing to help a learner through his first peal.

I shall miss my old friend very much as during the past year, when well enough, he came over from Hadlow, where he had been living with his daughter. to spend the day with me.
The funeral took place on October 1st, at Boughton Monchelsea. near Maidstone. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung at the graveside on handhells by F. S. Macey $1-2$, T. E. Sone $3-4$. W. Dobbie $5-6$. Mrs. W .
Dobbie $7-8$. Others present included Mr . and Mrs. W. R. Manser, J. T. Medhurst and myself (T. Saunders) to pay a last tribute to a true and faithful friend.

## CANON H. V. WILLIAMS

The many friends of Canon H. V. Williams were distressed to hear that he had passed away in Leicester Royal Infirmary, where he was admitted eight weeks previously, at the age of 72 .
During his ministry in the Leicester Diocese he had served at Hugglescote, Hinckley. Earl Shilton. St. John-the-Divine (Leicester). Countesthorpe. Barwell and Buckminster, where he continued to live after his retirement in 1958.

Perhaps it is no coincidence that all these towers. during Canon Williams ministry, were renowned for their high standard of ringing and loyalty, for he was keenly interested in all ringing activities. and could be relied upon to expound with no little knowledge and with a fine sense of humour upon the art of campanology, wherever ringers were gathered sogether.
He will be remembered with affection, as a wise friend and counsellor. by all who knew him as a parish priest, as he will also be remembered with gratitude by the wider public. who had benefited through his theological insight, both in meeting house and pulpit.

## MR. CHARLES GALE

A ringer of 60 years' standing. Mr. Charles Gale. has died. For the past three years he had been a member of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. ringing at Wyke Regis. Weymouth. He started ringing with the Little Munden Society of the Herts County Association.
To inis memory a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. Faith's Church. Havant, on September 25th. The band was Margaret E. Jones 1. David S. M. Jones 2. Henry Allberry 3. Geoffrey Miles 4. Morgan Marshall 5, James Hasted 6, Alan Sturgess (cond.) 7. Norman Bridger 8.

## CRAWFORD CUP CONTEST

The contest for the Crawford Cup took place at Babworth on September 10th. Five teams took part. being Warsop. Sutton-onTrent. Ordsall. Bawtry and West Retford. The judges were Messrs. H. Chant and J. P. Fidler. and the test piece 360 changes.
Fifty ringers and friends attended and tea was had in relays in the school. The judges gave the result as follows: Ordsall. 94 faults: Sutton-on-Trent. 121: Warsop.
Retford, 294, and Bawtry. 153.
The cup was presented to Mr. F. Flint. of Warsop. hy the Rev. E. F. Jessup. Vicar of Babworth.
It was decided to visit Worksop on Novemher 12 th, with the consent of the Vicar and invite the Chesterfield District to join. Five non-resident members and two from Misson were elected. The Bell Fund collection was f 13 s . The usual votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar, judges and ladies for providing tea and ringing again took place until 8.30 p.m.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The Eastern Branch was able to have a full scale ringing meeting at St. Margaret's, Lowestoft. for the first time in 21 years, when the members went there on September 17 th.
The distance from the church to any suitable meeting place was too great hitherto, but a most helpful suggestion from the Rector, Rev. W. Westwood, and the kindness of
Sister Riley, in charge of the nearby Church Army Home, resulted in a wonderful tea being provided in very pleasant surroundings.

The service was conducted by the Rector and the meeting was presided over by the branch chairman, Mr. E. R. Goate, and the ringing arrangements were in the charge of the branch Ringing Master, Miss D. E. Lidbetter. Miss Marion Cook, of Pakefield, was elected to ringing membership of the Association.

The venue for the next meeting, on December 3 rd , is Gorleston.
The members were very pleased to see the Association president, Mr. Nolan Golden, at the meeting after his recent illness and he in turn thanked them for their many good wishes when he was in hospital. The secretary was asked to write to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barrett to congratulate them on their silver wedding anniversary.

Yotes of thanks were accorded the Rector. Mr. Mitchell the organist. Mr. Coleman the local captain and Sister Riley and her staff for the many ways in which they each helped to make the meeting such a success.
A well-deserved collection was taken and donated to the Church Army Home.

## QUARTER PEALS

DUNKERTON, SOMERSET,-On Sept. 15th, 1.320 Reverse St. Bariholomew Doubles: Jean Paimer 1. J. Jefferies 2, A. F. Lee (cond.) 3, Gloria M.
Newton 4, Rita M. Webb 5, A. F. Butt 6. First quatter in methed by all the band. Birthday compliments to Mrs. L. Butt (wife of the tenor ringer) and Mrs. Newton (mother of the ringer of the 4 th ). HALIFAX, YORKS. On Sept, 19th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: M. V. Copping 1, Sheila M. Moulds 2. Pat Reeve 3. G. F. Bryant (cond.) 4. J. F. Bryant 5. J. N. Parkin (first in method) 6, R. E. Moulds 7. H. Fielden 8. For Evensong.

HAMBLEDON, HANTS.-On Aug. 27th, 1,254 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, April Day. Plain Rob and Grandsire): Elizabeth W. Pierce (first quarier) 1, A. J. Griffin (first in 4 Doubles methods) 2. C. R. C. Coussmaker (first in 4 methods as cond.) 3. E. Winifred Keys 4, J. R. Taylor 5, D. H. Leigh (first in 4 methods) 6.
HOLME PIERREPONT. NOTTS.-On Aus. 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Meredith 1, D. Armstrong 2, R. Blackshaw 3, R. Wilde 4. M. W.
Harrison 5, F. Bradley 6. Conducted by F. Bradley and D. Armstrung. For the wedding of Miss Margaret Owen and Mr. Michael Barry Jones. Also on Sepr. 11th. 1.264 Plain Rob Minor: S. Mercdith 1. D. Armsrong 2, R. Blackshaw 3. M. W. Harrison 1. A. Larkin 5, F. Bradiey (cond.) 6. Rung
half-muffled as a token of respect for Mr. R. Marsh, suddenly called to rest on Sept. 5th.
LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.-OA Sept. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. A. Crampion 1, C. Hughes 2. L. Batley 3. C. Willmington 4. F. Mills 5, J. Crampion 6, L. Woods (cond.) 7. A. White (first quarter) 8. A farewell to Canon J. Stanley, who is
being instituted to the living of St. Mary's, Pritulewell.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Dares", on Sept. 11 th. 1,280 Plain Bob Major: J. Tomsett 1, Mrs. W. Catway 2. H. J. Eldred 3. Miss C. Powell 4, J. Perrell 5, M. Gathercole 6, D. Theedon 7, W. G
Witson (cand.) 8, W. Oatway (covering) 10. For Wilson (cond.)
MARK, SOMERSET.-On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: J. Creber 1. M. Legg 2, C. Mogford 3. 1. Burrough 4, P. Ham s. S. Smith 6, G. Prescoll (cond.) 7. J. Baker 8. Runs as a mmoliment io David White, hranch honorary secretary, and Annette lang, on the occasion of their wedding, after a peal attempt had failed.

## LATE NOTICE

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northwich Branch.-Meeting at Hartford. Saturday. October 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tes FREE for those notifying by previous Wednesday. to Mr. R. W. Worrall, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich.

5,040 OSGATHORPE SURPRISE ROYAL
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Arranged by JOHN R. MAYNE.

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## MR. GEORGE GILBERT

TTHE death of George Gilbert, of Burnham, has removed a great personality from ringing circles, and the Oxford Diocesan Guild has sustained a severe loss. Ever an individualist, George Gilbert made clear his views on politics, High Church practices and the Central Council's decisions regarding methods. He was a staunch Conservative. He abhorred Anglo-Catholic ritual and would not ring for the monthly Sung Eucharist service but only for what he termed the Church of England services (Matins and Evensong), which he regularly attended.

He believed in ringing what he liked, especially if the method served a useful purpose, and frequently declared that the methods experts ruled out methods without Plain Bob lead-ends because they were lost when ringing them! We did not agree with all George preached, but much of his argument was based on common sense.

A master of teaching youngsters, George used methods systematically. For instance, he taught Plain Bob, then Reverse Canterbury because it contains Kent places; thus leading his pupils into Treble Bob. As he had no time for ringers with exalted opinions of themselves, he kept his pupils from Surprise ringing because he felt so many young ringers considered they were in a select class once they. could ring Cambridge Surprise and, as Wilfrid Wilson says, 'never looked back' but rather 'looked down' on those who were not Surprise ringers. He probably recruited and trained more young ringers than any Oxford Guild instructor, especially ladies, as he always declared that it was a waste of time training lads who would most probably be lost to ringing when claimed by National Service demands.

A former sergeant-major in the R.E.'s, he was a martinet in the belfry. Two examples will suffice from the writer's experience. One practice night a stranger walked into his practice at Burnham, immediately doffed his jacket and took a rope. 'You can put your coat back on,' said George, 'and ring when you're invited to.' George once arranged a seven-method peal of Minor for a young lady ringer to score her first in seven methods. Towards the end of the fifth extent George rebuked one young ringer for bad striking-he had actually missed a dodge! -- and the victim retaliated by criticising George. 'Stand!' yelled George. 'That will teach you to keep your mouth shut.' The tragedy was that George had been clipping. as latterly he had grown rather deaf, but when he rang on a noisy ring of bells his striking was immaculate.

Having done so much peal ringing in his earlier days with Alfred Pulling, he knew what 'good striking' really meant, and insisted on it. He was far more concerned about perfect striking than advancement in method ringing, and his pupils progressed slowly but certainly accurately. Although he often offended people by his brusqueness, they all recognised that he was out for the best only, and would not be satisfied with less, and he was respected for it. Had this not been so, he would not have built up the bands at Burnham which, just before and after the war, were among the best in the Oxford Diocese.

Ringing was almost his whole existence. How he worked till he achieved his objective in providing Burnham with a new ring of eight, when the church also had to have a new organ, a new roof and a new floor! How pleased he was when some youngster rang his or her first peal. or first in a method under his guidance, sometimes being rewarded with a kiss if a lady. How greatly was a meeting enlivened when he was on his feet. How loyally and enthusiastically he supported the 'Cumberlands,' and how many members he gained for that Society. How generous he always was, and how he disliked 'spongers.' How much we learned of the ringers of long ago over a pint of beer. How we listened to his stories, as if we had never heard him relate them before! How he hated fast ring-ing-he always said that a bad ringer could not ring properly slowly, and he made his pupils ring wide.
And now George Gilbert has gone, but there are many left who will remember him for the rest of their ringing career, as they have all something to thank him for. Despite his eccentricities he was indeed a true servant of the Exercise, and gave an inspired example of selfless devofion to our Art and its pursuit at the highest level. Night after night he would cycle miles to help struggling bands on their practice nights. When he saw a tower ' getting on its feet' he would desert it for some other where there was a greater need of help. He must have spent pounds on taking youngsters to meetings or arranging peals for them. Little wonder that, as his young lassies at Barnham took their last look at his coffin, many a tear fell, as they had indeed lost a devoted ringing 'father.'
The highest tribute actually came from his Vicar when, at the funeral service, he said George Gilbert always gave the bells an exaggerated importance. George believed in their importance, and ever strove to make his an example to his Guild and their ringers dedicated people.
May his shining example long live on and inspire: us who are left to 'Go, and do likewise.'

PALUDIAN.

## TEN BELL PEALS

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
at the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 29 cwt .3 qr .12 lb . in D .


* First peal in the method "inside.' $\dagger$ First on ten bells. $\ddagger$ First in the method and on ten bells. \& First of Caters.


EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.
IHE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 32 Minules, Ar the Bell Tower.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

Comprising 2,520 changes each of Yorkshire and Cambridge Surprise Royal, with 55 changes of method and all the work of both methods for all the bells.

Tenor 35 cwt .3 qr .20 lb . in C sharp. Arthur Gibss .. .. .. Treble Gerald C. Hemming Jennifer M. Davies .. 2 Geoffrey J. Hemmnic James G. Newman .. .. 3 Alfred E. Rushton. Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4 I Patrick I. Chapman. James R. Taylor 5 Bryan Pattison Conducted by ... . . Tenor Composed by C. Kenneir Lewis. Conducted by Bryan PatiIson. First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal by all the hand.

## AN OXFORDSHIRE TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. BICESTER. OXFORDSHIRE.
On Sat., Sept. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, At the Church of St. Edburg,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, comprising 2,880 London, 960 Cambridge. 640 each of Bristol and Superlative, with 110 changes of method.


DEDDINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Sat., Sept. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5088 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt .10 lb . in E .


## KIRTLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE

On Mon., Sept. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5038 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 16 cwt .1 qr .19 lb . in E| onald H. Bu | . Treble | Edgar R. Rapley |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E. Winifrfd Kays | 2 | Thomas J. Lock |
| Ronaid J. Sharp | 3 | Grorar F.. Ftarn |
| Joan Brirsford | 4 | Richard F. B. Spf | Joan Brarsford

Composed by S. J. IVIn.
Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed. Rung as a first wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. Beresford.

AMBROSDEN, OXFORDSHIDE.
On Mon., Sept. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristoh
832 each of Cambridge. Pudsey and Superlative, with 127 changes of
method. All the bells do all the work of each method. Tenor 20 cwt .1 qr .6 lb . in E flat.
Peter J. Coles. .. .. Treble
Alick Cutler Richard E. Price
Dennis Knox Philif Mehew

Arthur V. Pearson.
Composed by A. J. Pitman.

* 400th peal.
*Richard F. B. Speed Dennis Beresford.

Tellor
Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

BANBURY, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Tues., Sept. 6. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 17 cwt .1 qr .9 lb . in E .

| Mrs. T. J. Lock . . . Treble | Dennis Knox |
| :---: | :---: |
| Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 2 | Thomas J. Lock |
| Arthur V. Pearson. | George E. Fearn |
| Joan Beresford ... .. 4 | Philip Mehew |
| Dennis Beresford .. .. 5 | Richard E. Price |
| Composed by F. E. Darby. | Conducted by Ric |

Composed by F. E. Darby.
First peal on ten as conductor.
BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Wed. Sept. 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods, comprising 1.600 London, 1.440 Rutland, 480 Bristol, 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey. Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method. Tenor 17 cwt 3 qr . in E.
Mrs. T. J. Lock .. . . Treble
Joan Beresford

- Edgar R. Rapley

Alick Cutler
Composed by W. E. Critchley. * First peal of Spliced Surprise in eight methods.

WITNEY, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Wed., Sept. 7, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PFAL OF 5098 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt 3 gr .11 lb.


KINGHAM. OXFORDSHIRE.
On Thurs., Sept. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
At the Church of St, Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5184 OXFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr .4 lb .

†Joan Beresford .. .. 4 Dennis Knox .. .. .. Tehor
Composed and Conducted by Dennis Knox.

- First peal in the method. $+300 t h$ peal.

BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER. GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Sept. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.
Leonard Stilwell
Leonard Stilwell
Ronald J. Sharp
Treble
Arthur V. Pearson
William Rogers

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$
Peter J. Coles. George E. Fearn Ronald H. Bullen Philip Mehew
Conducted by Arthur V. Pearson.
Rung as a fourth wedding anniversary compliment to Mr . and Mrs. D. Krox.

CHURCHILL, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Thurs., Sept. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and Ah Mirntes,
At the Church of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt . in G .
C. Enward Jiffries .. Treble Thomas J. Lock

Drniis Birestord .. ... 2 Ricilard E. Pricf
Edgar R. Rapley
Richard E. Pricf
3 Ralph G. Edwards
Dennis Knox
Composed by $\mathbb{C}$. W. Roberis.

Philip A. Corby
Conducted by Philip A. COrBy.

## CHIPPING NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE

On Fri.. Sept. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, with 112 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of each method. Tenor 14 cwt . I qr. 14 lb . William Rogers .. .. Treble| Dennis Knox ..... .. 5 Joan Beresford .. .. 2 Arthur V. Peargon.. .. 6 | Edgar R. Rapley | .. | .. | 3 | Thomas J. Lock | .. | .. | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dennis Beresford |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Philip A. Corby | .. | .. | Teno |  |  |  |  | Dennis Beresford

Composed by A. J. Pitman. $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { Philip A. Corby . . . . Tenor } \\ & \text { Conducted by Philip A. Corby. }\end{aligned}$

HOOK NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
On Fri.. Sept. 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb .


GREAT TEW. OXFORDSHIRE
Oh Fri., Sept. 9, 1960), in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All. Angels.
A PEAL OF 5024 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 22 cw .10 lb . in D.

Composed by C. w. Roberts.
*First peal in the method.

BLOXHAM, OXFORDSHIRE
On Fri., Sept. 9. 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, At the Church of Our Lady of Bloxham,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 26 cwt .3 qr .7 lb| Ronald J. Sharp .. .. Treb | Ronald H. Bullen |
| :---: | :---: |
| E. Winifrel Keys.. | Thomas J. Lock |
| *William Rogers | Ralph G. Edwar |

Peier J. Coles .. .. 4
Composed by H. Law James.

* 300th peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BILLINGSHURST, SỤSSEX

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Aug. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt


## Composed by A. Knighis.

Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.

## *irst peal.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Dennis Mitchell to Miss June Clements on July 30th.

> LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
> On Mon., Sept. 5 1 196 , in 2 Hour and 17 Minutes.
> AT THE BELL Fouindry CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C.


## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Mon., Sept. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes, <br> At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt . 2 qr. 13 lb . in C.
*John M. Jelley .. .. Treble *A. James Poynor .. .. 5 $\dagger$ Richard J. Clifton .. 2 †Brian G. Warwick .. 6 Ernest Morris $\dagger$ Russell S. Morris - 7 Joseph W. Cotton ... 4 G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenur Composed by Henry W. Wilde. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. *First peal of Major in the method. †First true peal of Major in the method

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 HOTTESFORD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22 cwt .1 qr. 8 lb .


## BRISTOL

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY. On Sat., Sept. 24, 19(0), in 3 Hours and 9 Minures.
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5088 KENT \& OXFORD TRERLE BOB MAJOR Ilkeston variation. David Heighton
.. Treble
Patrick J. Bird Jane K. A. Cook .. .. 3 Brian J. Wylde $\quad . . \quad$.. 7

| . | .. | Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Tenor 21 cwt . 1 lb . in E flat. Composed by Nolan Golden (Three-Part, No. $\ddot{2}$ ). Conducted by David Heighton.

First peal of its type by all except ringers of third and fifth, on the bells, and for the Society.

## OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE

 THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. On Wed., Sept. 21. 1960, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
F. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb . in A flat.

Mrs. S. H. Jones .. . Treble Joseph W. Corton. . William F. Woodward .. 2 "Peter J. Stretton .. .. 6 Ernest Morris | Brian G. Warwick.. | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sidney H. Jones | .. | .. | Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

* First peal of Stedman.

Rung on the Patronal Festival of St. Matthew.

## DOUGLAS-IN-PARBOLD, LANCASHIRE THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Sept. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours.

At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's variation.

「enor 12 cwt .

- Martin Snape..
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Alan Capstick
Treble
Cyril Low
2
$\dagger$ Brian Buswell
Conducted by Joseph Ridyard

- First peal. + First of Cambridge.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Charles Barnes, Vicar of Christ Church, who is retiring.

BOTTESFORD SURPRISE MAJOR -38-14-38-36-12-1458-16-78. L.H. 12. 1573.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Sept. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, at the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt 28 lb .
Harry Baldwin
.Treble C. Aubrey Harrison
5
6
Jack Bray
2
C. Aubrey Harrison

Arthur Tomlinson George W. Moody

* Vernon Hepworth.

Philip Barnes ... .. . Tenar Conducted by Jack Bray. Composed by A. Knights.

* First peal on eight bells.

In memoriam Mrs. W. Bramwell. of Goxhill. a regular attender at ringers' meetings, and George Hobbins, one-time ringer at this church.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Sept. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5088 HAMMERSMITH SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in A.| ank C. Price | eble | ER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| homas J. Lock | .. 2 | J. Richard Castledine |
| Claudia A. Critchley | .. 3 | G. William Critchley |
|  |  |  | Alfred J. House .. .. 4 Join R. Mayne .. .. Temor Arranged and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method: Corrigan, No. 149.

## BREWOOD. STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDFACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Fri.. Sept. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules,
At the Church of SS. Mary-ihe-Virgin and Chad,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).
Tenor 21 cwl .2 fr .12 lb . in D.
Louis Roberts .. .. .. Treble Roy K. Mowforth Robert J. Warrilow ... 2 Barnabas G. Key Robert W. Broughton .. 3 Richard J. Warrilow .. 7 Roger L. Hawksworth.: 4 Arthur J. Allsop .. .. Tenor Conducted by Roger L. Hawksworth.
Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect to Mr. A. G. Hunt, of the local company, whose funeral took place this day.

ERITH, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
Olt Fri., Sem. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules, Ai the Church of Sr. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . in G .


ATTENBOROUGH. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt 21 lb . in F sharp.
Jack L. Millhouse.. . Treble Peter A. Sharp.

Clatre Dillamore .. .. 2 George h. Randles Norah M. Randles. . 3 Geoffrey R. Parker Margaret a. Swann | 3 |
| :--- |
| 4 | Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. rey R. Parker Conducted by Jack L. Milimouse

HAMMERSMITH SURPRISE MAJOR
36-56.4.58-58.16-12-5-34-1
8 ths place lead-end 13527486 . 4ths place bobs.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Sept. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED AND PLAIN DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in 35 methods, viz.: New Bob, Itchingfield S.C. Huntspill, Oakley S.C.. St. Vedast, Chipstead S.C., Westminster, Chesham S.C., Blackburn, Broughton S.C., St. Hilary, Ockham S.C., Reverse Union, Bedfont S.C., Reverse St. Failh, Boveney S.C., Reverse St. Julian. Eion S.C.. St., Nicholas, Longford S.C.. Winchendon. Thornborough S.C., St. Remigius', Hascombe S.C., St. Simon's, Rugby S.C., St. Martin's, Slapton S.C., St. Osmand. Meton S.C., All Saints Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwl}$. Bryan C. Burrough.. .. Treble | Geoffrey R. Crisp .. .. 3 Raymond A. Brown .. 2 bernard E. Matthews .. 4 W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Christopher Godtrey and Miss Janet Burroughs, both local ringers.

NETTLEBED, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFURD DIOCESAN GUILD
Oll Sat.. Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholumew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising an extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.. Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwl .27 lb
Pamela M. Jervis.. . Treble Frederick R. Scott
*Linda J. Kew. . . . . 2 *J. Keith Ward
William Birmingham .. 3 Alan R. Pink .. .. .. Tenor

## Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal in seven Minor methods.

Rung for the 50 th birthday (September 11 th) of Mr. W. Birmingham, in the lower where he learned to ring, with a band consisting of the conductor of his first peal and some of his own ringing pupils.

WANSFORD. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sut.. Sept. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 dOUBLES
Being one 720 of Reverse Canterbury, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Plain Bob, April Day and three of Grandsire. *Roy W. Spencer .. .. Treble Ronald Russell $\dagger$ Richard A. Webster .. 2 \#Frederick Derry James H. Musson
Conducted by James H. Musson

* First peal on the treble. + First in five Doubles methods. $\ddagger$ First. on five bells. First on the bells.

FULBECK. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960. in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford. Double Court, Single Court, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
*Frederick Derry
George Scott
Treble
harry Barnes
Tenor 12 cwt .

Cecil Wade
3 Albert E. Scort
5
Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First neal in seven Minor methods.

Arranged for Mr. George Scott (83) and Mr. Harry Barnes. who took part in the first peal on these bells 56 years ago.

HONILY, WARWICKSHIRE
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minuets,
Ai the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 extents Plain Bob, 30 Grandsire. Tenor 6 cwt 2 qr. 4 lh Percy A. Oram.

Treble Anthony A. Upton .. ..
Dawn V. Elson
2 . William H. Male
Douglas Harrison .. .. Temor
Conducted by Douglas Harrison.
Rung as a. welcome home to A. C. Morris, a local ringer, after 20 months in Warwick Hospital.

DICKLEBURGH. NORFOLK
On Tues., Sept. 27, 1961), in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 50.40 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Boh and three of Plain Boh.
Ernest Whiling
Charies R Catchpole .. Treble
Leonard J. Minns
Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

WILLINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE
THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Sept. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of London. Wells. Beverley, Surfleet, York,

Durham and Cambridge.
Bruce Grainger (Nottm.) Treble
Jean Addicott (Oxford).. 2
Dfborah Hopkins (Nott) 3 James R. Taylor (Camb.) Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

## POLSTEAD. SUFFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD <br> On Fri., Sept, 30, 196(), in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes. <br> At the Church of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 14 methods, being the following extents: (1) London and Wells S., (2) Ipswich and Cambridge S., (3) Kent and Oxford T.B., (4) Hereward and Single Oxford Bob, (5) Childwall and Thelwall Bob; (6) St. Clement's and D. Oxford Bob, (7) Plain and Double Bho. ohn Avis Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt}, 1 \mathrm{qr} .22 \mathrm{lb}$.

allen W. Cansdale .. 3 *Urban W. Wildney .. Temor - 350th peal.

## GORTON. MANCHESTER

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
Ai the Unitarian Church. Brookfield.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

## Being 42 extents (ten callings).

 *George W. Mitchel.l. . TrebleBrian Schofield

- Bryan Rumney

Tenor 13 cwL 2 qr. in $F$ sharp. Gordon Rumney
John Robinson
E. Michafl Quinn ... .. Tenor

Conducted by John Robinson

- First peal in the method. and of Doubles. First in the method and of Doubles, as conductor.


## HARTFORD. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1980), in 2 Hours and 54 Minures, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Plain Boh, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.
Christopher Jones .. :. Treble Reginald W. Worrall .. 2 David Godfrey Conducted by Harry w Wow Howard Tenor 12 cwl Conducted by Harry W. Howard.
Rung on the eve of Harvest Festival, and in honour of the induction of the Rev. J. Orme.

## LITLINGTON. CAMBRIDGESHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1950, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At The Church of Si. Katherine.
A peal OF 5040 Lightemot Surplise
A PEAL OF 5040 LIGHTFOOT SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Chris. R. F. Muncey .. Treble
Roger J. Palmer
Donald F. Murfet

George E. Thoday
Tenor 7 cwt 4 .. 2

Geoffrey A. Lucas.. 5
Mansfield Ginn
Tenor

PREES, SHROPSHIRE
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

## At thf Church of St. Сh. D .

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Bessie A. Carter
Richard E. Morris.
. Treble
..$\quad 2$
2 Harold F. White
Mary C. Poyner

Tenor 12 cwt. approx.

## Conducted by Harry Poyner.

Rung for Michaelmas.
PURLEIGH. ESSEX.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Mimues.

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and two each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Margaret E. Panton ...Treble James L. Towler .. .. 4
Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. 2 Howard W. Eggliftone.. 5
Richard J. Harrison .. 3 Ian R. Panton .. .. . . Tenor Conducted by Ian R. Panion.
First peal as conductor
Rung to celebrate the wedding of Brian J. Howard and June
Egglestone.

## STOKE-PRIOR. WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sal.. Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michafl and All Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents, no $6.5^{\circ}$ s at backstrake. Rung on the front six.
Paul Cattermole .. .. Treble Richard G. Morris.. .. 4
Michael J. Fellows $\quad .2^{2}$ Peter S. Bennett ... .. 5
Arthur D. Cook ...... 3 Maurice C. Hughes . Tenor Conducted by Paul Cattermole.
The conductor's 50th peal.
Rung within the octave of the Patronal Festival. Also a farewell peal to the conductor, who is leaving Droitwich to attend King's College. London.

BASSINGHAM. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. On? Suln., Oct. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Single and Double Court. (2) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Reverse Boh, (5) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Double Boh.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr . in $G$
Margarfit A. Swann
.Treble A. Robin Heppenstall. Louis Willders
Drilia Smith
2
3
Jack L. Millhous
USE..
Conducted by Jack L. Milithousf.
Rung for Michaelmas.

## FOUR BELL PEAL

STANFORD DINGLEY, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Sept. 30, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 26 Minules,
At the Church of St. Denys.
Consisting of 2.520 Reverse Canterbury Pleasture and 2.520 Plain Bob. methods changed at every 20 extents.
*William A. Cummins ...Treble Eric P. Woolgrove.
Gfrald B. Evans ... .. 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd..... Tenot
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

* First peal.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Gerald Evans to Miss Suzanne Worsfold. which look place the following day at Ash Road Methodist Church. Aldershot. Also to commemorate the anniversary of the first peal of Minimus ever rung. at Newtown. Hants, on October 1st, 19.59.

## HANDBELL PEALS

LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Tues.. Sept. 13, 1960, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.
In the B:lfry cF the Cathedral of SS. Mary and Chad.
A PFAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRF DOUBLES
Being 40 extents (ten callings) and one Morris 240 . Tenor size 8 in C.
${ }^{*}$ Clive M. Smith ..... 1-2 | Barvabas G. Kfy .. .. 3-4
E. Marion Key.. .. .. 5-6

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.
BEDFORD. BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Sept. 30, 1960. in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes.
At S1. Winchester Road.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor size 11 in B. Jennifer M. Davies $\quad 1-2 \mid$ James R. Taylor Bryan Pattison ... 5-6 Conducted by Bryan Patitison,

BACKWELL, SOMERSET.-On Sept. $21 \mathrm{st}, 1.296$ Duffield Major: Elisabeth Bowden 1, D. E. Cobb 2, R. G. Hooper 3, J. H. Gilbert 4, B. A. Shackleton 5, R. J. Bowden 6, J. Brain 7, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 8. First in the method by all. For St. Matthew's Day. Also on Sept. 28th. 1.260 Grandsire Trinies: Mrs. R. Ouient (first on eight) 1, T. G. Phillips 2. Barbara Hailstone 3, J. Brain 4. W. P. Blake 5. L. Derrick 6. J. R. Ketteringham (cond.) 7. H. Hardwidge 8. Rung as a farewell compliment to Mr, and Mrs. C. Ogbourne, who are shorlly leaving the narish, in appreciation of their kindness to the ringers for a number of years past.
BARMING. KENT.-On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss J. Woodruffe 1, Miss M. Clarke 2, Mrs. P. Usbome 3, J. Nixon 4, W. Manser 5, J. Mannering (cond.) 6. Rung in memoriam L. Honess, who was buried this day.

PECKFORD. GLOS-On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob, 660 Grandsire): F. Trotman 1, A. Pulley 2, F. Wood (cond.) 3, J. Altwood 4, D. Devereux 5. C. Brazier 6. Rung before evening service as a farewell to E. Trevor Newbury, ringing master at this rower, who has taken up residence at Bishop's Cleeve, Cheltenham.
DUCKFAST ABBEY, DEVON.-On Oct, 1st, 1.260 Plain Boh Triples: P. Russell 1, Heather Hond 2. Rev. O. Mowan 3, Mary Russell 4, E. M. Alkins 5 , W. G. Lavers 6, Rev. P. Dowling ?, Rev. A. de
Guingand 8. Rung for the 50th anniversary of the hessing of the bells.
CHALFONT ST. PETER. HUCKS.-On Sept. 25ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Dubarry (first guar(er) 1, Mrs, E, G. Swift 2, E. G. Swift 3, M. G. Swift (cond.) 4, C. J. Shepherd 5, E. J. Briden 6. For Sung Eucharist. Also 1,260 Minor ( 720 Kent Treble Bob, 540 Plain Bob): M. G. Swift 1, Mrs. E. G. Swift 2, Miss L. Badcock 3. E. G. Swift 4, C. J. Shepherd 5, P. G. Badcock (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Doreen Kingston (first quarter) 1, E. G. Swift 2, Miss L. Badcock 3. P. W. Atkins 4, C. J. Shepherd (cond.). 5. M. G. Swift 6. After Evensong. All rung for harvest festival.
CLIFTON, BEDS.-On Sepr. 25ih, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (7, 8 covering): P. Rogers 1, G. Mayes 2. Miss S. Percival 3. Miss J. Mayes 4. J. Church 5, P. Tompkine (cond.) 6, T. Dilley 7. T. Hyde (first quarter) 8 . For harvest festival.
ODOKHAM, BERKS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Boh Triples: Mrs. C. Eldridge 1, A. Pugh 2, E. Eldridge 3, Janet Taylor 4, Janet Livingstone (cond.) 5. D. Kirkaldy 6, J. Muller 7, D. Livingstone 8. First quarter in method for 1, 2, 4 and 6 . For harvest festival.
EfSOM, SLRREY.-At Christ Church, on Oct. 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: William Parrot 1. Richard Fentiman (first of Minor 'inside') 2. Sylvia Marsh 3, J. Munton 4. Adrienne Gibson 5, F. Oakshott (cond.) 6. For harvest festival.
FARNBOROUGH, HANTS,-On Oct. 1s, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: R. H. Mills 1, M. Cox 2, Mrs. E. Wadsworth 3, D. P. Treble 4, P. N. Murgatroyd 5, R. E. Finch (cond.) 6. Rung with the compliments of the band after the wedding of Dr. W. W. Wright and Miss B. Blyth. Also on October 2nd, 1.440 Kent T. B. Minor: R. E, Finch (cond.) 1, R. M. Mills 2, M. Cox 3, Mrs. E. Wedsworth (first of Kent) 4. D. P. Treble 5. P. N. Murgarroyd 6.
FENHAM, NEWCASTLE-UMON-TYNE, On OE. 2nd. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: M. Todd 1. J. E. Errington 2, E. Ross 3. N. H. Hewert 4. 1. A Ainsworth (cond.) 5. E. N. Harrison 6. For chil-
dren's service on harvest thanksgiving Sunday.
FINEDUN. NORTHANTS.-On Sem. 25th. 1.260 Plain Bot Minor: E. J. Chanman 1. N. Pearson 2. C. Richardsun 3. B. Foster 4, D. Pearson 5, M. King (cnnd.) 6. For Evensons.
GOLDANGTON. BEDS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,320 Minor ( 600 Single Oxford, 720 Plain Boh): Mrs. R. G. Corby 1, R. French (first quarter) 2. E. L. Duffield 3. Deborah Hopkins 4. J. H. Edwards 5, R. G. Corby (cond.) 6. Rung for the children's harvest thankssiving service, also as a compliment to Miss Deborah Hopkins, who is leaving to commence studies at Nottingham University, and to Rodney French, who has recently moved to Goldington from Fenny Suratford.

HAZELBECH, NORTHANTS.-On Sept. 22nd. 1.260 Grandsire Tribles: A. E. York 1, A. V. Flutter 2. G. Wright 3. J. Goddard 4, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 5, B. Yeomsns 6. G. Clipstone 7. W. Cropley 8.

HERSHAM, SURREY.-On Oct. 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. A. E. Smith (firn of Bob Major) 1. D. Brock 2, Joan A. Smith 3, C. N. Chinnery 4. D. Fraser 5, D. Boniface (Erat of Bob Major) 6, B. Cor 7. 3. King (firer of Major as cond.) 8. For Guildford Diocesan Retders' service.

## QUARTER PEALS

HISTON, CAMRS.-On Sept. 291h, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Bergdahl (first quarter) 1. H. Muncey 2 , C. Muncey 3, H. C. Foater 4, D. Harbidge 5 , J. W. R. Quinney (cond.) 6. For harvest festival.

HURSELL, SURREY.-On Sent. $1 \mathrm{l} \mathrm{h}, 1,260$ Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. Warner 1. Miss J. Drury 2, Miss P. Drury 2, J. Martin 4, B. Priestley (cond.) 5, A, D. Leach 6. Rung as a compliment in Barbara Benns and David Cooper (both ringers). whet were married on Sentember 10 h . Also on Sept. 25 th . 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob) : Miss P. Drury 1, Miss 3. Drury 2, A. D. Leach 3. G. Oliver 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5. B. Priestley 6. For Evensong.
HUTTUN, ESSEX. On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Doubles (All Saints and Plain Bob): N. Davies 1. C. Hill 2, W. Wright 3, W. Hill (cond.) 4. R. Jones 5. For harvest festival Matins.
KINGSDON, SOMERSET.-On OcI. 3rd. 1,260 Doublen (Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Pring (first quarter) 1, P. Cox 2, R. Selway 3. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, W. E. Turner 5, A. J. Lewis 6.
KISLINGBURY. NORTHANTS.-On Aug, 28ih, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss E. M. Paul 1, G. C. Paul 2, M. R. Bennett 3, M. R. Harvey 4. K. D. Perkins (cond.) 5. First quarter 1 and 2. For Evensong.
LUPPIT, DEVON - On Sept. 30th, 1:260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Sage (first quarter) 1, E. Broom 2, J. Thorne 3. R. Broom (first quarter) 4, F. Sage (cond) 5, E. Thorne 6. Also on Oct. 1si, 2.520 Doubles (480 Plain Bob and 2,040 Grandsire): E. Broom 1. Miss M, P. Harnard 2, A. Crabb 3, C. Churchill 4. F Sage (cond.) 5. L. Marker 6. Longest length in two methods by all. Both for harvest festival.
MERROW. SURREY.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.296 Sur prise Minor (Beverley, Cambridge and Surfeet): N. Anne Lenper (first of Treble Bob) 1, Jill M. Lane 2 R. I. Vaughan 3, A. Pamela Warren 4, D. A. R. ficet for all. For harvest festival Evensong, and as a farewell to Rev. W. Bull and Mrs. Bull, who are MOORSIDE. OLDHAM.-On Sept. 24th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: H. Armstead 1, K. Abbott 2. J. P. Partingion 3, M. D. Fishwick 4. H. Hamer 5. G. Rothwell 6, 1. Key 7, P. J. H. Hudson (cond)

NEWTUN St. LOE, BATK.-On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. J. Smart 1. B. M. Angell 2. B. W. S. Angell (cond.) 3, C. Penfold 4, V. Jones 5, T. Salmon 6.

NORTH STUNEHAM, HANTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Reay 1. R. H. Reed 2. Miss B. Forder 3, J. Murphy 4, Mrs. N. Hayes 5, C. Taylor 6, N. Hayes (cond.) 7, 1. Dacombe 8.
NORTH WEALD. ESSEX.-On Oct. 2nd. 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: H. King (cond.) 1. Ann Hancock 2, Wendy Bowaks 3, L. Cordell 4. R Bridges 5, S. King 6.- For harvest family service.
OCKHAM, SURREY. - In Sepl. 11/h. 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: Miss J. Warner 1. A. D. Leach 2 Mins P. Drury 3. B. Priestley 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5 For Evenong.
PIYMOLTH. DEYON. -On Oct. 2nd. at St. Andrew's Church. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: H. W. Milford 1. H. C. Spencer 2. Miss B. M. Boyle (first on 10) 3, F. E. Day 4. B. W. Story 5, W. G. Lavers 6. H. F. Myers 7. S. O'Shaughnessy 8. T. G. Myers (cond.) 9, W. H. Marks 10. For harvest festival Evensona.
OUEENBOROUGH. KENT.-On Sept. 29th. 1.2610 Doubles (St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury. Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire. Plain Bibl): P. Negus 1, S. V. Rayfield 2, W. A, Wand 3, P. M. Wilkin-
son (cond.) 4, H. Gardner 5. Susan Kimminge 6. Rung as an 891 h birthday compliment to Mr. G. Wood, of Queenborough.
RAVENINGHAM. NORFOLK.-On Sept. 25th. 1.320 Doubles (Grandsire. St. Simon's, Winchendon and Plain Bob): A. Walpole 1, J. Jorder 2, N. Cossey 3. G. Walpole (cond.) 4, H. W. Barrell 5 For Harvest Festival.
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX, - On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss E. Harch 1, P. Avey 2. Mins V. Hester 3. R. Goodship 4, E. Blower 5, M. Hallei1 6. M. Harch (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. Also on Sepr. 30th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: R. Tomlin (cond.) 1. Miss E. Hatch 2. W. Ward 3, P. Avey 4. E. Also on Ocr. 2nd. 1.260 Splice Siedman and Grandside Triples: Mins E. Harch 1. R. Tomlin 2, G. Sandwell 3. F. May 4. P. Coward S, M. Hallett 6, A. House (cond.) 7. W. Ward 8.

READING, RERKS.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sepr. 18th, 1.280 London Surbrise Major: Christine Pullin 1. Patricia Heather (first in method) 2. J. N. Diserens 3, E. J. Munday 4, F. W. Lewis 5, R. F. Diserens 6. C. E. Lewington 7. N. J. Diserens (cond.) 8. Rung for the Battle of Britain commemoration ervice.
REDHILL, SURREY.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: H. J. Comber (firm of Minor) I, Miss B. Sagrers 3. D. Mundy 4. F. E. Roberts 5. G. A. Wear 6. A. Strecter (cond.) 7. R. Streeter (firss quarter) 8. Rung for Matins, and a 21 st birhday compliment to Miss F. Hankey
ROMSEY, HANTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples : Miss C. White 1, Miss A. J. Knight (cond.) 2. Miss S. Edwards (ffrst 'inside') 3. M. 1. Pointer 4. H. J. Page 5, K. J. Jacobs 6, C. M. White 7 M. L. Northway 8. For harvest thanksgiving

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.-On Sent. 25th, at Si. Stephen's Church, 1.440 Kent T.B. Minor: P. Atkinson 1. G. Penney (cond.) 2. Miss C. Bland 3. Miss A. Macfarlane 4, Miss C. Rimmer 5, P. J. Fells 6 Firss in the method for $1,3,4,5,6$. For Harvest Festival.
SALISBURY. WILTS.-On Oct. 2nd. at the Church of St. Thomas. 1.260 Stedman Triples: H. H. Abrahams 1, Yvonne L. Eloic 2. B. J. Lawes 3. I. Arn Abrahams 4, J. E. Daniels 5. Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6. L. A. Page 7. E. C. Read 8. For harvest thanksgiving Evensong.
SEND, SURREY.-On Sept. 25th, 1,300 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. D. Leach 1. Mise P. Drury 2, Miss J. Drury 3, 1. Martin 4. B. Priestley (cond.) 5. M. Colmer (first quarter) 6. For harvest festival.
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Sent. 29th. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: B. T. Lister 1. Pamela M. Jervis 2. Mary Adamson (first of Major -inside') 3. Linda J. Kew 4, W. Birmingham S. W. D. Ward 6, J. K. Ward 7, D. K. Walters (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam George Gilbert, interred this day at Burnham, Bucks.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.-On Aur. $21 \mathrm{st}, 1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: Anne O-Flaherty (firss quarter) 1, C. G. Jonem 2, Dr. C. G. Roworth 3 Rowalind Roworth 4. V. Griffin (cond.) 5. A. Hatherall 6. Rung to mark the 21 s? wedding anniversary of
Dr. and Mrs. Roworth. Also on Sept. 9ih, 1,440 Minor (Thelwelf and Double Oxford): V. Griffin (cond.) 1, M. J. Stanley 2. A. R. Peake 3, B. Bladon 4. C. Smith 5. A. T. Collins 6. Rung after meeting short for Major as a ruby wedding compliment to Mr . and Mrs. H. Field. secretary of the P.C.C. and leader of the Young Wives' Group respectively.
sOUTHGATE, N.-At Christ Church, on Oct. 2nd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Hilary Baker (tirst quarter) 1. Pam Miller 2, Ann Aldridge 3. W. Wainwright 4. S. G. Peck 5. H. Miller 6. C. Aldridge (cond.) 7. L. G. Gates 8. For Evensong.

STAFFORD.-On Sept. 28th. at the Church of St. Mary, 1,360 Kent Treble Bob Royal : F. Eley 1. F. R. Wigein 2. R. J. Warrilow 3. D. Harman 4. B. J Wylde 5, C. Hone 6. R. K. Mowforth 7. A. E, Garbelt 8. D. Friend 9. Richard J. Warrilow (cond.i 10. First of Kemı Trehie Bob Reyal for 1. 2. 4. 5, 6 and 8. Rung as a complimemt to Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Warrilow on the accasion of their silver wedding anniversary.
SWINDON. WILTS.-On Sept. 25 th. at the Church of St. Mark, 1,260 Doutles (Plain Bob and Grandsire) with 6. 7 covering: R. Peake 1. P. Naylor 2. T. R. Collins 3. M. J. Staniey 4. A. T. Collins (cond.) 5. W. R. Pearce (first quarter) 6. A. Sims 7. For hatvest festival.
UPPER CLAPTON. F.-At the Church of SI. Mathew. on Sepl. 21si, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Mrs. C. F. Neal 1. Miss N. Hales 2, J. M. Siecle 3. J. A. Halev 4. R. K, C. Wilkings 5. D Neal (cond.) 6. C. F. Neal 7. Rung for Evencong on the Feast of St. Matthew.
WELLS, SOMERSET:-At the Cathedral. on Oet. 2nd, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: P. Hull 1. H. Colling 2. A. H. Reed 3. M. White 4. D. H. White 5. J. R Ketteringham (first in method as cond.) 6. P. C. Wrighi 7, V. G. Roberts 8. G. Salmon 9. P. N Tubbs 10. For Evensong.
WORLE, SOMERSET.-On Sem, 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Venn (first quarter) 1, D. Hawkins 2. R. Hallam 3, M. Worrel 4. G. Prescott (cond.) 5. W. Kinssbury 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mr. J. Mann, on the occasion of their zolden wedding.

Miss J. Armstrong writes enquiring if the curfew is still rung at Kirkby Stephen. Westmorland. She has found an old culting of The Newcastle Chronicle' which states that Mr. Nathan Berry, the sexton at Kirkby Stephen, had rung the curfew there for 45 years.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Dorchester Branch

The autumn meeting of the Dorchester Branch was held at Lition Cheney on September 17th where 30 members had a most enjoyable time. The service was conducted by the Rector (ihe Rev. A. Lynch), who gave a most inspiring address on the old characteristics of English life compared with that on the Continent and said what he missed most of all was the ringing of church bells.
Following tea, which was generously given by parishioners. the meeting was conducted by the chairman. the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth. The next meeting (annual) will be held on January 21st at St. Peter's, Dorchester. Practice meetings were suggested as follows: - Leigh, Piddletrenthide, Litton Cheney. Frampton, Upwey, Wyke Regis, Fordington, at fortnightly intervals commencing October 8th.
The Branch promised to help Rev. A. Lynch and Litton Cheney members to re-form their band, and to give them all the help and instruction possible.
The chairman extended a vote of thanks to the Rector. the ladies who served tea, and all who helped to make the meeting such al success.
R. H. D.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The autumn quarterly meeting of the Eastern district was held at York on October Ist. when about 30 ringers from 14 towers were present. Members attended choral Evensong at the Minster, and an excellent tea was served in the Railway Institute.
Mr. A. E. Sellers (vice-president) presided at the business meeting when Mr. Alan Sheppard (Sherburn-in-Elmet) and Miss Sheila James (Hull) were elected members. Pocklington was selected for the next meeting. To the vote of thanks. the Rev. A. J. McMuller (precentor at the Minster) and Mr. H. Walker replied.

## JOINT MEETING AT WEST WICKHAM

It was the turn of the Lewisham District of the Kent County Association to be hosts for the annual joint meeting with the Northern District of the Surrey Association. The venue chosen was West Wickham and a most fortunate choice it proved for the afternoon was sunny, thus showing the setting of the church to best advantage. Those who had not rung at the tower before found the bells to be as at the tower betore found the bells to be as good as reputed, and methods from

Ringing, which was under the charge of Mr. Ian Oram, was followed by the K.C.A. Service form led by the curate, after which tea was served in nearby Coney Hall. For this was served in nearby Coney He the west Wickham ringers and the tea was rather unusual in that it had been prepared by the gentlemen. After the usual votes of thanks a return was made to the tower where more ringing was enjoyed by all. The large and representative contingent from Surrey look forward to being hosts as successfully at next year's meeting.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

## Western District

The Western District of the Ladies' Guild held their annual outing on Sepiember 10th. A departure was made from the usual custom of hiring a coach and several members kindly made their cars available, an experiment which made their cars available, an
proved to be very successful.

Ringing took place in four towers:-Evercreech. Shepton Mallet, Wedmore and Rowberrow, and a pienic tea was taken en route. Thanks are due to those friends who so efficiently organised in record time a never efficiently organised in record time

During the afternoon members were joined by friends from the Swindon area and also visitors from London and Halifax. Our thanks go to all those who met us at the various towers, and to the incumbents who made their bells available.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

A very successful meeting of the S.W. Branch was held at Modbury on September 24 th , when about 30 ringers assembled to ring Grandsire. Stedman. Kent and Cambridge on the very fine heavy ring of six bells ( $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.).
Those present included the president of the Guild (Prebendary Cox), and a number of friends from the N. and N.W. Branches of the Guild, atso two holiday-makers, one from Kent and the other from King's Lynn.

Ringing was under the direction of the Ringing Master (Mr. T. G. Myers), of St. Andrew's, Plymouth. The short business meeting was presided over by the chairman, (Mr. H. H. Thomas). Emmanuel. Plymouth. Ringing continued until about 8.30 , the Vicar giving us his kind permission to ring as long as we wished.
The annual meeting of the branch will be held on January 28th at Lifton, if circumstances permit.
H. H. T.

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The ringers of the Church of St. Mary, Stafford, paid a compliment to their head ringer and his wife Mr BELFRY 1. Warriow, by ringing 1,350 K Mrs. Richard on the occasion of their silver weddin. Royal of the band-Messrs. F. R. Wiggins and A. E. Garbelt-took part in 1.260 Grandsire Triples rung on their wedding day in 1935 .
Congratulations to Mr . Wm. Love, general secretary and treasurer of the Norwich Diocesan, on ringing his 100 th peal.
Mr. J. E. Jeater has received a cheque for 3/- drawn on Lloyds Bank, Soham. Cambs, without a signature or other means of identification. Will the sender please apply to the editor for its return.
A novel experience of Hanbury, Worcs. ringers during their outing to the Forest of Dean was ringing by candlelight at St. Mary's Church. Litton. All agreed that the lovely new six were the best bells of the day
There was an amusing incident at the Leeds and District Society's meeting at Drighlington on October 1st. when a gentleman from Newcastle wandered in He had been obviously celebrating and his remarks conveyed that he thought all ringers were a grand lot.
The band who rang in the peal of Spliced Surprise Royal at Evesham on October 1st regret that they were unable to inform a wellknown Birmingham 'listener to peals' of their intention to ring in the morning. He was most disappointed to learn that the peal had been rung when he arrived.
David Eames (15), the young vice-caplain at Church Gresley, Derbyshire. was commended by the other ringers on his skilful handling of the 30 cwt . tenor at St. Neots. Hunts. which he covered to a quarter of Plain Bob Triples, mairtaining a good steady beat with no apparent difficulty. It was his first on eight and he felt he would be safer 'behind.' an opinion which was justified by his performance. A week later he covered 1.260 Doubles on the 28 cwt . tenor of the fine six at Hoar Cross, Staffs, again an immaculate performance.

## GOSSIP

 The Rev. G. M. P. Hamilton. Religious Broadcasting Organiser, North Region, has sent the following reply to Mr. W. F. Stenson. of Crewe, regarding his protest over the broadcast of Ashbourne bells (see page 675) :-- Dear Mr. Stenson,- Thank you for your letter. I am sorry you felt so strongly about the bells at Ashbourne Parish Church. All good wishes.Miss Joan Beresford is climbing the psal ladder. She rang her 300 th during Mr. T. J. Lock's Oxfordshire tour. During the tour Mr. Wm. Rogers also rang his 300 th .
There was a happy gathering after the peal at Walsall on October 1st, in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hughes. At the 'celebration' party the toasit Best wishes for the next 25 years of wedded bliss' was drunk with enthusiasm.
The peal at Fulbeck, Lincs, on September 24th was a special occasion as it marked the 56th anniversary of the first peal on the bells. Participating were two of the ringers of that first peal band-Mr. George Scott, now 83. and Mr. Harry Barnes. They both put up a fine performance.
Buckfast Abbey bells were solemnly blessed on September 29th. 1910. To mark the 50 ih anniversary the monks rang ten bells to call changes in the morning of September 29th and again in the evening of the same day. A peal attempt of Plain Bob Triples had been arranged for Oclober 1st further to mark the occasion, but due to the indisposition of one of the Abbey band a quarter peal had to suffice.

Mr. Brian G. Warwick writes that in connection with the report of the Leicester Diocesan Guild quarterly meeting on page 661, he had been asked by Mr. Sidney Harrison, of St John-the-Divine's. Leicester, to state that the motion that The Guild ask the Ceniral Council NOT to recognise peals of Minimus' was not proposed by him but by Mr. Colin Harrison. of Loughhorough.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

## ESTABLISHED

## MR. T. J. LOCK'S OXON TOUR

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AFELY forecasting that there would be no heat wave during the first week in September and knowing that travelling would involve only relatively short distances, and these being mostly on the level, the party, organised by Mr. T. J. Lock, looked forward
to a leisurely but interesting tour in the northern part of Oxfordshire. It turned out that none was disappointed.

On the way to headquarters at Chipping Norton, on September 3rd, one band commenced the programme with a peal of four Spliced Surprise Major at Bicester whilst another band found the bells at Deddington amenable to a five thousand odd of Ashtead Surprise Major. There was no sense of urgency on the first morning either, for we joined in the ringing and Matins at the local Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin. During the afternoon and evening our time was spent in the city of Oxford. where streets were closed and preparations were being made for St. Giles' Fair. Ringing was shared at St. Ebbe's and St. Giles', at the latter a quarter peal being rung for the Patronal Festival.

With preliminaries of introductions and reunions over, the first weekday started with a peal of Rutland Surprise Major at Kirtlington, which marked the first year of married life for Dennis and Mary Beresford. Those not otherwise engaged were able to ring on the octave at Woodstock. Ambrosden was visited after lunch and on these bells a peal of Spliced Surprise Major in six methods was registered, whilst the remainder found pleasure in ringing at Piddington (5) and Brill (6). The parish church of Piddington is dedicated to St. Nicholas. and the local inhabitants may have heard, for the first time, their bells being rung to a touch of St. Nicholas Doubles. It was certainly the first time that some of the band taking part had rung the method.

## A DAY OF HEAVY RAIN

On Tuesday we set out in heavy rain, which continued through all the hours of daylight, but interest and surprise took our minds away from climatic conditions. We were privileged to ring on the very recently restored eight at Shipton-under-Wychwood, but unfortunately found at Brailes a condition about which we had been warned-the chiming apparatus was being repaired and it was not possible to swing the bells. Whilst a few of the party went off to buy some stamps, three enthusiastic members rang, among others things, a course of London Surprise Minor on handbells.

Although we feared we may have interrupted him during his lunchtime, we called on Mr. Jarvis at Home Farm. Balscott, who most kindly opened up his 'tower' to allow us the experience of a ring on his six bells-the lightest six in the world yet to be rung to a peal. The one peal attempt arranged for this day was at Banbury and the band made good use of this delightful ten in completing a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. During the reaping of this success the overflow of the party rang on the heavy six at Middleton Cheney.
The middle day of the tour also bore its - light and shade,' the morning passing quickly with successful peal attempts at Burford and Witney and, for the seven remaining members of the party, a thoroughly interesting tour around a blanket factory. London Surprise Major, at Kidlington. was the scheduled peal attempt for the afternoon. but sentiment prevarled. Although permission had been given in writing, we were advised that the next peal, the 150th on the bells, would be rung by a potentially local band. Accepting regrets from the local incumbent and hoping that William Judge, the tower captain. would soon recover from his recent illness. we then joined forces again with the rest of the party, who had been ringing at Islip.

AT LAUNTON AND CAVERSFIELD
For the evening we visited two towers: the first at Launton. where the president of the Central Council welcomed us and led us up the straight and narrow way of an iron ladder which alone gives access to the ringing chamber: and the second at Caversfield where a pleasant ring of five is in a church which stands on ground with a known history dating back to the year 903 . To pay homage on this ancient site we rang a touch of Original Doubles.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 42



MR. J. J. L. GILBERT Yorkshire Association
Mr. John J. L. Gilbert is one of the staunchest stalwarts of the Yorkshire Association. He is of a quiet, modest and unassuming disposition. but he is the type of man that gets good results, and many of those who have received their instruction from him at Handsworth, Sheffield, have much for which to thank him. A thoroughly reliable ringer himself. he seems to have that priceless gift of being able to instill his ideas into his learners, and many of those who have come under his

On Thursday, the habit of ringing a peal in the method named after the county of our tour was continued at Kingham, during which time the others had a ring at Stow-on-theWold. This was followed, after lunch. by one band ringing a peal at Bourton-on-the-Water and another band doing likewise at Churchill. The peal in the Gloucestershire tower marked the fourth year of married life for Dennis and Sybil Knox.
The last full day, Friday, was programmed to be the fullest of all the days. Four peals were attempled and all four completed with the usual high standard of performance: Spliced Surprise Major in four methods at Chipping Norton and Yorkshire Surprise Major at Hook Norton in the morning, with Ealing Surprise Major at Great Tew and Lincolnshire Surprise Major at Bloxham in the afternoon. The day was finished by ringing the octave at Adderbury

## A LEAKY ROOF

Saturday morning arrived all too soon and with a depleted company we journeyed once again into Gloucestershire in ring at Moreton-in-Marsh and then to add to the peal list with Spliced Surprise Major at Blockley. Here, however, as the bells were found not at all easy to ring. also to our ears considerably out of tune and, in addition. a noticeable amount of dampness due to leak in the belfry roof. any attempt for a peal was abandoned. We reported these conditions to the Vicar before we left hut the leaky roof had been repaired prior to our visit

Having completed another itinerary and nothing more to do than find our way home we all agreed that the week had been most enjoyable and successful and that. whilst opinions naturally reflected the more desirable qualities of one ring of bells compared with Qthers. the bells which we had been privileged to ring were an extremely good collection for such a short period.
Our sincere thanks are due to all incumbents. tower secretaries and others who met us or
influence have risen high in ringing circles, and are a credit to him.
John, himself, at an early age came under the instruction of another fine Yorkshire ringer, Fred Watkinson, who was responsible for the installation of the very handy ring of eight bells at Handsworth. Fred Watkinson, having obtained the bells, then set about building up a good band of ringers. which eventually became capable of ringing Surprise methods. His advice and help were often sought, and never in vain, and it is obvious that his example had its effect on John Gilbert.
It was natural that when Fred Watkinson relinquished the post of Ringing Master at Handsworth, John should be chosen to succeed him.

Born in 1914, he joined the choir at Handsworth when seven years old, and by the time he was aged 12 he had been taught to ring
by Fred Watkinson, and rang his first peal at this age. For his 13th birthday he took part in a peal of Double Norwich, and in the same year conducted a peal in that method. By the time he was 15 he had taken part in peals of London, Cambridge Royal and Stedman Cinques. In 1934 he conducted the record youngsters peal of Plain B6b Major, at Crayford. His peals total is 259. of which he has conducted 59 . These include 38 different Surprise methods, and the record peal of 53 Spliced Surprise. He is connected with the lectrical industry, and is a wayleaves officer.
He is a good Yorkshire Association man, and has been, for 22 years, secretary of the Southern Division. So keen were they to have him as secretary that the office was kept open whilst he was serving in the Royal Signals during the war. That old Yorkshire warrior Sid Palmer, of Sheffield, carried on for him during his absence.
John Gilbert is also Ringing Master of the Sheffield and District Society, and to see him in action during one of their meetings is an an inspiration. His encouragement of the youngsters wants seeing to be believed. So long as we have such men amongst us we need not fear for the future of our art.
who did anything to ensure us the pleasures of this year's tour, and whilst it would be so easy to mention names we would add that we remain very pleased and grateful 10 have received a warm welcome.
T. J. L.

THE NEW QUARTER
This issue is the second of a new quarter. We welcome the many new subscribers and remind those whose subscriptions are due that early payment saves much clerical work. Remit to Mr. J. E. Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro, Cornwall. Rate: 3 months 95. 6d., 6 months 18 s ., 12 months s1 15 s .

## MINIMUS AT STANFORD DINGLEY

The peal at Stanford Dingley will no doubt add a little more fuel to the fire for the Minimus critics who are so determined that the Central Council must alter the present rule that allows 4 -bell peals.

Ringing his first peal was Mr. Bill Cummins. the local captain, who has an enthusiastic local band consisting of 12 members who regularly ring the bells for every service and are already considering the raising of sufficient money to add two more bells.
Mr. Cummins now claims the distinction of being the first local ringer to ring a peal on four bells. no doubt other members of 4-bell towers have rung peals but not on their own bells.

An unusual feature at Stanford Dingley is that the ropes hang more or less in a straight line and this and a long draught make them tricky to handle.

We now look forward to seeing the next peal on the bells being rung by the local band, or will it have to be a performance? This we shall have to wait until next Whitsun to
find out.

## WILFRED WILLLAMS' YORKSHIRE PEAL TOUR

1WE peal columns of this paper have already given some impression of Wilfred Wil liams' 1960 deal tour. It would, however, be out of place to commence a commentary on this latest and successful venture without first paying 1 ribute to Wilfrid Moreton, who ar ranged all the Yorkshire towers. All the bells were excellent and gave us much enjoyment. for which we are most grateful.
The advance guard assembled at Loughborough on Friday, August 19th, in readiness for Saturday's attempts at Shepshed and Derby. Once again we enjoyed the feminine charm and quiet dignity of Ruth Border, and also welcomed for the first time one of Birmingham's bright young men in the person of John Anderson. Six Spliced were well rung at Shepshed and this proved a good omen for the afternoon attempt. 'Our man from Suffolk; joined us at Derby and was soon showing us that, among other things, shirts are used to cover clocks. At Derby Cathedral and with the aid of another of Birmingham's bright young men a good peal of Spliced
Surprise Royal was successfully brought round Surprise Royal was successfully brought round.
This was the first time that a peal of Spliced Surprise Royal featuring all the work for each bell had been rung in this church and it was therefore fitting that it should be recorded for the premier ringing society.

## HEADQUARTERS AT BRADFORD

After two such successes the tour could be said to have got off to an auspicious start which was duly celebrated and then a star was made for Bradford and the Northgate Hotel, which, with the exception of one night, was to be our headquarters for the week. A notable absentee was a celebrated vintage Morris but the two and a half litre Riley added greatly to our mobility and showed its paces by regularly disappearing the wrong way down a one-way street.

Sunday morning saw us at Far Headingley, where we rang for morning service then on through the North Riding and the rain for County Durham where on an extremely pleas ant eight at Staindrop our conductor passed another milestone by calling an excellent peal of Bristol. A two hour run into the unending rain across the Pennines brought us to Sedburgh, home of the late G. F. Woodhouse of Ringing Machine fame. Here we spent the night im preparation for another pilgrimage to Ambleside

Monday saw us away early crossing Windermere on the ferry boat via Bowness and we were soon at Hawkshead, the scene of our morning attempt. A warm welcome awaited us here from the Rev. $R$. Lindsay, himself a keen ringer, and he assisted us in rising this pleasant ring. Yorkshire was rung at a speed too fast for comfort and those facing the church had their concentration continually disturbed by the large crowd of visitors who continually thronged the building. Following lunch Graham said farewell, having to return to his practice.

## FAILURE AT AMBLESIDE

The afternoon's attempt was on the fine heavy eight at Ambleside. the scene of an unfortunate fajlure two years previously. Alan Capstick had everything in readiness and a start was made for Rutland. which to those outside soon settled into an excellent beat It would. however, have required considerable effort on the part of the back-enders to score a peal. The tenor clapper broke recently and the repair has left the bell extremely wide at backstroke. the conductor being far from
satisfied with the ringing. It was a great disappointment to the listeners when a miscall brought 'Stand' after one hour and 46 minutes of excellent ringing. Descending the tower we were very pleased to see Mr. and

Mrs. Tony Price, who were on holiday in the district. and to have Tony ring the tenor to a course of Double Norwich

Following this failure an early start was made for Bradford, stopping en route for a snatch at Gargrave with somewhat disastrous results. Tuesday morning saw us retrace our steps over much of the previous night's route to the ancient Lang Kirk of Craven or, as it is better known, the Parish Church of Saint Andrew. Kildwick. Char lolte Bronte had a long association with this church. which is distinguished by an extremely long nave. Tine Kildwick Cope is housed here and in the cower hangs a fine eight by Taylor, dated 1914.

## THE POLICE LISTENED

This was our first meeting with Yorkshire tail-ends, also the profusion of boxes of varying heights on which to stand. Rutland was soon under way and after a false start some serious ringing was heard. Two hours later two police officers were seen to have the cars under observation and we had fear of charges for parking offences or disturbing the peace. but on being approached it was found that they were having a discussion on the quality of the ringing.

The afternoon saw us at the fine church of the Holy Trinity. Skipton. with its equally fine bells. It was necessary to splice and move ropes here and while this was taking place we were invaded by a keen young reporter from "The Yorkshire Post." After two attempts to cover the clock with a certain shirt. Bristol was soon rolling out and how grand it sounded from this fine ring. The later editions of .The Yorkshire Post, reported that we were on our annual tour of England and unexpectedly to the ears of people began playing Bristol. Leaving Skipton we made our various ways to Otley where Harold Schofield had kindly arranged a practice and where we were much impressed by the abilities of the younger Schofields, Gillian and Barry.

The return journey to Bradford revealed that our bell-hanging friend has other than poetical talents when he joined the Coventry Bass Trio in a rendering of 'On Ilkley Moor baht 'at.' Back at our headquarters we were very pleased to have Leslie Morris join us and have the latest news of the Cheshire ringers tour in Worcestershire

## INCESSANT RAIN

Wednesday proved the longest day of the tour with distances of almost 50 miles between cowers, the almost incessant rain making our task less pleasant than usual. London was well rung on the magnificent eight at Birstall, a little too slow for some but nevertheless very much enjoyed by others. The composition used here contained a Before in each course and is little rung nowadays. There is a large painting of a coat of arms in this ringing chamber but the shirt has not been made which could cover this and we are sure that among those staring figures our shirtless one could see his wife.

The local hostelry. The Black Bull. contained much of interest especially to the Celts as the famous Jimmie Wilde once fought there. It was also once the district courthouse and the old dock and judge's bench are well blended into what is now a pleasant lounge. Ir was into the rain we went on a two hour un to the magnificent Minster Church of St Peter, Howden. This is surely one of the finest examples of ecclesiastical architecture in a county renowned for churches of beauty and dignity and stands in a class which in cludes the Minsters of York and Beverley. Selhy Abbey and Ripon Cathedral.
Much of this great church was destroyed in a disastrous fire in 1929 and the bells, a
glorious eight, were recast in 1931. The bells are hung low down in the vast tower, and as there is a tremendous amount of glass can easily be scen from the street below; many people stopped to watch as the peal was being rung. London was again the order and this was duly brought round, notching Arthur's 300th

## LARGEST RINGING CHAMBER

The new twelve at Hull Parish Church had been made available to us for the evening but unfortunately owing to our late arrival. we were unable to make the most of this very pleasant twelve. This must be the largest ringing chamber in the country with an area of 1,440 sq. ft .
At a late hour we faced a journey of something like 70 miles to Bradford. and with Ruth revolting against the stock supper of fish and chips we reached Leeds before finding the required steak. We understand that the Riley failed to pay at Selby toll bridge and had its number taken.
Thursday saw the enforced departure of one of your chroniclers, thus reducing the party to ten; however, Lincolnshire was soon knocked off at Sowerby on a Taylor eight recast in 1954. Lunch was taken at Sowerby Bridge with our bell-hanging friend disgracing himself by drinking a pint mug of tea
In the afternoon we ascended the steep hill to Heptonstall with its fine view of Calderdale. Eight Spliced was attempted on this fine eight but stopped after 20 minutes with the bells right: the conductor thought he had miscalled. A second attempt stopped after a further 20 minutes and this time the shirt on the clock received the blame. We must have been overawed by the great record of 17.824 of Oxford Treble Bob rung here in 1927 as after a Jong discussion it was unanimously decided against a further start. so we visited Elland where it was practice night and enjoyed some fast ringing.

## YORK TENOR CLAPPER CRASHED

Friday morning saw an attempts for London Royal on the fine ten at Ripon Cathedral but this would not go so with a change of conductor Cambridge was substituted. We should like to record this as a compliment to Canon D. M. M. Bartlett who was 87 the previous day. An afternoon attempt was scheduled for Birstwith. but with a visit to York Minster also on our programme, it was decided to abandon the peal attempt and a practice for Eight Spliced was substituted. We were joined at York by Miss M. E. Wilkinson and Leslie Morris and rang Stedman Cinques. and half a course of Cambridge Royal, but unfortunately in the third lead of Cambridge Maximus the ball of the tenor clapper flew off. hitting the fifth and causing this bell to drop like a stone. It was a miracle that no further damage was done. The ringing concluded with London on the Minor Eight. That evening we were treated o a real Yorkshire supper of black pudding Our last day had arrived all too soon with peal attempts at Northowram and Bradford Cathedral. At the former the tower houses an eight by Gillett and Johnston. dated 1913. Eight Spliced was successfully brought round here while in the afternoon Pudsey Royal was rung on the beautiful ten at Bradford Cathedral. Leslie Morris joining us in this as Arthur wanted an afternoon off
So ended our peal ringing programme and there followed a social evening at our hotel in the best Yorkshire tradition which ended in the early hours with Jim's speech of thanks and farewell to our hostess. Mrs. Taylor
We cannot finish this commentary without asking. Where did the Guvnor sleep this night?' Was he too exhausted to reach his room after receiving Harold Schofield's full sales treatment? The tie would have been a fitting present after such an effort
D. G. C. and A. F. T.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PEALS OF MINIMUS
Dear Sir.-With regard to Mr. Peter Border's letter on page 634. although he states that he did not intend to slight the Leicester Diocesan Guild in his original letter. the fact still remains that he DID do so. No doubt Mr . Border will find some consolation in the fact that the Leicester Guild have passed a motion asking the Central Council NOT to ecognise 4-bell peals.
I am completely at a loss in understanding Mr. S. Harrison's letter on page 659 in the issue of September 30th. Just what bearing the list of the achievements of his tower have on the subject of 4 -bell peals. I fail to understand. No doubt there are many more ringers up and down the country who could suggest a better occupation for all three and I think it is quite obvious to all what the answer is. As for 'no right to criticise, surely any person or persons who perform publicly or who advertise their performances must expect criticism (if it is constructive). After all. we criticise other musical performances (e.g. symphony concerts) and who doesn't criticise the sermon?-Yours faithfully.

## BRIAN G. WARWICK.

Glen Hills. Leicester.

## THE COLLEGE ALSO HAD THOUGHT

Dear Sir-The manner of teaching the early stages of change-ringing that Mr.B. D. Price advocates in his recent article has already been adopted by the College in its Ringer's Manual of Reference-Part I: and first published in 1956 . Exercises based on this principle and described in the above handbook lead the pupil from solo bell control through the three elements of change-ringing. i.e.. place-making, dodging and plain hunting, and combinations of these. to the simplest method. Plain Bob. Professional teaching experience of ringers has led them to adopt these methods. which have proved sound and these methods, Which have proved
successful in practice.-Yours etc..
R. G. T. BENNETT.
P. and P.R.O.. College of Campanology

## 5,152 OSGATHORPE

Dear Sir.-In my letter relating to the FCHs of the above composition. I inadvertently gave 26543 as the course to which it is true. This should have been 25634. one of the FCHs of Southport. The 5.152 is wholly true to the following six courses-25634. 24365 , 32546. 46253. 53624 . and 65432 . The 6.496 composition is only true to the last five.Yours sincerely.

## Braunstone. Leics.

## HALLING BELLS

Dear Sir. With regard to the letter from R Crane ( R.W.. September 30th), the bells of Halling. Kent, have not been silent for 28 years. I have rung there on two occasions since the war. the last time heing April. 1954. on an outing arranged by the late John $L$. Morris.-Sincerely yours.

Tottenham. N.
E. J. ROWE.

## MR. GEORGE GILBERT

## AN APPRECIATION

Dear Sir-I would like to pay trihute to George Gilbert as a ringer. I think he was perfection as far as striking and ringing were concerned. I was trained by him over 30 years ago. and belonged to the Burnham band when he founded it. And one was always welcome at Bumham tower.-Yours faithfully.
J. E. TAYLOR

## Newbury.

## POINTS FROM LETTERS

Dear Sir.-May I be permitted to make one or two comments on recent correspondence Ownership of bells. One further commen on the interesting letter from Norman Phillips (page 595). Both he and Mr. Lock would no doubt henefit to know that although at other times bells may only be rung by consent of the incumbent, or churchwarden in the case of a vacancy in the living, this does not apply to ringing for Sunday service, or any Divine service. According to Church Law, not even the priest can prevent the bells being rung on these occasions.

4-bell towers (Leicestershire). In case there are any Minimus fans thinking of writing to any of the towers mentioned in Ernest Morris's list of 4 -bell towers. may I say that 1 have taken services at many of these churches, and I can say that the majority of bells are not ringable, and may need a lot of attention to make them safe for ringing.

Belfry conduct. No doubt many ringers in their travels during holiday time find much in other towers to be commended, and ideas to be 'borrowed. but an experience which was mine conjured up memories of the words - Belfry Reform which are still part and parcel of the aims of some Guilds and Associations today. and which up to now I have considered to be out of date. I had taken part in a touch for Sunday morning service and we were resting. when one of the ringers began to hand out cigarettes to all present followed by a general 'lighting up
Has any other ringer had this experience?
Finally I cannot understand why captains do not advertise their times of ringing, both for services and practices, outside the tower for the benefit of visitors. Only at two towers have I come across this foresight - Lincoln Cathedral and Barwell (Leics.) - Yours faithfully, THOMAS C. BELTON.
Birstall. Leicester.

## IMBER CHURCH

Dear Sir. With reference to Imber Church, the ring of bells has been removed some time and are being held for the new Church of St. Francis at Salisbury. The mural painting of Changes. I think. is being taken care of 1 remember attempting a peal at Imber between the wars and this painting was getting the worse for wear' and some figures were hardly visible: but I understand it is being taken care of by the Wilts Archaeological Society and you can rest assured it will not be lost.-Yours sincerely,
W. C. WEST: Hon. Sec.

Salisbury Diocesan Guild

## Herts County Association

Baldock Church was most beautifully decorated for harvest festival on October 1st. when the Northern District met there. Canon Brenchley conducted the service, with Miss D Bate at the organ, then the ringers continued to a more than adequate tea provided by the Hives of the local ringers.
Canon Brenchley took the chair at the business meeting, when the revision of rules was discussed, and Mr. Charles M. Timbury, of Pirton. was elected a member. The next meetings will be evening ones, at Stevenage and at Royston, with the annual district meeting at Hitchin on January 28 th , not the first Saturday, as is usual. Canon Brenchley also gave news of Baldock tower's restoration. involving the removal of the concrete on the outside. strengthening the lower internally. and a new weather-vane. It is hoped that this work will be shared next spring.
Ringing continued afterwards in methods to please everyone. The attendance at the tea was disappointing. but quite a number came for a short while.

## OBITUARY

(See also page 693)

## MR. A. G. HUNT

Mr. A. G. ('Bert') Hunt, of 14. Coneyhere Gardens, Brewood. Staffs. died on Sept 27th. aged 60 . A bellringer for 50 years, he was also people's warden at the parish church He was in business as a painter and decorator and for many years he was secretary to the local lodge of Oddfellows. During the las war he was chief Civil Defence warden at Brewood.
On the day of his funeral. September 30th a half-muffled peal was rung to his memory on Brewood bells

## MR. CHRIS H. HAWKINS

We regret to announce the death of Mr . Chris. H. Hawkins of Llanelly, suddenly on October 4 th. He was one of the founders of the St. David's Diocesan Guild and had for many years been its secretary. For the years 1949-50 he was a member of the Central Council. The funeral service was at Llanelly Parish Church on October 7th

MR. JESSE W. HARRISON
The death occurred at Amersham Hospital on September 19,h of Mr. Jesse Harrison. at the age of 79. Mr. Harrison, who had been: faithful member of the band at St. Mary and All Saints. Beaconsfield. since 1926 . had been in failing health for some months

He began ringing at the age of 13 at St Mary and All Saints' Church. Dunsfold. Surrey. He was elected deputy foreman at Beaconsfield in 1934. an office which he held until his death.
During his 66 years as a ringer. he rans 100 peals. most of them being rung for the Oxford Diocesan Guid. but his last peal was rung at his old home, Dunsfold. He was once heard to say. in a joking manner. that he took 30 years to ring 10 peals in Surrey. but rang 30 peals within 10 years of joining the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
The funeral took place at St. Mary and Al Saints*. Beaconsfield, on September 22nd. An "in memoriam' quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in the evening. with the bells half-muffed by the following members of the local band:- H . Wingrove (cond.) 1 Gwen Reeves 2. Dorothy Fletcher 3, Ann Shiels 4. R. Broadley 5. M. Broadley 6. A Bridges 7. S. Hatfield 8.

## Leeds And District Society

A pleasant meeting was held at Drighlington on October 1st. and the fine ring of bells was kept going to 3 variety of methods under the direction of the ringing master. Mr. 1. Slack The large ringing chamber enabled the 20 members present to move about freely with out disturbing the ringing

The routine business concluded with vole of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens and to Mr. Maurice Brown for his excellent arrangements. Next meeting: Hunslet Church l.eeds. Oetoher 29th.

## West Wictham Ringers' Outing

A route along country lanes was chosen for an outing of is young ringers from North West Kent and Surrey on August Bank Holiday.

Towers visited were Ash-by-Wrotham. Wrotham. Yalding. Hunton. Boughton Monchelsea. Chart Sutton. East Sutton and Headcorn. It was in the early hours of Tuesday that the pariy arrived home. Methods rung ranged from Grandsire and Plain Bob to Cambridge, Norwich. Ipswich and London Surprise

Sincere thanks are extended to incumbents and local ringers who made us so welcome.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION HONOUR MR. J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

THE Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild have decided to hold their dinners triennially and at each of these to honour the memory of a famous ringer who had been a member of their Association. The first of these dinners was at Ealing Town Hall, on October 1st, and was to the memory of Mr. J. Armiger Trollope, who for many years lived in Ealing and was at one time a churchwarden of the Church of
Christ the Saviour. It was at this church that Christ the Saviour. It was at this church that
a short service was held prior to the dinner. On medical advice the president (the Rev. G. C. Taylor) could not attend and the chair was taken by the Rev. R. Deasy, Vicar of
Harrow Weatid. Supporting him on the top Harrow Weaid. Supporting him on the top
table were the Mayor of Ealing (Ald. Mrs. A. Murray). the Mayoress (Mrs. Hugh Murray), Mr. T. J. Lock (general secretary), Mrs. Cock, Mr. E. A. Barnett (hon. sec. of
the Central Council), Mrs. Barnett and Miss Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Mr. F. W. Goodfellow (treasurer), Mrs.
Goodfellow. Mr. J. R. Mayne (Master) and Mr T. W. White.

The toast of 'The Association' was proposed by the Mayor of Ealing, who expressed her rleasure at seeing so many lady ringers present. She thought they could say to the gentlemen 'Anything you can do we can do better. At any rate they could do it just as well. The gentlemen had allowed them to hold such offices as Mayor which was traditionally a male office.

Mr. John R. Mayne, Master of the Association, who repled, said regarding the ladies they were delighted to have them in the belfry as they were to have them in the office of Mayor. He would suggest that marriages were made in heaven, but proposed in the belfry.

This was the first of a series of triennial dinners: in each of these they hoped to commemorate a Middlesex Association ringer of bygone times. That night they were commemorating a ringer who lived for many
years in Ealing-Mr. J. Armiger Trollope, and it was due to his untiring work that a iremendous amount of detail about ringers and ringing of past generations was known.
That night they were thinking of those who
had gone before and if they were to think had gone before and if they were to think
more of that subject they would enrich the present appreciation of their art; they would put the present into its true perspective and finally see their work in relation to the future. Many of the achievements of the present were not new, they had been done ringing in its true perspective with that of the past.
in felicitous terms Mr. W. H. Coles proposed the toast of The Visitors' and in a
special welcome to Mr. E. A. Barnett he said. - We rejoice that you are bringing prestige to the name Teddy Barnett, which has been a household word in ringing circles for 100 years.
Mr. Barnett. who replied. said that though technically he was a visitor he had been a member of their Association for 25 years. At under duress, as he was at Bentley Priory for four years and his bans were called in their chairman's church.
Mr. W. G. Wilson, speaking to "The Life and Work of J. Armiger Trollope.' said he was born at East Dereham. Norfolk, in 1876 and educated at King Edward VI Grammar School. Norwich. and it was while he was at school that he learnt to ring. In those days youngsters were not encouraged to ring: they sat in the belfry and that was all. Trollope and three or four lads decided to teach themselves to ring and they made a set of handbells from basement bells used in a large mansion. They rang peals on these bells and mansion. They rang peals on these
were admitted to the Association:

CENTRAL COUNCIL MEMBER AT 21 In 1897 when he was only 21 he was elected a member of the Central Council as a representative of the Norwich Diocesan Association. This was very exceptional. to be elected at that age. "Mr. Trollope was. to my mind. an outstanding example of a complete ringer: he was good in every aspect of the art? His peal record was between 500 and 600 ,
which is not considered high in these days, but was high then At one time he had rung a greater variety of Major methods than any other ringer.
He was a talented conductor. He was a member of the famous band which rang Spliced Surprise Major, in from three to 12 methods. It was pioneer work which led the way to others. In 1900 he was elected an honorary member of the Central Council and at that time he was appointed by the Council as their representative on Plain Bob Major. Any problem of Plain Bob Major was referred to him. He was made a member of the first Methods Committee and later became its convener and was responsible for technical
books, the first being in books, the first being in 1907.
He came to Ealing in 1904 and set up his home in Lammas Park Road with his sister, as he was a bachelor. He joined the Ealing Amateur Photographic Society and was silver medallist. Before the first world war he was a member of the Waterloo Society meeting at St. John's. Waterloo Road. Later. he did some of his ringing at Willesden and Ealing.

## SNOWDON SERIES

In addition to his work for the Methods Committee his services were enlisted by Miss Margaret Snowdon in connection with the Snowdon series of ring books started in 1880.
In 1938 he published 'Stedman.' If that book was still in print today hundreds of copies would be sold. Later, he published 'Standard Methods, which had since been reprinted. At the time of his death he was in the middle of writing a book on Grandsire. His friends and pupils-Ernest Turner and himself (Mr. Wilson) - completed that book and it was published in his name

Besides these books for the Snowdon series he wrote many others. The Central Council library had a ten volume history of London bells and ringing, which was beautifully written and whenever a church was mentioned there was a pen and ink sketch of it. In addition
there were records of the London Ringing there were records of the London Ringing ringing in the provinces in the 18 th century. There were also two volumes on Surprise Major Methods, four volumes on the work of method construction, which he (Mr. Wilson) thought the College of Campanology would find useful. Another volume contained hundreds of articles he had written for 'The Ringing World,' between 1930 and 1946. Those books formed a library in themselves. In 1937 he published 'The History of the College Youths, in connection with the tercentenary of that body. That book was highly prized but it was only a small part of the 10 volumes he had written.
During the war when there was a ban on ringing and in consequence no peals, quarter peals or meetings. he kept . The Ringing World 'going. Writing at times the whole of its contents. He had heard people say. No other man could have done it.' In his writings he had the ability to make his stories of the past live; everything he did, he did wellhis photography, his writings. his drawings. His handbells were hung on a Gothic style triptych which he made in 1912 .

## PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

'I first met him at Christ Church. Ealing, and a few weeks after I introduced him to about ringing. He regarded us as his boys and we regarded him as a kind of father. Although he was a member of a famous band ringing most advanced technical stuff. he came and rang with us every Sunday and helped us al! he could: nothing was too much trouble.

I rang 46 peals with him and of those peals he only conducted 10 . Ernest Turner and I were only youngsters. The first peal Ernest were only youngsters. The first peal Ernest bells. We each called in turn extents and the seventh nobody called. Mr. Lock. the present secretary of the Middlesex Association. probably does not know that in the first peal he rang-Bob Major-Mr. Trollope. who was
calling. composed the peal as it went along. calling. composed the peal as it went along.
Mr. Turner afterwards became secretary of the Middlesex Association and I myself was an officer of the Association for 20 years.'

Apart from ringing, Mr. Trollope was a man of broad education and for a time he was a warden of Christ Church. Ealing. He was a victim of the pre-war slump and was His loss in that respect was the Exercise's gain because during the many months he had no work ho spent most of his time in the work he spent most of his time in the
British Museum or at home writing up the results of his research. That afternoon at Christ Church they remembered him in their prayers. Let us now praise famous men

## HIS EDITORSHIP

Mr. T. W. White, in a tribute, said his acquaintance with Mr. Trollope was weekly during the period of his editorship. He had an ottice at the Woodbridge Press next to his (Mr. White's) own and naturally as a tower secretary they talked ringing. I wa amazed at his encyclopadic knowledge of ringing in all its departments, the patience of his research into the early history and above all his search after truth.'

During his editorship I reported for him the Central Council meetings at Birmingham and Norwich. I didn't know when I went with him to Norwich that that would be his last Council meeting. He was then a sick man and his collapse at the meeting during the debate on "The Ringing World" was one of the most painful scenes I have ever witnessed.

And what was the cause of Trollope's parting with the editorship, apart from health reasons. It could well be summed up in the words of Ernest Turner. "He steadfastly refused to allow its pages to be used to satisfy the personal vanity of a minority." It would be so easy for him to conform but he would not.

Personally I can say I went to Norwich with a special friend: I left without his friendship. Jim thought I was in the plot for his downfall. I knew of the resolutions on the agenda, but beyond that I was not a party. I
don't think Jim ever forgave me for accepting the editorship. I wish my last meeting with him had been happier

Long after I am gone and passed into anonymity, Jabez Armiger Trollope will be remembered. His writings on London churches and ringing societies will remain as a permanent record not merely of historical scholarship but to the memory of a great little man who sought after truth and was unbending in his convictions for what he regarded as right. It seemed as if he looked on many of the generation of ringers around him and said: Vanity of vanities, all is vanity.
The company then stood in silence to his memory.

The speeches were concluded with a vote of thanks from the chair to the incumbents of Ealing churches and to the dinner committeeMrs. Elsie K. Hart. Messrs. F. W. Goodfellow. E. H. Kilby. C. F. Neal and T. J. Lock. During an interval in the programme here was handbell ringing by F. W. Goodfellow 1-2. Miss Joan Beresford 3-4, F. Price 5-6. J. R. Mayne 7-8.

## THE COMPANY

In addition to the top table the company included Mr. and Mrs. G. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cutler, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lankester. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kilby, Mr. and Mrs. Goiham, Mr. and Mrs. R. Shepherd. Mr. and Mrs. Leversuch. Mr, and Mrs. S. Honor. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Turley. Mr. and Mrs. F. Blagrove. Mr, and Mrs. J. Hill. Mr. and Mrs. W H. H .
Coles. Mr, and Mrs. C. F. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Coles, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Neal, Mr. and
D. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sansom.

Mrs. W. Turner. Mrs. J. Turner.
Mrs. Misses J. Beresford. J. Cox. M. Lewis. J. Morgan. J. Goodfellow. Skinner. Clayton, A. Dorey, C. White. C. Whitfield, J. Richardson. Harris.

Messrs. F. C. Price. H. J. Eldred. B. Glover, A. Cross. D. Rickett, J. M. Coles, W. Richardson, J. Goodfellow, P. Ruch. R. Wright. G. Fynes, W. Cook. D. Fowles, and C. Slade.

DYRHAM. WILTS.-On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Salmon 1, G. Sprules (cond.) 2, J. Sprules 3, B. W. S. Ansell 4, D. P. Pennal 5, H. J. Smart 6. For harveat festival

# HOW BURNHAM BECAME NATION FAMOUS FOR RINGING 

GEORGE GILBERT<br>DIED 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1960 AGED 73 YEARS

$\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{O}}^{\circ}$OW totally inadequate this plate inscribed upon his coffin seemed to all those who able man! George Gilbert gave his soul to ringing, and his pride was in those whom he had successfully launched into the belfry to serve their God loyally on Sundays with a standard of ringing which was worthy of their lofty vocation. What a blessing the coin fell the right way when he left the army in 1926. It was his proud boast that, having successfully demanded time to train a team, he won the Army's rifle shooting trophy for his unit of the R.E.'s. an unheard-of performance for such a regiment. On his retirement he tossed a coin to decide whether to throw in his lot with the belfry or the shooting range, and the result every ringer knows.
Mr. George Gilbert was born on March 11th. 1887 and spent his early years at Rainham. Kent. He rang his first peal at Bobbing. Kent. on May 23rd, 1903 , for the Kent County Association. It was conducted by William H. B. Wilkins. who shared in many of his early peals. and. like himself. gravitated to the Oxford Diocesan Guild, where both became notable figures. George Gilbert often referred to his debt to Mr. Wilkins. who happily is still with us. George had an intense love of a good peal of Minor and the rhythm of Minor ringing. This was not surprising. as every one of his first twenty
peals was in seven Minor methods, of which peals was in seven Minor methods, of whe
he rang the treble to the first three only.
His first peal as conductor was not until June. 1914. when he called a peal in seven Minor methods at Seale. Surrey. by which time he had served long enough in the Royal Engineers to have reached the rank of corporal. We then hear little of him till 1920 no doubt due to his service in the Great War

## LONG PEALS

Retiring from the Army in 1926. at the age of 39, with the rank of C.Q.M.S. he returned to Rainham and reappeared in the peal columns of The Ringing world. In April
of that year he rang the 7 th to what should of that year he rang been a peal of 22.033 Stedman Caters at Leeds. Kent, but, owing to a miscall, the attempt ended when about 6.000 changes had been rung. He also siood in the attempt the same year to ring 14.144 London S. Major at Warnham. Sussex. but that, too, came to grief in the 15 ch course. He did. however, par-
ticipate in two successful long peals. viz:ticipate in two successful long peals. viz:-
11.008 Double Norwich at Erith on February 26ih. 1927, and 9.600 Double Norwich Surprise Major at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Guildford, in April. 1931.
Of his 'stunt ' peals one must mention his participation in the first 'Services ' peal. comprising an Army. Navy and Marines band. at Gillingham in January. 1914. He stood in two -George' peals-London S. Major at Gravesend in October. 1927 and Bristol S. Major on St. George's Day. 1930, at St. George's. South wark. The latter was the first 'Name' peal
of Brisiol. He also rang in the first peal of of Brisiol. He also rang in the first peal of
Reinham Forward Bob Major-in company Reinham Forward Bob Major-in company
with the late J. Armiger Trollope. in May. 1927-which turned out to be a false method He was not addicted to Surprise ringing, and his collection of 21 different methods was due firstly to those he rang with the late Alfred Pulling during the latter's heyday and those he rang with Mr. Alan Pink in the Windsor area in the 1930 . . George Gilbert always held that Surprise methods were much over rated. and mainly Cambridge " mucked about. and he never bothered to become proficient as a conductor in them. He would teach his Burnham band methods galore. but never Cambridge as he preferred his pupils to , remain humble. and feared for Surprise.

## PEALS WITH LADIES

During his long service at Aldershot his talents as a teacher of ringing came to the fore. and Aldershot tower became prominent in ringing circles. Many well-known per-
sonalities in that area owe their ringing
careers to George Gilbert's solid foundations. Among others. he piloted Gieorge Grover, the Denyer and Charlie' Denyer, Jack, Bragg and William Rogers through their first peals. With the Misses Mills and others he participated in iwo peals with seven ladies. The first. at Shiplake. near Henley-on-Thames, was of Kent Treble Bob. in May. 1930, and George rang the tenor. It was this peal which led him often to sign himself. Henry VIII.' The other similar peal, Grandsire Triples, to which he rang the ith, was at Goring-on-Thames in December of the same year. Miss Stella Davis. of Bucklebury (reecntly killed in a road accident) took part in both these peals.
In 1923 he came to reside in Maidenhead, Berks. where he followed his trade as a carpenter. but. as the Vicar of Burnham mentioned at George's funeral, he was not just a tradesman, but a craftsman. The writer remembers the immaculate way in which he did some work entrusted to him at Burnham Church. One remembers. too. how he used his skill in the service of others. Many has been the time when he has seen some poor old widow's fence or garden gate falling to pieces. and he has gone along in the evening and repaired it-out of his Christian charity.

## AT BURNHAM

Now a member of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. he was soon on the look-out for a tower to serve. although he had already begun arranging peals to help beginners. In April. 1932. he was appointed ringing master at Burnham, and it was here where his life as a ringer reached its fruition. Very soon the old paid band disappeared. as his first act was to have it !aid down that all ringing should be voluntary. Within two years he had built up a band of young lads who. at the ages of 12 or 13 years. had commenced their pealr.nging careers

Unhappily, several of these died on war service during the second world war, and after the war. with the call to National Selvice continuing. George began recruiting girls. But any obstacle. When the bells were to ring again. Burnham would be ready: so George removed the clappers from his bells, carried on with his instruction of some very young girls -he liked to recruit them at nine or ten years of age-and by July 1944. their names were beginning to appear in 'The Ringing World with their ages. 14 or 15, in brackets alongside.
Naturally, many of these were lost to his tower as they. one after another. took on the responsibilities of marriage. but George struggled on with little or no outside help. It was noticeable that when he had a first-class hand and visitors could be offered a wide choice of methods, he had plenty of visitors. but latterly, while he had been building up another band almost from scratch. he had had no support. But that is the way of the world ! While he was a skilled instructor. he maintained a rigid discipline in the belfry, but his pupils loved him for all that. or they would not have stood by him for so many years.
The one thing about which he was really blunt was Sunday service ringing. If a youngster failed to turn up on Sunday morning-it may have been the parents' fault-she received the have been the parents faut-she received the
length of George's tongue. Occasionally he was too outspoken. and when he said. 'If you can't turn up on Sunday, then stay away altogether.' a youngster would take him at his word. and stay away for good.

During his ringing career George Gilbert conducted the first peal of no less than 91 ringers. Of these 25 were Burnham ringers Of his 548 peals. he conducted 325 and one was non-conducted. Of the 325 he conducted there was a 'first peal' or 'first in the method' in no less than 248. another wonderful record It was these figures which were his pride and joy. and we must not underestimate their signiflcance. He was a great tenor ringer, having rung 248 peals on tenors in 68 towers, In his own lower at Burnham he rang in 111 of the 159 peals rung on the bells. which indicates his tremendous personal contribution: 63 of these were on the tenor, and of the 56 peals he rang on the six hells at Hitcham (on the
outskirts of Burnham), 51 were on the tenor. He was not a 'tenor basher,' and would deliberately slow down the ringing if a peal started racing as he loved slow ringing and had taught his pupils so to handle their bells that they could 'stroke' perfectly when the
inging was slow
George Gilbert was an enthusiastic and loyal member of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths for whom he rang 47 peals and made many new members. He served for a time as their Central Council representative, only resigning because, he said. he could not afford to continue. as his Society could not afford to subsidise its members
His greatest memorial at Burnham is the new ring of eight. He inherited, a ring of own description). and he worked like a Trojan to raise the $£ 1.800$ required. He insisted on the new ring being all on one level. so the weight of the tenor had to be reduced from 16 cwt . to $12 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. His enthusiasm was such that the whole village was behind him, and a great series of village efforts wiped out the debt. George Gilbert's name is inscribed on the tenor bell, and how it deserves to be there, lor his were the inspiration and effort which put the bells in the tower.

## DEATH AND LAST PEAL

The last peal in which he participated was Plain Bob Triples at Burnham, conducted by himself, on January 8th this year, and in it, naturally. were two 'first peals.' George was obviously ailing, and his doctor forbade him in February to ascend the belfry stairs. His interest and care for the continuance of the ringing of Burnham's bells never waned, and he always came to the tower and listened outside-often looking after Cliff and Angela Blundell's iwin daughters meanwhile in a most fatherly way while they rang.
He managed the organisation of the towet, until two months before his death. when he was taken into hospital. His decline hecame rapid and his death on September 23rd was happy release in the eyes of his friends. whom he never lacked during his sojourn in Cliveden Hospital.
At George Gilbert's funeral on Thursday. September 29th. no less than 15 towers in the branch were represented. The service was conducted jointly by the Rev. J. Wildman (Vicar of Burnham) and the Rev. E. W. Perkins (Rector of Slough. and chairman of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Guild). The Vicar paid a tribute to George Gilbert's work at Burnham over nearly 30 years and stressed how he had kept the bells ringing for services, and his work in having the bells recast.
He was laid to rest by the belfry door, four feet from the tower he served so faithfully. and a course of Grandsire Triples, preceded by some 'whole pulls and stand: was rung over the grave by A. D. Barker 1-2. R. Dean 3-4. C. Swift 5-6. and E. D. Poole 7-8.
Wreaths were sent by the Oxford Diocesan Burnham. Hitcham. Bray, Boyne Hill, Cookham and Slough towers. Ringers present reresented the following towers:-Amersham. Marlow. Nettlebed, Windsor. Farnham Royal. Bray, Boyne Hill. Stoke Poges. Langley, Old Windsor. Hitcham. Slough. Cookham and Burnham, and Mr. A. D. Barker (gen. treas.) epresented the Oxford Diocesan Guild.
George Gilbert is departed, but his work lives on. He was a friend to many, an inspiration to all. a great ringer and craftsman with a pride in his work in both spheres and a servant of God. He leaves a widow and one son-his elder son died on active service during the war-and we tender them our sincerest sympathy. May he rest in peace.

## (Sea page 695 for his peals)

## LATE NEWS

Knowle. Warwickshire. bells will be heard in the programme 'Midiand Mixture' in the Midland Home Service. On Tuesday. October 18 th. at $5.25 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Miss Jean Holden of the B.B.C will discuss ringing with three hovs and member of the Coventry Diocesan Guild. At Knowle, there are 12 schoolboy ringers. Only six of the octave will be heard in the broadcast.

# NOTICES 

## Scale of Cbarges



BIRTH
STEPHENS.-On Tuesday. September 27th, 1960. to Richard and Mary Stephens, of 8. St. Andrew's Way. The Chart. Oxted. Surrey, a second daughter (Jennifer Rosemary).

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## RFTURN THANKS

GILBERT:- The widow of Mr. George Gilbert and Mr. Geoffrey Gitbert wish to thank the many friends for the kind letters sent to Taplow Hospital and also for the wreaths from towers and friends.

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## PERSONAL

HUT take heed lest any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak: (1 Cor.. viii. 9).
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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

During College terms, for the next two ycars, the address of Mr. P. N. Bond will be: The Theological College. Rochester, Kent. Auntie's (Mrs. Langridge) phone number now Speldhurst 202.

6768 41. Wingfield Road. Bromham. Bedford. 6766

## HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

BOURNEMOUTH.-Close sea; full hoard, 25s. 6d.; hed/breakfast, 17s. 6d. Datly booking (part board) accepted. Free parking. Breakfast 8.30, dinner 1, high tea 5.30 , refreshments 10 p.m.-PRICE,'9. Fisherman's Avenue, Bournemouth. Tel. 46005 .

## MISCELLANEOUS

THE ANNUAL RINGERS' SERVICE takes place on November 20th, at Christ Church. COLLIERS WOOD at 6.30 p.m. The Bishop of Kingston will be the preacher. All will be welcome.

RODBOURNE CHENEY. Swindon. Wilts. St. Mary's Church. Due to structural alterations all ringing is suspended until further notice.-F. Broughton. Tower Secretary. 6790 PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 6 s . 6d, post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.-- The Ringing World ' Office, Guildford.

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting including Nomination of Officers at the 'Rising Sun. Carter Lanc. E.C.. Sat.. October 15th. 6 p.m. Forthcoming practices: October 25 th . Si. Lawrence, Jewry 6.30 p.m.. November Ist. St. Giles", Cripplegate. 6.45 p.m.. November 8th. Southwark Cathedral. 6.45 p.m. There will be no practice on Tuesday, October 18th. - John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. BATH \& WELLS ASSOCIATION,-Chew Deanery.-Quarterly meeting at Nailsca (6) on Saturday October 15 sth . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Names for tea please -D. G Yeo. Hon
Branch Sec.. Estune, Brockway Nailes G Branch Sec.: Estunc, Brockway. Nailsea. (6417
DUDI.I:Y AND DISTRICT GUIID. Meeting at Wordsley. Octoher 15th. Bells available ${ }^{3}$ p.m. vervice $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. followed by lea and husiness meeting.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Holywell, October 15th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-M. J Dyer. Dis Sec.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.W. District.Quarterly meeting, Thorpe Bay (8), Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Guildford District.-Practice meeting. Godalming. Saturday. October 15th. 6-9 p.m Learners and experienced ringers please attend en masse. COUNTY ASSOCIATION KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Roches ter District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).-Rochester District annual meeting combined with the Ladies' Guild at Milton next-Gravesend, Saturday, Oct. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD 669 Wellingborough Branch.-Quarterly meeting Stanwick, Saturday, October 15th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous 10 John E. Skerritt. Conway, Villa Lane Stanwick. 6740

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD -Rutland Branch.-Meeting at Seaton (5) Saturday, Oct. 15 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 pm .

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Monthly meeting. Carlton-juxta-Snaith. Sat. October 15 th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Please provide own food. cups of tea only available.-L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 6771

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-Axbridge Deanery.-Quarterly meeting at Blagdon. Saturday. October 22nd. Bells (8) 2.30 . Service 4.30 Tea and meeting 10
follow.-David H. White. 6765 BATH \& WELLS ASSOCIATION.-Cary Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Wesi Lydford (6). October 22nd. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.-L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 6770
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northwich Branch.-Meeting at Hartford, Saturday October 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m Tea FREE for those notifying by previous Wednesday. to Mr. R. W. Worrall, 1, Vale Road. Hartford, Northwich. 6764
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual supper. social and cabaret. on Saturday October 22nd. at the Masonic Hall. Little Park Sireet. Coventry, 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets 14 s. 6 d . each from J. L. Garner-Hayward, 8 Orchard Crescent. Coventry. Phone 22897 or 23477.

ELY ASSOCIATION-Wisbech Branch Meeting Downham Market. Saturday, Oct 22nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea by 21 st please.-J. Fox Dis. Sec. 6784 TION.-Cheltenham Branch. Monthly meeting. Swindon Village (5), October 22nd, 3 p.m Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Oct 18th to Mary Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheltenham

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA TION, - Chippenham Branch. - Meeting. Marshfield. October 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m Tea. Service 6. Names for tea to J. Edwards Woodham. 1. Market Place. Marshfield, nr. Chippenham

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HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting and six bell contest will be held at Kirkburton, on October 22nd. For teas. please. notify Mr. E. Burton. 3. Lane Head Lane. Kirkburton. Huddersfield. by October 15th. No names no tea.-A. Farrand, Sec.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.- 6728 District calling all ringers to quarterly meeting. Clunbury, October 22nd. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Inform, by 20th. numbers for
tea T. Davies. 1, Church Street. Clun. Craven Arms. HERTFORDSHIRE RINGING COMPETI-
TION FOR THE KIMPTON CUP,-AL Kimpton. Saturday. October 22nd. 2.45 p.m Tea 5.50 in Memorial Hall, followed by informal smoking concert with licensed bar. All very welcome. Names for tea to Donald Price. Church Lane. Kimpton. Tel. 405. 6787 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District.-Annual meeting. St. Mary's. Woolwich. Saturday. Oct.. 22nd, ? p.m. Service 4 30. Names for tea by Wednesday. 19 h . to Miss M. R. Andrews. 43. Wansunt Rond.

LADIES' GULLD.-Southern District.Meeting. Saturday, October 22nd. at Steep (6). Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Miss Roberts, Bedales. Petersfield. Hants. Petersfield (8) 6.30-8 p.m.-C. M. Harbott. 6734
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Institution of Rev. Peter Blackman (ringing curate of Aylestone) as Vicar of Ratby and Groby. October 22nd. All Guild members invited to service at Ratby, 3 p.m. General ringing at Ratby after service until 5.30 p.m. Tea available. Please notify undersigned if attending service so that seats can be reserved.-B. G Warwick (Hon. Gen. Sec.), 12, Dorothy Avenue. Glen Hilis, Leicester. (Tel.: Wigston 3244.)

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Syston District.-Meeting at Queniborough on Saturday. October 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m.. Names by prev ious Wednesday, please to Mr. S. Parker. 6 Marsden Avenue
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hinck ley District. -Meeting. Croft (6). Saturday October 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea followed by meeting at 5. in the Heath cote Arms Inn. Names for tea please by Wednesday, 19th. to Mr. Fred Watson. 5. Pochin Street. Croft. Leicester. Please note change of tower.-M. Vernon. Dis. Sec. 6782

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD - North Lindsey Branch.-Meeting at Waltham (6). October 22nd. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by October 19th to Mr. J. Willows. 81 Grimsby Road. Waltham, Grimsby. 6743
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - South Oxon Branch.-Meeting at Ewelme. October 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Names for tea by Wednesday, 19th. to J. Godman. 22 Sunnyside. Benson.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Eas Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Penn. Saturday. October 22nd. Ringing from 4 p.m. Tea 5. Names for tea by October 18th.-Miss Hague. 6. Stompits Road. Holy port. Maidenhead

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Salis bury Branch.-October 22nd. Amesbury. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m followed by quarterly business meeting. Bells at Durrington also available in evenine. Names for tea by October 18th, please, to Miss Eloic
8. Albany Road. Salisbury

SALISBURY GUILD. - Calne Branch Meeting. Heddington (6). October 22nd. Service 4. Names for tea please early. -Hacker. Downsview. Heddington. Calne. 6779
SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.-Meeting on October 22nd. St. John's. Alloa. 1.15. Dunblane $3-4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and at Edinburgh in the evening. Further detajls from Rognvald Wilson 15. Durham Road. Edinburgh. 15.6788

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Hanmer (6). Flint. Octaber 22 nd. 6.30 to $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

6668 Meeting at Beccles (10). Saturday. October 22 nd . Beils 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea at 5 p.m. Names for lea. please, by Wednesdar, 19th. to Mr. E. R. Goate. S1. Grove Road. Beccles.-A. R. Bridges. Dis. Sec. 6735
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Hailsham on October $\frac{22 \text { nd. Tea } 5 \text { p.m. Names for tea. please. to }}{\mathrm{F} \text {. Beeney. Sec.. Hillbrae. Carters Corner Rd.. }}$ Hailsham.

WINCHESTFR AND PORTSMOUTH GUIL.D. - Basingsioke District.-Quarterly meeting at Bramley. Hants. on Saturday. Oct. 22nd. Bells from 2.30. Service in the Parish Church 4.30 Tea 5 in the Village Hall. Names for tea to Miss C. Symonds. The Post Office. Bramlev. nr. Basingstoke.-F. Chesterman. Hon. Sec. 6785
YORKSHIRF ASSOCIATION.- The Snowdon dinner will be held at The Co-nnerative Rectaurallt. Rotherham, on October 22nd. at K. 40 D.m. Tickets 11s, 6d. each from Mr. J. J. I. Gilbert. 56. Glencoe Road. Sheffield 2. by Wednesday. 191h. Requests for hotel accommindation as soon as nossible. Ringing as follows: Thrybergh (6) 10.30-11.30 a.m.. Rawmarsh (R) 11-12.30 n.m.. Wentworth (6) 11 30-1. Whistori ( 8 ) 2,30-4..30. Fistwned ( 8 ) -3.30 Rotherham Parish Chureh (10) 3-6 p.m The Eeclesfield hansibell ringers will entertan at dinner. A cordinl welcome to all -N

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery-Corporate Communion at Barrow Gurney (8), on Sunday, October 23rd. Bells available 7 a.m. Service 8 . followed by breakfast. Names by October 21 st. please. -D. G. Yeo, 'Estune, Brockway, Nailsea.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Pracice meeting at Salford Priors, on Saturday, October 29 th, at 6.30 p.m. All welcome. 6781
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Stow Branch.-Meeting, Longborough. Sut. October 29th. Bells available 3 p.m Service 4.30. All welcome. Names for tea to F. Newton. 44. Bishops Drive, Bishops Cleeve Cheltenham, Glos

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LADIES' GUILD.-Sussex District.-Meetjng at All Saints'. Hastings. on October 29th Hells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Names for tea by October 26th. to Mrs. A. Levett. 151, London Road, Hastings.-L. M. Beeney, Hon. Sec

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LADIES' GUILD (Central District). MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION is. and W. District) and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) - Joint meeting. October 29th. at St. John's Hillingdon. Bells (10) from 3.30. Service 5 Tea 5.30. St. John's Hall, with social evening to follow. Names. please. to F. W. Goodfellow. 46. Slough Road. Iver Heath. BucksMrs. S. Bullock. E. R. Gotham and Miss D Hague, Hon. Secs.

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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-

 Annual dinner, Saturday. Oct. 29th, Rose and Crown Hotel, Tonbridge, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets ( 13 s .) from Miss D Colgate, 30 , Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks. Please apply early as number limited.6660

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual dinner and social at the Shakespeare Hotel Braunstone. Leicester, October 29th. Tickets ( 12 s .6 d .) from undersigned by October 24 h . at latest. Dinner 6 for 6.30 p.m. Guests include the Lord Bishop of Leicester. Ample parking. Buses L1 and L12 (frequent service) from Newarke Street, Leicester. Bells available: St. Margaret's (12) 2.30-4 p.m. St John's (10) 3.30-5 p.m.-B. G. Warwick (Hon. Gen. Sec.), 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills Leicester

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SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (1672). - Meeting. Hucknall, October 29th Bells 2.30 . Tea 5 . Names to Mr. Lewin. 44. Nottingham Road. Hucknall. by previous Thursday. Service 7, followed by ringing until 9 .

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-The 323rd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge. S.E.1. on Saturday, November 5 th. at 6 for $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets (21s.) are now available.
Ringing arrangements for those attending the dinner:-St. Dunstan's, Stepney (10), 10.30$11.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; Si Clement Danes Strand (10). 12 noon-1 p.m.: St. Giles', Cripplegate (12). $2-3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Lawrence Jewry (8). 2.30-3.30 p.m.: Si. Michael's. Cornhill (12), 3-4 p.m. Southwark Cathedral (12). 4-5 p.m. - John Chilcott, Hon. Sec.. 67, Farley Road, Selsdon. Surrey. 6775

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY

 OF STAFFORD-Annual dinner to be held Wolverhampton, Saturday. November 12th. 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.. price 12 s . 6d. Bells available :-St. Peter's. Wolverhampton, Penn. Coseley. Bradley during the afternoon. Tickets from Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres Aldridge, nr. Walsall.6681
An attempt is to be made for five different Surprice peals in five different owers on Sat. slarting at Aldermaston at 3.30 a.m. Mr Robin Leale and Mr. A. Patrick Cannon ar in the attempt.

## RINGING, RAILWAYS AND BOATING

In two cars driven by the curate and the ringing master, the youngsters of Gresley, whose ages otherwise range from 12 to 15 , covered 172 miles on their annual outing, ringing at five towers in four counties, and adding railways and boating to the enjoyment of ringing

All the bells visited were of excellent tone and easy to ring and the lads acquitted themselves well. attempting rounds and Plain Bob Doubles. The destination was St. Neots, Hunts, but on the way there Great Glen, Leics ( 6,9 cwt.). and Keysoe, Beds ( $5,17 \mathrm{cwt}$.) were visited, met respectively by Mr. L. Allen and by Mr. Stapleton. Though the band thought Keysoe bells (a grand five of long draught under a tall spire) a little heavy, the Vicar, the Rev. J. M. Boyd Roberts, was impressed and wished they could all come to live pressed and wished they could all come to live borough Railway Locomotive Dept., where the Franco-Crosti type freight locos. aroused much interest, three still heing fitted with the special preheating water tube.
After lunch at St . Neots, most spent time watching the expresses dash through the railway station on the East Coast main line. Two. however, ascended the beautiful pinnacled tower, reminiscent of Somerset, and, joined by ringers from Bromham, Beds, Stamford. Lincs. and Brampton and Great Staughton. Hunts, rang a quarter of Bob Triples in 55 minutes on the majestic Taylor octave. The Gresley vice-captain, David Eames, excelled on the 293 cwt . tenor, handling it with skill and precision that won the admiration of the older ringers. The Beds and Ely Associations' joint meeting followed, and the others from Gresley joined in some ringing and the tea, being welcomed by Canon L. Galley. They also found time for over an hour's voyage in three motor boats on the Ouse.

The long journey home was broken by rings on the pleasant 5 -bell towers of Upper Dean. Beds ( 11 cwt .). and Grafton Underwood. Northants ( 7 cwt ), not to mention the essenifal fish and chip supper. All had such a good day that they have planned something even more ambitious for next year!
D. P. J


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The dank river mist had already cleared, and the blue sky promised a fine day, on the morning of September 17 th , when a small party of ringers, mainly from St. Mary's, Reading, boarded the 'Treleague' at Lower Basildon.
The 'Treleague,' a shapely 56 ft . pinnace with a tall brass funnel, under the command of Cap'n Cheeseman, that much respected veteran of the Upper Thames, was to be our conveyance for a novel outing.
We 'steamed ' through Goring and Cleeve locks, passing many a magnificent riverside mansion, backed by the Berkshire Downs on one side of the river and the Chiltern Hills on the other. At the 'Beetle and Wedge' we hove to for refreshment, whilst coffee was served on board, and it was all that we could do to restrain one would-be tower-grabber from diving in when the bells of South Stoke could be heard ringing across the water. We arrived on time, at Wallingford, our first port of call. Mr. Jack Berry met us at St. Mary-le-More, and led us up to the tower to tap round ' some Stedman and London on these eight good old bells.

On returning to the boat, we found that the galley had prepared an excellent five course funch for which we were all very grateful. Between Wallingford and Dorchester. the Battle of Britain flying display at Benson aerodrome was very much appreciated. We finally dropped anchor under the shadow of the Wittenham Clumps, and walked across half a mile of muddy fields to Dorchester Abbey. Most of us made use of the opportunity to view the Abbey whilst the remainder struggled with the complexities of the combination lock on the belfry door. Fortunately the Vicar came to the rescue in time for us all to have a short ring on this pleasant octave.
Back on the boat again, the apple barrel was pitched into whilst the kettle boiled to provide a very welcome hot cup of tea in the rather cool evening. Although we were a little late leaving Dorchester, we passed through Goring Lock before sunset.
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## WINDSOR CASTLE BELLS

PROBABLY no bells have a closer connection with the Kings and Queens of England than those in the Curfew Tower of Windsor Castle. Part XVII. of 'The Church Bells of Berkshire,' by Frederick Sharpe, F.S.A., is devoted exclusively to this tower, the bells of which hang in a massive oak frame, dating in part from 1497. The five largest bells have swung in the same pits since 1612, and their mediæval predecessors probably did the same. There is a persistent tradition that the tenor bell, now 26 cwt ., at some time weighed 36 to 40 cwt . While Mr. Sharpe and other writers can find no documentary evidence to support this theory, which was stoutly upheld by a former towerkeeper, it would have been possible to hang a bell of this size in the space now occupied by the three smallest bells.

The first St. George's Chapel was erected in the 13th century, and a writ issued in 1243 was for the provision of a stone turret at the front of the chapel to house three or four bells. This was erected in probably a similar fashion to those at St. Paul's Cathedral and Salisbury Cathedral, and four bells obtained from Master John de Seynt from surplus metal which remained after the casting of the great bell at Westminster. Of John de Seynt nothing is known.

Accounts for tha years $1352-3$ reveal that a belfry was erected on the roof of the chapel, but whether bells were hung in this belfry and proved a failure, or whether this scheme was abandoned in favour of another, is not known. Some seven years after the erection of the belfry on the chapel roof, a stone tower, known as 'Belfry Tower,' was erected and bells in it from about 1360 to 1475. These were a ring of four, George, Mary, Jesus and John, and the great clock bell, Edward. In 1378 ten ringers were paid for ringing the bells for three days on and after St. George's Day.

In 1475 King Edward IV. issued a patent for the removal of the bells to the Clewer or Curfew tower. The tenor bell, Jesus. was recast in 1598 by Richard Eldridge. of Wokingham and Horsham, but this bell was short lived, as in 1612 the Dean and Chapter called in John Wallis,
the celebrated Salisbury bellfounder, to recast the five bells and to add a larger tenor to them to form a ring of six. The new tenor was to be made out of the large clock bell, Edward. Although Wallis was an exceptionally fine craftsman, five times he melted down and remade the bell, and, according to the Dean and Chapter, each time it 'sounded badly and always became worse.' In spite of all his endeavours, Wallis could not produce a bell to the satisfaction of the Dean and Chanter, and it was sold for $£ 115$ 6 s .10 s ., its weight being 29 cwt .3 qr .18 lb . This left the tower with the five smallest bells of an incomplete ring of six. In 1623 the Chapter decreed that a new great bell be made, and this is the present tenor. It bears the date 1614 and the initials of John Wallis, but there is no record of its purchase or the bellfounder's name. The date on the bell, writes Mr. Sharpe, remains a mystery. Some have thought that Wallis kept the old bell and resold, or gave it back to the college after a lapse of ten years. While agreeing that to make the Dean and Chapter a present of it would be consistent with what we know of his character, the writer is sure that Wallis did not keep the old bell.

In the Curfew Tower to-day there are two bells cast by William Whitmore in 1650 -Wallis's treble of 1612 , which is the third and also the second. Thus in 1650 there was a ring of eight, and no further alterations were made until 1741, when the treble was recast by Thomas Lester, of Whitechapel. and four years later he recast the fifth, which was again recast at Whitechapel in 1898. The present ring accordingly is three bells dated 1612 , one 1614, two 1650, one 1741 and one 1898.

The bells are chimed for the daily services by means of an Ellacombe apparatus, and are rung on special occasions by a band of ringers appointed by the Dean and Canons. Five peals are recorded on tablets on the walls. The oldest, 5,040 Union 'Trebles,' is dated February 21st, 1748. and was rung with two men on the tenor (Will Cock and Berry Manley). The second is 'a true and complete peal of 5,040 Grandsire Tripples,' rung by the College Youths on April 10th, 1787, called by James Worster from the second. On this occasion there were two men on the seventh and two on the tenor. The other three are contemporary with the present time. On May 6th, 1935, 5,056 Bob Major was rung, conducted by Mr. E. S. T. Farr. with Mr. A. R. Pink on the tenor; on June 8th, 1946, 5.040 Grandsire Triples. conducted by Mr. N. V. Harding. in commemoration of Victory Day; and on May 9th. 1951, 5,040 Grandsire Triples, conducted by Mr. L. Stilwell.

# TWELVE BELL PEALS 

HULL. YORKSHIRE

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AI the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5081 GRANDSIRE CINQUES Tenor $25 t$ cwt.

| W. Eric Critchley | reble | Kens |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James A. D. Woolf | 2 | Geoffrey Townend |  |
| Peter Woodward | 3 | John H. Kirby |  |
| Howard Scott | 4 | Ian M. Holland | 10 |
| *Ronald Ducker |  | Wilfrid F. Moreto |  |
| H. David Holland | - 6 | - David Johnson |  | Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley. *First peal on 12 bells. First peal on the augmented bells. NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Woolos, A PEAL OF 5075 STEDMAN CINQUES


| Albert M. Tyler | Treble | David J. King | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur H. Reed | 2 | Leslie W. G. Morris | 8 |
| William A. Theobald | 3 | Tudor P. Edwards | 9 |
| Wilfred Williams | 4 | Dennis Randall | 10 |
| Jacqueline S. King. | 5 | Edward P. Duffield | 11 |
| Selwy H. Dearden | 6 | Philip Mehew | Temor | Composed by Charles W. Roberts Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

Rung for the marriage of Miss Dianne Napier and William Pye, sidesman at the Cathedral.

## LINCOLN

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., OcI. 8, 1960. in 3 Hours and 46 Minutes,
In Si. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church or the Blessed

## Virgin Mary.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor $23 \mathrm{cwt}{ }^{3} \mathrm{qr} .13 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.
Arihur Gibbs
Trebl
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Patrick I. Chapman } & . . & 2 \\ \text { Margaret A. Swann } & . & 3\end{array}$
Ronald C. Noon
Geoffrey R. Parker
Geoffrey J. Hemming

| 7 |
| :--- |
| 8 |

Ronald C. Noon
Peter A. Sharp
Jack L. Millhouse.
Composed by Frederick Dench.

CROSS STONE. TODMORDEN. YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Sept. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Colin R. Milnthorpe . . Treble Geoffrey Cheetham
Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. 2
Harold B. Schofield .. 3
Peter Scholfield .. .. 4
Philip J. H. Hudson
*John H. Fielden
Composed by J. Barrett (C.C.C 200) Corman Smith nor .. Tenor
*50th peal. 100th peal in Todmorden.
Rung to mark the 125 th anniversary of the consecration of the church.

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
BOLSOVER. DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Sept. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

+ A Benjamin Cooper Tenor 143 cwt. Michael Cooper

Treble
2
Mrs. Bessie Holmes ... 3
J. Frank Smallwood ..

George Challans
Kenneth Rutland
*Douglas H. Rooke Herbert T. Rooke. . Tehor
Composed by J. W. Parker.
Conducted by Herbert T. Rooke.

* 25 th peal together. +100 th peal.

Rung in honour of the coming-of-age of Helen Cooper, only daughter of the treble ringer, and her engagement to J. S. Thompson. B.Sc.. of Almondbury, Huddersfield. Also as a birthday compliment to Alan D. Rooke, elder son of the seventh ringer.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Bruerton's Twelve-Part.
*Jennifer Shields
Mrs. Nellie Bridges Edward Milsted

Treble John A. Russell | 2 | Percy Page |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Archie Hinkley |
| 4 | John Tumber | Tenor $8 \frac{1}{8} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by John A. Russell.
*First peal. First peal on the bells since recasting and rehanging.
Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to John A. Russell, and also to A. Stone. of the local band.

BOCKING, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960), in 3 Hours and in Minutes,
Af the Deanery Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $18 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E .
Andrew Beckwith .. Treble Alfred Little .. .. .. 5
Marion Mills.. .. .. 2 Ronald Suckling
Harold Moore
Peter Wood ..

- William Chapman
George Saunders .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Ronald Suckling.

* First peal of Major. Rung in honour of the dedication festival.


## BOWDON. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr . 25 lb . in F sharp.
*John Freeman.. .. .. Treble *David Lewin ..
C. Kenneih Lewis C. Kennein Lewis
†Michael Freem
*Michael Bangham
David Vincent
Conducted by Alan J. Brown.

* First by J. R. Pritchard.

Rung to celebrate the centenary of the present church.
HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Ocl. 1. 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $18 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cw}$.


Carol Fernley ..
Leslie Boumphrey Peter Laflin
Brian Harris .. ... Tenor
Basil Jones Conducted by Basil Jones. MARSHFIELD. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Oll $_{14}$ Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-ihe-Virgin. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .
*Geoffrey Upsiell. . . . Trehle Ruger Harvard
Edward Hariley .. .. 2 Thomas Yeomans
Brynley Taylor
Michael J. Day
Trivor T. Lewis.
Nigel Lamping
Conducted by Trevor T. Lrwis. * First peal

Rung to weicome Michael Day to the district. and to wish him success in his studies at college.

## MILFORD-ON-SEA, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes, At the Church or All Saints, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (Grove's transposition).
Herbert A. Mitchell.. Treble | †Alec W. Fry Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWl}$ William T. Godfrey .. 2 †Christopher Redwood Ron Kiddle
$\dagger$ A. Robert Pargeter .. 4 \#john M. Long. John M. Long
hur V. Davis.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Grandsire Triples.

## SALFORD PRIORS. WARWICKSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

> Аt the Church of St. Matthew.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In two methods, containing 2.560 each of Cambridge and Lincolnshire. with 69 changes of method, and all the bells doing all the work of both methods.

Tenor 15 cwt .14 lb . in F sharp.
Arthur Gibbs Bryan Pattison
James R. Taylor
Gerald C. Hemming
Geofrrey J. Hemming .. Tenor
ennifer M. Davies
*Michael G. Selby..
Pairick I. Chapman
Treble

Composed by Phlip G. K. Davies.
Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.
*First peal of Spliced Surprise. First of Spliced Surprise as conductor

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, Ar the Church of ST. Mathew.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation). Tenor 26 cwt .18 lh George W. Hughes.. .. Treble Barnabas G Key Mrs. G. W. Hughes .. 2 Keith Williams Stella Hughes Kenneth W. Knowles Arthur T. Dution . E. Marion Key.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hughes on their silver wedding anniversary.

## WYMONDHAM. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 2, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
Ai the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Johnson's variation of Middleton's.
 Conducted by Henry Tooke.

- First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major. +25 th peal together. $\$ 25$ th peal together. § 75 th peal.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minules.
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5098 BEDFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt I qr. 22 lb . in F.
John R. Gilden
... ... Treble
BASIL Jones
Shiriey Hirpis
*ileen M. Fearn
2 Leslie Boumphrey *Carol Fernley
Composed by C. K. Lewis
Edward Jenkins
$\dagger$ Brian Harris
Conducted by Bisil Tenor

* 50 th peal together. +50 th peal on the bells and 25 th on the tenor.

First in the method by all, and for the Guild.

## PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed.. Oct. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minuies,
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt .9 lb .
J. Martin Thorley .. Treble । Edwin T. Chapman

John E. Allen .. .. 2 Geoffrey J. Hemming
Albert W. A. Leggett Stanley E. Benneit

Gerald C. Hemming - Cyril R. Burrell Composed by C. H. Midoleton. Conducted by Cyril R. Burrell. *First peal of Cambridge Major. First of Surprise as conductor.

## STOKE POGES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.)

On Wed., Oct. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. At the Church of St. Ghes,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part Tenor 13 cwt .2 qr .3 lb . in F sharp.

## William Butler .. .. Treble Kenneth Buckingham

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

Rung in memoriam George Gilbert, a respected member of this Branch.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Ocl. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $13 \frac{1}{c w t}$.
Jean Horton Harold F. Wood Basil W. White 2 Leonard Stilwell Edgar R. Rapley .. ... 3 herbert W. Woolven .. 7 Composed by T. B. Worsley W. Leslie Weller ... . Tenor Rung for the dedication festival, and to mark the completion of 16 years as rector by the Rev. G. H. W. Royle. It was also rung on the 56 th anniversary of $\mathbf{L}$. Stilwell's first peal on these bells.

## SUTTERTON. LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. Oct. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt . 1 qr .19 lb . in F .
Sianley E. Bennett .. Treble Ronald C. Noon .. ..

| J. Mariin Thorley |
| :--- |
| J. |
| Cyril R. Burrell.. |
| an |

$\begin{array}{cccccc}\text { *Cyril R. Burrell.. } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Geoffrey J. Hemming } \\ \text { Edwin T. Chapman } & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Gerald C. Hemming }\end{array}$
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming First peal of Yorkshire.

HARROW WEALD. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Fri., Oct. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minules, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 RUNNYMEDE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr .3 lh . in A.
Celia F. Whitfeld.. .. Treble | H. George Hart
Elisie K. Hart ...... $\quad \frac{2}{}$ Alick Cutler William S. Deason.. .. 3 John R. Mayne G. William Critchley .. 4 Frank C. Price Tenor Composed by Ernest W. Tipler. Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

THE BACUP. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours.
at the Church of St. Saviour.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Taylor's Six-Part.
James Williams
Fred Kendal

| $\quad$. | . | Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | . | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | . | 3 |

Harold parkinson Tenor 10 cwt
John Hill
*Gerald Coppin James Walsh ....... 7
Conducted by harold Hamer.

* First peal of Grandsire 'inside.'

Rung to commemorate 50 years' service as ringers of the third and fourth; also the birthday of the treble ringer.

BITTERNE PARK, SOUTHAMPTON.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At the Church of the Ascension,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- Eric P. Woolgrove

Treble $\mid$ DAvid E. House
*John R. Fatthfull

- Janice E. Williamson *Michael J. Thomas
W. .. 3 Arthur W. Sayers..

Regnald wh Rex..... 4 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. Tenor Composed by h. Dains. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd - First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. + First of Kent Major ' inside.'
Rung for Harvest Festival: also as a birthday compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. R. O. Stevenson.

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CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt 2 qr .12 lb . in F sharp

Mrs. Bessie Holmes . . Treble
Dennis A. Smedley
*Linda M. Jones
S. Leslie Barlow

Composed by Nolan Golden.
"First peal "inside," aged 12 years.

## LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes
At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .2 lb . in F .
Frederick Wigmore .. Treble George R. G. Butler .. 5

Herbert Goakes .. .. 2 M. Rowland Reed .. | M. Rowland Reed . . . . 6 |
| :--- |
| Trevor A: Bevis . 6 | Thomas Bush .. .. .. Tentor Roy Spencer

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Thomas Bush ......... Tentor
A compliment to Eddio Boon (72), a ringer by Trevor A. Bevis. A compliment to Eddio Boon (72), a ringer at this church. also to John Payne, a ringer at March, both of whom celebrated their birthday this day.

ROCHESTER, KENT.
THIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 30 cwt James W. Sellen
Charles E. J. Norris
Thomas Beaumont
Treble

Cyril J. Gould
Conducted by Will Derek Norris ..
First peal on the bells since the installation of the new frame
Rung hy the Cathedral band to mark the retirement of the Bishop of Rochester

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## LEIGH. WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WDRCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Sept. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Edburga.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

## Being 42 extents (ten callings).

Frank R. Barnett .. .. Treble Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E R. George Morbis John Clements John C. Slater.
Raymond G. Brown ... Tenor
Conducted by John Clements.
The fifth ringer has now completed Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques.

Rung to celehrate the hirth of a daughter (Elizabeth Anne) to Mr. and Mrs. John Clements. Also as a wedding compliment to Gerald Edwards

ASH PRIORS, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sqt.. Sept. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, At the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being five callings (fifth observation). Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt., approx
*Raymond A. Ford. . . Treble John J. Ford
Robin I. Ford.. .. .. 2 Eric J. Ford
Henry J. Cavill $\because$ Conducted by Eric J. Ford.

## attempt

Rung by members of the Spaxton band as a wedding compliment $t o$ Ronald D. Short (secretary of the Bridgwater Branch) and Miss Audrey M. Bailey, who were married at Tewin. Hertfordshire, on September 17th

GOODNESTONE, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor 8 cwt .
*Rita Gould
Pauline Fennell ... .. 2 Crawford T. Hillis
Mary S. Taylor .. .. 3 Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

* First peal.

Rung as a welcome to Mr. J. T. Hillis (brother of the conductor) and Mrs. Hillis, both honorary members of this Association, home on leave from Aden.

## GREAT HORKESLEY, ESSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat.. Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being extents of London Surprise. York Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Court, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt . in F .
 Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

GRENDON, WARWICKSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## At ihe Church of All Saints

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor $11 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{qr}, 14 \mathrm{lb}$
*Stephen J. Perry .. . . Treble Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 4


Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

* First peal of Trehle Bob. + First of Surprise.

Rung in honour of the wedding on September 10th at Boldmere. Sutton Coldfield, of Patricia R. Tims and D. Keith Lane (brother of the tenor ringer).

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of The Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob. and one each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's. Tenor 16 cwt .
Gerald D. J. Sandwell Treble Michael J. Halleit .. 4

* David E. Belcham.. .. 2 *Brian Downes

Alfred J. House .. .. Tenor
*William J. Ellis .. .. 3 Alfred J. House Conducted by Alfred J. House.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung to mark the 25th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev G. Hatch, Rector of Rayleigh. A wedding compliment to Brian Howard and June Egglestone; also to Lawrence Beal and Betty Phillips, who were married this day.

SAXTHORPE, NORFOLK.
THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being three extents of Plain Bob, one each of Double Oxford. St. Clement's, Kent T.B, and Oxford T.B. Tenor. $2 f$ cwt Derek Pardon .. .. .. Treble Geoffrey M. Brewin Tony Owen David T. Darby

2
3 Gilbert Larter Geoffrey R. Drew

Tenor
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.

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SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLNSHIRE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb .
 *Roger Trevitit .. .. 3 James H. Musson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal in two Minor methods

Rung for the safe gathering in of the harvest.

YAXHAM, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saf., Ocf. 1, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In ten methocis, consisting of the following extents: (1) Norwich Surprise. (2) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (3) Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.. (4) St. Clement's and Childwall. (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob.
William Clover ... .. Treble
David T. Darby $\because \quad . \quad 4$
Henry Tooke .. ... .. 3 Geoffrey R. Drew. . . . Tenor
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
First peal in ten methods as conductor.

BODENHAM, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Oct. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being ten callings three times repeated, and one Morris' 240.
Tenor 12 f cwt.

| Dorothy M. Rushton. . Treble | Roland Billings | .. | . | 4 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Alice M. Rushton | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alfred E. Rushton | . | 5 |
| Ronald J. Sharp | $\ldots$ | 3 | †Griffith D. Thomas | .. | Tenor |

Conducted by Alfred E. Rushton.
*First peal 'inside.' † First peal.
Rung for the Feast of St. Michael.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Single Oxford Bob and two each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford and Plain Bob Minor. Tenor 15 cwt 21 lb . in F.
 Anne C. Garnett .. .. 3 Harold A. May .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold A. May.

- First peal + 25 th peal for the Guild.

Rung as a farewell to Miss J. Cleeve, who was leaving for Durham University on October 6th.

## HOYLANDSWAINE, YORKSHIRE. <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> On Wed., Oct. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, <br> At the Church of Si. John-the-Evangelist, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Tenor $9+\mathrm{cwt}$.

Tom W. Crossley
. Treble
Wilfrid F. Moreton
-John L. White
2
Kenneth Park Geoffrey Townend. tTrevor Tarbatt Conducted by Kenneth Park

- First peal "inside.' † First of Plain Bob Minor. First as conductor.

Rung as a welcome home from Army service in Singapore for Gerald Dale, a member of the Wakefield Cathedral band.

SAXMUNDHAM. SUFFOLK

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

On Mon., Oct. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, A PFAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 720 each of York, Durham. London. Wells. lpswich. Norwich and Cambridge. C. J. Gisson Jack Pilgrim Raymond Prick

Treble
2 Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwt}$.3 qr .7 lb . in A flat.
Peter
S . Bedford H. William Baprrett $\quad . .5$ Conducted by John W. Biythe. ... Tenor Rung as birthday compliments to Ruth V. Bedford and Stephen J. Bedford.

HATHERN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Oct. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods, heing two extents each of Kent T.B., Single Oxford and Plain Bob, and one of St. Clement's. Tenor 9 cwt 2 gr .12 lh Tom Harris
Valerie Lacey
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text {. Treble } \\ \text {. } & \text {. } & . . & 2 \\ & . & . . & 3\end{array}$ John Tickle

Celia Cowley
Conduct
William Hall
First peal as conductor.
Rung as a 21 st birthday
day compliment to Tom Harris
ASFORDBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., Oct. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minules.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 720 each of Stedman, St. Simon's, April Day, Reverse Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 13 cwt 1 qr .17 lh.


- First peal.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Ronald Woodcock, of Thorpe Arnold, and Miss Christine Wheeler, bellringer and Sunday School teacher at All Saints

CHISLET, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8. 1960. in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.
At the Church of Sc. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of York, Wells, London, Beverley, Surfleet, Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 15 cwt 3 qr 9 lb . in E flat. Crawford T. Hillis .. Treble| Andrew M. Macye
*John R. Cooper .. .. 2 Ralph Bird
lan H. Oram .. .. .. 3 ta. Patrick Cannon ... Tenor
Conducted by Ian H. Oram

* 250th peal. + First in seven Surprise methods 'inside,' and the 100 th tenor in Kent 'turned in 'to a peal. First of Surprise and seven methods on the bells.

EAGLE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. Treble Doreen Armstrong
F. William Midwinter.. 2 Maurice W. Harrison .. 5 Frank Bradley .. .. .. 3 John Higgs.. .. .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Doreen Armstrong
Rung as a 1 st birthday compliment to the son of the tenor ringer.
HILLESDON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Kent T.B., St. Clement's and three of Plain Bob.
$\begin{array}{lllc:cccc}\text { James Linnell } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Charles E. Truman... } & \text {.. } & 4 \\ \text { *Raymond A. Vrckers } & \ldots & 2 & \text { William A. Yates ... } & . . & 5 \\ \text { Friderick Vickers } & \ldots & 3 & \text { George W. Holland } & \text {.. Tenor }\end{array}$ Conducted by George W. Holland.

* First peal of Minor. Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

HINTON WALDRIST, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret-of-Antioch.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents

Norman Leslie
Treble
Tenor 6 cwt

+ Roy H. Jones.. Michael Edney Edward R. Venn 2 qr. 19 lh Pamela Rooney 2
$\qquad$
Conducted by Edward R. Venn.
* First peal of Minor. † First of Plain Bob Minor, at 11 th attempt.

ORSTON. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960. in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Chlerch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt .1 qr .18 lb .
Frederick W. Pinchbeck Treble I J. Edward Brown
Frederick Derry .. .. 2 Edgar A. Cole. .

- Peter A. Slight ... .. 3 | James H. Musson .. .. . Tenor Conducted by James H. Musson.
* First peal and first attempt.


## SANDON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Chester, (2) London, (3) York. (4) Beverley. (5) Surfieet. (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 10 cwt 3 gr .16 ib . in G .
Mary Roast .. .. .. Tehor Joe E. G. Roast
Peter J. Eves. .. .. 2 Howard W, Egclestone ${ }^{-}$
*Andrew hudson .. .. 3 Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. Temor Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* First peal.


## STOKE DOYLE. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 8. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Rumbald,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLFS
Comprising ten six-scores each of April Day and Plain Bob and 22
six-scores of Grandsire.
Gladys A. Ashby
Ronald Russell
Romaid Russell .. .. Treble | Percy Amos ... .. . 3
Ronald Russell .. .. 2 Timothy A. Wooding .. 4
George F. Roome .. .. Tenor
Conducted by George F. Roome.
First peal on the bells since 1923, which are all by Thomas Eayre. of Kettering. dated 1727.
Rung as a farewell to the Rector (Rev. Bryan B. Bell), who is leaving for Poole. Dorset. Also on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

## WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and! 1 Minute,
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

†Malcolm Foster .. ... 2 \#James T. Rooke .. ... 5
George Challans .. .. 3 Douglas h. Rooke .. Tenor Conducted by James T. Rooke.
"First peal of Surprise Minor. $\dagger$ First in the method. $\ddagger 25$ th peal. First of Surprise as conductor.

## WELLINGTON, HEREFORD.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 16 cw . in F sharp. Frank Rfed .. .. .. Treble *Thomas W. Wood.. .. 4 austin t. Wingate .. 2 Reginald G. Powell. .. 5 *Michafl V. Powfil .. 3 George S. Cousing .. Temor Conducted by Frank Refd.

* First peal of Minor. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the nower to a peal.


## WHITSTABLE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Ocl. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of Stamford, Rossendale, Hull, Norfolk. Berwick, Hexham and Primrose. Tenor $7 \mathrm{cwt}, 2$ qr. 6 lb , in A fiat. A. Patrick Cannon.. .. Treble Crawford T. Hillis .. 4 andrew M. Macve. . . 2 "Ian H. Oram .. .. .. s John R. Cooper .. .. 3 Ralph Bird .. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Ralph Bird.

- 200th peal. First in seven Surprise methods on the bells.


## WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three extents of Cambridge Surprise and one each of Oxford Treble Bob. St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt .6 lb .
Jack Pilgrim .. .. .. Treble H. William Barrett .. 4 C. Jack Gibson.. .. .. 2 Peter S. Bedford .. .. 5 James M. Balley .. .. 3 John W. Blythe .. .. Tenor Conducted by John W. Blythe.
Rung as a welcome to the newly-inducted Vicar (Rev. J. W. Drew) and Mrs. Drew.

## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Sept, 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Waterhouse (first quarter) 1. D. H. Paine 2, Diana M. Gough (cond.) 3, I. Forrest 4, Valerie Mepham 5, V. F. Gough 6.
Rung to congratulate Pam and Ian McGill on the Rung to congratulate Pam and Ian McGill
birth of their first baby, Joanna Elizabeth.
birth of their first baty, Joanna Elizabeth.
ASHFORD, KENT.-On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Josephine Hardy 1, Margaret Jones 2, Rita Gould (first 'inside ') 3, N. J. Davies (cond.) 4, H. S. Wickens 5, J. R. Cooper 6. For Matins.
AYLESTONE, LEICS.-On Sedt. $11 \mathrm{hh}, 1,280$ Yorkshire Surprise Major; S. Marie Davenport 1, Patricia A. Wardle 2, Sandra E. Chesterion 3, Christine Wakefield 4. P. Martin 5, T. I. Roper 6, R. S. Morris 7, A. J. Poynor (cond.) 8. First of Surprise by local band. For Evensong and with the best
wishes of the band to Christine Wakefield, who is wishes of the band to Christine Wakefield, who
leaving for an appointment at High Wycombe.
ASHCHURCH, GLOS.-On Sept. 23 rd, 1,260
Doubles (Besthorpe, April Day, Old Bob, Kennington, Doubles (Besthorpe, April Day, Old Bob, Kennington,
Plain Bob and Grandsire): Anne Broxton 1, M. Plain Bob and Grandsire): Anne Broxion 1, M.
Hawkes (cond.) 2, Albert Halling 3, Arthur Halling 4. E. W. Penn 5, R. Key 6. The conductor's looth quarter peal. For Harvest Festival.
BEACONSFFELD, BUCKS.-On
BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Ann Shiels 2, B. Edwards (first inside ') 3, Kathleen Fletcher 4. R. Broadley 5, M. Broadley 6. A. Bridges
7. S. Hatield 8. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 2nd, i.260 Grandsire Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Gwen Reeves 2, Dorothy Fietcher 3. Ann Shiels 4,
R Broadley 5, M. Broadley 6, A. Bridges 7, S. R Broadley 5, M. Broadley 6,
Hatfield 8 . For Harvest Festival.
HECK FORD, GLOS.-On Sedt. 24th, 1,260 Grand-
Bor Harvest Festival. sire Doubles: D. Penn 1, A. Pulley 2, Anne Broxton sire Doubles: D, Penn 1, A. Pulley 2, Anne Broxton
(first insidc ') 3, A. Halling 4, E. W. Penn (cond.) 5. E. E. Wood 6.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.-On Oct ${ }^{2 n d}, 1,251$ Stedman Caters: Jean Lavender 1, R. W. Hinde 2, 1 Schofield 3. F. E. Darby (cond.) 4, Elizabeth Cooper 5. R. J. Cook 6, E. G. Talbot 7, M. V.
Chilcott 8, S. F. Kimber 9, L. A. Reece 10. For Chilcotı 8,
Evensong.
BRAILLES, WARWICKS.-On Sepr. 17th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. M. Elliman 1, Miss B. A. Thomson 2, P. S. Bennett 3. R. Winter 4. H. M. Windsor (cond.) 5, G. L. P. Aldhouse 6. First engagement of Mr. Ray Winter to Miss Beverley Thomson, and Harry Windsor to Miss Joyce Elliman. BRAY, BERKS.-On Ocr. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( $1-2$ leading): Joan Davey 1. Janet Barker 2 , Wanda Harris 3. Sylvia Wood 4, T. Mitchell 5, B.
May 6, Doreen Hague (cond.) 7, J. E. Norsworthy 8. May 6, Doreen Hague (cond.) 7, J. E. Norsworthy 8.
For Patronal Festival Evensong. Also on Oct. 9th, For Patronal Festival Evensong. Also on Oct. 9th,
1,260 Doubles Plain Bob and Grandsire) with 7, 6, 8 covering: Sylvia Wood 1, B. May 2, E. T. Lee 3. Janet Livingston 4, Dorcen Hasue (cond.) 5. I Mitchell 6. D. Livingston 7. J. E. Norsworthy 8 .
BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On Sept. 29th, 1.260 Grand BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On Sept. 29it, 1.260 Grand-
sire Triples: P. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4. W. I. Irving 5. Claude Corderoy (cond.) 6, J. P. Blond 7, Cecil
Corderoy 8. For Patronal Festival. Also on Och. 6\%h. 1.260 Grandsire Trides: P. Corderoy 1. H. W. Dursden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4. H. L. Bishop 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6. Claude Corderoy 7, Cecil Corderoy 8. For Harvest Festival. Alsn on Oct. Yth, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. H. Mills 1. H. W. Dunsden 2. A. R. T. Greenough 3, Claude Corderoy 4. A. R. Woodley 5. J. P. Blond (cond.) R. B. Blond 7, P. Corderoy 8. For Harvest Fessival. CAMTERBLRY, KENT.-At the Church of St.
Dunstan, on Oct, 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: T . Phillmore 1. Miss O. Gant (first quarter) 2. Mrs, G. Prillmore 1. Miss O. Gant (first quarter) 2, Mrs, G.
Stockbridge 3. J. Stockbridge 4. D. Chatfield (cond.) 5. A. Butler 6. For Harvest Festival.

COWFOLD, SUSSEX.-On Sept. 25th. 1.260 Oxford Bob Triples: B. Dixon 1. G. Packham 2. R. V.
Johnson 3. J. Jeffery 4. J. Herhecque 5, E. Packham Johnson 3. J. Jeffery 4. J. Herhecque 5, E. Packham
B. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7. E. Brett 8. Also on Sept. 29h. 1,260 Doubles (April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Boxall 1. Roscmary Sievens 2. F. Godsmark (cond.) 3, G. Packham 4, R. Johnson 5. H. Symonds 6 . For the 101 st birthday this day of Mre, Julia Woolven.
Mrs. Julia Wooiven. Grandsire Triples: R. T. Durnford 1. G. Apps 2, B. Dixon 3. Rosemary Sievens 4. J. W. Jeffery 5 . R. V. Johnson 6. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ena Stevens, beloved wife of A. J. Stevens. churchwarden, and mother of Rosemary, ringer of the 4th.
DUMBLETON, GLOS.-On Sept, 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Halling 1, Nadine Price 2. A. Hawkes 3, F. E. Wood 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5. H. Lyes 6.
DUFFIELD,

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Trples:
Eliz. Foulk 3. Jennifer Mason 1, Hitchoock
4, Febbett 2.
W. Eliz. Foulk 3, Jennifer Hitchcock 4, F. W.
Stone 5. D. Parker 6. D. Shaw (cond.) \%, J. Stone 5. D. Parker 6. D.
Macarthur 8. Fot Evensong,

## QUARTER PEALS

EALING, MIDDX.-At Christ the Saviour, on Oct. 4th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: J. Tomsett 1. W. G. Wikon (cond.) 2, A. Fulwell 3, H. J. Eldred 4 M. Gathercole 5, F. Ranson 6, D. Theedom 7, E. Everest 8. A compliment to Miss Jean Scrutton, of the local band, married on previous Saturday to M 1. Anderson.

FAREHAM, HANTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Smith 1, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 2 J. A. G. Ball 3, Mrs. D. Bray 4, G. Miles 5, J.
Stevenson 6, A. H. Seurgess 7, A. J. Dye 8 . For the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels.
FARNWORTH \& KEARSLEY, LANCS.-On Oct. 9th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: T, Smith 1, A. Greenhalgh 2, N. Tompkins 3, D. Lawson 4, G. Fothergill 5, J. Thornley 6, B. A. Tomlinson (cond.) 7, A. Tomlinson 8. Rung to the Glory of God and to celebrate the silver jubitee of the ordination to the priesthood of the Vicar, Rev. Philip Arthur Wrigley.
FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss P. Adcock (first quarter of Treble Bob) 1, E. Whiting (cand.) 2, A. Head 3, L. J. Mimms 4, G. Gower 5, R. Plummer 6, L. E Eiheridge 7, W. J. Flatt 8. For Harvest Fertival.
GRANTHAM, LINCS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.008 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. A. Bailey 1, Mrs, P. A. Simpson 2. F. W. Pinchbeck 3, J. E. Cook 4, D. A. Frith 5, H. R. Woods 6, J. M. Simpson (cond.) 7, J. R Holmes 8. First in method for 1, 2, 4 and 7. For Harvest Festival.
GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.-On Sept. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Cole 1, Joy Munson (first 'inside ') 2, F. H. Erith 3, J. Avis 4, P. G. Erith 5, B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 6 .
GREAT WITCOMBE, GLOS.-On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob): Olga L. Critchlow (first quarter) 1, R. Price 2, H. Worrall 3. N. Waite 4. M. Lling (cond.) 5 Hatharinc Bean (first quarter) 6.
HARPENDEN, HERTS.-On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gillian Coker 1, A. Day (cond.) 2, Amy Coburn 3, L. G. Coburn 4, R. Newson 5, F. C. Jacklin 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.
HARSTON, OXFORD.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Dunkley 1, R. Jones (200th quarter) 2, N. Ream 3, J. S. Walker 4, A. Gammon (cond.) For Harvest Festival.
HEAVITREE, EXETER.-On Sept. $28 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: S. Mitton 1, B. T. Thompson 2 F. Wills 3, C, P. Yates 4, E. Glass 5, G. Skinner 6, F. Wreford (cond.) 7, F. Rogers 8. Rung on the
eve of the Patronal Festival as a silver wedding compliment to the Vicar and Mrs. E. Royle.
HOAR CROSS, STAFFS.-On Sept, 24th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bub): Graham Roobotiom (14) 1, George Roobotiom 2. C. A. S Webb 3, G. Davies 4, D. P. Jones (cond.) 5, David Eames (15) 6. In memory of Sarah Elizabeth Furr.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.-On Sept, 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles (7,6, 8 covering): Nina Pembrey (first quarter) 1. H. W. Brown 2, S. W Brown (cond.) 3, J. R. Norris 4, M. C. Wooldridge 5. Angela Hood 6. Penelope C. Clark 7, A. Walsh 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

KEMERTON, GLOS.-On Sept. 24th, 1.320 Doubles (Little Aston, Costessy. St. Columb. Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Besthorpe. Seighford, Old Bob. April Day and Kennington): Christine Halling 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, Nadine Price 3, F. E. Wood 4. E. W. Penn 5, J. Firkins 6 The conductor's 50 th quarter peal in that capscity.
KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.-On Ocl. 2nd. 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Miss H. Sharp 1. D. F. West 2 . M E. Downs 3. W. Rouse 4. L. E. Sharp 5, D. E. West 6. E. B. Smith (first as cond.) 7.
Wildncy 8, For Harvest Festival Evencong.
KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Sept. 18th. 1,264 Plain Boh Major: Tonie Critchley 1, Linda Hughes 2. Ann Fellows (first of Major 'inside') 3 Susan Funnel! 4. Alma Greaves 5, J. K. Foot 6, M Hari 7. R. J. Gay (first of Major as cond.) 8. Rung to welcome the Bishon of Aston to Evensong, and to celebrate the dedication of the new Church of Sr. Bede. Brandwood End, Also on Sepr, 25th, 1,260 Grandsirc Triples: J. Mary Funnell 1, Linda M. Hughes 2, Ann E. Fellows 3, Veronica Mikes 4,
Susan Funnell 5. Alma M. Greaves 6. R, J. Gay Susan Funnell 5. Alma M. Greaves 6. R. J. Gay
(cond.) 7. J. K. Foot 8. For Harvest Festival (cond.)
Evensons.
LEICESTER.-At the Church of St. John-the-Divine. on Sept. 18th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. M. Jelley
(cond.) 1. P. J. Chilton 2, I. Fraser 3, K. B. Towns(cond.) 1. P. J. Chilton 2, I. Fraser 3, K. B. Towns-
end 4. R. Elkington 5, V. Pratt 6, S. Harrison 7, A. Cooke 8. For Evensong of the Dedication Festival.

LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Evelyn Sharpe (first quarrer) A. Stenning 2. E. Nixon (cond.) 3, E. Jarrett 4, Terry (first - inside') 5, M. Wall 6.
LLANFAES, HRECON-On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Doubles ( 600 Plain Bob and 660 Grandsire): E. J. J. Pollard 1. M. Thomas 2, D. G. Owen 3, H. Owen 4, M. M. Peterson (cond.) 5. M. Johns 6. For the Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Association.
MAIDSTONE, KENT. On Oct. 2nd, 1,263 Stedman Caters: L. Mannering 1, T. E. Sone 2, F. Hogan 3. F. Leeson 4. J. T. Mannering S, L. Head (cond.) 6 . For Evensong.
MARLOW, BUCKS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jill Cook 1, P. R. Dean (finst 'inside') 2 , E. D. Poole 3. J. Young 4, Mrs. E. Mead 5, E, Silvey 6, R. E. Dean (cond.) 7, L. J. Young 8. For the Dedication Festival
MERROW. SURREY.-On Oct. 8th, 1.260 Doubles (April Day, Grandsire and Plain Bob): Lynne J. Banks (first quarer) 1, Jill M. Lane (cond.) 2. Susan A. Bull (most methods 'inside') 3, D. J. Tubbs 4, D. A. R. May 5, K. S. Owen 6.

NASEBY, NORTHANTS.-On Scpt. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss L. Brown 1, A. Millward 2. E. Storey 3, W. Cropley 4, D. Grifin (cond.) 5 For Evensong.
NEWTON ST. CYRES, DEVON,-On Sept. 25th, 1.280 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Cork 1, R. J. Bray 2. N. Mallett (cond.) 3, T. Ridgeman 4, S. Skinner 5. G. Luxton 6, E. G. Cork 7, S. Gardiner 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.
PUTNEY, LONDON,-On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Martin 1, C. Mew 2, A. Clayton 3, A. Mann 4, B. Coatsworth 5, J. Perrett 6, L. Allen 7. B. Bull 8. Rung with 8,7 covering. For Matins and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Michael Bull, ccusin of the tenor :inger.
REIGATE, SURREY.-On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Hanning 1. F. E. Roberts 2, A. Strecter 3, Freda Hankey 4, W. Inwood 5, G.
Olliver (cond.) 6, A. T. Shelton 7, K. Game 8. For Evensong.
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.-On Sept. 291h, 1.260 Stedman Triples: B. G. Warwick (cond.) 1, Patricia A. Wardle 2, M. G. Wood (first of Stedman) 3, E. Morris 4, R. S. Morris 5. B. M. Smith 6, A. J.
Poynor 7. D. W. Stenson (first on eight) 8. For Festal Evensong on St. Michael and All Angels' Day and to welcome the Rev. R. F. Willis, Rector of Bruminxthorde, who mreached.
STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J Chacksfield 1, Mrs. Chacksfield 2. R. G. Blackman 3, Jean Horton 4, B. Farhal (cond.) 5, J. Charman 6. For Harvese Festival, and in honour of Norman Smith. a Sussex ringer, ordained Deacon this day in Gloucester Cathedral.

TAMWORTH, STAFFS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.264 Plain Bob Maior: J. E. Cawser (cond.) 1, Wendy E. Rhodes (longest length) 2, Beryl E. Cawser 3, D. C. Oates 4. A. A. Rackham 5, N. W. Altaway 6. B. I. Hodgets 7. G. H. Peers (jun.) 8. For Harvest Festival.
TENDRING, ESSEX.-On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Brazier 1. Ann Collier 2. Ann Pryke 3. E. E. Davey (cond.) 4, Mrs, V. Hales 5, 1. Cooper 6. For Evensong.

THAKEHAM, SUSSEX.-On Sept. 24th. 1,260 Doubles (Aprit Day. St. Bartholomew, Plain Bob and Grandsirc): G. Charman 1. Miss H. Skinner 2. C. B. Skinner 3. J. H. Newell 4, B. W. Farhall (cond.) 5. W. Cherriman 6. A silver wedding compliment and Mrs, H. S. Skinner, parents of the
TODDINGTON: GLOS.-On Sept. 24ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Hawkes 1. A. Pulley 2. D. Penn (first inside') 3. A Halling 4, F. E. Wood (cand.) 5. Anne Broxion 6.
WENTWORTH, YORKS.-On Sepr. $291 \mathrm{~h}, 1.320$ Doubles $\mathbf{r} \mathrm{Si}$, Martin's. Reverse Canterhury Pleasure Bob. Grandsire and Plain Bob); M. A. Beaumont

Randle 2. M. King 3. E. P. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5. R. West 6. First in four methads
by all except 2. A birthday comptiment to the reble ringer.
WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.-On Aug. 27th. 1.440 Minor (Kent and Oxford T.B. and Plain Boh): J. Avis 1. B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 2. A. S. Semken WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE, GLOS.-On Oct. 1 st . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: O. Mills 1, Myra J. Wilkins 2. K. W. Price 3, B. K. Lewis 4, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 5, D. Ashion 6. A farewell to K. Price, who is leaving for Nottingham University.
WYCHBOLD, WORCS.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (non-conducted): Iynda Powell (first quarter) 1, P. Cattermole 2, Valerie Powell 3. A. D. Cook 4, J. E. Pullon 5, L. H. G. Gittins 6. For Harvest Thankssiving service, also farewell to P. Cattermole, leaving for King's College, London,

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Last January Mr. Basil Langton, of New York, visited Barcombe. Sussex, belfry and, with permission. tape recorde ands surprise, and told the company Sunday, October 9th. and toid the company that the recording had interested his friends in America very much. On this occasion he took another tape recording and photographs of the band ringing 120 Grandsire Doubles. He is also taking to America a copy of the Central Council's handbook.
We regret that an error occurred in the serial numbers of publication in the last four issues. These should be 2,579, 2.580, 2,581 and 2.582. The current issue is 2,583 .

We regret to hear that Mr. J. W. Parker. who is living with his daughter, Mrs. G. W Fletcher at Caister-on-Sea, recently had a fali and is now seriously ill.
The repair work in the belfry at Debenham. Suffolk. has resulted in a smart appearance. The bells were heard at their best during a peal of Yorkshire last Saturday.

Pulborough bells have recently been overhauled by Messrs. John Taylor \& Co.. and a false ceiling put in the ringing chamber. They are now a pleasure to ring.

A pair of black gloves were left in the belfry of Tonbridge church on October 1st on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Tonbridge District and a gentleman's raincoat exchanged for a lady's!. Will owners please contact Mr. Walter Dobbie.

Two young ladies of the Guildford Guild are freshers at Durham University-Miss Sally Buchanan, of Chobham, and Miss Janet Cleeve. of Guildford. A farewell peal was rung for Miss Cleeve at St. Mary's. Guildford. who has had a previous acquaintance of Durham with St. Christopher's Guild.

The quarter peals rung at Chelsfield. Kent. appeared under the heading West Wickham, on page 670. The error, on our part, is regretted. It was a case of assuming that the West Wickham address of the sender was the tower where the performances took place. Will senders of quarter peals, please, write reports in accordance with the published style.

## RELFRY GOSSIP

In the attempt, in Hampshire and Berkshire, for five peals in a day in five different towers last Saturday, only four were rung. The attempt for Yorkshire at Highclere, reports Mr. A. Patrick Cannon, was lost after Iwo hours through a miscall.

The peal rung at Dickleburgh. on September 27th (see page 685), was for the Norwich Diocesan Association.

Presiding at the Conservative Parly conference, at Scarborough, was Cclr. Ted Brown, a Tottenham trade unionist, who according to the Press, hoped to ring at St. Mary's Scarborough, before the end of the conference.

Mr. D. E. Griffin informs us that the peal at Oxendon, on September 24th (see page 669). was the llth peal on the bells. The 10th was rung on May 7th, 1960.
In a Midland Week of peal ringing Mr. G. E. Fearn and Mr. Jack L. Milhouse each scored 10 peals and Mr. John A. Anderson nine.

Two new trebles have been added to Packworth. Warwicks, church. These were dedicated on September 18th by the Bishop of Aston. and a peal of Plain Bob Triples rung the same day.

The weather caused a disappointment to the ringers of SS. Peter and Paul. Ash, near Sevenoaks, on September 30 th , as they intended ringing a quarter peal for the Harvest Festival, the birth of a second daughter to Mr. Guy Jones (a locab ringer) and for the first anniversary of the Rector's appointment. There is a silevr lining to every cloud, and success may not long be long delayed.

Just over $£ 200$ has been received to provide the Alfred H. Pulling memorial bell at Guildford New Cathedral. The Executive Committee of the Guildford Diocesan Guild have to place an order for the bell in consultation with the architect. Sir Edward Maufe. at an early date, if it is to be in time for the consecration on May 17 th in the presence of H.M. the Queen. Considerably more money is. however, required. Donations should be sent 10 Mr. C. W. Denyer, 15 Crondall Lane, FarnAam.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## NATIONAL POLICE GUILD

I EICESTER, where the annual meeting and 1.1 dinner of the National Guild of Police ringers were held on September 24th, has a very special place in the history of the Guild, for it was here that it was formed in 1931, largely through the initiative and enthusiasm of the late Harold J. Poole (ex-Inspector, Leicester City) and ex-Chief Inspector William Bottrill (Metropolitan). So it was with a feeling of being at home' that members and friends from Bedford, Bristol, Cornwall, Leicester (City and County). Liverpool, London and Manchester assembled.
The London contingent, because of an early start and a fast run up the M.1, and in spite of some faulty map reading by an ex-R.A.F navigator, were able to ring on the fine eight at Monks Kirby, Warwickshire, a much-appreciated privilege. Ringing in Leicester was at St. John-the-Divine's, the Cathedral, St. Margaret's and All Saints', some of it good and some indifferent. It was very pleasant to be met at St. John's by Herrick Bowley, Master of the Cathedral band, who was with us for the rest of the day and who at one stage was seen to be standing behind the Master of another quite-well-known Society, reminding the latter when to call the bobs in a touch of Stedman Cinques.
The business meeting was held at Leicester City Police H.Q., with the president, ex.-Sgt. E. C. Turner, in the chair, supported by our indefatigable secretary, P.C. John Smith. The routine business was soon disposed of, and the president then vacated the chair for the election of officers. Regularly each year Mr. Turner says 'The job should go round,' and just as regularly he is re-elected, this year being no exception. John Smith was re-elected secretary/treasurer, with Sgt. Jack Rawson to keep an eye on him in the capacity of auditor, and there were two changes in the committee, which now consists of Messrs. T. R. Butler, G. Amor, C. E. Willmington, N. S. Bagworth, H. R. Woods, B. Walshaw and A. Pearce.

Several new members were elected, and it was decided that if possible the 1961 meeting would be held in Grantham on September 23 rd.

## HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

A most pleasing feature of the business meeting was the election of ex-Chief Inspector Bottrill as an honorary life member, an honour which he richly deserves. Mr. Bottrill, who retired from the Metropolitan Police over 20 years ago and who now lives in Luton, has done much for police ringing. In 1912 he took part in the first peal by a band of police officers, which was conducted by P.C. Charge, bet ter known to the Exercise as the late Cornelius Charge, a brilliant composer. Mr. Bottrill also took part in the first peals of Stedman Cinques and Cambridge Major by police officers. On the formation of the National Police Guild in 1931, he was elected the first president, subsequently served as vice-president, and conducted the first tower bell peal by the Guild.
The members heard with regret of the death of ex-P.C. Fred Digby, first secretary of the Metropolitan Police Guild and a founder member of the National Guild, who also took part in the first tower bell peal by the Guitd.

Under the genial chairmanship of the president, a company of about 60 members and friends assembled at dinner, at which the guests were the Archdeacon of Leicester. the Chief Constable of Leicester and Rutland and the Chief Constable of Leicester City, and their ladies. So ended a most enjoyable day.
It is felt that there must be many ringers in the Police Service, or who have been associated with it, who have had no contact with the Guild. There are two classes of members (a) Full members, i.e.. those who are serving or
have served in the Police Service as regular officers or full-time auxiliaries (Special Constabulary or War Reserve), and (b) Associate members, i.c., past or present members of the Special Constabulary or cadets. Any ringers who are so qualified will be warmly welcomed to the Guild, be they "scientific or call-change ringers. The secretary, P.C. John A. Smith, 17, Glen Way, Oadby. Leicester, will be glad to hear from prospective new members. J. P.

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## MR. BURLEY P. MORRIS

## Secretary, Derbyshire Association

Mr, Burley Morris, the popular secretary of the Derbyshire Association, had no easy task when he succeeded Mr. Ben Cooper, of Bolsover, for Ben had served the Association during its formative years, and was very conscientous in carrying out his duties. It is always a big job to follow a good man, but Burley has taken up the task in a very enthusiastic way, and is already proving himself worthy of the trust placed in him
He had not been in office long before he discovered that a very nice ring of six bells at Bradbourne had not been rung for several years; so, roping in a few helpers, he went there and cleaned the place up, got the bells going again, and they proved to be very pleasant to ring upon. At present he is putting in many hours of really hard work, instructing a band at Chelmorton, where recently a new ring of five bells was installed. Such is the enthusiasm there that they are already raising funds to install another bell, and the local ringers may be sure that they have the support and goodwill of the Derbyshire Association.

## LEICESTER GOLDEN WEDDING

Sixty years ago the late Mr. Josiah Morris, of St. Margaret's, Leicester, said to his son Ernest: 'It's about time you learned to ring; come to the practice and bring a friend. Ernest brought his school pal Fred Staniforth, and they both were taught together at St . Mark's (8) and St. George's (6), Leicester

A few years later the Staniforth family migrated to Kibworth, and Fred attached himself to the local band, becoming their leader. The two pals, kept in touch, and in due course Ernest Morris called the first peals at Kibworth on the six and later the eight bells after augmentation. He also became Fred's best man in 1910, and conducted the wedding ringing.
To mark the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staniforth. a quarter peal of Plain Boh Minor was rung by W. A. Bolton - Ernest Morris (conductor) 3. A. Martin 4. W. Allen 5. N. W. Bolton 6. A. S. Bolton 7. A. Behagg 8. It is noteworthy that besides . Morris. A. Martin also took part in the original wedding peal 50 years ago!
Apart from being captain of the ringers, Mr. Staniforth is also people's warden, and was a former treasurer of the church. He was formerly a textile manufacturer at Leicester.

Burley Morris was born at Warkton. Northants, in 1912, and was educated at Warkion and Kettering Grammar School. He learned to ring at Warkton when he was 14. and rang his first peal there in 1928. At this time the famous Irthlingborough band was making ringing history, under the late $\mathbf{A}$. $\mathbf{Y}$. Tyler and Walter Perkins. Burley soon found his way there, and rang a good number of peals with them. He also did a lot of ringing at Kettering with David Nichols, another Northants enthusiast, and also such celebrities as C. W. Clarke and Miss Evelyn Steele. He always remained loyal to his own tower at Warkton, ringing regularly for Sunday services. and he called his first peal (Grandsire Doubles) at Weldon in 1930. He is postmaster of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, where he very soon made his presence felt, and soon got the ring of eight bells going regularly for Sunday services. He gets on very well with the clergy, too-a good point for a secretary.

When he was in Northants he served the Peterborough Guild, firse as a committee man. then as Central Council representative, then as auditor and finally as Master, from 1955 to 1958. His peals total to date is 181, of which he has conducted 44 . Burley is very proudt of his membership of the College Youths, and was frequently to be seen in London before he moved to Ashbourne, During his service with the Royal Signals in the 1939 war, his duties took him to Barnet, and he married Miss Mary Swift. Whilst in the district he rang his first peal of Bristol at Barnet, and also a peal of Spliced Surprise in four methods with the famous Bushey band. Burley is of a very friendly nature, and there is no doubt that under his enthusiastic leadership the Derbyshire Association will continue to make good progress.

JAFUS.

## SILENT BELLS RING OUT AGAIN

On Sunday morning, October 2 nd, the church bells in the tiny Hampshire village of Sydmonton, near Newbury, were heard for the first lime for many months when they were rung by a band of ten ringers from Reading. Overton. Kingsclere and Baughurst. The occasion was the harvest thanksgiving, at which the preacher was the Bishop of Southampton.

The church, dedicated to St. Mary-the-Virgin, is beautifully situated in the grounds of Sydmonton Court, and from the tower there is a fine view towards the Hampshire Downs. The bells are six in number (tenor about 8 cwt .), and this is believed to be only the fifth occasion this century they have been rung, the village being too small and too isolated to support a band of ringers of its own.

As is only to be expected, the bells go badly. although they are by no means unringable. They are very noisy inside the ringing chamber. but when heard from outside they have quite a pleasing tone. Grandsire Doubles was the only method rung, but the striking was good taking all things into consideration, and the three young beginners from Kingsclere, in particular, handled these difficult bells extremely well. During the service, both the Vicar and the Bishop expressed their appreciation of the ringing. Afterwards the ringers were entertained to refreshments by Lt.-Col. Kingsmill, of Sydmonton Court, a gesture which was much appreciated.

One young resident of Sydmonton, seeing ringers in action for the first time, has expressed a keen interest in learning the art of change-ringing, and may be able to persuade friends to learn also. With some attention to the bells, and the promise of help from outside. there is every prospect that the bells, even if not rung every Sunday, may at least be heard more often in the future than they have been in the past.
HUSBORNE: CRAWLEY, BEDS.-On Oct. 2nd. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 covering): D. C. Hall

1. I. Knox 2. O. J. J. Rosers 3. K. C. Fleming 4. 1, I. Knox 2, O. J. J. Rogers 3, K. C. Fleming 4. G. Jackson 8. For Harvese Festival Evensong.

## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG IN 1959

Ancient Society of College Youths.-Maximus 4, Cinques 4, Royal 3, Caters 5, Major 10, Minor 1. Total 27.
Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.-Royal 2, Caters 2, Major 10, Triples 5, Minor 11, Doubles 19. Total 49.
Bedfordshire Association.-Royal 4, Major 11, Minor 8 (1). Totals 23 (1).
Cambridge University Guild.-Maximus 1 (1), Royal 2 (4), Caters 2. Major 10 (2), Triples 2, Minor 2 (1). Totals 19 (8).

Chester Diocesan Guild.-Maximus 2, Royal 8. Caters 1, Major 60 (1). Triples 1, Minor 32 (2), Doubles 3. Totals 107 (3).

Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.Nil.

Coventry Diocesan Guild.-Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 10, Minor 2, Doubles 2. Total 16.

## Cumberland and N. Westmorland Association.

 - Major 1. Total 1.Derbyshire Association.-Royal 3, Caters 1. Major 27, Triples 2, Minor 19, Doubles 1. Total 53.

Devonshire Guild.-Maximus 1. Cinques 1, Caters 1, Major 17, Triples 7, Minor 5 (1), Doubles 4. Torals 36 (1).
Dudley and District Guild.-Royal 1, Triples 1. Total 2.

Durham and Newcastle Association.-Caters 2. Major 23, Triples 8, Minor 18 (1). Totals $5 i$ (1).

East Derbyshire and Notts Association.-Nil.
East Grinstead and District Guild.-Major 1, Triples 1, Doubles 1. Total 3.
Ely Diocesan Association. - Maximus
Major 15, Triples 2, Minor 22 (4), Doubles 4. Totals 44 (4).
Essex Association.-Maximus 1, Cinques 2, Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 24, Triples 1, Minor 33 (2), Doubles 4. Totals 67 (2).

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. - Maximus 1, Cinques 1, Royal 1 (1), Caters 7, Major 12 (1), Triples 9, Minor 20, Doubles 22. Totals 73 (2).

Guildford Diocesan Guild.-Royal 1, Caters 1. Major 14, Triples 5, Minor 12, Doubles 3. Total 36.

Hereford Diocesan Guild.-Major 2, Minor 1, Doubles 7. Total 10.
Heriford County Association.-Royal 5 (3), Caters 2, Major 42 (8), Triples 1, Minor 28 (4). Totals 78 (15).
Irish Association.-Cinques 1, Royal 6. Major 22. Triples 3. Total 32.

Kent County Association.-Cinques 1, Royal 3. Caters 1, Major 45. Triples 16. Minor 37. Doubles 3. Tojal 106.
Ladies Guild.-Major 1. Doubles 1. Total 2.
Lancashire Association.-Maximus 4. Cinques 1. Royal 5. Caters 2. Majar 57. Triples 15, Minor 23. Doubles 2. Total 109.
Leicester Diocesan Guild. - Maximus 4. Cinques 1, Royal 20 (1), Caters 4 (1). Major 56 (20), Triples 15 (3). Minor 45 (7). Doubles 8 (3). Totals 153 (35).

Lincoln Diocesan Guild-Maximus 1 (1), Cinques 4. Royal 3 (3), Caters 1. Major 44 (3), Triples 5, Minor 61, Doubles 6. Totals 125 in.
Llandaff and Monmourh Association.-Maximus 1. Royal 2, Caters 2, Major 12, Triples 10, Minor 5, Doubles 5. Total 37.
London County Association.-Royal 4. Caters 1. Total 5.

Midland Counties Guild.-Royal 1. Major
24. Triples 3, Minor 5, Doubles 3. Total 36.

Middlesex County Association.-Royal 1 (2). Caters 1 (1). Major 28 (6). Minor 11, Doubles 2. Totals 43 (9).

Nationat Police Guild.-Nil.
New South Wales Association.-Triples 1 (1). Total 1 (1).
North Siaffs Association,-Royal 1. Major 9, Triples 4. Minor 6 (1), Doubles 6. Totals 26 (1).
North Wales Association.-Major 4, Minor 2. Total 6.
Norwich Diocesan Association.-Maximus 1. Caters 3. Major 29, Triples 5, Minor 43. Doubles 4. Total 85
Oxford Diocesan Guild.-Maximus 2, Cinques 1. Royal 4. Caters 2, Major 42, Triples 24. Minor 12. Doubles 15. Total 102.
Oxford Society.-Caters 1, Major 5. Triples 1. Minor 1. Doubles 2. Total 10.

Oxford Unversitv.-Cinques 1. Caters 1, Major 15 (2), Triples 1. Minor 3, Doubles 1. Totals 22 (2).
Peterborough Diocesan Guild.-Caters 1, Major 14. Triples 1. Minor 34. Doubles 18 Total 68.
St. David's Diocesan Association.-Nil.
St. Martin's Guild.-Maximus 3, Cinques 2, Royal 12. Major 26. Triples 1, Minor 2, Doubles
2. Total 48

Salisbury Diocesan Guild.-Major 4. Triples 2, Minor 5, Doubles 3. Total 14.
Scottish Association.-Royal 1. Total 1.
Sheffield and District Assuciation.-Major 3, Triples 1. Total 4.
Shropshire Association.-Cinques 1. Major 7, Triples 1, Minor 2, Doubles 1. Total 12.
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. Cinques 1, Caters 1, Major 1, Triples 1. Total 4.

Archdeaconry of Stafford Association.-Royal 4. Caters 13. Major 13, Triples 5, Minor 11 (2), Doubles 6 (4). Totals 52 (6).
Southwell Diocesan Guild.-Royal 1, Major 4, Triples 4. Minor 40, Doubles 4. Total 53. Suffolk Guild.-Maximus 1. Royal 5, Caters 3. Major 25 (2), Triples 3, Minor 36, Doubles 1 (4). Totals 74 (6).
Surrey Association.-Royal 2. Caters 3, Major 12, Triples 3, Minor 10. Doubles 1. Total 31.
Sussex County Association.-Royal 3. Caters 3. Major 28. Triples 2, Minor 17 (1). Doubles 3. Totals 56 (1).

Swansea and Brecon Diucesan Guild.-Major 3. Triples 1. Minor 2, Doubles 2. Total 8.

Truro Diocesan Guild.-Major 2, Triples 5. Minor 2. Total 9.
Universities Association.-Major 2, Minor 2 (1). Totals 4 (1).

University of London.-Major 7. Minor 8. Total 15 .
Winchester and Porrsmouth Diocesan Guild. -Royal 4. Caters 3. Major 16 (2). Triples 4. Minor 6. Doubles, 4. Totals 37 (2).
Worcester and Districts Association.-Maximus 1. Cinques 2, Caters 2 (1). Major 19. Triples 5, Minor 18. Doubles 8. Totals 55 (1).
Yorkshire Association.-Maximus 4. Cinques 1. Royal 10. Caters 3, Major 55 (2). Triples 3. Minor 37 (10), Doubles (6). Totals 113 (18). Other Societies and Unattached.-Cinques 1 . Royal 1, Major 7. Triples 2, Minor 17. Doubles 2. Total 30 .

Miscellaneous Performances.-Bob Caters on nine 1. Bob Minimus 1.
Figures in brackets denote handbell peals included in the totals.

## ST. MARYS, EWELL, RINGERS' OUTING

The annual outing of St. Mary's, Ewell. ringers took place on September 17 th and no rain marred the enjoyment of the excursion into Sussex and Hampshire, where we were scheduled to visit seven towers. Unfortunately, one of these, at Midhurst, had to be cancelled owing to the funerat of the verger.
Our destination was St. Mary's, Petworth. where the 14 th century tower has had two steeples, the first said to have had a perilous list before being removed in 1800 and the second, condemned as being dangerous, was demolished in 1947. This tower has a ring of 8 (tenor 18 cwt .) and the bells were soon ringing merrily to rounds and touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob, by our mixed company, whose experience ranges from 5 months to over 50 years. Those of our numbers most junior in years and stature were somewhat handicapped here by the lack of boxes on which to stand but perhaps these had been used to send the pigeons eggs to market! Certainly the carpet of pigeon feathers on the steps to the ringing chamber deadened the sound of our footsteps.

On then to the delightful village of Easebourne, to visit another church of St. Mary, with its 8 bells (tenor 11 cwt .). Ringing here from ground level allowed our friends an unimpeded view of operations which they fully appreciated. Our organist, whilst enjoying his own 'touch ' on the organ, had to be asked to modify his efforts as they made it difficult for the ringers to hear the results of their own! Continuing our journey through Sussex on into Hampshire, brought us to Portsmouth, where we all enjoyed an excellent lunch before visiting the Cathedral. Here, the heaviest ring of the day (ienor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.), augmented to 10 in 1957. caused not a little difficulty to at least one of our learners who had previously not rung on more than 8 . An attempt at not rung on more than 8 . An attempt at
Double Norwich Court Bob also proved too ambitious, but a most enjoyable session was held before moving on to our third church. dedicated to St Mary at Portsea, where calamity overtook us. The stay of the third of this fine ring of 8 fractured, causing a shock to the ringer and so affecting two timid members of the party that we crept from the tower and calmed our nerves by joining those of our friends who were being conducted round this imposing church by the kindly and informative resident organist

Back now into Sussex and the town of Arundel where we all partook of an adequate and welcome tea, followed by a leisurely walk up the hill, past the castle, to the Church of St. Nicholas with its ring of 8 (tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.). where two of the local ringers joined us for a while. This church would appear to be unique in that access to the tower is from a stairway behind the altar.
Our last tower was yet another church of St. Mary. at Billingshurst. and here we found an indication that winter is nearly upon us for the church was already heated. The bells (8. tenor 12 cwt .) did not go as easily as those in most of the towers we had visited and some of our learners were again grateful for timely assistance and advice from the more experienced. Here 100. one of our lady members was observed at one time to be gallantly coping with the second in a touch of Grandsire from what appeared to be a most uncomfortable perch on a very small block of wood ! A total of 50 people were carried in two coaches on the outing. of whom 21 were ringers and learners. and we say a really hearty thanks to those behind the scenes who organised the trip. Although it was a rather lengthy trip (from 7.15 am . to $10.30 \mathrm{p.m}$.) so well was everything organised that we were only 15 minutes late on arriving home. We would like to express our gratitude to all incumbents and tower captains for the use of their bells.

## LETTERS

## FIRING AT WINCHESTER

Dear Sir,-Could I be allowed a further rief comment on this subject, and at the same time rectify a slight inaccuracy contained in Mr. Noice's letter published in a recent ivue.
First. I was only a member and a very junior member at than of the party which visited Winchester when the firing under discussion took place. I have no doubt that Mr Lampard made all the necessary arrangements quoted with our organiser, but I was not personally involved in any way. I wish to stress this point. because the implication could be drawn as a criticism of local arrangements from the leader of a visiting band. which in this instance is mistaken.
Secondly, my opinion on firing is a purely personal one, and is directed at its practice generally. The fact that this particular incident look place at Winchester is irrelevant: I used it merely to illustrate my point.
1 respect the right of every tower to do as it pleases to accord with local custom, but I see no reason 10 withdraw dispassionate criticism of the practice of prolonged firing. whether it sakes place at Winchester or anywhere else.-Yours faithfully,

## Backwell. Somerset

JOHN BRAIN.

## TOUR REPORTING

Dear Sir,-May I make a plea for a hetter tandard of sour reporting? Generally these are well written and interesting. A few are not worth the space occupied. The almost exclusive use of Christian names in the text reduces the interest of the article immediately. The reporter uses a pseudonym or just his initials often. Humorous asides are inserted, meaning nothing to the majority of readers. If a genuinely amusing incident occurs. let it be reported in full. These faults are tiresome and irritating as reports of tours and outings should be made to interest the Exercise in general and not only that the few participants can see their exploits in print.

Perhaps, sir, some cutting at editorial level may improve the standard.-Yours faithfully. Sheffield. RICHARD E. PRICE.

## COMMENT ON PEAL TOLRS

Dear Sir.-I find it very difficult to understand how ringers can send in a whole page of peals without something to accompany it appearing under 'Gratefully Acknowledged.' To those who are complacent regarding the finances of the "R.W. I would say that it will be next January when we shall see the real effect of the rise in price!-Yours faithfully.

## Beaminster. JOSEPH T. BARRETT

## RINGING AT WALBERTON

Dear Sir,-The unwelcome publicity given in the national Press to our tower at Walberton gives a completely wrong impression of our relations with the Vicar. The peal which was rung earlier this year was arranged by Mr . Booker with an imported band. without the knowledge or permission of the Vicar, and Without informing residents living near the church. who righty object to three hours" ringing without warning. No one objects to the bells being rung under normal circumstances. We had a home division meeting iwo days after the Vicar's induction last Mirch: there has been one peal attempi since. and numerous visiting parties. No one is "locked out of the tower, and visiting parties and peal attempts through normal channels are welcomed. Yours, etc., B. D. PRICE. Tower Captain.
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## Reading \& Southampton Universities' Tour Of Kent

1 FRUITLESS tower grab by a few Reading
ringers based on Holmbury youth hostel started off this year's tour on Thursday, June 28th. By Friday evening our numbers had increased by the arrival of some of the South ampion crowd. so we managed call-changes on Ockley's pleasant six. Great plans were made with the help of 'Dove, for some ringing on Saturday during the cycle ride from Holmbury to Kemsing youth hostel. Not all our plans came to fruition but we did ring at Buckland, Limpsfield and Brasted.
Sunday was the official beginning of the tour. We were all to meet at Canterbury Cathedral at 2 p.m. This meant a long, hot and dusty cycle ride for the advance party and also most of the others. It was on this morn ing that Adrian found a large and beautiful map of Kent lying in the middle of the road and this was used throughout the whole week

With great enthusiasm we set off on Mon day morning 10 St. Stephen's. Canterbury where we rang some Duffield by unpopula request. St. Alphege's bells were enjoyable. rung well to London Minor, and also their handbells. In glorious sunshine we ate our pienic lunch before hurrying of to Whitstable where we were given a very pleasant welcome Sturry was the next tower and here some Undershaf: Doubles came round.

MASTER ' ATTACKED
An unusual evening was spent at Canterbury youth hostel. The warden had kindly borrewed some Beethoven, Chopin and Tchai kowsky records and we listened to these while cooking sausages for the next day's lunch. It seems that a tour never passes without the S.U.G. master being attacked in some way This year Adrian found his sleeping bag tied up with string and. jumping to the wrong conclusion about the culprit. woke up Fred from his peaceful sleep to get his own back
Tuesday was dull and drizzly. One bright spot was the sight of Geoff. climbing down from his dormitory on the second floor by means of a rope fire escape. We arrived at Quex Park feeling rather wet and cold so consequently we didn't do justice to the bells. Grandsire Doubles sounded quite impressive rung on the front and back six simultaneously We were fortunate in being joined by the Rev. Stanley Evans at Birchington and rang some worthwhile Kent. At Margate some Stedman came round after two bobs. The ride to Ash-next-Sandwich was a very rough one but the fine heavy six were worth visiting Owing to a slight mix-up over youth hostel accommodation we found that we had to cycle to Doddington before ten o'clock. stopping at Canterbury for a meal on the way. We were so hungry after the gruelling cycling that when we found a cafe we ordered three to four different meals each. It was quite a task for the proprietor to produce them all with two gas rings. Doddington youth hostel was reached at last just after ten o clock. The men were amused by their dormitory. a shed in the garden. and a notice saying. Leave door open for extra ventilation
Wednesday was much brighter. Cambridge went well on the light eight at Hernhill. The Waterloo-lower church of Faversham and Teynham were also visited before lunch Sittingbourne's magnificent ring sounded well to Yorkshire. Borden's we found rough and difficult to manage. and a plaque in Tunstal belfry aroused interest: .. To the glory of God. and in commemoration of his having resided in this parish since his birth here. the chiming clock was placed in this tower by Charles Edward

## A COLLISION

Lenham. Harrietsham and Leeds were visited on Thursday morning. Lenham's newlyrehung eight being particularly enjoyable. While cycling towards Maidstone. Helen and Brian collided and came off their bikes. scattering lunch all around them. Fortunately it was the only accident of the week. We split into two parties to make sure we all got a ring in the full programme of sixes in the afternoon-East Farleigh. Wateringbury and afternoon-East Farleigh. Wateringbury and Wrotham with good ringing on good bells.
It was once more pouring with rain on Friday as we worked our way through Seal,

Sevenoaks, Tonbridge. Tunbridge Wells, and by the time Rotherfield was reached a thunderstorm was raging. It began to clear up as we approached Mayfield, the last tower. Brian jumped off his bicycle to run up a hill when we were about $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles away from Blackboys youth hostel. Someone promised him a pint of best bitter if he should run the whole way and before long this offer was increased $102 \frac{1}{2}$ pints of bitter, lunch the next day and a packet of crisps. With such a prize available he managed the run easily but was not too bright the next morning

Four people joined us on Saturday for our ring at Waldron. Hailsham and the East bourne towers. The tour had come to a close at last and we said goodbye to several of the party at tea-time. The few that were lef made their way to Alfriston youth hostel and were fortunate enough in getting a ring on Alfristons pleasant light six after supper.

Our thanks are due to all who made the tour successful; the local ringers for their welcomes and the Southampton Guild for their careful arrangements. It is rumoured that next year's tour will be on four wheels. not two but whatever form it takes, we look forward 10 it being as happy and enjoyable as the 1960 tour.

## WEDDING AT MARKET HARBOROUGH

The wedding took place at St. Dionysius' Church, Market Harborough, on October 8th, between two of the local ringers - Rober Bindley and Gillian Coates. The bridegroom s a committee member of the Market Harborough Branch of the Leicester Diocesan Guild. and the bride a member of the Parish Church choir and also a Sunday School leacher

As the couple left the church, 120 Grandsire Doubles with 7. 6, 8 covering was rung, in which two of the younger members of the band (R. Carr and R. Martin) took part. This was immediately followed by a quarter peal of 1,260 Grandsire Triples, by the following: N Spencer (first on eight) 1, A. Martin 2, F. Wallington 3, D. Griffin 4, R. March 5, E Martin (first of Triples) 6, G. Hollick (conductor) 7. A. Millward 8


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## NEWS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

On July 30th Dr. Alan Batten, who was a ringer at his father's parish church, St. Mary's, Swynnerton, Staffs, was married to Miss Lois Dewis in St. Philip's Church, Victoria, B: Dr. Batten is on the staff of the Astrophysical Observatory, and has been a regular ringer at Christ Church Cathedral since coming to Victoria a year or so ago. The parents of hoth the bride and bridegroom travelled by air from England to be present at the wedding, and the Rev. G. C. Batten, of St. Mary's, Swynnerton, took part in the marriage service.
After the wedding reception Dr. and Mrs. Batten left by the afternoon steamer for Vancouver, and thence by rail to Banff: as they boarded the steamer they could hear the ringing of the Cathedral bells. It was a unique occasion, as the bells of St. Mary's, Swynneron, over 6,000 miles away, were also being specially rung for the occasion of the wedding. Mr. Peter Crook, of Bolton, and his daughter Mrs. Paine, who were then visiting Vicloria, took part in the ringing and also rang again for the morning and evening services the next day, July 31st.

On Sunday, September 18th, Wing-Commander and Mrs. J. S. Mason arrived in Victoria. The wing-commander, a previous Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, rang at Christ Church Cathedral for the evening service, and those of Victoria ringers who had the pleasure of meeting and ringing with him were the Misses Patricia and Margaret Horne, Margaret Izard, Mrs. Barlow, Dr. Batten, Arthur Izard and E. W. Izard.

On Wednesday, September 28th, Mr. W. B. Cartwright visited Victoria and rang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples at Christ Church Cathedral with Miss Margaret Horne. Miss Margaret Izard, Dr. Longridge. Dr. Batten, D. Boniface. J. V. Donaldson and E. W. Izard. The Victoria ringers very much appreciated having the opportunity of meeting and ringing with Mr. Cartwright, a member of the Central Council. Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright were on a tour with other members of the British Law Society attending conventions in the U.S.A. and Canada, and were only able to spend Wednesday night and Thursday morning in Victoria before continuing their journey.
E. W.I.

## RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

Bristol was the venue for this year's autumn meeting, held on September 24th. It was a remendous success, as about 50 members and friends sat down to tea after their ringing activities. Letters from 26 other members were re ceived, explaining their inability to attend. Mr O. Whittaker. the joint secretary of the Staft Association, and Mr. Bastin, the president of the Brisiol Branch. also apologised for nonattendance

Ringing commenced at 11 a.m. at St. James (10). the oldest church in Bristol, and continued for an hour, under the guidance of the Master. Mr. Bert Kynaston. After a short break for lunch. Christ Church (10) was on the programme, and Mr. Fidler popped in here to join in a course of Bob Royal. The next on the list was the lively ring of ten at St. Ste phen's, and afterwards the grand 12 at St Mary Redcliffe, where Kent T.B. Maximus was brought round

During tea. which was held in the Staff As sociation Institute. Temple Meads Station, Mr Truman. the president and acting Master of Gloucester and Bristol Association, welcomed the Guild to Bristol. and expressed a wist that everyone had enjoyed the ringing in the city.

Mr. Arthur Bennett, who made the excellen arrangements for the day, was thanked by the Master, who was supported by Mr. Sid Foskett.

Two new members were elected. Members and friends were then reminded by the Master of the 1961 annual general meeting at Darling ton on April 29th. After more ringing at St Philip's (8), all made their separate ways home.

## KENT COUNTY <br> ASSOCIATION

Ashford District

A year with an improvement in almost every aspect of the District's activities was noticeable, reported Mr . C. T. Hillis at the annual meeting of the Ashford District, held at Ashford on October 1st. Compared with last year, 42 more practising members had subscribed ( 38 new members), 28 towers had subscribed, including Lympne, Great Chart and Mersham. which had rejoined, nine meetings had been held, and two more annual meetings were held for the first time by the Association, at Lympne and Wittersham. Service ringing had been well maintained. Twenty-three peals had been rung in 19 different towers, compared with ten in seven different towers. Five members rang their first peal-an increase of three.
All the officers were re-elected, as follows: Mr. C. T. Hillis, secretary: Messrs. J. J. Batchelor and A. Berry, District representatives: Mr. J. R. Cooper. Ringing Master. Mr. J. Willis thanked them for their past services. Tweive new members joined the Association.
Thanks were expressed to Canon N. G. M. Sharp for conducting the service, Mr. J. R. Cooper, the organist, to the Ashford ringers and the Mothers' Union for their kindness in providing and serving the tea. and to Miss Margaret Jones, secretary of the Ashford band. for her excellent local arrangements.

## Maidstone District

The annual meeting of the Maidstone District was held at All Saints". Maidstone, on October 8th. During the service, which preceded the meeting. Canon Bennett mentioned that this would be the last time he would be able to officiate as he was leaving Maidstone to take up an appointment near Minehead. He would welcome any visitors to his new living, the church of which has a ring of ten bells. After a sumptuous tea, provided by the band of All Saints', Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher took the chair for the meeting.

The District secretary (Mr. R. L. Sills) presented his report for the past year. Particular note was made of the visit to Frinsted, this being the first meeting there for 25 years.

Two new practising members were elected. one for All Saints' and one for St. Michael's, recently reopened under the captaincy of Mr. Martin Howe. Also welcomed as a non-resident life member was Mr. C. C. Clarke, of Deddington. Oxford. who recently spent a week's tour amongst Kent towers.

Mr. R. L. Sills, Mr. P. Carter and Mr. A. Waddington were re-elected as District secretary and District representatives respectively. Mr. P. Town being asked to carry on as Ringing World' representative
A suggestion that too many meetings were held during the year caused discussion. Mr. Waddington pointed out that three years elapsed between visits to each tower, and that any reduction in meetings would extend the time required to complete the roster: but he would prefer that the February meeting be transferred to June, when better weather should be enjoyed. This was carried.
Dr. Hatcher announced that the annual general meeting of the K.C.A. would be held next Easter at Maidstone. The following provisional. programme of District meetings was agreed to: January, Harrietsham: March, Staplehurst: May, Ulcombe: June, Yalding and Nettlestead; July, Headcorn: September. Hollingbourne; October, Maidstone; November. Bearsted
Proposals for the July coach tour were Surrey. Bucks, East Essex. or a mystery tour to county X. Voting gave Bucks 11 votes 10 mystery tour 10 . It was decided to hold a District party next Eastertide. following the successful venture during March this year.

The meeting closed with Mr. P. Carter proposing thanks to Canon Bennett, the organist, and All Saints' ringers for their welcome and lovely tea.

Tonbridge District

The annual meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Tonbridge on October 1st. Ringing began in the afternoon and was followed by a service, conducted by Canon Bewes, who has recently come to Tonbridge. Canon Bewes welcomed the District and kindly provided tea at the Rectory for the whole company, with the assistance of members of the Tonbridge band.

The annual meeting followed tea, with Canon Bewes laking the chair. Miss Colgate told members that she did not wish to stand for reelection as secretary, and Mr. P. Corby expressed the feelings of all present by thanking Miss Colgate for her devoted service over the past seven years to the District. Members were then asked to put forth suggestions for the secretaryship, and Mr. Walter Dobbie was elected. Miss Colgate and Mr. B. V. Collison were elected District representatives and Mr. Stanley Jenner Ringing Master. Mr. Collison thanked Canon Bewes and all concerned with arranging the lea and meeting. Members then returned to the tower, and ringing continued in various methods until later in the evening.
M. L.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The standard of ringing at some practice meetings. unfortunately perhaps, is not always very high, and the solution to the problem does not appear readily to be apparent. but I feel sure anyone who attended the combined meeting of the Western and Southern Divisions of the Sussex County Association at Steyning on October 8th will agree that the standard of ringing. taken as a whole, was exceptionally good. The Ringing Master had splendid control, and if any attempted method appeared to be heading for disaster a halt was called and a fresh start made.
Here every kind of ringer was catered for. from tho learner to the more experienced, and the programme included rounds, call-changes. Grandsire Triples. Stedman, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Brisiol. Cambridge and Superlative.

A combined meeting of this nature certainly appears to attract the more experienced ringer, whose presence is so lacking at most ordinary practice mectings. If. then, this is a solution to hetter ringing. then let us by all means have more combined meetings and enjoy the precence and services of the experienced ringer in helping to solve the problem of bad striking. Congratulations to the organisers for an enjoyable meeting.
G. N.


## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULLD

Presentations of a dressing table set to each of the two lady treasurers (the Misses Hazel and Cherry White), who at the end of the year retire from office, consequent upon their removal to South London, were made at the meeting of the Andover District at Longparish on September 24th. The presentations look them completely by surprise, and were in appreciation of their services.
A good crowd of members enjoyed ringing on the pretty six bells until service time. The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. Agg Lage) and this was followed by the good Longparish te.. Mr. A. W. Alliston presided at the meeting, and a long discussion took place over the annual report, members feeling there was much room for improvement -too many peals and too little of interest to the average ringer.

In the evening ringing took place at Hurstbourne Priors and St. Mary Bourne.

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## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION

Mr. W. Pratt, the president, and Mrs. Pratt attended the summer meeting of the Eastern District held at Drogheda on September 17th. The bells of St. Peter's Church were put to very good use for change-ringing, with only threc spells of call-changes.
A welcome break at 5 p.m. was for tca, kindly provided by the wives and lady ringers of Drogheda. Of necessity, primus stoves had to be used to boil water. In this sphere Walter Bovenizer and Billy Graham gave Trojan service. At tea the visitors were welcomed by the ringing rector of St. Peter's. the Rev. J. E. McKeon, who mentioned his pleasure at the regular attendance of the ringers and his delight in seeing grammar school pupils back again in the tower.

Mr. Pratt replied for the visitors, and Mr. J. T. Dunwoody also expressed his pleasure at heing present. After tea touches of Plain Bob Major were rung on handhells by Messrs. W. Pratt. J. T. Dunwoody, H. Brown and F. E. Dukes.

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KINGSWOOD. SURREY - Practice night has now been altered from Tuesday to Thursday. Practices will continue to be held on this night until the end of March. 1961. When they will revert to Tuesdav

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## CANCELLATION

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Derby and Ilkeston District.-The monthly meeting fixed for October 22nd is cancelled.-W. A. Morley Dis. Sec.

BATH \& WELLS ASSOCIATION.-Cary Branch.-Quarterly meeting. West Lydford (6). October 22nd. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.-L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne. Sherborne, Dorset. 6770 ELY ASSOCIATION - Wisbech Branch.Meeting Downham Market. Saturday, Oct. 22nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea by 21 st please. -J. Fox Dis. Sec. 6784 HALIFAX ASSOCIATION -A quarterly meeting and six bell contest will be held at Kirkburton, on October 22nd.-A. Farrand, Sec. LADIES GUILD.-Southern District.Meeting, Saturday, October 22nd, at Sieep (6). Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. C. M. Harbott.

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South
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - South Oxon Branch.-Meeting at Ewelme, October 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. 6767 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Penn. Saturday. October 22nd. Ringing from 4 p.m. Tea 5 p m.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division -Practice meeting at Hailsham on October 22nd. Tea 5 p.m. at hatisham on 6786 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Bramlcy. Hants, on Saturday. Oct. 22nd. Bells from 2.30. Service in the Parish Church 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in the Village HallF. Chesterman. Hon. Sec. 6785

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Mecting. Arksey. October 29th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea. please. hy 27 h . to Mr. E. Cooper, 6. Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, near Doncaster.-R. J. Sanderson. 6819

## DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL

Blandford Forum Parish Church Saturday, October 29th
Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m Tea in Town Hall 5.15 p.m

## 6800

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Farn ham District.-Meeting at Yorktown (8) and Hawley (8). on Saturday. October 29th. Ring ing at Yorktown 2.30-4.30 D.m.. followed by service. tea and business meeting. Ringing at Hawley 6-9 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday October 26th. to Mr. F. J. Farr, 1 Bristow Road. Camberley, Surrey. 6809
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Tewkesbury Branch. Annual meeting at Tewkesbury Abbey (12) on Saturday. October 29th. Bells 3 p.m Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. Meeting 6 p.m. Numbers for tea by October 27 th . 10 the Sacristan Tewkesbury Abbey.-Nadine Price. Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Rural Branch. - Monthly meeting at Westerleigh (6). Saturday, October 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Teas to he ordered.-F. Hussey. 39. Gordon Avenue Bristol 5.

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD -Meet ing at Dilwyn, Saturday. October 29th. Bell (6) 4 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and business after. Names early. please. to J. Reece, Lea Lodge. Staunton-on-Arrow
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ledbury District.-Quarterly meeting at Stretton Grandison. Saturday. October 29th. Bells (6) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please. to J. Ward. Woofields. Coddington Ledbury

6815
LADIES GUILD.-Sussex District.-Meeting at All Saints'. Hastings, on October 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea by October 26 th , to Mrs. A. Levett. 151, London Road. Hastings.-1.. M. Beency, Hon. Sec.
IADIES GU1LD (North Western District) and LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting wish Bolton Branch. at St. Peter's. Smithills. Saturday. October 29 th. Bells 2.30 ก.m. St. Peter's afiernoon only. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. John F. Wood. 20. Moorside Avenue. Bolton. by previous' Wednesday. Please comply with this reauest. Business follows tea. Fvening ringing at All Souls' 6.15 p.m.-Stella P. Wain. Dis. Sec.: J. Thornley. Branch Sec.

LADIES GUILD.-Beds and Northants District.-Meeting Saturday, October 29th, at Silsoc. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 4.45. Service 6 p.m. Further ringing after tea. All welcome.Kathleen A. Rivett.

6719
LADIES GUILD (Central District). MID. DLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (S. and W. District) and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch). -Joint meeting. October 29th, at St. John's Hillingdon. Bells (10) from 3.30. Service 5 Tea 5.30. St. John's Hall, with social evening to follow. Names, please, to F. W. Good fellow. 46. Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks--
Mrs. S. Bullock, E. R. Gotham and Miss D. Mrs. S. Bullock, E. R. Gotham and Miss D.
Hague. Hon. Secs.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Meet ing, Hunslet (8), Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells available 2.45 p.m. Cups of tea provided Bring own food. 6798
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Annual dinner and social at the Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone. Leicester, October 29th. Tickets (12s. 6d.) from undersigned by October 24th at latest. Dinner 6 for 6.30 p.m. Guests include the Lord Bishop of Leicester. Ample parking. Buses L1 and L12 (frequent service) from Newarke Street, Leicester. Bells avail able: St. Margaret's (12) $2.30-4$ p.m. St.
John's (10) $3.30-5$ p.m.-B. G. Warwick (Hon. Gen. Sec.). 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills. Leicester.

LINCOLN and PETERBOROUGH DIU CESAN GUILDS.-Meeting. Stamford, Satur day. Oct. 29th. Bells, All Saints' and St. Mar tin's, 2.30 to 4 p.m. Service, All Saints*, 4.15 Tea 5 p.m. Castor and Wansford also avail able after tea. Names for tea to J. H. Bluff 81, New Cross Roid. Stamford.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Northampton Branch.-Meeting. Pitsford (5), Saturday. Oct. 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Billings, 61, Melville Street. Northampton. 6804 SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (1672). - Meeting. Hucknall, October 29th. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 . Names to Mr. Lewin. 44. Nottingham Road. Hucknall, by previous Thursday. Service 7, followed by ringing until 9 . Meeting at Rayleigh. on Saturday. October 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea 5 p.m.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Alion and Peterslield District.Quarterly meeting. Blackmoor (6), Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Numbers for tea by 25 th to C. E Bassett, Sunnybrook. Warsash. Southampton. FINEDON

NORTHANTS. - Saturday. October 29th, re-opening and rededication of newly-restored historical organ. built by Christopher Schrider. Service at 6.15 p.m. Ringing commencing at 4 p.m. for service, and afterwards until 9 p.m. All ringers are warmlv invited to attend.

6825

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-The 323rd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1. on Saturday. November 5 th. at 6 for $6.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Tickets (21s.) are now a vailable.
Ringing arrangements for those attending the dinner:-St. Dunstan's. Stepney (10). 10.30$11.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Clement Danes', Strand (10). 12 noon-l p.m.; St. Giles'. Cripplegate (12). 2-3 p.m. ; St. Lawrence Jewry (8), 2.30-3.30 p.m. : St. Michael's, Cornhill (12), 3-4 p.m.: Southwark Cathedral (12), 4-5 p.m. - John Chilcott. Hon. Sec., 67, Farley Road, Selsdon. Surrey

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DEVON ASSOCIATION.-Annual general meeting will be held in the Board Roon, Diocesan House, Palace Gate. Exeter, on Saturday, Nov. Sth. at 2.30 p.m., to which each affilited lower should send a representative.
DEVON GUILD.-The annual meeting of the N.W. Branch will he held at Bridgerule (8) on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Service 4.15 p.m. tea and meeting to follow.-R. Pearce. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Practice meeting. Sicvenage. Saturday. Nov. Sih. 5.3 p.m.-E. Buck. Dis.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch.-Monthly meeting. Warminster (8), on Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins, 136. Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wilts. 6811 SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.-Not tingham District.-Meeting, West Bridgford (8), Saturday, Nov. 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Nov. 2nd to Miss R. Whitehouse, 62, Priory Road, West Bridgford, Notts.-S. Adams.

6820
ESSEX ASSOCLATION-S.E. District.Meeting at Boreham. Saturday, November 12 th. Bells (8) at 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Danbury
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Annual dinner to be held at 'The Black Horse.' Thompsons Avenue, Wolverhampton, Saturday. November 12th, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m., price 12 s . 6d. Bells avail-able:-St. Peter's. Wolverhampton, Penn. Coseley. Bradley during the afternoon. Tickets from Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres. Aldridge, nr. Walsall.

6681
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Northern Dis-trict.-Preliminary notice. The nomination meeting at Streatham on Saturday, Nov. 26th. will he followed in the evening by ringing at St. John's, Croydon, and at 8 p.m. by a performance in the Church of 'Son et Lumière, i.e. 1.000 years of Croydon history in sound and light. Make a note in your diary now so that you do not miss this spectacle.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec.

6813

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD

The East Grinstead and District Guild held a most enjoyable meeting at Capel on October 8 th. This had been arranged with doubts on the part of the secretary, with the usual lack of post cards for tea, and with a very wet and windy day the outlook was not very promising. However, 22 turned up to enjoy this handy six until tea time.

A bountiful meal, arranged by Mrs. Penfold. was served in the Capel Laundry canteen, and this was followed by the business meeting. Members stood in silence to the memory of Luther Honess, and later congratulated the Guild chairman (Mr. E. Brunger) on his marriage to Miss Jenny Langston on the previous Saturday.

After the usual votes of thanks, most of the company made their way round the lanes to Newdigate, where they were welcomed by the Vicar (Rev. D. Bruce-Walker). Mr. Harman had kindly oiled the bells, which were put to good use until 8 oclock.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

About 50 members attended the quarterly meeting of the East Devon Branch at Stockland on September 17th. The Vicar (Rev. Mr. Drury) conducted the service. At the business meeting Preb. E. V. Cox presented six certificates: two new members were elected. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Buckerell-with-Feniton on January 14th. Monthly practice meetings have started.

## A PEAL AT STOKE DOYLE

Of more than passing interest is the peal at
Stoke Doyle, near Oundle. Northants, as the bells are one of the few remaining complete rings cast by Thomas Eayre, sen.. a bell-founder at Kettering from 1717 to 1757 . None of the bells has been recast since they were installed in the church. then a new edifice, in 1727. They are a sweet-toned ring, but now begin to require the attention of the bell-hanger. Stoke is a small village of just over 100 souls, and the last time the bells were rehung was in 1896.

Several attempts to ring a peal on the bells during the last three years have failed, but a half peal was brought round in March. The peal. recorded in our columns, was the first on the bells since 1923. In the 1920-30 period the belfry was a hive of ringing activity, a family named Ilankin. with others. heing the main inspiration. But death and removals robbed it, and ever since very little has been heard of Stoke Doyle.

## OBITUARY

THE REV. R. A. AGG
The sudden death of the Rev. R. A. Agg. Rector of Crayford, on October 7th, at the early age of 52 , has deprived ringers in general and those of Crayford in particular of a very good friend. He himself had not gone beyond learning to handle a bell and ringing rounds, but his father had been a ringer in their native county of Gloucestershire and his son and two daughters had learned to ring soon after he became rector not quite two years ago.

Mr. Agg was keenly interested in all that went on in the belfry, which contributed in no small way to the advent of a large number of young people to the band, now about 20 strong, and we had hoped and believed he would be there to encourage us for many years to come. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Agg, Elizabeth. Margaret and' Christopher in the grievous loss.
E. A. B.

## MR. CHRISTOPHER H. HAWKINS

Not only the ringers of St. Ellyw's Churchi. Llanelly, but many other friends will miss a great character in Mr. Chris. Hawkins, who at the age of 60 passed away suddenly whilst working in the greenhouse at his home on October 4th.

Chris.', as he was known to everyone. was a 'live wire' where ringing was concerned He had been captain of the ringers at St . Ellyw's for many years. a teacher of changeringing and a member of the Central Council Chris. had an endless store of energy, and in the early post-war years became a founder member and the first general secretary of St. David's Diocesan Guild.

At the inaugural meeting held at Carmarthen I well remember Mr. Pat Cannon saying that to succeed first there must be a spirit of unity and secondly plenty of hard work. If it was hard work then Chris. did his share, and in the end obtained the support and goodwill of the Bishop and clergy of the diocese. Mr. Hawkins was a regular Sunday service ringer. and encouraged others to do the same. He had many peals to his credit. and was always willing to pilot a 'first timer' through to the end.

The funeral service took place at the Parish Church of Llanelly on October 7th and was well attended. To his memory and to pay a last tribute to a faithful friend. 1.440 Minor ( 720 Kent Trehle Bob and 720 Plain Bobl was rung, half-muftled. on St. Ellyw's bells by Gwyn Thomas 1. J. Arthur Hoare 2. Ralph Skudamore 3. David J. Lewis 4. Trevor Roderick 5 Gwyn I. Lewis (conductor) $6 . \quad$ J. A. H.

## THE REV. C. E. WARD

The older ringers of East Sussex have lost a good friend by the death of the Rev. C. E. Ward, who held the living of Salehurst from 1912 to 1953. Mr. Ward learnt to handle a bell and could ring rounds and call-changes. but could never master the intricacies of change-ringing. He rarely refused an application for visitors to ring on this tuneful octave, and for years Salchurst has been a popular tower. A peal for his 90th birthday was rung on August 22nd. which he heard and enjoyed. After his funeral on September 29th the hells were rung half-muffled to his memory

## CANON E. H. F. CAMPBELL

Canon E. H. F. Campbell. Rector of Bray and a past-president, died on August 18th. reports "Irish Bell News." He was responsible for the rehanging of Bray hells on hall-bearings and on a steel frame shortly after he became rector some 17 years ago. He always had a short chat and a few jokes with the ringers hefore they started to ring on Sunday morningi. The bells of Bray Parish Church were rung muffled on the Sunday morning following the Canon's death.

## OUTINGS

## HANBURY, WORCS

Some good rings among glorious scenery were found by Hanbury ringers during their outing to the Forest of Dean. The first tower visited St. Catherine's, Leigh, contained heavy bells These were certainly not ladies' bells, as severa of the fair sex found as they tried the fourth The lighter six of St. Mary-de-Lode, Gloucester, 'go' quite well, but were of poor tone After lunch several of the party explored the Cathedral and admired the splendour of the cloisters. Afterwards came Little Dean bells which do not go too easily but were enjoyed.

A ride of great beauty took the party beside the Severn to Lydney, where Grandsire Triples was rung on easy-going bells. During tea at Lydney the Rector expressed the thanks of the visitors to Miss Margaret Eachus for arranging the outing. Narrow byways took the party to Ruardean, having a good ring of eight, and then in the dark io Linton, where candles had to be borrowed from the pulpit before the lovely new six could be rapped round. All agreed that these hells, in a church without electricity, were the best of the day. Home was reached at $10.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

PAUL.

## SAWLEY and LONG EATON, NOTTS

On October 1st, 12 ringers from Sawley and Long Eaton spent a very pleasant afternoon and evening in Leicestershire, in spite of had weather.
The first tower was Breedon-on-the-Hill. where a course of Cambridge was among the methods rung. At Market Bosworth the bells had been rung up before our arrival, and one of the local ringers helped us in ringing rounds, Bob Major and Grandsire and Stedman Triples. This easy-going ring was enjoyed.

After tea Kirkby Mallory was visited, and some slight difficulty was experienced with the long draught, although Boh Minor and Cambridge Surprise Minor were successfully brought round. Anstey was the last tower of the day, and several local ringers were waiting here to join us in ringing methods ranging from rounds to Spliced Little and Plain Bob Major.
Thanks are expressed to incumbents, tower captains and our organiser, Ringing Master and bus driver. David Marshall. J. M.

## FRAMSDEN AND DISTRICT

An enjoyable half-day's outing was that arranged by Framsden and District ringers on October 8th. At Soham (10) there was a long delay in finding the key. Some 25 of the party went sight-seeing at Ely, while the others visited Littleport. The quietness of the bells caused comedian Fred 'to remark that they ought to be crossed with Wilby. After a bounteous tea at Ely, the journey was continued to St. John's, Peterborough. Ringing ranged from callchanges to Spliced Surprise and Cambridge Royal. Many thanks to all who helped to make this one of the best half-days ( 14 hours). L. G. B.

## A LEARNERS' TOUR

For the third year running, a youthful band set out on a week's cycling, youth hostelling and bell-ringing in Suffolk and Norfolk, most of the towers heing miles away from towns. We felt the true hostelling spirit at Thetford. where we cooked our meals in the converted railway station, slept in the waiting room and ate in the booking office. As with all Y.H.A. members, the bad weather was only part of the game
The method rung was Plain Bob, starting with Minimus and ending with Minor. We also practised raising and lowering in peal. but it may well be that this is better done on tied bells until proficiency is achieved. Most of all our thanks are due to A. J. Hebley. V. A. Perry, L. Melton. P. Newing and H. Clayton. who gave much time and even more H. B. M

STAFFORD.-On Oct. 9h. at the Cburch of St, Mary. 1.260 Siedman Triples: Robert 1. Wartilow 1, F. R. Wigain 2, R. K. Mow forth 3, B. J. Wylde 4. R. Barlow 5, A. E. Garbett 6, Richard J. Warrilow (cond.) 7, F. Eley 8. For Harvest Festival.

## QUARTER PEALS

CURRY MALLETT, SOMERSET.-On Oct. 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Holway 1. W. H. Tart 2, P. Cox 3, R. Shepherd 4, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 5, A. J. Lewis 6.
DISS, NORFOLK.-On Sept. 30th, 1,392 Plain Bob Major: A. J. Harrison 1, W. G. Paul 2, Miss D. M. Reeve 3, H. Fuller 4, J. Stannard 5, H. Moss (cond.) 6. J. Paul 7, E. A. Cook 8. Rung to welcome the new Lord Bishop of Norwich, Dr. Lancelot Fleming, on his first visit to Diss, and a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Moss, Ringing Master at Diss.
haslemere, SURREY.-On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Weatherley 1. F. Bowden 2, Miss M. Rowland 3, Mrs. F. Bowden 4, J. P. McDermott 5, C. Johnstone 6, H. Gauntett (cond.) 7. A. Rowland 8. For Evensong.
KINGSBURY, WARWICKS.-On Sepi, 10th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: S. J. Perry 1, L. L. Willis 2, W. C. Rhodes 3. N. Attaway 4, J. W. Cotton 5. D. P. Jones (cond.) 6. For the wedding this day at Boldmere, Sutton Coldfield. of D. Keith Lane. MILVERTON, SOMERSET. On Oct. 6ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. S. Powell 1, Miss B. I. Stevens 2, Miss J. Taylor 3, C. J. Stevens 4. Miss P. Sievens 5, W. Sievens 6, C. Tarr (cond.) 7, N. Taylor 8. Rung for Mrs. Mary Cridland and the band would like to add their congratulations to the many she has received on this her 103 rd birthday.
OLDSWINFORD, WORCS.-On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Jennifer M. Burford 1, M. D. Fellows 2, F. V. Nicholls 3. M. J. Fellows (cond) 4, G. Westwond 3, Gillian M. Harmshaw 6, C. R. Tandy 7. J. A. Tandy 8. First quarter 1, 6. 7, 8. Also on Sept. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $7,6,8$ covering): Gillian M. Harmshaw 1 M. D. Fellows (cond.) 2, P. J. Brown (firs 'inside ) 3. Barbara Stephens 4. M. J. Fellows 5, Jennifer M. Burford 6, D. Curry (first quarter) 7. J. A. Tandy 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.
TOTNES, DEVON.-On Oct, 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. J. Garbett 1, I. G. Myers (cond.) 2, W. G. Lavers 3. P. A. Lock 4, F. E. Day 5. D. R. Bould 6. W. J. Harvey 7 , W. Simmonds 8.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Sept. 25th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. Hayes 1, F. C. Maynard 2, F. W. Sykes 3. C. A. Diggins (first in method) 4. P. D. Chapman 5, D. Hewitt 6, A. J. Boyack 7, B. Downes (cond.) 8. Also on Oct. 2nd, 1.344 Plain Bob Triples: C. A. Diggins 1, F. C. Maynard 2. P. Chapman 3, B. R. Downes (cond.) 4, D. Hewitt 5, F. W. Sykes 6, A. J. Boyack 7, F. Taylor 8. For Evensong, and to mark the occasion of the retirement of Mr. R. Erskine, organist since 1919 and choir member since 1898.

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## THE ROAD TO NEWBURY

THE heavy traffic going to Newbury on October 1st was not all race-bound. The day coincided with the autumn general meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and as this was the first time the Guild had visited Newbury this century, and because of the popularity of these meetings, there was a very large attendance. To some it meant a journey of over 70 miles, and while the majority came by private cars, enterprising branches organised coach parties. In the morning, and again in the evening. the towers of the Newbury Branch were available for ringing, except those closed for repairs.

For some of those attending it was not merely a. meeting but in a measure a pilgrimage, for the Newbury Branch was always closely associated with two of the Guild's most outstanding officers-the Rev. C. W O. Jenkyn; a Master who died in office in 1932, and Mr. R. T. Hibbert, general secretary from 1917-1946. The three towers, so closely associated with these two men, lie within the boundaries of the branch. East Garston, a typical Berkshire downland village, was well loved by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and in the churchyard he lies buried. His death took place at Newbury while listening to the newly augmented ten. East Ilsley was the birthplace and well-loved home of Mr. Hibbert.

To East Garston in the morning came ringers by coach and car to find that ringing had been delayed because of a funeral. Some took the opportunity of the delay to visit another tower: others did what many ringers have done before them, adjourned to the local inn to eat their lunch, play darts and ring handbells until such time as it was possible to ring. May it be recorded, that for once the fairer sex did not have all their own way in their match against friends from north of the Thames in spite of assistance from two of the Witney and Woodstock stalwarts.

The bells at East Garston do not go as well as they should, and proved to be a difficult task for the inexperienced. As the writer watched the younger ringers handling and managing these bells she thought of how C. W. O. Jenkyn would have delighted particularly in the performances of two of them-one in his early twenties, who rang with the precision of a master ringer: the other a small 12 -year-old redhead, who handled the treble with a perfect style. Both these ringers had been taught by people who had been closely influenced by Mr. Jenkyn in their youth, and to whom he had always been an ideal.

To East Ilsley during the evening came a large number of ringers, many of whom paid silent tribute to R. T. Hibbert, for it was here that he learned to ring, and from here as a young man he walked over the downs to Drayton to attempt peals with the first Master of the Guild, the Rev. F. E. Robinson. This long walk was made in all kinds of weather-snow, rain or sunshine-and one wonders how many would tackle the walk to-day in the hope of getting a peal. On this occasion there was a long queue waiting at Ilsley to ring, and this gave a chance to exchange a friendly word with fellow ringers who are rarely met with because of the size of the Guild.
One coachload made a final call at Drayton, a church so full of ringing history because of 'Father' Robinson's great enthusiasm. This church has now been fully restored after the fire which gutted much of the building two years ago. If the experts of the end of the last century could have been present what would they have said of eleven-year-olds, both boys and girls, ringing and discovering that many of them had been taught by a girl of 18 whose enthusiasm was the driving force in a North Oxfordshire tower, where, although the population is meagre. the bells are rung with great regularity Sunday by Sunday!

There is no doubt that these three great ringers-F. E . Robinson, C. W. O. Jenkyn and R. T. Hibbert-whose lives covered 65 years of the life of the Oxford Guild, would have rejoiced in two things. Firstly, that the Guild is training many of its young ringers well, although to-day's methods may not be the same as those exercised in their time, but the results are there and the prospects for the future hopeful. Secondly, that there is a greater friendship between the various branches of the Guild and a better understanding of each other's difficulties and problems.

In the first half of the present century it was only the Guild officers who had any deep understanding of the problems of the various branches-some urban, others a mixture of town and country, others purely rural. To-day, by such meetings and visits as this paid to the Newbury Branch, ringers from all over the Guild have an opportunity to see the other side of the picture and to discuss with local ringers the problems which face small downland villages and rural communities. where there has been a sudden influx of population due to Government projects or new industries. In this way each gains strength and courage to tackle their own problems anew.
M. R. C.

## A MIDLAND WEEK

SWINDON. WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Sept. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR <br> Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp


A. Terence Collns

* First peal of London Surprise Major.

Rung in connection with the diamond jubilee celebrations of the formation of the Borough of Swindon.

## SWINDON, WILTSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Sept. 24. 1960. in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

Аt Chist Chinch
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 22 cwt. 9 lb . in Eflat


## ROCK. WORCESTERSHIRE

ST. MARTIN S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sun.. Sept. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

| iel Reay | Treble | David J. Purnell |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arthur V. Pearson | - | A. Robin Heppenstall |
| George E. Fearn | 3 | Norman J. Goodman |
| Jack L. Millhouse | 4 | John A. Anderson |

Composed by William Barton. Conducted by A. Robin Heppenstall. The conductor's 100 th peal.

## HOOK NORTON OXFORDSHIRE

ST. MARTIN'S. GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Mon.. Sept. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 20 cwt 2 gr. 13 lb , in E flat.
 A. Robin Heppenstall .. 4 George E. Fearn ... .. Tenor Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Peter Border.
ALTON. STAFFORDSHIRE.
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Tues., Sept. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AL THE Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
5120 LONDON SURPR
Tenor $21 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat.
John A. Anderson
Ruth M. Border
Clifford Skidmore

| Treble Peier Border.. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | George E. Fearn | Philip Mehew Jack L. Millhouse. Wilfred Williams Tenor

Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducetd by Wilfred Williams. * looth peal of London Surprise Major.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE
ST. MARTIN S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon., Sept. 26, 1960. in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in $\mathbf{B}$.
Wilfred Williams
Treble Peter Border
Ruth M. Border
John A. Anderson
Clifford Skidmore
Composed by S. J. IVIN

| 2 | Philip Mehew . . |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Jack L. Millhouse |
| 4 | George E. Fearn |

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Sept. 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
At the Chirch of Si, Mary-the.Virgin
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwl . 13 lh . in F sharp.
Wilfird Wiliams .. .. Treble' Norman J. Gondman
RuIH M. Border
Peicr Border
Clifford Skidmore 2 John A. Andirson

Composed by Gabriel Linduff. Jack L. Millhouse. George E. Fearn

FINEDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Sept. 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1.280 each of London, Superlative and Cambridge, with 119 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr .23 lb . in D. Clifford Skidmore.... Treble Philip Mehew
Wilfred Williams ... ...ceb 2 John A. ANDERSON ... ... 6
Jack L. Millhouse. . . 3 George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Norman J. Goodman
Composed by A. J. Pitman.
Conducted by Peter Border.
HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Sept. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 17. Ih, in E flat.
Jack L. Millhouse.. .. Treble Henry H. Fearn
Ruth M. Border .. ... 2 George E. Fearn Clifford Skidmore
Norman J. Goodman
Composed by N. J. Pitstow 4 Peter Borili: . . . . . Tenor
RAUNDS. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Sept. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods, comprising 1.440) Rutland, 1,600 London, 640 Cambridge and 480 each of Bristol, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

Tenor 22 cwt 8 lb .
Ruth M. Border
Clifford Skidmore
Treble
Jack L. Millhouse John Pinfold. .
Composed hy W. E. Critchley.

## FOUR PEALS OF SURPRISE IN A DAY

ALDERMASTON, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .14 lb . in G.
A. Pairick Cannon.. .. Treble Ernest J. Munday Reginald W. Rex ... .. 2 Malcolm S. Cloke Brian Bladon
Geoffrey K. Dodd... .. 4
Composed by C. Middleton.
Robin G. Leale.
Philip Mehew ... 7
Conducted by Robin G. Leale.
STRATFIELD MORTIMER, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal.. Ocl. i5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr .23 lh . in F sharp.
A. Patrick Cannon .. Treble! Brian Bladon

Reginald W. Rex .. .. 2 Ernest J. Munday .. .. 5
Robin G. Leale .. .. 4 Malcolm S. Cloke .. .. . Tenor
Composed by G. Baker.
Conducted by Malcolm S. Cloke.
THATCHAM. BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt .23 lb . in F .
$\begin{array}{lllccllll}\text { Robin G. Leale } & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Trehle } & \text { Geoffrey Kin. Dodd } & \text {.. } & 5 \\ \text { Reginald W. Rex } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Ernest J. Munday } & \text {.. } & . . & 6\end{array}$
Brian Bladon
Philip Mehew
Malcolm S. Cloke ... 4 A. Palrick Cannon ... ... Temor
Composed by W. Barion.
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
The conductor's 475 th different tenor 'turned in " 10 a peal.
BUCKLEBURY. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sul.. Oct. 15, 1961), in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Reginald W. Rex
Tenor 11 cwL .2 gr. in $G$.
Brian Bladon
Philip Mehew
Robin G. Ifaif
Robin G. Iraif J Pirsion
2 Malcolm S. Cloke
4 Gioferiy K. Dodod
Conducied by Georrray K Kono
This is the first time that four peals in a day have been rung for the ubove Guild.

## TEN BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Thurs., Sept. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Mimutes

Ai the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5040 OAKHAM SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D

| *John A. Anderson | Treble | +Barrie Hendry | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| + Andrew N. Stubbs | 2 | tNorman J. Gooldman | 7 |
| $\dagger$ Roderick J. Lees | 3 | $\dagger$ John McDonald | .. 8 |
| John Pinfold | 4 | George E. Fearn | . 9 |
| t David J. Plirnell | . 5 | Peter Border | Teno |

tDavid J. Plirnell
Conduct
Tenor

* 200th peal. + First of Oakham Surprise Royal

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wed.. Oct. 5. 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes. At the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 21 cwt.
Rita M. Webb.
Treble | D. JOHN Hunt
Mrs. Anthony Cox Brynley A. Shackleton. 6
7
Antmony E. Cox Donald E. Cobr 8
Reginald G. Hooper Patrick J. Bird
Composed by J. E. Groves. Francis C Mogieord Tehur Conducted by Reginalid G. Hooper.

* First peal of Stedman

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Thars.. Ocl. 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Mimules,

At the Cathedral. Church of Si. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5090 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .

| uriel Reay | - | Barrie Hendr |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George E. Fearn | 2 | Norman J. Goodman |
| Roderick W. Pipk | 3 | John McDonald |
| John Pinfold | 4 | John A. Anderson |

David J. Purnell
Composed by WM

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BADSEY. WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Jan. 18, 1960. in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL DF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parkers Twelve-Part
Douglas Botr
Harold E. Raxter
Joseph D. Johnson
Robert W. Cole obert W. Cole

Tenor 15 cwt

Conducted by
Treble

Colin B. Longmore

| Tenor 15 | cwt |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | 5 |
| $\cdots$ | 6 |
| $\cdots$ | 7 | Anthony J. Brazier John Moore

Rung with Conducted by Animony J. Brazier.
widely-respecled local whose funeral was this day.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Sun., Sem. 18, 1960 . in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Giles.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PI,AIN BOB TRIPLES

Hubbard's Ten-Part Tenor 6 cwt .3 qr .14 lb Helen M. Thackfr . Treble Richard G. Morris $\begin{array}{llll}\text { V. Roy Tallis .. } & . . & 2 & \text { Robert E. Tallis } \\ \text { Maurice C. Hughes }\end{array}$ Maurice C. Hughes .. 3 Roger E. Tallis Pameia M. Turni:r Conducted by Roger Tallis.

* First peal. First peal on the newly-augmented ring.

Rung to commemorate the dedication of the two new trebles earlier this day by the RI. Rev. Michael Parker. Bishop of Aston.

CHIPPING NORTON. OXON
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD On Sut., Sept. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes At the Church of Si. Mary-ihe-Virgin. A PEAL OF 5056 PLABN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cw
Eric J. Hirchins .. .. Treble Donald E. Cobs John R. Ketteringham... 2 Herbert W. Woolven Michael J. Hobbs
.. Brynley A. Shackleton Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted byld G. Hooptr . . Tellor * 25 th peal together. First as conductor Brynley A. Shackleton * 25 th peal together. First as conductor.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.
At The Church of St Ambrose.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F sharp.
Richard J. Bowden .. Treble| John H. Gilbert
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden
Mrs. A. E. Cox
*Reginald G. Hooper
Composed by S. J. Ivin.
*First pea! in the method. + First of Surprise inside." First of London on the bells.

## ILMINSTER. SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1940 , in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 22 cwt .3 qr. 9 lb .
Jack W. Drew .. .. Treble Frederick Welch
Walter h. Poole
Arthur H. Reed

| 2 |
| :--- |
| 3 |
| 4 |

*Raymond P. Selway ...
John T. LOCKE
Philip N. Tubas
eWilliam E. Turner ? Tenor 60 th peal together

Conducted by William E. Turner.

## LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At ihe church of The Hoiy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SCRPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt 3 qr .2 lb . in G .
Kathleen M. Higgins . Treble Ernest J. Munday
Anne C. Garnett
Alan e. Bagworth
Gillian A. Neal Smith
Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Ernest J. Munday
Stanley G. Ponting
Robin G. Leale. . William S. Deason. Conducted by Romin G. Leale.

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SAWLEY. DERBYSHIRE
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of Ail Saints.
A PEAL OF 5184 SAWLEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $9 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G .

| *John Harvey | Trehle | David |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mrs. Patricia halls | 2 | Rogier Balid |
| Gordon A. Halls. | 3 | James H. Pailing |
| Harold Taylor |  | Denis R. Carlisl |

 and Gordon A. Halls.
*First peal of Treble Bob. First in the method.
SEVENOAKS. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours. Ait the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwl .2 gr .2 lb . in Eflat.
Fkank 1. Hatrs Treble
*Paul J. Dye
Sheila M. Dobbie
William Rogers


Doris E. Colgate
Walter h. Dobbie.
Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Philip A. Corby.
*First peal in the method.
Rung on the 30th anniversary of a peal of Grandsire Triples by an all-local band.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { STRATTON CORNWALL }
\end{aligned}
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THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes. at the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .3 qr .16 lb . in E flat.
 Herbert C. Spencer
*W. Henry Trewin .. $\quad 3 \quad 4 \quad$ Robert C. Kippin $\quad$ Charles H. Kippin .... Tenor Composed by J. R. Priciciard. Conducted by Charles H. Kippin. *First peal of Major. For Harvest Thankgiving.

## WARWICK

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, at the Church of St. Nicolas
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Albert J. Pitman .. .. Treble Hubert G. Summers Ruth M. Border .. .. 2 John W. T. Taylor L. Michafl Callow. . . . 3 J. L. Garnfr-Hayward Peter Border

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { R. Garner-hayward } \\
& \text { Richard F. B. Speed }
\end{aligned}
$$

Tenor
Composed by Arihur Knighis. Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed. Rung as a farewell to Shirley Stroud, who has left the district to gor to London University.

Tenor $15 \frac{1}{f} \mathrm{cwt}$.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues.. Oct. 11. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
A PEAL OF SOE CHURCH YFF ST. THOMAS. Tenor 14 cwt . i qr .22 lb . in F .


Composed by A Knighis, Conducted by Basil Jones.
Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. Hibbert. of Chapel-en-le-Frith.

## RUNCORN. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF SHESCH PLAIN BOB MIAJOR Ienor 15 cwt.
Denis Maddock .....Treble Walter Allman
Phyllis Hagkey
Alan Dugdale
$\frac{2}{3}$ William E. Aelman
Harold Hayes Willam E. Al

$\qquad$
$\qquad$ Rung hy the Sunday servize hand for the ordination of John Orme, a member of the hand prior to his ordination, at Chester on September 25th.

OVERTON. HAMPSHIRE,
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. Os Wed.. Oct. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mimutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwl . 2 yr . in G .
 * First peal on eight bells.

## SAWLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Method: SB 1063 . $\times 58 \times 14 \times 56 \times 14 \times 38 \times 14 \times 38$. LH.B.
F.C.H.s: Maurice Hodgson Group, B4/4. N (F. 2/3).

N B $-2 / 3$ means ind lead plain course false with 3rd lead F.C

SHIRLEY. WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Wed., Oct. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Mimutes, At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Johnson's variation
Tenor 6 cwl 1 gr . 1 lb , in B
Edgar C. Shepherd.
Barrie Hendry.
Geoffri:y Davies
Charles A. S. Webb
Treble David J. Purnell.
3 Pettr D. Warren.
4 Geurge E: Fearn Conducted by George E. Flarn.

WILLESDEN. MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs.. Oct. 13. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5021 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Comprising 1.952 Bristol, 1,536 Bolton and 1.533 Peterborough, with 27 changes of method.
Alick Curler .. .. .. Treble | Dfnnis Knox ... .. .. ${ }_{5}$ Joan Berpseord . Thomas J Lock Claudia A. Crifichli:y .. 3 Alered J. House .. .. 4 Richarb F. B. Spbed .. Tellor Composed by Maurice Hodgson. Conducted by Richardy F. B. Speed.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE. LANCASHIRE.

[HE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oet. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwl . 3 yr. 11 lb . in E.
John Robinson .. .. Treble $\dagger \ddagger$ F. John Nelson
*Ronald J. Johnsion ... 2 tGiordon Rothwell
Neil Bennett
†John P. Partington -.
Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

* First peal of Surprise "inside. Conducted by Neil Bennett.

First in the method. +25 th peal. H.M. Forces.

BOLLINGTON. CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 chl .3 qr .6 lb.
Peter Lafitin
Treble Roland F. Eccles
John R. Gilden
Carol Fernley
Basil Jones

## EN

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Leslie Boumphrey Brian Harris Edward IENKINS ... Composed by T. B. Worsley Conducted by Basii Tenor Rung as a wedding compliment to Margaret Ciay and Edward Fytton Potts, who were married at this church prior to the peal.

## CRESWELL DERBYSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5088 OXHEY SURPRISE MAJOR Marion Archer. . . Treble Cyril
Elizabeth A. Wardill
Treble Cyril Rusby
Wardil ... $\frac{2}{3}$ Harold Taylor
Pat A. M. Halls .. .. 3 W. Eric Critchley
Gordon A. Halls $\quad$ Cashmore. Ian M. Holland
Conducted by Ian $\ddot{M}$.. Tenor First peal in the method by all, and for the Asseciation.

## DEBENHAM. SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minules. At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PFAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 c cwt.

| Percy W. Milis | Treble | Antrrw G. Beckwith |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marion H. Mills | 2 | John A. Warnir |
| Peitr L. Wood | 3 | Alan R. Sydir |

Peitr L. Wood. .
William J. Bution
Composed hy George H. Cross. Leslie G. Breti . . . Tenor Conducted by Leslie G. Breit. A birthday compliment to Mrs. W. J. Button.

## GREAT DUNMOW. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minures.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 MAULDEN SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwl .1 gr .6 lb.
Ernfest W. Pye.. .. ..Treble Edwin G. Buek.
G. William Critcmiey . 2 Colin A. S. Harwood

Claudia A. Critchley .. 3 J. Richard Castledine
Patricia M. Bourn .. .. 4 Jack S. Dear
Composed by $\delta$. W. Washbrook.
Conducted hy G William Critchley.
First peal in the method by all the band

## PERSHORE. WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sal. Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes
At the Abbey Church of SS Marv ant Findifrsa
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Jacqueline A. Roberts .. Treble K. Koger savory Michael G. Selby
Patrick I. Chapman
Martyn Hawkes
Composed by William Barton * First peal of Lincolnshire. ROLVENDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part
*Joan V. Garnfit Violet I. Rfilf Margaret A. Ladd 3 Thomas E Sone

Geoffrey J. Hemming
*Robert C. Kippin
Gerald C. Hemmino
Tenor

Tenor 26 cwt . in D .

Re THPLE
renor 16 cwt. in I sharp.
†John E. Warner
\#Ernest J. Ladd
William Button … 7

* First peal on eight bells. $\dagger$ First in the method. $\ddagger 75$ th tower for a peal.
Rung as a 92 nd birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Button, mother of the tenor ringer.

SOUTHPORT. LANCASHIRE<br>THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.<br>On Sat., Oct. 15. 196(), in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Martin Snape

* Kenneith Hesketh †Patricia Buss. Cyril Low
omposed by T. B WORSIEY

Tenor 12 cut
Treble | +Fred Pearson Thomas Hesketh Ronald Kenrick Joseph Ridyard Conducted by Josfer Ridyard.

* First peal † First of Cambridge on an inside thell

STAINES. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Mimutes.

At the Church of St. Petier

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's.
Dr. D. J. Neal Smith
Treble
Tenor 15 t cwt.
†Jerfmy D. Tomkinson
¿Malcolm G. Lane
+Edgar T. Skipsey
 D. Kenwyn Wal.ters David A. S. Hawkins Ronald I. Shepherd t. Tenor

Ronald H. Shepherd

* 25 th peal. $\dagger$ First peal. $\ddagger$ First on eight hells

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. R. W. Carter, who has now completed 21 years as Vicar of \$t. Peter's

## SIX BELL PEALS

## TAXAL. DERBYSHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven exients (tour callings).
*Giles B. Thompson .. Treble
Brian Schofield
Gordon Rumnfy
Edw Tenor 11 cwt. 23 Edward Shu
Perer Dal.e
John Robinson
Tenor
Conducted by John Robinson.

* First peal

LOCKING. SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, On Sat., Sep. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES Being 12 extents of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt Marjorie Legg Freda Phillifs Ann White

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Treble } 1 \text { Grorge Prescoti } \\
& \text { Keith Prime } \\
& \text { Olwen Quint (14) } \\
& \text { Conducted by Mariorie Legg. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Tenor

* First peal


## BUNWELL NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minures,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 MIINOR
Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob. Double Oxford and Plain Bob.
T. Charles Browne

Treble
2
Wilfred G. Saunders
John R. Smith
2 Frank C. J. Arnold
H. William Barrett -3 Cedric F. W. Phillippo.. Tenor Conducted by Cedric F. W. Phillifpo.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## SEAL CHART. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes
At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham, (3) Beverley and Surfleet. (4) Annable's London, (5) Norwich, (6) Ipswich and (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt . in G.
Bernard F. L. Groves. . Treble Ian H. Oram
*Trevor A. Cross

- $\quad . \quad 2$

JOHN R. COOPER
Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

* First peal in ten Surprise methods "inside.

KETTERINGHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minures. At the Church uf St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Boh and three of Plair, Bob.
William Clover

| .. | .. Treble | Percy Squires |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .. | .. | 2 | Raymond G. Lofty |
| $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | Peter Adcock... |

Conducted by Hengy Tookf.
Thomas E. Spight

* First peal of Minor: also a birthday compliment to him.

OXFORD. OXON.
THE OXFORD SOCIETY
On Fri., Oct. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr.
A PEAL OF 5040 SMITHFIELD DOUBLES
Being 42 plain courses.
Tenor $7+$ cwt. in $A$
John G. Pusey
*A. Raymond Crawfurd
C. R. Chad Coussmaker

Treble
3 Malcolm S. Clom
.. $\quad$. $\quad$ Tenor * First peal of Doubles. First peal in the principle.

Rung as an ordination compliment to the Rev. Dennis H. Leigh curate of Holy Trinity. Roehampton: and to the Rev. Norman J. Smith, curate of St. Paul's. Parkend with St. Peter. Clearwell, Glos. SAXTHORPE. NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Oct. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents
Tenor 2 cwt
John R. Smith
Treble
*S. Palli. Stearman

| reble | Deri:k W. Pardon |
| :--- | :--- |
| *Norman Wrigit |  |

Shirley M. Parsons
3 Gorman Wrigilit
. Tenor Conducted by John R. Smith.

* First peal : both are members of the local band

> SANDHURST. BERKSHIRE

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Oct. 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minties,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angel.s.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of London. Wells. York, Bourne. Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise. William J. Parker .. .. Treble Tenor $7 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr}, 20 \mathrm{lh}$. in A Edward J. Bragg William T. Beeson

Treble
2 Stanley G. Ponting

Conducted by Harold A. May.
First peal of seven Surprise Minor by all except the ringer of the third, and on the bells. 25th peal on the bells.

The Accumulated Experience of Four Generations is behind all our Clocks

BARKING. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., Oct. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOK

In seven methods, being 720 each of Double Court Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise. St. Clement's Bob, Oxford T.B., Plain

Bob and Kent T.B.

Robert E. Lester
*Raymond F. Taylor
. Treble
2
3

Hubert A. Mitson... $\quad . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Bernard W. Falrhead $\quad .$. Tenor

Urban W. Wildney.
Frank B. Lufkin

Tenor $11+\mathrm{cwt}$. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
*First peal in seven methods, and has now circled the tower to a peal.

## BRISTOL

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount Without, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

* Maurice B. Butterfield Treble

Dorothy M. Stafford .. 3 Royston Blackler .. .. Tenor
Conducted by John C. Baldwin.

* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to Royston Blackler on graduating from Bristol University in Mathematics with First Class Honours.

## BURBAGE, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE. THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Mimutes. At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Oxford and Kingston, (2) Oxford and Capel, (3) Oxford and London Scholars' Pleasure, (4) Oxford and Sandal. (5) College Exercise and Norbury, (6) College Exercise and Ockley, (7) College Exercise and Duke of Norfolk: 43 changes of method. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$ Gladys Richardson
*Alan G. Kirk (14). . . 2 Alex. Richardson .. .. 5 John R. Kennett .. .. 3 Henry Kirk .. .. . . Tenor

* First peal at first attempt.


## MISTLEY. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saf., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In nine methods, being seven 720 's, viz.: (1) Court Bob, (2) Double Court Boh, (3) Oxford Boh and St. Clement's. (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Double Oxford Boh. (6) Oxford and Kent T.B., (7) Pfain Bob. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
John Avis .. .. .. Treble | Bernard W. Falrhead .. 4
Witliam J. Brunt . . .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5
-Al.fred E. Honeywood... 3 Urban W. Wildney.. .. Tenor Conducted by Frank B. Luficin.

* Most methods to a peal.

MOUNTSORREL. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE EEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Syston District.)
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960. in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being one Pitman's 240 and 40 extents.
Tenor 8 cwt .27 lb . in A.
B. Stedman Payne. . . Treble Ernest F. Paynf .. .. 4 *J. Richard Perkins .. 2 Royston Wilmore .. .. 5 *Malcolm Barsby ... 3 James Mitchell .. .. Tenor Conducted by Royston Wilmore.

* First peal of Grandsire 'inside ' on tower bells.

Rung by members of the Syston District as an engagement. compliment to fellow-members Roger A. Brewin. of Rothley, and Miss Judy Kent, of Humberstone.

## HANDBELL PEAL

LONDON. E.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Mon.. Oct. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10: Minutes. at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES Tenor size 18 in G .
 John Chilcott .. .. .. 3-4 Alan J. Rogers .. .. 9-10 Michael V. Chilcott i. 5-6 Michael P. Moreton .. 11-12 Arranged and Conducted by John Chilcott. Umpire: Mr. James G. A. Prior.

## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

## HALF PEALS

CRANFURD, MIDDX.-On Sept. Ist, 2,559 Doubles in 17 methods: D. G. Pickett 1 and 6. C. B. Fynes (cond.) 2 and 3.
Morgan (first in 17 methods) 5.

OXFORD, OXON. On Ocr. Wht, at St . Mary Magdalenc's Church, 2,880 Minor (720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Singl: Oxford Bob): Sheila Camcron 1, C. R. C. Coussmaker 2, E. R. Venn 3, P. J, Wycherley 4, J. G. Pusey 5, M. S. Cloke (cond.) 6. Rung to welcome Rev. J. L. Houlden as Chaplain of Trinity College, and as an ordination complimen 10 Rev. Derek H. Cordell. curate of All Sainss with St. Andrew. Whitstable, Kent.
STUDLEY, WARWICKS.-On Sept. 29th, 3,072 Plain Bob Minor: T. H. Griffiths 1, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 2, M. 1. Hughes 3, J, W. Perkins 4, R, G Morris 5. R. E. Tallis (jun.) 6. Rune for the weddiny of Mr. T. Myatt 10 Miss V. Neal this day at
Packword. Pawd

ADVENT, CORNWALL.-()n OCl. 15th, 1,2601 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): $\mathbf{R}$. $\mathbf{A}$ Sourhwood 1. A. Burley 2. C. Taylor 3. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4. A. Carveth 5. To mark the conductor's completion of the ringables ' in Cornwall. AYLFSTONE, LEICS.-On Uct. Gth, 1,280 Yorkshire S. Major: S. Marie Davenport 1, Sandra E. Chesterton 2, Paricia A. Wardle 3. A. M. Lindsey P. Martin 5, T, 1. Roper 6, R. S. Morris 7, A 1. Poynor (eond.) 8. For Harvest Festival. Also on Ust. 8th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Christine Sedgley 1. S. Marie Davenport (first inside') 2, Sandra E. Chesterion (first as cond.) 3, A. J. Poynor 4, Parricia A. Wardle 5, R. S. Morris 6. P. Martin Roper 8. For Harvest Fextival Evensung.
BAGWORTH. SOMERSET. - On Oct. 1st, 1.260 Doubles (Sl. Simon's. Stedman, Plain Boh and Grandsire): G. Prescott (cond.) 1, Marjorie Lege 2, H. Hooper 3, K, Prime 4, S. Smith 5.

BANBURY, OXON.-On Oct. Yah, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: 1. M. Siretton 1. Miss D. Jameson 2, Miss Herbert 3. H. H. Alexander 4, Mrs. O. Gillett R. Bentley 6. J. Hankin 7, W. N. Genna (cond.) 8. H. Bishod 9. C. Herbert 10. First of Caters for all except 4 and 8 . Rung for Evensong. and as a compliment to Miss S. Herbert, who is leaving to ioin the W.R.N.S.
BRISTOL.-At St. Ambrose Church, quarter peals of Grandsire Triples were rung on Feb. 16th and Mar. Ist: Stedman Triples (half-muffied), on Good Friday: Double Norwich Court Bob Maior, on June 19th; St. Clement's Bob Minor, on Aus. 14th; Grandsire Doubles, on Sept. 25th. M. J. Hobbs' first as conductar; Erin Triples, on Sept. 25ih, to welcome the Rev. David Bentley. On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: M. 1. Hoskins 1, D. J. Hunt 2, Miss G. M. Hussey 3. M. J. Hobbs 4. B. A. Shackleton 5, R G. Houper (cond.) 6. A. C. Baker 7. N. J Herkins 8 . First in methud by all the band, for Ringers' Sunday. Also on Oct. 9th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: D, 1. Hunt 1. M. J. Hobbs 2. F. 1. Sampson 3. A. C. Baker 4, V. J. Williams 5, R. G. Hooper 6. B. A. Shackleton (cond.) 7. V. E, Lucas 8. A
farewell to the Rev, H. Penireath. who is leaving for Leatherhead.
BURNHAM, BUCKS.-On ()ct. 8th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Iennifer Sceeny (first of Triples) 1 C. C. Clarke 2. Mary R. Jaycock 3. J. Young 4. G. W. Limmer 5. R. E. Dean 6. H. Oalesby (cond) 7. B. May 8. Rung half-muffed in memoriam George Gilbert, for 28 years' Ringing Master of this tower.
BURSTOW, SURREY. On Oct. 13 th . 1.260 Doubles (Canterbury. Grandsire and Plain Bob): $\mathbf{G}$ Charlon 1, T. Padbury 2. P. M. Boorer 3. W. F. Slaughter 4. A. I. Bull (cond.) 5. H. H. Padbury 6. Rung in celehration of the sitver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson.
BRISTOL.-On Oct. 16th, at the Church of St. Michacl-on-the-Mount Withour, 1.2611 Plain Boh Minor: Judi White (firsi of Minor) 1. Dorothy M. Stafford 2, Jennifer M. Gambling 3. C. T-Biscue (first quarier) 4, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 5, R. Blackler 6. By the U.B.S.C.R. for Evensong.

CHATHAM. KENT. On Oct. 15th. 1.260 Grand sire Trintes D. Norris 1. Elizabeth Whanon (firs inside ${ }^{\text {e }}$ of Triples) 2. 3. Sellers (first of Triplea inside ') 3. W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 4, C. J. Gould A. Wrigley 6. C. E. J. Norris 7. R. E. Norris 8. CHISLEDON, WILTS.-On Ocr. 2nd. 1,260 Doubles (All Sains'. Plain Bub and Grandsire): Mrs Love 1. C. Wilkins 2. S. Miller 3. A. Pocock 4 F. G. Cook 5. A. Woodward 6. First quarter 3 and 6. Joint conductors 4 and 5. For Harvest Festival. COOMBE BISSETT, WILTS.-On Oct. 16th. 1.440 Cambridge Surprive Minor: B. J. Lawes 1, E. Hayes 2. D. Randal! 3. R. Haynes 4, A. Haynes 5, R. N Mariow (cond) 6

## QUARTER PEALS

CRAYFORD, KENT.-On Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): K. May 1, E. A sire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): K. May 1, E. A.
Barnett (cond.) 2. P. G. Richards 3, Miss M. Andrews 4, W. J. Lemon 5, K. Manthorpe 6, W. E Bund 7. Miss J. Barnett 8. First quarter for 1 and 6. Rung half-muffied in memory of the Rev. R. A Agg. Rector and father of three members of the local band
CRESWELL, DERBYS.-On Ocr. 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: A. Richardson 1, Linda Jones (first inside ') 2, 1. Richardson 3, L. Barlow 4, Mary Barlow 5, D. Smedley 6, P. Richardson 7, G Chambers (cond.) 8. For children's Harvest Thanks giving service.
CROMER, NORFOLK.-On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gloria Lamonte 1. Cyril Pooley 2, G. R Drew (cond.) 3, W. Holdom 4, G. Latter 5, A Twyman 6. Rung to welcome the new Vicar.
EALING, MIDDX.-At St. Mary's Church, on Oct. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Tomsett 1 , A. H. Fulwell 2, A. M. Stacey 3, Squire Croft A F. Bishop 5, D. Theedom 6, W. G. Wilsin (cond.) 7, M. Gathercole 8. For morning service.
EASTON MAUDIT, NORTHANTS,-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure): S. G. Silsby 1, R. Line (cond.) 2 F. W. Curis (first quarter) 3, N. Line 4, E. Smar

For Harvest Thankssiving.
EDENBRIDGE, KENT.-On Oct. $1 \mathrm{st}, 1,260$ Grandire Triples: E. C. F. Rogers 1, B. E. Jeffrey 2 E C. Leigh 3, D. E. Leigh 4, J. E. Warner (first ${ }^{111}$ the method) S. E J. Jenner (cond.) 6. S. Jenner 7. 1. Fox 8. For Harvest Festival

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B. M. W. Dobbie 1. L Hamituonsmith 2, J. F. Alkins 3. T. R. Russell 4 N. Lindon (cond.) 5, C. Anderson 6. First quarter for 2 and 6.
GAYWOOD. NORFOLK.-On Oct, 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: W. W. Shipp 3, W. J. Wonds (first quarter) 2. R. Shipp 3. Mirsam Higdon 4. C. F Tovell 5. E. A. Shipp (cond.) 6. For the Patronal

HEREFORD.-AI All Sains Church,
30th. 1260 Grandsire Triples: M Mun, on Sept 30th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. Munn 1. G. T.
Cousins 2. Miss R. Jarret
3, Miss A. M. Gladwell 4. F. Read 5, A. T. Wingare 6, A. W. Davis (cond.) 7. W. Gituins 8. Fur the Parish Mission Week.
HOLYWELL. HUNTS,-On Sedr. 18th, 1.272 Plain Bob Minor: W. Papworth 1, M. J. Thurmutt (cond.) 2. Mrs. M. J. Thurmott (first quarter) 3, D. Papworth 4. L. Cowley 5, W. Ransome 6. A birthday compliment io John and Mark, sons of the ringers of 2 and 3.
LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.-On Sed. Irth, 1.344 Cambridge Surprise Maior: Tessa P. Kemp (first of Surprise) 1, G. Marriner 2, G. P. I. Peters 3, B. Hawkins 4. W. F. Oatway 5. A. Harman 6, R Davies 7. B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 8. For Evensong. and to mark the birth of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Wood, of Leatherhead

LEWKNOR, OXON.-On Sept. $30 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. Webb 1. J. Godman (cond.) 2. F. Gudden 3. R. Tuckwell 4. W. Fulker 5. W. Collins 6. A welcome to the Rev. I. C Courtney. on the occasion of his induction to this living
LLANDAFF, GLAM. - On Oct. 2nd, at the Cathedral. 1.344 Plain Bob Major: H. Everett 1, M. Day 2. N. Simon (first quarter) 3, P. Weich (first of Maior) 4. A. Smith 5. R. Hughes 6. G. J. Bret1-Stickland 7. B. Taylor (first of Major as cond.) 8. For Horvest Festival.

NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On Oct, 18th, 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: M. T. Owen (first quarter) 1 L. Derrick (cand.) 2. Olwen Quint (firss -inside') 3 Mrs, R. Quint 4. Mary Powell 5, H. Hardwidge 6. NITHERBURY. DORSET. On Oct. 15th. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Davis (first quarter) I

Barrets 2. Mrs. E. G. Pannell (first as cond.)
A. Pannell 4. J. Davis 5, W. P. Lewis 6. For E. A. Pannell 4. J. Davis 5, W. P. Lewis 6. For the induction and institution of the $R$
Edmundson. Vicar of Melplash. this day.
PRITTLEWELL, EESEX.-On Sept. 27th. 1.344 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. B. Sadler 1. D. E. Belcham 2. Miss 1. Rowe 3. B. Sadler 4, J. Belcham 5, M. Hallet 6. P. Sadler (cund.) 7. P. Sloman 8. For the institution and induction of the Vicar, Canon
Stanley, A.K.C
RANMORE, SURREY,-On Oct. 8th. 1.264 Plain Bub Malor: Miss P. Collim (first of Majur) 1, Miss C. Rimmer 2, C. Hayter 3. Mts. C. Harbott 4, E. G. L. Coward 5, S. Huctle 6, M. Harboti 7, G. Penney (cond.) 8 .

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.-On Sept. 24th, i,140 Doublea (Citandsire, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bub): S. Hardy 1, F. Gorringe 2, R. Beard 3. P. G. Braund (cond.) 4. P. G. Wheller 5, A. Trigg (first quarter) 6. For Harvest Festival.
ST. NEOTS, HUNTS. On Sept. $17 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Bub Triples: R. F. Baker 1. Kathleen Rivett 2, Lucy Allen 3. F. W. Lack 4. F. Rivent 5. J. H. Bluff B. D. P. Jones (cond.) 7, D. Eames (15, first quarter on eight) \&.
SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.-On Uct, 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Eastman 1, Margaret A. Naylor (first quarter) 2, 1. Grensted 3. J. E. Clark (first quarter inside') 4, G. A. Naylor (cund.) 5. E. C. Barton 6, S. B. Dobbie 7, W. Hollands 8. For he Patronal Festival
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,296 Grandsire Carers: Valerie Hoby 1, J. K. Ward 2, Linda . Kew 3, W. Birmingham 4, Pamela M Jervis 5. D. K. Ward 6, E. S. T. Farr 7, A. D. Rivers 8, D. K. Walters (first of Caters as cond.) 9, F. R. Scott III. For dedication festival festal Evensong.

SWAVESEY, CAMRS.-On Oct. Yth, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Cawser 1, C. Bell 2, H. S. Peacuck 3. A. W. Payne 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5. First of Doubles 1 and 2. For Harvest Festival.
SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.-On (0ct. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Letliott (first quarter ) 1. Miss 1. Elphick 2, Mri. M. Elphick 3, G. P Elphick 4, H. S. Jamen 5. R. W. E. Dawe (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band. A complimett to Mr. Ernest H. Fuller on his 19th birthday
STANWELL, MIDDX.-On Aug, $21 \mathrm{st}, 1.260$ Minor and Doubles ( 720 Cambriage and 540 Bob Doubles): K Young 1, F. Blagrove 2-3, D. Murgan 4, D. Pickett 5, C. Fynes 6. Conductors: F. Blagrove and C. Fynes. Also on Sept. 18th, 1.296 Cambridge Minor: D. Picketl 1, C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3. Miss M. Gibson 4, C. Burgess 5, M. Lane 6. For Evensung.
TONBRIDGE, KENT.-On Oct. yth, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Phyllida Spring 1. Sheila M. Dobbie 2. I. Medhurst 3, C. Hancock 4. S. A. White S,

Rogers 6, W. H. Dubbic (cond.) 7, R. Luckhurst For Harvest Festival
TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.-On Cct. Ist, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Cox (fiest, on treble) 1, A. F. Lee (cond.) 2. Pai A. Bur 3. J. J. Jefferics 4,
T. 1. Milsom 5. D. F. Jefferies 6, For the Parronal
WANTAGE, BERKS.-On Uct, 9th, 1.260 Grand
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sire Triples: 1. Stoter 1, K. Leach (cond,) 2, J. White 3, H. V. Booker 4, A. E. Futlbrook 5, D. Stoter 6, A. R. Wuod 7, H. White 8. For Harvest Festival
WARBOROUGH, OXON. On Oct. 9th. 1,260 Plain Hob Tribles: Susan Howes (first quarter) 1, Helen Butler 2. G. Mclthone 3, V. Fox (first quarter side') 4, Margares Thewlis 5, A. Howes 6, F. Absolom (cond.) 7, R. Cobb \&. Rung for Percy Wilson's 50th anniversary of his appuintment as organist. and also for Harvest Featival.
WARSOP. NOTTS. - On Oei, 2nd. 1,44U London Surprise Minor: D. H. Rooke 1, M. Foster 2. G. Chailans 3. F. Flint 4, J. T. Rooke (cond.) 5. H. Ronke 6. For Harvest Festival
WATFORD, HERTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: Celia M. Axton 1, Rosemary S. Hawkes Mary G. Bartholomew 3. Jennifer M. Bunyan (firsi quarier) 4. R. D. Bell S. S. F. Dolley (first of Royal) 6. B. B Hullah 7, R. G. Smith 8, R. G. Bell 9. G. W. Scaman (cond.) 10 . Firsi on 10 bells or 1, 3, 5, 7. For Harvest Festival
WEMBDON. SOMERSET. On Oct. 7h. 1,260 Reverse Camerbury Pleasure: G. Duckham 1. Freda Phillios (first in method inside ) 2. H. Pople (first in method) 3. K. Prime 4. F. Sweet (cond.) 5. A. Kent (firse in method) 6. A Bridgwater Branch quarter. WENDOVER. BUCKS.-On Ocr. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Floyd 1. A. Hammond 2. B. Evans . Miss S. Howard 4, W. Lee (cond.) 5, M. Bevan 6. For Harvest Festiva
KENTWORTH. YORES. - On Oct. 7th, 1,320 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob): Rev, Canon A. King 1, A. King 2, M. King 3. T. Randall 4. M. R. Meadowa (cond.) 5 Reaumont 6. Firse quater in 3 methods for 1 and 2.
Whirtlebury, NORTHANTS.-On Sept. 24ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. E. Roberts (cond.) 1. D. Burbidge 2, G. Linnell 3, D. R. Truman 4.
C. E. Truman 5. For the wedding of Nola Bennetr and Thomas Wright. Also on Oct. 3rd. 1.260 Doubles (six methods): C. E. Truman 1, D. Burbidge 2, G. Linnell 3, J. Linnell 4. W. A. Yates (cond.) 5
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Short recordings of the bells of Evercreech Parish Church have. for some time. been

## BELFRY

 broadcast regularly, at about 8.50 a.m., just before the Light Programme opens on Sundays at 8.55 with the weather report. A few minutes from one of a series of five peals is broadcast each Sunday in rotation. Last Sunday. part of a peal of Grandsire Caters was heard. Following comes Stedman Caters Stedman Triples, Double Court Minor and Double Norwich Court Bob Major.Miss Jacqueline A. Roberts is the first lady to ring a peal at Pershore Abbey.
Beaminster. Dorset. ringers are busy making calendars in aid of the restoration of their bells.

Miss Sandra E. Chesterton, who is only 15, has conducted her first quarter peal at Aylestone. Leicestershire. A pupil of Mr . Russell S. Morris, she has been ringing just over three years and has rung 20 peals.
The band in the peal at Rolvenden. Kent, on October 15 th , would like to congratulate Mr. William Button, the tenor ringer, who came over the border from Sussex. to complete the circle' of this tower after a lapse of 25 years. The peal was rung as a 92 nd birthday compliment to his mother.
We regret to learn that Mr. R. L. Piron, honorary secretary of the Bedford District. is in the Allen Daley Ward. St. Charles' Hospital. Ladbroke Grove, W. 10 . He expects to be in hospital for a few weeks.

Mr. G. Dodd wishes to thank all incumbents and tower captains for the use of their bells for the record attempt to ring five Surprise peals in a day, especially those who allowed the bells to be rung in the early hours of the morning.

An unexpected and welcome visitor to the recent joint Kent/Surrey meeting, at West Wickham, was Mrs. Barbara Van Asselt (nee Mitchell). on holiday from Bahrain, and staying with her parents in Penge. Mrs, Van Asselt began ringing at West Wickham, and on removal to London rang many peals with the Willesden band before her profession took he: to Bahrain.

An Erin epidemic is at
GOSSIP present raging at Stafford, but xperienced - Touches on touches has been both Triples and Caters in this delightful but sadly neglected method will be much appreciated by Robert J. Warrilow. 197, Tixall Road, Stafford.

The peal rung at Purleigh on October 1st (page 685). was for the Essex Association.
The peal of London Royal at Birmingham Cathedral, on October 13th, was Mr. John Pinfold's 800 th peal. Congratulations.
In the list of peals of the late Mr. George Gilbert. the 9.600 should read Double Dublin Surprise and not as printed (see page 693).
Mr. D. E. Griffin writes that the peal at Oxendon. Leicestershire, rung on September 24th. was the 11 th on the bells. The 10 th was rung on May 7th, 1960.
To the list of peals rung on Windsor Castle bells, reported in our last issue. should be added one rung on February 19th this year for the birth of Prince Andrew.

Mr. Patrick Cannon informs us that the proposed attempt for 40,320 Plain Bob Major at Loughborough is postponed until the New Year. There is, however, notice in this issue of an attempt on November 4th, at Over, by Mr. John Worth's band. The best of luck!

The peal at St. John's. Cardiff, on October 6th. was rung to mark the unique association Mr. G. F. Mitchell has had with this church. Here he was christened in 1881, confirmed in 1896 and married in 1909. As a youth he chimed the curfew and he has served the church as a sidesman for over 40 years.

The Snowdon Dinner at Rotherham. last Saturday. was a big success with an attendance of over 150 . The speeches were interesting. witty and, at times, provocative: the tune ringing of the Esclesfield Handbell Ringers reached a height of brilliance unheard of previously by most of the company. There was only one regret. Mr. John Gilbert, the joint organiser with Mr. Norman Chaddock, was through a heart attack unable to be present.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## ATTEMPT AT RECORD LENGTH OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Dear Sir-It is proposed to attempt to ring the record length of 40.320 changes of Plain Bob Major at Over. Cheshire. starting at 10 p.m. on Friday, November 4th.-Yours faithfully,

JOHN WORTH.
Macclesfield.
THE COMPOSITION
40,320 PLAIN BOB MAJOR


Omit $S$ at $M$ in 1st course in all except 7th Bob for $S \mathrm{~W}$ in 1st course in 1st. 4th. 7th. 10th parts.

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| 24365 | 24356 |
| 32465 | 32456 |
| 42365 | 42356 |
| 34265 | 34256 |
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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION <br> Canterbury District

A good attendance of 120 ringers, representing 27 towers, was recorded at the annual District meeting of the Canterbury District at St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, on October 8th. Four towers were available in the afternoon and the Cathedral in the evening.
The Rev. A. L. Lawler conducted the service at Si. Dunstan's, and the collection of nearly $£ 3$ was donated to the Belfry Fund of the church. Ringers supplemented the choir; Mr. Basil Milner was the organist.
The business meeting in the Parish Hall was presided over by Mr. J. A. Russell. The han. secretary laid emphasis on the decline in memhership; this, however, was soon reversed during the election of 28 new members. Service collections taken throughout the year amounted to $£ 1317 \mathrm{~s}$. $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. . with the exception of $£ 2$. which was donated to the County Benevolent Fund; the remainder went to church funds. Financially the District was better off. The motion for acceptance of these reports was carried unanimously.

All officers of the District were returned on nomination.

The Ringing Master's report was received with enthusiasm. Although Mr. D. A. Chapman criticised the striking, definite progress had been made in the District with two first peals on the bells and seven first peals by members. Surprise methods were more evident in the peal columns and District peals had exceeded last year's total of 15 , with two months of peal weather to explore. Chislet (6), Thanington (5) and Eastry (5) were now in union. The 100th pela on Si. Stephen's bells was successfully brought round, and this commemorated the retirement of the Rev. A. Barnes after 24 years as rector.

Mr. B. J. Luck (vice-president) thanked the clergy of Canterbury for the use of the bells. also the organist and the ladies for providing the tea.

## THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION

The Southern Branch held a meeting at New Buckenham on October 8th. Unfortunately a wet afternoon rather spoilt the attendance, but good use was made of the bells by those present. The service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. H. Whitwham). Dr. P. Jonason presided over the business meeting, supported by Mr. W. G. Saunders (Ringing Master) and Mr. C. F. Phillippo (Branch secretary). It was decided to hold the annual meeting of the Branch at Bunwell on February 4th.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 44


to ring peals in advanced methods. He is proud of the fact that never, during all this time, was a peal lost through a broken rope. He was content to be considered ninth man, but was always willing to stand in where necessary.

Born at Monmouth (England) in 1885, where his father conducted the first true peal in the county in 1886, he moved with his family to Crayford in 1889, and taught himself to ring at bell there. When he was 10 years old the hand was re-formed, and he was roped in as one of the band. His first peal was rung in 1899 when he was 14 years old. Throughout his life he has served the church at Crayford, having been a ringer for 65 years and chorister for 35 years. He has served on the Parish Church Council and is now a sidesman.

His peals total is 591 . of which he has conducted 17. These latter have been either Stedman Triples or Double Norwich. In addition he has taken part in three non-conducted peals -Cambridge, Superlative and Double Norwich. His first peal of Double Norwich was rung at Erith 60 years ago, conducted by Wm. Pye, with whom he rang many peals in later years, as he also did with Frank Bennett when he resided in London.
Some of his peals are of outstanding interest, such as 16 peals from Grandsire to London. rung with three generations of his family; his first of Cambridge Maximus at Canterbury, when someone turned out the light and the last three courses were rung practically in the dark: the 500th peal at Crayford, which he conducted : a peal at Monmouth on the 70th anniversary of the first true peal conducted by his father: and the recent Kent veterans' peal at West Malling. Although he did not take up handbell ringing until he was 50 years of age. he has since rung 52 peals on 8 to 12 bells. one of which was a 6,240 of Double Norwich.
Edwin Barnett possesses a remarkably retentive memory, evidence of which are his very useful contributions in the columns of this paper on many matters.

His service to the Kent County Association as District representative and committee man will always be remembered with gratitude, but his service to the Exercise, in providing them with such an efficient secretary to the Central Council, will be remembered even longer.

JAFUS.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at Aston on October 1st, when welcome visitors attended from Worcestershire and Shropshire.

Before commencing the ordinary business the Master (Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd) referred 10 the passing of Morris J. Morris. Mr. Morris was a very old member of the Guild and had taken part in some notable performances, including the peal of Stedman Sextuples rung on handbells. A minute's silence was observed as a tribute to his memory.

The following ringers were elected as resident members: Mr. and Mrs, D. J. Atherley (Aston). Peter D. Warren (Solihull), Barrie Hendry (Edgbaston) and Roger J. Gay (King's Norton). The tower elections, as life members. of the following were ratified: George $E$. Evendon (Malvern), Mrs. Avril Ivin (Houghton Conquest). Brian Harris and Basil Jones (Stockport), Bernard F. L. Groves (Maidstone), William H. Dowse, Frank Osbaldiston and Robert B. Smith (Marple), Dennis Mottershead (Wilmslow). A. Robin Heppenstall (Gainshorough) and David T. Darby (Leicester).

The meeting formally decided to hold the Henry Johnson commemoration dinner on March 4th. 1961, and the secretary was authorised to invite the usual guests.

A notice of motion was placed before the meeting that a proposition would be made at the annual meeting that the annual subscription be raised to 5 s . It was decided to hold the annual meeting in the city on January 7 th.

On behalf of the members the Master expressed thanks to the Aston ringers for their work in making secure the tombstone of Henry Johnson.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

The annual meeting of the Penzance Branch was held at Ludgvan on October 8th, when about 70 turned up on an afternoon when the rain came down in torrents. In fact one way out of the parish was flooded when some set out for home. This did not detract from the pleasure of ringing on the pleasant six bells. which were recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co. about two years ago.

The service was conducted by the Rector (Canon R. de C. Murley) who. in his address of encouragement and welcome, referred to the fact that it was the Guild's third visit to Ludgvan during his incumbency. He remembered that on the second occasion he was ill. but he was thankful to be quite well again. and hoped to go on for a few years yet. The Rev. A. S. Roberts (Branch secretary) read the lesson. Other clergy present were the Revs. P. S. Gagg (Lelant), A. J. Vincent (Kenwyn) and G. Ruming (curate. St. Mary's, Penzance). Mr.. D. Burnett (Diocesan Ringing Master) was also present. A collection for the Branch Fund amounted to $£ 211 \mathrm{~s}$.
After a splendid tea, the meeting voted Mr. H. Miles to the chair in the absence of the Branch chairman (Miss Eileen Symons). The secretary (Rev. A. S. Roberts) reported a halance in hand at the end of 1959 of $£ 348 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d .. and the meeting endorsed his action in sending $亡 2 \mathrm{2s}$. 10 Madron towards the recasting of the cracked seventh hell. The officers, with Mr W. Wood (Gulval) as auditor, were re-elected. Gwincar, with the bells of Phillack and Lelant was chosen for the spring festival. Mr. H. Miles proposed a vote of thanks to Canon Murley, the local ringers and the lady helpers. Ringing continued in the evening.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK
(Continued from page 641)
SALLY. The thick, soft part, approximately three feet long, which is woven into the bell rope and which hangs at about eye level, is known as the sally. Without her we ringers would not know what to do! The sally is usually of one, two or three colours, its threads being interwoven with the strands of the rope and giving the effect of spiral colour bands. The derivation of sally is not known. But remember, she likes being caught hold of quite firmly with both hands nearly touching each other.

SCISSORS DODGE.-This is a term restricted to double-handed handbell ringing because it concerns two bells in one pair of hands. although the work of the bells is, of course. similar to those in the tower. We will assume you are ringing 3-4 to a course of Plain Bob Major and that you have reached the third lead-end. The third bell has hunted from the back and will be dodging in 5-6 down, whilst the fourth has hunted from the lead and will be dodging in 7.8 up. The process of crossing the bells during coursing and dodging in adjacent positions (or vice-versa), necessitating as you will see striking the bells in successive positions (6-7) at one stroke and then in positions with two other bells in between ( $5-8$ ). the whole being repeated, has, I hope you will see, a scissors-like effect. There are several forms of: scissors dodge and in addition to Plain Bob. they occur in Double Norwich Court Bob. Kent Treble Bob and London Surprise. The essential condition of a scissors dodge is that the two bells concerned must be coursing in opposite directions.

SHORT COURSE.-This is a touch where a course end is reached in less number of changes than is contained in a plain course of the method rung. You need only look in a text book or diary which gives a selection of touches in different methods to see the several ways in which it can be done. A short course cannot allow any one of the bells to do all the work of the method.

SINGLE.-You have already been intro duced to the ferm Single, and as with the term Bob, I will give a few figures at a lead-end to illustrate the effect of this call. Using six bells-

|  | Plain lead | Boblead |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 315264 | 315264 |  |
| lead-en | 132546 | 132546 | hand stroke |
|  | 135 | 13256 | back stroke |

By using one more Single (iwo in all) at the proper time, the number of true changes in a 6 -bell plain method will be extended from (6) to 120 . But why only two Singles when it was previously mentioned three Bobs? Because just two bells (the second and the fifth in the above illustration) change places at a Single. so the second Single would put them hack in their plain course order, whereas three bells the second, third and fifth in the illustration under Second, third and fifth in the illustration under Single in Plain Bob is to cause one bell to make thirds place and another to make fourths place, instead of dodging in 3-4 had it been a plain lead, and which means that the order of striking at the lead-end, as you will see from above, is 132564 and not 135264

SIX.-A six merely means a block of six changes, which need not begin or end in rounds. As there are no recognised methods on three bells, a six can appear only in a Principle -Stedman being the most popular. And in this particular Principle the ringing is nearly
always commenced in the middle of a sixpresumably to make things easier and not more difficult!
SLOW BELL.-A slow bell in Stedman's Principle is one that having completed its double dodge in $4-5$ down commences a slow six by hunting down to lead, striking two blows in thirds-otherwise making thirds place-on its way. It then leads one whole pull, strikes one blow in seconds and returns to lead one more whole pull (collectively known as first whole turn). At this point the quick bell, previously referred to, takes the slow bell from lead. A slow bell in Kent and Oxford Treble Bob is one that, having dodged in $1-2$ with the treble. consecatively leads and makes seconds place until the treble returns.

SPLICED.-Spliced ringing is the term used when there is more than one method rung in a touch. Spliced Minor ringing was introduced about 50 years ago, but even twenty years later there were only one or two bands in the whole country who were not other than really struggling hard with Spliced Maior. In fact. Spliced ringing was viewed with apprehension by many ringers for a number of years, and opportunities to ring it were very limited. Nowadays there are occasional reports of Spliced ringing on any number of hells from six to 12 , but a different approach is necessary for splicing and ringing Minor methods compared with splicing und ringing on a greater number of bells. Basically, spliced ringing is ringing one method up to the lead-end when. for the next lead. another method is rung, and so on, although it must be mentioned that changes of method do not occur at every lead-end.
SPLICING.-The splicing of a rope is usually given to the handyman of the helfry. It is not a complicated work of art that need be restricted to the few, but some people can make a really neat job of a splice. One could say that it requires a certain amount of patience, application and skill. Splicing is the operation of joining two ends by means of neatly " marrying the several strands of the two ropes together in the identical way the ropes were made. There is, generally, in use the short splice and the long splice. Quite recently a series of articles on the splicing of bell-ropes appeared in the 'Ringers' Magazine.

STRIKING.-Bad striking of the bells is a justifiable cause for complaint on the part of the listening public, and I should think it is the reason for more shudders to run down the hacks of other ringers than anything else. The music of the hells simply cannot be produced if there is any bad striking. And good striking, in itself, is simple to attain. Of course, it needs much practice and concentration, and one could admit that some hells are particularly difficult to strike properly, but it can be done. There is no doubt that after bell control you. as a beginner. must concentrate on the striking of your bell. I would suggest that your progress, with particular reference to striking. can best pass through the following stages: Rounds. call-changes, plain hunting plain methods (being the easier and straightforward). Treble Bob and Surprise. including the more difficult plain methods. Moreover. I have no doubt that long touches are better than short louches, quarter peals are better than long touches and peals are more beneficial than quarter peals. I hope you will always remember the maxim that rounds struck well is much more preferable to any Surprise ringing struck badly.

SURPRISE METHOD - This class of method is the one in which the treble bell his a treble bob hunt and an internal place made a treble bob hunt and an internal place
at every cross-section in the half lead.

## OBITUARY <br> MR. GEORGE GILBERT APPRECIATIONS

As one of the 91 of the ringers whose first peal was called by the late George Gilbert may I pay tribute to a great ringer.

This peal took place at St. Michael's. Basingstoke. in 1924. when he was attached to the R.E.'s, as C.Q.M.S. That year the autumn manceuvres took place on Basingstoke Common, and the ringers at Basingstoke received much assistance from him, during his stay there.

George Gilbert would probably forgive anyone for making a mistake, but bad striking he would not tolerate under any circumstances.

In the belfry, a sergeant major at times. perhaps, but outside he was of a most kindly disposition.

Headington, Oxford
H. BADGER.

It was our practice night at St. John's. Devizes. Wilts, just after the 1914-18 war. when into the belfry came a very smart warrant officer of the R.E. That was my first meeting with George Gilbert; he helped us with Grandsire and Stedman Triples and we youngsters were greatly impressed. Ten years elapsed and the writer found himself at Chalfont and a near neighbour of George.
The able pen of 'Paludian' has told the Exercise of George's great achievements at Burnham. I would like to tell of his visits in 1959 to our Chalfont practices and the great help he gave to my young band. He continued to visit us after his fall. and it was obvious to all he was a sick man. Came the New Year and George continued to ring and arrange peals. On February 13 th I met him in Burnhım. leaning heavily on his stick. he told me he was under doctor's orders to have his feet up. but would feel better with his feet under the tenor rope. I believe this peal attempt was his last (Oxford Treble Boh Major): the attempt failed after 2 hours 40 minutes of good ringing. Just before the end George said. What lovely music, are you all listening? Let us all continue the music. it would be his wish. Goodbye. George.
E. G. SWIFT, B. R. MASTERS.

## MR. HARRY HOLGATE.

The St. Margaret's Society. Barking. has been deprived of a very good friend by the udden death, on October 2nd, of Mr. Harry Holgate. aged 78 years
Harry learnt to handle a bell at Romford. Essex. prior to 1913 and used to ring there with the Pye brothers. but he never got beyond ringing the tenor behind, which he did with competence.
Owing to business commitments (Harry was a wheelwright by trade) he moved to Barking after 1913 and joined the local company. Sunday by Suaday he took his place on the tenor until ill-health necessitated his resignation prior to the second world war. A quarter peal was rung. on Octoher 9th. to his memory.
A. W. B.

## MR. JAMES PARKER

We regre, to record the death. last Saturday, of Mr. James Parker, at the home of his daughter. Mrs. G. W. Fietcher. The White House. Caister-on-Sea. Norfolk, aged 94 years. A great ringer and composer in his day. Mr. Parker was a member of the Central Council. representing the Sussex County Association from $1894-96$ and the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths from 1897-99 and again from 1906-47

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## SMOKING IN THE BELFRY

Dear Sir-Mr. T. C. Belton has visited a tower where they smoke, and asks if anyone else has come across smoking in the belfry. I have seen it many times but not so much in recent years. There are three or four callchange lowers within seven miles of here where smoking still occurs on practice nights.

Some 12 years ago I was on a ringers* outing to South Shropshire, and at one tower we noticed ashtrays provided for the ringers. When, however, I went there with a peal band last year, 1 did not notice any, so they may have been taken away.
well remember at a tower close to home there used to be an enamel spittoon, because some of the old ringers used to "chew.' This was taken away many years ago.
Towards the end of 1914 I cycled over to a 4 -bell tower one Sunday morning for a ring. They kindly allowed me to ring the tenor to 20 minutes of rounds, during which time the captain rang the treble with his hat on and his pipe in his mouth!-Yours sincerely,

## E. V. RODENHURST.

Whitchurch, Salop.
Dear Sir,-Reading Mr. Belton's 'Points from Letters (page 691), he asks if any other vingers have experienced smoking in belfries. Whilst my wife and I were on holiday in North Devon last year, we were most fortunate to meet a local call-change ringer, who arranged much 'local style * ringing for us. During our conversations this subject was mentioned, and when we were ringing at St . James: Arlington, we actually experienced this.
The ringers had kindly agreed to stay on after the service to allow us the pleasure of ringing. Directly on reaching the belfry after the service, the "locals" proceeded to roll and light their cigarettes: when all had enjoyed the ir fill, ringing commenced. We came across this hahit in other towers while on our visit, hut which ones I cannot now remember.

We spent our holiday again this year in North Devon, and I remember quite well the ringers 'lighting up' in the helfry on completion of ringing for Evensong at North Molton. I believe 1 m correct in saying that such practices are not uncommon in lowers in North Devon.-Yours faithfully.

## DONALD R. BARTHOLOMEW.

## Watford. Herts.

## PEALS OF MINIMUS AND 4-BELL TOWERS

Dear Sir.-I fail to see what it matters, or What it has to do with those who don't want to ring peals of Minimus themselves, whether others do or do not. After all. ringing is a free thing. and none of us gets paid for ringing peals, so why all the fuss? It is a dog-in-themanger spirit to dictate and say because they don't want to ring Minimus no one else shall! Is it not better to give encouragement to 4 bell ringers and 4 -bell towers rather than to discourage them? Encouragement may one day start a scheme for adding a fifth or a sixth bell. The closed shop principle will never achieve that, nor will the looking upon Guilds as "trade unions." Like the late Mr. George Gilbert. I believe in the rights and liberties of the individual. and if I wanted ta ring something I certainly would not ask any Guild's consent whether 1 could or not, as recent peals of Grandsire Minor and Grandsire Maior have proved. Ringing needs many more of the George Gilbert lype!-Yours faihfully.
P. AMOS.

Weston Favell.

Northants.

## BRIDGING THE GAP

Dear Sir,-Mr. Brian Price's article, "Bridging the Gap.' in "The Ringing World 'of September 29 th puts forward some most original and helpful ideas. The various methods we employ for getting our beginners from the round-ringing stage to the simpler changeringing methods do. I feel, need some examining and developing. It is a big step from rounds 10 methods, requiring as it does the ability to ring your bell to three distinct rhythms at will. To my mind, Brian Price's technique has some virtue in that it is possible for the beginner to learn to do each successive small step really correctly in a comparatively short time By contrast, starting off by hunting the ireble to, say. Grandsire Doubles does tend $t 0$ mean that the beginner spends a fairly prolonged period of being able to do it somehow before attaining the goal of being able to do it properly (there is also the additional danger, of course, that having learnt to do it somehow he will continue to do this and more advanced types of change-ringing "somehow" for the rest of his days). On the other hand, I personally think Brian Price has put rather exaggerated emphasis on ringing without a covering tenor. At any rate, his article has prompled me to try some of his exercises in my own tower, and so far they have been well received, but it is 100 early to say whether they are going to be successful.

I do, however, find the letter that this article has provoked from Mr. Bennett of the College of Campanology alarming. Mr. Bennett and others in the College may believe that their methods of teaching change-ringing are good, but to write this into a manual as the way to teach seems to me the height of folly, and I cannot believe that it is good teachnig practice. Do we understand that all students of the College have to be taught change-ringing by this method, and that all tutors must use it regardless of the circumstances? Are all students to be taught the same way in country churches and city cathedrals, in well-established bands and newly-formed ones, on heavy-going bells and light ones, whether they are teenage girls or middle-aged men. in Northumberland and Cornwall, in Herefordshire and Kent, by instructors with university degrees galore and those whose schooling hats been the hard way? Surely not: hut if the College's manual of instruction does not mein this I do not know what it does mean. All of us who try to teach people to ring welcome new ideas and suggestions. such as in Brian Price's article. but we know that we have to adapt them to our own circumstances and constantly experiment to make sure that every learner who goes through our hands has the best possible opportunity of becoming a good ringer. Only one thing is universally right-perfect striking.
It would have been much more helpful if Mr . Bennett could have given us actual details of how some of his students have gone on in learning by these methods with a critical appraisal, backed by four years of experience. of how this and other methods sompare in various circumstances.-Yours faithfully.
P. M. J. GRAY.

Stoke Bishop
Bristol.

## PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir.-I wish to withdraw the peal rung Brampford Speke, Devon, on May 21st. 1960 (' R.W.: page 397). since it did not accord with Central Council regulations. I should like to extend my apologies to all concerned and in particular 10 the "first pealers 'in the hand. _Yours sincerely.
Exmouth. Devon

## FIRING ' OF BELLS

Dear Sir.-As another naval ringer, and one who was taught to ring at Winchester Cathedral by that most painstaking and meticulous of teachers, the late Mr. Wilfred Andrews. I must endorse entirely the sentiments expressed by Commander Merritt in your issue of October 7th.
As an historian I must also support his plea for the retention of local customs. In far 100 many cases nowadays there are, by a process of steady erosion by the forces of so-called progress, until, after a lapse of years during which the custom has been stifled, it is resurrected with much pomp and ceremony as a part of a vaunted revival. Surely the reason for the survival of these customs is that they remain a part of the life of the village, sown or city, which serves to differentiate it from its neighbours. In this age of television uniformity it is desirable to keep these local customs alive and to preserve them from the "quaintness of a tourist attraction 10 which they can so quickly degenerate.
Finally. I must agree that 'firing ' is just as much open to criticism for bad striking as any other method of ringing bells. Siriking cannor be attained without practice. and the curtail. ment of it to a few occasions would produce an even worse clangour during 'firing than can be heard many times a day in this island. I um, sir. yours faithfully.
Malta.
A. S. WATT
Instr. Li.-Cdr.. R.N.

## OWNERSHIP OF BELLS

Dear Sir. With regard to Mr. T. Belton's Icter, page 691. R.W. concerning the ownership of bells. I should like to draw his atiention the section of The Opinions of the Legal Board. published by the Church Assembly. under the heading Bells and Bellringing.

The control of the church bells and hellingers belongs to the incumbent and not to the incumbent and the P.C.C. jointly
Surely this presupposes that the bells can only be rung at any time with the permission of the incumbent.-Yours faithfully.
G. SLEIGHT

Whitworth. Rochdale.
CONGRATULATIONS FROM AUSTRALIA
Dear Sir,-It was quite a thrill to read in your issue of September 2nd of a peal being rung on the lovely bells of Long Clawson. Leicestershire, after an interval of 33 years, I send my congratulations to Mr. Brian Warwick and to the members of his band upon their success in an ambitious peal of 27 methods. with a change of method after each extent. This is a great achievement on strange hells with a long draught of rope, where the ringers stand in the church between the choir stalls, it distance of 41 feet to the ceiling, and no sally guides.

Long Clawson's is my home tower. where I learned to ring as a boy half a century ago. I also had the honour to take part in the inirst peal to be rung on these bells (November 12 th , 1927) during my last visit to England. This peal was conducted by Mr. Ernest Morris. The fourth bell is pre-Reformation (circa A.D. 1400) and the tenor is 191 cw . This tower needs an extra treble 10 become a lovely six.
In this same issue of R.W. Mr. Ernest Morris gives a list of 23 towers in Leicestershire each with four bells. May I suggest to the executive officers and members of the Leicester Diocesan Guild that they give serious thought to a campaign of publicity and persuasion to add another bell to some of these towers. and to increase other towers from five to six hells? - Yours sincerely.
W. SMITH (Lieut.).

Australian Imp. Forces.

## LETTERS-Continued

COLLEGE YOUTHS' PEAL AT DERBY
Dear Sir,-Of the 12 peals rung in four counties by Mr. Williams' touring band, only one was not rung for the appropriate territorial association. This was the one rung at Derby Cathedral. I was rather puzzled by this pointed departure from form, but I had no complaint for I do not hold the view that peals should always be rung for the Association in whose territory the tower lies

However, my altitude changed when I read the report of this tour. The implication is that the peal rung at Derby Cathedral was notirung for the Derbyshire Association because it was considered that this Association was far 100 insignificant to have a peal of Spliced Surprise Royal added to its records.

By having the peal recorded in the College Youths' peal book. Mr. Williams and his band will presumably continue to enjoy the admiration of their colleagues every time the book is passed round.

When it is copied into this book I suggest a foornote such as: Rung as an insult to the Derbyshire Association.- Yours sincerely.
Derhy.
G. A. HALLS.

## APOLOGY OVER FALSE PEAL

Dear Sir,-I have an apology to make to the ringers in the peal of New Cambridge at Henley on August 8 th , and I do so most profoundly for, of course, it is false. It is the more regrettable as, in the course of nearly 60 years' ringing, it is the first false peal in which 1 have rung and the first false composition of mine to be rung. It happened that when we decided in the belfry 10 ring this composition to New Cambridge we were under the impression that 24365 was the only f.c.e. 1 forgot about the other two. In spite of this, however. the fact remains that it is true to Lincolnshire for which it was originally composed. and 10 B methods with b f.c.e.
Thanking you.-Yours faithfully
CHAS. J. SEDGLEY
Ipswich

## LINE FAILURE IN ASHBOURNE BROADCAST

Dear Sir-Your correspondent W. Frank Stenson is reported in your issue of October 7th as complaining to Canon Roy McKay Head of Religious Broadcasting, about the very short time that the bells of Ashbourne Parish Church were heard by listeners on Sunday. September 25 th. prior to the harvest festival that we broadcast from there in the North Home Service.
The explanation is that there was a brief line failure which compelled us to cut short the hroadcast of the bells., We much regretted that we were in consequence only able to broadcast a few seconds of the peal on these tine hells, instead of the minute or so that we usually give on these occasions.- Yours faith fully.

## F. L. COBB.

Publicity Officer, B.B.C.

## UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY

A well-attended meeting of the U.W.S.C.R. was held in Brecon on Oetober 15th. Before the meeting a wide variety of methods was rung on the pleasant ring of six bells at St . David's Church. Llanfaes. We were very happy that our president, the Bishop of Swanses and Brecon, was able to join us at tea.
The Rev. I. J. Richards (vice-president) conducted the business meeting. Mr. Michael Day. Miss Gillian Graney. Mr. Richard Hedges and Miss Mollie Tilbury were elected members and Mr. Trevor Lewis Ringing Master. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Llanbadarn
Fawr. Aberystwyth. in late February, if possible.
After the meeting further ringing, ranging from rounds to Yorkshire and Double Norwich, was enjoyed on the good ring of eight bells at St. Mary's, Brecon. Later, most of those present went to Llanfeigan where, in this very isolated tower, we rang several methods by the light of four candles and an oil lamp. on a sruly beautiful and easy-going octave.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD TO RAISE SUBSCRIPTION

WHE Oxford Diocesan Guild, at its autumn annual general meeting, held at Newbury on October 1st, decided to raise its subscription by Is. to 3 s .6 d . This was the first time the Guild had visited Newbury this century, and the presence of some 200 members, many of whom came in coaches organised by their respective branches, was an indication of the healthy spirit prevailing.
At the outset, the deputy Master (Mr. Frederick Sharpe) presided, as the Master had been held up by the heavy traffic proceeding to Newbury races. He was supported by Mr. A. D. Barker (treasurer), Miss M. R. Cross (secretary) and Mr. H. L. Roper (librarian).

The matter of the subscription followed on a report on finances by Mr. A. D. Barker, who said the 500 copies of the $1958-59$ report had cost $£ 103$ 10s. (4s. 2d, each). He wondered how many of those who voted for the report had bought one. Unless all the copies were sold there would be a delicit. He had paid $£ 6310$ s. towards the cost and was asking for Branches 10 send in the money they owed for reports.
A resolution was moved by Mr. A. Diserens and seconded by Mr. P. Pearce that the subscription be raised to 5 s .

Mr. A. R. Pink said the rule governing the subscription had been so worded as to appeal to the generosity of members.
Mr. W. Birmingham pointed out that raising the subscription by $2 \mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{~d}$. would give an income of $£ 200$, which was more than the Guild needed. To this Mr. Barker replied that as the Branches would take half the subscription this would lead to an increase of $£ 80$ to $£ 100$.
Mr. H. L. Roper contended that the report should stand on its own feet. He supported the proposal that there should be an increase $10 \mathrm{5s}$. He was shocked at the way ringers managed their own affairs from the tower level to 'The Ringing World' level. The idea that the Guild could not pay its bills was dreadful.
An amendment was submitted by the deputy Master that the subscription be raised to 3 s . This was strongly opposed by Mr. B. C. Castle. who said it would be impossible to run the Sonning Deanery Branch on one shilling per head.

Eventually the meeting accepted the amendment of the hon. general secretary that the subscription be raised to 3 s , and that the extria shilling should go to Guild funds. This should hring in $£ 100$.

## A NEW BRANCH

Mr. Donald Wheeler (Central Bucks) gave a report on the progress being made towards the formation of a new branch for the Aylesbury
The hon. general secretary stated that when the project was first mooted, it was decided that there should be a probationary period of iwo years, and she felt this should be adhered 10. Mr. Wheeler agreed 10 this course

80 TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GUILD
Miss Cross said there would be a Branch secretaries ${ }^{\circ}$ meeting in November to discuss the celebrating of the 80 th anniversary of the Guild. She asked for suggestions to be sent to her or to the Branch secretaries.

## OBITUARY

The meeting stood in silence while the Master reported the following deaths: Mr. A. E. Lock, for 39 years hon. secretary of the North Bucks Branch: Mr. G. Gilbert (Burnham). Mr. J. Harrison (Beaconsfield), Mr. T. Mitchell (Braywood) and Canon Last (chairman, Central Bucks Branch). Tributes were afterwards paid by the Master to Mr. A. E. Lock and Mr. J. Harrison. and by Mr. W. Birmingham to Mr. Gilbert.

## APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS

An application was received from West Hanney, supported by the North Berks Branch, which had made a grant of $£ 20$. for the rehanging of their bells which had been silent for 30 years, and also to rebuild the tower. The first stages of the tower had been completed and the bells rehung. The cost of rehanging was somewhere in the region of $£ 1.400$, of which $£ 700$ had still to be paid. Since the restoration a new band had been taught, in a large measure due to the work of Wantage members. As a result the ringers at West Han-
ney were all members of the Guild. Upon the suggestion of Miss Cross the meeling desided to thank Wantage ringers for their work. Although the hon. treasurer said there was anly $\pm 89$ in the bank, of which $£ 60$ was due to be paid out, the meeting approved of a grant of $\pm 40$ to West Hanney
Notice was given that the following towers were due for hell restoration work: Aston Clifton. North Leigh and Marsworth. Grants had not been paid to South Newington or Arborfield as the work there had not been in spected by an officer of the Guild. This was to be done as soon as possible.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATION

The Master reported that owing to the death of Mr. A. E. Lock there was a vacancy in the Guild's representation. Mrs. A. D. Barker, a former menber, was the only nominee. and she was elected

The Rt. Rev. Robert Hay, who had retired from the office of Bishop of Buckingham, was elected vice-president.

On the proposition of Mr. G. Edmans, it was decided to hold the autumn meeting for 1961 at Bletchley
Memorials are proposed to he elected at Bucklebury for Miss Stella Davis and at Abingdon for Mr. A. E. Lock. In neither case has anything delinite been suggested.

Miss Cross said she had received a request from the Guildford Diocesan Guild, asking for support for the A. H. Pulling memorial bell, to be placed in Guildford New Cathedral. She asked members to do all they could to support.
The Guild service followed in Newhury Parish Church, at which the Rector preached At the tea which followed he was thanked by the hon. librarian. who also thanked the organist, incumbents and ringers of lowers visited, and Mr. H. Lawrenson, hon. secretary of the Newbury Branch, on whose shoulders had fallen the organisation of the meeting.

## NORTH SHROPSHIRE RINGERS IN NORTH WALES

The ringers of St . Oswald's, Oswestry, were joined by others from neighbouring towers for their annual outing into North Wales on September 24th. The party left Oswestry at 8.45 a.m.. and the opening touch. Stedman Triples, was rung at Llangollen (tenor 16 cwt ). After call-changes, Cambridge Major was attempied. but it was too early in the morning for some of the band.

The trebles at Ruthin proved quite a handful, but Bob Major and Erin Triples were rung The company separated for lunch at Denbigh and proceeded to Rhyl ( 17 cwt. ). A wedding interfered with the programme, but after the locals had rung Queens and Tittums and 'fired' the bells. there was an opportunity to ring Plain andi Litule Boh and Kent Treble Boh.

At Rhuddlan the bells could not be heard in the ringing chamber hecause of the rattle of ropes: nevertheless a course of Cambridge Minor was rung. Unfortunately we were behind schedule on reaching the delightful six at Abergele, and had only a short ring. The last tower was Llandudno. where the bells went like tops and courses of Cambridge Major and Double Norwich were rung. Thanks are accorded to local ringers and incumbents, and 10 John Thomas for organising such an excellent tour. C.S.

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## UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION TOUR

WHEN Dermot Roaf distributed the tour this year's U.A. week I was told to provide a report. Some kind souls said. Good, it might be amusing for a change. This places a heavy responsibility on the scribe but here,
for hetter or worse, is my fading recollection of what took place between the 6th and 13th of Augus: last
Alt top class reports always have a quotation in verse. I do not intend to lower any siandards so

Beneth this stone, a lump of clay. Lies Uncle Peter Daniels
Who. early in the month of May.
Took oft his winter flannels. - Anon
As perceptive readers of this journal will have noticed. this year's tour was based at is the Shefficld Diocesan Conference House and we were gratified to discover that the warden was the same good lady who looked after our wants on the Rugby week in 1955. The house stands on the western boundary of the city, half a mile from the Peak National Park

Proceedings commenced with ringing on the bells of Breadsall church. just outside Derby.; and the majority of the participants assembled under the tall spire after journeys which. if added together would cover the whole length of the country. More or less united the cars moved on to West Hallam where the light eight were raised with a rapidity that surprised the middle-men and 4 Spliced Surprise was rung for the first time. Tea-own initiative' came next in Heanor before ringing on the eight and departure to Sheffield.

The first evening at Whirlow Grange was devoted to settling in activities. the croquet equipment was duly tested and certain local landmarks were investigated. Our organisers estimate of distances proved 10 be in error hy a factor of four. This lessens one's faith
in the judgment of those who travel by car. On Sunday, as usual. bands were deployed to assist in service ringing at local towers
(6 off). Those who visited All Saints'. (6 off). Those who visited All Saints'.
Pitsmoor. duly remarked on the multi-laddered ascent to the ringing-cum-clock room and we were sorry that rearrangement of the A.G.M. prevented a visit during the practice night. Apart from ringing. Sunday afternoon provided opportunities for visiting local beauty spots, caving, thunderstorms. etc., etc.

## TO BELFRY VIA BROOM CUPBOARD

Opportunities to get lost en route to the first tower on Monday morning were gratefully seized but eventually all reached Bolsterstone, above the Sheftield lakes.' York produced an enormous tape-recorder with miniature spool of tape and was rewarded with interminable rounds on eight instead of Superlative. Yorkshire tail-ends were encountered for the first lime at Penistone, and more Major methods were indulged in before adjourning to a pub at Wortley for a sandwich lunch. The president. Paul Taylor, joined the party there and we regretied that he could only be with us for one day. Across the road the parish church holds a Warner eight and the ladder to the somewhat neglected belfry was ascended from the broom cupboard.

Wath-on-Dearne and Ecclesfield provided more eight-hell ringing and glimpses of that nart of the coal industry that works the Barnsley seam. Dick Price took time off from
his anaesthetics to meet the party at Ecclesfield and ring Cambridge. etc.. and Norman, John and Susan Chaddock left us until later in the week. A trip across the city of Sheffield to Dore (8) sorted out the navigators before supper.

The A.G.M. was held that evening with the president in the chair. Minutes of the January accounts for 1958/59 were adopted. Some correspondence with Mr. Peter Kirk. M.P.. about the Noise Abatement Bill had produced an assurance that ringers were not liable to be prosecuted under its provisions.
motion that ex-presidents, shall automatically become vice-presidents, was carried and Mr. E. H. Lewis was welcomed back into office. Mr. R. F. B. Speed was re-elecied as eight universities were also elected.

The 1961 dinner will be at the Victoria Hotel. London. on January 7th. Plans to hold the 1961 summer tour in Shropshire had failed and. after discussion. Marie Cross and Geoff Dodds undertook the organisation of a tour in the Hertfordshire area. Accommodation has since been booked at Pendley Manor. near Tring. An invitation 10 Manchester for the 1962 annual dinner was left for consideration iri London. The 1962 tour would take place in Shropshire if accommodation could be found.
The secretary thanked his helpers, especially Phyllis Holborn and John Seager for their work in organising the Sheffield week and it is appropriate to add the thanks of all who took part. Their efforts in providing us with bells and scenery were much appreciated.

On Tuesday morning the "bread and butter" peal band scored with Yorkshire at Bolsover -where repairs to the burnt-out church continued during the ringing. The larger party went 10 Great Longstone (6) and Youlgreave (8. 26 cwt.), where. apparently. non-regular tenor ringers took two touches of to recover. After lunch the six in the Norman tower at Bradbourne were kept going long enough to allow the returning pealers to make a snatch. They had despatched the secretary to Greece via Chesterfield Station and Cambridge and it was remarked that the best way to journey between the latter two places by rail was to start from somewhere else!

The next tower was Ashbourne, where the eight long ropes down to the crossing caused some bother and the ringing did not do justice to the bells. The interesting cruciform church at Wirkworth was the scene of the only mishap of the tour when the reble stay gave up the ghost after one touch. Proceedings were delayed somewhat and this allowed due appreciation of the architecture.
Post-supper exercises included visits to the practices ai Staveley and Bolsover and a fairly slow handbell peal of Bob Triples. This was rung in the reverberant vestry of the Church
of the Holy Spirit. which adjoins Whirlow of the Holy Spirit, which adjoins Whirlow
Grange. and our corporate Communion was held in the church on the Wednesday morning.

## MALE KNEES

As a result of Wednesday's sunshine three pairs of male knees made their appearance. thus maintaining U.A. traditions but without the dire consequences suffered by Uncle Peter Daniels. At the first tower. Dronfield. ringing was delayed whilst the local doctor finished off his morning surgery. Some interesting cross-country navigation brought all cars safely to Darley Dalc, where Pudsey made a welcome change of method. Jafus was there to


Visiting local ringer.-I brought this over. We thinh it has a befter tone than your lenor.
meet the visitors and guided them to the Grouse Inn where lunch was topped off with peaches and was therefore memorable.

Duffield was reached exactly on time and various ten-bell methods rung. An ill-fated band left to attempt Cambridge Royal at Chesterfield but the peal was set-up after an hour due to poor striking. A great shame on this fine bells but perhaps Grandsire Caters would have gone better. As compensation the 'experts' were able to sample the excellent bells at Ashover by rejoining the main party who had rung at Crich meanwhile.
Practice night at Handsworth proved a popular attraction and it was demonstrated that ringing is not feasible with thirty people in this tower. However. John Gilbert was able to meet his namesake for the first time.
Thursday morning saw another peal-band lose 4 -spliced at Handsworth after reaching the half-way mark. Non-pealers visited Ranmoor for ten-bell ringing under the direction of "Sir" and then went on 10 the pleasant six at Wentworth. Yorks. Ranald Clouston. however, took time off to "grat the only tuning fork factory in England.

## REAL' BELLS

The rest of Thursday provided the first real bells of the tour as far as the West Countrymen were concerned. St. George's.
Doncaster. came first. followed later by Rotherham Parish Church and Sheffield Cathedral for practice night. Conisbrough and Eastwood. Rotherham. towers were also visited. Norman Chaddock's spotless belfry with its many notices to the visiting public
(e.g. No Exit in the windows) was in great contrast to the grime at Eastwood. The practice of holding 'Open Days' at city church towers has much to commend it and if the public can be persuaded to make the chimncy like ascent to All Saints' belfry then they will go almost anywhere!
Another lower. Thrybergh. was scheduled but the death of a local lady led to the substitution of a peal in memoriam at the request of the local band. This was rung by a mixed band for the Yorkshire Association led to our indifferent i2 bell ringing at Sheffield Cathedral-or just lack of practice? Either way we were grateful to the local band for their welcome.

At breakfast on Friday. Mr. Lewis gave a brief outline of the local history of the area to be visited Eyam, with it's associations with the Great Plague, provided a pleasing six and the usual reaction to Cambridge coming round with a single. At Tideswell there was time to examine the wood carvings bifore some ringing which was generally below the normal standard. Attempts to ring A. Y-B.'s new type method were abortive and only spliced four went well.
Excellent scenery and bright sunshine prevailed and the little village of Chelmorton was invaded for lunch before the new ring of five bells (8-3-24) was sampled. Albeit. rather loud inside these are very good. Next came Buxton and Nonsuch was eventually rung at Fairfield after a certain amount of belfrymanship had eliminated both the author and the cleric from the band. Burbage (6) was also visited and. finally. Castleton.
The remainder of the tour is described by a man who wasn't there and, like Alex Atkinson's description of America in "Punch. this gives great scope for details. I had planned a wholly libellous description of the usual social evening and am disappointed to learn that no such function was held this year. People actually went ringing instead homewards in saturday. instead of departing many persons went tower grabbing. Wingerworth. Clay Cross. Tibshelf. Blackwell and Whitington were reported to me and there mady be others. Our thanks go to all those who opened their towers to the U.A.. to the organisers and to our hosts at Whirlow Grange. Roll on next year in Herts.
Finally, in deference to the letter in a recent R.W.' from one mentioned earlier, I will admit my identity.

H. GILBERT

TWERTUN-ON-AVON, BATH.-On Oct. 17th. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: Pat A. Burt 1, A. F. Lee 2 J. R Hobbw 3. D. J. Barnell 4, J. J. Jefferia 5 ,

## NOTICES

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## ENGAGEMENT

BAKER-ROSS.-Mr. and Mrs. Ross, of woodbeck. Retford, have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter. Margaret. to the Rev. Robin H. Baker, son Margaret. to the Rev. Robin H. Baker, son
of Mr. and Mrs. H. Baker. of Ashton-onMersey. Cheshire.

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## DEATH

PARKER.-On October 22nd. 1960. at The White Housc. Caister-on-Sea, James Parker aged 94.

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## RFTURN THANKS

Mrs. Ebberson thanks the members of the Norwich Diocesan Association and all who contributed to the memorial to her late husband in Dersingham Church.-Market Place. Sneltisham. King's Lynn. 6838

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

On and from October 27th. 1960, the address of $\operatorname{lan} H$. Oram will be 74. Chislehurst RoId. Orpington. Kent. Telephone No.: Orpington 30499.

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The address of Mr. F. A. Sedgwick (Lichfield). is now 6. Hill Village Road. Four oaks. Sutton Coldfield. Warwicks. Telephone Four Oaks 1089.

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Mr. T. J. SOUTHAM (late St. Albans) has now moved to 14. Howard House, Howardsgate, Welwyn Garden City. Herts.

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## HANDBELLS WANTED

Scout Troop wishes to acquire set of 16 or 18 handbells. Willing to renovate old set. -R. H. Bligh. Grammar School. Reigate. 6861

## PERSONAI.

AS we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men. (Gal. vi. 10a.)
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BOURNEMOUTH - Close sea: full board, 95s. 6d.; bed/breakfast, 17s. 6d. Dally book. ing (part board) accepted. Free parking. Breakfast 8.30 , dinner 1 , high tea 5.30 , refresh. ments 10 p.m.-PRICE, 9, Fisherman's Avenue, Bournemouth. Tel. 46005 .

## MISCELLANEOLS

SALTLEY. BIRMINGHAM 8.-Carillon of the Rosary Church. Parkfield Road 123 Gillelt and Johnston beils of 1933 . bass 17 cwt . in F sharp). Recitals of mixed music and change ringing are given every Thursday lunchtime, 12.30-1.30 p.m. by Clive M. Smith. 6834

BALDOCK. HERTS - No practice on Wednesday. November 2nd.-E. Buck. 6846
WICKEN. NORTHANTS. - Change of practice night. as from and on November 10 th. practice will be held on Thursdays. 7.30109 p.m. 6833 UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY-
The annual dinner. 1961. will be held on Saturday. January 21st. and not Saturday. January 28th, as previously announced. Further details later.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS - Monthly practice will be held at Si. I conardis. Shoreditch. on Wednesday. November 2 rad . 6.70 n.m. 6859

Practice al Holy Trinity. Siralford-on-Avon. every Tuesulay, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome. 6863.

## CANCELLATION

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnham Distict.- Owing to the regretted death of the Bishop of Guildford. who was president of the Guild, the meeting for Saturday. October 29th. at Yoiktown a!:d Hawley is cancelled. Until after the funeral all ringing in the Until after the funeral all ringing in the
Diocese will be half-muffled.-C. W. Denyer. Master.

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## MEETINGS

DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL
Blandford Forum Parish Church Saturday, October 29th
Ringing 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Town Hall 5.15 p.m. All Dursel ringers welcome.

## 6800

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ledtury District. - Meeting advertised for Stretton Grandison now to be held at Coddington, October 29th. Arrangements as before.-1. Ward.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Annual dinner. Salurday. Octoher 29th. Rose and Crown Hotel. Tonbridge. 6.15 for $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tonbridge bells (8) avaliable 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. LADIES GUILD.-Beds and Northants District.-Meeting Saturday. October 29th, at Silsoe. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 4.45. Service 6 p.m. Further ringing after tea. All welcome.Kathleen A. Rivett. 6719 LADIES' GUILD (Central District).
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (S. and W. Distric: and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIID (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).-Joint meeting at Hillingdon. Saturday. October 29th. Ringing at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, 2.30-4 p.m.; St. John's. Hillingdon. $3.30-5$ p.m... followed by service. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in St. John's Hall. with social evening to follow. Names to F. W. Goodfellow. 46. Slough Road. Iver Heath, Gotham and Miss D. Hague. Hon. Secs. 6776 LINCOLN and PETERBOROUGH DIUCESAN GUILDS.-Meeting, Stamford, Saturday, Oct. 29th. Bells, All Saints' and Si. Martin's, 2.30 to 4 p.m. Service, All Saints', 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Castor and Wansford also available after tea.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. -The 323 rd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge. S.E.1. on Saturday. November Sth. at 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (21s.) are now available.

Ringing arrangements for those attending the dinner:-St. Dunstan's. Stepney (10). 1030$11.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Clement Danes Strand (10), 12 noon-1 p.m.: St. Giles'. Cripplegate (12). $2.3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. St. Lawrence Jewry (8). 2.30-3.30 p.m.: St. Michael's. Cornhill (12). 3-4 p.m.; Southwark Cathedral (12). 4-5 p.m. John Chilcott. Hon. Sec.. 67, Farley Road. Selsdon. Surrey.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD Meeting at Mytholmroyd. November 5th. 2.30 p.m. Tea arranged. All welcome. Rounds to Surprise Minor or Major.-D. Smith. $683^{\circ}$
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-Meeting at Biddenham (6), Saturday. November 5 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea. business and further ringing. Names for tea. please. by Wednesday. to Miss Steel. King's Close. Biddenham. Bedford.-R. L. P. Kigs 6829
DEVON GUILD.-The annual meeting of the N.W. Branch will be held at Bridgerule (8) on Saturday. Nov. Sth. Service 4.15 p.m.: tea and meeting to follow.-R. Pearce. Sec.
DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-Meeting at Christ Church. North Shields .on Saturday. November 5th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for lea by Wednesday. November 2nd. 10 R. M. Gray. 36. Albury Park Road. Tynemouth. Northumberland.

FIY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION 6844 Distrier-Meeting at Willingham. Saturday November Sta. Bell, (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Nesember } 5 \text { p.m. - D. Fell, Murfet. Dis Sec. } & 6862\end{array}$

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wotton Branch.-Monthly meeting. Stinchcombe (6). Saturday. November 5th. Bells 3 p.m.. tea and service. Note change in venue.-B. T. Cooper, Rangers House. Dursley.

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GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol City Branch.-Saturday. Novemher 5th. St. James ( 10 ) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please attend. -A . Bennett.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Bridgnorth District.-Quarterly meeting. Saturday, November sth. at Quatt. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to H . Edge. 10. The Crescent, Much Wenlock. alop.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Watford District -Langlebury (6). November sth. 3.30 p.m. Tea 6. Service 7 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Bartholomew. 14. Kelmscol Close. Watford. Phone Watford 31563.-G. W. Seisman. Dis. Sec.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-Practice meeting. Stevenage. Saturday, Nov. 5th, 5.30 p.m.-E. Buck, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-Meeting at Padiham, on November 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m Cups of lea 5 D.m. Meeting 10 follow. Branch fund donation requested.-John Pikington. Sec. 6828 LANCASHIRE ASSGCIATION-Lancaster day. November Sth. Bells (6) from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Coates. 8. Cheapside. Bentham. Yorks.-P. Handley. Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. November 5th. at St. John's. Coppull. Bells 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided.-C. F. Low. 6850 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-Practice at Bletchley (8). Saturday. November sth. 5 p.m. Guild reports will be available 2s. 6d each. Outstanding subscriptions, please-F. Vickers.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Guilsborcugh Branch. - Meeting. Clipston (5). Saturday. November Sth. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. to E. Thresher, 22. Watson Road. Long Buckby

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Meeting at Wath. 3 p.m.. Saturday. November 5 th. Names for lea by Wednesday, Ind. to Mrs. V. Brook. 76. Burman Road. Wath-on-Dearne, near Rotherham.-J. Seager. Sec

SUFFOLK GUILD.-South Eastern District -Meeting. Copdock (6). November 5th. Bells 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. at Belstead. followed by meeting. Names for tea by Thursday. November 3rd, to C. R. Lovett. Meadow View. Grundisburgh.-C. R. Lovett,
Sec. Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATIONNorthern Division.-Practice meeting. Worth (6). on Saturday. November 5th. Bclls 3 p.m. Tea only for those who notify by Wednesday. November 2nd. Mrs. Hairs. Norman Coltage.
Park Corner. Groombridge. Park Corner. Groombridge

6794 DIOCESAN GUILD - Winchester District A practice meeting will be held at Hursiey. on Saturday. November 5th. Bells (8) available $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Sarvice 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify by November 1st. P Dickinson. Riverbank Coltage. Cheriton. near Alresford. Hants.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD-Isle of Wight District. -Quarterly meeting at Ryde. November Sth Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.Anne M. Guy. Dis. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.Practice meeting at Lymington. on Saturday, November sth. Bells from 3 p.m. Te.1 5.15 p.m. in The Old Bank House. Names for tea by Thursday. November 3rd. to W. T. Godfrey. Pine Hurst." Shorefield Way. Milford-on-Sea. Lymington. Hants.

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FSSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District.Meeting at Harcham, Saturday, November 12 th . Bells $(8)$ at 2.31 om . Service $430 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore
Cottage. Danbury. ESSEX ASSOCIATION (S.W.) and
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (N. and E.).Joint meeting. November 12 h , St. John's, Loughton (Church Lane). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in adjoining hall. Names for tea. please, to Mr. E. Smith. 6, Roundmead Avenue. Loughton. Central London Railway. 38A bus from Bakers Arms.

6837 GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Notice is hereby given that an extraordinary general mecting of the Guild will take place at the Parrot Inn. Shalford Common, near Guildford, on Saturday. November 12th, at 4.30 p.m. As accommodation is limited it is essential that notifications for tea are receievd by Mr . S. Ponting. High Down, Milford. Godalming, S. Ponting. High Down, Milford. Godaiming,
by first post. Tuesday. November 8 th. 684
Russell. Gen. Sec.

Russell. Gen. Sec. $\quad 6864$ stone District.-By-meeting at Charing. Novem12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Branch.-Meeting. Great Hale (6). November 12th. Names for tea by Wednesday. November 9 ih. to Mrs. G. T. Brown, 17. Church Street. Great Hale. Sleaford, Lincs. No names no tea. NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Ringing meeting. Saturday. November 12 th . at Bucknall. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Annual committee meeting 3.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 9th. to Mr. R. O. Preston. 76. Ruxley Road. Bucknall. Note change of date.-J. G. Burton. Hon. Sec.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD-
6810 Daventry Branch.-Meeting. Whilton, Saturday November 12 th. Names for tea by Saturday previous. to Mr. H. Haynes. Whilton. Daven-try.-F. W. Hancock. 6841 SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Annual dinner to be held at "The Black Horse,' Thompsons Avenue, Wolverhampton, Saturday, November 12th, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m., price 12 s . 6 d. Bells avail-able:-St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, Penn Coseley. Bradley during the afternoon. Tickets from Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres. Aldridge, nr. Walsall.

SUFFOLK GUILD - North West District -Practice meeting. Felsham (6). Saturday November 12 th. Bells 6.30 p.m.-A. F. Ballam

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterbury District.-By-meeting. Chislet (6). Saturday. November 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. p.m. Tea, School Hall. 2s. per head Names together with cash by Wednesday. November 16th. please, to Hon. District Secretary. T. C. Philtimore. 47. St. Peter's Grove. Canterbury.

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## Billy, The Little Church Bat

High up in the steeple
Away from all the people.
Lives Billy, the little church bat
He can hear the church hells ringing
And the choirboys singing.
And joins them with his squeaky chitter-chat
One night from out the steeple
A noise woke all the people.
It was Billy, the little church bat.
He had made a frightful clamour
By hanging on the hammer
Of the hell with the big. loud clap.
From an old novel. sent by A. Henson. West Bridgford. Notts.
BUCKLAND. BERKS.-On Ocr. 7th. 1.26 n Grandsire Doubles (with 7,6, 8 covering): J. Strawford 1, N. Levlie 2, C. I. J. Pearce 3. D. Leslie 4, M. J. Edney (cond.) 5. M. Wills 6, J. Hut 7, A 0 Shaunessy 8. Rung half-muflled in memory of Fred Shewry. loyal ringer of this tower for many years.
CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.-On Oct. Yh, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Baxter (14. first quarter) 1. D. P. Junes (cond.) 2. Jian Cotton 1, J. W. Cotion 4. D. Eames (15) 5. Rung fully mufled in memory of Joseph Wond Baxter, father of the treble ringer
GREAT STAUGHTON. HLNTS.-On Oct. 6th. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire. April Day. St . Simon's and Plain Bub): J R. G. Spicer I, F. W. Lack 2. A. J. Davey (first in five Doubles methods) 3. E. J. Whiting 4, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 5, F. Reeve 6. Fur Harvest Festival.

## 720 IN 25 METHODS

Adapted and increased by H. Chant from C. K. Lewis's 22 method 720

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| 25346 | St. Clements |
| 32654 | Killarney |
| 46532 | St. Clements |
| 25463 | Pontefract Delight |
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| 45362 | Wath Delight |
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| 56423 | Mendlesham Alliance |
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| 24356 | Cumberland |
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| 24635 | Canterbury |
| 43256 | Double |
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A plain lead of each method is included. First rung in a peal at Thryhergh. Yorks. on September 2nd. 1960.

## HARDINGTON MANDEVILLE RINGERS' OUTING

Milking done by 7 a.m., the Hardington ringers, plus friends, set off for a day's ringing in Hampshire. Rain, floods and the failure of a garage to keep an early appointment with our coach driver for fuel made our arrival at St. Michael's. Southampton. well over half-anhour late. However, we found the Vicar seated at a table in the porch receiving gifts, and having welcomed us to the belfry he returned to the "receipt of custom
Our next tower was close at hand. and we all enjoyed ringing on the ten at St. Mary's. This was the first of many churches that we found heing decorated for harvest-Constance Spry really has nothing on what the average English parish can produce in the way of floral arrangement when it comes to harvest festivals.
Our next two towers were the eights at Shedfield and Fareham: somehow or other we found time to eat our picnic lunches between these two towers.
At Portsmouth the ringers and non-ringers parted company, the ringers making their way to the Cathedral. These hells were greatly enjoyed, and we also commended the industry of the man who had written out Holt's Original. which we saw framed and hanging on the wall.
After tea we made our way to the harbour to catch the ferry to Gosport. Naturally, the ohvious happened-some were left behind. However, they caught us up in good time to ring at our last tower. Alverstoke.
Our thanks go to incumbents and to the local ringers.

## QUARTER PEALS

ALFORD, LINCS.--On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. Maultby 1, Miss B. Willoughby 2, G. Willoughby 3, R. Willoughty 4, J. I. Smith (cond.) 5, C. Wilkins (first quarter) 6. To welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. G. J. Lanham, and family.
BATH, SOMERSET.-At the Abbey Church, on Sept. 24th, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: R. Smith 1, Mrs. D. Evans 2, Mrs. R. Smith 3, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 4, H. D. Taylor 5, J. Tiley 6. J. Hallett 7. P. W. Wceks 8. E. Chivers 9, H. J. Merrett 10. Rung after the wedding of Mr. S. Arthur Read and Miss Brenda White, both members of the Abbey band.

RRECON, BRECONSHIRE. On Oct. Ath. 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: M. R. Thomas (cond.) T. H. Owen 2, M. M. Peterion (first of Minimus) 3, M. T. Johns (first - invide ') 4.
HRIDGEND, GLAM.- On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $\mathbf{4}, 6,8$ covering): S. Henton 1, T. E. Hiddens 2. W. T. Petty (cond.) 3, D. L. Hughes 4. C M. Smith 5. J. G. Lloyd 6. D. W. Davies 7. Froley 8, For Harvest Festival,
BRITFORD, WILTS.-On Oct. 1st, 1,440 Cambridge Minor: 3. Daniells 1, E. Haines 2, R. Haines 3, A. Abrahams 4, L. Page 5, H. Abrahams (cond.) 5. Firss of Cambridge Minor for 2, 3, 4 and 5. Rung after the wedding of Brenda Homley and Raymond Gay.

ESHER, SURREY. -On Oct. 8tb, 1.760 Kent T.B. Major: Miss P. Jervis 1, C. Hayter 2, Miss C. Rimmer (first of Major) 3, A. Baeworth 4, Miss C. M. Powell 5, Mrs. C. Harbote 6, S. Huctic 7. G. Penney (cond.) 8

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.-On Oct. Bith, 1,32n Doubles (St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Ivings 1 , Mrs. 11. Ivings 2. Miss D. M. Reeve 3, H. Fuller 4. 1. W. Paul (cond.) 5. Rung for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Coulton, and birthday complíment to Mien B. Jarvis.
HATHERN, LEICS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): R. Adkins 1, V. Lacey 2, J. Exon 3, C. Cowley 4, D. Swift 9, T. Harris (cond.) 6.
hol.me-pierrepont notrs.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.26n Minor (Single Court, Single Oxford and Plain Bob): C. Froggoti 1, S. Meredith 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M W. Harrison 4, D. Armstrong 5, F. Bradley 64 Conducted by F. Bradley and D. Armstrong. First quarter peal in 3 methods for 1,2,3 and 4. For Harvest Festival.
HONITON, DEVON.-At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, on Sept. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman and Grandsire): Janet Real 1, C. Manley 2, A. Hodge 3, W. Sparkes 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5 . . Real 6. Rung for St. Michael's Day.
HUNTINGDDN.-AI All Saints: on Sepr. 25th. 1,32n Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. Bell 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2. A. J. Davey 3, H. S. Peacock 4, M. J. Dyer 5, S. Gilbert (cond.) 6. For Harvent Festival.
ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.-On Sept. 28th, 1.296 Plain Bob Caters: Miss P. Rogers (first quarter) 1, W. G. Wilson 2, L. C. Way 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4,
Miss J. Creak 5, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 6, C. H. Rogers 7. M. Gathercole 8, H. W. Rozers (cond.) 9, N. F. Felton 10. Runs brior to the induction of the Rev. E 1. Fellowes-Brown to this parish. Aleo on Oet. 2nd. 1,277 Grandsire Caters: L. C. Way 1, Mias P. Rogers (first 'inside ') 2, J. Mudd 3, Miss 1. Creak 4. C. H. Rogers 5. J. Perrett 6. M. Gathercole (firse of Grandsire) 7 W. G. Wilson 8. H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, N. F. Fetton 10. For Harvest Festival.

NEWCASTLE LPON TYNE.-At the Church of St. James Benwell. on Ocr. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Harle (firs quarter) 1, Miss K. Wyndham 2. Miss I. Thomson 3, A. Wallace 4, F. Ross (cond.) 5. R. Harrow 6.
ORSETT, SUSSEX.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: T. Howley 1. Miss J. F. M. Hills 2, Miss E. Mason 3, Mri. F. W. Blatch 4, T. Taylor 5, D. G Mayell (cond.) 6. First quarrer of Minor for 1 and 3. First of Minor on the bells. Also on Oct. 2nd. 1,250 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Reilly 1, Miss J. E. M. Hills 2. Miss E. Mason 3, Mra, F. W. Blatch 4. R. Hills (firs: quarer as cond.) 5, F. W. Blareb 6. For Harvest Festival
OXENDON, NORTHANTS,-On Oct. 2nd. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss L. Brown 1. C. Swann 2. F. Lanc 3, W. Cropley 4, D. E. Grimin (cond.) 5. for Harves? Festival
PRITTLEWELA, ESSEX. On Oct. Yhh, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. Slowman (firas quarter) 1. B. C. Sadler 2. P. Sadler 3. J. Bclcham 4. D. Belcham (fint as cond.) 5. Mra. B. Sadler 6. First of Doubles 3 and 6. For chijdren's serviec. Also 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: P. Slowman d, Mis 1. Rowe 2, B Sadler 3, J. Belcham 4. D. Belcham 5. P. A. Sadler (cond.) 6. For Harvest Featival Eveasong.

## QUARTER PEALS

CHECKENDON, OXON-Or. Sepr. 17th. 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: H. Oelesby 1, Miss C. V. Pullin 2. D. C. Bowen 3, A. T. Collins 4, R. K. Russ 5. C. C. Clarke (cond.) 6. Rung in thanksgiving for the life and work of Eric H. Kennington, sculptor and artist, of Checkendon, 1888-1960.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.-On Aug. 15 th, at the Church of St. Leonard-at-the-Hythe, 1.440 Double Court Minor: J. Avis 1, Rachel Newstead (first in method) 2, W. J. Brunt 3, F. G. Oliver 4. G. W. Barnes 5, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 6. Also on Aug. 22nd, 1.260) Plain Bob Minor: Doreen Fairhead 1. Rachel Newstead 2, J. Avis (first inside') 3, G. W. Bames 4, F. G. Oliver 5, B. W. Fairhead (cond.) 6. HITCHIN, MERTS. Un Oct, 2nd. 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. D. Trigg (first on a working bell) 1. Mrs. D. M. Mager 2, W. F. Todd 3, Mrs. C. A. Agg 4. F. J. Plummer 5, C. M. Orme 6, A. R. Age (cond.) 7. H. H. Starte 8. For Harvest Festival Evensons.

OMBERSLEY, WORCS.-On Sept. 17th, 1,259 Drubles (Plain Bob, April Day, Grandsire) A. J. Wheatley 1, J. E. Pullon 2, M. J. Fellows 3. D. J. Hiscock 4. M. D. Fellows (cond.) 5, P. Cattermole 6. Rung after mecting shor for a peal attempt.
OXFORD.-As the Church of St. Aldate, on Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Pamela Humphris (first quarter) 1. J. Venn 2. J. M. Gardner 3. K. Allsworth 4, E, R. Venn (cond.) 5. R. Benstead 6. For Harvest Fevival Evensong. Also on Oct. 2nd, at St. Enke's, 1.2 kti Stedman Triples: P. H. Walker 1. W. H. B, Wilkins (89) 2, Dawn Elson 3, D. Harrison 4. F. A. H. Wilkins S, E. Moore 6. N. Allnut (cond.) 7. C. Coles 8. For Harvest Festival. PAINSWICK, GLOS.-()n (Set. 2nd, 1,280 Camtridge Surpnse Major: I. J. Stanier 1, Anne Bullard (first of Surprise) 2, R. G. Morris 3, Susan Jackson 4. Shirley Parsons 5, I. Goulter 6, G. E. Evenden 7. D Beacham 8. For Evensong.
PRESTON, LANCS.-On Oct. 2nd. 1.280 Kent T.B. Majer. M. R. Crossthwaite 1. M. Croushwaite 2. E. Faunch 3. K. Martin 4, D. Lawson 5, G. A. Dimmock (cond) 6. A. Gardner 7, C. Crossthwaite 8. Rung for Harvest Festival.
REDHILL, SURRFY.-On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss F. Hankey 1. Miss B. Saggers 2, D. Mundy 3, A. Streeier 4, G. Olliver 5. A. T. Shelton 6, F. E. Roberts (cond) 7, H. Comber 8. For Eveusong on the 117 zh anniversary of the church. RIPPLE, WORCS.-On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsirc Doubles: I. Davis 1, A. Bennctt 2, C, Haylings (cond.) 3. J. Davis 4. B. Spiers 5, P. Bennett 6. A compliment 10 Mr . and Mrs. J. Davis, the parenis of I. and J. Davis, on their silver wedding anniversary.

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## LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

SoO much of ringers' thoughts and writings are in retrospect that the future at times receives very scant attention. It was indeed strange that at the Jasper Snowdon commemoration dinner at Rotherham the concern of the speakers was not of the achievements of the past but of the model and form future ringing should take.
The aims and objects of the great territorial Associations formed in the second half of the last century have been achieved. The Church has recognised the office of bellringer as a servant of the Church ranking in parity with the choir. In fact the dual role of ringer and chorister prevails among a large number of our brethren and sisters today. Ringers in no sense confine their work to the belfry. They are to be found in the ranks of churchwardens, licensed lay readers and parochial church councillors and Sunday School teachers, and it is an exception today to find a tower where at least one member does not hold responsibilities for other sections of church work. Yes, it can truly be said that ringers as a body are integrated into the life of the parish and form a part of the Church Militant.

To a limited degree this has always been the case. Perhaps when the Guilds and Associations were being formed leadership was frequently in the hands of the clergy, not merely from an administrative point of view but in the development and advancement of our art. Today, except in such offices as president or branch chairmen, the clergy do not lead on the practical side, and at the moment we can only recall one Guild where the Master is in Holy Orders. On the Central Council itself we have only two clerics with big responsibilities-the vice-president, understudying the duties of chairman, that in the course of years might devolve on to his shoulders, and the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead as convener of the Methods Committee.

Mr. Philip Gray, in his speech at the dinner. created rather a surprise by stating that one in six of the members of the Central Council possessed either university degrees or their equivalent from professional bodies. We do not dispute his calculations; with the expansion of university and higher forms of education since the war this is not surprising. There was a time when the old-stage ringers who were masters of the art of peal ringing regarded many from the universities as 'waistcoat pocket' ringers. Whether the change of dress of the modern young male has meant that the phrase had met with a normal death or the great contribution the universities are now making in the shaping of the advancement of the Exercise renders it unnecessary we do not know. But this fact prevails, and we hope it always will continue, that the for-
tunes of education, rank or position count as naught inside a belfry. It is the ability of the man (or woman) by his handling, striking and dependability in the method being rung that counts, and by that yardstick he is judged in the eyes of his fellows.

Because of this guiding principle there is a responsibility placed on the universities to produce worthy practitioners in the Exercise. We believe with the modern trend of education that from their ranks will eventually come the Guild executives and leaders in individual towers. But make no mistake, a 'Professor Dodge' will only succeed in giving leadership in the belfry if he has assimilated a profound knowledge of human nature that gets the best out of his team and presents ringing in such a form that the striving after perfection is constantly in the minds of the whole company.

A suggestion was made at Rotherham that in the reframing of the objects of Guilds and Associations particular attention should be paid to silent towers and those where the bells are not rung properly. In tackling the problem of the silent tower the co-operation of the incumbent is essential. It is very largely through his agency that the would be band is recruited. For a tower to succeed an experienced leader is necessary, whether from the parish or outside. There are cases, not infrequently reported in our columns, where a band has started on its own absolutely from scratch. We admire the enthusiasm and pertinacity, but with the right leader progress is much quicker. The success of the Exercise has been built up by enthusiastic leadership. There are ringers who wherever they go have the knack of building up a company, and these are the real servants of the Exercise. Thus in the problem of tackling the silent tower the selection of the leader is of paramount importance. It is not merely 'know-how ' but the ability to teach and hold the keenness of the recruit in face of other distractions to win through.

Those who made the journey to Rotherham from afar could not fail to be impressed that here was a proper cradle for ringers. Young people in large numbers are in this part of Yorkshire joining our ranks, and one tower captain informed the writer that he had been able to put in his tower a band of Girl Guides for one service and Boy Scouts for another. The Sunday service ringing the writer heard was good. Sheffield Cathedral band rang for Matins Grandsire Cinques. Plain Bob Maximus. Stedman Cinques and Little Bob Maximus with hardly a trip and a perfect rhythm that brought out the majesty of the tenors. It was indeed cathedral ringing as it should be, setting a standard that keeps Yorkshire amid the foremost towers of the land. Yes, the spirit of Jasper Whitield Snowdon is still alive.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

THE ANTIENT ORDER OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sal., Ocf. 15. 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5017 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lh . in D .
Bro. Peter J. Staniforth, M.M.. Highcross 4835



.. Treble
Bro. Albert Tyler. M.M.. Burnett 6789
M.. St. C̈lemeni Danes' W. Bro. Art

Bro. Eric Naylor, J.W.. Elizabethan 7296
Bro. Frank W. Perrens. M.M.. Arts and Crafts 4134
Bro. Colin Harrison. S.W.. Howe and Charnwood $100 \not 7$
Bro. Arthur G. Mason, M.M.. Rectitude 4727 ..
Bro. Richard C. Ingram. M.M.. Orion 4993
Bro. Arither Gibis. M.M.. Pemberton 3039
Bro. W. Bertram Kynaston. M.M., Royal Sussex 355
W. Bro. Frank Hansford. P.M.. Brotherly Love 329
$\begin{array}{cc}\therefore s^{\prime} & \\ \therefore & 3 \\ \therefore & 4 \\ \therefore & 5 \\ \therefore & 6 \\ \therefore & 7 \\ \therefore & 8 \\ \therefore & 9 \\ \therefore & 10 \\ \therefore & 11 \\ \therefore & \text { Tentor }\end{array}$
Bro. Thomas Setter. M.M., Progressive Science 5007
. Tentor Composed by Bro. Frank W. Perrens. Conducted by Bro. Peter J. Staniforth.

## READING. BERKSHIRE

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Sal.. Oct. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At The Church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 23 cwt .20 lb . in D .

| Thomas H. Francis | Treble | Alan R. Syder.. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shirley M. Parsons | 2 | Peter Beresford |  |
| Howard W. Egglestone | 3 | Alfred J. House | 9 |
| A. Ronald Ling | 4 | Frank J. Matthews | 10 |
| Joan Beresford | 5 | George J. Butcher. | 11 |
| J. Michael Lakin | 6 | Dennis Beresford |  |

J. Michael Lakin Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Maximus for the Society, and by all the band except the treble ringer.

## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Oct. 3, 196(), in 2 Hours and 32.Minutes.
At thi! Bell. Folindry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 RAVENSTONE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor $6 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr} .13 \mathrm{lb} . \mathrm{im}_{\mathrm{C}} \mathrm{C}$.
G. Ronaid EdWards .. Treble JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. Brian G. Warwick..
Richard J. Clifton.
Ernest Morris
2
3
4
Mrs. G. A. Halls . . . 5
Composed by Shirley Burton. Gordon A. Halls
A. James Poynor 6
7

First peal in the method.

## CHELMSFORD, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Oni. Thurs., Oct. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.
At ihe Cathedral Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin, Peter and Cedd. A PEAL OF 5055 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb . in C.
Joe E. G. Roast ... .. Treble | PPatrick W. Saltmarsh.. John H. Crampion.

- Joseph Saunders

Hilda G. Snowden Harry Turner. Frank V. Gant Dennis A. S. Symonds.

6 Peter J. Eves.
Howard W. Egglestone Tenor
Composed by George R. Newion. Conducted by John H. Crampion.
First peal of Stedman Caters.
Rung to mark the commencement of the Cathedral Festival.

## APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Saf. Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 14 cwt .2 qr .19 lb . in E .

[^13]* David C. Woodward Frederick A. H. Wilkins Frederick C. White Francis A. White Euwin Drewitt $\qquad$
Conducted by Francis A. White.


## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 25 cwt . in D .


LIVERPOOL. LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 15. 1960. in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes, at the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 41 cwt .3 qr .15 lb . in' C.
Lester L. Gray .. .. Treble । John F. Grove
Gwendoline Howlett... 2 +Peter S. Bennett
Tudor P. Edwards
Jack N. Brown
Tudor P. EDWards
EdWin C. Birkett.. ... 9
H. Stewart Bailey . Tenor Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.
Richard C. Warburton
Composed by A. Knights.
First on ten. 150th peal in the tower.

* First peal of Boh Royal
th on the new bells.
Rung as a 78th birthday compliment to Mr. L. L. Gray, Ringing Master in this tower.


## WAKEFIELD. YORKSHIRE

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,
Ai the Cathedral Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5025 ERIN CATERS
Tenor $35 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cwt}}$.
James A. D. Woolford .. Treble John N. D. Chaddock .. 6
Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 2 Geoffrey Townend..
Peter Scholfield
Pexer Woodward
J. Henry Fielden

3 John E. Kirby .
Composed by E J. Kinder 5 Kenneth Park ... ... Tellor
First peal in the method by all the first in the method for the Association.

Rung to mark the 13 th anniversary of the dedication of these bells.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Mon., Oct. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

Ar the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 SHACKERSTONE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in C .


Composed by Shirley Burton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. Witness: G. Ronald Edwards.
250th peal together. First in the method, and rung without previous practice. John A. Acres has circled the tower.'

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Oct. 20. 1960. in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 18 cwt 20 lb.
*Albert W. Bond . . .. Treble Herbert W. Woolven or 6
Angela Graingfr … ... 2 Frederick Page $\quad .$.
J. Richard Wilson $\quad . \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad$ Henry Stalham (87) $\quad 1.98$
C. Alfred Levett. $\qquad$
Edgar R. Rapley
Leonard Sillwell ... Tenor
Composed by Edgar Bennett. Conducted by John W. Euston.

* 100th peal. First of Grandsire Caters as conductor. First of Grandsire Caters on the bells for 37 years.


## GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Wulfram.
A PFAL OF 5055 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor 32 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb . in C sharp.
Katharine Burchnall...Treble Geoffrey R. Parker ..
Grace Burchnall . . it ?
Jack L. Mit I.HOISF
Margaret A. Swann -2
*Mrs. Colin W. Refd
Denis A. Frith

James W. Ralthby.. .. Tenor
Composed by Chas. W. Roberts. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal of Stedman and first on ten bells.

NORTH STONEHAM. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr. 16 lb . in G
*ohn R. Faithfull
$\dagger$ Iessie M. Kippin +M. Elzabeth Chapman $\dagger$ John Hartless
Composed by Stephen Ivin.

* First peal of Surprise the method.

| ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE <br> THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tenor | 23 cwt . |
| Arthur Day | Treble | Gerald Penney |
| Eric Edmondson | 2 | Reginald W. Darvill |
| A. Rowland Tysoe | 3 | Thomas J. Southam |
| *Kenneth J. Darvill | 4 | George W. Debenham |
| oyce Doids | 5 | Michael D. Frost |
| Composed hy Charles W. Roberts. |  |  |
| * First peal inducted by George W. Dt.benham, |  |  |

SHACKERSTONE SURPRISE ROYAL
$\times 30 \times 14 \times 50 \times 16 \times 1270 \times 38 \times 12 \times 30.16 .78 .16 .90$ L.-e. $12 \quad 1573$ F.c.e's $24365,32546,46253$.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BIDFORD-ON-AVON. WARWICKSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minules.
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Tenor 14 cwt .24 lb . in F.
Sidney Reade Treble John W. Perkins Harold E. Raxter
*heila Keyte. $\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { Colin B. Longmore } \\ 3 & \text { Robert W. Coler }\end{array}$ Michael G. Selby. 4 Arthur Shorey

* First peal of Triples

Arranged and iung for the Patronal Festival.

## ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Mon., Oct. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,

A PEAL OF 5056 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .3 qr .23 lb . in E flat.

| William F. Woodwar | Treble | Joseph W. Cotion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian G. Warwick | , | Derek P. Jones |
| Ernest Morris | 3 | Russell S. Morris |

Ernest Morris
Richard J. Clifion
Composed by Ernest W. Tipler (No B 52) Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

## DUFFIELD. DERBYSHIRE

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Alkmund.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwl 2 qr .11 lb . in E
 Clive Walklate, of Derby

## EBBW VALE MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

At Cuast CMIPCh
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 25 cwl .2 qr. 11 lb . in D.
Jacqueline S. King .. Treble Barrie Hendry
Ruth Border ... .. .. 2 John McDonald David King
RODERICK W. PIPE ... 4
Composed by C. W. Roblirts.
John A. Anderson Peier Border ..... .. Tenor
First peal of London on the bells,
GAINSBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt 1 qr .23 lb .
Peter A. Sharp .. .. Treble Jack L. Millhouse.. .. 5
Margaret A. Swann .. 2 Charles h. Baker... $\because$. Delia E. Smith A. Robin Heppenstall ${ }_{7}^{6}$ G. Leonard Thompson 4 Geobin Heppensticil Tenor Composed by E. Barnett, Sen. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. R. Parker (assistant curate), following his appointment as Vicar of Brothertoft.

## GOLDHANGER. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., .Oct. 15, 1960), in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt .3 gr .1 lb . in A flat.
Mary Roast .. .. ..Treble Ernest E. S. Johnson .. 5
Peter j. Eves.. .. .. 2 Joe E. G. Ronst .. .. 6

| * Harry R. Appleion | 3 | 3 | Patrick W. Salimarsh .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| "Richard J. Harrison | . |  |  |

Composed by N. J. Pirstow. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

* First peal in the method.

HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1950. in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
Ar the Church or St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE ROB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt .2 qr. 4 lh .
Wilfred 1. Newman ..Treble William J. Newman
Mrs. J. Thomas .. .. 2 Patrick Harris
*Wailir H. Raxifr :. 3 *Harold E. Raxilir
Colin b Longmori $\because 4$ Joseph E. Niwman
Composed hy Jostph I). Iohnson. Conducted by llarolo E. Raxiler. * First peal in the method.

Rung as a iiirthday compliment to William J. Newman and to Harold E. Raxter.

LYDNEY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Ten-Part (C.C.C. 25). Tenor 14 cwt 1 qr. 12 lb . in F. *Geoffrey T. Horritit.. Treble Ausin T. Wingate +William F. Scudamore 2 †John E. Morgan +Patricla H. Morgan .. 3 Frank Reed
tClive G. Bryant .. .. 4 *John 1. Wilcox .. .. Temor Conducted by William F. Scudamore.
*First peal of Triples. + First in the method. First in the method on the bells.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Henry Taysom (of Bristol and Penzance) and Miss Janice Organ, who were married at Berkeley the previous Saturday.

## USK. MONMOUTHSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. At the Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SLIRPRISE MAJOR Tenor $14+\mathrm{cwt}$. in $\mathbf{F}$ sharp.
Maureen Woolley .. .. Treble Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 5
Ruth border .. .. .. 2 Peter Border .. .. .. 6 Roderick W. Pipe .. ... 3 Barrie Hendry .. .. 7 John A. Anderson .. .. 4 John McDonald .. .. Tenor Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by John McDonald. * First peal of Bristol Surprive Maior.

A birthday compliment to Margaret Turner and Janice Cotterill.

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WARMINSTER. WILTSHIRE
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, At the Minster Church of St. Denys.

## A PFAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

W. A. Cave's variation of J. W. Washbrook's. Tenor 28 cwt . in D. Percival W. J. Harding Treble William A. Theobald *Ernest. E. Norris Laurence. E. Hitchins Rev. Roger Keeley Frederick S. Slatford Norman G. N. Knee Eric. J. Hitchins ... 4 Norman G. N. K 4 Frederick S. Slatford. * First peal. First peal on the bells since rehanging. Rung as a tribute to the late E. F. Marlow.

WEST MALLING. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In ten methods, comprising 768 each London and Bristol, 576 Rutland and Ealing, 480 Wembley and Watford. 384 Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire, 288 Lincolnshire and 137 changes of method.

Tenor 12 cwt . 1 gr. 12 lb . in G .
*Doris E. Colgate.. .. Treble Ian H. Oram
*Ralph Bird .......
Thomas Cullingworth
5
6
JOhn R. COOPER

* Philip A. Corby

Tenor
*Stanley Jenner
4
Composed by Edwin A. Barnett.
Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

* First peal of 10 Spliced.

A birthday compliment to the composer, and to Mr. A. S. Richards.
WORCESTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Ocl. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes.
AI the Church of St. John-the-Bapisist,
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenar $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cWt}$.
Sidney T. Holt..... Treble Clifford Skidmore
R. George Morris .. .. 2 . 2 Reginald Woodyatt 5
6
7 Susan Jackson
David Beacham
David Beacham $\begin{gathered}\text { Composed by N. Jitstow. }\end{gathered}$ Thomas W. Lewis

Tenor
4 . George E. Evenden . Tehor Rung in memoriam Mr. Fred Giles, ringer and church worker at St. John's for many years.

## FRODSHAM. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four raethods, comprising 1.312 Bristol. 1.280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, with 112 changes of method: all the bells do all the work of each method.
Oswald Claybrook .. Treble
John E Bibby
Cyril Valfiniline

*     + Denis Maddock
*Fred Jackson
Walter Allman

Tudor P. Edwards
Comnosed by A. J. PIIMAN
Francis Bibby.. .. .. Tenor Conducted by Walter Allman.

* First peal of Spliced in four methods. +100 th peal and 25 th on the bells.


## DARESBURY. CHESHIRE

TIE CHESTIR DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Oct. 19. 1960. in 3 Hours.
AT the Church of All SAints.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $16 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
John Ryder
Treble ! Fred Jackson
Denis Maddock
2 Harold Worrali
John Ashcroft
3 Tudor P. Edwards.
John E. Bibby Walter Allman Tenor
Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted hy Denis Maddock. DEREHAM. NORFOLK.
THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs. Oct. 20. 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPR
Tenor 22 cwt .105 lb . in E flat.

| David. Cubitt ... |
| :--- |
| Wilfred Robinson |$..$ Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Ocl. 20. 1960. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

At the Watch Tower.
AT THE WATCH TOWER.
A PEAL OF 5168 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
 *M. Elaine Murcott .. 3 Nicholas I. Wright John E. Anderson. . . 4
Composed by Norman Chaddock. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworih. Composed hy Norman Chaddock. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

* First peal in the method. Mr. N. I. Wright has now circled the tower


## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Cyril Crossthwaite .. Treble *Donald Lawson

- Keith Abbott .. ..
- Maryl R. Crossthwalte
$\dagger$ John P. Partington
4 †Michael D. Fishwick. . Teno:
. Washbrook. Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite. tenor ringers have Surprise $\dagger$ First in the method. The treble and tenor ringers have now 'circled the tower.'

BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt .3 qr .13 Jb . in $F$ sharp.
Judith K. Essen .. . . Treble | Michael R. Rose .. . .
*E. Jane Langton ..
Mikaela Erik
Derek E. Sibson
N. David Robinson

4
Composed by A. Craven.
*First peal of Surprise " inside.' In memotiam George Gilbert. CONISBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
A PEAL OF THE CHURCH OF ST, PETER, 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1.312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.
W. Eric Critchiey $13 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$

Milton C. Fowler . . Treble
Howard Scott
3
*Gordon A. Halls..... 4
Composed by A. J. Pitman.

## Ian M. Holland

Norman Smith ..
Richard E Price … 7

* First peal of Spliced Surprise.

Rung on the occasion of the Snowdon dinner.
COTTON, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.
Alfred Lockwood
Treble Leslie G. Foster
Robert E. Lester
Harry D. Lister
Hubert A. Mitson ....
Frank Sterry .. .. .. 4 Arthur E. Cook .. .. Tenor Composed by A. Knighis. Conducted by Harry D. Lister.
A silver wedding compliment to the Rector and Mrs. Derbyshire: also to Mr. and Mrs. A. Lockwood and Mr. and Mrs. A. Godfree.

> CANNOCK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Luke,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

| *Margaret Guthrie $\quad .$. Treble | Barnabas G. Key .. | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George L. Roobottom.. | 2 | Howard Hdwell ... | .. | 6 |

David W. Brunning
Roy K. Mountrorth
E. Marion Key 4.4 Arthur Armstrong... Tenor Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal.

Rung as a compliment to Preb. D. K. Robertson, late Vicar of Cannock, on his installation as canon residentiary and custos of Lichfield Cathedral.

GREAT BUDWORTH, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $20 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Neil Bennett
Treble Sidney Housh, Jun.
Frederick Shallcross
Harold Lonyon
Ivor Jenkins .. ... ... 4
Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Denis Motiershead A farewell peal for the seventh ringer, who is joining H.M. Forces. HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation). Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb
C. William Cooper .. Treble Ernest Calcutt ... .. 5

Alfred W. Glazzard .. 2 *John Hiluer . Harold J. Shuck .. .. 3 Frederick G. Handley.

Martin D. Fellows
Conducted hy Frederick G. Handley.

* First peal of Triples. Quarterly peal for the Association: alsn a hirthday compliment to Alfred W, Glazzard.

KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket, A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOK Tenor 123 cwt .

| Claudia A. Critchley | Treble | Frederick J. Plummer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jack S. Dear | 2 | G. William Critchley |
| A. Rex Agg | 3 | Hilda G. Snowden |
| Eric Edmondson | 4 | A. Patrick Cannon | ERIc Edmondson Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by G. William Critchley.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 73 cwt.


Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

* First peal in the method.


## ORMESBY, NORTH YORKSHIRE

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt .14 lb . in E


## SIX BELL PEALS

YASS. NEW SOUTH WALES.
THE NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Aug. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minures,
As the Church of St. Clement.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

## Being 42 different extents.

Laurence A. R. Curran Treble William D. Watson Ralph E. Clark .. .. 2 Thomas W. Goodyer John J. Cummins Conducted by Thomas W. Goodyer.
First peal in Australia with Extremes.

## ACLE, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes, At the Church of St. Edmund, King and Martyr.

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
$$

Being one extent of Norwich Surprise and two of Cambridge Surprise.

Kent and Oxford T.B.
A. William Bird

David Cubitt
*William Clover

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 gr .19 lb . in G
Henry Tooke
$\begin{array}{c:c}\text { Treble } & \text { \#Henry Tooke ...... } \\ 2 & \text { "Geoffrey R. Drew }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{l:c}2 & \text { *Geoffrey } \\ 3 & \text { Re. Drew } \\ \text { Bevan W. Willgress }\end{array}$
3 Bevan W. Wil

* 25th peal together

Arranged in honour of the wedding of Miss E. R. Slegg and Mr H. Parnell, which took place at Great Ryburgh.

> ST. KEA, TRURO CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of All Hallows.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Tenor 12 cwt . 1 qr .7 lb . in G .

Anthony Locke Conducted by Clement W. Jose

* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung for the Feast of St. Kea.

SWALCLIFFE. OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents (two callings). Tenor 13 cwt 2 qr .1 lb . in F
Anthony R. Mann . . Treble

* Barry J. Davies .. .. 2 Howard Oglesby

Robert A. Reeves... $\because \quad 3 \quad 3$ Christopher C. Clarke... Tenor
Conducted by Christopher C. Clarke.
*First peal "inside.' First as conductor.
WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf., Ocf. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
In 23 methods: (1) Morning Star Treble Bob: (2) Crowland. Combermere, Vale Royal and St. Werburgh Delight: (3) Willesden. Newdigate, College Bob IV and Old Oxford Delight: (4) College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Duke of Norfolk Treble Bob: (5) Charlwood, Neasden. St. Albans and Wragby Delight: (6) Capel. Sandal. London Scholars Pleasure, Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob: (7) Cambridge Surprise.

Tenor 14 cwt .
Philip G. K. Davies ...Treble Neil D. Lomas.
Sidney Hough, jun. .. 2 Derek Taylor
Brian Schofield .. .. 3 Denis Mottershead ... .. Tenor
An 82 nd birthday compliment to Mr. Sidney Head.

> CASTON. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Oct. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minures,
At the Church of the holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being 2.160 of Cambridge and two extents each of Norwich and Ipswich.
David Cubitt
Treble

| reble | Henry Tooke |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Bevan W. Wil | Tenor 9 cwt .

Thomas E. Spighit 9 cwt.
William Clover $. . . \quad . . \quad 3$ Gevan W. Willgress 4 Gerey R. Drew 5 First peal of Surprise on the bells.

HEREFORD.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun.. Oct. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 40 extents (ten callings) and one 240 Morris*. Tenor 11 cwt . William J. Yates .. .. Treble Harry Johnson William A. Kitson.. .. 2 Sidney J. Buwyer Reginald G. Powell .. 3 Horace D. Wright .. .. Temor Conducted by Reginald G. Powell.
the bells since being restored.
First peal on the bells since being restored.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. C. T. Cottrell. B.A., and Mr.s Cottrell, who are leaving for Cradley.

> SUTTON, MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Tues., Ocf. 18. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
at the Chirch of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.

| S. Ronald Fethers | . Treble | Peter Wm. Horn |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hilary L. Kirkman | . | 2 | Mrs. C. W. Lawton |


| S. Ronald Fethers | . Treble Peter Wm. Horn |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hilary L. Kirkman | . | 2 | Mrs, C. W. Lawton |

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Charles Wm. Lawton .. 3 anthony Wm. Lawton .. Tenor Conducted by Charles WM. Lawton.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. F. Armitage, a faithful worker at the church.

## BEENHAM, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Ocl. 19, 1960. in 2 Hours and 46 Minures,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being two extents of Beverley Surprise, two of Surfleet Surprise and three of Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr . in G. Eric P. Woolgrove . Treble Ronald F. Diserens
*Patricia Heather .. .. 2 Ernest J. Munday
Reginald W. Rex..... 3 Geoffrey K. Dudo... .. Tenot Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

- First peal of Minor.

The Accumulated Experience of Four Generations is behind all our Clocks

ALGARKIRK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sap., Oct. 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Mimures.
Ar 1he: Church of SS. Peitir and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. and three of Plain Bob.
William E. Clarke....Treble J. Martin Thorley 12 fy Alan G. Payne .. .. 2 *Frederick Derry .. .. 5 Harold Barslly .. 3 *James H. Musson .. .. Tenor Conducled by J. Martin Thorley.

* First anti-clockwise peal. The treble ringer has now completed the circle, and the conductor has now called a peal from each bell.

CHELFORD. CHESHIRE.
TIIE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist. A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES
Being 30 extents (ten callings) and six different 240's (Morris'). Tenor 8 cwt .2 gr .3 lb . in A .
 Brian Schofield .. .. 3 George Forrester .. Tenor Conducted by John Robinson.

* First peal in the method, and of Doubles. The ringers of 3 and 6 have now "circled the tower" to peals.

Rung prior to the consecration of the extension to the churchyard by the Bishop of Chester.

HITCHAM. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Mours and 34 Mimutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 HITCHAM DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 6 cwt . 11 lb . in B flat .
Phyllis M. Mayne.. . Treble Kenneth R. Dunstan .. 4
John R. Mayne .. .. 2 Johin Hill .. .. .. .. 5
Howard Oglesby .. .. 3 Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor
Conducted by JOhn R. MAYNE.
First peal in the method.
HITCHAM DELIGHT MINOR
$34-34.6-12-123-12-3$. 6ths place lead: 164523.


WEST LAVINGTON, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sar., Ocl. 22. 1960), in 2 Hours and. 52 Minures,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Archibald T. Knight . . Trehle Walter Beaven $\quad .$. Sidney G. Grant .. .. 2 Norman Knee .. .. .. 5
David J. Knight .. .. 3 Frederick S. Slatford . . Temor
Conducted by Frederick S. Slatford.
Rung to mark the retirement of Canon P. Sexty after 34 years' service in this parish : also for the induction of the Rev. R. Poston.

HANDBELL PEAL
BEVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Sept. 23, 1960, in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes.
At 36, Eastgate.
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR Being seven different 720's.
Frances Fairbank ..... $1-2 \mid$ Charles Barker .. .. 3-4
Malcoim Lincoln ... .. 5-6
Conducted by Charles Barker.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

## HALF PEAL

BATLEY, YORKS.-On Oct. 25th. 2.5:0 Plain Bob Minor: D. Rhodes (first half) 1. S. B. Schoficld 2. Sheila Henry (first hatn 3, Janet E. Brook 4. B. Gillian Schoficld (cond.) 5, H. B. Schoficld

ADELAIDE. SOETH AUSTRALIA,-At St. Peter's Cathedral. on (ect. 2nd. 1,260 Stedman Doubles: C. H. Bagot (first of Stedman as cund.) 1, Enid Koberts 2. H. Greenhalgh 3, W. B. Pitcher 4, B. R. Cox (first of Stedman) 5, H. C. Moule (first quarter) . For Evensong. Also on October 16ih, 1.272 Treble Bob Minor ( 720 Oxford, 552 Kent); F. N. simeaton 1. H. Greenhalgh 2, Enid Roberis (cond.) 3. C. H. Bagot 4. W. B. Pitcher 5, B. R. Cox 6. Fur Confirmation
AUGHION, LANCS.-On ()ct. Yth, 1,260 Grandide Triples: S. Flint 1, 1. Massh 2. W. Rimmer 3. J. R. Lunham (cond.) 4, K. Rothwell 5, A. L.
Pearson 6, W. E. Rethwell 7, H. Mourcroft 8. A compliment to the three octogenarian ringers-S. Flint ( 81 years). W. Rimmer ( 82 years), 1. Marsh (83 years).
BICESTER, OXON.-On Oct. \&th. 1.261 Grandsire Triples: J. Alsworth 1, C. H. Kinch 2, E. G. Jones 3. H. Hatfield 4, L. Busby 5, J. Eustace (first yuarier of Thiples) 6, E. J. Smith (cond.) 7. H. Clifton 8.
BROOKFIELI, LONDON,-On UCT, 16th. at St. Anne's, 1,260 Grandsire Trinles: I. Z. Ogllvie 1 , A. W. I. Butler (cond.) 5. 1. T. O'Dell 6. M. Lewis 7. P. J. Herring 8. Rung in memoriam George Gitbert. by his friends from the Hampstead and Highgate bands
HURNHAM. BUCKS.-On Sept. 28ih, 1.260 Stedman Triples: W. Butler 1. E. D. Poole 2 , A D. Rarker (cond.) 3, Miss D. Haque (first quarter of Siedman) 4, K. Buckingham 5, R. E. Dean 6, W. Birmingham 7. J. Norsworthy 8. Rung half-
muffled. after an unsuccessful peal attempt, in memoriam George Gilbert.

CANNOCK, STAFFS. On Oct. 18th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubtes: Susan Devey 1, H. Buller 2, Margare Guthrie 3. D. Jordan 4, G. Bradbury (cond.) 5, Arthur Armstrong 6. First quarter for 1,3 and 4. For SI. Luke \& Day, and for the identiary and Cuso of Lichfield Cathedral. Also in honour of the birth of a son to Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Bishop.
CLEVEDON, SOMERSET.-On Oct. 21st. 1.344 Stedman Triples: J. Brain 1, H. W. Knight 2, L. Derrick 3, P, Bird 4, G. Prescott 5. A. M. 8 . Inler
(cond.) 6, W. H. Kingcot 7, S. G. Smith 8 . In (cond.) 6, W. H. Kin
memoriam J. B. Hesse.
COLCHESTER. ESSEX. On Aug. 15th, at St Leonard's. 1.440 Double Court Bob Minor: $J$ Avis 1. Rachael Newstead 2, W. J. Brant 3, F. G.
Oliver 4. G. W. Barnes 5, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 6. Also on Oct. 2nd, at St. Peter's, 1.264 Little Bob Major: A Dale 1, H. Webb 2, Mrs. H. J. Millatt 3. B. Webb 4. K. Smith 5, E. Piper 6. E. P. Duffiekd 7. H. I Millatt (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.
DRAYTON, SOMERSET.-On Oct. 15th. 1.264 Plain Bub Major: K. Welch 1. G. Munckton 2 . R. Dean 3. H. J. Gaylard 4. J. Cornelius 5. F. Welch 6. J. Drew (cond.) 7. 1. T. Locke 8. For the tenor ringer's 27 th wedding anniversary
DUNHOLME. LINCS.-On Oct. 23 rd. 1.260 Doubles (Gurandsire. St. Simon's. Plain Bub): B. W. Smith 1 P. Coddington (first -inside ) 2, D. Drury 3. W. S. Smith 4. T. R. Smith (first as cond) 5. P. Burton 6. For Evensong.
FAVEMSHAM, KENT. On Oct, 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: F. Pack 1. Mrs. E. S. Palin 2. C. tade. 3. Miss K. Walsh 4. F. Farnsworth 5, W. S. For Harvest Festival.
FIVEHEAD, SOMERSET.--On Oct. 201h, 1.26t) Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Holway 1. W. H. Tarr

GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 2 nd . 1.261 Plain Bob Minnr: Susan Kirkup (first quarter) 1. G. G. Mansfield 2. Sandra Freeman 3. C. Rigby \&, F. W. Eydon 5, A. W. Mansfield (cond.) 6 For Harvest Festival.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS. On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs R, Bennett 1. H. K. White 2. A. H. Webb 3, J. H. Napper 4. C. J. Garlick 5 , 8. For Harvesi Festival. Also on Oct. 23rd. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. P. Gordon (first quarter) 1. W White 2, Mist M. Thomas 3, H. K. White 4, J. H Napper 5, M. Bishop 6, G. W. Bishop (cond.) 7. I. F. Cos 8.

## QUARTER PEALS

HARLINGTON, MIDDX.-On Ucr. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R, H. Smith 1, Miss J. Hitchcock 2 Miss W. Smith 3. A. Corran 4, T. Durn 5, D. Shaw 6. For Evensong, and as a 21 st birthday compllment to R. H. Smith (vice-captain) and D. Shaw, a: present doing National Service.
HEAVITREE, EXETER.-Un Oct. $13 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: C. Skinner 1, I. Wills 2, A T. Truman 3, C. P. Yates 4. E. Glass 5, N. Mallett 6. F. Wreford (cond.) 7, G. S. Luxion 8. Rung half-muifled in memoriam Arthur Mitchell, interred this day, for over 50 years a ringer at this church and for 30 years a member of the Exeter Cathedral Society.
ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.-On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss P. Rogers 1. H. W. Rogers (cond.) 2, C. H. Rogers 3. Mrs. U. L. Rogers 4. M. Gathercule 5, G. B. Becbe 6, J. R. Perreti 7. N. F. Feiton \&. First of Stedman for 1,3 and 5 . For Evensong, and as a welcome home, from Sierra Leone, to G. B. Beebe.
KINGSTHORPE, NORTMANTS.-On Sert. 25 th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. E. Frost (cond.) 1, Miss J 1. Frost 2, D. M. Trueman 3, J. W. Felce S. F. Earl 5, J Payne 6. For Harvest Festival.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.-On Oct. 16th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. F. Morilock 1, S. H. Symends 2, A. Knight 3, F. Hunt 4. F. A. Poulson 5. S. Smith 6. M. T. Symonds (cond.) 7, L. Pryke 8. Birthday compliment to F. A. Poulson.

LEICESTER.-At St. John-the-Divine Church, on Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Caters: S. Harrison 1. P 1. Chilton 2, D. 1. Simpson 3. Miss B. Manshyp 4. R. Elkington 5, I. J. Fraser 6. A. M. Lindsey 7. K. B. Townsend 8, J. M. Jelley (cond.) 9. A. J. Cooke 10. Half-muffled in memory of Canon H. V. Williams, Vicar, 1926-1936.

LICHFIELD, STAFFS. On Oct. 161h, at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Minor (720 Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob): L. W. Key 1, F. A. Sedgwick 2. Jill V. Moraan 3, M. W. Elsun 4, J. B. Webb 5 , methods for 3 and 4. For Evensong.
LOWER HEYFORD, OXON.-On Oct. 7th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bub): Miss J. West 1, H. Adams 2, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 3, W. Minnear 4, 1. Hunvur 5, E. Franks 6. First in two methods for 1. 2, 5 and 6 .

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.-On Oct. \%th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: G. Hewlett (cond.) 1, A. Crowe 2. R. Coatcs 3, M, Utton 4, N. Cassey 5, \&. Brown 6, P. Kindred 7, M. Parker 8. First in methed 2, 4, 5. 6 and 8.

MARCH, CAMBS.-On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minur: T. A. Bevis (cund.) 1, Jennifer Lewis 2, June Peel 3. J. Payne 4, D. Feek 5, W. Moure 6. First cuarter of Minor for 2, 3, 4 and 5. For Harvest Festival.
MORETON PINKNEY, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. Ist, 1,260 Grandvire Doubles: T. E. Roberts 1, G. Linneil linncll 5. For the wedding of Joyce Leeding and Malculm Arthur Bignell.
NETTLEBED, OXON,-On Uct, 19th, 1.280 Plain Bub Minor: Jennifer M. Davies 1. P. M. Wilkinsun 2. F. J. Sage 3, J. W. Blackwood A. A. B.
Shingler 5. E. J. W. Manley (cond.) 6. Rung by Shingler 5. E. J. W. Manley (cond.) 6. Rung by
members of the Reading Univervity Society.

NORTH ERADIEY. WILTS.-On Oc1. 22nd. 1,260 Stedman Triples: N. Knee 1, P. Harding 2, Mrs Penn 3. E. Murris 4. A. Knight S. F. Statord (cond.) 6. F. Penn 7. M. Phillips \&. Rung as a compliment is Mr, and Mrs. A. Knight (silver wedding) and Mrs. Edwards (birth of a son).

NORTH WEALD. ESSEX.-On Oct. 16th. 1.260 Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor: Wendy Bowak . Ann Hancock 2. L. Cordell 3. S. King 4, J. McPhail 5, W. Wedlock (cond.) 6. For family service. PETERSFIELD. HANTS. On Oct 23 rd , 1.176 Grandsire Triples: J. Clark 1, Mary White 2, K. Sansom 3. D. White 4, D. Hughes (first inside') 5 ,
K. Tipper 6. R. T. Jones (cund.) 7, B. Kercher 8. K. Tipper 6. R. T. Jones (cund.) 7, B. Kercher 8.
For Evensong and the christening of Helen Margaret Davison. daughter of a local ringer.
PILTON, DEVON, On Sept. 14th, 1,250 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin 1, L. Rooke 2, B, Boyle 3, C. Rooke 4, D. Jewell 5, W. Turk 6, N. Mallett (cond.) 7, A. Smallridge 8

POPLAR, LONDON.-On Oct. 12ih, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. F. Neal 1. Miss N. Hales 2, | 1. M. Sicele 3. R. K. C. Wilkngs 4. J. Hales 5, |
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| G A. Panoons 6. D. Neal (cond.) 7. C. F. Neal 8. | Rung for the Mission, and as a birihday compliment to 1. Hales.

PRESTON, GLOS.-On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bub, Reverse St. Barthulomew): B. Wakefield (first on treble) 1, R. Wakefield (first (mixed') 2. G. Land (first as cond.) 3. Miss A. Stephens (first mixed') 4, P. Lewis (first 'mixed') 5 .
PRESTON, LANCS.-On Oct. 23rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: K. Martin 1. Maryl Crosthwaite 2, M Crussthwaite 3. D. Lawson (cond.) 4. G. A. Bimmuck F. Stead 6. A. Gardner 7, C. Crossthwaite 8. Rung for Evensong and on the eve of the Preston Rural Deanery annual mecting of the S.P.G
RAMSGATE, KENT. On Oct. 13th, at St. Laurence-in-Thaner, 1,260 Girandsire Triples: $R$. Miles 1. Miss C. Cobbold 2, Miss P. Fennell 3, Miss M. S Taylor 4, J. Webb 5, S. J. Gee 6, Rev. S. M. Evans (cond.) 7, T. W. Edwards 8. For the wedding anniversaries of Mr and and W. C. Bridges and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Jarman, also a 21 st birthday compliment w. G. C. Durham
RIPPLLE, WORCS.-On Oct. 14th, 1,440 Plain Boh Minor: 1. Davies (first of Minor) 1. J. Lawrence 2. F. Lawrence 3, C. Haylings 4, D. Price 5, M. Hawkes (cond.) 6
ST. RRIDE'S MAJOR, GLAM.-On Oct. 8th, 1.441) Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B.): R. B. Hughes 1. B. Taylor 2. A. E. Harley 3. D. Llewellyn 4. R, G. Havard 5. E. I. R. Hartley (cond.) 6. A silver wedsing compliment to Mr . and Mrs. F. R Hartley, sarents of the ringers of 3 and 6 .
SAWLEY, DERBYS,-On Oct. 16th. 1.280 Plain Bob Dosbles: Mrs. W. Simpson 2. Miss C. Webb (first -inside ') 3, 3. Harvey 4, D. Marshall (cond.) 5 R. Newsum 6

SHEBBEAR. NORTH DEVON.-On Oct. 1st 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. L. Queen 1. P. C. Plan 2, 1, R. Slee 3, A. V. Queen (cond.) 4, P. R. Turner 5. I. Collins 6. By Shebbear College Society.

SPELBURY, OXON,-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Grand sire Doubles: B. Cooner (first quarter) 1, H. Floyd 2

Leach 3. R. Dasson 4. W. Butler 5, A. Franklin For Harvest Festival.
STAMFORD, LINCS. - At All Saints' Church, on Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Kent T B. and Plain Bob Minor J. R. Nichols and E. Tyers 1, C. Matthews 2 P. D. Baldack 3, C. Perkins 4, R. H, Knight 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong. Also on Oct. llth, 1.260 Single Court and Oxford Bob Minor: E. Tyers 1, C. Matthews 2. P. D. Baldock 3. E. Cox 4, R. H Knight 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.
6. Ruirg half-muffled in memory of G. Slaughier

STANTON-ON-HINE HEATH, SALOP.-On Oct. 7th. 1,272 Kent Trehle Bub Minor: R. E. Morris 1. Beryl W Abboul 2. F. Leech 3, E. V. Roden hurst 4. R. H. Newton 5, F. H. Bennett (cond.) 6. Fol Harvest Festival.
STANWELI, MIDDX.-On Aug. 21 st .720 Cam bridge Surprise Minor, 540 Plain Bob Doubles: K Young 1. F. I. Blagrove (cond.. Plain Bob) 2-3. i. C. Morgan 4, D. G. Pickett 5, C. B. Fynes (cond., Cambridge) 6. For Evensong.
STOCKBRIDGE, HANTS. On Oct. 22nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Prisca Homby (first quanter) 1 Mrs. Myrtle Williams 2. W. Havihorn (firs guaricr) 3. W. Young 4. D. Brown (firy as cond.) 5. A. Winchester Cathedral.
IWYNING. GLOS.-On Det. 21st, 1.260 Plain Bot Minor; 1. Davies 1. D. Price (cond.) 2. J. Lawtence 3. C. Haylings 4. F. Lawrence 5. M. Hawkes 6.

WAREHAM. DORSET. On Oct. 23rd. 1.279 Grandsire Doubles: S. Orchard (first of Doubles) 1, Judith A. Harding 2. C. A. Bull (firsi of Doubles inside') 3. C. T. Brown 4. R. G. W. Rabertson (cend.) 5. C. Heawhod (firni quarter) 6. For Evensong.
WESTMINSTER, I.ONDON,-At St. Siephen's Rnchester Row. on Oct. 20th. 1,264 Plain Bob Major: 1. Hughes (firsi of Major) 1, C. Simpson (firsi of Major) 2. Diana Lawless 3. C. M. Meyer 4. A. J. Frost 5. J. D. Rock 6, R. F. Overington (first of Major inside') 7, M. P. Moreton (cond.) 8 The ringer of the th rang this bell to his first quarter peal a quarter of a century ago.
WEST WICKHAM. KENT.-On Oct, 9th, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: W. A. Hughes I, R. E. Finch 2. L. W. G. Skinner 3, J. Faircloth 4, D. Holland 5, J. E. Cannell (cond.) 6. First in method fo: 2, 4 and 5.
WICKEN, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 2nd. 1.260 Doubles (St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob Stedman and Grandsire): 1. Linell 1, I. E. Robers 2 C. E. Truman 3. G. E. Green (cond.) 4, F. C. Case 5. G. Foddy 6. Rung as a tith birthday compliment to the conductor's son. Andrew.

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On Sunday. October 23rd the Freshford Church Bellringers' Guild, Somerset, held the Rev. Fervice, conducted by the Rector Me Rev. Francis Pollard. who is also Tower Master. The secretary. Mr. J. Harvey Green. presented five new candidates. The Rector then admitted Ruth Brown as a probationer; and L/A. Royston Newman. Roger Bishton. Robert Parsons and David Dawe as members of the Guild. The bellringers' office hymn was then sung. The Guild now consists of fourteen members and two probationers.

Three octogenarians ringers took part in a quarter peal at Aughton. Lancs-S. Flint (81 years). W. Rimmer (82) and J. Marsh (83).

Shenstone Church, which is near Lichfield. Staffs. is to have an additional two bells installed by next Easter. thus making a ring of five.
Birmingham ringers had an enjoyable weekend in South Wales on October $15 / 16 \mathrm{hh}$, with peals of Bristol Surprise at Usk and London Surprise at Ebbw Vale.
The late Mr. George Gilbert was a very good friend of the University of London Society. To his memory the Society rang a peal at Burnham, on October 22nd.
We hear that the recent trip to England by boys of Groton School. Massachusetts. had paid great dividends in terms of knowledge. rhythm and good striking. We will be eternally grateful to all our English friends who helped us.' writes Mr. Russel! Young.
Mr. Harold B. Scholfield. of Bradford. Cathedral, had five of his young people in a half peal on October 25th. Their respective ages were $12.12,15,15$ and $15 . \mathrm{It}$ is a pleasure to see the next generation taking their places.
Owing to the difficulty of public transport to Great Hale. Lincs. where the next meeting of the Central Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild is to be held on November 12th. lifts from Sleaford or Heckington will be provided for anyone who informs the secretary. Mr. S. Chambers, 64. Goldsmith Walk. Lincoln.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Ratby cum Groby. Leicestershire, are fortunate in their new Rector, the Rev. Peter R. Blackman. who is an accomplished ringer, having spent five years at Aylestone, where here is a ring of eight. He will now have two rings of bells in his charge. In a peal in horour of his institution were the president. secretary and treasurer of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, and also three others from Aylestone and one from Ratby.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. F. Denty, of Twyford.

The quarter peal rung at Southover (see page 719), was rung as a compliment to Mr . Ernest H. Fuller, on his 90th birthday.

The silencing work has been completed in Church Gresley belfry. Staffs. with woodwool slabs and the noise is no longer overpowering to the ringers.

Faced with raising $£ 4.000$ for the rehanging of their bells. Beaminster. Dorset. Ringing Guild are holding an open day on November 19th. Details advertised next week.

The Rev. C. Holroyd Barker, who has been clerical secretary to the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford for 44 years, has tendered his resignation.

Three nombers of the recently formed St. Stephen's Society. Westminster. took part in the quarter peal of Bob Major at their own tower on October 20th. It is understood that this is to be the first of many quarter peals to be rung on these bells.

Mr. E. Barnett writes: 'Another peal at the Curfew Tower. Windsor, was omitted from the article in the issue of October 21st-one of Grandsire Triples, by the Cumberlands. nearly 70 years ago. which was conducted by William Barron.

Mrs. J. I. Anderson (née Scrutten) thanks ringers of Christ Church. Ealing, and neighbouring towers for their beautiful uedding gift of a chiming clock and also for the quarter peal that made her wedding day memorable.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## WORCESTERSHIRE \& DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER

$\mathrm{N}^{\mathrm{o}}$OT so many as in the past few years, but still a substantial gathering of 156 mem bers and friends were present at the 23 rd annual dinner, held at the Guildhall, Worcester on October 8 th and presided over by the Very Rev. R. L. P Milburn. Dean of Worcester and president of the Association. He was supported by Mrs. Milburn ; Mr. D. Beacham (vice-chairman) and Mrs. Beacham; Rev. R M. Powell (Kempsey) and Mrs. Powell; Rev M. H. Richards (St. John's, Worcester) and Mrs. Richards ; Rev. H. L. Davies (Cradley); Rev. A. M. Moreton Jackson (Leigh); Mr J. D. Johnson (general secretary) and Mrs. Johnson.

The iist of apologies was rather unusual including several who make a point of never willingly missing the event. Among these were the Master (Mr. W. B. Cartwright), who is in Canada and U.S.A. in connection with his profession. The attractive menu cards contained the caption: Greetings from Canada -Here's hoping you all have a very pleasant evening.-The Master.
Other apologies were from the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the Right Rev. C. E. Stuart the Revs. L. J. Birch (Chaplain) and A. W Webb (vice-president), and Messrs. G. J. Lewis and R. R. Savory The task of seating the gathering was again unobtrusively carried out by the inree stewards-Messrs F. Hyde, T. W Lewis and J. J. Stanier.
Following the loyal toast. the toast of , The Worcestershire and Kindred Associations' was submitted by the Rev. R. M. Powell. who said he could not claim any vast knowledge of the ringing of bells. but he was fortunate in having a parish with a loyal band of ringers and he was grateful for them. He spoke in praise of the Association for all the reforms they had brought about and congratulated them on their great work. Concluding, he felt that their heartfelt sympathy would go out, that
evening. to their Chaplain. the Rev. L. J. Birch. evening. to their Chaplain, the Rev. L. J. Birch,
and to Mrs. Birch, in their recent loss through the tragic death of their son.

THE FOCAL POINT
Responding. Mr. Hugh Neill extended a welcome to visitors from no less than 10 counties and also said how gratified they were to see so many clergy present. He himself was especially grateful to the Rev. M. H. Richards. at whose cluurch he had the privilege of teaching to ring a young band of scholars
from King's School. Personally. he felt that from King's School. Personally. he felt that
Worcester should be the focal point of the Association and the standard of ringing in the city reflect :ite health of the organisation Through lack of practice this year. things had not gone quite according to plan, but the lapse was only temporary and they were now returning to noimal. The attendance. however, that evening reflected the enthusiasm in the Association. and a proof that it was still going strong.

The toast of 'The Chairman ' was proposed by Mr. D. Beacham. who reminded the gathering that it was in the unavoidable absence of the Master that he had this honour. as vicechairman, an honour accorded to him as being representative of the younger generation
The Dean. in reply, remarked on the number of young ringers present, and how agreeable it was to see young and fresh faces year by year. 'I can't help reflecting.' he continued. hou your hells ring out. year by year. the course of human life and I think this is a very significant and happy fact. It is with a feeling of pride that 1 stand before you and pay tribute for your devotion to a
difficult and really worthwhile art in which difficult and really worthwhile art in which you are highly skilled
After the toast list a course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells by members of the Hinton-on-the-Green band: Miss V.
Barnes 1-2. W. J. Newman 3-4. Mrs. J. Thomas 5-6. J. D. Johnson 7-8. Mrs. P. Harris 9-10 With the addition of $\mathbf{R}$. Newman. the same band. with one bell each. rang 120 Grandsire Doubles by changing places. This caused no little amusement to the company, and quite a surprise to the band. for the fact that it came into rounds.
An excellent musical entertainment was provided by Henry Hall and his party and the evening concluded with 'Auld Lang Syne the evening concluaed with Auld Lang S. J.
and the national anthem.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 45

became a Minor enthusiast, and of his 180 peals, 40 of which he conducted, over 100 have bean peals of Minor. Of these, only six have been in less than 7 methods.
His other peals have ranged from Minor to Maximus on tower bells, and Minor to Royal on handbells. He was one of the band at Felkirk which. in 1929, rang no less than 252 extents of Minor in 252 methods. In 1931 he took part in a peal of 10,800 Surprise Minor in 15 methods at Rotherham, winich he believes is the longest length of Surprise Minor yet rung. He learned much of his theory from Mr. Gcorge Lewis, and has contributed many useful articles to the pages of this paper, including • Random thoughts on Bob Major and T B. Minor:' Modification of the half lead system of extracting false course heads; : History of the Barnsley and District Society: etc., etc.
Always in the forefront in preaching the gospel of good striking, his services are in great demand as a judge in ringing contests in the North and Midlands, and he has established a great reputation for his fairness. He has been treasurer of the Barnsley and District Society for 30 years; Ringing Master of the Southern District, Yorks Association, for 20 years, and served on the Central Council from years, and ser
1947 to 1951
His other hobbies are chess and music. In the former he has played for four years in inter-county tournaments and so far has an unbeaten record. In music, he holds the Special Certificate of the Royal Schools of Music. He contributes a chess column in the West Yorks Teachers Magazine. and Mrs. Chant does the music reviews in the same paper. By profession. Harold is in the building trade. He was in the R.A.F. for $3+$ years, as an engine fitter. He is a family man. having three children. Michael, $15 \frac{1}{2}$ (who stubbornty refuses to learn to ring), Helen, $9 \frac{1}{2}$, and Susan, $1 \frac{1}{2}$. Mrs. Chant is a teacher by profession, and Harold is loud in his praise of her patience in putting up both with him and his ringing for so long
There is a lot more we could say about Harold. if only space permitted-but this we will say, his sound common sense and his inexhaustible supply of good humour have endeared him to all his friends, and particularly to the readers of this paper.

JAFUS.

## FOUR PEALS OF SURPRISE IN ONE DAY

An attempt to create a new record by ringing five peals of Surprise Major, in five different lowers, with five conductors, nearly came off on October 15 th. Four peals had been duly rung and with only six courses of Yorkshire to finish a miscall foiled us. Arrangements for the towers were very ably carried out by Mr. Geoff Dodd and a strong band was assembled together. On Friday evening. October 14th. SIX of us stayed at the Old Mill Hotel. Aldermaston. A start was made at Aldermaston, at 3 a.m.. for Cambridge. with bells fully muffled. Two of the local atomic guards wondered why the bells were sounding so early! Breakfast was served at the Old Mill. at 6.10 a.m.. by Mrs. E. Arlott, whose husband used to be the local ringers' captain.
A short run brought us to Stratfield Mortimer. where the bells were already up. thanks to Mrs. A. Cowdry and Mr. J. Taylor. We commenced ringing at $7.10 \mathrm{a} \cdot \mathrm{m}$. and Rutland was duly brought round. Before starting at Thatcham. we had time for a short snack. and slight delay was experienced in the tower through finding two clappers still tied after practice. An excellent peal of Lincolnshire was scored. starting at 11.15 a.m.
By this time we were all ready for lunch. hefore continuing to Bucklehury. where we were met by Mr. A. Hawkins. It was a sad reminder that last time we came here on September 20th. 1958. we were entertained to coffee by the late Miss Stella Davis. Superlative was duly brought round. starting at $3.12 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. To save time, we had our lea (no drinks!). in the form of sandwiches. on our way to Highclere, and starting at 7.18 p.m.
all felt fit and confident that we should score No. 5. However, after 2 hours of Yorkshire a miscall was a big disappointment. It certainly shows that progress today demands a high standard, when a band is disappointed with only ringing four peals!

However. thanks to the very generous hospitality of the local Rector, the Rev. T. Lewis, and his wife. we soon cheered up, and were glad to be sitting down round a cosy fire. eating sandwiches and drinking beer (the first all day!). Mr. G. B. Evans. a local ringer. also played back a tape recording of our ringing.

Special mention must be made of the excellent rjinging of Mr . Reg Rex. one of our very active one-armed ringers. He would have been quite happy to have started again, after 13 hours 45 minutes ringing and over 24,000 changes behind him

Grateful thanks are extended to all the local clergy for kindly allowing the attempts. and especially to Dr. $\mathbf{R}$. Payne, of Aldermaston Also to Mr. E. J. Munday, for providing the necessary transport. and Malcolm Cloke's very useful motor cycle. It is hoped to have another attempt in the New Year
A. P.C
 tenor ringer on becoming a grandfather.

## Controversy At Durham \&

YHE Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association acknowledges its dual allegiance by holding its annual meeting alternately in the two dioceses. This year it was the turn of the younger diocese and the meeting was held in Newcastle, on October 1st. Ringing was available in the morning at Gosforth, and in the afternoon at Jesmond. Fenham and Newcastle Cathedral.

The service was held in Newcastle Cathedral. The Provost, the Very Rev. N. M. Kennaby, conducted the service and gave the address. He said that the bells today took on the role that had been given to the silver trumpets in the lesson from the book of Numbers and were used for calling together the 'congregation. The "congregation' in that context embraced the whole of Israel-the people of God. So today the bells call to all the people of God-to all who have been baptised-but as with Christ's call of old some respond and some do not. Mr. J. L. Keen played the organ and the collection for the Bell Restoration Fund amounted to $£ 47 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$.

The tea and business meeting were held in the vestry of St. John's, where the catering was most efficiently carried out by members of St. John's Drama Society. This arrangement provided a first class meal at a reduced price for the ringers, while raising funds for the Drama Socjety through the voluntary labours of its members.

## NEW PEAK IN PEAL RINGING

The president, Mr. T. Cooke, welcomed the company of almost 80 and expressed appreciation of the warmsth of the welcome that he had received in visiting the districts. The various reports on the year's work were presented and adopted. In these the secretary reported that meetings had been well supported and that peal ringing, which had reached a new peak, was largely accounted for by a handful of ringers. The area had had an unusual influx of visitors during the year. The treasurer reported an increase in the balance in hand from $£ 108$ 14s. 11 d . to $£ 1234 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d .. in which the general fund had gone from $£ 77$ 13 s . 3 d . to $\mathrm{E} 87 \mathrm{7s}$. 11 d ., but he warned members of forthcoming heavy demands for print-
ing. peal report showed that 56 peals had been rung in 27 towers with one on handbells. Of the 71 ringers taking part, II scored their first peal but no new conductor had appeared. Leading peal ringers were J. A. Ainsworth 42 , E. N. Harrison 36. G. S. Deas 35 and J. E. Anderson 27. There were 15 conductors but J. A. Ainsworth's 24 was well ahead of all the others.

## SCHEME OF INSTRUCTION

Last year the office of Ringing Master was created and the meeting heard a report of the first year ${ }^{\circ}$ efforts directed towards the formulation of an efficient scheme of instruction for the Association. The problems had been discussed by a panel and a sub-committee had teen enirusted with formulation of some details. Alongside the attempts at an organised scheme many individual eftorts had done valuable work. especially in ending the long silence th:t had prevailed at St. Peter's. Jarrow

The trustees were able 10 report that the property of the Association was safe and sound. The election of officers saw all the retiring efficers re-elected. thus making the list for 1960-61 as follows: President. Mr. T. Cooke : honorary treasurer, Mr. F. Ainsley: honorary secretary and editorial secretary, Mr. D. A. Bayles: honorary auditor, Mr. J. F. Bird; Ringing Master, Mr. K. Arthur; trustees, Messrs. W. N. Patk and N. I. Wright
District officers.-Northern: Mr. J. A.
Ainsworth (vice-president). Mr. G. S. Deas honorary secretary); Southern: Mr. F. W. Cooke and Mr. E. P. Rock ; Eastern: Mr.

Newcastle Annual Meeting
C. N. Lea and Mr. W. F. Sheraton: Western Mr. K. W. Cheeseman and Mr. C. T. Lamb. Peal referees: Messrs D. A. Bayles, W. J Davidson, R. Park and W. N. Park.

## VOLUNTARY PEAL LEVY

Mr. J. A. Ainsworth had submitted a motion calling for the institution of a peal levy of 6 d . per rope to be incorporated in the rules. The general feeling was in sympathy -with the aim of raising more money from those who caused the increased printing costs, but most disagreed with the motion as it slood and Mr Ainsworth withdrew the original motion substituting an appeal for voluntary contributions from peal bands. This was adopted and will be printed in the annual reports.

Meetings for 1961 were arranged as follows Social function. Chester-le-Street. January 6th : half-yearly meeting. Whitley Bay. May 13 th: annual meeting. Sunderland. September 30th.

Fifteen new members were elected, including six from Jarrow. and eight belfry elections were ratified.

## PEAL SECRETARY RESIGNS

The peal report for 1958-59. which had been adopted at the A.G.M.. 1959. Was raised again and much discussion took place on the question of whether the peal rung at Nortork. Yorks, and which would be credited by the Central Council to the Yorkshire Association only. should be included in the Durham and Newcastle records. A motion to include was eventually carried by 27 votes to 18.
Mr. Bayles then announced that cool and careful consideration of this possibility had led him to the conclusion that this new policy would leave him no option but to resign forthwith as peal secretary and as peal referee. He had not mentioned this inside or outside of the debate lest he be accused of trying to hold a pistol to their heads' but he formally resigned those two appointments.

The president, after a vote expressing full confidence in Mr. Bayles as peal secretary, asked him to reconsider his decision. Mr. Bayles replied that he was not prepared to append his signature to any peal report which violated his principles and therefore there could be no question of withdrawing his resignation. but he was prepared to continue for a short time in order to tie up the loose ends and publish the annual report for 1959-60. wherein the peal records would he confined to the peal report for 1959-60 presented and adopted at that meeting.
There was no further business and the members were able to spend a short time in the belfries of Newcastle Cathedral and St. Mary's. Gateshead, before ringing ended for the day.
D. A. B.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The quarterly meeting of the Banbury and District Branch was held at Sandford St. Martin. on October 22nd. about 40 members and friends being present. The proceedings were marred by the sudden illness of the incumbent. the Rev. W. F. Malcolm. who had been taken to hospital earlier in the day, but that very good friend of ringers. the Rev. K. G. Packard. came at short notice from Lower Heyford and conducted the service. At the business meeting a sub-committee was appointed to make arrangements for the annual dinner of the branch on January 21 st , and the next meeting was fixed for January 14th. at Swalcliffe, with ringing at Tadmarton, after tea.

PENARTH. GLAM.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, and Grandsire): M. Chiplin I. Miss R. Harding 2. W. J. Palmer 3. E. J. R. Hariley (cond.) 4. A. F. R. Hartley 5, C. P. Bristow 6. For

## NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

Three cars containing 12 ringers from four different Sydney towers journeyed to Maitland on October 15 th, to ring during a fete in St. Paul's Church grounds. Five quarters were scored over the week-end, two on tower bells and three on handbells
Highlights of the trip were the Saturday night tea provided by local ringers: the night at the Belmore Hotel, during which a Kickety Kate " school went on to 2.45 a.m.: a 10 -mile drive for a milk-shake and prawn; at Hexham: the merry-go-round rides at the fete: ascending the vertical ladders to the top of the campanile of St . Paul's ; and the hot sun on their backs during the 123 miles (four hours) run home after a thoroughly enjoyable two days.
The two quarter peals on the bells of St . Pauls Church, on October 15 th. were 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Robert C. Wood (first quarter) 1. W. D. Watson (cond.) 2. J. S. Hedges 3. R. L. Clark 4. J. F Hammond 5. J. Y. Seymour 6. Also 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Linden R. Langshaw (firs tower bell quarter) 1, Graeme A. J. Langshaw (first tower bell quarter) 2. Audrey E. Peters 3. Wendy A. Nichols 4. Thomas W. Goodyer (cond.) 5, Jchn Y. Seymour 6
While the second quarter was in progress a quarter 'in hand of Doubles was rung in the church by J. J. Cummins 1-2. W. D Watson (cond.) 3-4. J. F. Hammond (firsi on handbells) 5-6. At the end of this, about 9.50 p.m... a party was held in the belfry before going back to the hotel.

In the church porch on the Sunday. 1.344 Plain Bob Major was rung by J. J. Cummins 1-2. Margaret E. Goodyer 3-4. T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 5-6. W. D. Watson 7-8. A further quarter attempted on the Sunday. collapsed A warm 'Thank you' goes to Maitland people for such a feast of bellringing.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Chew Deanery Branch

The quarterly meeting was held at Nailsea. on October 15th. Ringing preceded the Association form of service. whoch was conducted by the Rector. Rev. E. Guy Hammond, and some 40 members and friends then enjoyed an excellent tea prepared by the Nailsea lady members.

The Rector took the chair at the business meeting which followed tea and new members were elected from Portbury. Portishead and Long Ashton, also one lapsed member from Winford was re-elected. It was decided that. provided permission was forthcoming the annual meeting should be held at Backwell on the first Saturday in December. with Yatton as an alternative. should it prove difficult to arrange tea at Backwell. The practice meeting for November was fixed for Kingiton Seymour.

The usual votes of thanks to all who had contributed to such an enjoyable meeting concluded proceedings.

## CORPORATE COMMUNION

Some 19 members attended the half-yearly Corporate Communion at Barrow Gurney, on October 23 rd . and this pleasant octave was set ringing soon after 7 a.m. The ringers attended the Parish Communion at which the celebrant was the Vicar. Canon J. B. Sturdy and those who attended are grateful to both the Vicar and the authorities at the adjoining Barrow Court, now a teachers" training college, for providing breakfast for the party.
M. J. H.

# WHAT ARE THE QUALITIES YOU LIKE IN A BELL ROPE? ‘POULARD' BELL ROPES 

TRY ONE WITHOUT OBLIGATION

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

COLLEGE YOUTHS' PEAL AT DERBY
Dear Sir--As the person largely responsible for writing the report of Wilfred Williams 1960 Peal Tour. I should like to make some chservations in reply to the letter under the above heading from Mr. G. A. Halls.
The paragraph concerning the Derby Cathedral peal does not conform to the copy supplied by me. It has been subjected to the editorial blue pencil, and does not read that it was the first ever of Spliced Surprise Royal. containing all the work for each bell. etc.. as was intended. instead. it states that it was the firs: time in this church.
1 was not at Derby when the peal was rung and compiled my notes from details given me verbally. Unfortunately. those original notes were accidentally destroyed and I was faced with the task of writing the whole account from memory. Being somewhat pre-College Youth I thought it fitting that this first: should be recorded for the College Youths. Perhaps, however. it was tactless of me to refer to them as the premier singing society. No doubi many people, including Mr. Halls. disagree with this expressed opinion, and. of course. they are perfectly entitled to.

Finally. I should like to point out to Mr. Halls that I am entirely responsible for the composition. ideas and opinions expressed in this particular report. It was never my intention to offer any slight or insult to the Derbyshire Association. If and when an apology becomes necessary I shall gladly proffer it to the officers of the association. I feel. however. that Mr. Halls has launched rather impetuously into print without true knowledge of the facts.-Yours faithfully. DONALD G. CLIFT
Harrow. Middlesex.
Dear Sir.-Mr. Gordon Halls should have made himself more familiar with tour history hefore rushing into print. He would then have known that a College Youth peal attempt has been arranged on most of my tours during recent years. There was. therefore, no departure from usual custom, and nothing unique in ringing the Derby peal for that Society. He is also quite wrong in stating that it was the only peal not rung for the appropriate territorial association. The peal at Staindrop in County Durham was rung for the Yorkshire Association and not the Durham and Newcastle.

Mr. Halls makes an even greater mistake hy assuming that a professionally written volume like the College Youths peal book is passed round. It would not surprise me to learn that he is firing bullets made by a well known member of the Ancient Society and the Derbyshire Associgtion.-Yours faithfully.

WILFRED WILLLIAMS.

## London.

Dear Sir-We fear that Mr. G. Halls is a little piqued because the College Youths will riot admit him into their Society. Obviously Mr Williams did not intend to insult the Derbyshire Association: if he had the peal would have been rung for the South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association.Shire and North

Derby.
D R. CARLISLE.
D. J. MARSHALL.

## SAWLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir. We wish to draw attention to a small error which occurred in the published falseness of "Sawley (sie page 716). The false courses are: B (4/4). N (f 2/3).-Yours faithfully.
D. R. CARLISLE.
G. A. HALLS.
D. J. MARSHALL

Derby.

## WINDSOR CASTLE BELLS

Dear Sir-Apropos the account of Windsor Castle Curtew bells, one wonders what is the - inside story of the 1650 augmentation, tor story there must be, when one considers the set up.

Charles Stuart had been sent to the scaffold twelve months betore. his son was a fugitive and 'Old Noll' firmly established as Protector of the English Republic. yet somebody has sufficient : pull somewhere to carry through an extensive bell restoration in a Church of England building in an ex-royal residence, all of the last three, bells, churches and royal palaces, absolute anathema to the powers that be and they in the first flush of authority. Perhaps Mr. Sharpe would like to enlighten us. if possible, as 10 how it was done--sincerely.

Harborne. Birmingham.
P.S.-I should be plessed to know from whom a copy of Church Bells of Berkshire. Part 17. containing the Windsor Castle account, can be obtained.-W. E. B.

## GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED

Dear Sir.-The list of tower names. which appear week by week under Gratefully Acknowledged. is one item in 'The Kinging Acknowledged. Is one tem in ine Ringing and may it grow even longer!
Looking through the last ten issues of the R.W.: commencing August 12 th -October 14 th . I find some very interesing information about peals, quarter peals, etc.. and the ringers who peais. quarter peals, etc.. and the ringers who in the : G. Ack.

Looking at the quarter peals, etc.. I found that out of 495 published 236 subscribed to - G. Ack. and were responsible for £33 13s. Ild.. the details being :

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Thase peals published under tours, weekends. etc.. total 97. and were responsible for £1 8s. Onc tour subscribed £1. total 12 peals. and a week-end and 3 peals 8 s.
The whule 520 peals occupied 45 pages and the 495 quarters, cic.. less than 10 pages. The 214 peals under s-6 bells include 15 handbell peals.
The Putney band lead the quarter peals. and a footnote under a Wentworth quarter told us that a proposed quarter at Wortley was called off owing to heavy rain!
H. E. TAYLOR.

## Darles Dale

## THANK YOU, CORNWALL

Dear Sir--Having just returned from a short haliday in "The Delectable Duchy" (the first many years), may I through the courtesy of :The Ringing World' say a big Thank you to all those ringers who made me so very welcome. Their unfailing kindness was very much appreciated.-Yours sincercly.
E. T. P. FIELD.

## TWO WHITE 'GHOSTS'

When the young band descended Church Gresley belfry, recently, an excited furmoil floated ap to the ringing chamber.

Bluntly the ${ }^{\text {n }}$ Ringing Master shouted down to enquire about the fuss. The odd reply came back- 'two white ghosts were trying to break into the tower.
This brought from Mr. Derek P. Jones the obvious rejoinder not to be ridiculous, but on going down to find out for himself, the Ringing Master was
staggered to find that two whlte staggered to find that two whlte
strangers were in fact trying to get in and were holding the lads at bay
They were, however, frisky peat GOATS that had sirayed into the churchyard, their consciences leadia them to seek refuge in the church.

## MINIMLS RINGING

Dear Sir.-I was interested to read Mr. P Amos letter, in your issue of October 28th, as I have theen thinking along somewhat similar lines re the Minimus controversy. I feel that we ringers should encourage ringing in four bell towers for the very reason stated by Mr . Amos-that the kindling of enthusiasm may one day lead to an increase to five or more bells. Wie have such an example in this county. In the tiny village of Leire love of ringing was bred in a four bell tower, and his resulted in the addition of two more hells. I well remember approaching the church on the night of the dedication service. It was only the sound of Plain Bob Minimus that floated out from that little tower. Bui what a sound! The striking was exemplary and constituted a lesson to many of us who ring on higher numbers

I have instanced this case as an example of the potential effect of encouragement in a four bell tower. Admittedly, the question of four bell peals did not arise, but I feel we should ask ourselves-would the banning of four bell peals constitute an encouragement to a four bell iower. or not?

In conclusion. I note that according to Mr . T. C. Betton many of the four bell towers in leicestershire are out of action. and whilst I would not dispute this statement. I do feel that in many cases a thorough examination might prove otherwisc In some towers the bell are apparently unringable. and unfortunately they stay that way for various reasons. The rings of four bells at the following churches in Leicestershire are certainly ringable: Peatling Magna. The tone of the last two rings (approximately 16 cwt . and 13 cwt . tenors) is beautiful. although i doubt whether either are rung regularly. Has any ringer information regarding the other Leicestershire four bell towers.-Yours faithfully
Cosby. Leics.
JOHN B. BENNETT.

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD'S PEALS

Dear Sir.-The Guild's peal total for 1959, as published in "The Ringing World of October Elst. was incorrect. It should read: Maximus 2 (1). Royal 6 (4). Caters 2, Major 12 (2). Triples 2. Minor 3 (i). Total 27 (8) Yours faithfully

HUGH BISHOP.
(Guild Librarian)

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## COMPARISONS WITH THE PAST AT SNOWDON DINNER

## Problems Of Ringing In This Age

COMPARISONS were made at the 28 th
annual commemoration dinner to the memory of Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past ofticers of the Yorkshire Association with the present age, at Rotherham. on October 22nd. Mr. Philip Gray, who replied for the guests. set before the assembly, of over 150 . the need for a revision of the objects of most ringing associations.
It was an occasion when Yorkshire excelled in its hospitality. The president (the Ven. C. O. Ellison). who presided. gave a lead in friendliness. The arrangements were made by Mr. N. Chaddock and Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert and 11 was with great regret that the company learned of the indisposition of Mr. Gilbert. The highlight of the evening was the handbell tune ringing of the Ecclesfield handbell ringers. who by their performance must rank in the forefront of this class of entertainmeit.

Supporting the president and Mrs. C. O. Ellison on the top table were Bishop G. V. Gerard (Assistant Bishop of Sheffield). the Revs. Canon H. Ferraby, Canon A. King, C. A. Edwards. G. Hollis and J. K. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddozk. Mr and Mrs. W. E. Critchley, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Marsh. Mr. and Mrs. H. Bagot, Messrs. G. Benfield. E. Hudson, P. Gray. W. M. Batton. L. W. G. Morris and T. W. White.

The president preceded his welcome to the guests with apologies from the Archbishop of York, the Bishop of Sheffield, Mr. Frederick Sharpe. Miss Margaret Snowdon. niece of Jasper Snowdon, and Mr. A. E. Sellers.

## WHO IS LOSING HIS TEMPER

Archaeacon Ellison had a special greeting for the Rev. Gerald Hollis, who, next month, will become Vicar of Rotherham. Mentioning the presence of the edtor. he said, "I think The Kinging World ${ }^{\circ}$ is a most interesting paper. I am not a scientific ringer, but I am interested in the art I start with Beltry Gossip and then turn to the correspondenze page to see who is losing his temper. I don't tempered body but some are apt to get excited. 1 hope. Mr. Editor, you will encourage the use of the blue pencil.
To. Mr. Ben Birkett, who will be 81 hefore Christmas. the oldest ringer present. there was a special round of applause. The secretary was asked to convey the company's sympathy to Mr. John Gilbert.

The Rev. C. Edwards. senior curate at Rotherham: also gave a welcome to the visitors mentioning that Rotherham was very proud of its church. with its long record of worship throughout the centuries. it. choir and Mr. Chaddock ard his loyal team of ringers. whose ringing was no less praise and worship.
Mr. E. A. Barnett. honorary secretary of the Central Council. submitted the toasi of - The late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and pait alficers of the Yorkshire Association. He sugeesed that for the benefit of the younger jingers a synopsis of Jasper Snowdon and what he did should be printed on the buck of the menu card. His writings in the Snowdon series of ringing books were unrivalled, and Mrs. Turner, who was now selling these book; told him recently that she was arranging for the reprinting of one of the books.

## IMPROVEMENTS

It was invidious for him to mention the past officers. many of whom were known personally to many of those present. Whit would they think of the Exercise today if they could be with them? They would find many things which were an improvement. One thing. in panticular. was the report of the Sunday Service Ringing Committee. of which Mr. Chaddock was the convener and Mr. Gray a member. Whatever ringers of the pist might have thought of Sunday service ringing. those of today consider it as vital. They were all agreed upon that. and that it created a better relationship with the clergy.
The corollary of their better relationship with the church was that they must not pride themselves that ringers of today were of a slightly better type than those of the days
they were thinking about. Another thing was that public interest in their art was greater than it ever was. As secretary of the received. not only from this country, for information about ringing for articles. One he remembered was from the B.B.C. German service: another from a Swedish gentleman who was writing an article in Swedish about ringing.

There were many other things that were better: one was the elimination of the abuse of prize ringing -he knew that in that part of the country they still had ringing contests and he was not criticising them. He remembered the articles he read in. The Bell News about the prize ringing contests at Liversidge which began at 6 a.m. All the leams rang half a peal and the contest went on to 4 or 5 the next morning. Well, we are glad to say good-bye to that.' remarked the speaker.

## FAULTS OF TODAY

Some of the things we do today are, perhaps, not what they did. For instance, in the early days of your Association peals of Minor were almost always rung in seven methods. and anything less was regarded as "beyond the pale." This week's "R Ringing World" contains seven peals of Plain Bob Minor. There may be very good reason; for those peals. but they are a lowering
of the standard. And when we come to of the standard. And when we come to Minimus-well!

Another thing is what is known as
tower grabbing. It seems rather futile rushing round the country, rushing up the belfry, raising the bells, ringing for a few minutes. lowering the bells and rushing off to another lower about three miles away.
At a recent ringing meeting the incumbent told him :hat on a Bank Holiday he had refused requests from three bands for permission to ring. nonc. of whom had had the courtesy to get in touch with him before the day. That gave ringing a bad name.

The toast was duly honoured.

## GREETINGS

Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton was entrusted with the toast of. The Visitors" which he submitted witily. The clerical visitors duly honoured were Bishop G. V. Gerard (Assistant Bishop of Sheffield). the Revs. C. Edwards, G. Itollis. Canon King. Canon Ferraby and J. K Dixon.


The Hug of Affection.- Clare, of the Raving Ringers, reveals to the rest of the company outside Burmarsh Church during the recent tour of Kent where her true happiness is to be found.

Anyone attending the Central Council meeting, he said, would think Mr. Barnett had had the latter in Mrs. Barnett, whom they were pleased to have with them. To. Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood he would say his initials were 'J.F.S.' and anyone would see them in 'Jafus. He remembered the lesson in geography Mr. Smallwood received after their peal it St. Woolos". Monmouthshire is in England and not Wales.
In his greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Halls, of Derby. Mr. Moreton styled Mr. Halls as half a composer. He did not know whether he put in the wrongs and middles and left his assistant the homes! Associating Mr. Philip Gray's name with the toast. he said Mr. Gray spent several years in Australia and when he came back 10 these islands he saw ringing here in a new light. Mr. Gray collected a good deal of information for Mr. Chaddock in the Sunday Service Survey
Mr. Philip Gray in his reply said Yorkshire made a special appeal to him in his profession as a metallurgist. He came to Yorkshire in 1948 with the Society for the University of London and stayed at llkley. During that week he rang his first peal of London Surprise in Jasper Snowdon's lower, which was the first peal of London by a university band.

## INFLUENCE OF UNIVERSITIES

One of the features since the war had been the advance of ringing by the universities, and he was very proud of his positton as president of the University of London Society. Before the war there were two university societies; today there were 15 and he estimated that there were now twice as many university peals rung. Today one in six of the Central Council members had university degrees or their equivalent. There were also a great many ringers today who had been to secondary schools. Ringers today were of a very different type from those Jasper Snowdon knew. If this lype of person did not have some impace on ringing after the expensive education they had had. which they as ratepayers had paid for, then it was a waste of payers had p
The world of ringing that Jasper Snowdon knew was very different from today. It was in his day that the associations were created and later the Central Council. It was one of the greatest events in the history of ringing in forming associations, like the Yorkshire. There was not a single tower in the British Isles that could not be a member of a society and take a part in formulating ringing.
If they looked at their rule book they would find amongst the objects that their association existed for the promotion of ringing as Church work, belfry reform and the promotion of scientific ringing. Today the status of the ringer was very much higher than it wis then and now practically all ringers were recognised as Church workers. Belfry reform really meant reforming the ringers. It was a very urgent topic then. When they saw some of the rules put up in belfries and fines for drinking. smoking and swearing. they smiled. but they were a very necessary thing in the towers of those days.

## NEW SENSE OF PURPOSE

He thought those original aims had been achieved and that their association had lost some of their sense of purpose. It might sound presumptuous but they should ask ' Where do we go from here-' There were still far too many towers where the bells were not rung or not rung in a fitting way for Sunday service, and too many where the care and maintenance was at fault. They could not be satisfied with this and as an association they must take more responsibility and try to do something. How could inefficient towers learn? How could they put these things right? There were the Jasper Snowdon book; but not everybody could learn from books. Those who had been taught by skilful ringers knew that this was not so. Should they not devote their time on Saturday afternoons to belfry towers with a struggling band? Should they not run special courses of instruction in towers, where they wanted to learn? Could they not improve on their methods of teaching change ringing? Did they make sure that (Continued on next page)

## SNOWDON DINNER-Continued

all the clergy knew they existed and who their officers were? When they elected new officers did they send the
deacon or Rural Deans?

They had that day a very fine organist. and they reached a point when they should ask where did they go from here. He would like to see added to their aims and objects the promotion of bells and knowledge of the teaching of ringing.

The chairman said that the Yorkshire Association had several of the points raised by Mr. Gray under consideration. They were revising their objects and many of these would be included.

The evening concluded with a vote of thanks to the president. proposed by Mr .
W . M. Barton. W. E. Critchley $1-2$. W. M. Barton $3-4$. L. W. G. Morris $5-6 . \mathrm{W}$. F. Moreton 7-8. N . Chaddock 9-10.

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HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Oct. 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. White 1. Miss M. E. East (first quarier) 2. A H. Wehb 3. H. K. White 4, J. H. Napper 5. M. Bishup (cund.) 6. G. W. Bishop

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD ANNUAL DINNER

$\mathrm{T}^{\mathrm{H}}$HE annual dinner of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held at the Queen Hotel Chester. on October 8th. when a company of 139 sat down. The guests were the Dean of Chester (ihe Very Rev. M. McCausland Gibbs) and the Rev, and Mrs. J. M. Lloyd
After the loyal toast had been drunk the proceedings commenced by the Dean proposing the toast of . The Chester Diocesan Guild. In the course of a lively speech he referred to his association with the Cathedral of St George. Cape Town. during which time the old tower had been taken down and the bells were outside the tower. On arrival in Chester he was welcomed by the bells and very much appreciated it but he found later that he received, as Dean, a bill for the ringing!
He went on to refer to the many different occasions on which bells are rung. in times of joy and in time of sorrow, and he trusted that the sound of the bells summoning people to the worship of God would always be heard He considered bell ringing to be one of the world's great arts and wished the Guild continued success and prosperity

The Master of the Guild. Mr. J. W. Clarke replied and mentioned that this year's festival had been recorded on tape, including the Lord Bishop's address and that this tape would be placed in the Guild library. He followed this with many humorous stories and concluded by assuring the guests that the Guild was advancing and doing well.
The toast of 'Church and State' was entrusted to Mr. C. W. Lawton, who dwell on the part the Church has played in the life of the country and how the State has gradually taken over its nlace in education, law. hospitals. etc. Nevertheless. the Church had still a great nart to play in the life of the State and he felt that they could be honded together more closelv than they had been in the past. but the Church's intention and leadership must be clear.

## CHOOSING A HOUSE

The reply was given by the Rev. J. M. Lloyd. who made the point that one of the few things the State did in the Church was to appoint the Dean and he thought all would agree that they had a good one. He went on to mention how when faced with complaints about the ringing of the bells in a previous parish he had suggested that it was just as unwise to choose a house near a church (if you did not like bells) as to choose one near the gas works. He trusted that Church and State would continue to co-operate for a long time Mr. Denis Mottershead. in proposing the toast of "Our Guests and the Ladies.' welcomed them in the name of the Guild and said that meeting together as a Guild gave opportunity for the interchange of ideas and the formation of friendships and taught them to work as a team. not only in the Guild but throughout the country. His speech was liberally sorinkled with quotations from the works of Robert Burns and it would appear the Burns philosophy would repay study by more ringers
Mrs. Millington in her reply said how delightful it was to be entertained instead of as is usually the case of the ladies doing the entertaining. She mentioned the great interest there was in handbell ringing in the Women's Institutes, a remark which some present hrought rather dangerous since it might mean reversal of the usual roles. i.e. husband waita reversal of the usual roles. i.e. husband waitwife from a bellringing practice. She was grateful for the courtesy of the belfry and on behalf of the lesser creatures she was pleased to see so many learning to ring and forming great friendship
During the course of the entertainment songs were given by Mr. N. A. Parry and Dr. I. B. Terret and Mrs. A. Potts provided musical interludes. Handbell ringing comprised Grandsire Caters and Triples. Bob Major and Oxford Treble Bob Major and was arranged by the Treble Bob Major and was
Deputy Master. Mr. J. Worth
C. K. L.

HENLOW, BEDS.-On Oar. 9rh, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Thomnson 1. P. Rogers 2. M. Major 3 R Fuller 4. G. Mayes 5. L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong

## THREE SHIRES TOUR BY BEDFORDSHIRE RINGERS

On October 8th some 15 keen members of the Bedfordshire Association and their friends arose early, except for the organiser, who set up a new world record by being in the coach four minutes after rising from his slumbers! However, we were on time when we stopped at Brackley for refreshment and for one member to have a much-needed shave! We arrived Middleton Cheney. and the heavy and melodious bells were soon being put through their paces. A pleasant walk from the main road brought us to the Parish Church of Great Tew, where it was necessary to light the oil amps to enable us to see to ring. After a good ring and a look round this interesting church. we were soon wending our way to Witney. A very pleasant three-quarters-of-an-hour was spent here and, after a good ring down, we ravelled to Burford, where lunch awaited us

Following lunch, we continued our journey to Moreton-in-the-Marsh. where the bells were joy to ring. On arrival at Pershore the cage was viewed with awe by some. but the undaunted soon had this lovely eight ringing to a touch of Stedman. The recent relanging here has greatly improved the handling. and the magnificent tonal qualities were it rich reward for the hazardous ascent.
A very satisfying tea was taken in the picturesque village of Broadway, after which we travelled to the fine eight at Bloxham. All voted these the he: $i$ bells of the day, and although time was short, good use was made of this fine octave. The last tower was St. John's. Wicken. where some of the local band joined us. Home was reached at 11.30 .
Ringing throughout the day ranged from rounds to Cambridge Major and, as should be the first consideration on all outings. the striking was good. Our thanks to those whe met us and allowed us to ring, and especially Keith Fleming for his efficient arrangementseven though he does need a new alarm clock!

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Lewisham District

Over sixty members and friends met at St. Marys. Woolwich. for the annual meeting of the Lewisham District on October 22nd. The eight bells were kep: going during the afternoon and evening under the able guidance of Mr. I. H. Oram. District Ringing Master
The service was conducted by the Rector. the Rev. N. Stacey: Mr. Martin. local ringer. played the organ: and the lesson was read by Mr. E. Barnett.
An excellent tea was followed by a rapid business meeting. In twelve and a half minutes. and in addition to the usual business. he Ringing Master was re-elected to serve for the following year: Miss Cannon was e-elected and Miss Inman elected to serve as district representatives: and the secretary was re-elected. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his inspired and uplifting address. his warm welcome and his expeditious chairmanship of the meeting.
M.R.A.

## THE MAJOR HESSE WEEK-END

The twelfth annual gathering to honour the memory of the late Major J. H. B. Hesse was held at Wrington on October 22nd. An unsuccessful peal attempt at Clevedon was made on the Friday evening. but a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal was rung on the noble ten t Wrington on the Saturday afternoon
After the Wrington peal. Mrs. Hesse enterained the party to tea for which she was hanked on behalf of those present by Mr. H. J. Sanger. Those present were: the Rev. Mrs. H. Knight. Messrs. J. Brain. L. Derrick. H. Freeborn. D. Hoare. M. Horseman. W Kingcott. A. Pink. G. Prescott. V. Roberts. G. Salmon, A. Sanger and H. Sanger
M. J. H.

The Kimpton Cup competition for Hertfordshire towers held at Kimpton, on October 22nd. was awarded to Apsley End with 49 faults. The holders. North Mymms, also had 49 faults Other competitors: Baldock 58 . Hatfield 101 King's Langley 115 and Kimpton 154.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - North Bucks Branch.-Practice at Bletchley (8), Saturday. November 5th. 5 p.m. Guild reports will be available 2s. 6d each. Outstanding subscriptions. please.-F. Vickers.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-West Dorset Branch.-Meeting. Powerstock. Saturday. Nov. 5th. Bells now 6. Ringing from
6.30 to 9869
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY -Meeting at Wath. 3 p.m.. Saturday November 5tb.-I. Seager, Sec.

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SUFFOLK GUILD - South Eastern District. -Meeting. Copdock (6). November 5th. Bells 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m. at Belstead. followed by mecting.-C. R. Lovett. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION-
Norllern Division.-Practice mecting. Worth Northern Division--Practice meeting. Worth (6). on Saturday, November Sth. Bells 3 p.m.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A practice meeting will be held at Hursley, on Saturday. November 5th. Bells (8) available 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m 6840
ST, PETERS CHURCH, STOURTON. WILTS. - The rededication of the newly-hung bells will be held on Sunday, Nov. 6th, at 6.30 p.m. Ringing 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. and after service.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tuhe station). Monday, Nov. 7 ih .7 p.m.

6874
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Kettering Branch.-Practice meeting. Thursday, Nov. 10ih, Cranford (6). All welcome. 6890

BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY - Meeting. Horbury, near Wakefield Saturday, Nov. 12ih. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea. Please notify not later than Nov, 8th Mr. John E. Dews. Holme Croft, Hall Cliffe, Horbury, near Wakefield.W. Buxton. 6876 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Dunster Branch.-Branch practice at Minehead (10). November $12 \mathrm{th}, 6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-$ A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-Monthly meeting, Silsoe (6), Maturday, Nov. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.30. Evensong 6 p.m. Special methods: Double Court and Hull Surprise. Come to Silsoe for enioyable ringing.-A. Smith. Dis. Sec. 6897 BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY Monthly meeting, Market Weighton (6). Saturday, Nov. 12 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. 1 ea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Nov. 10 th 10 Mr. J. V. Hobson, 4. Holme Road, Market Weichion.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Chester Rranch.-Meeting, Handbridge (8), Saturday. Nov. 12 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea before Thursday, Overleigh Road. Handbridge, Chester.-R. ${ }^{24}$. H. Siblev. Hon. Sec.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD-Southern District.-Meeting. Saturday. Nov, 12 th. Aston-Cantlow, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 , Evening, Alcester, 6.30 to 7.30 . Names for
tea.-P. A. Oram. 15 , Henley Road, Leaming-tea.-P. A. Oram. 15, Henley Road, LeamingDURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIA-TION.-Eastern District.-Houghton-le-Spring. Saturday, Nov. 12 th. 3 p.m. Names for tea by Nov. 9 th to Mr. W. F. Sheraton. 27. St. Aidan's Terrace. New Herrington. Houghton-le-Spring

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Meeting at Cudham. Saturday. Nov. 121h. Tea at The Cottage. Cacketts Lane, Cudham. Sevenoaks. Please notify Mr. K. J. Bickle at that address No notification. make own arrangements.- C A. Bassett.

6896
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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Cambridge District.-A meeting will be held at Duxford (6) on Saturday. Nov. 12 h . Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.-E. W. Bullman. 6891

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District.Meeting at Boreham. Saturday, November 12 th . Bells ( 8 ) at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Danbury

6821
ESSEX ASSOCIATION (S.W.) and MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (N. and E.).-
Joint meeting. November 12 h . St. John's, I. oughton (Church Lane). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in adjoining hall. Names for tea. please, to Mr. E. Smith, 6. Roundmead Avenue, Loughton. Central London Railway. 38 A bus from Bakers Arms. 6837 GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Swindon Branch Meeting, Highworth (8). Saturday, Nov. 12th. Names for tes to R. Luton, 169. Cheney Manor Road. Swindon.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Extraordinary general meeting, combined with Guildford District nomination meeting at Shalford on Siturday. Nov. 12 th . Ringing 10 commence 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., For which names must be sent by Nov. 8 th to S. Pontine. Highdown, Milford Heath. Milford.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIA. TION.-Western District.-Meeting, Saturday Nov. 12th. Berkhamsted. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday Nov. 8th, to H. Porritt. 18, Cowper Road Berkhamsted.-J. Good. Dis. Sec. 6899

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District-By-meeting at Charing, Novem12 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m -R. L. Sills.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Furness and Lake District.-Meeting, Kirkby-in-Furness, Saturday. Nov. 12 th, 2.30 p.m. Names The Rev. C. Whittaker. The Vicarage. Kirkby-in-Furness.-N. M. Newby.

6894
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Fylde Branch.- Meeting. Church of the Sacred Heart, Talbot Road, Blackpool. Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells (8) 4 to 6 p.m. Cups of tea provided.John F. Turner. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch.-Meeting, St. Francis Xavier's, Saturday, Nov 12 th. Tower open $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5.3 u p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday. Nov. 9th. to the Secre tary, St. Francis Xavier's, Liverpool, 3.-T. E. Radcliffe. Hon. Sec.

6900
LANCASHRRE ASSOCIATION, - Preston Branch.-Meeting, Bilsborrow, Saturday. Nov. 12th. No tea arrangements: café nearby. A6 road: alight Roehuck.-L. Walmsiey. 6903

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.-Meeting, Cross Stone. Todmorden, Saturday, Nov. ${ }^{12 t h}$. Bells ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Scholfield. 3 Joshua Sireet, Todmorden.-Hudson, Sec.

6911
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD-Central Branch.-Meeting. Great Hale (6), November 12th. Names for tea by Wednesday. November 9 th. to Mrs. G. T. Brown. 17. Church Strect Great Hale, Sleaford. Lincs. No names no tea. -S. A. Chambers. Hon. Sec. $\quad \begin{aligned} & 6827 \\ & \text { MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. }\end{aligned}$ meeting. Rolleston-on-Dove. Saturday Nov. 12 h . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 p.m.

NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES.-Joint meeting. Manchester. Saturday, Nov, 12th. Ringing: Salford, Sacred Trinity, 1.45103 p.m.: Town Hall, 4 to 6: Cathedral, 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. 6881

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch-Quarterly meeting. Shiplake (8) on Saturday. Nov. 12 th . Ringing 3.30 p.m. Ser vice 5 p.m. followed by tea. Henley (8) available 7 to 8 p.m. Names for tea by Nov. 9th to Mr. E. Smith. Siratton, Shiplake Cross.
Henley-on-Thames. Oxon.
6874 Henley-on-Thames. Oxon.
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Meeting. Hodnet (8). Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. R Morris, 12, The Crescent, Hodnet.

6912
NRY
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Annual dinner to be held at The Black Horse. Thompsons Avenue. Wolverhampion. Saturday, Nov, 12th, 6 for 6.30 p.m.: price 12s. 6d. Bells available: St. Peter's. Wolverhampion: Penn, Coseley, Bradley during afternoon. Tickets from Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36. Seven Acres. Aldridge. near Walsall. SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (North Nolts District) and DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Chesterfield District).-Joint meeting at Worksop (8). Saturday. Nov. 12th. Short service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, for those who notify by 8 th Mr. H. Smart, 19. Park Street. Worksop. -H. Denman and A. B. Cooper
SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District. -Practice meeting. Felsham (6), Saturday. November 12 th. Bells 6.30 p.m. A. F. Ballam. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.-Quarterly meeting. Rogate (6), Siturday, Nov. $12 \mathrm{th}, 3$ p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. No service owing to the illness of the Vicar. Names for te: by previous Wednesday to E. W. Keys. Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne. near Chichester.

6895
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting with LADIES* GUILD (Western District). Saturday. Nov. 19th. Whickham. St. Mary's. 2.30 p.m. Names by Nov. 17th to Mr. S. Thompson. Poplar Villa, Whaggs Road, Whickham. 6888

ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.E. District.Meeting. Kirby-le-Soken. Saturday, November 19 th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea. Numbers for tea, please. by
Wednesday. November 16 th. to Mr. U. Wednesday. November 16th. Lo Mr. U.
Wildney, Laurel Coltage. Kirby-le-Soken. Frinton-on-Sea. 6096
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Leatherhead District.-Nomination meeting, Bunstead, Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells from 3 o clock. Service 4.30 . Tea in Lidy Neville
Pavilion, 5 p.m., followed by business. To Pavilion, 5 p.m., followed by business. To
ensure tea please notify by Nov. 16 h M Mr. H. N . Pitstow. Saffron. Wigh Strect. Banstead. A. H. Smith. 6893
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-Meeting. Bethersden (6). Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. H. Jarvis, Cheriton. Ashford Road, Bethersden. ${ }^{-}$C.T. H.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Canterbury District.-By-meeting. Chislet (6), Saturday, November 19 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. p.m. Tea, School Hall, 2s. per head. Names together with eash by Wednesday, November 16th. please, to Hon. District Secretaiy, T. C. Phillimore. 47, St. Peter's Grove. Canterbury LADIES $^{\prime}$ GUILD. - Midland District.Meeting, Measham. Satuiday, Nov. 19 th. Bells availahle: Desford ( 6 ) 3 to 3,30 : Measham (8), 3 to 4.30 and after tea: Swepstone (6). 7 to 7.30 ; Ibstock (6). 8 to 8.30. Service. Measham, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Noy. 16 th to Rev. A. J. Day, Measham Vicarage, Burton-on-Trent, Staffs.-W. M. Warwick. Actg. Hon. Sec.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD, - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting, Donington (8). Saturday. Nov, 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service ${ }^{4}$ Teat 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by
16 th $10 ~ M r . ~ S . ~ V . ~ W o o d s, ~ 14, ~ M a r k e t ~ P l a c e . ~$ 16 th to Mr. S. V. Woods, 14, Market Place.
Donington. Spalding. Donington. Spalding. 6886
West Lindsey Branch. - Next meeting, Lea. Saturday, Nov 19th. Bells, afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 6879 LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Monmouth Bianch.-Meeting at Mathern (6), Saturday, Nov. 19 th. Bells 2.30
p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Names p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Names
for tea, please -J. S. King.

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SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD - New-
rk District.-Meeting. South Collingham (5). ark District-Meeting. Nov. 19 h . 2.30 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Bring own tea-cups of tea available. North Collingham (6), 6 to 8 p.m. W. L. Exton. Hon. Sec.

6883 WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Croome. Saturday. November 19th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.is. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. Practice method: Single Oxford Minor. Names for tea by Tuesday. November 15th. 10 F. Hyde. 6. Winchester Avenue. St. John's. Worcester.

## BELLRINGERS' FESTIVAL

Bartholomew's Church. Penn. WOI VERHAMPION
Advent Sunday: November 27th. 19(0) Services: 8 a.m.. Holy Communion. (Ringing, $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.) 11 a.m.. Matins. (Ringing. $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. ) $\quad 6.30$ p.m... Evensong. (Ringing. 5.30 p.m.) (Preacher: The Rev. G. Rainhow. Vicar of Leominster.
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## REV. MALCOLM STRACHAN

With regret we learn that the Rev. Malcolm Strachan. Who took over as Ringing Master from Mr. Warren Sturgis at Groton School. Massachusetts, has died suddenly. A good and enthusiastic ringer he was wholly responsible for the survival of the Exercise at Groton until a heart attack three years ago. Among his pupils was Mr. Russell Young, who recently roured England.

## OBITUARY

MR. JAMES PARKER
The passing of Mr. James Parker at the age of 94, recorded in our last issue, recalls many memories of the days when bellringing was not quite so simple as it is now. Bands of ringers in advanced methods were few and far between and means of transport difficult.
James Parker was born at Pulborough, Sussex, and commenced his ringing at Charlwood. Surrey, After leaving Charlwood he went to Storrington. Sussex. where he taught the call-change hand to ring Doubles. When he was married in 1888. the ringers for the first time rang 120 Grandsire Doubles without his assistance. Later he went to Crawley, Sussex. where, when he joined the band. Grandsire Triples was the top method, and when he left, seven or eight years later, the band. under his tuition, had progressed to London Surprise Major. His greatest achievement there, of which he was justly proud, was the record length of Superlative Surprise Major of 9.312 changes. which he conducted. This record was held for 14 years.

In 1897 he moved to London and soon joined the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and was closely assoclated with Henry Dains. He was Master of the Cumberland Youths in the early part of the century. When he moved to Edmonton, in 1900, he became Master of the Parish Church ringers and Master of the Parish Church ringers and seldom missed Sundio service ringing. which he considered the most important duty of a ringer.

He represented the Sussex County Association on the Central Council from 1894 to 1896 and later the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths from 1897 to 1899 and from 1906 to 1947 when he retired to make way for a younger man.

Of his three children, two sons and one daughter, Edith. the last named, was the only one to take up ringing seriously, and doubt-
less to say he followed her career with great less to
pride.

He had rung 365 peals from Minor to Maximus. of which six were handbells. His last peal was at Bradford. Cathedral, in 1939.

The cremation service took place at Norwich and the service was conducted by the Rev. Giles Galley.

## AN APPRECIATION

James Parker did much good work for the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. He was a member from its formation by a union of the Middlesex Association and the South and West Middlesex Guild in 1897, and was one of those forming the first Central Committee, so that without doubt he was amongst those who formed the rules of the present Association, rules which ever since have not been materially altered.
At All Saints", Edmonton, where for many years he was captain of the ringers, he gained the respect of a loyal and progressive banda local band which could at that time compete with any other in the country. The striking was of a high standard and no visitors were necessary in the ringing on Sundays and practice evenings of touches of Spliced Surprise Major in up to eight methods-truly pioneer work.
James Parker conducted the fourth peal for the Association-Superlative Surprise Major, at Southgate, in 1897 -and this method could have been his favourate for he conducted the then longest length at Crawley. Sussex, and also rang a course at the farewell gathering at Edmonton in 1942. when he left to reside near Great Yarmouth. Another commendable tribute, to him, was. of course, the introduction to the helfry of his daughter, Edith K.. who apart from her quite outstanding performances on tower hells and on handbells was a foundation member of the Ladies ${ }^{\circ}$ Guild.

We owe to James Parker a great deal for his successful work and high endeavour and the Exercise would benefit with more like him.

## QUARTER PEALS

ANCASTER, LINCS.-On Oct. 8th, 1,500 Grandsire Doubles: W. Towns 1, Miss J. Brandon 2, G. Vickers 3, J. M. Simmon 4, E. Town (cond.) 5 A silver
Beard.
BOZEAT, NORTHANTS. - On July 4th, 1,440 Doubles (St. Matthew, St. Mark. St. Luke and St. John): Misk J. A. Downing 1, T. A. Weoding 2, . C. Rainbow 3, G. F. Roame (cond.) 4, A. R BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.-On Oct. 15ch 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R. Redden 1, Maria Thoday ${ }^{2}$, Freda Cannon 3. Felicity Webber 4, P. Spice 5 W' J. Rawlings 6. T. Newmen 7, J. Dafters (cond.)

First quarter by 1 and 4.
BURBAGE, DERBYS. 1,440 Spliced Treble Bob Minor (College Excrcise, Duke of Norlolk, Norbury and (Ockley): Margaret Finlow 1, A. G. Kirk 2, F. Forster 3, R. Dawson 4, J. Kennett 5, H. Kirk (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.
COALBROOKDALE, SALOP.-On Oct. 9th, 1,261 Grandsire Triples: Rosaline A. Farlow 1, W. S. Crawford 2. R. Evans 3, Joseph Hanley 4, A. S. Bayley 5. E. Dennis Puole (cond.) 6. B. L. Jones 7, A: Lloyd 8. For Harvest Festival, and a compliment to E. D. Poole. furmer ringer at Holy Trinity. Cuathroukdale. now of Mariow, Bucks.
EAST GRINSTEAD. SUSSEX.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: G. F. Tizzard 1. P. M. Howard (firsi in method) 2, June M. Mitchell 3, Evelyn M. Hicks 4. D. R. Mitchell 5, J. A. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7. F. R. Roberts 8. For Harvest Festival.
EASTON MAUDIT, NORTHANTS.-On June 30 h . $1,440 \mathrm{St}$. Peter and St. Paul Doubles: J. W. Hall 1. P. Amos 2, T. A. Wooding 3, V. A. Perry 4, G. F. Roome (cond.) 5. For the patronal festival.
FULBOLIRN, CAMBS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: H. I. Algood 1, J. Bird 2. M. Lovelace 3. M. Fuller 4. C. Juhnson 5, G. Prate (cond,) 6. For Harvest Festival.
HOLME PIERREPONT. NOTTS.-On Oct. 16ih, 1.260 Minor (Oxford T.B., Plain Bob): Susan Meredith (erst quanter of T.B.) 1, Doreen Armstrons 2. Ruth Blacksnaw (first T.B inside ') 3. M. W. Harrison 4, A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley (cond.) 6
LITTLE HOUGHTON, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Dunkley
Henman (cond.) 2, J Merritk 3, J. Kightley 4, A Ford 5. For Harvest Festival.
MONKEN HADLEY, HERTS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Pearl 1, R. Fraser 2, T. Pink 3 M. Suder 4. A Price (firs ' insside ${ }^{\text {' }}$ ) S, C. King 6. C. Ward (cond.) C. W. Langley 8. An gith birthday compliment to W . Langles
NORTHAMPTON.-On Sept. 18th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Shackshaft 1. Mrs. G. F, Roome 2, J. C. Rainbow 3, F. Burgess 4. Miss J. A. Mowning S. T. Jennings 6, A. R. Jones (cand.) 7. G. F. Roume 8.

OID WINDSOR, BERKS.-On OC. 12 h .1 .246 Minar (Camhridge S., St. Clement's. Double Oxford Double Plain Bobb and Plain Bob): W. F. Butler (cond ) 1, C. Wason 2, D. Stone 3, F. R, Scott 4, W. Birmingham 5. J. K. Ward 6.

OXFORD.-At St. Thomas' Church, on Oct. 16th. 66r1 Plain Bob and 600 Grandsire Doubles: Kilary Mason 1. A. Thompern 2. D. Bennett (first 'ithside') 3. N. Martin (cond.) 4. P. Wycherley 5, J. Wardie

STOKE D'ABERNON. SURREY. On Sepr. 194 h. 1.260 Crandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Tessa P. Kemp 1, Adrienne Gibson 2, J. Marilyn Gibbs 3. N D. J. Webb 4. H. J. Woadruffe (cond.) 5. Also 1.320 Sedman Doubles: Teacs P. Kemp 1, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 2, Adrienne Gibson 3, J. Marilyn
Gibbs 4. N. D. J. Webb 5. Firss of Stedman Doubles by all excepr conductor.
STONE, STAFFS.-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Stedman Trimles: H. Hodson 1. W. Buckley 2, Meryl Purslow (first in method) 3, Sheila Hodson 4. Glenda Rowley Dobson (first in method) 6. E. Young (cond.) Purslow 8. For the Harveat Festival.
STUDLEY, WARWICKS.-On Oct. 9rh. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Galloway 1, J. Crook 2. Miss M. Tyson 3. T. Griffiths 4, J. W. Perkins (cond.) 5. R. Sutor 6. For Harvest Festival
SWINDON, WILTS.-At St. Marks Church, on Oct. I6th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( 6,7 covering): Collins 1. A. M. Stratford (tirs 'inside') 2 , Collins 3, 1. T. Sawyer 4, P. H. Naylor 5 . W. R. Pearce 6. M. A. New (firs quarter) 7. For Evensons.
WROXEFER, SALOP.-On Ocr, $13 \mathrm{th}, 1,25 \mathrm{n}$ Doubles (Plain Bnb, Grandsire and April Day): Miss M. Ahtwit 1. Mrs, M. C. Poyner 2. P. Pursluw 3. Harvey Festival. the Bishop Poyner (cood.) 5. For郎

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Rung at Hampton. Middlesex, June 13th. 1959. conducted by John R. Mayne.

## QUARTER PEALS

WOODBURY, DEVON.-On Oct. 22nd. 1.260 Crandsire Triple: N, Malletr (cond.) 1. A. Truman 2. H. P. Burson 3. S. Skinner 4. F. Wills 5, G. Skinner 6. F. Wreford 7. H. Spencer 8. Rung halfmuffed, by the Exeter Cathedral band, in menoriam J. L. S. Glanvill, who was the Assistant Ringing Master at the Cathedral, and died on Oct. 17th, in Woodbury ringing chamber. First quarter on the " new " bells.
WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE, GLOS.-On Oct. 15th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Audrey V. Evans 1, Myra J. Wilkins (first' of Triples - inside') 2. B. K. Lewis 3. O. Mills 4, B. T. Cooper S, A. W. Gibbs 6, A. L. Barry (cond.) 7, P. J. Mills 8. First of Triples for $1,3,4$ and \&. A wedding compliment to Henry Taysom and Janice Organ.

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## SELF-CENTRED?

THE main grievances against Victorian ringers, of drinking, smoking and swearing in belfries, are more or less a thing of the past. There are isolated incidents such as have been recorded in recent letters of smoking in belfries, but according to our experience this is in no sense a general rule. Conduct in belfries today is good and fitting to a building consecrated as God's house. But don't let us develop into a sanctimonious attitude about such things. Spurgeon, the great Baptist divine, once.commented that he found tobacco an aid to holiness, and many a writer, including the Editor, will not hesitate to light a pipe as a help to stimulate thought.

The great thing to remember is that with very few exceptions we practise our art in God's house. Although the ringing chamber is invariably very distant from the altar, in every part of the building there should be a consciousness of His Presence. We cannot disguise the fact that ringing in many of its phases is a sport. The sporting element is disguised at times under the words 'the Exercise,' but nevertheless much of our ringing in peals, quarter peals and at meetings is prompted by the sheer pleasure we get from ringing bells. After all. it would be a very poor outlook for ringing in general if we only rang from a sense of duty. There may be some who do like the sexton tolling his bells, and others with a grudging sense of disciplined duty, but the glory of England's bells would never have reached its present state of rich beauty in cadence and rhythm if those who rang did not revel in the music and find a sense of immense pleasure and satisfaction when the performance reaches a high standard.
We have referred in the past to ringing as a dedicated sport or art. The association of the Exercise at large with Sunday service ringing and the recognition by many ringers and clergy that ringing for service is an act of worship and praise lifts ringing on to a higher plane. If the purport of all our enjoyment was primarily directed towards this purpose then perhaps all the critics would be silenced. The fact remains that we love ringing very largely for its peculiar fascination. We love touring the country and ringing in strange towers; we love testing our mental and physical ability in peals; we love the comradeship of fellow ringers and hearing anecdotes of the past. Indeed, we have become a community in many ways estranged from the rest of mankind. The other people, to some of our enthusiasts, are just incidental to life.

Is such a picture of ringing true or untrue? If life is self-centred in ringing, although some of that ringing may be reserved exclusively to His purpose and the work of His Church, is there not a danger of a sanctimonious halo about our art? There are ringers today who regard their Sunday service ringing as the omnia and termina of their worship. The impelling call to worship with the rest of the congregation has no part in their spiritual worship. We do not condemn them, although it is an oft-repeated theme at ringers' services. What we do condemn is an utter indifference to the Church and all it stands for. Without that recognition the belfry is turned into a secular gymnasium. Enthusiasm must be limited: it must never reach the stage when the only things that matter in a church are the bells and their music.

Practically all of the church bells in our land are hallowed and dedicated. In most dedication services a warning is given against the profane use of bells. This does not mean that the ringing of a peal is a profane act. It only becomes profane when those who ring are not conscious that the instruments that give them pleasure are provided as part of the Church's offering. And as bells ring out over town and country they bring the message to mankind of his Church on earth. In all peal ringing, even for pleasure, it is an offering to the Almighty. Because of the sacred character of the instruments it behoves us all, whether for service or practice, to give of our best. A second best or indifference is no good.

And finally, remember that bells can be false gods. We are all bounded together through our Guilds and Associations into the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. The significant word is 'Church.' That does not mean we are ringers of bells in a church. No, the title goes far deeper, implying membership and servants of that Church. We cannot as a body remain aloof; we love our particular form of service as a kind of offering that relatively few have the ability or privilege to make, but at the same time we share in the common membership. We must see our ringing in a true perspective with the rest of Christ's Church. The belfry must not be a fraternity unto itself but a part of the living Church. Let us not be the one talent man of the parable, keeping all our ability exclusively to ourselves. There must be a willingness to trade or to work so as to increase that talent. That work might take us to other offices of the Church and mean the sharing of our love for the bells with a far greater love that of His Church and the great duty entrusted to it of bringing His Kingdom on earth.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE. LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Ou Sat. Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes, at the Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Basil Jones Tenor $25 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{}$
*Carol Fernley
Treble $\ddagger$ Robert Smith

| obert Smith |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peter | Laflin | 8 |
| \#Brian H | Harris | 9 |
| Leslie | Boumphrey |  |
| Dfrek | Ogden | 11 |
|  | Jenkins | Tenor |

C. Kenneth Lewis
$\dagger$ Ronald J. Johnston
John Worth
Composed by John Carter.
First peal of Surprise Maximus, + First ucted by Johl Wirth peal together.

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Ocl. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,
Af ihe Church of ST. Mary Redcliffe,
P PEAL OF 5016 LITTLE BOB MAXIMUS
A PEAL OF 5016 LITTLE BOB MA
Frank E. Hansford .. Treble Emlyn F. Hancock .. 7
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden

- Mary H. Hall

Albert M. Tyler
$\dagger$ David Heighton
Richard J. Bowden
Francis C. Mogford
$\dagger$ Patrick J. Bird
$\dagger$ John H. Gilbert
$\therefore$ Tenor
+D. John Hunt.
$\dagger$ John H. Gilbert Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Emlyn F. Hancock. *First neal in the method. $\dagger$ First of Maximus. First in the method as conductor. First of Little Bob Maximus by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## WRINGTON, SOMERSET.

TIIE BATH AND WELLS' DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes, Af the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL
J. Howard Freeborn
*John Brain

* Vicior Robi:rts
*Anihony J. Sanger Tenor 37 cwt .
*William H. Kingcoit. .
Trehle David Hoare

Composed by G. R. Newion.
First peal of Kent T.B. Royal. First in the method on the bells. In memoriam John H. B. Hesse.

## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Oct. 24. 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AI THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SI. MARHN
A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS Tenor 25 cwt .
Herrick B. Bowley
*Mrs. H. B. Bowley
John A. Acres
†jack P. Kesterton
Gloffrey M. Brewin $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Treble } & \text { Richard } & \text { Grant } \\ 2 & \text { Shirley } & \text { Burton } \\ 3 & \text { tRober } & \text { B. Smith } \\ 4 & \text { Wililaam } & \text { J. Root }\end{array}$ \# 6
$\qquad$ John E. Cook. Tenor
Composed by Fredk. H. Dexter. Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley. * First peal. † First of Stednian Caters.

> *George Prescoti *Gwilym Salmon "Henry J. Sanger Alan R. Pink lan R. Pink $\ddot{\text { Conducted by alan }}$ R. Tehor
Pink.

## MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Oth Mon.. Oct. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes. Ar Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 23 cWl . 2 qr. 23 lb .
Donald Pearson
Treble John Worit
alan A. Ports.. .. .. 2 Brian Harris 8
Harold C. Lonyon Harry Farrer Gerald Farrer. Basil Jones Tenor
Edward F. Potts Conducted by John Worth. Denis A. Henshaw... Jealous. The conductor's 950 th peal.
Rung for the wedding of Margaret Clay 10 Edwald F. Potts (a service ringer at this church), which took place at Bollington on October 15 th .

## BRADFORD. YORKSHIRF

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Oct. 29. 1960. int 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,
Ar the Caihedral Church of Sr. Peier.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor $25+\mathrm{cw}$. in D .
Frederick A. Munday Treble William Barion .. .. 6
*S. Barry Schofield (12) 2

- Rifa M. Jowett
- Roy Bettley-Cooke

Gordon Benfield
Leslie W. G. Morris
Vernon Bottomley
Alfred Smith
Tenor
*B. Gillian Schofield
Conducted by Leslie $\mathbf{W}$. G . Morris. * First peal of Surprise Roya

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the ninth.

## DERBY

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minules,
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 19 cwt 1 lb . in D flat.
Charles W. Walklate.. Treble Harold Taylor
*Ediln Walklate .. .. 2 *Roy Stephenson
Denis R. Carlisle $\quad$. 3 Gordon A. Halls ..
Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls 4 Clive W. Walklate .. 9 Clive W. Walklate
Albert E. Thompson .. 5 Michael R. Blore... $\because$ Tenor Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

* First peal of Surprise Royal.

Rung for the Patronal Festival and to commemorate the 33rd anniversary of the hallowing of the Cathedral.

## EAST RETFORD. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Swithun.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 23 cwt . in E flat.
Jack L. Miluhouse Tenor 23 cwt in Eflat. William Lithen
Swan
Norai M A. Swann .. 2 George H. Randles
Norah M. Randles
*Albert W. A. Leggett..
*James W. Raithby..
John Walden
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

* First peal of Surprise Royal.

Geoffrey R. Parker . . Tenor Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

AYLESTONE. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Oct. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR <br> 

Parricia A. Wardle
Russell. S. Morris
3 tPaul Martin ..
Poynok $\dagger$ First in the method 'inside. First in the method as conductor.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. P. R, Blackman, curate and ringer at this church, who was inducted as Vicar of Ratby-cum-Groby, Leics on October 22nd.

BURWELL. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 22. 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minures,
Ar the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJUR

## Tenor 13 cwt .

Anthony R. Mann

| Treble | Donald F. Murfet |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | George E. Thoday |

Glorge E. Crisp ar
2
3
Roger J. Palmer
George e. Thoday. Mansfielid Ginn .. .. Tenor
Composed by J. Topp.
Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.
Rung as a compliment to the Rev, and Mrs. David Howell on the
occasion of their marriage.
CLAVERLEY, SHROPSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 RURTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 1 qr .7 lb . in F .
muriel Reay .. .. .. Treble Norman J. Goodman
Ruith M. Bordir .. .. 2 John A. Anderson .. .. 6

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Arihur $\ddot{\mathrm{V}}$. Prarson.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. E. Drew, of the local band, and Ringing Master of the Hereford Guild. Also to the Vicar. the Rev. J. C. Raby, a good friend to ringers.

## MANCHESTER

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. James-the-Aposile. Birch-in-Rusholme, A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middletons. Tenor 12 cwt .1 qr. 20 lb
Glorge F. Nix .. .. Treble *John H. Soanes .. .. 5

| *Paisicia | J. Walker | .. | 2 | Ronald |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cynthia | Bibby | Johnson | .. | 6 |

Trfvor Taylor .. .. Teno
Robert J. Warrilow

- First peal of Surprise 'inside

A compliment to Margaret Ross and Rohin Baker on their engage-
ment.

NEW ALRESFORD. HAMPSHIRE
IHE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute. Ar the Church of St. John-the-Bapisist, A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

## BASFORD. NOTTINGHAM

## THE NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Wed.. Oct. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leodegarius,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt .3 qr .18 lb .

Bryan C. Burrough ... Treble
Kathleen M. Higgins Gillian A. Neal Smith Sianley G. Ponting Composed by J. S. Wilde.

Ernest J. Munday .. Ann M. Cox Robin G. Leale.
William S. Deason.. . . Tenor Conducted by Robin G. Leale. ROCESTER. STAFFORDSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, at the Church op St. Michael.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Being 1.440 Yorkshire, 1,280 Cambridge, 1.280 Lincolnshire and 1.120 Rutland, with 69 changes of method and all the work of each method for each bell.
Francis R. Lowe
Arthur Prichard
frederick E. Wilshaw
frederick E. Wilshaw...
Richard J. Warrilow daseph W. Colion ...
Treble

Composed hy Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by Derek P. Junes. * First peal of Spliced Surprise Major.

## RATBY. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sar., Ocl. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours aidd 42 Mimutes.
at the Church of SS. Philip and James,
A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
A Penor 9 cwt .3 qr .18 lb . in G

| Paul. Maritin | Treble | Brian G. Warwick. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ghorge A. Hurd | 2 | Russell S. Morris. |
| Ernest Morris | 3 | A. James Poynor |
| Brian M. Smith | 4 | Peter J. Stanifurih |

- First peal in the method

Rung to welcome the Rev. Peter R. Blackman, who was instituted Vicar of Ratby-cum-Groby during the afternoon.

ST. LAURENCE-IN-THANET KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Oct. 22. 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
at the church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part
Rogir D. Miles
+Chrisiline Cobbold
Mrs. Nellie Bridries

+ Pauline Fennell

Tenor 18 cwl . in E

* First peal. Conducted by Rev. S


## †Mary S. Taylur

 *H. John Webs. Rev. Stanley M. Evans Thomas W. Edwards . . Tenur*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Trinles. First as conductor
Rung as a tribute to the Vicar. the Rev. John H. Roundhill, who is leaving St. Lautence at the end of this month, and in thanksgiving for his ministly in the parish during the past 18 years.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { WOOLTON, LIVERPOOL. } \\
& \text { THE ST PETER'S SOCIETY. } \\
& \text { On Sat., Oct. 22, 190., in 2 Hours and s9 Minutes. } \\
& \text { AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER. }
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A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Parker's Twelve-Part.

* norman F. Ashworih
- Wendy A. W. Kenyon.
- Michael C. Rogers
*V. David Jenner
Conducted by *Roy M. Glover
* First pual.

Conducted by Ervest L. Humphriss.
Rung as a first birthday welcome to Carolyn Dorothy Jane and Martin David, and also as a tribute to the College of Campanology. ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Thurs., Oct. 27, 1960. in 3 Hours. As the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF S056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .10 lb , in E .

## J. Irank Smallwood

 Treble Harold Taylor. Mrs. Pai A. M. HallsBurley p. Morris
Composed by W. E. Critichley. * 25th peal together

Rung for the Patronal Festival. Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Bruce Grainger

- Deborah Hopkins
†Martin D. Bishop
Christine J. Stratford Treble

Composed by C. H. Middleton.
*First peal of Major 'inside
\&First of Cambridge Surprise. First First of Major. $\ddagger 50$ th peal
§ First of Cambridge Surprise. First peal on eight, and of Surprise for the Society.
Rung to mark the visit of the Archbishop of York to the University to deliver the Firth Memorial Lectures.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., Ocf. 27. 1960 , in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN
On Thurs., Oct. 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules,
A PEAL OF The Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5184 ZEALS SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 Ib. in A.
ARD LANKESTER .. Treble John R. MAYNE. . .
A PEAL OF 5184 ZEALS SURPRISE
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 Ib. in A.
ARD LANKESTER .. Treble John R. MAYNE

§Kenneth W. Price
Roger Baldwin
2 §Kenneth W. Price James H. Palling .. .. T entror
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { C. Edward Lankesifr } & \text {.. Treble } & \text { John R. Mayne. . . . . } & 5 \\ \text { Joan Beresford } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { G. William Critchley } & . . & 6\end{array}$
5
CHEY
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3
Alick Cutler ........ 4
Alfred J. House
7
Alick Cutler ......... 4 Thomas J. Lock .... Tenor
Composed by Arihur Knights. Conducted by Thomas J. Lock. First peal in the method.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL. DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Fri., Oct. 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of The Holy and Undivided Trinify, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's transposition.
*Ian C. Buckland ... .. Treble D. John Hunt. .

Peier E. Parry

* Petier Bridle.

Tenor 21 cwiv 1 lb . in E flat. Pairick J. Bird.
John R. Ketteringham..
Don C. Exell
Cliff Richards
Conducted by Parrick J. Bird.
*First peal at first attempt. First of Grandsire Triples as conductor Rung in memory of the Rt. Rev. I. S. Watkins, former Bishop of Malmesbury. translated Bishop of Guildford.

> ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri.. Oct. 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
AT IHF CHURCH OF St. JOHN-THE-BAPIIST.
A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt . in $G$.
Herbert E. Audsley ..Treble lan H. Oram
Arthur G. Mason .. .. 2 George J. Buicher
Barwell B. Dibbin.


| 3 | Ralph BIRD |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 | JOHN R. COOPER | Composed by Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by lan H. Oram. First peal in the method as conductor.

> BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE,

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Mary. <br> A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR <br> Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .17 lb . in F sharp.

Maurice J. Butler ..Treble R. Roger Savory

* Hilary N. Kippin

Ann M. Cox
M. Elizabeth Chapman 3 \#David E. House +Norman Hayes

Ton Chapman
Conducted by Tumi ... renor
Composed by Chas. H. Kippin.

* First peal of Surprise. + First of Cambridge Surprise Major. First of Cambridge as conductor.

Rung for the 50th anniversary of the installation of bells at this tower.

## BLEWBURY. BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. Oct. 29. 1960. in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.
Alfred R. T. Greenough Treble
*William J. Irving
Frank E. Godden
Jack Berry
James E. Godman
Robert B. Blond
Ernest G. Garrard " . . Tellor

Conducted by Robert B. Blond.
*First peal of Stedman. + First of Stedman away from the tenor. ZEALS SURPRISE MAJOR

- $56-14.56-58.36-34-38.14 .3614 .3$

8 ths place lead-end; 4 ths place bobs.

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## CHISLEHURST. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes
At the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
 the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the bells.
 now completed 25 years as a ringer at this church.


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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Conducted by George Prescott. } \\
& \text { * } 100 \text { th peal together. First of Stedman as conductor. } \\
& \text { HENFIELD, SUSSEX } \\
& \text { THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. } \\
& \text { On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in } 3 \text { Hours and } 1 \text { Minute, } \\
& \text { At the Church of St. Peter. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5056 \text { PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR } \\
& \text { Tenor } 16 \mathrm{cwt} .2 \mathrm{qr} .7 \mathrm{lb} \text {. } \\
& \text { Claudia A. Critchley. } \\
& \text { G. William Critchley } \\
& \text { J. Richard Castledine.. Tenor } \\
& \text { J. Richard Ca } \\
& \text { Conducted by G. William Critchley. } \\
& \text { * First peal in the method. } \\
& \text { Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. W. M. Scott, late treasurer of } \\
& \text { Hentield Parochial Church Council. }
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HORSHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 23 cwt .1 qr .7 lb .

| aert W. Woolven | . Trebl | Patricia M. Bourn |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Claudia A. Critchley | 2 | W. Arthur Riddington |
| Richard Castledine | 3 | Colin A. S. Harwood |
| William Critchley | 4 | Jack S. Dear | Composed by Frederick Dench. Conducted by J. Richard Castledine.

> HUDDERSFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of All Hallows, Almondbury.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt . in E .


* First peal. it First in the method.

A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hincheliffe from his fellow members and friends of the Huddersfield St. Peter's company KIBWORTH BEAUCHAMP, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
A r the Church of St. Wilfred.
A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt I qr. 9 lb . in F .
Brian G. Warwick . Treble

JOHN R. SMITH
Ernest Morris
Mrs. H. Poyner
3
Harry Poyner
Martin C. Faulkes
Russell S. Morris. John M. Jelley

Rung to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Fred Staniforth (local Ringing Master) and Mrs. Staniforth.

OLD WINDSOR. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr .21 lb.

* Colin J. Watson Treble $\ddagger$ Linda J. Kew
William Butler... *Derek W. Stone .. .. 3 Willíam Birmingham +Howard Oglesby Howard Oglesby
Composed by E. W. Tipler (B.58). Alan R. Pink ... .. Tenor Conducted by Alan R. Pink. First in the method. $\ddagger$ First of * First peal of Surpris
Surprise Major 'inside.'


## PULFORD, CHESHIRE

TIIE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

## Tenor $9 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Roy Foster
*David Godfrey
Mrs. D. Lowe
Treble Harold Worrall
Harry W. Howard
John Ryder
Douglas Lowe 5
6
7
.. ... 4 Denis Maddock +., . Tenor
Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by Denis Maddock.
*First peal of Major in the method.

## PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJUR


Composed by Edwin Timbrell
Conducted by Ernest Whiting.

* First peal of Treble Bob.


## TETTENHALL. STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saf., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5056 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb
Frederick E. Wilshaw Treble *Brian J. Wylde
*Robert J. Warrilow .. 2 *Geoffrey Davies
*Charles A. S. Webb . . 3 *Robert B. Smith
David W. Brunning 4
Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Arthur Pritchard.

* First peal in the method.


## WEDMORE, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minues.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SUPRRISE MAJOR Tenor 30 cwt . 5 lb . in C .
Richard J. Bowden .. Treble Brynley A. Shackleton. Ei.isabeth A. G. Bowden 2 Reginald G. Hooper *Don C. Exell. . . . . 3 Philip M. J. Gray *D. John Hunt ..... 4 John H. Gilbert .. .. 7 Composed by Frederick Dench. Conducted by John H. Gilberr. * First peal of London Surprise. First in the method as conductor.

DARLEY DALE. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sur., Ocr. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Helen. A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part. Treble \#Harold SHERRAtT Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
George H. Paulson - Treble *Harold Sherratt
Michael H. Paulson .. 2 Burley P. Morris
Ronald H. Bulien
J. Frank Smallwood Herbert E. Taylor Ernest Paulson
Conducted by Herbert E. Taylor.

* First pell "inside.'

Rung as a 7rith birthday compliment to George H. Puulson.
GUILDFORD, SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. Oct. 31, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minuest. At the Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 23 cwt 3 qr. 8 lb . in D.
David J. Tubbs
Treble
Jill M. Lane
William T. Beeson
Barwell. B. Dibben
Composed by C. H. Midute
*First peal of Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

* First peal of Surprise Major. + First of Cambridge Major.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memoriam the $R \mathrm{t}$. Rev. Ivor S . Watkins. Bishon of Guildford and president of the Guild, who died on October 24th

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## FLOOKBURGH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, At The Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Gilbiri D. Park .. .. Treble
Treble James E. Dickinson Tenor $16 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. Nicholas M. Newby .. 2 James Blackburn ... 5 Thomas F. Metcalfe .. 3 Alex Edgar ..

Conducted by Nicholas M. Newby.
Rung for the diamond jubilee of the dedication of the church.
PAULERSPURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor 11 cwt 3 gr .22 lb
*Roger Payne .. .. .. Treble Tames Linnell
Mrs. G. Shellard...
Charles E. Truman Charles E. Truman Conducied by William A. Yates.

* First peal. $\dagger 150$ th peal.


## SNODLAND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes. At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 12 methods: (1) Stamford and Rossendale, (2) London and Wells, (3) York and Durham, (4) Beverley and Surfleet. (5) Annable's London, (6) Norwich, (7) Cambridge and Ipswich.

.. Tenor Conducted by Ralph Bird. WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Oct. 24. 1959, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 8 cwt . 1 qr. 25 lb . in A flat. Michael T. Hopkins ..Treble Claudia A. Critchley | *Caroline Wills | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 | J. Richard Castledine |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June 1. Dear | .. | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Edwin G. Buck | 4

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* First feal.

Conducted by J. Richard Castledine.
ROTHERSTHORPE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents of St. Simon's, ten of Grandsire and 15 each of Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt 3 qr .14 lb . in G. *Elizabeth M. Paul .. Treble| Malcolm R. C. Hensher 3 *Graham C. Paul John $\ddot{E}$ GoDdard Conducted by John E. Goddard.

* First peal.


## BUXTON. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed.. Oct. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules.

## At the Church of ST . Andriw

Being extents of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Kent Trehle Bob. Plain Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, Spliced St. Clement's and Plain Bob. and combined Kent and Oxford Treble Boh: 25 changes of method. Tenor 12 f cwt. in $F$ sharp.
Whitiam C. Duffield .. Treble Nolan Goiden
David Cubitt $. . \quad . \quad . \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad$ Walter C. Medli:r
Arthur G. Bason Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. A. K. Birch, M.A., inducted to the living on the 24th.
First peal on the recently-rehung bells.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Oct. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minules.
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAITHNESS SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lb . in $\mathbf{A}$.

| Phyllis M. Mayne | $\ldots$ | Treble | Raymond G. Smith |  | . | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kenneth R. Dunstan | $\ldots$ | 2 | John R. Mayne | $\ldots$ | . | 5 | Frank C. Price .. .. 3 John Hill .. .. .. . Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

MAPLEDURHAM, OXON.
THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.
(The Reading University Society.)
On Wed., Oct. 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents,
T. Felicity Webber .. Treble Jennifer M. Davies
*Pamela M. Millhouse.. 2 Frederick J. Sage
Janet K. Secker aci 3 John Manley
Tenor 8 cwt

* First peal. First as conductor.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the second.
WALSOKEN. CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Oct. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Si. Clement's Bob. Oxford and Kent Treble
Bob and four of Plain Bob.
Robin Shipp
Treble
M. Rowland Reed

Ernest A. Shipp $\quad . . \quad . \quad 2$ Tom Bush
Leslie W. Houghton .. 3 Norman V. Harding .. Tenor
Conducted by Norman V. Harding.
LOIS-WEEDON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Oct. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules.
At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents (four different callings). Tenor $\leqslant \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
J. George Shellard .. Treble| Montague Saunders
*Charles E. Truman .. 2 James Linnell
William J. Chester .. 3 William A. Yates .. .. Tenor * First peal in Conducted by William A. Yates.

* First peal in the method.


## ACTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew and April Day, 12 of Plain Bob. 16 extents and one 240 (Morris') Grandsire.

*First peal.
Rung for the birth of a daughter to Mrs. Alma Gregory, former ringer at Acton, who is the daughter of the fourth ringer. Herbert Sution.

CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Catwg.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Boh, ten six-scores and ten 240 's Grandsire by Pitman and Morris.
Barry J. Couzins .. .. Treble John T. Wiliiams
*Gareth H. Jones .. .. $\frac{2}{3}$ Gwyn I. Lewis..
Harry Boyce .. .. .. 3 John Matthews .. .. Tenor

* First peal.

ASHBOCKING. SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD. <br> On Sal.. Oct. 29, 1960, in 6 Hours and 31 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints. <br> A PEAL OF 12240 MINOR

In 17 methods, being 720 each of London Surprise, Noruich Surprise, London Scholars' Treble Boh, College Exercise Treble Bob, Double Court Boh. Hereward Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Bob. St. Clement's Boh. Childwall Bob. Ipswich Surprise. Cambridge Surprise. Douhle Oxford Boh. Thelwall Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Boh.
Ronald W. Steward
.. Treble *George N. Orman..... 4 Urban W. Wildney. . . 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5 Aian R. Andrews .. .. 3 Walier Arnold .. . Tenor Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

* 100th peal. Longest length of Minor by the Guild.


## CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE,

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Beckft,

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\text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
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Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. and three of Plain Bob.
E. Michael Quinn . . Treble
Carol Fernley..
Brian Schofield
Gordon Rumney
Pfetfr Dale

## Conducted by John Robinson.

First peal in three methods as conductor.
Rung to welcome John Peter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hibbert, Chapel-en-le-Frith.

## DAUNTSEY. WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being ten extents of Reverse St. Bartholomew, 12 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, and four extents and two $240^{\circ}$ s (Morris') of Grandsire.
*Ian G. Smith .. . .
Treble Alan F. Lee
2 Cliff Richards
Cenric J. A. Brown ... Tenor
Conducted by Alan F. Lef.

* First peal. The conductor"s 50th peal. First on the bells.

KEMBLE. GLOUCESTERSHIRE,
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

Ar the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of London. Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge, Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob.
IVor Goulter . . . .. . . Treble
Peter T. Hurcombf
Alan Carveth ...... $\quad 3$
Conducted by Anthony R. Prakt.

* 50th peal for the Association.


## MARSTON, OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960. in 2 Hours and 28 Minules,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In four methods, viz.: 240 April Day, 1,200 Reverse Canterhury Pleasure, 1,200 Grandsire, 2,400 Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt *J. S. Walker... .. .. Treble tNoel D. Deam ... .. 3 Alec Gammon....... 2 E. Venn ... .. ... .. 4

Roy H. Jones .. .. .. Tellor
Conducted by Roy H. Iones.

* First peal on a working bell, and in four methods. † First 'inside. and in four methods. First as conductor.
Rung for the consecration of the Ven. G. D. Savage, one time vicar of this parish, as Bishop of Buckingham. Also for Unired Nations Diy.

MULBARTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minules, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Duke of Norfolk Treble Bob, Spliced Double Oxford. St. Clement's. Plain Bob and Double Bob, combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Double Court, Oxford Bob, Reverse Boh and Cambridge Surprise: 32 changes of method. Tenor 8 cwt . in A . Peter Adcock .. .. .. Treble F. Charles Goodman... 4 Nolan Golden .. .. .. 2 *William Love .. .. 5 Arthur G. Bason

Conducted by
H. William Barrett

Tenor

* 100th peal for the Association.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Goodman on the eve of their silver wedding anniversary: they were married at this church.

## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

## half Peal

WATLINGTON, OXON.-On Oct. 29th, 2.880 Minor ( 1,410 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, 1.440 Plain Bob): Christine Clayton 1. B. Wakefield 2. P. J. Wycherley 3. A. N. Stubbs 4. N. J. Martin (cond.) 5, D. T. Darby 6.

BATH, SOMERSET.-At St. Mathew's, Widcombe, on October 25th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Maureen Vincr 1, Mrs. P. Newman 2, H. C. Newman 3, June P. Crees 4, R. M. Stubbs (cond.) 5, K. Harrison 6. Rung in memoriam Mr. J. H. Higgins, who had expressed the wish that the bells be rung open.

BRISTOL.-At St. Mary Redcliffe, on Oct. 2nd. 1.320 Grandsire Cinques: Miss M. A. Hancock 1,
P. J. Bird 2. Miss M. D. Hancock 3. T. Bennelt 4. P. J. Bird 2, Miss M. D. Hancock 3. T. Bennelt 4.
F. G. Leaker 5, M. J. Hancock 6, D. Helliwell 7. E. F. Hancock (cond.) 8. F. C. Mogford 9, W. Abraham 10. F. E. Hansford 11, S. Gillett 12. First for 1. 4 and 7. Rung after Evensong for Harvest Festival. Also on Oct. 181h, at Christ Church, 1.263 Stedman Caters: Mrs. A. E. Cox 1. C. Richards 2.
1). E. Cobb (cond.) 3. J. C. Baldwin 4. D. J. Hunt D. E. Cobb (cond.) 3. J. C. Baldwin 4. D. J. Hunt 5. S. G. Riches 6. J. Brain 7. D. C. Exell 8.
D. G. Yeo 9, F. C. Mogford 10. For St. Luke's Day.

CAMBERWELL, LONDON-At St. Giles Church. on Oct. 23 rd. 1,263 Stedman Caters: P. Cattermole (first of Stedman and on 10) l. C. Wood 2, W. H. Hewer1 (cond) 3. G. Parsons 4. E. Talbot 5. G. Peters 6. J. Euston 7, H. Clark 8, R. Sanders 9, J. Smith 10. Rung for induction of new Vicar, Rev. John Glasson Nicholls.
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA.-On Oct. 3rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Gardiner 1. W. Smith 2. L. Hewitt 3. V. Sheppard 4, R. Law (cond.) 5, J. Ernstzen 6. For Evensong. Also on May 10th, 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: J. Riadore 1, R. Law 2. V. Sheppard 3, L. Hewitt 4. First touch of Minimus by all the band, and in Africa. Rung in despair at meeting short
CONGLETON. CHESHIRE,-On Oct. 28th. 1.280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. Riley 1. D. Heapy 2. N. Sherratt 3. R. A. Challinor 4. R. Worrall 5 ; P. A. Mason 6, W. Sherratt 7, B. Corbishley (cond.) First in the method by all except 2 and 8 .
CRADLEY, WORCS.-On Oct. 9th. 1,260 Grandsire Troples: Miss B. Hall 1, H. J. Shuck (cond.) 2. Mrs. H. White 3, A. G. Hall 4, H. Wyre S, J.
Griffiths 6, H. White 7, L. R. Hall 8. For Harvest Festival.
DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.-On Seps. 11th. 1.260 Minor (Little Bob. Plain Bob and St. Clement's): 3. Hilary M. Johnson 4. H. M. Johnson 5, D. J. Marshall (cond.) 6. For Parish Communion. Also on Ocr. 2nd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Bonsor 1. Elizabeth A. Negus 2. Mary J. Marshall 3. Gillian Tavener 4. Hilary M. Johnsun 5. H. M. Johnson 6. P. I. Chapman 7, D. J. Marshall (cond.) 8. Rung as a farewell to the ringers of 2 and 3 , who are leaving for London and Durham, respectively, and to Frances Johnson, who has left for Hascombe.
DORKING, SURREY.-On Oct. 29th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Alison Read 1, C. A. Read 2, G. Marriner 3. Ethel Clear 4. G. F. Pratt 5. E. G. L. Rung half-muffied for the late Bishop of Guildford. Rt. Rev. lvor S . Watkins.

EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Oct. 12 $\mathrm{h}, 1,260$ Plain Bob Minor: B. Wilde (first quarter) 1, R. Mills 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3. M. W. Harrison 4, N. Wilde 5, J. Higgs (first as cond in own tower) 6
EPSOM, SURREY. On Oct, 30th. at Christ Church. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. E. Fentiman 1. Barbara Snencer (first quarter) 2. D. Herschell 3. Sylvia Marsh 4. F. Oakshott (cond.) 5. W. Parrott 6. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Rı. Rev. Ivor S. Watkin:, Bishon of Guildford.
EXNING, SUFFOLK. On Oet. 30rh, in St. Martin's belfry. 1.261 Plain Bob Minor: R. 3. Palmer 1-2. A. R. Mann 3-4. Irene Cross (first quarier. age
14) $5-6$. 14) $5-6$

FINCHLEY, MIDDX.-On Oct. 29th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Frances Camphell 1. L. Tubb 2. F.
Barker 3. A. Richardion 4. A. Warren 5. S. Wallace 6. B. Willis (cond.) 7. B. Watson 8. First in the method for 4. 6 and 8. Rung for the marriage of Miss Jennifer Mary, daughter of the Rector, Rev. R. Mathews, to Mr. Adrian John Flowers, formerly organist at St. Mary's and now at Southwark Caihedral.

GRItTLETON, WILTS.-On Oct. 10th. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Jean Palmer 1. Rita M. Webb 2. Gloria M. Newion 3. T. J. Milsorn 4. C. J. A.
Brown 5. A. F. Lee (cond.) 6. Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells for about 25 years. Runs as a compliment to Mr. Henry Taysóm and Miss Janice Organ, who were married af Berkley, on -jctober 8th.

## QUARTER PEALS

HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDX.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss C. OKelly 1. D. G. Pickett 2, C. Sevenson 3, Miss 1
Richardson 4, D. C. Morgan (cond) 5. For Even song, and as a compliment to Miss Juliet Wouders, sing, and as a compliment is aring to Exeter University.

## HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Oct. 30th, 1.260

 Gtandsire Triples: J. P. Gordon 1, H. K. White 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, J. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5. G. W. Bishop 6, M. Bishop (cond.) 7, L. F. Cox 8. Also 1.264 Plain Boh Major: Mrs. N. Bennett 1 . W. White 2, Miss M. Thomas 3. J. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, G. W. Bishop 7. A. H. Webb (cond.) 8. First in method for 1, 3, 4 and 5. Both quarters rung for Ringers ${ }^{\circ}$ Sunday, 33 rd anniversary of the consecration of the new bell-frame.HALLOW. WORCS.-On Oct. 30th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Bayliss 1, W. Collins 2, F. C. Pugh 3, P. Bullock 4. J. Gwilliam (cond.) 5, A. Herman 6. For evening service.
HERSHAM, SURREY. On October 30th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Warner 1, H. Colcombe 2 , Joan A. Smth 3. C. N. Chinnery 4, C. Webb 5 , Mrs. A. Smith 6, J. King (cond.) 7, Gwen May 8. Rung half-muffled io the memory of the Rt. Rev. Ivor S. Watkins. Bishop of Guildford.
HERTFORD.-On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Carter 1, J. W. Thorn 2, E, J. Phillips 3, C. Springham 4. A. S. Carter (cond.) 5, J. M. Kemp 6. C. E. Hayter 7. P. W. Saunders 8. A welcome 10 the new Vicar of All Saints'. who was instituted by the Bishop of SI . Albans immediately after this quarter peal.

HINTON WALDRIST, BERKS.-On Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: A. O'Shaugnessy (first on (reble) 1. N. Leslie 2, R. Hayden 3, F. Moland
(first. inside ) 4, M. Edney (cond.) 5, D. Leslie 6.

KIMPTON, HERTS.-On Oct. 30th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. Baxter 1. Miss I. M. Lander 2. M. B. Butterfield 3. R. L. Arnold 4, J. G. Cull
(cond.) 5. P. A Gibson (first quarter) 6. Rung for (cond) 5. P. A. Gitson (first quarter) 6. Rung for
morning service on the eve of the first anniversary of the rededication of the bells after rehanging.

KINGSWOOD, SURREY.-On Oci. 29th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Sally Parroti 1. Adrienne Gibson (first in two methods as cond.) 2, Fentiman 6. First in two methods for $1,3,5$ and 6.
LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.-On Oct. 23rd, 1.260 Stedman Triples: Susan Beil (first of Stedman) 1. G. Marriner 2. Hilda Oatway 3. Rev. E. Wond 4, B. Hawkins 5, A. H. Smith 6, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 7. W. F. Oatway 8 .
LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.-On Oct, 30th. 1.260 Sicdman Triples: 1. Goulter 1. Mrs. M. A. Wratten 2, A. Pendlebury 3, D. Newcombe 4. C. Burridge 5. C. A. Wratten (cond.) 6. T. Bureham 7. A. Newman 8. For Evensong.
NETTLEBED, OXON.-On Oct, 2yth, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Castle 1, J. Pinchin 2, Mrs. F. Belson 3, R. Cummins t. N. Belson (cond.) 5, R. Hope 6. A farewell to
and leaving the parish.
PETERBOROUGH. NORTHANTS.-At St. John's Church, on Oct. 23rd. 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. J. G. Spicer 1, H. Goakes 2a 1. Woodham 3. Ruth Anderson 4. D. French 5, M. Dyer 6, H. S. Peacock 7. J. H. Bluff (cond.) 8. For morning scrvice. and to welcome the Rev. H. Sheasby as Curate at St John's.
PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-On Nov. 1st. at the Church of St. Andrew. 1.259 Grandsire Casers: H. W. Milford 1. Miss Y. C. Porter 2, F. E. Day 3. H. H. Thomas (first on 10) 4. J. Perkins (first on 10) 5. W. G. Lavers 6. D. R. Bould 7. A. W. Myers 8. T. G. Myers (cond.) 9, W. H. Marks 10 . Rung for Solemn Holy Communion on All Saints Day.
PUTNEY, LONDON,-On Oct. 30th. 1.279 Doubles (Stedman, St. Simon's, Plain Bob, Antelope and
Grandsire): A. Clayton B. Coatsworth 3. A. Bishop 4. C. Mew (cond.) B. Bull 6. Firse in 5 methods for all. First quarier containing Antelope and St. Simon's for all, Rung for Evensong and in memory of Thomas Chambers, verger of this church.
ROCHESTER, KENT.-At the Cathedral, on Oct. 29th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples (with 9, 8, 10 covering): J. Sellen 1, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, Eliz. Wharton 3. J. Colman (first quamer of Grandsire
Triples) 4. B. Baker 5, C. J. Gould 6, P. Bond 7 , Triples) 4. B. Baker 5, C. J. Gould 6, P. Bond 7.
R. Norris 8. C. E. J. Norris 9. D. Norris 10. Firmi quarter on the 10 bells since the new frame was insealled.

ROTHERSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 9th, 1.320 Old Doubles: Miss K. M. Featherstone (firs quarter) 1, K. D. Perkins 2, G. C. Paul 3, M. R Bennett (cond.) 4, M. R. Harvey 5. Also on Oct 23rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. E. Goode (first quanter) 1. G. C. Paul 2, Miss P. F. Curtis 3, M. R. Harvey (first as cond.) 4, K. D. Perkins 5.

ROMSEY, HANTS.-On Oct. 23rd, 1.260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss S. Edwards 1, Miss A. J. Knight 2. M. D. G. Northway 3, M. J. Northway (cond.) 4. H. J. Page 5. K. J. Jacobs 6, C. M. White 7 C. Churchill 8. For the Parronal Festival.

RUGBY, WARWICKS.-On Oct. 17th. at St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Underwoud 1, A. Barlow (cond.) 2, E. Hunt 3. Miss C. Eustace 4. S. Osborne 5, P. Fisher 6, E. Orland 7. P. Howitt 8. For the 25 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. Vann.
ST. ALRANS, HERTS.-At' St. Peter's, on nct. 23rd, 1,263 Stedman Caters: A. R. Agg 1, F. 1. Plummer 2. C. F. Sayer 3, G. Dodds 4, K. Darvill 5. B. C. Johnson 6, H. V. Frosi (cond.) 7. W. C. Hughes 8, T. J. Southam 9. G. W. Debenham in. For the Oddfellows' service.
ST. LAURENCE-IN-THANET, KENT.-On Oct. 30th. 1.080 Plain Bob Minor (with tenor covering); R. D. Miles 1, Miss C. Cobbold 2, Mrs. N. Bridges 3. G. C. Durham 4. Rev. S. M. Evans (cond.) 5 , T. W. Edwards 6, R. S. Wcekes tenor. Rung for the Rev. J. H. Roundhill's last service as vicar.
SAXILBY, LINCS.-On Oct. Yth, 1,260 Minor (Kent, Single Court. Plain Bob): H. Dove 1, M. L. Mann 2, H. W. Cox 3. J. M. Blaikic 4, D. Crosby 5, J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival. SILSOE, BEDS,-On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Piain Bob and Grandsire): D. R. Brazier 1, B. A Martin 2, Ann Culpin 3. P. J. Lawion 4. T. P Harris (cund.) 5, G. F. Olney 6. Rung as a compliment to Susan and John Olney, on the birth of their son and heir
STEEP. HANTS.-On Oct. 30ih, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Robertson 1, R A. Routh 2 C. E. Wakefield 3. C. R. Jelley 4, C. M. Press (cond.) 5, Miss C. C. Robertson 6. Rung for the birth on September 16th and baptism on November 5 th of Sarah Janc, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Snelgar, her godfather being the ringer of second
STONEY STANTON, LEICS.-On Oct. 16ith, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Cox 1. G. E. Vernon 2. L. Towers 3, J. H. Bailees 4. M. Lindsey 5. I. A Hill 6. M. Vernon (cond.) 7. N. L. Walker 8 Rung half-mufled after Evensong, on the occasion of the Village Wakes feast.
STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.-On Oct. 24th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Chacksfield 1. Mrs. Chacksfield 2. Jean Horton 3, L. Stilwell 4. J. Newell (cond.) 5. M. Davies (first quarter) 6. Rung to mark the first wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Chacksfield.
SHUSTOKE, WARWICKS.-On Scpt. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Ensor 1. D. L. Hooper 2 Miss R. Morgan (first quarter) 3. L. L. Willis 4 . W. C. Rhodes (cond.) 5. E. Hill 6. Rung for the wedding of Mr. R. Rich and Miss J. Butter, and 22nd wedding anniversary of L. L. Willis.
STUDLEY, WARWICKS.-1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss M. Galloway 1, R. Spray 2. Miss M. Tyson 3. T. Griffiths 4. J. W. Perkins (cond.) 5, J. Crook 6. To honour the Bishop of Coventry on his visit to Studley.
WALTHAMSTOW: ESSEX.-On Oct. 23 rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss G. Newcombe (first of Royal 1. P. D. Chapman (first of Royal 'inside') 2. Miss D. Lawless 3. A. J. N. Boyack 4. F. Sykes 5. I. Hawkins 6. D. Hewitt 7. C. Willmington 8, B Downes (cond.) 9. A. Frost 10. Rung for Evenvong, and as a ruby wedding compliment to Mr. H Rumens, secretary of St. Mary's Society, and Mrs Rumens.
WICKEN. NORTHANTS.-On (2ct. 4th. 1.296 Surprise Minor ( 720 Beverley. 576 Cambridge): P. 1 ) Taylor 1. F. C, Case 3. G. E. Green (cons.) 4. C. E. Truman 5, T. E. Roberis 6, J. Linneli 7. G Foddy (eovering) 8. First 720 of Bevericy for 3. 4 and 6.
Willesborough, KENT.-On Oct. 16th, 1.320 York Surprise Minor: Rosemary Gower 1. C. T. Hillis 2, R. J. Carton 3, L. T. Pope 4. W. P Carner 5. M. S. Lancefield (cond.) 6. For Evensong WILLINGDON, SUSSEX - On Oct. 30th. 1.260
Grandsire Doubles: B. Linacre 1, G. Pullinger (cond.) 2. Janet Percy 3. Mrs. B. Percy 4. H. S. Hebden 5, R. Percy 6. First quanter for 1 and 3 who are both aged 12. For Evensong.
WILLINGHAM, CAMRS.-On Oct. 9th, 1,296 Surprise Minor: A. Benson 1, D. Murfet 2. D Robinson 3, G. Thoday 4. G. Lucas 5, M. Ginn (cond.) 6. For Festival Evensong. Also on Oct. 30th, 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Benson 1. N. Robineon 2, D. Murfet 3, G. Lucas 4. G. Crisp 5 G. Thoday (cond.) 6. For Matins.

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Long lengths of Minor are rare in these days. One of 12,240 changes was rung at

BELFRY Ashbocking. Suffolk, on October 29th. It consisted of 17 extents in 17 different methods and was completed in 6 hours 31 miputes. Mr. F. B. Lutkin, who had participated in a number of long lengths, conducted.

The band who rang the first peal on Dauntsey, Wilts. bells report that they are a very pleasant-ioned ring on ball bearings.
Exning, Suffolk, ringers have great hopes in their latest recruit, 14 -year-old Irene Cross, who rang her first quarter ( in hand') on OLtober 30 th.
The silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Goodman, of Costessey, was marked by a peal at Mulbarton church. where they were married. and in a hospitable manner aflerwards at their home.

The peal of Doubles on page 717 stated to be rung at St. Augustines's Church. Locking, Somerset. should read the Church of St.
Leonard. Shipham. Somerset. Apologies are sent by our correspondent for the mistake.
When a peal was rung at Buxton. Norfolk, as a welcome to the Rev. A. K. Birch, the newly-inducted Vicar, he recorded part of the peal and afterwards played it back for the ringers to hear. They were not ashamed at what they heard. It was a joy to the band having Mr. W. C. Duffeld peal ringing again after a lapse of so many years.

The Vicar of Hagbourne, Rev. H. A. SmithMasters, asked the tower secretary what the ringers were going to do for Ringers* Sunday. Quick as a tlash (and without thinking!) he replied that three quarters would be attempted -one for each service. Thus it was that the ringers, casting reproachful glances at the malefactor, assembled at 7 a.m. on the Sunday. A good quarter of Grandsire Triples was rung, following which all the ringers attended Holy Communion. Stedman Triples was attempted for Matins, but this unfortunately came to grief due to a missed call one course from home. To finish the day, a quarter of Plain Bob Major was rung for the special Ringers' Sunday Evensong; this included four parts in the method.

Records are given in the
GOSSIP July issue of 'Ringing Towers' of peal and quarter peal totals for each year since the formation of the New South Wales Association in 1946. Peals total 32 ( 26 tower and 6 hand) and quarter peals 425 ( 331 tower, 94 hand). The leading peal ringer is $W$. Rowe with 18 , followed by T. Goodyer 15, R. Ferris 14 and J. Duncan 11.

Our newer universities are in the news this week with peals from Nottingham and Reading University Societies.

The ringer of the 2nd in the quarter peal of of Grandsire Triples, on October 15th. was Maria E. Kirby and not Maria Thoday as printed on page 743.
The work of restoration of the tower of St. Nicholas', Kenilworth. is now completed and the bellhangers have commenced the work of rehanging the bells. They hope to have them ready for ringing by the end of the month.
Fifty-four sacks of twigs, stones, bottle tops and rubble, carried there by jackdaws, have been removed from the bell chamber of Repton Parish Church, states "The Church Times.'

Mr. E. L. Humphriss had great satisfaction over the peal he conducted at Woolton, Liverpool, on October 22nd. Seven of the local St. Peter's Society scored their first peal. They are all teenagers, four being still at school and three started work this summer.

Great credit is due to the four 'first-timers, in the peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal at Bradford Cathedral. on October 29th, all of whom really did their stuff; particularly Master Barry Schofield. who at the age of 12 years earned full marks by not making a single trip.

Four anoi=nt bells have recently been rehung at Spofforth Parish Church, Yorks, as the resuit of a memorial benefaction of 1.000 guineas. It is thought that the bells may contain metal from bells used at the Trinitarian Priory, Knaresborough, and at Fountains Abbey, This third and tenor bells were cast by William Oldfield. of York. in 1609.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## KIMPTON CUP CONTEST

THE first Hertfordshire ringing competition was held at Kimpton in October, 1959. following the rededication of the bell's after rehanging; the trophy was a solid silver cup given by the Kimpton Guild of Change Ringers o mark the occasion
Kimpton was the meeting place for the second event which took place on October 22nd. A rainy, dismal afternoon did nothing to dampen the spirits of the 6 competing teams that gathered outside the tower just before 3 o"clock to draw for order of ringing. With the two judges safely 'locked away' the first team drawn were soon ringing the 'test piece,' 360 Minor, own choice of method. Meanwhile, teams who were to ring later, together with other ringers and friends, were able to partake of light refreshments in the Memorial Hall. and here also were available darts. table tennis and billiards. which were put to good use throughout the afternoon.
All leams successfully completed ringing by $50^{\circ}$ clock and in the time remaining betore tea the bells were open for general use. The judges were 'released' and had the opporcunity to try the bells. Their verdict was not an easy ring.' However, the competing teams would have had difficulty in faulting the judges!

Over 70 ringers and friends sat down to an excellent tea in the Memorial Hall. Among the distinguished ringers present were the president. Mr. W. C. Hughes, and three past presidents of the Hertford County Association, and Mr. A. E. Rushton, president of the Bedfordshire County Association. After teit the Vicar of Kimpton, Rev. C. W. Lawrence, welcomed the company and said it was a great thing in the life of the church that the bells should ring out their message and it was a joy to see so many ringers. some young and some not so young, gathered together on his occasion.
Mr. T. J. Lock, in introducing the judges, Miss Hilda G. Snowden and Mr. Ralph Edwards, said he thought there could be no one except the veriest beginners who did not know of the achievements of these two eminent ringers.

JUDGES' COMMENTS
Miss Snowden, in her remarks, said that the ringing generally had been of a very high order: the principal faults were erratic leads and the little bells 'clipping' the big bells, two of the teams did not seem to settle into a good beat and she felt the ringing was a litule slow with some teams.

Mr. Edwards supported these remarks and also said he was surprised that no team had made full use of the two minutes allowed for rounds; a peal band would often ring rounds for a full five minutes before starting their attempt.

The teams who entered, methods rung, and marking were then given as follows: Apsley End (Cambridge) 44 faults. North Mymms (winners last year) (Cambridge) 49. Baldock (Cambridge) 58. Hatfield (Pla in Bob) 101, King's Langley (Plain Bob) 115, Kimpton (Plain Bob) 154

The Kimpton Cup was then presented to Mr. R. E. Sheppard. of Apsley End, who said he felt that it was regular Sunday service ringing together as a band that had helped his team to success.

Mr. J. G. Cull. on behalf of the competition committee, thanked the judges for their services and they were each presented with a box of chacolates as a small token of appreciation. Mr. Cull also expressed the thanks of the Kimpton Guild to the North Mymms band who, as first holders of the cup. had generously had it beautifully engraved with a suitable inscription
Mr. A. V. Good, secretary of the winning tearo, invited the company to Apsley End for the 1961 competition.

The very enjoyable social evening which followed included a smoking concert. during which several well known ringers displayed their talents in other directions. Included in the programme were songs from Mrs. Kathleen Lock and entertainment at the piano from Martyn Jordan, of Tewin. All the ringing had been tape recorded and during the evening teams were able to hear their efforts played back. The ringers other needs were adequately met by some of the Hatfield team. ably led by Mr. Stan Huckle, who served behind the bar. J.G.C.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 46



## MR. JOHN WILIIS

## Kent County Association

Whether we describe Mr. John Willis as a Kentish man or a 'Man of Kent it is an undoubted fact that he has niade a considerable impact on the ringers in the great county of Kent. He is yet another member of that honoured profession-the teachers, which has provided us with so many reliable stalwarts who have carried the torch so well stalwarts wh
and so long.
Such is the estimation in which he is held, that when Mr. E. H. Lewis left Kent, Mr. Willis was appointed a vice-president and succeeded him as chairman. He is modest and unassuming, but firm and efficient in conducting the affairs of the Kent County Association.

Born at Egerton in 1883. he was taught to ring in 1896 at Charing by the late William Spice, to whom he is eternally grateful for introducing him to an art which has given him
much happiness all through his life. He rang his first peal (Grandsire 1 riples) at Quex Park in 1902, and nobody could ever accuse him of suffering from 'pealitis' for his total stands at the very modest figure of 25 . He seems to have been more adapted for administration then peal ringing and he has given all through his lite most valuable service as an administrator not only in the field of ringing-but also in other fields-and has earned for himself the highest regard of his fellows. He is now one of the members of the K.C.A. with longest service, having joined it in 1896, and he became a committee member in 1910.
He held teaching appointments at Faversham and Canterbury and in 1912 left Kent on becoming head of Pondsbridge C. of E. School. Huntingdon. In 1915 he went to Fortyfoot Bridge School, Ramsey, and stayed there for over 30 years, until retirement in 1945 . He went to live at Folkestone. and at once resumed his activities in the K.C.A. Reappointed to the committee in 1946, he also served as trustee. Then in 1951 he was elected as Central Council representative, and, as stated above, vice-president in 1953.
In 1952 he was appointed to serve on the Biographies Committee, and at once set about the task of bringing the work up to date, by writing up the details of careers of over 300 deceased members of the Council. Owing to the illness of his wife, he did not seek reelection in 1957. but offered to carry on with his work in connection with the biographiesand was promptly made an honorary member. Amongst other offices Mr. Willis has filled are: Honorary secretary of Hunts County Teachers' Association for 27 years, a service
recognised by the presentations of a gold watch and cheque in 1923, and a further cheque for $£ 50$ on retirement; member of County Education Committee; East Anglian representative, National Union of Teachers' Executive; honorary secretary, District Hospitals Committee, Ramsey; governor, Peterhorough Memorial Hospital; member of the Urban District Council, Ramsey ; vice-chairman, District Youth Committee, etc.. etc. In Freemasonry he has served with distinction being W.M. of Arlwyn Lodge 3535 : Pr.. Gd.. Std. B.. and P. Pr.. S.G.W.. Northants and Hunts: and W.M. of Shorncliffe Lodge 4330. His whole life has been one of service to his fellows, and the Exercise will wish him many more happy years of retirement.

JAFUS.

## RECORD LENGTH FAILURE

A telegram was read by Mr. F. Sharpe at the dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths on Saturday that the attempt for the 40.320 changes of Plain Bob Major at Over that day failed at 11,000 changes. The news was received with regret.
We have since heard that the attempt failed in the 100 th course after $6 \frac{1}{8}$ hours' ringing.

The band stood as follows: B. F. L. Groves 1. F. Dunkerley 2, C. K. Lewis 3. B. Jones 4. J. Worth 5. E. Jenkins 6. R. B. Smith 7. B. Harris 8.
The umpires were $H$. O. Baker, D. Mottershead. P. Laflin and R. Boumphrey.

## WANTAGE RINGERS' ' THANK YOU'

An attempt was made, on October 29th, to ing J. J. Parker's Twelve Part peal of 5,040 Grandsire Triples on the bells of the Parish Church. Wantage, as a tribute to the Rev A. C. A. Chetwynd-Talbot before his departure from the parish. The ringers were Ian Stoter. K. Leach (conductor). Jim White, A. R. Wooker, A. E. Fullbrook, David Stoter, A. R. Wood and H. White.

Some 5.040 changes were rung in 3 hours 4 minutes. but owing to the fact that a shift occurred during the last quarter-hour. the effort unfortunately could not be counted as a true peal. So far as is known. this is the first time that a peal has been attempted by the Sunday service band at Wantage, and the ringers were particularly pleased to be able to make this effort as a 'thank-you' to Fr. Talbot.

## BELL RINGING CLASSES IN DERBYSHIRE

A series of 12 evening classes on bellringing is being run by the Derbyshire Education Committee, on behalf of the Derbyshire Association, at Scargill School. West Hallam, with Mr. Gordon A. Halls as instructor

The attendance each week is about 14 and fortunately for the instructor all the pupils can handle a bell. The two hour class comprises one hour of practical ringing at West Hallam church, and one hour of the theoretical aspects of change ringing.
Lectures have so far included bell founding and tuning. method structure and place notation. others will deal with touches and peals, how to write them out and prove them and finally, a little talk on elementary composition. Recently the class visited Loughborough Foundry and that night doubles its strength. An interesting tour of the foundry finished up with ringing on the campanile.

## College Of Campanology

Of the two new officers, recently appointed. the Registrar is Mr. D. P. Jones. of Balliol College. Oxford, and whose home is in Southsea: while th: Press and Public Relations Officer is Dr. R. G. T. Bennett. of Harwell. and formerly of the Christchurch (New Zealand) Cathedral band.

The College hopes shortly to announce details of its next week-end residential course to be held in the South Midlands, next spring. The course will be suitable for both learners and instructors and reduced terms will be available for local students,

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GULLD ANNUAL DINNER \& SOCLAL

The annual dinner and social of the Leicester Diocesan Guild was held on October 29th, in the Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, Leicester. For some years past, criticism has been passed regarding the venue for the annual dinner. but this year everyone appeared to be satistied with the arrangements made. Although situated only two miles from the centre of Leicester the hotel proved to be a little difficult to locate, but the three or four late-comers were served.
Promptly at 6.30 p.m.. Mr. J. P. Fidler, toastmaster, called for the company to be seated. The chief guests were the Lord Bishop of Leicester and the Provost of Leicester Cathedral. together with their wives. Supporting the president (Mr. P. J. Staniforth) and
his wife were the vice-presidents (Mr. P. L. his wife were the vice-presidents (Mr. P. L.
Taylor and Mr. F. K. Measures) and their wives. general secretary (Mr. B. G. Warwick) and Mrs. Warwick. the peal secretary (Mr. J. A. Acres), the treasurer (Mr. Ernest Morris), the trustees (Mr. Cives. Mr. and Mrs. Shirley
Fidler) and their wison and Mr. P. Fidler) and their wives. Mr. and
Burton and Mr. F. W. Perrens.

## PRESENTATION TO PEAL SECRETARY

After an excellent meal came the formal part of the proceedings. First of all, the Lord has just retired as peal secretary, with a picnic has just retired as peal secretary, with a pinenic of all the hours of painstaking work which he has put in for the Guild. This gave the Bishop an opportunity of speaking to the Guild, but as he spoke last year he was able to keep his remarks quite short on this occasion. Mrs. Williams (the Bishop's wife) presented Mrs. Burton with a bowl of fruit.
In reply. Mr. Burton thanked the Guild for their gifts. He hoped that more young ringers would take up the theoretical side of ringing and suggested that the Guild organise a study group with which he would he happy to assist.
The toastmaster then announced that a touch of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells would be rung by Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth. Mr. A. Ballard and Mr. J. A. Acres. This consisted of a lead each of London, Superlative. Cambridge. Superlative and Yorkshire and was practically faultless.
The toast of : The Leicester Diocesan Guild was proposed by the Provost of Leicester. This was the first occasion he had been present and he expressed great pleasure at
heing invited. He made reference to Mr.
He P. L. Taylor and the famous bell foundry. stating that he first came across Taylor's bells when he was Vicar at Holywood in Ireland. He also mentioned Ernest Morris and the fact that Ernest had rung more peals than any living ringer, having rung his 1.960 th peal that same morning. He ended by saying that the clergy did appreciate the help given to the church by the ringers.
The president replied to the toast on behalf of the Guild. He thanked the Bishop and the Provost for their speeches and their wives for their attendance.
A short recital of handbell tunes was then given by three members of the St. Thomas". South Wigston, band.
Mr, C. Harrison proposed the toast of 'The Visitors. These included Mr. and Mrs. L. Walmsley and Mr. and Mrs. Crossthwaite (Leyland, Lancs). Mr and Mrs. H. Poyner (Shrewsbury), Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith (Southrepps, Norfolk). Mr. F. Hinds and his party of six members from the North Leicestershire and South Derbyshire Association. and Mr. F. W. Perrens (Coventry). librarian of the Central Council. Mr. F. W. Perrens replied on behalf of the visitors.
The social evening that followed was all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves.


#### Abstract

Bells On The Queen Mary Mr. W. B. Cartwright, the honorary solicitor to the Central Council, returued from his visit to the United States and Canada on the Queen Mary. On the Sunday morning he went to the service conducted by the Staff Captain in the first-class lounge. Passing along the promenade deck he was surprised to find a seaman trying to knock out some rounds and queens on a set of tubular bells. © If I had been a bit earlier,' he writes, ' 1 might have tried to show him how to do it,' At the Riverside Church, New York, he met Dr. Lefevere, the carillonneur mentioned in a recent front page article is 'The Ringing World.' Dr. Lefevere is a carillonneur at Bournville. As a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright he started his afternoon's recital by playing the National Anthem!


## DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL

The annual ringing festival took place at Blandford Forum Parish Church on October 29th. when some 60 ringers and others were present. Unfortunately, the ringing was restricted by the collapse of two stays, but that still left 6 good bells on which Doubles and Minor methods. as well as rounds, were rung.
At the service in the lovely Restoration Church. which was conducted by the Rector. the Rev. H. G. Goodall., an address was given by the Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Canon C. Carew Cox. His text was appropriate. 'Seek, that ye may excel.' As progress was expected in all men s activities. he said. so in the art of ringing we should not be content with a fixed level of proficiency. but always be préssing on to a higher standard.
The tea was presided over by the Mayor of Blandford. who was accompanied by the Mayoress and Deputy Mayor. In welcoming the ringers the Mayor said that church bells always spoke to him of joyful times, whether Christian Festivals or Royal occasions: he was glad to know that ringing was a growing art, and he hoped it would continue to flourish in Dorsel. Later, the Mayor visited the tower and watched the ringing with great interest.

This festival is the result of a bequest by a late citizen of Blandford. Samuel Francis Pond. who left money for the curfew to be rung every day, and for an annual ringing competition. Dorset ringers felt that competing for a prize was not in keeping with the spirit of ringing. and that a festival in which all would compete to ring their best would be equally agreeable to their benefactor: and so it remains, the money being spent on the expenses of the festival and the tea.

## A SOLIHULL TRIBUTE

On October 30th the ringers of St. Alphege's Church. Solihull. Warwickshire. paid a tribute to Mr. P. W. Harrison on the occasion of his 80 th birthday. which took place on the following day. Mr. Harrison has served Solihull church for a great number of years. and it is mainly due 10 his devoted service as Rector's warden and treasurer of the Parochial Church Council that the finances of the church have been for so long in a healthy condition. A great lover of the bells, and 2 firm believer in the part they play in worship.
Mr. Harrison has never ceased to champion the cause of the ringers. and it was due to him that the custom of the Pancake Bell on Shrove Tuesday was resuscitated.
In appreciation of Mr. Harrison's services 1. 280 Plain Bob Major was rung by: W.
Leeson 1. C. Dale 2. V.W. Rigg 3. A. Walker 4. T. Warner 5. R. Cann 6, E. C. Shepherd (conductor) 7, C. Bragg 8.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

"T"
TITTUMS.-The Tittums change on eight hells is 15263748 , and on ten bells is 1627384950 , and as you will observe it causes the lighter of the bells to strike alternately with the heavier bells. It is one of the most musical changes there are and the ear can stand its repetition at succeeding strokes, as one may get in call change ringing. You could work out for yourself the Tittums change on twelve bells, and when you have got it, it would be worth playing on the piano.

There is also the Tittums position but in practice it occurs only in odd-bell ringing. If the bells were put in the Tittums position in even-bell ringing it would mean parting the tenors from their natural positions and would produce some unpleasant and unnecessary musical changes. The bells when in the Tittums position are made to course down to lead in the order of 7.8.9. in Caters or 7.8.9.0.E. in Cinques.

TOUCH.-As soon as a conductor calls the first bob or single the ringing is transformed from what would have been a plain course into a touch. In other words a touch in ringing is when the bells have been turned over from their plain coursing order. And. of course, a true touch is when the bells are brought back into rounds without repetition of any of the changes. A touch, you will recollect, can in some methods be so short as to contain less changes than the plain course jtself.

TRANSPOSITION-To quote an example of this term I would refer you to Thurstans Four Part peal of Stedman Triples. Sir Arthur
P. Heywood moved or adapted the calling slightly so that the bell unaffected by extras and omits is the treble. This composition is now known as Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four Part.

TREBLE BOB HUNT.-A bell which treble bob hunts is one which dodges in every pair of adjacent positions as it progresses from front to back and from back to front.

TREBLE BOB METHOD.-This class of method requires the treble bell to treble bob hunt and no internal places to be made at any of the cross sections in the half-lead.

TUNING OF BELLS.-The note of a bell comprises five recognised tones-the strike. the "hum" (an octave below strike), the - nominal' (an octave, above strike). the 'tierce and the 'quint.' a third and a fifth above strike respectively. The sketch shows their positions on the stave when the strike note is $G$.


The actual tuning of bells is done. so to speak, behind the iron curtain of the foundry and is a secret which has been jealously guarded for generations. It has been said. however, that there are well over eight hundred known ways of tuning a bell, from small to large no doubt, but it is presumed some ways are not quite so successful or convenient as others. Should you hear reference to bells forming a maiden peal it indicates that, when cast. they each produced their correct note and thus did not need to be tuned.

ICKLETUN, CAMRS.-On Oct. 15th, 1.280 Yorkshire Surmise Maior: F. Peacock 1. Frances Secker 2 Clare Webster 3. Hilary Muirhead 4. D. J. Roaf , A. J. Griffin 6. P. H. Langton (cond.) 7. J. R. Taylor 8. For the Cambridge University Guild.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FALSE PEALS
Dcar Sir.-.On checking through the figures of my arrangement of the 50 Pluin and Little method peal. I find there is al repetition of changes in the leads of Cambridge Court and Hastings Litte Bob.
1 therefore wish to withdraw two peals, one rung 'in hand at Burton-on Stather on March 11th. 1951. and the other at Lincoln on May 11th. 1951. and the other at Lincoin on May
31 st . 1960 . I tender my sincere apologies 10 holh band:

This mears that the peal in 46 methods rung in hand at Burton-on-Stather, on Fehruary l9th. 1951, is now the record for handhells for Major. The figures for the 50 Major methods were published in "The Ringing World shortly ifter the tirst peal wis rung.-Yours sincerely

## Kirton-I.indsey

## SMOKING IN BELFRIES

Dear Sir.-How nice for some North Devon ringers to he able to smoke in the belfry! Herhaps, that is where the ashtrays went, that disappeared from South Shropshire. 12 years go.
Might I suggest that some of our more prosperous lowers extend this ideat by having pelevision sets installed for those waiting their lurn 10 ring.

Come to think of it. perhaps. we could even suggest to P.C.C.s that coffee and biscuits are served in church during the sermon!-Yours faithfully.

DAVID G. BRUNNING
Usk. Mon.
NOTE. White smoking is forbidden in the ringing chamber of Holy Trinity Pro-Cathedral. Guildford. ash trays are provided in the room helow. which is used as the Provost's office, and have been used.-Ed.

## BRIDGING THE GAP'

Dear Sir.-I regret that Mr. Gray found my lelter alarming. I appear, unwittingly, to have given the impression that the College wishes io impose some totalitarian and sterile Liniformity on the methods of teaching ringing. This is emphatically not the case. This is brought out in the 'Manual itself. where it is made quite clear that different treatments are necessary for different circumstances. and that the tutor must always be ready to adapt his teaching.

Whether the principles are sound and sufficient. whether the exercises illustrate them properly, whether. in short. the "Manual succeeds or fails in its purposes are things on which ringers who have read it and tried out its proposals will naturally hold their oun opinions. To stigmatise it is worthless and foolish merely because it attempts to present a graded set of exercises for the learner while commending Mr. Price for doing so docs not appear io be consistent.Yours etc.

## R. G. T BENNETT

P. \& P.R.O.. College of Campanology.

## - HENRY VII

Dear sir.-The passing of George Gilber? was mourned by all ringers. and the articles about him in recent Ringing Worlds have heen most interesting.

I well remember the sensation caused when he rang the peal with seven ladies at Shiplake in 1930. Owen W. Porter, who was captain of the Shiplake tower at that time, gave him the name of "Henry VIII" and by that name we shall always remember him.-Yours faith. fully,

ERNEST H. SMITH
Henley-on-Thames.

## PEALS OF MINIMUS

Dear Sir--From the letters that have appeared since my original one on the subject of peals of Minimus, it seems probable that the majority are, in fact. opposed 10 -bell peals heing recognised. It is, of course, up to us who have feelings on the matter to put them forward at meetings of our own Associations so that our representatives can take action at the next Central Council meeting.
Mr. Amos puts forward two arguments typical of those in favour of 4 -bell peals. I should like to comment briefly on these: Firstly, there is no objection to performances of any length on 4 -bells: the objection is to them being recognised as "peals." This objection is not dog-in-the-manger. but comes from a wish to preserve standards before they become so low as to be meaningless.

Secondly. it seem. unlikely that recognition of 4-bell peals will encourage the augmentation of 4-bell rings. Far more likely that the 4 -bell ringers will be content to go on ringing 4-bell peals. Perhaps if six-bell performances had not been recognised as peals. more six-hell rings would have heen augmented to eight!-Yours sincerely.

## P. H. WHITAKER.

Coleraine. Northern Ireland.

## STAINDROP, CO. DURHAM

Dear Sir.-With reference to the letter from Mr. Malls. page 724. I wish to point out that Staindrop is in County Durham and the Diocese of Durham and it is difficult to see how the Yorkshire Association is in the case of a peal rung there the appropriate territorial association.
It is not a new thing for peals rung in County Durham (or clsewhere for that matter!) 10 be appropriated by the Yorkshire Association, but in this case Mr. Williams was forced to adopt such a course. as insufficient of his hand were members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association to comply with our rule concerning helfry elections of the others.-Yours sincerely.

## DENIS A. BAYLES

Honorary General Secretary.
D. \& N. Association.

## OXFORD GUILD'S SUBSCRIPTION

Dear Sir.-In the report of the Oxford Diocesan Guild's meeting in :The Ringing World of October 28 th I am quored as having seconded a resolution moved by Mr . A. Diserens that the subscription be raised to Ss. I did not second Mr. Diserens" resolution. I did second a resolution moved by Mr. D. Smith. which was subsequently withdrawn by him in favour of the honorary secretary's resolution. that the subscription be raised to 3 s . Gd.
A further point about your report. You state, correctly, at the beginning that the meeting decided to raise the subscription to 34. 6d.. but at the end of the section of the report dealing with this matter it is stated that it was agreed to raise the subscription to 3 s .:-Yours faithfully.
P. PEARCE

Stonesfield. Oxford.
NOTE.-The new subseription rate is 3 s . 6 d . The error is regretled.-Ed.

## PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir-As has already been pointed out. the peal of New Cambridge rung at Henley. Suffolk on Auguit 8th, was false, and I therefore withdraw it-Yours faithfully,

Grundisburgh. Suffolk.

## RINGING COMPETITIONS

Dear Sir-While the memories of another successful ringing competition at Kimpton, Herifordshire, are still fresh. I would like. througin your columns. to submit a few points in favour of such gatherings with a view to promoting discussion in your paper.

The interest shown by, and the number of. eminent ringers-often trom other Associations -present at these functions leads us 10 suppose that many more competitions would be welcome: instead of heing the exception they could almosi be the rule.

The objects of our local Association. the Hertlord County, are given as:
(1) Belfry reform.
(2) The promotion of change ringing and of social intercourse amongst change ringers within and around the county by means of the various annual and district meetings.

Most worthy objects they are, interest and social intercourse are promoted by meetings and also by peal attempts. However, we consider that ine inclusion of ringing competitions into the present Association activities would be welcomed by most members and be stimulating to the Exercise in general and 10 Sunday service bands in particular.
We submit that competition ringing-for no financial reward-has the following points in its favour.
(1) A condition of entry is that the band must be entirely and without exception composed of service ringers local to one tower.
(2) The improvement in the standard of striking and knowledge of the chosen method by a band practising for a competition is considerable.
(3) The limited social arrangements for a peal attempt or a meeting just will not do. Bearing in mind that only one team is in the lower at a time arrangements for the remainder must be adequate. Wives and friends must be catered for. The evening. 100 lends itself to informal entertainment, handbeli ringing and that beloved pastime of all ringers -beer and chatter.
(4) Young ringers there for the day really do hear good striking, good handbell ringing -rare in some areas-and see the freemasonry of ringers in action.
(5) A tape recording made during the afternoon and played back during the evening when there is leisure to listen critically often convinces us that we do not strike as well as we ought.
In conclusion, may I repeat that the purpose of this letter $i_{i}$ to promote discussion on this topic. Are we right to continue and encourage competitive ringing? Will it corrupl the good things of the Exercise? Will competitions not endure so long as traditional peals and meetings? Could their scope be made wider? Could the local competitions lead to a national final?-Yours sincerely.

DONALD PRICE
Kimpton. Herts

## POSTCARDS HANTED

Dear Sir.-With reference to my appeal for posic:irds. published in "The Ringing World. I have received many from all all parts of the country. Last week 1 received a parcell from a ringer al St. Mary's. Woodsock, Cape Town. who also read the appeal in. The Ringing World. It does show how ringers, so very far away, welcome your paper and bow well they read it

I am still collecting postcards for our tower fund and I am particularly asked for cards from 1900 to 1936.-Yours sincerely.

1. M. RICHARDS
I.lanarth Vicarage.

Llanarth. near Raglan. Monmouthshire.

## LETTERS-Continued

THE OFFICIAL RECORD
Dear Sir. When the footballer or footbal supporter surveys the official league table at the end of the season he will find that that record agrees with all the individual records of the clubs in that league and he would think it ridiculous if that were not so
Once again the Central Council, through its Peals Analysis Committee. has produced its league table' in the Peals Analysis for 1959 (p. 706 - R.W.'), but no ringer should be so naive as to think that this will agree with the individual records of all the affiliated societies or associations in their own reports. I know that these often begin their year at some time other than January lst (as this analysis does) and I do not refer to apparent discrepancies resulting from comparison of different periods of time. After making these adjustments I understand that there are associations. such as Chester Diocesan Guild, where the figures will agree as a result of a deliberate policy but there are others, such as the Yorkshire and Lancashire Associations, where the figures will not agree as a result of a deliberate policy and any resemblance will be entirely coincidental.
As peal secretary of the Durham and Newcastle Association my figures would have accorded with the official - league table but that policy has recently been rejected and I have therefore taken what I believe to be the only honourable course open to an accountant who is instructed to falsify his accounts and resigned the position
The earliest relevant publication of the Central Council that I have seen is the Rules and Decisions publication of 1927 and on p. 31 of that we read

BOOKING OF PEALS - With a view to the regulation of the records of peals in Peal Books, the Council has passed the dollowing resolution :
.. It is desirable. when a band of
ingers belonging to more than one Association meet to ring a peal, that they should decide beforenand to which Association such peal shall be credited and that for the future no peal shall be published under the name of more than one Association " (1893).'
The other resolution deals with performance of new peals and is not relevant to this discussion. In the Central Council Handbook of 1956. pp. 21 and 22, the spirit of this earlier publication is clearly preserved, although the wording is slightly different.
I know that there are a number of people who share my view that it is completely nonsensical to have different and discordant records. Indeed, the only defence that I have heard is that it has been done in the past. in spite of the Council's campaign almost from its inception against that sort of thing! Onc obvious course is io bring all records into line with the official central records and this I sought to do at Folkestone earlier this year. There 1 was surprised to learn that the Central Council cannot be expected to give any instructions to its affiliated societies (although Handbook p. 11 these shall subscribe 10 an undertaking loyally to abide by the rules and decision; of the Council ') or to he Editor of the paper that it owns!
In the Handbook of 1956. p. 31. we read of the work of the Peal Analysis CommitteeThis work of analysis is a valuable piece of recording and demands from the committee great care and aceuracy:
While we have affiliated societies which say in effect that they do not 'give a rap for the Central Council's records and will continue to compile their own differing records where it suits their own purposes 10 do so is there any justification for the claim that the Peals Analysis is a valuable piece of recording Does it in fact serve any useful purpose?

I must make it quite clear that this criticism is entirely limited to the system and is not in any way an attack on the persons who have produced this analysis
The full extent of the discrepancies is hard to assess for peals may appear in more than one association report. although published in - The Ringing World under one association's name only. e.g. see my letter earlier this year on p. 91 (February sth)-Yours sincerely.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL AT ST. EWE

More than 100 ringers attended the festival of the Mid-Cornwall Branch of the Truro Diocesan Guild. held at St. Ewe. Various lests were arranged by Mr. H. Lander (St. Stephen's). and 14 first-class certificates were awarded. Mr. J. Keatte (St. Merryn) was the judge. Among those present were Mr. W. H. Southeard and the Rev. A. S. Roherts (vicepresidents), the Rev. J. R. Jose and E. Thomas, Tea was provided by local ringers wives and helpers and the festival organisers were Messrs. D. Burnett and H. Lander.

## TRAFALGAR DAY DINNER

When Sir Christopher Furness kindly proposed to give a dinner for the ringers of Truro Cathedral. It was suggested that this should be held on Trafalgar Day, because it was to Cornwall first of all that news of the Battle of Trafalgar was brought by the schooner Pickle to Mounts Bay, only a few days after October 21st. 1805.
Thus on Friday, October 21st, at the Brookdale Hotel. Truro, a company numbering 25 niet for a sumptuous dinner. Those present included the Dean (the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd). Sir Christopher Furness, Mr. Guillaume Ormond (organist). Mr. W. H. Southeard (Master). Miss H. Penrose (vice-Master) and Mr. A. Davidson (secretary).

Sir Christopher. in a short and witty speech expressed his pleasure at being in the company of the Cathedral ringers. and gave some amusing and suitable remarks with reminiscences concerning Truro and its Cathedral.
The Dean proposed the toast of the evening Lord Nelson and told the company that young Horatio was the son of a Norfolk clergyman. and in his early years could possibly have pulled the bells in his father's church tower. At the age of 12 Horatio went to sea and had a very distinguished career in the Navy, becoming a captan at the age of 21 years. Nelson was 47 years of age when he died at the battle of Trafalgar. He was probably the greatest admiral England ever had.
Mr. W. H. Southeard proposed the health of the host. Sir Christopher Furness, and said that out of a total of 50.000 ringers in England he felt that it was a great honour that the ringers of Truro Cathedral should be given such a splendid dinner.
Bellringing. he said, was an art. sometimes unrecognised by people in general. But this evening the company were delighted to accept the hospitality of one who greatly loved and admired church bells, especially those of Truro Cathedral.

Following the speeches an entertaining hour was given by Mr. Peter Penwarden, the magiclan. and the evening was brought to a close with some very pleasant and suitable remarks from Mr. Alan Carveth. on behalf of all the ringers present.
D. B.

## CRANTOCK, CORNW ALL

On October 29ih the ringers of Crantock with friends from Si . Columb Minor. Si Mawgan and St. Breock. Wadebridge, had in afternoon's ringing in the Camelford area. The three cars met at Tintagel to ring on the six in the church on the top of the cliff. It was one of the few lovely days of this autumn and Tintagel looked beautiful.
From there we went back to Camelford and into the lanes to find Advent. This church is in a field and has no road to it. Advent has a beautiful tower with eight small pinnacles: there are five bells which are the lightest ring in Cornwall (tenor $3 \frac{1}{\text { cwt.) }}$ and the best oi the county's seven fives. We began with Bob Minimus and ended with Grandsire Doubles The captain of Advent ringers. Mr. F. Bartett greeted us just before we left which we much appreciated

Later we joined the Launceston Branch Festival at St. Breward. where we had tea, at tended the service and had a ring on the hells, being joined by three change ringers from St. Mary Magdalene. Launceston. On the way home we called in at St. Breock.
Wadebridge, and rang several good touches on the recently restored six.
W. H. R. T.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

On October 15 th the Society held its quarterly meeting at Walsall. It was a typical autumn day, duil and dry, but this did not deter members from visiting this Biack Country ' town.
The meeting began in an unusual manner with a carillon recital on the bells of the Town Hall given by Mr. C. M. Smith, assistant secretary of the society. This was followed by ringing at St. Michael's Church. Rushall, a little church amid the fields just outside Walsall. For an hour the six bells of this church (tenor $7 \mathrm{cw1}$. ) were put to very good good use. Afterwards the gathering of ringers moved to St. Matthew's Chureh, where the magnificent 'Taylor' twelve were soon booming out over the roof lops. It is always a pleasure to ring in this well kept belfry: the bunch of flowers in the corner added a delightful finishing touch for the occasion. Ringing for all comers was arranged by the Ringing Master (Mr. E. Malin)-rounds for the learners. Grandsire. Stedman, Plain Bob, Surprise Major and Royal.
A short service was conducted by the Rev. Vernon S. Nicholls. In his address he said how very good it would be if everyone could learn to say 'thank-you. He would like to say 'thank-you' to his own ringers and the thousands of other ringers throughout the country for the faithful service they performed each Sunday.

Tea followed in the Church Institute, where about 80 members and friends enjoyed an excellent meai. During the business meeting the lay secretary, Mr. D. J. Tranter, read a letter of resignation he had received from the clerical secretary, the Rev. C. Holroyd Barker. He had. he said, been clerical secretary for the past 44 years and had been a great servant of the Society. In recognition of his service the committee had unanimously proposed that he be made an honorary life member of the Society. A fund is to be set up and it is hoped to raise enough money to enable a suitable presentation to be made to him.
Ringing continued on these fine bells after tea. Altogether ii was a most successful meeting. due in no small way to the hard work and enthusiasm of Mr. and Mrs. G. W.
Hughes. the local band and their many helpers.
D. J. T.

## RECORD GATHERING AT STAMFORD

The joint meeting of the South Lincs and Peterborough Diocesan Guilds held at Stamford on October 29ih attracted a gathering of over a hundred ringers. which is a record for either Guild.

The bells of All Saints" and St. Martin"s were set in motion about 2.45 p.m. and rang tcuches from rounds for the beginners 10 Spliced Surprise methods until 4.15 p.m. when a service was held in All Saints* Church, conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. E. F. Wright.

After tea, at the White Heather restaurant. ringing continued at boih Sramford churches and also Castor and Wansford until ahout 9 p.m. The counties from which the ringers came were: Lincoln. Ruiland. Derby, Northampton. Leicester, Huntingdon and Norfolk.

## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

In honour of the birth of a son (Michael Charles) to Dr. E. V. Woodcack. a keen member of the Hope band. members of the North Wales Association met at Hope. Flintshire. 10 ring a quarter peal of Minor. on October 17th.
As the treble rope broke shortly after the start. it was decided by the eight ringers present to ring two 720 's with rounds while a change of ringers was made. Two excellent extents were rung-Plain Bob (conducted by (conducted by William Cathrall)
Those taking part were: W. H. Lewis and Harry Price (Hope), F, R. Evans and W. Cathrall (Wrexham), B Jones and B. Griffiths (Mold). D. H. B. Millward (Buckley) and C. Gudgeon (Flint).

## BRIEF SURVEY OF <br> HUNTINGDONSHIRE

Over 400 Bells - 39 Founders

## By T. A. BEVIS

HUNTINGDONSHIRE is a small county, compressed between two great rivers-the Nene and the Ouse. To the north are the low Fenlands of which the shire forms a small part. but its most attractive scenery is found in the pleasant. undulating countryside: litlle hills capped with centuries-old churches; lazy streams meandering peacefully through rich. green meadows.
Due. perhaps. to its unassuming nature the county is not often seen to the lore in news appertaining to bells and bellringers. The bells. naturally, are there-over 400 of them-and there are a number of enthusiastic campanologists. several of whom are well known in neighbouring shires and beyond. One of the most interesting features in Huntingdonshire's bell-lore is its wealih of bells which represent no less than 39 founders, a surprising revelation when considering the size of the county.
As far as can be ascertained the earliest founders are represented at Water Newton and Bury, Jolin Rofford and William Roflord each providing a bell to those respective churcies. Johni a Londoner. was appointed Royal Bellfounder in 1367, and he died about 1390 .
Next we have W. Dawe, who had a peccllar hathit of inscribing his work with. William flounder: His real name very rarely occurred on his work. and he is represented at Abbots Ripton. where the treble is inscribed (translated): - Of its favour heaven is chary to the man that loves not Mary.
Dawe's establishment flourishcd from about 1381 to 1418. and it has been suggested. with some ruth. that another person of
the sume name in the same ward of Londons the same name in the same ward of Londen's East End carried on practice as a a dresser
of white leather. $\mathrm{It}_{1}$ is possible that they were father and son. At any rate it is reasonable to assume that for the sake of
identification the bell-man styled himself as identilication the bell-man styled himself as
William ffounder. Three bells at Great Paxton, Grafham and Great Staughton may also be Dawe's work. although he may have had a partner at that time. as indicated by later bell stamps.
John Michell and Roger Landon are two worthies who are found at Chesterton: the latter expired shorly after 1495. Michell succeeded him and it is believed that he cast a bell for Old Weston.
Ellington. Chesterton and Overton Longueville saw bell installations carried out by John Walgrave, who is repuled to have been William Dawe's foreman. John's bells are numerous throughout the country, and the founder appears to have been prosperous.
John Danyell was an excellent founder. but he was not merely contented in that capacity alone. It has been recorded that he supplied wine to King's College. Cambridge. at about the time he ended hisc career its a man of
metal: Danyell provided a bell for Haddon metal. Danyell provided a hell for Haddon,
church. and was succeeded by Henry lordan, church. and was succeeded by henry Jordan, inscribed one 'Sancla Anna Ora Pro Nobis.' His slamp is comprised of the cross-keys and a dolphin-the badge of the Fishmongers Company. of which he was a member. He enjoyed a prolific period of activity between the years 1442 and 1468. and several of his bells, remain.
Will'anm Culverden, of London. did husiness at King's Rivon: and is found from 1513 , 10 1523. Culverdens rebus consists of a shield depicting a bell surrounded by seemingly meanningless symbols and lelters atiore is
usuaily a bird on the shield. possibly a pige nn. Culver is Old Englist for pigeon. hence the appearance of the bird in the founder's riddle. His bells are rare. 18 having survived the ravages of time. most of these in Suffilk.
Buckden's treble was made by Thomas Bullisdon. also of London, who was casting
bellis in. 1500 . His father wils Muyor of bells in 1500 . His father wis Muyor of
London and M.P. for the City in 1492 ? Bullisdon cast a complete ring of five for the old Priory Church of St. Bartholomew the Great. Smithficid. and these earned him the Great. Smithfield. and these earned him

Robert Oldfield may be represented at Denton, a bell in the church tower bearing a
shield with the letters R. O. S. (Robert Oldfield. of $\mathrm{S}-(-$ ?). Oldfield's family hailed from Nottingham. and this founder also installed bells at Buckworth. Catworth and Stilton.
The foundry at Leicester managed by Newcumbe and Watts sent several bells into
the fair county of Muntingdonshre and several still exist. mostly in pairs at Little Stukely. Buckworth. Easton. Winwick, Fletton. Frarcet. Great Stukely, Upwood, Conington and Houghton.
This founder delighted in his quaint inseriptions, e.g. Remember the Pore and Nede (ureat b,ukely). and at Upwood we are reminded. A Peletente Harte is Giood. Buckworth implores Geve God the Prease and "Cieve Thanks to God Alwais." while Winwick concludes with Prease Ciod Only.
At Keystone, Watts comes out with • Feare the Lora. and a very encouraging inscription ' Kememoer the Ende!' and 'Coni, Com and Preay:
Litte is known of the founder John Greve, who cast a bell tor Kimbolton church in $15 \%$ and one tor Abbotsley (1575).
The opening years of the 17th century saw mucn activily at Newcombe and Watts premises, ana Newcomoc provided the treole second and third for All samns', Huntingdon, in louk. Watis despached bells to ureat staugnton and Kimbolton in 1633 and 16.34, respectively, and cast a complete ring of rive tor spalawick in 1638. Watts' Dells are numerous in Northants and are supposed to excel in fine tonal quality.
Richard Holdfield's abode was probably at Cambridge. He may have heen a relative or Kobert Ulafield. for both used the same stamp and often the same inscriptions. I he former cast bells tor Hilton in 1604, Litule Stukely (1607). Woodstone (1608), Little Paxton (1610), Everton (1611), ana wyton (1612).
William Hausley, of St. Ives, created four bells for the church at Houghton. one inscribed: Man Taketh Paine but Giod Giveth cinine (gain). He is also represented as Fenstanton ( 1620 ). Offord Darcy (1620). Great Stukely (1622), Broughton (1624), Wood Hurst (1624). Wyton (1626), and tour bells at Holywell (dated 1625).
It. is interesting to note that the then popular Stamtord foundry, under the Norris family, sent no less than 47 bells to Huntingdonshire. Tobias Norris expired on November 2nd. 1626, and is buried in one of Stamford's churches. Hunts has 12 of his bells. the earliest at Orton Waterville, 1606, and the latest at Stanground. 1622.

Thomas Norris carried on the business after John's death and cast about 24 bells for the county. dating from 1628 (Hamerton) to 1679 (Brampton): his most notable bells are at Leighton Bromswold ( 1641 ). the tenor inscribed Esme Cathertua.
Tobias III (baptised April 25th. 1634) is buried at St. George's Church. Stamford. This founder has been described as a plain man who believed that the less said the better." Consequently he produced bells with only an occasional scroll or initial as testified by those at Water Newton. Great Gidding and Holme.
Eleven bells were sent to the county by James Keene, of Woodstock. who died in 1654 His bells are found at Swineshead (1629). Old Hurst. Offord Cluny. Everton and Bramplon. James was succeeded by his son Richard (who has no hells in Hunts). and after the latter's death the foundry was closed.
For nigh on forly years John Draper carried on the business of bell founder at Thetford. Norfolk. His death occurred in 1644. Draper made only two bells for Huntingdonshire and these were installed at Colne. Said to be a good founder. he enhanced his reputation as such by marrying a sister of John Bend (also a founder), and between them the two men endeavoured to build an active concern against the then growing reputation of Colchester Graye.
It seems ironic that Miles Graye's son made a bell which was hung at the side of Draper's bells at Colne in 1654! Miles cast hut one bell for the county and this was installed in

1632 at Bluntisham. Something like 80 of his instruments are still to be found from 1605 to 1646 . He died in 1649. : weak in body and crazed with age. but yel in pfect mind and memory. leaving two sons. Christopher and Miles 11.
The former is represented at Hailweston (1665). Everton (1681). Yelling (1660). Pidley. curm-Fenton (1675). and Offord Darcy (1676) Miles II made bells for Abbotsley (1653). Buckden (1654) and Colne. naturaily (!). (1564). This founder. like a good many others of his day, possessed a nomad-like streak. haviny lived in Suffolk. Bedfordshire and Cambs. Hc finally setted down in Suffolk and expired in his father's old town. Colchester. in 1686 leaving a shilling cach to his six children.
Bryan and William Eldridge had their businesses at Chertscy. Surrey and they provided bells for Great Gransden (i658) and Kimbolton (1660).

Charles Newman, of Haddenham (Cambs). just managed to gat his nose into the picture with two bells at Colne and Bury. respectively (both dated 1700). Most of his work is to be found in Suffolk. He. like Miles Graye II. pessessed nomadic habits and was also estab lished at King's Lynn.

Lichfield Cathedral has 10 bells. eight of which were cast by Henry Bagley, of Ecton in 1688. He also appears in Hunts with bells at Bythorn (1682) and Kimbolton (1702).
Richard Chandler died in 1755 and is described in a bur al register as a poor bell founder.: this prciumably from a financial point of view. Chandler had his foundry at Drayton Parslow. Bucks. and he produced bells in 1688 and 1699 for the Huntingdonshire villages. Ellington and Diddington. respectively.
Three bells were provided for churches a Great Paxton (1721). Keystone (1733) and Brampton (1741) by Thomas Russell. of Wootton. Bedfordshire. Apart from casting bells he also enjoyed the additional occupation as a clock and watchmaker-not an unusual sideline for a founder in the 1700 's. His bells are found from 1715 to 1745. in which year he died.
(To be continued.)
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SURREY ASSOCIATION, - Southern Section.-Practice meeting at Reigate. 7.30 f.m.. Tuesday. November 15th.-G. A. West. Hon. Sce.

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.-Business meeting. including election of officers. at . The Rising Sun. ${ }^{\circ}$ Carter Lane. E.C.. Saturday. November 12th. at 6 p.m. Forthcoming practices: November 15th. St. Paul's Cathedral. 6.30 p.m.: November 22 nd. St. Giles'. Cripplegate, $\quad 6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.: November 29th. St Michael's. Cornhill. $6.30^{\circ}$ p.m.; December 6th. Southwark Cathedral, 6.45 p.m.-John Chilcott. Hon. Sec. Cathedral, 6922

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Meeting at Cudham, Saturday. Nov. 12th. Tea at The Cottage, Cacketts Lane, Cudham, Sevenoaks. Please notify Mr. K. J. Bickle at that address. No notification, make own arrangements.-C A. Bassett.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District. A meeting will be held at
Duxford (6) on Saturday, Nov. 12 th. Bells 3 Duxford (6) on Saturday, Nov. 12 th . Bells 3
p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-E. W. Bullman.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (S.W.) and Joint meeting, November 12 th, Si. John's, Loughton (Church Lane). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in adjoining hall. 6837

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Extraordinary general meeting. combined with Guildford District nomination meeting at Shalford on Saturday, Nov. 12th. Ringing to commence 2.30 p.m. 6898

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Maidstone District.-By-meeting at Charing, Novem12 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. -R. L. Sills.

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. - Next meeting. Rolleston-on-Dove, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Teal 5.15 p.m.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Reading Branch.-Quarterly mecting. Shiplake (8). on Saturday, Nov. 12 th . Ringing 3.30 p.m. Servicc 5 p.m., followed by tea. Henley (8) availwble 7 to 8 p.m.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.-Quarterly meeting, Rogate (6), Saturday, Nov. 12th, 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. No service owing to the illness of the Vicar.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch.-Practice at Wychbold. Saturdiy next. November 12th. Bells (6) available 7-9 p.m.-F. Hyde. Branch Sec. 6940

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-Chew Dcancry.-Practice meeting at Kingston Seymour (6). Saturday. November 19th. Bells 5 p.m.-D. G. Yeo. Hon. Branch Sec.

BEAMINSTER. DORSET.-An open day will be held on Saturday. November 19th. in aid of Bell Rehanging Fund: Tower open to the general public from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 2-9 p.m. All ringers welcome to ring from 6.30-9 p.m. 6875
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Luton District-Meeting and ringing contest. Westoning. Saturday. November 19 th . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Contest 4. Tca and presentation of cup 5. Service 6 p.m. Names MUST be sent to Mr. R Churchill. 33. Turnpike Road. Husborne Crawley. Bletchley, not later than 16th.-K. G. Spavins. Dis. Sce.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch.-Alsager meeting. November 12th. cancelled. Meeting at Barthomley. November 19th. Usual arrangements. Names by Novemher 16 th.-W. Kerr. 102. Moreton Road. Crewe. Branch. Wallasey SI. Nicholas: November 19th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Tuesday previous. Alexander J. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.
COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern District.-Meeting at Bilton. on Siturday. November 19th. Bells 1613 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. at St. Mark's School. where nonringers can visit the Christmas bazaar. 6912 EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Next meeting on Saturday. November 19th. at Clay Cross. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to J. W. Price. 1. Bertrand Avenue. Clay Cross. Derbyshire.-B. A. Tollis. Hon. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.-Meeting at Godmanchester. Satur day. November 19th. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by business meet-ing.-M. J. Dyer. Dis Sec. 6955
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.E. District Meeting. Kirby-le-Soken. Saturday, November 19th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. followed by tea. Numbers for tea, please, by Wednesday. Nov. 16th. to Mr. U. Wildney, Laurel Cottage, Kirby-le-Soken, Frinton-on-Sea
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN, GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Nomination meeting, Banstead. Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells from 3 0 clock. Service 4.30. Tea in Lady Neville Pavilion, 5 p.m., followed by business. To ensure tea please notify by Nov. 16 th Mr. H N. Pitstow. Saffron, High Street, Banstead.A. H. Smith.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Farn ham District.-Meeling at Yorktown (8) and Hawley (8). on Saturday. November 19th. Ringing at Yorktown 2.30-4.30 p.m... followed by service. lea and business meeting. Ringing a Hawley $6-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday November 16th. to Mr. F. J. Farr. 1. Bristow Road. Camberley, Surrey. 6928

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Ludlow and Church Stretton District-A combined practice. Westbury, Saturday. November 19 th Bells (6) 3 p.m.-G. Randle. Hon. Sec. 694 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. St. Albans District. - Meeting. Harpenden (8 bells). Saturday November 19th. 3 p.m Service. Tea. Names for tea to Mrs. M. A Coburn. 3. Lea Road. Harpenden. Special method: Gainsborough Little Bob Major.-S Huckle. Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District.-Meeting, Bethersden (6), Saturday Nov. 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 pm Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. H. Jarvis, Cheriton. Ashford Road, Bethersden -C.T.H. COUNTY ASSOCIATION Canter KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Canterbury District.-By-meeting. Chislet (6), Satur-
day. November $19 t \mathrm{~h}$. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. p.m. Tea, School Hall. 2s. per head. Names together with cash by Wednesday November 16th. please. to Hon. District November 16th. please, to Hon. District Grove. Canterbury.
LADIES ${ }^{6}$ GUILD. Midand District. LADIES' GUILD.- Midland District.-
Meeting, Measham, Saturday, Nov, $19 t h$. Bells available: Desford (6), 3 to 3.30: Measham (8) 3 to 4.30 and after tea: Swepstone (6). 7 to 7.30 : Ibstock (6), 8 to 8.30. Service, Measham, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Nov. 16 th to Rev. A. J. Day. Measham Vicarage, Burton-on-Trent, Staffs.-W. M. Warwick, Aclg. Hon . NCASHIRE ASSOCIATION LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Manches-
ter Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. November 19th. at West Didshary (Christ Church). Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Cups of tea.-W. H. Riddle. Sec.

EICESTER DIOCESAN GURLD.-Melton Mowbray District.-Meeting at Long Clawson. on Saturday. November 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting in the Church Room at 5 p.m. Names for tes by Wednesday, 16 th. please. to Mr. E. Tinsley Long Clawson.-T. Templeton. Hon. Dis. Sec
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD -Loughborough District.-Woodhouse Eives. Saturdiy, November 19th. 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tca 5 p.m.. Church Room. Names by 16th. to Mr. F. Chambers. Main Street. Woodhouse Eaves-C. W. Hall.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Market
Harhorough District.-Meeting. Great Glenn November 19th. Bells Meeing. Great Glenn. 5 p.m.. the Crown Inn.-L. W. Allen. 6939
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Donington (8). Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m Service 4. Tea 4.30 p.nI. Names for tea by 16th to Mr. S. V. Woods, 14, Markel Place. Donington. Spalding. 6886
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.-Next meting, Lea. Saturday. Nov 191h. Bells, afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me hy Tuesday previous.-Gco. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 6877 LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION.-Monmouth Branch.-Meeting at Mathern (6). Saturday. Nov. 19th. Bells 230 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Name: for tea, please.-J. S. King. 6881

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District.-Quarterly meeting, Saturday. November 19th. Nomination of officers. cle. Place and times will be announced in next week's issue. Everyone welcome.-L. Bullock. Dis. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION South and West District.-Meeting. Saturday, November 19th. at St. Martin's. Ruislip Ringing 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Business meeting 6 o'clock in St. Martin's Vestry. followed by further ringing. Own arrangements for tea -E. R. Gotham. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch.-A combined practice will be held at Arborfield, on November 19th. at 6 p.m. Special method: Norwich Surprise. B. C. Castle

SALISBURY GUILD-Calne Branch.Meeting. Compton Bassett (5). November 19th. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, to $F$ Rumming, 43 A , Compton Bassett, Calne, Wills-W. Hacker. 6943
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD-Newark District.-Meeting, South Collingham (5), Saturday, Nov. 19th. 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Bring own tea-cups of tea available. North Collingham (6), 6 to 8 p.m.- 6883
$W$. L. Exton, Hon. Sec.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD-Mansfield District.-Meeting, Edwinstowe, Saturday, November 19 th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m.. for those notifying by Thursday. 17th. Mrs. R. Woodhead. 12 Church Street. Edwinstowe, Mansfield, Notts.D. H. Rooke. Dis. Sec. SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District. - Practice meeting at Thrandeston (6) November 19th. Bells 6.30 p.m. Special methods: Ipswich. Oxford Bob and College Exercise.-H. Mitson. Dis. Sec
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting. Ditchling (8). Saturday November 19 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 .
Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify numbers by Tuesday. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify numbers by Tuesday.
November 15 th. to George North, 11 . Richmond Terrace. Brighton. 6923 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Comhined practice at Wolverton, on Saturday. November 19th. Bells (6) available at 6 p.m. -D. Cane.

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## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIO

 CESAN GUILD. - Portsmouth District. 19 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. 19 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m.in Parish Hall. Names by previous Tuesday. to Mr. A. M. Marshall. Springfield. Rectory Lane. Havant. 6945

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - North-

 wich Branch.-Meeting at Great Budworth, Saturday. November 26th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. service 4.30 p.m. Bring own food. cups of tea provided.-R. W. Worrall. Hon. Sec6924 ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Meeting. Saturday. November 26th. Wethersfield. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. please, to Mrs. M. E. Moore. 244. Broad Road. Bocking. Braintree

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Chippenham Branch. Annual meeting. St. Paul's. Chippenham, Saturday. November 26th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 . St. Paul's Hall. followed by business meeting. Service 6.15 p.m. Names for tea to H. Heath. 89, London Road. Chippenham. Wilts.
GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS.-London meeting. Saturday. November 26th. Ringing: Holy Trinity, West Hill, Wandsworth, 3-4 p.m.: St. Mary Abbol's. Kensington. 4.45-6. Dinner-Redcliffe Hotel. Fulham Raad. 6.45 for 7.15 p.m. Names to D. L. Gullick. Mount View. Stevenage

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Chertsey District-Nomination meeting at
Chobham. Saturday. November 26th. Bells 3 Chobham. Saturday, November 26th. Bells 3
p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday. to Mr. R. Collins. The Mount Cottage. Mimbridge. Chohham. Surrey.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Western Branch.-Meeting at Watton, on Saturday. November 26 th. Bells (6) available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea by Thursday. 24th. to Miss Dorothy Wilton Jones. Watton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-V.W.H. Branch.-Quarterly meeting and rededication of 7 th bell. Buckland. November 26th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service 6 p.m. Name: for tea. please. by Wednesday. November 23 rd. to R. F. J. Gilling. Branch Sec.. Fernham Faringdon, Berks. 6944
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salisbury Branch.-November 26th. practice meet ing. Broadchalke. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Names by 22nd please. to Miss Eloie. 8 Albany Road. Salisbury.

SURREY ASSOCIATION - Northern Dis-trict.-Nomination meeting. Saturday November 26 th. Immanuel. Streatham. bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting following in Church Hak. Names for tea by Wednesday previous. 10 Mrs. O. Collins. of 17. Hamilton Road. Thornton Heath. Ringing at St. John's, Croydon. $7-8$ p.m., followed by a performance in the church. especially arranged for ringers. of 'Son et Lumiere.' This is a portrayal of 1.000 years of Croydon's history in sound and light.-W. Parrott. Hon. Sec.

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## BELLRINGERS' FESTIVAL

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SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS Annual dinner and A.G.M. at the Imperial Hotel. Birmingham. on December 10th. Ringing at St. Chad's. St. Philip's and St. Martin's. Names by December 1st. please, to Miss C.
Eustace. 28, Vicarage Road. Rughy. 6946

## KETTERING RINGER'S LONG SERVICE RECORD

October 1st was a red letter day for Mr R. F. Turner, Kettering's veteran ringer-. He celebrated his 80th birthday and also his 60 years' as a ringer at the Parish Church. He joined the new band. formed in 1900, and is the only survivor
An attempt for a peal of Little Bob Royal (Mr. Turner standing in) was lost after $1 \frac{1}{4}$ hours through a shift course. In the band was Mr. G. C. Goodman. of Kingston-onThames. formerly of Kettering. who learnt 10 ring here under Mr. Turner and others.
After the ringing the Rector, Canon H. G. L. Roberts. and the ringers were entertained to tea by Mr. Turner in the Parish Room. The Rector paid tribute to Mr. Turner's long service, loyalty and regularity for service ringing. and wished him health and strength to add to this wonderful recorđ̃. He also extended to him birthday greetings from the company present

Mr . A. H. Idle. captain of the tower. also added his tributes and thanks to Mr. Turner for his hospitality Mr. Turner was captain of the tower for well over 30 years, and many years ago did good service as branch secretary of the Keltering Branch of the Central Northants Association, the forerunner of the Peterborough Guild. He now is always willing to help out in the surrounding towers. He is a real Servant of the Exercise.

R G B

## Society Of Sherwood Youths

The meeting of the Society of Sherwood Youths. held at Hucknall. on Octoher 29th. was attended by about 45 members and visitors. Methods rung included Superlative, Bristol. 1.ondon. Stedman and Spliced Bob meihods. A free tea was provided by the ringers of Hucknall. and a short service was conducted by Canon Thompson. Amongst the visitors were Mr. Scattergood. from Chesterfield. and another ringer from the same tower.

## OBITUARY

## MR. TOM MILLINGTON

The death of Mr. Tom Millington in hospital on October 23 rd came as a great shock to all his ringing friends in the North Wales Association and in the Chester area.

He had been a ringer at Hope for many years, and his enthusiasm and ready smile were an inspiration and encouragement to all who had the pleasure to meet him. He was most regular in his attendance at meetings and often his car arrived. bursting at the seams, with those he was always 'giving a lift' to. He attended our last monthly meeting at Wrexham. on October 12th. but he was not able to take part in the ringing.
Recently he gave up farming on his own account and took a post with the Forestry, Commission. to keep him out of mischief.
To his widow we express our deepest sympathy and trust it won't be too long before she joins us again at our practices. R.I.P.
D. H. B. M.

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## REFLECTIONS ON A GREAT EVENING

VERY man has during his life the experience of at least one good news story,' the late Lord Northcliffe once remarked. And what a collection of good news stories the assembly of 175 ringers and non-ringing friends could have told at the 323rd anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

There were some present whose great life story has yet to be told, for the College Youths, despite its tradition being well-rooted in ringing history, does not scorn youth. Any male 14 years of age or over who has rung a quarter peal is eligible for membership. The Ancient Society would never have collected such a sprinkling of real hoary veterans of 50 and 60 years' membership without them, and while these were being honoured with a dignity that befitted their age, more than one of the assembly was making a mental calculation that in five, ten or 15 years he would have earned this respect. Of the 60year membership class, there were only two present. One was George E. Symonds, of Ipswich, whose reputation as a 12 -bell ringer and composer stands high. As a composer, like the late Jimmy George who was evolving new peals and compositions to the very end, George Symonds still derives pleasure in this part of the Exercise.

The other was Mr. E. G. Fenn, who since the last dinner had had a peal rung in honour of his golden wedding. He will go down in history as the Master of the College Youths during the eventful years of the last war, when in the City of London ten rings of bells were lost by enemy action, three in East London and five in other parts of the Metropolis. Years of sorrow and anguish to those who loved bells, for in addition the 'Coffee Pot,' the traditional meeting place of the Society, was blitzed. But Ernest has lived to see a great rebuilding and restoration of City bells-indeed the problem before the ringing societies of London today is to find teams to man the new bells.

A smaller number than usual stood up to acknowledge 50 years' membership-but they all bore famous names whose memory will be perpetuated in the history of London ringing as bridging the early decades of this century. There was Albert A. Hughes, a master of anecdote of London ringers and ringing, and one of the greatest College Youths of all time. Except the secretaryship, he has held every office in the Society. The Whitechapel Bell Foundry was the wartime home of the Society-nay, it was more than that. the repository of many of the bells from the bombed churches, except those buried beneath rubble and debris. And now as the post-war bells of London ring out from St. Clement Danes', St. Lawrence Jewry and other towers, attentive ears listen and say 'Hughes' glory.' In the old woild and the new the White-
chapel Foundry is known in connection with bells and with another famous family firm, John Taylor's, of Lough-borough-the two great survivors of bell-founders' art in this country. With confidence we can say England gives the world its best bells.

Another colourful figure, who with reluctance stood to acknowledge his 50 and more years' membership, was Mr. Alfred H. Peck. For 20 years he was secretary of the Society. Born at Bedford, where he learnt to ring, he is particularly proud of the fact that he went to John Bunyan's school. He inherited all John Bunyan's love of bells but never his fear that because of the wickedness of ringing the bells would fall down on him! His long years of faithful service at St. Paul's Cathedral, particularly on the heavy end, will long be remembered, for it is no light undertaking to come up from Reigate, in the heart of Surrey, to ring Sunday by Sunday. There is something very likeable about Alf Peck: the number who wanted to show their friendship by drinks as a tribute of affection was staggering. All the good-humoured bluntness that characterised the old London ringer is part of his makeup; whether blame or praise, it came straight from the shoulder.

Sitting opposite Alfred Peck was sleek, grey-haired Henry Hodgetts, whose appearance belies his advancing years. 'The safest ringer I ever knew,' commented Alfred, and then proceeded to tell stories of their long association with London ringing, both in peals and on great occasions in the City. Among their many bonds was the ringing of Bow bells for the recording of the B.B.C. time signal, probably 25 years ago. There is only one other survivor of that band-Herbert Langdon, and his absence from.the gathering was regretted.

Finally, as we look at this great Society, we see the burden of responsibility passing to a much younger generation. Although no word of appreciation was said, everyone present was conscious of the contribution made to the success of the evening by John Chilcott, the secretary, who since assuming office three years ago has had conferred upon him the conductorship of St. Paul's Cathedral band, one of the outstanding positions in the Exercise today. And those who rang so meticulously the bob course of Stedman Cinques 'in hand ' were, with one exception, all of his generation. Leadership of the Ancients for the next few years will be in the hands of young men. The old men of the past will sit back-no, not to criticise, but to smile with satisfaction in the knowledge that the torch carried so valiantly, and at times under great difficulties. is being held aloft by young men who are not only masters of their craft but are imbued with the spirit of keeping the College Youths in the forefront of change-ringing today.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., Oct. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,
At the, Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .

| Norman J. Goodman | Treble | David J. Purnell | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John McDonald | 2 | Barrie Hendry | 8 |
| Bryan D. A. Woolley | 3 | George E. Fearn | 9 |
| Roderick W. Pipe | 4 | A. Patrick Cannon | 10 |
| Roderick W. Lees | 5 | John A. Anderson | 11 |
| John Pinfold | 6 | Peter Border | Tenur |

Arranged and Conducted by Peter Border.

## WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours' and 33 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 33 cwt 21 lb . in C sharp.


John A. Anderson .. .. 6 Richard E. Price
Tentor
Arranged and Conducted by Peter Berder.

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs.. Nov. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5042 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt .21 lb . in D .


## TEN BELL PEALS

TWICKENHAM, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Oct. 27, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minules,

> At the Church of All Hallows,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL
Comprising 1,840 Pudsey and 1.600 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, with 39 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.
William A. Theobald
Ronald F. Diserens
Alan F. Thirst
JOhn D. Rock
Noel J. Diserens
$\qquad$ Brian J. Woodruffe
Tenor 20 cwt

Arranged by Richard F. B. Speed. Wilfred Williams ... Tenor First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal on the bells.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Sal., Nov. 5. 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 34! cwt. in C sharp.
Mrs. N. Chaddock ...Treble Barry Holland

Dr, Richard E Price
*Raymond Woodward Susan Chaddock
Gordon K. Chaddock
Composed by A. Cartell.
Composed by A. Carte parish of Rotherham.

## SWINDON. WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat. Nor. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes, Ar Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 22 cwt 9 lb . in E fat.

| Victor Griffin . . . . Treble | A. Terence Collins | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eric Sution | $\dagger$ Arihur W. Sayers.. | 7 |
| Reginald W. Rex | Reginald T. Jones. | 8 |
| - Michael J. Stanley .. 4 | +Reginald F. Crook | 9 |
| Ronald F. Diserens | Geoffrey K. Dodd | Tentor |
| Composed by Henry J. Tuekfr. | onducted by Groffrfy | Dodo. |
| * First peal on ten bells. | st of Royal. First | ten as |
| onductor. |  |  |
| Rung for the 109th | of the dedication of | church. |
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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

EAST MOLESEY, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .

| Catherine M. Powell | Treble | John F. M. Maybrey |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. Marilyn A. Gibbs | 2 | * Roy Collins |
| Sylvia Marsh | 3 | Martyn W. Harboit |
| ow | 4 | ohn Wells |

Dennis G. Blows .. .. 4 E. John Wells .. . Tenur
Arranged and Conducted by E. John Wells.

* 50th peal for the Guild. First peal on the bells since 1924.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Sept. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 OXFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR


Composed by E.W. Tipler. Conducted by Brian Harris.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., Oct. 15. 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .2 gr. 22 lb . in F .


| Arthur V. Pearson | . | 3 | Alan J. Ainsworth. . | . | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Norman J. Goodman | . | 4 | George E. Fearn | .. | . |

Composed by George Baker. Conducted by Alan J. Ainsworth.
HARTHILL, YORKSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of All Hallows,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $18 \mathrm{cwt} 2 gr .1 lb.$. in F.
*Frank Cooke
Treble
Herbert T. Rooke
Arimur B. Cooper.. .. 2 Harold Wagsiaffe
George Challans ... .. 3
Dennis A. Smedley
Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. Dennis Cooper
Douglas H. Rooke ....Tenor

* First peal of Major.


## GRAYSHOTT. SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Oct. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

## Parker's One-Part.

Tenor 8 cwt . 1 gr .9 lb . in A flat
Charles W. Denyer .. Treble | "Graham Yarborough
*Rita Moore .. .. .. 2 E. John Wells
Edward J. Bragg

- Peter Stevens....

Conducted by E. John Weils.

- First peal at first attempt.

Rung to celebrate the diamond jubilee of the church.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 2 Hours apt 40 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt . 1 qr .3 lb , in F .

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Clifford Skidmore . . } & . . & 3 & \text { John A. Anderson } & . & . . & 7 \\ \text { John Pinfold } & . . & . & . . & 4 & \text { Peter Border } & . . & . \\ \text {.. }\end{array}$
John Pinfold
Peter Border .. ... Tehor
Conducted by Pejer Border.
TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
ai the Church of St. Mary Magdalen,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.
-J. David Atkinson
R. Ann Barr

Charles A. S. Weab
Treble Genor 12 cwt 1 qr. 5 lb . in F shary

Rodirick W'. Pipt
Conducted by John McDonald
First peal of Surprise. First of Major and of Surprise for the

## WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION On Sat., Oct. 22, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's One-Parl
*Elizabeth Snell

- Patricia Robinson

Rachel Snell
Ronald Barlow
. Treble

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Lesile Walley Tenor 14 cw Robert Arrowsmith Douglas R. Whalley Phillip S. Whalley. Phillip S. Whal

- First peal.

Conducted by Douglas R. Whalley
Rung before the special service of the C.E.M.S. (North Staffs Area) in connection with the centenary celebrations of the restoration of the church.

COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat.. Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours,
at the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Arthur W. Thomas
Jacqueline S. King Roberi E. Coles

Treble

Thomas Yeomans

- 4
+lewis Groom
*First peal of Grandsire
DEBENHAM. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

| G. Pearce | Tenor $21 \frac{1}{4}$ <br> .. Treble | Alan R . in Syder |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - James B. Morley | .. 2 | Roderick W. Pipe |
| *Andrew T. Beckwith | 3 | Cecil W. Pipl |
| * Roger L. K. Whitte | 4 | -Leslie N. Mfl |
| Composed by Charl | Sedgley. | Conducted by Roderick |

> HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29,1960 in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes, A PEAL AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THMMA. 5160 SPLICED PLAIN. MAJOR

In 29 methods, including Plain Bob. Double Bob. Reverse Bob, Little Bob. Gainsborough, Fulbeck. Cleatham, Nelson. Hudson, Wavertree, Ogden, Leigh, Blackley, Smith, Crayford College. Lesser Wopping. Wellington Little Court, Hackington. Canterbury, Scholfield. Fishwick. Childwall. Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Goldhanger. Fielden. St. Clement's. Crayford Little Court, Bastow and Kent Little Court : with 263 changes of method.

| Norman Smith | Treble | Philip H. J. Hudson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F. John Nelson | 2 | Michael D. Fishwick |
| Peier Scholfield |  | John H. Fielden |
| Roger Leigh | 4 | Derek Ogden |

Roger Leigh
Arm

Arranged and Conducted by Derek Ogden.
Believed to be the greatest number of Plain Major methods rung to a peal on tower bells.

Rung for the 700th anniversary of the dedication of the church. HINGHAM, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Oct. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt .28 lb .

| William Clover | Treble | David Cubit | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Freda P. Greaves | 2 | Thomas Spight | .. 6 |
| *Gilsert Larier | 3 | Bevan W. Willgress | 7 |
| enry Tooke | 4 | Geoffrey R. Drew | Teno |

Henry Tooke

Composed by J. R Pertct
Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by bevan W. Willgress. *First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon.. Oct. 31, 1960 in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 BFRKSHIRE, SURPRISE MAJOR

Eileen m. Fearn .. .. 3
Carol fernley iow..
4 Brian Harris
Conducted by brian Harris.
Composed by S. H. Wood. method on the bells for the Guild, and by all the band.

## SHIPLAKE, OXFORDSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD On Wed., Nov. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr .15 lb . in F sharp.
 Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Noel. $\mathfrak{j}$. Distrens.
*First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First of London.

STOKE POGES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Nov. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Ten-Part (No. 6)
D. Kenvyn Walters .. Treble Mrs. Arihur D. Barker.. 2 Arihur D. Barker
Wilfid G. Wilson

Tenor 13 cwt .2 qr .3 lb
Howard Oglesby .. .. 5
*James Rumble.. .. .. 6 John E. Camp .. .. .. 7 William Birmingham .. Tehor William Birmi
hur D. Barker.

* First peal of Stedman and at first attempt.

A 70th birthday compliment to the conductor.
BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Nov. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR


* Firist peal in the method.


## ALLESLEY, COVENTRY

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Oll Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, At thé Church of all Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJUR

 Tenor 12 cwt .Roger Harris .. .. ...Treble L. Michael Callow .. 5 Frank W. Pirrens Hubliri G. Summers 2 John W. T. Taylor *Colin Sweeney paul. K. Willamson $\because, 4$ Richard F. B. Speed ... Tenor Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by Frank W. Perrens. * First peal of Lincolnshire.

CHIPPING BARNET, HERTFORDSHIRE. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Bapilsi.
A PEAL OF 5024 BARNET SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt .
G. William Crifichey .. Treble Alick Cuiler
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Claudia A. Crichley } & \text {.. } & 2 & \text { J. Richard Casiledine .. } & 6 \\ \text { Patricia M. Bourn .. } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { Thomas J. Lock } & \text {.. } & . . \\ 7\end{array}$
Peier J. Coles . . .. .. 4 Jack S. Dear .. .. .. Temor
Composed by Harold G. Cashmure.
Conducied by G. William Critchley.
First peal in the method by all the band.
LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL DF 5152 LAVENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
+Mary Rosis Tenor 23 cwI . in D.


Dennis A. S. Symonds 4 John R. Mayne ... . Tehor
Composed by Albert J. Pirman. Conducled by John R. Mayne.
*50th peal logether. i 100th peal together. First in the method by
all the band, and on the bells.

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LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Pobert W. Cole |  |
| Mrs. J. Thomas | 2 | Patrick Harris |  |
| Joseph D: Johnson | 3 | Joseph E. Newman | - 7 |
| *Colin B. Longmore |  | Harold E. Raxter, |  |

## - First peal of Stedman. $\dagger 50$ th peal.

## LONDON, E

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At The Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South hackney,
A peal of 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwt .1 qr .13 lb . in E flat.


Stanley G. Poning..... 4 A. Patrick Cannon .... Tenor
Composed by W. Bartont
LONDON, E.C.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY. On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Olave, Hart Street
A PEAL OF 5056 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt . 1 qr. 11 lb . in G

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| -E. Jane Langton | 2 | N. David Robinson |
| Mikaela Erik | 3 | Geoffrey Pratt |
| Diana M. Lawless | 4 | Derek E. Sibson | Composed by C. H. Hatiersley. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson. *25th peal. First in the method by all the band except the treble ringer, and for the Society.

Rung as a compliment to Judith K. Essen and David Robinson on their engagerment, and as a 21 st birthday compliment to Judith K. Essen.

WATLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
A PEAL OF OF 5040 ST. LEONARD'S BOB MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt . 8 lb , in E flat.

 First peal in the method (Collection of Plain Major Methods, No. 265).

Rung for the Feast of St. Leonard.

## WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's variation. Treble Tenor $23 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in.E.

Frederick J. Cullum
Walter H. Dobbie ..... 2
Cyril S. Jarrett
Doris. E. Colgate
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Trevor A. Cross } & . . & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { George J. Butcher } & . . & 6 \\ \text { John W. Smith... } & . & . . & 7\end{array}$ Peter F. Borer.

Tenor Conducted by John W. Smith.
First peak in the method as conductor.
WEST MALLING. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes. at the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MANOR
Tenor 12 cwt .


* First peal.

Rung as a weicome to the Rev. Leslie Hills on the occasion of his induction as Vicar of this parish.

WOKINGHAM, BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Sonning Deanery Branch.)
On Sat., Nor. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
William J. H. Parker Bfrnard C. Castle Raymond K. Rivers Robert J. Castle


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4 Arthur J. N. Rance. Tenor 19 cwt .

First Conducted by Bernard C. Castle
First peal on the bells since rehanging.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## SIX BELL PEALS

EAST SUTTGN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Sept. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . Frank Hicks .. .. .. Treble Bernard F. Groves.. Olive D. Couchman .. 2 Herbert W. Woolven Thomas E. Sone .. .. 3 Colin A. Tester

Conducted by Colin A. Tester.
TILNEY ALL SAINTS, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Sept. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
at the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Treble Tenor 16 cwt 2 qr .5 lb . in E William Rose
rebl
John Wilson... 2 qr. 5 lb. in ${ }_{4}$
Freda P. Greaves .. ... 2 "Eric Emmerson
George Rich .. .. .. 3 C. Harold Whition ... Temor
Conducted by John Wilson.

* First peal. First as conductor.


## BURGH, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Wed.. Sept. 28. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes
At the Church of SS. Botolph and Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 15 methods: (1) Norfolk and Primrose Surprise,
(2) Cambridge and Ipswich Surprise, (3) Thelwall and Childwall Bob,
(4) Double Court Bob and College Single, (5) St. Clement's, Double Oxford and Oxford Bob, (6) Plain Bob and Double Bob, (7) Kent and Oxford T.B. Tenor 8 cwt . in A Ernest G. Pearce .. .. Treble Roderick W. Pipe
Jack Pilgrim .. .. ... 2 James Bennett
Roger L. K. Whittell ... 3 Leslie N. Melton .. .. 5 5
Conducted by Roder!ck W. Pipe.
The greatest number of Minor methods rung in a peal by the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR'
Being one extent cach of Double Court Bob, Double Oxford Boh, St. Clement's Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 4 cwt . 10 lb . in D . Cecil w. Pipe

|  | .. | Treble |
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| $\ldots$ | .. | 2 |

William J. Bution ... ... 2 . 2 Ronest G. Pearce
James Bennett .. .. ... 3 R Roderick W. Pipe .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
The quickest peal by the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

> NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL' DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Wilfrid,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being eight extents each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Stedman, Plain

Bob and ten of Granidsire
Grace burchnall .. .. Treble
Katherine Burchnall..${ }^{2}$ The Willam L. Exton it it 4
George E. Foster .. .. 3 Charles J. Copp .. .. Tenor
Conducted by William L. Exton.
BURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., Oct. 28, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Botolph and Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in 22 methods: (1) Cambridge, Ipswich, Norfolk, Primrose. Hull and Bourne Surprise: (2) Beverley, Surfleet and Durham Surprise: (3) London and Wells Surprise: (4) Plain Bob, Double Bob and Oxford Bob: (5) Thelwall, Childwall, Double Oxford and St. Clement's Bob: (6) Double Court Bob and College Single: (7) Kent

Jack Pilgrim ....... 2 Peter. S. BedFord
Roderick W. Pipe .. 3 Leslie N.. Melton
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
The most methods rung in a peal by the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

CHURCHAM. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Andrew,
a PEAL OF 5040 dOUBLES
Being 12 extents of Plain Bob, ten 12 -scores and ten six-scores of Grandsire
*May Stevens
Leonard Smith
Richard Chew
Treble $\mid$ Frfiderick Turner
2 Joun J. Wribs
Michael Banks
Tenor
Conducted by TOHN J. Webs.

- First atiempt for a peal. + First iv two methods. Believed to be the first pcal on these bells since 1887.

BELBROUGHTON. WORCESTERSHIRE
ThE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, At the Church of The Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being four extents of Spliced Grandsire and Stedman, 12 each of Plain Bob and April Day, and 14 of Grandsire.

Tenor 13 cwt . in F sharp.
 Conducted by Martin D Fellows * First peal of Doubles. First as conductor. First in the above denomination by all, and believed to be the first to be rung for the Association and in the county of Worcester.
Rung for the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude.

## COUNTESTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Oct. 29. 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .17 lb.

| Paul Martin | Treble | John J. Morris.. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Dudley | 2 | Russell S. Morris |
| Harold Kilby | 3 | Brian S. Chapman |

Conducted by Brian S. Chapman.
The conductor has now 'circled the tower.
Rung as a farewell to Canon G. Calcraft on his retirement.
DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

| Charles Perkins | Treble | *John G. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *. Martin Thorley | 2 | C. Harold Whitton |
| an G. Payne | 3 | Frank Taylor |

* 25 th peal together.

ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
at the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE. DOUBLES
Being 240 Morris and 40 extents of 120.
Tenor 9 cwt .24 lb .
*MargaretE. Chilton (14) Treble Arthur E. Chilton.. Ivy Roe
G. TRUMPER ..

Conducted by John R. Pratchetr.
$\dagger$ Michael G. Trumper .. ${ }^{3}$ F. William Midwinter .. Tenor
*First peal at first altempt. † First 'inside.' First as conductor. 25 th peal on the bells.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. C. W. Howard, Rector of Elston 1922-1932, who died October, 1960, aged 94.

FRAMPTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Eastern Branch.)
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being one extent Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., two of Cambridge Surprise, two of Plain Bob and one of St. Clement's. Tenor 13 cwt .
 Joseph W. Bailey ..... ${ }^{3}$ Harold Barsley .. .. Tenor
First peal in five methods as conductor.

LONGHOPE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 21 Morlis' 12 -scores.
Joy Smith
Treble
Geoffrey Green William E. Spiers ... .. 2 Charles Phillips Conducted by Geofrrey Green. MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob.
Tenor $12 \ddagger$ cwt.


| *Harold Turner | .. | .. | 2 | *Alan W. Robinson |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Alan W. Best. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| William E. Turner |  |  |  |  | .. Tenor

Conducted by William E. Turner.

* First peal in two methods.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.
WISBECH ST. MARY. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Oct. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .15 lb .


Conducted by Michael Parker.

* First peal and first attempt by local ringers. First as conductor.

Rung on the fifth anniversary of the dedication of the hells.
BLYTHBURGH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 31, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of The Hoiy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven $720^{\circ}$ s in 11 methods, viz.: (1) Netherseale, (2) Surfleet and Beverley, (3) York and Durham. (4) London and Wells, (5) lpswich and Cambridge, (6) Bourne, (7) Norwich.
 * 100th peal for Conducted by John W. Blythe

STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven 720's: One each of London, Wells, Beverley and Cambridge Surprise, and College Exercise, Norbury and Duke of Norfolk Treble Bob.
Harold W. Moore .. .. Treble
andrew T. Beckwith .. 2 Charles W. Burton.. .. 5
John A. Warner .. .. 3 Alan R. Syder .. .. ... Tenor

## Conducted by Alan R. Syder.

ASFORDBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Single Court, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Single Oxford and Plain Bob. (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Oxford T.B. Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr . 17 lb . in F .

| R. Kingsley mason | Treble | Richard E. Clifton <br> Tom Harris | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Roland H. Cook | .. | . | 5 | 5 |



Conducted by Derek P. Jones.
Rung for the Patronal Festival, and as an 87th birthday compliment *o Evander L. Littlewood, ringer at this church for 72 years.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minules. at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor $11 \frac{\mathrm{t}}{} \mathrm{cwt}$.

*First peal. Average age of band 17 years.

## ISHAM, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutles.
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Comprising one 720 each of St. Clement's and Grandsire, two $720^{\circ}$ s of Kent Treble Bob and three 720 's of Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{7} \mathrm{cwt}$. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Jacqueline Downing } \\ \text { Ronald Russeli }\end{array} .$. Treble Timothy A. Wooding $\quad . .4$
 Richard Webster conducted by George F. Roome.

Rung to mark the 200th anniversary of Edward Perronet's hymn. 'All hail the power of Jesus' name,' written in 1760, following the writer's attendance at the coronation ceremony of George III.

## KNUTSFORD. CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in. 2 Hours and 46 Minufes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of one 720 each of Double Oxford. St. Clement's and Plain Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


* First peal in five methods.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the third, who has now 'circled the tower.'

WENTWORTH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes. At the Church of The Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Bcing 42 extents in three methods, viz.: 12 of Grandsire, 15 of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, 15 of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .12 lb . in G.
*Andrew King .. .. .. Treble -Edwin P. King .. .. 4
*M. Alec Beaumont (13) 2 Michael R. Meadows .. 5 Michael King . . . .. 3 George R. Hiner .. .. Tenor Conducted by Michael R. Meadows.
*First peal. First as conductor. First of Doubles, and in three methods by all except the sixth ringer. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.

## HANDBELL PEALS

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Syston District.)
On Mon., Oct. 31, 1960, in 1 Hour and 23 Minutes.
At 15. Sileby Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Tenor size 15 in C.
F. Kevin Thompson $\quad . \quad 1-2 \mid$ B. Stedman Payne .. $. . \quad 3-4$ Malcolm D. Barsby .. 5-6
Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.
Rung hy members of his Sunday service band to congratulate the Vicar of Barrow (Rev. W. H. Dew) on his appointment as an honorary Canon of Leicester Cathedral.

## OXFORD.

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Nov. 2, 1960, in 1 Hour and 25 Minutes.
at Wadham College.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS
Being 210 extents.
Tenor size 11 in $G$.
David T. Darby .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Andrew N. Stubas .. .. 3-4
Umpire: Andrew Thomson.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## HALF PEALS

BARROWBY, LINCS.-On Nov. 5th, 2,520 Miner ( 720 Oxford T.B., 1.800 Plain Bob): C. McCartney 1, F. W. Pinchbeck 2. P. A. Slight 3. J. E. Cook 4, D. A. Frith (cond.) 5, J. M. Simpson 6.

WATLINGTON, OXON.-On Oct. 29th, 2,880 Minor (Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob): Christine Clayron 1. B. Wakefield 2. P. Wycherley 3, A. Stubbs 4. N. Martin (cond.) 5, D. Darby 6.

ALDINGTON, KENT.-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Hooker 1. Miss M. Jones 2, Miss M Vantom 3, C. T. Hillis 4, R. J. Carlton (cond.) 5 . R. Swift 6. For Evensang.

ASH, SURREY.-On Oct. 28th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. Harwood 1, Audrey Gondchild 2, Sylvia Sherwood 3, E. Sherwood 4. C. Champion (cond.) 5, P. Sherwood 6. Rung halfmuffied in memoriam the R1. Rev. Ivor S. Watkins, Bishop of Guildford.
BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Dorothy Fletcher 2, G. Riglar (first quarter) 3, Ann Shiels 4. W. Henley 5. R. Broadley 6, A. Bridges 7. M. Broadley 8. For Evensong.
BILLINGSHURST. SUSSEX.-On Oct. $30 \mathrm{hh}, 1.504$ Double Norwich Court Hob Major: E. Fosberry 1. B. White 2, H. F. Wood 3, E. R. Rapley 4, R. P. Wood 5, G. C. Rix 6, W. L. Weller 7. G. Francis (cond.) 8. For Evensong. and as a 2lst birthday compliment to Mr. Bernard E. Matthews.
BLUNSDON, WILTS,-On Oct, 9th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Simon's, St, Martin's, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob): Miss M. Aubrey 1, Miss S. A. Peake (first as cond. age 13) 2, Miss A. Porter 3, J.
Vincent 4, A. R. Peake 5, Miss P. Hearne 6. For Harvest Festival.
BOOTLE, LANCS.-On* Nov, 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Ashworth 1, Miss W. Kenyon 2, M. C. Rogers 3, V. D. Jenner 4, J. Wilton (first as cond.) 5. R. Glover 6. First of Doubles for all the band.

BRADDEN, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. A. Brangwyn (first quarter) 1. G. G. Mansfield 2, C. Rigby 3, W. F. Eydon 4
W. Mansfield (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.
BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.-On Oct. 2nd, 1,260

Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Thompson (first quarter) 1. M. Walridge 2, D. S. Anderson 3. Miss A Barclay (first quarter) 4, K. C. Knight (cond.) 5 A. Brown 6. Also 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss $S$ Ware (first quarter) 1, Mrs. K. C. Knight 2, Miss A. Dunnett (first inside;) 3, D. S. Anderson 4, F. Godsmark (cond.) 5, G. Burrows 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.
CAPEL, SURREY.-On Oct. 30th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Alice Ward (13. first quarter) 1. A. Harman (cond.) 2, Hannah Penfold 3, R. Tullett 4, Barbara Sheldon 5. P. Ede 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the R1. Rev. Ivor Stanley Watkins, Bishon of Guildford.
CASTLE EATON, WILTS.-On Oct. 9th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Mrs. A. R. Peake 1 Mrs, G. Swain 2, J. T. Sawyer 3. M. Stanley 4. A. R. Peake (cond.) 5. G. Swain 6. For Harvest Evensong.
CHOBHAM, SURREY.-On Oct, 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. J. Hudson 1. C. Hill 2. J. W. Priest 3, R. Collins (cond.) 4. D. G. Blows 5, R. G. Collins 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving. Also
on Ocr. 30 th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Jupn on Oct. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Junp

1. C. Hill 2. R. Collins (cond.) 3. 1. W. Priest 4. D. G. Blows 5. R. G Collins 6. Rung half-mufled as a token of respect to the Bishon of Guildford.
CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.-On Oct, 19th. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury. Grandsire, Plain Boh): I. Measures (13, first attempt for quarter) 1. D. P. Jones (cond.) 2. Joan Cotton 3, A. R. Pocklington 4. M. R. Blore 5.
DORCHESTER, OXON. On Oct. 22nd. 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. Diserens 1, Janet K. Secker 2 A. D. Barker (cond.) 3. Jennifer M. Davies 4,
P. A. Wikinson 5. W. Birmingham 6, C. E. Lewington 7. V. Cherril 8.
EARL'S CROOME, WORCS.-On Nov. 1st, 1.260 All Sainss Bob Doubles: Christine Halling 1, E. Maund 2. M. Hawkes (cond.) 3. A. Halling 4, E. W. Penn 5, Anne Broxton 6. Rung on the Feas of All Saims.
EASTON MAUDIT, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 20th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire. Plain Bob. Reverse Canterhury Pleasure): F. Curtis 1, S. Silsby 2, R. Line (cond.) 3, N. Line 4, E, Smar 5. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. E. Allebone, people's warden for 25 years.
ELING. HANTS.-On Nov. 5th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Akroyd (first quarter) 1. Ronda M Purtess 2. M. D. G. Northway (cond.) 3, Gladys D. Kitcher 4, R. Buchanan S, L. D. Smith 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

FARNHAM, SURREY.-On Sept. 11th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Mcadows 1, A. R. Elkins 2, E. Box 3, R. North (first as cond.) 4, M. Marshall 5, R. J. Hasted 6, E, J. Wells 7, J. W. Marr 8. Also on Oct. Yth, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Elsmore 1. Miss A. Wells 3. R. North 4, C. W. Denycr 5 , E. Box 6, E. J. Wells (cond.) 7, J. W. Mart 8

FINCHLEY, MIDDX.-On Nov, 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Richardson 1, F. Barker 2. Miss Ruth Foreman 3, L. Tubb 4, A. Warren (cond.) 5, S. Wallace 6, B. Willis 7, B. Watson 8. Rung for 20th Century Mass.
FOLKINGHAM, LINCS. On Oct. 19hh, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. Lindsey 1, Miss I. Lindsey 2, C. T. H. Bradley 3, F. Derry 4, C. Wilkinson 5, J. H. Musson (cond.) 6. Rung at the conclusion of the collation and induction service of Canon F. R. Money, M.A., late of Winchester Cathedral, to the livings of Folkenham and Threekinghàm.
GRAVESEND, KENT.-On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Lowings 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3. Miss J. Peacock 4, F. V. Gant 5, J. Fowler 6, L. S. Woods (cond..) 7, R. Constant 8.
HAVANT, HANTS. On Oct. 8th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. Marshall (first of Stedman) 1, Mrs. B. W. Hunt 2, J. Ball 3. D. S. Jones 4, H. A. Nobes 5, R. Wake 6. J. H. Hunt (cond.) 7, C. Parsons (first of Stedman) 8. For Patronal Festival.
HEIGHINGTON, CO. DURHAM.-On Oct. 12 th . 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Vasey 1, R. Bowser 2, E. Jackson 3, J. Robinson 4, J. Schofield 5, E. Thompson (first as cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 2, 4 and 5. First quarter by a parish band.
HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On Oci. 23 rd, 1.440 Minor (Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob): Christine Froggatt (first of Treble Bob) 1, Susan Meredith and Doreen Armsirong 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3. M. W. Harrison 4, A. Larkin 5, F. Bradley 6 Conducted by Frank Bradley and Doreen Armstrong. For evening service and St. Luke's Day. Also on Ocf. 24th, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob): Christine Froggatt 1, M. Poppleston (first of Minor) 2 Ruth Blackshaw 3, Doreen Armstrong 4, M. W Harrison 5. F. Bradley 6. Conducted by Frank Bradley and Doreen Armstrong. First of Kem for 1. 2, 3 and 5.

HOLT, WILTS.-On Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Drewitt 1, R. Humphries 2 , Mavi Wright 3, J. Lucas 4, F. Box (cond.) 5, W. Stillman 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. E. Lawson Brewis, interred at Holt the previous Wednesday.
HOPE, FLINTSHIRE.-On Oct. 27th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. E. V. Woodcock 1, H. A. Price 2. W. H. Lewis (cond.) 3, F. R. Evans 4. D. H. B. Millward 5. W. Cathrall 6. Rung halfmuffled in memoriam Tom Millington. a ringer at this church for many years. who was huried this afternoon.
HORSELL, SURREY.-On Oct. 23rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Oliver 1. Miss J. Drury (first 'inside ') 2. Miss P. Drury 3. J. Martin 4. A. D. Leach 5, B Friestley (first inside and first as cond.) 6. For Evensong.
KERESLEY. WARWICKS.-On Nov, 6th, 480 Plain Bob Doubles, 480 combined Plain Bub and Crandsire. 300 Grandsire: W. H. Allport 1. H. Folwell 2. Miss T. I. Bowcutt 3. WV. A. Stote (cond.) 4. R. D. Hart 5. For Evensong.

LACOCK. WILTS.-On Nov, 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Lovelock 1. R. Purnell (cond.) 2. R. Lovelock 3. M. Mace (first inside') 4. P. Gaisford 5. B. Lewis 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.-On nct. 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Allen 1, E. Nixnn (cond.) 2 Margare: Smith (first, inside') 3. E. Jarrett 4. A Terry S. D. Weeks (first quarter) 6.
LINCOLN.-At St. Giles Church, on Oct. 31st, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Norms Richardson (first quarter) 1. 1. L. Millhouse (cond.) 2, H. L. Pask 3. Margaret Swanr 4. P. A. Sharp S, J. Burton 6
G. R. Parker 7. L. Wilders and S. A. Chambers 8 . LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes*, on Oct. 23rd 1.259 Grandsire Caters: P. J. Spice 1. A. M. Macve 2. Miss 1. Inman 3. Miss M. E. Kirby 4, J. D Faircloth 5. Mrs. B. D. Threlfall (first on 10 as cond.) 6. A. S. Richards 7. D. A. N. Holland 8 1. H. Oram 9, R. T. Newman 10. First on ten for 4 and 5.
MAIDSTONE, KENT.-At St. Michael's Church, on Sept. 28th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J Wondruffe 1, M. Gilber 2, J. Nickson 3, B. Groves 4. J. Mannering 5. M. Howe (cond.) 6. Rung for Evenanns on the eve of St. Michael's Day.

NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.-On Oct. 161 h 259 Grandsire Caters: Margaret Chilton 1. F. G Hooper 2. Elisabeth Tutty 3, J. W. Raithby 4, H Squires 5. A. E. Chilton 6. H. Stevenson 7, L.
Squires 8, W. L. Exton (cond.) 9, D. Simpson 10. Squires 8, W. L. Exton (cond.) 9, D. Simpson 10. Rung for Gopher.
NEWROLD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS.-On OCt 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Valerie Colegrove 1 Joan Cheney 2, J. R. Haycock 3. W. C. Budd 4 A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5. Mrs, Margaret Went 6. For Harvest Festival, also birthday compliments in conductor and 2 nd
OCKHAM, SURREY.-On Oct. 9th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. Warner 1, Miss J. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3. A. D. Leach 4. J. Martin (cond.) 5 . Rung half-mulfied in memoriam the Bishop of Guildford.
POWERSTOCK, DORSET.-On Oct. 29th, 1,441 Minor (London S. and St. Clement's): F. Knight 1, Mrs. C. W. Powell 2, W. Poole 3, H. G. Keeley 4, C. W. Powell (cond.) 5. G. S. Morris 6. First quarter peal on the augmented bells,
REDRUTH, CORNWALL. On Sept. 18th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Catherine Ruscoe 1, J. Williams 2, Mavis Wright 3, Allison Ince 4, E. V. Williams (cond.) S. R. Drewett 6.
ST. CRANTOCK, CORNWALL.-On Nov. 2nd, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles: E. Veale 1. D. Docking 2. J. Roberts 3, C. Stephens 4, Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella (cond.) 5, L. Moss 6.
ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.-On Oct. 16th, 1,140 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire): S. H. Hardy 1, F. Gorringe 2, R. Heard 3. F. G. Wheller 4, P. G. Braund (cond.) 5, A. Trigg 6. Rung for Matins, and as a compliment to Janet Evelyn, daughter of conductor, who was made a member of Christ's Church this day.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: J. K. Ward (first as cond. on 10) 1, E. S. T. Farr 2, Linda J. Kew 3. W. D. Ward 4. D. K. Walters 5. Pamela M. Jervis 6. A. D. Rivers 7. E. L. A. Hudson 8, W. Birmingham 9, F, R. Scott 11. For Sung Eucharist service.

SUNNINGWELL, BERKSHIRE.-On Oct. 24th, 1.440 Minor (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob): Miss D. Honey 1, M. Jones 2. Miss J. Jones 3. J. Honey 4, W. G. Cudd 5, A. R. Pink (cond.) 6. Rung as an 80 hh birthday compliment to Jonathan Honey, formerly captain of this tower.
SWINDON, WILTS.-On Nov. 6th, at Christ Church, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: W. W. T. Daniell 1. Mrs. P. Minchin 2, Dr. C. G. Roworth 3, Mrs. E. Sutton 4. M. J. Stanley (first of Grandsire Caters) 5, Dr. H. Craig 6. P. Minchin 7, R. G. Townsend 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9. E. Vincent 10. For evening service on the occasion of the 109th birthday of the church.
TEWIN, HERTS.-On Nov. 2nd. 1.309 Grandsire Doubles: F. H. Garrod 1. M. L. Jordan 2. D. M. Gambling 3. H. Shire 4. P. C. F. Wooster (cond.) 5. C. H. Geeves 6. Rung half-muffied for All Souls* Day
TRUMPINGTON, CAMBS.-On. Oct. 27th, 1,232 Grandsirc Triples (from Parker's One Part): $P$. Bergdahl (first on cight) 1. Miss K. Willers 2. P. H. Pigg 3. E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 4. H. Muncey (first of Grandsire Triples) 5. Miss H. Muirhead 6, J. W. Quinney 7. R. Dennis 8.
UXBRIDGE, MIDDX.-On Oct. 23rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6. 8 covering): M. Sheehan 1. H. W Impcy (cond.) 2. V. Mitchell 3. P. Phillips 4. E. R. Gotham 5. D. G. Rowlands 6. F. Bedford 7. J. Ing 8. For Matias. and a birthday compliment to Mrs. P. Phillips.

WANTAGE, BERKS.-On Nov, 6ih, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Gillian Bailey (first quaner) 1. 1. Stoter 2. J. White 3. K. Leach (ennd) 4. A. E. Fullbrook . H. White 6. A. R. Wond 7. D. Stoter 8. A trihute 10 the Rev. A. C. A. Chetwynd-Talhot on his lası Sunday as Vicar.
WEST WICKHAM, KENT. -On Nov, 6th, 1,440 Minore (St. Clement's and Plain Boh): Hermione Hockey 1. J. Faircloth 2. L. W. G. Skinner 3. R. E. Finch 4, A. S. Richards (cond.) 5, D. Halland

WHISTON. NORTHANTS.-On NOV. Gith. 1.260 Grandsite Doub:es: G. F. Roome (cond.) 1. T. Jennings (aged 80) 2, P. Amos 3, T. A. Wooding 4, J. C. Rainbow 5. For Evensong.
WINFORD, SOMERSET. On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Hall 1, H. Knight (cond.) 2. C. York 3, A. G. Hazzard 4. A. Worle 5, H. Worle (tirst quarter) 6. Rung half-muffied in memoriam Rev. A. J. H. Hobbs (Rector), interred this day.
WISBECH ST. MARY, CAMBS. On Nov. 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Burrows 1, G. Sharpe 2, Miss D. Green 3. J. Bird 4, A. Gower 5, L. Harvey (cond.) 6. Rung in farewell to J. Bird.

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Mr. J. D. Johnson has waited for 46 years to conduct a peal at Ledbury, Herefordshire-his father's native town and the tower in which he learnt his early ringing. On August Monday, 1914, he had been invited to conduct a peal of Grandsire for the local band. but the outbreak of the 1914 war cancelled this attempt. The opportunity war not recur until the peal of Stedman on November 5th this year.
We regret to learn of the passing. on November 1st. of Mr. Benjamin Barker, a loyal member of St. Peter's band, Derby.
Miss Ann Brown. a well known Australian ringer. who has been in England recently, was married last Saturday at St. Michael's (R.C.) Church. Huntingdon. to Mr. David Henby, a member of the U.S.A. Air Force.
After an absence from ringing for many years. by reason of his occupation, Mr. J. Ramble. sometime of Croydon, rang his bell faultessly in a peal of Stedman Triples, at Stoke Poges, on November 2nd.
The peal of Lincolnshire Surprise at Allesley, Coventry, on November 5th, was rung on the 50th anniversary of Mr. Frank W. Perrens' first peal and he called the same composition as he did when the first peal of Lincolnshire was rung in 1928.
Mr. John N. D. Chaddock (19), turned in Rotherham tenor ( $34 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.), to a peal of Plain Bob Royal, to welcome the new Vicar. He is the youngest ringer to do so and received the hearty congratulations of the band on a good job at the conclusion of the peal.
Liverpool University Society has now the use of the bells of St. Francis Xavier's Church. Liverpool, for practices every Friday from 6 to 7 p.m. As the Society is still few in numbers, any visitors would be made very welcome.
The tower of St. Mary's Church. Brecon, is undergoing repairs, estimated to cost $£ 1,770$. Ravages of the weather have loosened much of the masonry at the top of the tower and the parapet. gargoyles and buttresses. So far only t200 has been received.

## GOSSIP

Towards the cost of proMr. A. H. Pulling nearly $£ 240$ has been received. At an extraordinary general meeting of the Guildford Diocesan Guild on Saturday, it was decided to transfer money standing in the Cathedral Bell Fund towards this object and also to consider winding up the Benevolent Fund of the Guild. Another $\pm 200$ at least is urgently required. Donations to Mr. C. W. Denyer, 15, Crondall Lane, Farnham.
The bells of St. Mary's, Southampton, will be broadcast. prior to the $9.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. service. next Sunday (November 20th), on the West Home Service ( 258 m . and 206 m .).
Congratulations were extended by many friends at the Guildford Diocesan Guild meeting on Saturday to Mr. F. N. Wicks on his recent marriage.
Still going strong is Mr. Tom Jennings, of St. Sepulchure's, Northampton. who will be 81 in January, He rang a quarter peal at Whiston on November 6 th with precision. on bells which many ringers fight shy at handing. Congratulations Tom!
Regarding our report of the bells on the Queen Mary an error occurred in our paragraph (page 754). Dr. Lefevere has recenuly retired from the post of carillonneur at the Riverside Church. He is not carillonneur at Bournville. Mr. Clifford Ball, a friend of many ringers, holds that post.
' The statistics given in H. E. Taylor's letter, re "Gratefully Acknowledged," seem ", to indicate that the more "highfalutin" one's ringing becomes the less one needs to support the organ which does so much for peal ringers.- Comment by South Yorks ringer.
Before Mrs. Mary C. Poyner went to Pulverbatch. Shropshire, to conduct her first peal. she read her horoscope in the morning newspaper. It stated: 'Keep your wits about you or you will be "beaten to the post" in some ambitious project.' She succeeded and is believed to be the first lady to call a peal in the county of Salop.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED


## JOINT MEETING AT HILLINGDON

## SERVANTS OF THE

EXERCISE No.

The day was gloomy, and the rain hardly stopped for a moment on October 29th, when the annual meeting of the Ladies' Guild Middlesex Association and the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Hillingdon. This annual event was not dampened by the weather, as about 80 ringers supported the meeting
During the afternoon St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, was open for ringing as well as St. John's, Hillingdon. Mr. Fred Goodfellow started the ringing at both towers, and then Mr. Frank Blagrove took charge of the eight bell ringing at St. Andrew's, while Mr. Derek Fowles looked after the ten bell ringing at St John's. On the whole the ringing was good.
We were very grateful to the Vicar of Hillingdon, Rev F. C. Tyler, who conducted a most enjoyable service in which the Rev. Mr. Swindells, curate of St. Mary's, Slough, preached a evry interesting sermon.

A magnificent tea was provided in the Church Hall, and this year the responsibility was taken over from Mrs. Goodfellow, who has catered so well for us in the past, by Mrs. A. R. Turley. The Vicar again welcomed the various ringers to Hillingdon. Mrs locke replied for the Ladies' Guild and said that there were about 30 ladies present and this. compared with the first meeting, which was held about 25 years ago, was very good
The Ringing Master. of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch. Mr. E. G. Swift, thanked the ladies of Hillingdon for the splendid tea He added that unlike most years, when it is said. 'The same old faces are here,' looking around he could see many new, young faces, which was most encouraging.
The meeting stood in silence to remember two faithful ringers who had passed awayMr. George Gilbert. of Burnham, and Mr. James W. Parker, late of Edmonion
Mr. A. D. Barker proposed votes of thanks to the Vicar. also the organist and choir for their attendance.
The tables were quickly moved away for very pleasant social evening which followed A touch of Stedman Triples was rung on the handbells and Mr. George Hart showed coloured slides of towers in Somerset. which he visited this summer with the American boys. The annual tussle between the Middlesex and Oxford ringers for the famous China Cup was again won by Middlesex Games and dancing followed and thanks were given 10 Mrs. Locke for her assistance in organising the games.

## AN OUTING IN NORTH DEVON

On October 22nd two Devon and five Somerset ringers spent an enjoyable day amongst the sixes of North Devon. A narrow, (wisting 1 in 4 ascent brought the party to Charles, where they found a delightful ring (y) cwt), although the tenor is somewhat predominant in the ringing chamber. High Bray $(13$ cwt.) stands at the top of another hill. These nice-toned bells are unfortunately very rarely rung and much moulting of the sallies occurred.
A black cat met the band at Bratton Fleming ( 15 cwt ) and the party were indeed lucky for the bells are a joy to ring and to listen to. Then on to Kentisbury ( 8 cwt.), where the bells are an easy going. merry little set. After tea at Clifton House, Combe Martin, a move was made to Arlington, where the church stands in National Trust grounds and is lighted by paraffin. The bells are a very good ring, sounding heavier than their 11 cwt .

To reach Loxhore ( 5 cwt .) one has to pass through two farmyards. These bells go very well despite the somewhat cramped ringing space. Goodleigh church is difficult to find in the dark but the bells ( 8 cwt .) are worth searching for. even though the ropes appear to have been adjusted for giants. West Buckland ( 7 t cwt .) was the last tower of the day and another welcoming black cat brought luck for. despite the long draught causing some misgivings. the bells proved to be one of the best rings of the day. Fog was descending as the parry dispersed for home.

Best thanks are due to all who so readily gave permission to ring and to those locals who met the party


## MR. WILFRID F. MORETON

Mr. Wilfrid Moreton is one of the most brilliant members of the younger generation ir the Exarcisc. He is a true Yorkshireman and it can be confidently claimed that he is imbued with all the highest ideals of good ringing and striking that have characterised Yorkshire ever since Jasper Snowden set that county's very high standards. He will not countenance bud or sloppy, ringing, and poor handling and striking are his pet abominations. This is not to say he is int-
patient or intolerant-indeed he is of a very quiet disposition-but those who do not take the job of ringing seriously and do not give of their best would be well advised to steer clear of the danger of his strictures! He is a born teacher. and is yet another member of that grand profession that has provided us with so many capable instructors.

Born in 1924, at Flamborough, he lived in Yorkshire for eight years and then his family moved to Herefordshire, where, during his 20 years' residence, he learnt to ring in 1937 at All Saints' Church. Hereford, under the instruction of the late Charles L. Sadler. His first peal (Grandsire Triples) was rung a Holme Lacey in 1939. conducted by E. F Salmons. His first as conductor was three months later. After leaving school he went up 10 Oxford in 1942 and learnt handbell ring ing from John E. Spice, who called his firs handbell peal that year. Then service in the Royal Armoured Corps for three years-mostly spent abroad-took him to India, and whils there he rang three handbell peals. Returning to Yorkshire in 1952, he was appointed Divinity Master at Normanton Grammar School. Interested in the game of rugby foot ball, it was natural that he should also be in charge of that at the school.

Being brought up in the atmosphere of a clergyman's home (his father is a priest), he naturally became involved in all sorts of church work-becoming a server since seven years old and a chorister since nine. He can accompany a service on the organ, and took part in many church activities, such as amateu dramatics, pageants, etc. In 1952 he married Miss Jo(an) Roper-known to her intimate friends as 'Jo.' the daughter of Mr. H. L Roper. Oxford D.G. librarian. and compiler of 'The Ringing World index. They have one son-not yet two years old-but already interested in bells. Wilfrid was elected Central Council representative for Hereford Guild in 1945 and served in that capacity until 1959 He was then made an honorary member, and has rendered splendid service on the Sunday Service Survey Committce.
His peals total to date is about 750, of which he has conducted over 370 . The total includes about 100 on handbells. He took part in the peal of Spliced Surprise Major in 25 methods-then a record-and has since taken part in the present record-a peal of Spliced Surprise Major in 53 methods. Two of the peals he is most proud of are Yorkshire at Lugwardine in 1949 and Stedman Triples at Holme Lacey. In both these peal practicany all were 'firsts.' Wilfrid is never so happy as when teaching learners, and when he has finished with them they can take their places with the best.

JAFUS.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION DINNER

The Kent County Association held their annual dinner at Tonbridge, on October 29th. Unfortunately only a few ringers were able to make use of the opportunity to ring at the Parish Church during the afternoon, probably due to the tupical English weather, but over 70 members and friends met for dinner at the Rose and Crown

After the meal Mr. J. Willis, who presided, proposed the loyal toast and then speeches followed, alternated with songs from Miss Barbara Lee and Mr. Raymond Large, accompanied by Mrs. E. J. Ladd.

The Association's secretary. Dr. E. S. J Hatcher. proposed the toast of 'The Church which was replied to by Canon T. F. C. Bewes Vicar of Tonbridge. The Archdeacon of Tonbridge (Ven. E.E. Maples-Earle), proposed a toast to "The Exercise, to which Mr. P. A Corby replied on behalf of the Kent County Associntion. A course of Grandsire Caters was rung by members of the Association.

The chairman then thanked the two singers, and Miss Doris Colgate for her work in arranging the dinner and presented her with a gift from the members.
M. A. L.

## SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION

The autumn meeting of the Scottish Association was held on October 22nd, the proceedings beginning at St. John's, Alloa, the lightest ring of eight in the country. The local ringers had kindly provided a buffet lunch and for some it was a difficult matter to decide whether to go first to the Church Hall for refreshment or to the tower for ringing. So that full use would be made of the ringing opportunities of the afternoon an advance party set off for Dunblane, where the bells were available only between 3 and 4 p.m.

Ringers from Paisley, Dundee and St. Andrew's then had to leave for home while the rest of the party moved on to Edinburgh. where ringing continued first at St. Mary's Cathedral and then at Si. Cuthbert's Parish Church.
In addition to a good attendance of memhers we were pleased to have with us two ringers from Cheshire who had made the journey specially to attend the meeting. The ringing ranging from rounds to Double Norwich and Cambridge Major, was under the supervision of the Ringing Master, Mr. H. F. Sargent, of Glasgow.

# 323rd ANNIVERSARY DINNER OF THE COLLEGE YOUTHS <br> ENCOURAGING REVIEW OF RINGING NATIONALLY - BUSY DAYS AHEAD FOR BELL-FOUNDERS- <br> COLLEGE YOUTHS' GROWTH : A MEMBER A WEEK SINCE THE WAR-JUBILEE OF 'THE RINGING WORLD 

A
VERY encouraging review of ringing throughout the country was presented by the president of the Central Council at the 323rd anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths held at the Bridge House Restaurant on November 5th. For the Master, Mr. J. G. A. Prior, it was his second occasion in the chair, the other being in 1952.
Proceedings started with the traditional entry of the Master, accompanied by the senior steward. Mr. Michael P. Moreton, and the junior steward, Mr. W. T. Cook. A company of 157 was present and there were the usual toasts to those of 60 years membership (Mr G. E. Symonds and Mr. E. G. Fenn) and Hodgetts and Albert A. Hughes). The principal guest was the new Bishop of Southwark (the guest was the new Bishop of Southwark (the known to some members of the company when he was at Cambridge A cablegram was read from Wing-Comdr. Stan Mason, from California, wishoing the company a successful evening.
The Master was supported on the top table by the Bishop of Southwark, the Provost of Soutbwark, the Rev. E. G. Turner, Messrs. E. T. Floyd-Ewan (Registrar of St. Paul's Cathedral), G. G. J. Watts, J. E. Chilcott, F Sharpe, A. A. Hughes, J. F. Smallwood, R
Wilson. S. Fox. M. P. Moreton, W. T. Cook Wilson. S. Fox. M. P. Moreton, W. T. Cook,
D Beresford. A. York-Bramble, A. C. Winn, S. Foskett, H. C. Edwards and W. A. Yates. Proposing the toast of 'The Church' the Master said if was their custom that this toast should always be proposed by the Master. and that was the second time he had proposed it. The Church today had problems. perhaps as serious as any in its long and glorious history. At home at a time of aimost full employment and the so-called affluent society when one would have thought that crimes against people and property would have decreased enormously, the reverse was the case. There was, too, an appalling disregard of. or indifference to, the sanctity of human life. Year after year the growing figures of road casualties rose and most people thought of them in terms of statistics. All this was in a supposedly Christian country.

## WOULD-BE MASTER AN ORDINAND

The Master referred to the colour bar and also to certain probtems of the Bishop of Southwark, particularly in regard to the recruitment of clergy. The Society was very proud ment of clergy. of events would be occupying the chair that night. was now an ordinand. They knew he would have been a first class Master. and they felt sure he would become a fine clergyan
Eight years ago he reminded them that there were only three more or less ringable rings of bells in the City of London-St. Paul's Cornhill and Bishopsgate. What a difference there was today! Hart Street. Cripplegate and st. Lawrence Jewry now had fine new rings and some much-needed rehanging had been done to St. Paul's: there had been a complete restoration at Cornhill and just over the city boundary they had the splendid new ten at St. Clement Danes. Before long the new 12 at Bow would ring out: St. Vedast. Foster Lane. would have a new six and there would be a new eight at St. Andrew's, Holborn.

What a challenge this presents to London ringers. We in the Ancient Society cannot hope to provide ringers for all these towers hope will do our best to assiss.'

The Right Rev. A. Mervyn Stockwood replied with a witty and humorous speech, in which he described his efforts to elude reporters who wanted his views on • My lovely lady's chatter.
Proposing the toast of 'The Ancient Society of College Youths' Mr. Frederick Sharpe, president of the Central Council. said of the many functions he attended, he did not think there were any that gave him greater joy than the annual feast of the Ancient Society of College Youths. because of the many old friends he met on that occasion. Although the Ancient Society was by no means the only one doing good for the Exercise and their art, he thought that during the 323 years of its existence as an organised company it had done far more than any other to promote the good of their art.

## CLERGY OPPOSED BELLS

When their Society was founded Puritan influence was strong and ringing was almost divorced from the church. A number of young men. mostly recruited from the Inns of Court and the nobility, rang as a sport. In the middle of the last century the Church began to recover from that Puritan influence and they allowed the use of bells for Sunday services. They would be surprised at the opposition. It was only, recently that he was reading 'The Ecclesiologist' of 1864 and there it was reported that there was an organised attempt by the clergy to prevent bells being rung. They did not succeed. The ringers were persistent and were rewarded in bells being allowed to be rung for church services

Today an ever-increasing number of young people were ringing bells in an ever-increasing number of churches for Sunday services. Ringers did not confine their activities to the belfries: many were engaged in other activities of the Church.
The Sunday Service Survey produced some interesting statistics. Although one newspaper declared that ringing was on the decline, never before had they had so many young people interested. That day there had been an attempt on a peal of 40.320 Plain Bob Major. He was sorry to say it had failed. He had arranged for telegrams to be sent to him reporting progress and he had received one which read: Failed at 11.000 --John Worth. They were all sorry that attempt failed and they wished them and others luck in any future attempt.

## WONDERFUL PROGRESS

The most important thing of the Sunday Service Survey was the wonderful progress in the last 70 years. Then. according to the county histories of towers, the number of churches where the bells were rung for services was only 4 per cent: today it was 70 per cent. In that they could take heart and it was due o societies like theirs that that had taken place.
The year 1960 was an eventful year in many ways. They had had legislation that required a quinquennial survey of all their churches. The results of that survey were beginning to be seen. The urgent things required to the fabric of many of their churches had been done and now churches were paying attention to their towers and the bells. He forecast a very great increase in bell restoration work and in the next 10 years they would see a great deal of work done. On the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council they had never been so busy and with requests for reports on putting bells in order. The result of the conference between the

Central Council for the Care of Churches and their Council had been most satisfactory. They had reached agreement and a joini statement was to be issued.
Another advantage was the courses of instruction in their art in various parts of the country. They were bearing much fruit and were developing by the process of evolution. They were very much on the increase and almost all parts of the country were being planned to be covered by such courses.

- 1 travel about the country a great deal and $I$ find that there is a greater interest in all matters appertaining to the Church. There is a great spiritual development going on and 1 am seeing more and more of it. We should take heart.
The ban on ringing in this country during the war did an awful lot of good. When people could not hear the sound of bells they realised what they lost. and like the Restoration time of Charles II ringing greatly increased after the lifting of the ban.


## CHANGE RINGING IN HEBREW

Last week he was studying the manuscripts of Oliver Palmer of 1658. Ringing then was regarded as a wicked thing and if Palmer had been caught he would have been put in jail. Oliver copied out the book of Psalms in Greek and above each line in Hebrew he put down his changes. These included Bot Minimus. Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor and a lot more of interesting things. All this was done before Fabian Stedman published his work. In the old days their Society was the great link of the Exercise in all parts of the country; today that link was provided by 'The Ringing World.
Mr. John E. Chilcott, the honorary secretary, who replied. thanked Mr. Sharpe for his remarks and said it was a pleasure for them all to know that Mr. Sharpe had not missed a dinner of the Society for 30 years.
Apologies for absence had been received from John H. Jones (Tamworth), Alan R. Macdonald (Poole). W. Arthur Riddington (Upper Beeding), Joseph T. Dyke (Chilcompton). James Rea (Streatham). David E. Parsons (Carshalton). Richard W. Stannard (Barking. oined 1890). John H. Fielden (Halifax). Harry Miles (Carbis Bay). Harold N. Pitstow (Hanstead), W. H. Coles (Hillingdon), G. Nelson Sloan (Christchurch. N.Z.). Walter P. Judge (Oxford) and Burley P. Morris (Derby).

## NEW MEMBER A WEEK

In general. said Mr. Chikott. the Society had had a very good year, which was reffected by an attendance of 185 members and friends that evening. During the year they made 47 new members and since 1945 they had made, on an average. one member a week-
Up-to-date they had rung 24 peals since the last dinner. excluding one rung that day. These peals were rung in 23 counties. with Lancashire leading with 8 and the two counties ef Notts and Derby with 9 between them.
In London they very much appreciated the care in the selection of new members. He thought there was some misunderstanding as to the qualification for membership. The qualification was a male person of 14 years of age who had rung a quarter peal. Under exceptional circumstances a young member could be elected in a tower before a peal, and his name sent to London. with particulars in writing as to his qualifications.

Another thing decided this year was the condition under which a former member of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths

## COLLEGE YOUTHS-Cont.

would b: elected to membership. They had decided that a year must elapse between his revignation from one Society and his election as a College Youth.

## PEALS OF INTEREST

In the 26 peals rung 112 members look part and there were 17 different conductors. Of the peals two were Minor, both rung at Warsop; the three peals of Triples included one at Westminster Abbey for the wedding of Princess Margaret and Mr. ArmstrongJones. There were six peals of Major-five Surprise and one Double Norwich, which was the first peal for Roger Overington, the son of the verger of St . Paul's. There were two of Caters and four of Royal, including one of three Spliced Surprise. but the footnote to this peal, as suggested in :The Ringing World would not appear in the Society's peal book. The five peals of Cinques included one in memory of George N. Price. one on handbells and one at Buckfast Abbey by West Country ringers. Maximus was represented by four peals, including the first for the Society of Superlative Surprise Maximus.
Three golden wedding - peals were rungCambridge Maximus at Southwark Cathedral for Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Fenn: Stedman Cinques at Cripplegate for Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hughes: Stedman Triples at Stamford Hill for Mr. and Mrs. Horace Belcher.

## LOSSES BY DEATH

The company stood in memory of the following ringers: C. W. R. Grimwood, J Hurrell. G. H. Myers, W. C. Lampard, F. W. Cannings, F. M. Mitchell. Josiah D. Harris, W. S. Langdon. Miss Stella Davis. A. E. Lock, $\underset{\text { P. Skidmore, H. Prout. C. H. Woodberry, }}{\text { F. Marshall. Morris J. Morris, W }}$ P. H. Marshall. Morris J. Morris. W. J. Hawkins. H. Holgate. James Parker, John R. Sharman ( 63 years a member).

Normal practices had been held and well supported. Practice dates would be published in "The Ringing World: On January 8th the memorial 10 Challis $F$. Winnes was dedicated at St. Clement Danes: The county visit to Derby was arranged by Mr. J. F. Smallwood and Mr. Burley P. Morris. and a company of 60 sat down 10 lunch and received a welcome from the Bishop, the Provost and the Lord Mayor.
Mr. J. A. Waugh submitted the toast of The Visitors and Kindred Ringing Societies. In personal reminiscences he recalled, as a boy of 14. learning at Bow. where a great importance was attached to the heat. Rounds would be rung for quite a long time until the conducter was satisfied. The first - Ringing World he took contained an account of ${ }_{3}$ peal at Wells Cathedral. conducted by Challis member of the Ancient Society of College member
He walcomed. in particular. Dr. Goldstein from the U.S.A., a prominent handbell ringer. wha was now learning lower bell ringing. Do Mr. Dennis Beresford. Master of the
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. he thought their new rule would make some Cumberlands think iwice before joining the College Youths

## A FAMOUS WALK

In wel:oming 22 members from the Oxford Society. Mr. Waugh said in 1733 there was a famous visir by their Society to Oxford. They sel out 15 strong under Benjamin Annable and the majority of them walked to $\$ 3$ miles to Oxford.
Replying Mr. Beresford brought the cordsal greetings of the Cumberlands. He congratulated the Ancient Society, specially on two peals rung in the past year. Stedman Cinques in hand and Spliced Surprise Royal in three methods. Handbell ringing was not now so popular as it was and it was very good to
hear of Stedmar Cinques being rung again in London. He hoped to have the pleasure of entertaining their new Master at their annual dinner in February.
Mr. Brian D. Threlfall proposed the toast of 'The Ringing World and described the reactions of various types of ringers to the contents of the journal. He hoped their journal would not have the same fate as had befallen one of the national newspapers.

## NO TAKE OVER BIDS!

Replying. Mr. J. F. Smallwood said during last week or two they had had some painful reminders of the difficulties of maintaining newspapers and he thought in the next few weeks others would also go. These papers had been confronted with exactly the same difficulties as they had-of rising costs. Fortunately for The Ringing World the Council had the foresight to elect a committee who would not give up without a very severe struggle. They thad had no approach from Mr. Clore or Mr. Thompson for take-over bids but if they were forthcoming they would know what to say!
He was very pleased to think that when Mr. Goldsmith passed on they were farsighted enough to become the owners of the paper, and being the owners they could decide their fate and the fate of The Ringing World. He thought the solution of the ir difficulties was a strong and long pull by all people to lift up the circulation. There was one thing that must be said, the Exercise as a whole was living on a great deal of charity -he was not referring 10 the Gratefully Acknowledged column hu! to the measly sum they paid to those who served them.
Next year would be the 50th anniversary of The Ringing World as John Goldsmith founded the paper in the spring of 1911. The committee were meeting in London shartly to consider a suitable celebration. What would please John Goldsmith best for the jubilee of the paper would be to have a circulation of 10.000 . That was a wild dream when one could not get to the 6.000 mark.
The concluding toist of . The fragrant memory of the Masters of 300.200 and 100 years ago was submitted by Mr. A. A Hughes.
The Master of 1660 was John Brereton. a son of Lord Brereton. one of the founders of the Society. He was a student at Oxford and he and his younger brother got into trouble as they took part in the Civil War fighting for the King.
The Master of 1760 was not known but of 1860 it was Edward Lansdell. who came from Rolvenden. in Kent. He was employed in the Hop Market. and was reported to have inroduced half-muftled ringing into London.
A boh course of Stedman Cinques was rung by W. T. Cook 1-2. John Chilcolt 3-4. M. D. Chikcot 5an 5. Wilfred Williams $7-8$.
Sthrelfall 9-10. Michael P. Moreton Brian
$11-12$.

The company present. in addition to the lop table. were:-
A. J. Adams. A. J. Adams. J. A. Anderson. Armstrong. W. J. Arnold.
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## THE LADIES' GUILD

## Midland District

Despite three different outings arranged from this are?. the Midland District of the Ladies: Guild held a successful meeting at Belgrave on September 17th. Ringing in a variety of methods ranging from rounds to Spliced Surprise. catered for all. After shortened Evensong. conducted by the Vicar, iea was served by the local ringers" wives in the Parish Hall. Mrs. Staniforth (president) gave a short account of the A.G.M. held in Bath in July.
The next meeting will be at Measham on Novemher 191 h . The A.G.M. of the District will be held on February 18 ith at St. Peier's. Derby, bo:h these dates and places having been confirmed. Should there be sulficient support a coach will be arranged for the Novemher meeting.

## Southern District

The autumn meeting of the Southern District was held on Ocioher 22nd. at Steep, Hampshire. On a lovely warm afternoon the six bells were soon going to a variely of methods until the service at 4.30 " p.m. An excellent tea in the Village Hall was enjoyed by 24 ladies and friends, after which a brief busjness meeting was held. Three new members were elected and it was most encouraging to see old and new friends present.
Evening ringing was at Petersfield, where methods up to Cambridge Surprise Major were rung. The next meeting is planned for February llth. at Aldershot, and we hope see many more members present. C. M. H.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## F-GROUPS

Dear Sir,
A misprint again occurred in the falseness of Sawley S.M. The correct falseness is $\mathbf{B}\binom{4}{4}$; $N\left(F_{1} \frac{2}{3}\right)$. The omission of F's suffix 1 renders it meaningless.

We would like to recommend the use of this notation for it gives, in addition to the false course heads, the leads in which the falseness occurs. This information is essential for methods whose falseness necessitates the use of parts of false courses.
To give an example of this notation, suppose a method has false course heads 32546 ( $3, y$, $4,5), 24536\left(\frac{5}{4}\right), 25346\left(\frac{4}{7}\right), 26354\left(\frac{1}{4}\right), 24653$
 This would be written $D\left(\frac{3}{3}\right)$; $T_{1}\left(F_{1} \frac{3}{4}\right) ; T_{2}\left(F_{1}{ }^{4}\right)$.

D and $T$ are the Maurice Hodgson $F$ groups. $\mathrm{T}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{T}_{2}$ are the two F-sets comprising $\mathrm{T} ; \mathrm{F}_{1}$ denotes the 1st member of an F-set ; of means second lead of the plain course false with third lead of the false course. The leads in which $F_{1}, F_{3}$ and $F_{4}$ are false can be determined from the false leads of $\mathrm{F}_{1}$, it is only necessary, therefore, to specify the false leads of one member of the F-set.
The labelling $F_{1}, F_{2}, F_{8}$ and $F_{4}$ in the table of F-groups in Corrigan's 'Half Lead Systems of Extracting F.C.E.'s' is misleading in those $F$-groups containing more than one $F$-set. For example, $F_{1}$ of $U_{2}$ ( $U$ has 3 F-sets) is incorrectly labelled as $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{s}}$.

## Yours faithfully.

G. A. HALLS.<br>D. R. CARLISLE.<br>D. J. MARSHALL

Derby.

FIRST PEAL IN MONMOUTHSHIRE
Dear Sir-On page 721 of - The Ringing World Mr. Edwin Barnett. sen.. is credited with having conducted the first true peal in Monmouthstire in 1886.

In Chepstow belfry there is a record of a peal of Grandsire Triples, rung there on January 9 th. 1837 -composed and conducted by William Ayres. This was rung by the Sociery of Union Youths.'
Is there any evidence that this peal was false?-Yours faithfully.
F. J. HANNINGTON.

Cardiff.

## DERBY CATHEDRAL PEAL APOLOGIFS

Dear Sir--Having read the comments in my letter regarding the peal rung at Derby Cathedral for the College Youths, I find that I owe several apologies.

Firstly, to Mr. Donald Clift for:
(a) Not realising that he was not a witness of the peal in question.
(b) Not anticipating that he would lose his notes on the subject.
(c) Failing ${ }^{20}$ realise that the editor of The Ringing World' had, with his blue pencil. completely changed the meaning of the repart on the peal.
Secondly, to Mr. Williams for:
(a) Not being thoroughly familiar with the details of all his peal tours.
(b) Not having fired bullets made by some nameless Ancient College Youth of the Derbyshire Association.
(c) My irreverent reference to the professionally written peal book of the premier ringing Society. Yours faithfully.
Derby.

## OLD HANDBELLS

Dear Sir,-A few weeks ago I was foriunate to be taken round the caves of a very famous, Notingham inn. 'The Trip to Jerusalem.' I say fortunate because there were many articles of interest. and last but not least I spied a set of handbells in good condition, and on asking how they were come by and and on asking how they were come by and came from. but they were 250 years old. They looked quite modern. If any readers are interested to see them on their visits to Nottingham, the inn will be more than obliging to show you them and all other interesting articles.-Yours faithfully.
. HENSON (Miss).
West Bridgford, Notts.

## ANOTHER GRIEVANCE

Dear Sir.-In the past few weeks a dispute has arisen between the Derbyshire Association and the College Youths. But why bring in the South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association? Mr. D. R. Carlisle states that if the Collcge Youths wished to insult the Derbyshire Association ihey would have rung the peal for the S.D.\& N.L.A. Not only is it an insult to us as an association not conit an insult to us as an association not conthe dispute.
When ringing peals we may not attempt complex methods. but at least we do strike them, not like some rubbish which others sometimes turn out.
As for Mr. Marshall's signature to the letter he has never been to our meetings and knows even less about us I would therefore suggest he is just a 'yes man' 10 add weight to a letter, or he is trying to get involved in affairs which don't concern him

If that is the best you can do. Mr. Carlisle, then I, for one, am disappointed with the Derbyshire Association.
Before rushirig back into print we have College Youths and Derbyshire Association members in the S.D.\& N.L.A.-Yours faithfully. E. H. WILLOWS.

## IT'S NOT SO AMUSING

Dear Sir.-Reading the last paragraph of a recent letter by H. L. Taylor, of Darley Dale, in the issue of November 4th. made me wonder why he thought that the fact that a certain quarter peal visit to Wortley by the Wentworth band had been called off because of heavy rain. Would he like riding a pushbike five miles in a thunderstorm"? As there were three such thunderstorms in less than twenty minutes of near-tropical violence, the prospect of riding a push-bike and then ringing a quarter peal is not very pleasant! No. sir! if you think it is amusing, do it yourself.
May I inform H. E.T. that since May, 1960, the Wentworth band (formed January. 1960), has rung 11 quarter peals and one full peal, this including two quarters at Wath-on-Dearne and at Bradfield. I wonder if H. E. T. noticed this? Also, that the band rang at a ringing contest at Hoylandswaine. To wind up: whenever ringers feel like criticising or making fun of other ringers, let us have them thinking more deeply. collecting their facts and. above all. try to put themselves in the shoes of the ringers they are writing about. We might see less bickering in the "R.W."Yours. etc

## THE RINGER WHO WROTE

## Wentworth.

## SINGLE METHOD PEALS OF MINOR ARE NOT SUB-STANDARD

Dear Sir.-It is unrealistic to say. as did Mr. Barnett in his speech at the Snowdon dinner recently. that peals of Minor in less than seven methods are lowering our standards.

Standards are relative. They depend on the extent to which enthusiasm has kept change ringing alive. For many ringers, the achievement of a peal of any sort is a great step forward. Let us have no more talk of 'Look at all these peals of Plain Bob Minor.' in sorrowful tones. There is no hetter foundation than Plain Bob on which to build up sixbell ringing.-Yours, etc.

Shrewsbury.
HARRY POYNER,

## PEAL AT ACCRINGTON

 WITHDRAWNDear Sir,-1 regret to inform you that the peal of Southwell Surprise Major, which I conducted it Accrington on Octover 22nd, and which appeared on page 732 of the 'R.W.', will have to be witharawn.

1 had checked the 3-4 section (where the method varies from Cambridge), and found that it had the same internal falseness as Cambridge. Consequently, I assumed that all peals true to Camoridge would also be true to Southwell. and called the 5,088 by J. W. Washbrook (C.C.C.. No. 12) , in the Cambridge section). The method is so similar to Cambridge (only two rows in each lead are different) that it never occurred to me to check the falseness when the tenors are parted.

However, Mr. Norman Smith has since drawn my attention to the fact that both New Cambridge and Southwell are considerably more prone to falseness with the tenors parted than is Cambridge itself; and that this composition is false to both these methods.
I must therefore apologise to the band for my laxity in this instance-and particularly to those for whom it would have been a first of Surprise.

If it is any consolation, may I point out that the memory of a well-struck, interesting and musical peal will still remain-only the records will suffer.-Yours etc.,
C. CROSSTHWAITE.

Preston.

## SMOKING IN BELFRIES

Dear Sir.-The above habit is indulged in in certain non-association towers in Somerset and in one (which shall be nameless). an Oxo tin is provided for the fag-ends. When. however, a band of 'scientific' ringers visit this 'Oxo tin' tower, the locals follow the example of their guests by not lighting up until they are in the churchyard. Before the last war I noted evidence of smoking in a few lowers in Dorset as well and in one. since the war. a previous Vicar was in favour of the habit!-Yours sincerely,
E. T. PAUL FIELD.

Langport, Somerset.

## JOINT MEETING AT MILTON

The Rochester District of the K.C.A. were joined by the Kent Branch of the Ladies Guild, when they held their annual meeting, at Milton-next-Gravesend. on October 15 th. Ringing in the afternoon was followed by the service conducted by the Rector, Rev. V. H. Stuart. It was with much pleasure that the members of the Ladies Guild learned that they were to be the guests at the efa provided by the local band.

The Rector took the chair at the Rochester District meeting, at which the officers reelected were Mr. T. Barton. secretary, and Messrs. F. J. Cheal and A. J. Dunk. District representatives. The new Ringing Master elected was Mr. L. Harmer. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. G. A. Naylor, the retiring Ringing Master, for his efforts in the past year.

At the Ladies Guild meeting, which followed. four new members were elected, and the meetings for next year were discussed.

## Gramophone Records Of Bells Allowed

Despite the opposition of the Rev. Leslie Lowther, Vicar of St. Jahn's, Ilkeston, who is assistant secretary of the Derby Diocesan Advisory Committee, permission was granted at a Derby Diocesan Consistory Court for the use of gramophone records to reproduce the sound of church bells at Cromford Parish Church. Derbyshire. The cost of the electrical equipment. the gift of a parishioner. was stated to be $£ 110$. The six bells in the church are regarded as unsafe to ring.

In granting permission. the Chancellor. Mr. W. S. Wigglesworth. said the equipment must not become a nuisance to people in the neighbourhood. He recalled an occasion when similar equipment was used in Gloucestershire to play the 'Messiah' at midnight to celebrate the birth of Prince Charles.

## BRIEF SURVEY OF HUNTINGDONSHIRE

By T. A. BEVIS<br>(Continued from page 757)

Thomas Earye, of Kettering. had the reputation of a sound man of metal and sent nine bells to Hunts. They are: Leighton Broms wold (1720). five at Hemingford Grey (1724). Glatton (1736). Hamerton (1738), and Elton (1746), the latter church witnessing the first Harvest Festival held in the country. This founder's father was a clockmaker and was, for a little while. in partnership with his uncle until his death in 1757.

Menry Penn found himself in the proverbial frying pan at St. Ives, where his ring of eight tells was regarded as being poor value for money. At his trial brought about by thechurchwardens he was deservedly acquitted of bad workmanship. but the irial proved too much for him. and he died from over-excitement. The founder was sick to death ... and was too far gone that his Hart broke... As for Penn's death 'twas no loss, he was a vile man and gave trouble wherever he was consarn'd but was never so well yoak't before." This vile ' man was certainly a good founder and between 1706 and 1723 sent 17 bells into the county.

Huntingdonshire's only bell foundry was situated at St. Neots where Joseph Earye erected a building not unlike the shape of a bell. said to be the most prominent object in that town. He supplied about 40 bells to the county. ranging from the tenor at Yelling (1739) to the second at Fenstanton (1771). His earliest bells are at Chatteris. Cambs (1735).
Earye also supplied fire engines and he erected a pump for the parish of St. Neots. He was generally regarded as being a firstclass founder. but others have thought otherwise. The ring of six at Si. Michael's Church, Stamford, inspired someone to write in 1785: - Indeed the din of St. Michael's bells is so intolerable to thase who live in their vicinity. intolerable to thase who lill readily believe there is no devil in his senses but will get away as fast as he can as soon as their clamour begins.

Joseoh Earye. who died in 1772, is recognised by unusual inscriptions, e.g. ' Work itself is pleasure (Chatteris) and :Prosperity to the established Church and no encouragement to enthusiasm (Whittlesey St. Mary).

His nephew. Edward Arnold, and the latter's cousin. Thomas Osborn (Earye's foreman) took charge of St. Neots premises. This partnership did not last for long. Osborn establishing a foundry at Downham Market. Arnold cast six bells for Somersham in 1782. and supplied others for Hemingford Grey. Upton and Buckden. He later established a foundry at Leicester but carried on the business at St. Neots. mainly to introduce-

Robert Taylor, a man of extremely fine capabilities. who is represented in the county by 29 betls, his first being at Great Staughton (1787) and his last at Easton (1821). The St. Neots foundry was removed from the Priory to Cambridge Street after Taylor had married a Miss E. Fowler, whose father had a brewery adjoining Taylor's old premises. Evidently Fowler desired to expand. and this marriage proved to be a very tactful move indeed! Robert was a forerunner of that well known establishment at Loughborough, Leics (John Taylor and CB.).

Thomas Osborn was undoubledly a first-rate founder and had his premises close to the church at Downham Market. his native town. The son of a joiner. he provided that very musical octave at Godmanchester (1794). After having dissolved his partnership with Arnold, Osborn created many rings of bells which are recognised for good tonal qualities. Prior to his death in 1804 he took into partnership his grandson, William Dobson, and the foundry continued in business until 1832 when. owing to difficulties. the latter disposed of his business to Messrs. Mears. of Whitechapel. Dobson cast six bells for Huntingdonshire churches. four at Southoe (1828) and one at Bluntisham (1832). hut his finest handiwork is heard at St. Neots. where the tenor (291 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ) -the heaviest in the county-is his very last bell. and a very fine bell it is. His last complete ring was installed at Diss (Norfolk). AUTOMATIC WINDERS

John Warner and Sons, of Cripplegate, are represented by the tenor at Abbots Ripton (1875). and Messrs. Mears, of Whitechapel, sent approximately 35 bells to the county, ranging from 1827 (Conington) to 1865 (Diddington).
Thus, as may be seen. Huntingdonshire possesses a wide and interesting range of bells -not all ringable, of course-and these span the years from the 14 th century to present days. In conclusion it may be of interest to reproduce an account of the 18 th century (taken from the late Rev. T. M. N. Owen's notes). roade out by Joseph Earye on the completion of his work. involving the recasting and rehanging of the bells at Warboys: $i^{\text {s }}$ s $d$. The old bells casting
New Mettle
The frame
Wheels. Yokes. etc.
Clock
etc.
Carpenter's work and wood
Brick 300
Lime
Do.. work
Do.. beer

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

A well-attended meeting of the North-East District was held at Beccles. on October 22nd, with many friends from the Norwich Diocesan Association present, including their president. Mr. Nolan Golden. Essex was represented by Mr. Andrew Beckwith. Ringing was continued until almost 9 p.m., and included Cambridge Royal and Stedman Caters. The Vicar (the Rev. W. R. I. Hares) conducted the service and gave an inspiring address.

At the business meeting after tea Miss V. Jane Cooper was elected a ringing member and Messrs. M. J. Parker. R. C. L. Brown, M. Uttun (Kessingland) and $A$. E. Crowe (Lowestoft) non-resident life members.
An appeal was made for a volunteer for the office of district secretary. which would become vacant at the end of the year, without success. Halesworth was selected for the next meeting on January 30 ih
The district chairman (Mr. P. Bedford), proposed the vote of thanks-to the Vicar, the ladies for their marvellous tca. Mr. E. Goate for arranging the meeting and Mr. Nicholson. the organist.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

The Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire Branch of the Ladies* Guild met at Silsoe on October 29th. The bells were ideal for a ladies meeting. the tenor being only 9 cwt. This enabled several touches to be rung by the ladies only
The bad weather may have been the reason for only Bedfordshire members being present but with the help of the gentlemen many methods were rung.
Local ringers kindly provided tea. which was followed by a short business meeting at which three new members were elected Mrs. M. Mann was in the chair.

The Vicar of Silsoe. Rev. J. D. Benton. conducted Evensang. during which new shelves for the prayer books were dedicated.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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## A HALF-DAY IN BUCKS

A party of ringers from Watford and St. Albans spent an enjoyable afternoon, on hamshire. Edlesborough. the first tower was an easy-going. ground floor ring (6, 13 cwt.), but Slapton ( 5.14 cwt .) provided a contrast and the strong men were needed on the back end for Grandsire and Plain Bob to be well struck.
Although Cheddington bells ( 6.12 cwt .) have a longish draught they were generally voted the best bells of the day, and certainly some of the best ringing took place here. After tea came Marsworth ( 5.14 cwt .) with 50 feet of unguided rope and the ropes of the 2 nd . 3 rd and 4 th falling within six inches of the wall. Despite these difficulties. a reasonable touch of Grandsire Doubles was successfully brought round. The local ringers told us that the bells were officially unringable owing to an unsafe frame, and it is a relief to know that they are to be rehung in an iron frame, and filled with guides.

At Ivinghoe ( 6.15 cwt .) the tenor rope had to be repaired before ringing could start. Unfortunately, the bells did not seem to have been oiled since they were installed in 1875 and the ringers of the fifth and tenor were almost exhausted in a course of Cambridge. Thanks are accorded to Brian, the organiser, incumbents and tower keepers.
R.E.H.
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ROBINSON-ESSEN.-The engagement is announced between Nigel David. only son of Mr . and Mrs. E. H. Robinson. of Hillingdon. Middlesex. and Judith Katherine. eldest daughter of Dr. Louis Essen. F.R.S.. and Mrs. Essen. of Hampton. Middlesex.

## DEATH

TIDY.-On November 5ih. 1960. suddenly Edward E. Tidy, of Limpsfield Chart, Oxted. Surrey. 6986

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

As from November 20 h. 1960. Miss Diana J. Perrins will reside at 66. Shap Road, Kcindal. Westmorland.

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## MEETINGS

BEAMINSTER. DORSET-An open day uill be held on Saturday. November 19th. in did of "Bell Rehanging Fund." Tower open to the general public from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $2-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome to ring from $6.30-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting at Godmanchester. Siturday. November 19th. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. M. J. Dver. Dis Sec.

6955 ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.E. DistrictMeeting. Kirby-le-Soken. Saturday, November 19 th . Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .$. followed by tea.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Nomination meeting, Banstead, Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells from 3 $0^{\circ}$ clock. Service 4.30. Tea in Lady Neville Pavilion. 5 p.m.. followed by business.A. H. Smith.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Farnham District.-Meeting at Yorktown (8) and Hawley (8), on Saturday, November 19th. Ringing at Yorktown 2.30-4.30 p.m., followed by service, tea and business meeting. Ringing at Hawley 6-9 p.m.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District.-Meeting. Harpenden (8 bells). Saturday November 19th. 3 p.m. Service. Tea.-S. Huckle. Dis. Sec. 6938
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION-Ashford District.-Meeting, Bethersden (6), Saturday, Nov. 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. C. T. H.

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,-Syston District-Meeting at Swithland, on Saturday. November 191h. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATIONNorthern District.-Quarterly meeting, Saturday. November 19th. St. John's, South Hackney. E.9. 3-4.45 p.m. Tea, own arrangements. St. Botolph's. Bishopsgate. 6-8 p.m. Everyone welcome. A good allendance. please. -Bullock. Sec. 6975
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.South and West District.-Meeting, Saturday, November 19th. at St. Martin's, Ruislip. Ringing $30^{\circ}$ clock. Service 4.30 . Business meeting $60^{\circ}$ clock in St. Martin's Vestry, followed by further ringing. Own arrangements for tea.
E. R. Gotham, Dis. Sec.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD-Newark District.-Meeting. South Collingham (5), Saturday, Nov. 19th, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Ser-
vice 4.30 . Bring own tea-cups of tea availvice 4.30 . Bring own tea-cups of tea avail-
able. North Collingham (6), 6 to 8 p.m.W. L. Exton, Hon. Sec.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-West Central District. -Practice meeting at Thrandeston (6) November 19 th. Bells 6.30 p.m. Special methods: Ipswich. Oxford Bob and College Exercise-H. Mitson. Dis. Sec, 6921
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION -SOuthern Divi-sion.-Practice meeting, Ditchling (8), Saturday, November 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Combined practice at Wolverton. on Saturday, November 19th. Bells (6) available at 6 p.m. | November 19th. Bells (6) availabie at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. |
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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Portsmouth District. Practice meeting. Havant. Saturday November 19 th . Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Hall. WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Western Branch.-Annual meeting. Earl's Croome. Saturday next. November 191h. Beils (6) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.. followed hy business meeting. Practice method: Single Oxford Minor.-F. Hyde. Branch Sec. 6968

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Axbridze Deanery. - Practice meeting. Brent Knoll. Saturday November 261h. Bells (6) 5 p.m.-David H. White. 6958
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Grappenhall Branch.-The Branch annual meeting will he held at Grappenhall. on Saturday. Novemher 26ih. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea p.m.-C. Raddon. Branch.-Meeting at Hyde. November 26th Betls 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea please advise Mr. P. N. Sproson. 18. Dowsnn Road. Hyde. before November 22nd -C. K. Lewis. ASSOCIATION. - Derby
DERBYSHIRE. ASS and Ilkeston District.-Monthly meetine. Ockbrook. on Saturday. November 26th. Behs (f) 3 p.in. Own tea arrangements.-W. A Mnrlev. Dis. Sec. ND SELBY DISTR 6994 DONCASTER AND SELBY DISTRICTS
SOCIFTIF.S.-Joint monthlv meeting. Barnbv Don. Saturday. November 26th. Bells (6) 2.30 m . Service 4.30 p.m. Tea (mod. charge). Names. please. on or before November 23 rd , to Mr R. L.unn, 24. High Street. Barnbv to Mr R. Lunn, 24. High Street, Barnbv
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Don. Doncaster.

ELY ASSOCIATION.-Wisbech Branch Mecting. Tydd St. Giles. Saturday, November 26 h . Bells ( 6 ) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 . Tea p.m. Names for tea by 24th. please.-J, ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. -Meeting. Saturday, November 26th, Wethersfield. Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea. please. to Mrs. M. E. Moore, 244. Broad Road, Bocking. Braintree. 6925

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Bristol Rural.-Practice ringing. St. Werburgh (6). November 26hh, 7 p.m. Visitors welcome. Annual social and dance. Saturday, January 28 th .1961 . Tickets ( 4 s.$)$ from $F$. Hussey. 39. Gordon Avenue. Bristol 5. 6972
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA. TION.-Cheltenham Branch.-Monthly meeting. Toddingion (6). November 26th. 3 p.m. Names for tea by November 22nd. A.G.M.. St. Mary's. Cheltenham (12), December 10th. Mary Bliss. Beech Pike. Cheltenham. 6974 GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA. TION. - Wotton Branch. - Monthly meeting. p.m. Service. Tea. Names without fail. please. to B. Cooper. Flat 2. Rangers House, Dursley.

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS-London meeting. Saturday. November 26th. Ringing: Holy Trinity. West Hill. Wandsworth, 3-4 p.m.: St. Mary Abbot's. Kensington. 4.45-6. Dinner-Redcliffe Hotel. Fulham Road. 6.45 for 7.15 p.m. Names to D. L. Gullick. Mount View. Stevenage

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Chertsey District.-Nomination meeting at Chobham. Saturday. November 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday, to Mr. R. Collins, The Mount Cottage, Mimbridge, Chobham, Surrev.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Hereford District.-Meeting. November 26th. at Tyberton and Madley. Ringing 3 p.m.. at Tyberton (5). Service at Madley 4.30 p.m. Ringing at Madley (6) in the evening. Names for lea by November 22nd.-T. E. Wood. 75 . Redhill Flats. Hereford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Rossendale Branch.-Meeting at Ramsbottom. on Saturday. November 26th. Ringing at 3 p.m Cups of tea at 5 . Meeting in lower at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ -J. Porter, Branch Sec.
-J. Porter, Branch Sec. $\quad$ SOCIETY, - Next meeting, on Saturday. November 26th, at St. Chad's. Headingley (8). BeHs available 3 p.m Names for tea not later than Thursday. November 24th. to Mr. A. Johnson. 7, Weetwood Lane. Leeds 16.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Hinckley District.-Meeting. Hinckley. Saturdiy, November 26th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea. followed by business meeting. at 5 p.m.. in St. Mary's Parish Hall. For tea please notify by the Wednesday previous. Miss Christine Beasley. 15. St. George's Avenue. Hinckley. Leics.-M. Vernon. Dis. Sec. 6965 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Western Branch.-Meeting at Watton. on Saturday. November 26th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m.. followed by the business meeting. Names for tea by Thursday, 24th. to Miss Dorothy Wilton Jones Watton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H Branch.-Quarterly meeting and rededication of 7 th bell. Buckland. November 26th. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.30 . Service $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea, please. by Wednesday, November 23rd, to R. F. J. Gilling. Branch Sec.. Fernham Faringdon. Berks.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-Monthly meeting at Cookham. November 26th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Business meeting $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for lea by 22nd.-Miss Higue. 6. Siompits Road. Holyport. Maidenhead. 6936
PFTERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULD Northumpton Branch.-Business meeting. Saturday. November 26th. at Moulton. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Billings. 61. Melville Sireet. Northampton.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Salisbury Branch - November 261h, practice meeting. Broadchalke. Bells from 2.30 D.m. Dlcase, to Miss Eloic, 8 Albany Road. Salisbury.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-West Dorset Branch.-Annual meeting at Lyme Regis. on Saturday, November 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please. Barrett. 120. Gerrards Green. Beaminster. 6987 SOUTHEND \& DISTRICT GUILD - Next
\& meeting 3 at St. Clement's, Leigh (6), on Sat-
urday, November 26th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . urday. November 26 th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 .
Cups of tea 5 p.m. Special method: Double Oxford.
SURREY. ASSOCIATION - Northern Dis-trict.-Nomination meeting, Saturday, November 26th. Immanuel. Streatham, bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting following in Church Hall. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Mrs. O. Collins. of 17, Hamilton Road. Thornton Heath. Ringing at 'St. John's, Croydon. 7.8 p.m., followed by a performance in the church. especially arranged for ringers.
of . Son et Lumiere. This is a portrayal of of 'Son et Lumiecre.' This is a portrayal of
1.000 years of Croydon's history in sound 1.000 years of Croydon's history in sound
and light.-W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 6931 SUSSEX ASSOCIATION - Eastern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting at Christ Church, Blacklands. Hastings. on November 26th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea,
please. to Miss J. Downing. 128, Elphinstone please. to Miss J. Downing. 128, Elphinstone
Road. Hastings.-F. Beeney. Sec. 6984
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETYPractice meeting, Saturday, November 26th: St. Michael. Wood Green, $1.30-2.30$ p.m.; St. Andre'v. Enfield. 3-4: AH Saints', Edmon-
ton, $4.30-5.30$; St. Mathew, Upper Clapton. 7-8. p.m. 6962
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Northern District) and DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Southern Dis-trict).-Joint meeting. Richmond (8). Saturday November 26th. Special invitation to Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association members. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by November 23 rd. to Miss. D. M. Killingley, High Pottergate. Richmond.-Edward Hudson and Peter Rock. Hon. Secs.

DEVON GUILD. - North Devon Branch. Annual meeting. Chulmleigh (8). Saturday. December 3rd. 3 p.m. Seemice 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-D. Jewell, Hon. Sec.
DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch.Annual meeting. Topsham. Saturday, December 3 rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by December 1st, to R. T. Perry, Redeliff. ympstone.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.-Cirrncester Branch.-Annual meeting, p.m. Names essential by November 26th. to Mr. W. Godwin, 12, Fairford Road, Quenington, Cirencester. No name no tea. Service 6
p.m.-R. Wenban. Hon Sec. 683
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.- Stow Branch.-Annual meeting at Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by November 29th. to $F$. Newton. 44. Bishops Drive. Bishop's Cleeve, Cheltenham. Glos. All welcome.

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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Northern District-Practice meeting Royston on December 3rd. at 5.30 p.m. -E . KENT COC. COUNTY ASSOCIATION. 6970 Rochester District.-By-meeting at Stockbury (Rodmersham not available). on Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. A. Dunk, Pett Farm Bungalow,
Stockbury
6969 Lockbury Valley, Sittingbourne
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch.-Meeting at Wrangle. Saturday, December 3rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 . Tea in Parish Hall at 4.30 p.m. Important : names for tea to mc by Monday. November
28th.-W. E. Clarke. 99 . Norfolk Street. Bosion.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-
 4.15. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by Wednesday. Noyember 30th. certain pla plase. to Miss B. Sniedley. 9. Cliff Avenue. Gorleston-on-Sea, Great Yarmouth. Yarmouth bells will be available for one hour only from 2.15 to 3.15 pm . -P. Gewstead. Branch Sec. GUILD. 6980
SALISBURY DIOCESAN Devizes Branch-Monthly meeting. Bishops Cannings. Saturday. December 3rd. Bells ( 8 ) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for iea to E. J. Hitchins, 136. Bradicy Road. Troworidge, Wilts.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Meeting, Bulwell, Saturday, December 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than December 1 st, to S . SWANSEA \& BRECON GUILD - Southern District-Annual Distria meeting at St. Paul's, Skety. December 3rd. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. J. T. Williams. Dis. Sec.

SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS.Annual dinner and A.G.M. at the Imperial Hotel, Birmingham, on December 10th. Ringing at St. Chad's, St. Philip's and St. Martin s. Names by December 1st, please, to Miss C
Eustace. 28, Vicarage Road. Rugby.

## OUTING IN CORNWALL

In the early afternoon of October 22nd, the Dormobile belonging to the president of the Truro Diocesan Guild left Truro with nine ringers aboard. including a 'foreigner' from Somerset. A hearty welcome was given by a local ringer and a black cat at Menheniot (a nice six). Then came the recently restored six at Saltash. an inspection of the new Tamar bridge and a quick cup of tea at Launceston. It was found that the bells at Laneast had not been rung for a long time, the ropes were deplorable. It was only after the substitution of a spare rope that a brief ring
was possible. The new Vicar here is enthusiaswas possible. The new Vicar here is enthusias-
tic about ringing and hopcs that a band of ringers will soon be operating. It had been hoped to have a ring at the combined parish of St. Clother (5), but the bells have been condemned. However, the hell founders have been to look at them, and possibly, with the Vicar's enthusiasm, they will be restored before too long.
Ringing for the day concluded with a good quarter at Advent, rung by candlelight. The writer has now rung on all 'ringables' in
Cornwall. Truro was reached just after il p.m.. 150 miles having been completed. Best thanks are due to Alan Carveth for arranging the trip and providing transport.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION <br> Tewkeshury Branch

Tewkesbury
Branch. held on October 29th. was again most successful. We were especially pleased to welcome Mr. W. Truman, Acting Ringing Master, of the Association The evening service was conducted by Canon B. Purefoy and Rev. T. Whereat. An excellent tea was provided by the ladies. Canon and Mrs. Purefoy and Mr. Whereat joined us for tea. Canon Purefoy stated that it was hoped the restoration of the Abbey bells would take place in the near future.
At the business meeting Mr. E. W. Penn was re-elected chairman and. later, was also was re-elected charman and. elete Ringing Master, in place of Mr. E. T. Newbury, who did not seek re-election. Miss N. Price was re-elected secretary. The meeting discussed a variety of subjects. including the recognition of Minimus peals. which they were against. and the running of week-end courses. which they were for Mr. Penn thanked Mr. Newbury for his valuable services to the Exercise.

The evening provided ringing in many methods and was brought to a happy conclusion by a course of Cambridge Surprise Major.

## QUARTER PEALS

Alvaston, derbys.-On Nov. Gth, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss L. P. Hydes 1. Miss B. A. Manning 2, D. F Roberts 3. E. D. Thomas 4.
B. R. Manning (cond.) S, G. Lawrence 6. Rung to ctlebratc the birth of a daughter wo Mr. and Mrs. Hanstock.
HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.-On Oct. 30th. 1.260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): C Froggatt 1, S. Meredith 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3, M. W Harrisun 4. Alec Larkin 5. F. Bradley and D. Armstrong 6. Conducted by Frank Bradley and Dureen Armstrong. For Sunday evening service and (Oxford Treble Bob and Single Oxford): C. Frogenatt 1. Brian Mils and S. Meredith 2. D. Armarong and R. Blackshaw 3. M. W. Harricon and D. Armstrong 4. A. Larkin 5, F. Bradley (cond.) 6. Rung for evening service and Choir Festival.

## SOCIETY OF THE FRIENDS OF THE EXERCISE

TWHE autumn tour of the Society of Friends 1 of the Exercise proved memorable for rain came the floods. In fact, two very early arrivals spent Friday morning bailing out at the King's Arms to ensure that the essential supply of beer was undamaged! A peal attempt in the evening at Clyst St. George had to be postponed and instead a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung at East Budleigh, in honour of the 21 st birthday of two of the ringers. There were fewer members this year and only one new face. Two founder members were unable to attend owing to the joys of parenthood, one other member was claimed yet again by Cupid, and a third had the weakest excuse of all; he was ringing a peal!

Saturday dawned dull and cloudy and the inevitable rain began as soon as we set off towards the Kingsbridge area. our chosen venue for this week-end. We seemed to choose the only roads around Exeter that were passable but further out, at Kingsteignton, the floods were at least axle-deep. Surprisingly enough. we arrived at our first tower, Churchstow ( $6,16 \mathrm{cwt}$ ), on time, a feat which we managed to repeat through the day. For the next tower. Thurlestone, another pleasant six, the weather brightened a little and we even saw the sun! Our party became complete at South Milton when George Ellett, a local ringer from East Budleigh, brought the last two of our members. Our Master, the Honourable Savage. was unfortunately not able to be with us for at the last moment he was called upon to clear up debris left after the floods in East Budleigh.

Next on the list was lunch and as usual a 'pub' was located where we could eat our sandwiches. Afterwards we visited Galmpton. in the heart of National Trust Area and the church itself was just as beautiful for it was decorated for the Harvest Festival. We did justice to the fine bells with a good raise and some very good ringing. more than we could say elsewhere! Our next tower was Malborough and here our annual photograph was taken. The walls of the ringing room in West Alvington were covered with certificates and in the church were shields, further proof of this local band's ringing capabilities. It was only a short distance to Kingsbridge. a very good eight. but, alas, time limited the quality and standard of our ringing.

Dodbrooke. a light six. was so close to Kingsbridge that two of our party nearly missed it. At East Allington we were unable to find the tower-door key. Instead we resorted to hymn-singing round the organ accompanied by Reg Hooper-the S.F.E. pianist. The timetable forced us to leave for our last tower. Halwell. a very nice. six. Here we were joined by Bob Bran. who also provided help in the transport problem.

On arrival at the King's Arms the 21 st birthdays were celebrated. not riotously, but with the discretion expected of that age. It was not until $3 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. or was it $2 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Ithe extra hour certainly caused confusion) before we retired. No early morning quarter peal was attempted this year in deference to the local inhabitants. at least. that was our excuse! The party split up to ring at Colaton Raleigh. Withycombe Raleigh and East Budleigh for Matins.

After a hearty lunch the party took various routes to Stockland. Where we enjoyed good ringing. London. Cambridge and Stedman included. on a good ring of six.
After tea at Yeovil we were joined by the local ringers and rang Stedman. Grandsire Caters and a half course of Cambridge Surprise Roval (brought round in the usual fashion) for Evensong.
Thanks go to incumbents and local captains and also to Frank Mack. John Gilbert and Cyril Savage for giving the Society another varied collection of new towers. L.J.B.

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## QUARTER PEALS

ASCOTT-UNDER-WYCHWOOD, OXON.-On Nov, 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. S. Walker 1. Miss C. Chapman 2, N. D. Deam 3, E. R. Venn 4, R. H. Jones (cond.) 5. For All Saints' Day.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFS. On Oct. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Davies 1, C. Skidmore (cond.) 2, Michael Fellows 3, C. Peakman 4, J. Lloyd 5, F. Jukes 6, M. Fellows 7, R. Allport 8. First quarter and first attempt by treble. For Confinmation service.
CAMBRIDGE.-On Oct. 30th, at St. Andrew the Great Church. 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jennifer Stratford 1, H. Bishop 2, R. Hough 3, N. Waite 4. L. Smith 5, A. Grifinn 6, Frances Secker (cond.) 7. Lewis 8

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.-On Oct. 30th. at St. Cuthbert's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Janet Warwick (first quarter) 1, F. Hodgson 2; Brenda Cooke 3, Rohilla Cooke 4. Ernest Pannell (first quarter) 5, T. Senior 6, T. M. Cox (cond.) 7. T. Cooke 8.

EWELL, SURREY.-On Oct. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sally Parrott (first quarter) 1, R. C Spittle 2, Pauline Spittle (first in method 'inside ') 3. J. E. Beams 4, W. Parrott 5, A. S. Besant 6. C W. Munday (cond.) 7, D. A. Carpenter 8. Rung half-muftied on the funeral day of the Bishop of Guildford
INGATESTONE, ESSEX.-On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Minor (Ken: and Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): C. H. Rogers 1, M. McQuistan 2, J. Carrott 3, G. Camp 4, J. Sitch 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6. For Confimation.
MALDON, ESSEX.-On Oct, 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: I. Foster (14, first quarter) 1. J. Clarke 2, G. M. Rouse 3, Arn Vowles (first of Minor) 4, Ann Edwards 5, J. Towler (first as cond.) 6. For Evensong and Patronal Festival
NASERY, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Barton 1. Miss L. Brown (first 'inside') 2, F. Lane 3, W. Cropley 4, D Griffin (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival
SISTON, LEICS.-On Oct. 30th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles ( 5 callings): Margaret Kirk 1, H. M Payne 2, Christine A. Smith (first as cond.) 3 H. Humphreys 4. E. F. Payne 5, J. Mitchell 6. For Evensong, and a binhday compliment to the conductor.
WIDFORD, ESSEX.-On Oct, 30th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. Penfold 1, M. Bland 2, J. Carrot 3, A. H. Worboys 4, J. Fowler 5, A. J. Salisbury 6, T. East 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. For Matins.

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## ANOTHER INTERVIEW WITH THE PROFESSOR

YESTERDAY I again visited the Professor. He was thoughtfully browsing over the current issue of the
'R.W.' (November 4th), so I asked him what he was thinking about and what it was (if anything) that had provoked his studious appearance. He did not reply immediately but began to load his pipe and grope for his matches. These operations successfully accomplished, he proceeded to fill the room with clouds of black, vilesmelling smoke. Having satisfied himself, apparently, that no human being apart from himself could survive such an atmosphere for more than half-an-hour, he began to speak.

I have been reading the reports of the Snowdon dinner and find them most interesting, particularly the remarks in the Editorial on the front page with regard to university educated students. It is indeed true, and the official education programme makes it quite clear,' said the Professor, with the air of one who dines on alternate nights with the Minister of Education, ' that the number of university places will increase greatly during the next decade. Since the formation of the University Societies and the consequently increased interest taken by students, it follows that we shall have indirectly at the disposal of our beloved art the whole machinery of education. As was pointed out on the front page, the ultimate effect must be beneficial to bellringing as a whole.'
'Do you think that there is a danger that change-ringing may divide into two stratas?,' I asked; 'say ringers at an ordinary level and a so-called "intellectual" school?"
'I hope not, although as you point out it is a danger; but then it always was!'
'Mr. E. A. Barnett,' continued the Professor, 'observed at the Snowdon dinner that there is a snobbishness in certain ringing circles, where ringers incapable of ringing Cambridge Surprise were considered to be "outside the pale." Personally I don't think that this attitude is anything new. Conceit is, unfortunately, a latent characteristic of human nature, and is apt to reveal itself in unexpected places and in unexpected people. Snobbery wants decapitating whenever it rears its ugly head in the belfry, but I don't think it is more prevalent now than it was, say, 30 or 40 years ago.'
'True education,' pontificated Mr. Dodge, 'leads not to conceit but to humility, and what is sometimes forgotten by some people who are justifiably proud of their degree is that had they been born 20 or 30 years earlier there is a possibility that, owing to lack of opportunity, they would not have been able to obtain it. As a result it may well be
that until time has ironed out the differences between the age groups there will still be many ringers who received only a primary education who, had they been given the opportunity, might have had the benefit of a university education. I say this in no spirit of disrespect to those who have had this privilege, for whom, by and large, I have the greatest admiration, but in support of many of the older ringers whom I have known and still know, whose brains and capabilities both in and out of ringing are not a whit inferior to these comparative youngsters.'
'But surely,' I objected, 'the universities have always been fairly well represented in change-ringing.'
'Indeed they have,' agreed the Professor. 'One has only to look through a list of names of officials of the C.C. since its inception to realise that. But in the main, up to a comparatively short time ago, universities were fed from the so-called middle- and upper-classes. There were notable exceptions of course, but I could quote examples of a mining village where there are people down almost every street whose sons and daughters have obtained a degree, or are now at a university. This, of course, is excellent, but 40 or 50 years ago it would have been only the parson's, the doctor's or the local squire's children.. I have no reason to believe that the parents' potentialities are less than those of their children!'
'One has not to dig too deeply into the past,' explained Mr. Dodge, 'to discover great names of humble origin. I could quote many examples, but perhaps Mr. Arthur Knights, that genius of Treble Bob, will be sufficient. He received only a primary education, and even that must have been scanty and desultory for he had taken up a trade and was making boots and shoes "when he was between 10 and 11 years of age." It is useless to speculate what his achievements might have been had his education been extended, but it is impossible to imagine that they would have been greater. Who knows but what his genius might have found expression in some other form of activity. We must be thankful indeed that bellringing received the full benefit.'
'And so,' he went on, 'although it is obvious that the universities, and higher education in general, are going to play an ever-increasing part in our beloved art [which, I noticed, was the second time he had used this expression], all sorts and conditions of men (and women) may bring their offerings to her shrine. Joe Bloggs, who failed his 11-plus, may still aspire to ring Spliced Surprise Major, and Giles leave his plough or his tractor to compose peals of the same.'

Here I had to leave or succumb to suffocation; but I remember thinking as I went home that it was a long time since I had seen Mr. Dodge so serious.
H. C.

## TEN BELL PEALS

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
Ont Saf., Oct. 29. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes. At Christ Church
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 23 cwt 2 qr .23 lb .

Edward Jenkins
Fred Dunkerley
Basil Jones
Alan A. Potis.
C. Kenneth Lewis JOhn WORTH Brian Harris Leslie Boumphrey Ralph G. Edwards A. Patrick Cannon..

Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.
BEDDINGTON, SURREY
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, ilf 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Raymond P. Wood.....Treble| Victor G. Roberis.
Tudor P. Edwards.
Brynley A. Shackelton.
R. James Cook.

Eric J. Hitchens
Composed by J. A. Burford.
STOCKTON. CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, At the Parish Church.
A PEAL OF 5020 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor 21 cwt .11 lb .
*Ronald Miliington
.Treble $\dagger$ John A. Brown
Charles N. Lfa .. .. 2 †Thomas M. Cox
$\dagger$ Rohilla M. Cooke
Doris M. Killingley . 3 Thomas Cooke $\dagger$ Bert Surton Fred Hodgson Hodgson
Conducted by T. Cooke. Tenor
Composed by F. Hodason "First peal. † First of Bob Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

> LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF 5040 TAMWORTH SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb . in B
Robert B. Smith .. .. Treble Alfred Ballard

Frederick E. Wilshaw
W. Ernest Rawson
J. Edward Cawser
*E. At.an Jacques

Composed and Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

* First peal in the method. + First in the method "inside.' First in the method in the county, and for the Guild

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Saf.. Nol' 12, 1960. in 3 Hours and 46 Minutes. At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas, A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB ROYAL Tenor 37 cwt .73 lb , in D flat.
*Edmund P. Crowdy .. Treble *Frederick Ross .. .. 6
*Marion S. Ainsworth.. 2 Denis A. Bayles Kenneth Arther *J. Alan Ainsworth .. 9
*George S. Deas Robin G. Turner ${ }^{\text {Arranged by Fredk. W. Grocott. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth. }}$ Robin G. Turner ${ }^{\text {Arranged by Fredk. W. Grocott. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth. }}$ * First peal of Little Bob Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

MORPETH. NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., Sept. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Watch Tower.
A PEAL OF 5152 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .26 lb . in G.
J. Alan Ainsworih .. Treble $\quad$ George S. Deas....... 5 Composed by Arthur Craven. Conducted by Frederick W. Grocott. * First peal in the method.

## HEMSWORTH, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Oct. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Helen.
 Conducted by Frederick Shallcross
*First peal of Major and Surprise. First as conductor
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar. the Rev. Robin C. Barsley, who is shortly taking up the living of Hadlow, Kent.

COLE-ORTON. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD
On Sat. Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt 1 qr .8 lb .

| SER | eble | Roland Beniston |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| and barr | , | Arthur Pritchard |
| Frederick E | 3 | Joseph W. Cotton |
|  |  | Francis R. Lowe |

richard J. Warrilow .. 4 Francis R. Lowe .. .. Tenor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

* First peal in the method.


## DERBY

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 5. 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .2 qr .23 lb . in E.
David Parkin .. .. .. Treble Christopher Hughes
Mrs. S. H. Jones
2 John F. MURFin David K. Walklate .. 3 Derek G. Asiridge.. .. 7
$\qquad$ Michael Knight .. 4 Alfred Mould.. .. .. Tenor Arranged and Conducted by David K. Walklate. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. Michael R. Austin, B D

DRIGHLINGTON. YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sut.. Nor. 5. 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minules,
At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5088 HEREFORD SURPRISE, MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt .
Geoffrey Townend .. Treble W. Eric Critchley .. ..
Howard Scott .. .. .. 2 J. Henry Fielden Peter Scholfield .. .. 3 Gordon Benfield Leslie W. G. Morris .. 4 Ian M. Holland .. ... Tenor Composed by: A. Knighis. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
First peal ita the method by all the band, and for the Association.

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## EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sut.. Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Simon and Jude
A PEAL OF 5152 VENTNOR SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt .3 qr .13 lb.

| Paul Martin | ble | Ralph Elkington |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John M. Jelley |  | A. Maxwell Lindsey |
| Brian G. Warwick | 3 | A. James Poynor |

Brian G. Warwick
A. James Poynor
$\stackrel{7}{7}$
Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by John M. Jelley. First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild. GREAT BENTLEY, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
Holt's Original.
Roy Duesbury
+George A. Button
Edward E. Davey.
*Frank H. Pike

Treble *George N. Orman.
*David E. Culham Alan R. Andrews. *Percy W. Mills $\qquad$ Tenor Conducted by Roy Duesbury.

* First peal in the method. + First in the method inside.

A compliment to Marion H. Mills (daughter of the tenor ringer) and Peter Wood on their engagement.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Petrir.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Wililam J. Button.. .. Treble Hubert A. Mitson Robfirt E. Lesier Keith W. Whittell Leslie G. Foster *Raymond F. Taylor Harry D. Lister John L. Girt enor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Harry D. Lister. * First peal in the method. W. J. Button has now circled the tower' to peals.

Tenor 8 cwt .3 th . CROSS STONE. TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At The Church of St. Paul
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATTVE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cw .
Peier Scholfield Treble cwl.

Leslie W. G. Morris
Geoffrey Cheetham

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| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | J |
| 3 | N |
| 4 | V |

Michael D. Fishwick John H. Fielden Norman Smith
Philip J. H. Hudson .. 4 Vernon Bottomley .. Tehor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Norman Smith. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the first peal on the hells. WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUICD On Thurs., Nov. 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

> At the Church of St Mary.

A PEAL OF 5280 VERWOOD SLRPRISE MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt 3 qr .25 lb . in A .

## Thomas J. Lock

Treble Dennis Knox
Alick Cutler
Claudia A. Critchley
$3 \quad$ G. William Critc
Joan Beresford.
4 SPEED John R. Mayne. 5
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Composed by Richard F. B. Speed. Conducted by John R. Mayne. First peal in the method

## KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nor. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Beckei,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (sixth observation). Tenor $12 \frac{1}{\mathrm{cw}} \mathrm{cw}$. *Patricia Collins
"Christine M. Rimmer.
Mikaela Erik
Treble Bernard L. Marks
Stanley Huckle
+Gerald Penney
Eric Edmondson
Martyn W. Harbott
ERIC EDMONUSON
Conducled by Sianley Huckle.
*First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First of Triples in the method. First of Triples as conductor

NEW ROMNEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minules At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5056 BIDDENDEN SURPRISE MAJUR VIolet I. E. Relf Tenor $16 \mathrm{cwt} 1 \mathrm{gr}, 4 \mathrm{lb}$, in E.
Violet I. E. Relf.....
-Bernard F. L. Groves..
*John R. Cooper
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* Andrew M. Macve

Composed by W. Eric Critchley
*Ralph Bird

- First peal in the method.
*Ian H. Oram .. ... ...
Thumas Cullinjuorih..

Rung for the appointment of the Vicar (Rev, J. F. Stuart Martin) as Rural Dean of South Lympne: also a birthday compliment to Andrew M. Macve.

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VERWOOD SURPRISE MAJOR
-58-4.58-12.36-14-5.14-16.3.
8 ths place lead-end. 4ths place bob.
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## ROMSEY, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Nov. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.
At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Ethelfleda.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pritchard's.
Reginald W. Rex .....Treble *H. Jack Page cwt. 8 lb . in D
*Audrey J. Knight.. 2 Reginald F. Crook ... 6
Christopher M. White $3{ }^{\text {Chic P Woolgrove }} 4$ Arthur W. Sayers.. .. 7
Eric P. Woolgrove .. 4 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. Tenur
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

- First peal of Major.

ROTHWELL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Nov. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours,
At the Church of The Holy Trinily,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Tenor 21 cwt 3 lb.
Vesta A. Headland .. Treble Murray A. Coleman
William J. Whitmore .. $\frac{2}{3}$ Arthur Gibbs ...
Shelagh R. Collins .. 3 Geoffrey E. Waison
†George Wright .. .. 4 Brian Austin .. .. . Iehor Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James.

- 25th peal for the Guild. + First of Triples. First as conductor.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. NoI: 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. JOhn-The-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5184 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB MAJOR
*Valerie Lacey.. .. .. Treble tJohn Manners.. .. .. 5
C. Wilitam Hall .. .. 2 *David Swift
+Tom Harris
*David Swift..
+Frank Chambirs
+Celia Cowley $\quad . \quad$.. 4 Roland Beniston
Conducted by Roland Beniston. Composed by Henry W. Wilde. Conducted by

A Loughborough District peal.

## HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Nov. 13, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt . 27 lb . in E flat.
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Robfri T. Lambert } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Trfvor A. Cross } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Reginald E. Lambfri } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Ernest J. Ladd } & \ldots & . & 6 \\ \text { *Olive D. Couchman } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Bernard F. L. Groves } & . . & 7\end{array}$

| * Olive D. Couchman | . | 3 | Bernard F. L. Groves .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Thomas E. Sone. *First peal of Yorkshire 'inside.' $\dagger 650$ th peal.

Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day; also in memoriam Mrs. E. M. Elms, mother-in-law of the ringer of the sixth.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

FRENSHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri.. Ocr. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being three 240 s and 24 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 six-scores of Plain Bob.
Charles W. Denyer ...Treble Dennis W. Shepheard 11 cw
Edward J. Bragg .... 2 Clifford J. Beadle.
Stanley G. Ponting .. 3 Arthur C. Beadle .. .. Tenor Conducted by Clifford J. Beadle.
First peal as conductor.
Rung half-muffled as a
Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the late Mr. Leonard Heath. ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Oct. 31. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules.
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being one 720 and two 2.160 s.
EFrederick W. Sweet ...Treble Victor G. Roberts .. 21 lb 4
+F. A. Keith Prime .. 2 Michael J. Srone
Howard Collins ..... 3 Peier C. Wrighi ... Tenor Conducted by Peter C. Wright.
*First peal of Surprise. + First of Surprise .inside." First of
Surprise as conductor. First of Surprise on the bells.
For All Saints' Day.
SWAFFHAM PRIOR. CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs. Nov. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes. Ai then Church of Si. Ciriac.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Bcing seven extents,
-O. Brenda Carter
Anihony R. Mann
Drrik G. Taylor
Treble
? Charles F. Sargeant
enor 11 cwl .

- First peal Conducted by Richard attempt. W. Housden.

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

BALDERTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Tenor 8 cwt . in $G$ sharp.


COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt .


Conducted by James H. Musson.
LANGDALE, WESTMORLAND THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
at the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.
Nicholas M. Newby
James E. Burles
Treble Tenor 9 cwt .1 qr .

Braithwaite Rigg 2
.. Tenor Conducted by Nicholas M. Newby.
First peal on the bells since rehanging in a new frame.
Rung for the 90 th birthday of Mrs. Gaskell, of Skelwith Bridge, and the centenary of the casting of the first five bells.

LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY
THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob, each called differently.
George Fry

|  | Treble |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | + |  |  |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |  |  |
| $\ldots$ | . | 3 |  | Tenor 10 cwt .1 qr .21 lb . in G.

*Ann George
$\dagger$ Brian E. Jeffrey
Conducted by Stanley Jenner

* First peal in two methods 'inside.' $\dagger$ First in two Minor methods. A 21 st birthday compliment to John E. Warner.

PULVERBATCH. SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 5. 1960, in 2 Howrs and 41 Minutes.
At- the Church of St. Edurh.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, differently called. Tenor 5 cwt .20 lb ,
*Bessie A. Carter .. .. Treble †F. Hector Bennett .. 4 Dorothy M. Cooper .. 2 Harry Poyner .. .. .. 5 Richard E. Morris 3 Mary C. Poyner

Conducted by Mary C. Poyner.

* 50 th peal. +25 th peal this year. First as conductor

SWINDERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 14 extenis Grandsire and 28 Plain Bob. Tenor 4 cwt .3 qr. 7 lb. Ruth Blackshaw .. .. Treble Brian Mills F. William Midwinter 2 *Maurice W. Harrison... 4 *John Higas .. .. . Tenor Conducted by Brian Mills.

* First peal of Doubles. First peal, first attempt, as conductor.

Rung as a 77th birthday compliment to Mrs. Drury; also as a welcome home to the conductor, he having completed his two years. National Service.

COMPTON BISHOP. SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun.. Nov. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { DOUBLES }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being eight extents of St. Simon's, ten of Grandsire and 12 each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury. Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr .7 lb . John Brinson
Ann White
Marjorie Legg

Treble Harold Hooper.
George Prescott
John Hooper
Conducted by Georger Prescoit.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Nov. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of Wells, London, Chester, Durham, York,
Ipswich and Cambridge.
Hermon J. Oliver .. Treble Colin M. Tiffin
*Gerald K. Goldwin .. 2 Roy R. Tiffin .. .. .. 4
*Robert J. Isgrove .. 3 Harry Turner .. .. .. Tenor

* First peal in Conducted by Harry Turner.
*First peal in seven methods.
NEWBURN, NORTHUMBERLAND
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Mon. Nov. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Beverley Surprise, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
J. Alan Ainsworth Treble witiam Tyson Tenor 16 cwt

John E. Anderson .. .. 3 Eric N. Harrison .. . . Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth
* 100th peal for the Association.


## GUILDFORD. SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Nov. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.
*Patricia Laycock
Treble Ann M. Cox
William T. Beeson ... 2 Harold A. May $\quad .$.
Stanley G. Ponting .. 3 A. Patrick Cannon ... .. Tenor Conducted by Harold A. May.

* First peal in seven methods.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Ernest R. Warner ( 60 years),
a member of Holy Trinity, Guildford, band.

## BURMARSH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Nov. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents
*Thomas H. Fagg .. .. Treble
Maisie Vantom $\quad . . \quad . . \quad 2$
Mrs. R. Wratten .. ... 3 +Robert Swift .. ... Tenor

* First Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.
* First peal. + 200th peal.

RAMPTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
In five methods, being eight extents each of St. Nicholas", Winchendon Place Bob. St. Martin's and St. Simon's, and ten of Plain Bob.
Alec T. Denson
Tenor $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Treble George E. Thoday
Tenor 10 cwt.

Donald F. Murfet .. .. 2 Arthur Yarrow
Geoffrey A. Lucas.. .. Tenur
Conducted by Geoffrey A. Lucas.
WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Nov. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob. Double Oxford. Childwall. St. Clement's and Plain Bob. $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { J. Henry Taylor } & \ldots & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Albert E. Flatiers } & . . & 4 \\ \text { Joseph W. Baley } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Harold Barsley } & \text {. } & \text {.. } & 5 \\ \text { John P. Morris } & \ldots & . & 3 & \text { J. Martin Thorley } & \text {.. } & \text {.. Tenor }\end{array}$

Conducted by J. Mariin Thorley.
A Remembrance peal.
ASHLEY. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960. in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
at the Chulch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. MARTIN'S DOUBLES Tenor 8 cwt.
Ronald Russell
Treble $\mid$ Richard J. Danby
Percy Amos .. .. ... 2 Timothy A. Wooding .. 4
George F. Roome .. .. Tenor
Conducted by George $F$. Roome.
First peal in the method for all the band, and for the Guild. First peal on the bells in living memory.

Rung for the Festival of St. Martin.

CANTERBURY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Alphege,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Single Oxford and Oxford Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob (different callings). Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in B. Paul Cattermole .....Treble Mary S. Taylor Paul. A. Batchelor .. .. 2 Philip E. Deverill. Pauline Fennel .. .. 3 Nicholas J. Davies .. Tenor Conducted by Nicholas J. Davies.
First peal as conductor. Average age of band $16 \frac{1}{2}$ years.

CHIPPENHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being an extent each of London. Wells, York, Netherseale, Ipswich. Norwich and Cambridge. Geoffrey A. Lucas.

Treble George E. Thoday Tenor 16 cwt . Donald F. Murfet

Treble Roger J. Palmer

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Mansfield Ginn
Conducted by Mansfield Ginn.
CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minules, at the Church of St. Dunstan,
A PEAL OF 5040 MIDDLESEX DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout. Tenor 7 cwt . in B.
Claudia A. Critchley .. Treble Frank C. Price .. .. 4 Kenneth R. Dunstan .. 2 John Hill. G. William Critchley .. 3 John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method.
Rung as a farewell to the curate of Cranford, the Rev. D. A. G. Davies. who is leaving to take up an appointment at Shrewsbury.

## KIPPAX. YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*David Sheppard .. .. Treb
Mrs. J. R. Render.. . 2
$\dagger$ Alan Sheppard .. .. 3 †Kenneth B. Sissons .. Tenor Conducted by Kenneth. B. Sissons.

- First peal at first attempt. † 25 th peal together.

Rung to welcome the birth, and celebrate the christening, of Andrew Stephen, son of Mr. John Potts, who is grandson of the ringer of the second.

SADDLEWORTH. YORKSHIRE,
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. and three of Plain Bob.
Peter Dale
E. Michael Quinn
. . . T
Treble
2
3 enar Brian Schofield

Conducted by Johy Robinson.

- First peal in three methods. The conductor's 25 th peal.


## MIDDLESEX DELIGHT MINOR.

36-34.16-12-1236-34-5 2nds place lead-end.

## STARSTON, NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.
 Conducted by Ernest Whiting.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. J. F. Gratton Guinness, who is retiring at the end of the month.

## TERLING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nor. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Tenor 10 cwt . in G.
Mary Ronst .. .. .. Treble I Joe E. G. Roast
Ernest E. S. Johnson .. 2 | Peier J. Eves
Howard W. Egglestone Tenor Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.
First peal of Stedman Doubles by all the band.
THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Syston District.)
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minules,
Ai the Latimer Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 30 extents of Grandsire and; 12 of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .7 lb . in G.
*Geoffrey K. Hestor .. Treble J. Richard Perkins .. 4 B. Stedman Payne.. .. 2 Royston Wilmore .. 5 Malcolm D. Barsby .. 3 *Robert H. J. Daw. . .. Tenor Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

- First peal.

A 13th birthday compliment to Victoria Goddard, a ringer of this tower.

## HANDBELL PEALS

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Nov. 10, 1960, in 1 Hour and 42 Minutes.
At 66, Melton Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten callings).
Tenor size 15 in C .
Ernest Morris....... $1-2 \mid$ b. Stedman Payne
Malcolm D. Barsby .. 5-6
Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.
Rung to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. John B. Bennett on the birth of their second son.

## LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Nov. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, At the County Hall, S.E.,
A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor size 15.
Joan Beresford .. .. $1-2 \mid$ John Freeman
*Dennis Beresford .. .. 3-4 †Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 5-6
*Thomas J. Lock .. .. 9-10
Conducted by John Freeman.
Composed by C. W. Roberts.
*First peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand.' † First handbelk peal of Stedman. 200th peal as conductor.

ABERDARE, GLAM.-On Oct. 30th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A Watts (first quarter) 1. F Rowsell 2, G Kerley 3, W. Harford 4, P. Jones (firme -irside ') 5, J. Hopkinson 6, D. Kerley (first quarter as cond.) 7. M. Edwards 8. A compliment to the linger of 6 . on his engagement to Ann Griffiths, former singer at this tower.

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-AT St. Peter's Caihedral. on Oct. 30th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1. O. Goulter (first of Triples) 1. H. Greenhalgh 2 Enid Roberts (cond.) 3. C. H. Bagot 4. H. F. Cox (first of Triples -inside ') 5, W. B. Pitcher (first of Triples 6. B. R. Cox 7, H. C. Moule (first of Triples) 8. For C.E.B.S. annual service. Also on Nov. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. O. Goulter 1. F. N. Smeaton 2. Enid Roberts (cond.) 3, H Grcenhalgh 4, C. H. Bagot $5, \mathrm{~W}$. B. Pitcher 6
H. R. Cos $7, \mathrm{H}$ service.

ALDERSHOT, HANTS.-On Sept 24ih, 1,260 Grandsire Troples: Rosemary Edmunds (first quarter 1. T. Page 2, Stella Tare-Mitchell 3. Rowemari Chapman 4. W. Viggers 5. A. Burcher 6, E. Bragg (cond.) 7. F. Williamson (first quarter) 8. Also on Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sylvia Tate Mitchell (first quarter) 1. T. Page 2, Stella Tate Mitchell 3. Rasemarie Chapman 4. A. Butcher 5 E. Bragg 6. W. Viggers (cond.) 7, F. Wicks 8

AMERSHAM, BUCKS.-On Nov. 13th. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss D. Payne (first quartar) 1. Miss R. Stacey 2, Mrs. E. G. Swif 3. E. G. Swift 4, J. E. Camp (cond.) 5, Miss $R$ Hicks 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day service.

ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.-On Nov. 12th 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: D. J. King 1. Miss A. M Gladwell 2, A. T. Wingate 3, Mrs. D. J. King 4 D. F. Jaine 5. G. Davis (cond.) 6.

BARWELL, LEICS.-On Nov. 4ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: R.J. Colver (first quarter) 1, Mrs 1. C. F. Williams 2, 1. L. Hough 3. A. A. Lucas (cond.) 4. T. K. Deacon 5. C. Lucas (first quarter) 6. A. H. Housh 7, J. Needham 8. A 21st hirthdmy compliment to Christopher Lucas, a member of the local band.
BIRMINGHAM.-At Bishop Latimer Church, on Net. 30th. 1,280 London Surprise Major: B. D. A Woolley 1. J. A. Anderson 2, Mrs. M. Woolley 3. Miss E. M. Yardley 4. R. J. Lees 5, D, J. Purnell 6, R. G. Edwards 7. G. E, Fearn (cond.) 8.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.-On Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Dunsden 1. A. R. T Greenough 2, P. Corderoy 3, E. J. Grace 4, H. L. Bishop 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6, I. P. Blond Remembrance serviee.
BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.-At Christ Church. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Stillman (13) 1 R. Humphries 2, R. Lovelock 3, F. W. Box 4, R Purnell (cond.) 5. D. Gaisford 6. First quarter 1 and 2. Also at Holy Trinity Church. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Stillman 1. P. Gaisford 2, G. Parsons 3. R. Purnell 4, F. Box (cond.) 5, T. Wieks 6 Rung for Harvest Festival by all local Sunday service ringers.
BRIGHION. SUSSEX.-At the Church of St Peter. on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Audrey M. Evans 1. Angela Grainger 2, A. W. Bond 3. L. Batting 4. G. North 5. S. E. Armstrong 6 H. W. Woatven (cond.) 7. C. W. T. Riddleston \& Rung half-muftied on Remembrance Sunday:

BRISTOL.-On Oct. 23 rd, at St. Michael-on-theMount Without Church. 1.260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Judith Atkinson (first quamer) 1 D. Evans 2. R. Blackler (cond.) 3. T. C. Maycock 4 M. J. Austin 5. E. Mould (first quarter) 6. By the :.B.S.C.R. For Evensong. Aiso on Oct. 30th. 1,320 Plain Boh Minor: Christine Collett (first quarter) 1, Dorothy Stafford 2. Jenntfer Gambling 3. A. Kench 4. J. C. Baldwin 5, J. A. Bennett (cond.) 6. By the 11.B.S.C.R. For Evensang. Also on Nav 6th, 1.272 Minor (Kent. ()xford and Cambridge): Bridget Ieighton 1. J. C. Baldwin 2. L. Blackker 3. D. Heigh ton 4. 1. C. Maycock 5, M, J. Austin (cond.) 6. For Evensong-
BURSTOW, SURREY,-On Nov. 13th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire. Stedman, St. Simon's. Plain Boh and Canterbury): T. Padbury 1, W. F. Slaughter 2, L. W. Penfold 3. G. Charlion 4. A. J Bull (cond.) 5. H. H. Padbury 6. First in five methods for 1. 4 and 6. For Remembrance rvice
CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.-On Nov. 1st, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): I. Measures (14) 1. J. W. Cotton 2, Joan Cotton 3, D. P. Jones (cond.) 4. D. Eames (15) 5. Rung half-muffled in grate[u] memory of Captain C. Collingwood, foundermember of the Boy scout movement, through whose generosity these bells were restored.

## QUARTER PEALS

CHURCH STANTON, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 7th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss I. Stevens 1, Miss P Stevens 2. R. Shire 3, C. Stevens 4, H. Churchil (cond.) 5, W. Moore 6. Rung for the tenth anniversary of the first peal on the augmented six.
COOMBE BISSETT, WILTS.-On Oct. 16th, 1,440 Cambridge Surnrise Minur: B. J. Lawes 1, E. Haines 2. D. Randall 3. R. Haines 4. A. Haines 5. R. N Marlow (cond.) 6. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.
CRAYFORD, KENT.-On Nov, 13 th, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles: Jean F. Barnett 1, E. Barnett 2, W. J Lemon 3. P. G. Richards 4, E. A. Barnerı (cond.) 5 1. MacLean (first quarter) 6. For Remembrance Sunday. First quarter for over 20 years by a Sunday service band.
DAYBROOK. NOTTS.-On Oct. 29rh. 1.280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Miss H. B. Nevin 1 1. H. Pailing 2. Miss D. Hopkins 3, J. G. Underwood 4, R. Baldwin 5, K. W. Price 6, F, N. Pailing 7. D. W. Friend (cond.) 8.
EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. George 1. T. Newcombe 2 W. George 3, T. Hawkins 4. J. Weeks (eond.) 5. J. Rixon 6. A birthday compliment to Stenhen, son of conductor, and Tony, son of 1 and 3 . Also on Nov. 5th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Bacon 1. T Newcombe 2. D. Langdon 3, I. Weeks 4. W. George 5. T. Hawkins (cond.) 6. For patronal festival. Also on Nov. 13th, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Mrs ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ George 1, D. Langdon 2, Miss T. Newcombe 3, 6, J. Weeks 7, T. Hawkins 8. Rung half-muffled in memory ef Miss A. L. Knight (sister of Vicar), who passed away on November 10th, 1960
EXNING, SUFFOLK.-On Nov, 11 th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan E. Cross (12, first quarter) 1-2 A. R. Mann (cond.1 3-4. Irene A. Cross (14) S-6. FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.-On Nov. 6ih. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Bebb 1. R. H. Mills 2 G. S. Joyce 3. M. Cox 4. Miss M. Finch 5, W. W. Wright (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
FELMERSHAM, BEDS.-On Nov, 12th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: P. A. Wakeman 1. Miss K. Rivell 2. Mrs. Mary Mann 3. C. M. Payne 4. K. C Churchill (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled for the service of Remembrance.
FINEDON, NORTHANTS.-On Nov. 6th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Foster 1, N. Pearson 2, C. Richardson 3. E. J. Chapman 4, D. Pearson 5, M. King (cond.) 6 . For the Festival of All Saints. HEAVITREE, DEVON.-On Nov. 10th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: $\mathbf{F}$. Wills 1, F. Wreford 2, S. Skinner 3, C. Yates 4. E. E. Retter 5, G. Skinner
6. G. E. Retter (cond.) 7. S. Milton 8. Rung half6. G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, S. Milton 8. Rung halfmuffled in memory of Mrs. C. G. Glass, wife of the Ringing Master at this tower
HENSTRIDGE, SOMERSET.-On Nov, 12th, 1.260 Stedman Douhles: P. Sparks 1. Mrs. M. M. Gudley 2. T. Marks 3, R. Fox (cond.) 4. T. Setter 5. A.

HEREFORD.-At the Cathedral. on Nov. 13th 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss R. Jarretı 1. A. T. Wingate 2, J. Eisel 3. Miss A. Gladwell 4. T. Wood 5. F. Reed (cond.) 6, G. Davis 7. W. F.
Scudamore 8. G. T. Cousins 9. M. Munn 10. Firsi of Caters for 3, 4, 5. 9 and 10. For Remembrance Sunday.
HKGH WYCOMRE, BUCKS.-On Aug. 13th. 1.472 Kent T.B. Major: Miss M. Tilbury 1. G Harrison 2. R. Hazell 3. D. Cornwall 4. D. Francis 5. R. Biges 6. S. M. Bailey 7. D. Knox (cond.) 8. Alsn on Nov. Sth. 1.260 Siedman Triples: Miss P. Jervis 1. Mixs M. Tilhury 2. D. Ward 3. D. Cornwall 4, J. Camp 5. D. Knox 6. S. M. Bailey (cond.) 7. R. Hazell 8.
HITCHIN, HERTS.-Un Nov. 6ih. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Bronwen Learner (first quarter) 1. M. D. Trigg (first 'inside') 2. Margaret $E$. Preece 3. F. I. Plummer 4. C. M. Orme 5, A R. Age (cond.) 6. H. H. Starie (covering)

HOLLOWAY. LONDON,-On Nov. 8th. 1.260 Stedman Triples: T. J. Lock 1, Miss D. A. Deverell 2. Miss M. A. Prockson 3, A. R. Ling 4. D.
Bciesford 5. B. Baker 6. T. H. Francis (cond.) 7. R. Newman 8. For Thanksgiving service for the 250th anniversary of the St. Mary Magdalene day schools.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.-On Oct 22nd. 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Kathleen Rivett 1. K. C. Fleming 2. P. Wakeman 3, R. Mitchell (first of Major) 4. Mrs. C. Mann 5. C. Payne 6. C. Mann 7. R. Churchill (first of Major as cond.) 8. A
compliment to P. Wakeman on obtaining a State scholarship to a London college. also a birthday scholarship to London college. also a birthday

IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.-On Oct. 30th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 600 Plain Bob Minor: H, King 1. M. Rose 2, R. Rose 3, L. Sharne 4, E, Bishop s, K. G. Brown (cond.)
KING'S NORTON, WORCS.-On Oct. 23rd, 1.277 Grandsire Caters: Margarer Turner 1. Linda M. Hughes 2, Susan Funnell 3, Ann E. Fellows (first of Caters 'inside') 4. R. W. Pipe (cond.) 5 , of Caters Minside ) 4. R, W. Pipe (cond.) 5,
Veronica M. Miles 6. Alma M. Greaves 7. J. K. Foot 8, 1. M. Donald 9. R. J. Gay 10. For Evensong.
KINGSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 30th. 1.440 Kent Trehle Bob Minor: B. Hambilton 1. Miss . 1. Frost 2. D. Benfield 3, D. M. Trueman 4.
Benfield 5. B. E. Frost (cond.) 6. For Evensong. KINGSTONE, HEREFORDS.-On Nov, 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Double:: L. H. Colcombe 1, C. Phillips 2. R. G. Powell (cond.) 3, M. V. Powell 4. I. G. Jones 5. F. Williams 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. R. Powell, mother of the conductor. who was intened this day. Also on Nov. 13th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. H. Colcombe 1. T. J. Gundy 2, M. V. Powell 3, R. G. Powell (cond.) 4. . G. Jones S. F. Williams 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance service at 11 am . And for Evensong. 1,260 Doubles (New Grandsire. April Day. Plain Buh and Grandsire): I. G. Jones 1, T. J Gundy 2. R. G. Powell (cond.) 3. L. H. Colcombe . M. V. Powelt 5. F. Williams 6.
KINGSWOOD, SURREY.-On Nov. 12th, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. P. Wood 1. Ruth How 2, Jill Brierley 3. Rev. E. Woad 4, Rev. J. Homfray 5. R. B. Meadows (cond.) 6. Rung for the baptism of S. Alban Wood, at All Saintr: Leatherhead, by his parents and four god-parents.
LACOCK, WILTS,-On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Humphries , P. Gaisford 2, Miss C. Langley 3, R. Lovelock . R. Purnell (cond.) 5. D. Stillman 6. Firsi in three methods on the bells. Rung half-muffled on of Remembrance Sunday
ILANBADARN FAWR, CARDS.-On Nov, 9th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minur: G. Harris 1. Gilian C.raney 2, C. Lewis 3, E. Lloyd 4. P. Smith 5. G. Thomas (cond.) 6 .

LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes'. on Oct. 3urh. 1.254 Grandsire Caters: W. Rogers (cond.) 1. Mrs, H. G. Hart 2, Miss C. Pullin 3. Mrs. T. J.
1t l wek 1. Miss R. M. Foreman 5, D. I. C. Smith
(first of Caters) 6, D. C. Bowen 7, A. Cutler 8. T. J. Lock 9, H. G. Hart 10. For Evensong.

MILDENHALL, SUFFOLK.-On Nov. 5th. 1.360 Kent Treble Bob Royal: Miss A. Greaves 1, J. Ivings 2. E. Nice 3. Miss D M. Reeve 4. 1. Nice 5, J. Stanaard 6. R. Rose (cond.) 7, L. Sharpe 8, H. Fuller 9, J. Paul 10. First in the method by all

## the band.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYS.-On Nov, 4ih, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: D. Eames (15, first of Major) 1, D. P. Jenes (cond.) 2, J. W. Cotton 3, W. F. Woodward 4. W. Carson 5, F R. Lowe 6, J. Smith 7. M. Biore 8. In memory of Benjamin Barker, ringer at St. Peter's. Derby.

NORTH PERROTT, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 8ih. 1.260 Siedman Doubles: V. J. Farthing 1. S. W White 2. R. P. Selway 3. W. H. Poole 4. W. E Turner 5. R. White 6 . Firs quarter. by all, non conducted.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): H. King 1. Ann Hancoek 2. Wendy Bowak 3, L. Cordell 4. N. King 5. W. Wedlock (cond.) 6. Also on Nov. 6ih. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Haneock 1. Wendy Bowas 2. S. King 3. R. Bridges 4, W. Wediock 5, J. McPhail (cond.) 6. For family vervice.
PANGBULRNE, BERKS.-On Nov. 13ih. 1.260 Plain Buh Double: J. F. Carter 1. G. M. Harvey 2 E. 1. Munday 3. E. C. Carter (firn quarter - inside') 4, R. K. Russ (first in methad as cond.) Sunday and in memeriam J. Nanper of Goring-an Thames.

PARRAMATTA. N.S.W.-On Oct. 10th. 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): G. A. J. Langshaw 1. Audrey E. Peters 2, W D. Watson (cond.) 3. R. L. Clark 4, 1. F. Hammond 5, R.E.
Miller 6. For Confirmation service. Alsn on Nov. miler 6. For Confirmation servic

Curran 1 W. D. Watson 2. R. W. Ferris 3. J. J. Cummins Goodyer (cond.) 5. J. F. Hammond 6 First in the method for all the band and believed to be the first for the Association. Rung for All Saints Day and to mark the centenary of the bells. Also on Nov. 6th. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob. Norfolk, April Das. Grandsire. Plain Bob and Old): G. A. J. Langshaw 1, Audrey E Peters 2, W. D. Watson 3, R. L. Clark 4. R, W Ferris (cond.) 5, W. Munday
PTHMINSTER, SOMFRSET.-On Nov. $11 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: P. Tubbs (cond.) 1. R. Shire 2. R. Lee 3. G. Salter 4. B. Burston S. T. Langdon 6. Rung half-muflied for Armistice Day.

ASTBURY, CHPSHIRE,-On Nov. 7th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Newcastle, Alnwick, Wells, London, Durham, York): J. Riley 1, N. Sherratt (cond.) 2, W. Sherratt 3, R. A. Challinor A, P. A. Mason 5. R. Worrall 6, A birthday compliment to the reble ringer.

BECKLEY, OXON.-On Nov. 13th, 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: Margaret Cozier 1, J. S. Walker 2. A. Dunkley (first 'inside') 3, R. H. Jones (cond.) 4. N. D. Ream 5. For Remembrance Day.

BISHOP'S CANNINGS, WILTS.-On Nov. 3 rd , 1.260 Grandsire Triples: $S . G . G r a n t$ (cond.) 1 , Miss B. Ha.ker 2. Mlas R. Maundrell 3. J. Romain 4. F. Hale 5, W. Bevean 6, W. Mortimer 7. F. Osmond 8. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. W. W. Smith, the new Vicar.

BLOXHAM, OXON.-On Nov. 3rd, 1.260 Siedman Triples: E. E. Pearson 1, B. J. Davies (firs in method) 2. R. A. Reeves 3, W. J. Cross 4, C. C. Clark 5, W. Ivings $6, \mathrm{~W}$. N. Genns 7, E. S. Hitcheox 8. A birthday compliment to Betty. daughter of tenor ringer.

BOSTON, LINCS. On Oct. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Joan Cilbert (first in method) 1. A. Freeston 2. F. P. Harwond 3. F. Leggott 4, A. E. Flatters 5, J. Petch 6, W. E. Clarke (cond.) 7, T. Freeaton 8. Rung for the visit of the Lord Bishop of Linewin to a Lincolnshire mission service.

CAMBRIDGE.-At the Church of Great Salnt Andrew, on Nov. 13th, 1.264 Plain Boh Major: J. R. Hough 1, H. E. Bishop 2. Clare Webster 3. D. Richardson 4. D Parker (first on eight) 5 . Milary Muirhead 6. A. J. Gritin 7, J. R. Taylor (cond.) 8. For the Cambridge University Guild.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK. On Nov. 6th, $1,320 \mathrm{St}$. Simon's Bob Doubles: Mrs. H. Ivings 1. W. Dodds (first quarter) 2, J. Yeo (first quarter) 3. H. Ivings 4. J. E. Ivings (cond.) 5. For morning service.

FAREHAM, HANTS.-On Nov. 13 th. 1,344 Plain Bob Major: J. Stevenson 1. Miss S . Smith (first of Major) 2. Mrs. B. M. Hunt 3, D. Jones 4, J. A. G. Ball, 5, G. Miles 6. A. H. Sturgess 7. J. M. Hune (cond.) 8. Halt.muffied for Remembrance Day

HASLEMERE, SURREY,-On Nov. 13th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: N. Ruddick 1. C. G. Tohnstone (first as cond.) 2. Mary Rolands 3, I. Wetherley 4. F Bowden 5. J. McDermott 6. H. Gauntlett 7, A. V. Queen 8. For Remembrance service.

## QUARTER PEALS

ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.-On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss J. Creak 1, M. Gathercole 2, H. J. Eldred 3. I. Tomsett 4. Mrs. J. Anderson 5, Mrs. (). L. Roger: 6, F. Ranson 7. D. Theedom 8. W. G. Wilson 9, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 10. Rung in the octave of All Saints.
LEICESTER.-On Oct. 23rd. at St. John-theDivine Church. 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Maior: D. J. Simoson 1, A. D. Grant 2, P. J. Chilton 3. 1. J. Fraser 4, R. Eikington 5, K. B. Townsend 6. S. Harrison (first Cambridge 'inside") 7, J. M. Jelley (cond.) 8 . First quarter of Cambridge for 1. 3. 4. 6. For Evensong.

LUNDON.-On Nov, 6th, at St, Gifes', Cripplegate, 1.323 Stedman Cinques: A. Thirst 1, Miss D. M. Lawless 2, A. Frost 3, J. Phillips 4. J Chilcott (cond.) 5, G. Massey 6, R. J. Fox 7, D. Randall 8, T. Bailey 9, B. Baker 10. John Phillips 11. T. J. Setter 12.

MARCH BALDON, OXFORD.-On Oct. 29th, 1.272 Plain Bob Minimus: Julia Chandler (first quarter) 1. Helen Williams 2, N. D. Deam 3. R. H. Jones (cond.) 4. J. S. Walker 5. For the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude. Also on Oct. 29th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: Margaret Cozier (first quanter) 1. Helen Williams 2. N. D. Deam 3. R. H. Jones (cond.) 4. J. S. Walker 5. For All Saints* Day.
OXFORD.-On Oct. 3erh. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Wardle 1. Hilary Mason 2, D. Bennett 3, P. Wycherley 4. A. Thompson 5. N. Martin (cond.) 6. Also at the Church of St. Cross. on Oct. $31 \mathrm{st}, 1.259$ Gitandsire Doubles: Catherine M Chapman I. J. S. Walker 2, D. A. H. Bennett 3, R. H. Jones 4. E. R. Venn (cond.) 5. Rung on the back five.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-On Nov. 13th, 1,254 Grandsire Caters: Miss R. J. Marks (first quarter) 1 Miss Y. C. Porter 2, B. W Story 3, H. W. Milford 4. T. G. Myers (cond.) 5. D. F. Whecler 6. F. E. Day 7, D. R. Bould 8. A. W. Myers 9. W. H. Marks 10. For Remembrance Day,

READING, BERKS.-At the Municipal Church of St. Laurence, on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. G. Burton 1, M. Thurmott 2, Jane Thurmors 3. D. Papworth 4. W. Hibber (cond.) 5. H. Mitchell 6. J. Morley 7. V. Cherrill 8. In remembrance.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Nov. 6ih, 1,263 Stedman Caters: F. R. Scott I, J. K. Ward (firm of Stedman) 2. A. D. Barker (cond.) 3, Linda J. Kew 4. Pamela M. Jervis 5, W. G. Wilson 6. H. J. Eldred 7. D. K. Walters 8, W. Birmingham 9, A. D. Rivers 10. For the Feast of All Saints.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKS. - On Nov. 13th, at St. Alphege's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. Leeson 1. C. Dale 2, V. W. Rige 3. R. Cann 4. T. J. Warner (cond.) 5. P. Warren 6. C. Brage . T. R. Hayward 8. Rung half-muffied for Remembrance Day.
STAINES, MIDDX.-At St. Peter's Church, on Nov. 6th. 1,260 rarandsire Triples: Carol O'Kelly 1, D. Hawkins 2. R. Wigqins 3. E. Skipsey 4. C. Burgess 5. R. Shenherd (cond.) 6, M. Bartett 7. B. Shepherd 8. For Evensons.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.-On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Heard 1. R. Bould 2, H. Trewin 3. E. Nunn 4. H. Stacey 5, C. Taylor (cond.) 6. J. W. Sangwin 7. W, H. Marks 8. A welcome to Capi. Joshua McLoughin, and his assistant, Christopher Chapman, of the Church Army, who are on a mission in the parish.
TONPRIDGE, KENT,-On Nov. $136 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: Hilary Swallow (first quarter) 3 . W. Rogers (cond.) 2. C. Hancock 3. Margares Ladd 4. J. T. Medhurse 5, S. A. White 6, W. H. Dobbie 7. R. Luckhurst 8. For evening service.
WARBOROUGH, OXUN.-On Oct. 30hh. 1,260 Plain Bob Triplex: D. Exon (firse on treble) 1 G. Mellhone 2. Margaret Thewlis 3. Heten Buter 4. A. Howes 5, V. Fox 6. F. Absolom (cond.) 7. M. Welsh 8. An leth birthday compliment io Victor Fox
WARMINSTER, WILTS.-On Nov. 14th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss A. J. Knight 1. D. C. M. Hill (first in the method) 2. M. D. G. Northway 3. D. Lee 4. A. W. Fry 5, C. M. White 6. L. F. Cobb (cond.) \%. N. Kinee 8. A compliment to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales on his birhday.
WOLVERCOTE, OXFORD.-On Nov. 13th. 1.260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew. Grandsire and Plain Bobf: Dorothy Smith 1, N. Chamberlain 2, J. Taylor (first 'inside ') 3. W. Gndwin 4. R, J Trebicock (cond.) 5, F. Chamberlain 6. Half-mufled
for Remembrance Sunday.

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A quarter peal of Cambridge Minor was rung at

BELFRY Kingswood, Surrey, on November 12 n , for the baptism of Alban Wood. by a band consisting of his parents and four god-parents. who would like to know if a quarter peal has ever previously been rung by such a band. They would also like to thank the Vicar of Kingswood and his ringers for the use of the bells.
St. Andrew's, Plymouth, band have rung nine quarter peals this year, a record for the tower.
Mr. C. G. Glass. Ringing Master of Heavitree. Devon, has been bereaved by the death of his wife. Our sympathy.
In a quarter peal at Warwinster, three of the band came from Shepton Mallet, four from Romsey and Ringwood and the eighth member was Mr. Norman Knee, captain of Warminster tower.
The band who sang the quarter peal of Bob Major at Husborne Crawley, on October 22nd, would like to associate with it the name of Mr. Robert L. Piron. who was unable to take part owing to indisposition.
For a trial period St. Peter Mancroft Guild are changing their practice evening from Tuesdays to Mondays. At a meeting of the Guild on November 9th the Vicar (the Rev. F. Jarvis). Was elected president of the Guild and Messis. D. Cubitl and F. Davey members. Exning, Suffolk, tower is proud of the Cross family: Irene. aged 14. has just gained her Girl Guides' bellringers' badge after ringing for one year and Susan, aged 12, although not big enough for tower bells. has scored her first quarter 'in hand.' She and Irene both rang Bob Major 'in hand.' All in the tower are members of the College of Campanology.
Regarded as unringable. a peal has been rung on the bells of Ashley, Northamptonshire. Thanks to the Rev. L. E. Brown, the new incumbent. a test was made and they proved to be quite ringable. The Vicar showed his appreciation to the ringers after the peal. Four of the bells are dated 1796 and the tenor 1848.

GOSSIP Barwell, Leics, ringers have a perfect example in ringing Mr. Joseph Needham, who, now 85, has been ringing in this tower for 75 years and has been parish clerk for 50 years. His presence every Sunday is much appreciated by the band.

We regret to hear of the passing of Mr . Joseph Napper, of Goring-on-Thames, aged 45 years.

Among those who attended the College Youths' dinner was Mr. F. W. Budgen, of Brasted. Kent. He has not missed a dinner since 1937.
We regret to learn of the death of Mr. Fred Hurry, of Duxford, Cambs, on November 16 th , aged 76 . He learned to ring in 1904.

The Witney and Woodstock Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild is holding a special committee meeting. on December 3 rd, to discuss the possibility of holding a course for learning more about ringing instruction.
Shrivenham belfry has an American recruit in Miss Cheryl P. Witherwell, of Attleborough, Mass. Her father, Col. Maynard Witherwell, while stationed at Shrivenham, with the U.S. forces, during World War II. did much towards augmenting the village bells from six to eight as a war memorjal. At Shrivenham the Colonel learnt to ring, and was elected a member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. and his Guild certificate now hangs in his law office. Another of his personal interests in the tower is to keep the tenor well supplied with rope.

The peal of Plain Bob Minor, rung at Kippax. on November 12th. marked another 'rung of the ladder' being reached by 13 -year-old David Sheppard. His performance was very creditable and the band wish 10 offer him their sincere congratulations. Also in the band was a 'ringing grandmother namely Mrs. J. R. Render. The conductor wonders how many more peals ringing grandmothers there are in the Yorkshire Association. Congratulations "Cis "-keep going.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## THE PULLING MEMORIAL BELL

There was a good and representative attendance of members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild at an extraordinary general
meeting held at Shalford, on November 12th, to discuss the proposed Pulling Memorial Bell in the New Cathedral.

Mr. C. W. Denyer, the Master, presided and explained that between $£ 230$ and $£ 240$ had been received towards the cost of the Alfred Pulling Memoria! Bell, which was required for Guildford's New Cathedral. It was essential that a bell should be provided in time for the consecration of the Cathedral next Whitsun. Over 6.000 circulars had been sent out. Of the sum received, less than one-third had been from towers in the Guildford Diocese
The Guild committee had recommended that the sum standing in the Cathedral Bell Fund. which was approximately $£ 175$, should be transferred to the fund, and also the Guild Benevolent Fund, which was $£ 138$.
The Master gave quotations received from John Taylor and Co. and the Whitechapel Bell Foundry for a bell of approximately 12 cw ., to form the seventh of a ring of ten, with electrical control for striking. Mr. Denyer added that at one time it was thought to incorporate the Goldsmith Memorial Bell in this bell but the committee desired that this should be used as a sacring bell

Mr. G. L. Grover: It was originally thought that the Goldsmith memorial bell should be in the iurret over the Lady Chapel.
It was then proposed that the Cathedral Bells Fund should be transferred to the Memorial Bell Fund and this was carried, with two dissentients.

## BENEVOLENT FUND AND WINDING-UP

On the question of the transfer of all or part of the Benevolent Fund, Mr. Grover said personally, he had never been in favour of the Guild having a Benevolent Fund. He thought that the best course to adopt was to pass a resolution at the next annual meeting 16 wind up the Benevolent Fund. He moved and Mr. H. Pitstow seconded that the Executive Committee should have power to borrow from the Benevolent Fund, if necessary, for the Memorial Bell Fund. This was agreed to.
The Masicr suggested that it should be left to the sub-committee to consult with the architect as to the placing of an order for the bell.

Major E. J. Bragg asked what was the proposed weight of the tenor, as he would be against any bell of over 30 cwt.

Mr. A. C. Hazelden said some years back he contacted the architect. Sir Edward Maufe, about some remarks Mr. E. H. Lewis had made concerning the design of the Cathedral tower. As a result 17 feet was added to the height of the tower so that a ringing chamber of 14 or 15 feet in height would be possible. As first designed the ringing chamber would be only eight feet high and 40 feet square and it would be like ringing in a tunnel and having a 40 feet tenor, as suggested, above one's head. The chairman of the Cathedral Executive Committee was told that if that design was adopted it would be better to keep the money in their pockets because they bells would never be rung. As a result the height of the tower was increased by 17 feet.

The meeting approved in principle of a 30 cwt. tenor and agreed that a sub-committee, consisting of the four district Ringing Masters and four district secretaries with the Guild Master and general secretary. should consult the architect as to the placing of an order. Mr. E. W. Collins agreed to act with the sub-commitiee in an advisory capacity.

Mr. Peter Sherwood reminded the meeting that even with the resources in other funds. at least another $£ 200$ would be required. Mr. T. W. White also made an appeal to all towers to assess their contribution on a quota. There were about 400 tion on a quota. There were about 400
members in the Guild and the sum had very largely to be provided by them.
The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. Leslie Hunter and Mr. Stanley A. Ponting for making arrangements for the meeting.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 48



MRS. OLIVE D. BARNETT

## Crayford

Mrs. Olive D. Barnett. the charming wife of the secretary of the Central Council. provides the Central Council and the Exercise generally with a unique service by helping her husband in his onerous duties. acting as his 'office boy' and chauffeur, and they have proved to be an ideal team.

When the Central Council is in session-it faces a rostrum containing what has been described in the past as a number of solemn and dignified personages.' Olive Barnett provides some relicf by giving a touch of real glamour to the platform! Her efficiency has been duly noted by many, and she seems
to have the happy knack of being able to produce at once any necessary data or documents that may be required.
Olive is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, and grand-daughter of the late Frank Bennett. She must have ringing in her blood! Born in Brighton in 1919, she first learnt to ring (on handbells) in 1940 , being taught by Inst. Lt. R. Gordon Cross-brother of Maric Cross. Her first peal was rung in 1941, and her peals total is 22-all being rung on handbelis. It is unique that she has not rung a peal on tower bells. This is because during formative years her health did not permit. She does, however, ring on tower bells, having learned to do so at Crayford. Her only attempt for a peal-Cambridge Major-came to grief after an hour's ringing
Of her handbell peals, the one she most prizes is a peal of Minor rung at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Lewis, of Argyllshire. in honour of Mrs. Lewis' birthday. The other peals include Bob Minor, Major and Royal; Stedman Triples, Little Bob, Kent T.B. and Double Norwich Major ; and Grandsire Caters.
Not only does she serve the Central Council in the ways described above, she also is a member of the Central Committee of the Ladies' Guild, and a representative of the Lewisham District, Kent County Association. Olive and her husband have one daughter, Jean, who, of course, has been taught to ring. Members of the Central Council will remember seeing this charming, young lady flitting about, making friends everywhere. It is fitting we should honour Olive Barnett in this series for she works hard and long, often behind the scenes, for the welfare of our art, and we are all grateful to her.

JAFUS.

The nomination meeting of the Guildford District followed when the following were nominated: Ringing Master. Mr. Harold A. May: Assistant Ringing Master. Mr. O. Warner; honorary secretary, Mr. S. A Fonting: auditor. Mr. Hawthorne.
A discussion took place on the desirability of promoting a Guild striking competition and thus wilk be considered by the Executive. Ringing took place at Shalford and St. Nicolas'. Guildford, churches. The Rural Dean, the Rev. W. R. Horth, conducted the Guild service in Shalford Church, at which Mr. Hunter read the lesson.

## A THRIVING LINCOLNSHIRE BAND

The annual meeting of the St. Wilfrid's, Alford, Lincs, Guild, was held in the ringing chamber on Saturday, October 29th, when the officers were elected as follows: President, the Rev. G. J. Lanham : vice-presidents, Mrs. Lanham and Mr. D. G. Willoughby; secretary and treasurer, Mr. L. Slack; Ringing Master, Mr. J. I. Smith: Deputy Ringing Master, captain, Mr. G. Willoughby.
The company was reported to be in a thriving and active state, all six bells being rung twice every Sunday and on Friday evenings. also of late on Monday evenings for beginners. The standard of striking is improving. as is the range of methods rung. Cambridge is to be learnt in the near future.
The active state of the company was well shown on October 30th, when two sixes were rung for morning service at the same time.

The neighbouring village of Willoughby has no ringers and, at the request of the Rector, a Doubles band, assisted by Mr. E. Brittain. of Firsby, was made up to ring there for a special service in connection with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque to Capt. John Smith, first Governor of Virginia, whose birthplace was Willoughby.
The usual Sunday morning ringing took place at Alford at the same time, all ringers who are also choir members making up a Minor band.

## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Fourteen towers were represented at the monthly meeting at St. Peter's, Horbury, near Wakefield. on November 12th. An excellent tea was served in a cafe and at the business meeting Mr. Noel F. Moxon was supported by the Vicar and his curate. Mr. Tom Strangeway proposed the vote of thanks. It was agrzed to visit Kirkthorpe, near Wakefield, on December 10 th.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX

A most enjoyable meeting of the Guild was held at Mytholmroyd on November 5th. Tea was provided by the Vicar and a lively business meeting followed. Ringing was quite good and was of Plain Bob and Surprise Minor and Major. The meeting was really well attended and we also had a number of visitors who were most welcome. The next meeting, the annual, will be at Mirfield (10), on January 7th.

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## OBITUARY

## MR. JOHN L. S. GLANVILL

The sudder and unexpected death of Mr. John L. S. Glanvill in Woodbury, Devon, belfry, at the practice on October 17th, was a great shock to all his many ringing friends.
He was, to all appearances, in excellent health for his just 56 years, full of energy and the joy of living. He came into the ringing chamber, his usual 15 minutes late, and assisted a learner with a few words, and fell back into the next world without a further remark.
At the funeral service, conducted by the Vicar of Woodbury, assisted by Preb. E. N. Cox, president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, the ringing fraternity was well represented, with his many friends of the farming community. Floral tributes were not requested but a fund was opened for a memorial at Woodbury Church, the form of which is as yet undecided.

The bells were rung half-muffled after the service by the local ringers and the Exeter Cathedral band rang a half-muffled quarter peal later in the day

John Lewis Steer Glanvill was born at Stogursey, Somerset, on March 8th, 1903, and subsequently moved to Woodbury, seven miles S.E. of Exeter, the home of his ancestors, where he learni to ring with his father, the late J. F. Glanvill. He later became the tenant of a farm on the Clinton Estates at Withycombe Raleigh. He was appointed Ringing Master at this church, expanded his ringing knowledge under the late John $R$. Hayman and took an enthusiastic part in the activities of the Devon Guild.

He later moved back to farm at Woodbury and ultimately became Ringing Master at the Church of St. Swithun, where his efforts were successful in bringing this tower from call changes to a valuable asset of the Guild. It was thanks to his efforts too that these bells were recently restored at a cost of $\ddagger 2.000$.
His peals total 82 (conducted 11). The highlights were: first of Oxford Treble Bob Major, first of Little Bob Major, and first of Surprise. Major to be rung by members resident in the county, and the second only of Double Norwich Major. He also took part in the first officers' peal which was the Guild's 1,000th. His first peal was of Grandsire Triples, at Woodbury, on May 11 th, 1925 , and his last was one of four methods of Minor, at Brampford Speke, conducted by $\mathbf{E}$. Maurice Atkins, in honour of the birth of two more of his grandchildren.
The offices he held in the Guild at the times of his death were: Branch Ringing Master. Aylesbeare Deanery; Central Council representative. and Deputy Ringing Master Exeter Cathedral.
Such was his popularity in all that he did for ringing, and this was much! His excellent qualities of leadership were much in evidence in the Exeter Cathedral band, and his friendly influence felt through all its ringing and social activities. He was always there with his boundless energy permeating through to everyone and a kind and sometimes firm word at the right time and the right place did much to keep things going on the right road. We in the Cathedral band have yet to realise what his loss is going to mean to us.

He leaves bereaved his mother. widow and four children (all of whom are married). two being active ringers. The sympathy of all his ringing friends is most sincerely extended to them in their sad loss.
The memory of 'Jack' will live on, in the future success of Woodbury and the future success of Woodbury and the seeds.

## MR. FREDERICK DENTRY

By the death of Mr. Frederick Dentry the Oxford Diocesan Guild has lost its oldest member. He was born in Maidenhead in 1868. As a young man he joined the band at Boyne Hill. where he was also a chorister. He became a member of Oxford Diocesan Guild in 1888. seven years after its foundation, and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) in March. 1889. at Hughenden. conducted by W. Lawrence. J. W. Washbrook rang the second in this peal. At that time the band al Boyne Hill was building up its reputation as one of the leading bands in the Guild.
In 1902 he married and moved to Twyford, Berks, where he started business as a tailor.
As the Parish. Church at that time had neither tower nor bells he joined the band at Sonning. At the same time he began to take an active part in the affairs of the village and church at Twyford, where, under the leadership of the Rev. R. W. H. Acworth, plans were going ahead for the extension of the church. the erection of a lower and the installation of a ring of eight bells. This work came to fruition in 1913 and the first peal was rung on the bells on May $21 s t$ of that year. This was of Stedman Triples and was followed in 1914 by a peal of Kent T.B. Major.

During the 1914-1918 war the band at Twyford was sadly depleted by the fact that the majority of the men were on active service. So that the bells should not be silent Mr. Dentry recruited and trained a ladies' band. These continued to ring the bells until the men returned Although some found other duties to occupy their time several continued to ring with the Twyford band for a number of years and some did yeoman service during the 1939-1945 war. Throughout the years 1919-1927 Mr. Dentry was the secretary of the Sonning Deanery Branch, which he served faithfully. His last peal. rung in 1929, celebrated the 50 th anniversary of his first peal.

This did not mean that he had lost interest ir. ringing but other duties made their demands on his time. He was. however, the ideal tower captain; punctual in his attendance, both at Sunday service ringing and at practice, a loyal and devout churchman, always willing to help and encourage the young: able to hold the balance between the old and the new. no easy task at any time. He remained a member of the tower until his death. at the age of 92, although he had relinquished the tower captaincy in 1946. No great peal ringer. yet he had a sound knowledge of conducting and composition and that knowledge he passed on to those who asked for it and were prepared to use it. To him the Oxford Guild at present owes much. probably more even than those who knew him well will ever fully realise.
M. R.C

## MR. BENJAMIN BARKER

The St. Peter's band. Derby. ringers have suffered a great loss by the sudden death of Mr. Benjamin Barker, at his home on November 1st.

He was a member of the Derbyshire Association. from its formation in 1946 and prior to that a member of the old Midland Counties Association. since 1939.
"Ben learned to handle a bell at Ingoldsby in Lincolnshire, a three bell tower, and the elements of change ringing at Clay Cross. Derbyshire, a six bell tower. He moved to Derby between the two wars and had since been a regular, punctual and reliable Sunday service ringer at St. Peter's. His peal total was 37 and included Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise Major.

The funeral service, which was held in St Augustine's Church, was followed by cremation. Many people attended the service, including Mr. and Mrs. A. Mould, representing the St. Peter's band. Mr. G. Halls. the Cathedral company, and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Carlisle. the Derbyshire Association.

Mr. Barker leaves a widow and a daughter, Jean, who with her husband. Mr. M. Larkin, are ringers at St. Peter's Church, and have the same loyalty and enthusiasm as had Mr. Barker.

## MR. CHARLIE DIPLOCK

Sixty-eight years ago Mr. Charlie Diplock went from Guildford to the village of Hurstpierpoint, to take a job as blacksmith. He cycled all the 33 miles on his pennyfarthing. and remained the village blacksmith for 62 years, until his retirement at the age of 81 .

His skill in shoeing horses was well known. and his craftsmanship in wrought iron is shown in the beauty of the workmanship which is to be seen about the village.

As a member of the Sussex County Association and Hurstpierpoint band he gave 62 years' faithful service. during which time he rang in a peal of Stedman Triples in the local tower.

Charlie twice appeared in television programmes. Firstly, when giving the story of his life as the village blacksmith. and secondly, for his service in Hurstpierpoint belfry, along with his old friends Harry Richardson and George Mansbridge.

After an illness of 12 days Charlie died peacefully in Cuckfield Hospital on October 30 th , at the age of 86 years. The bells were half-muffled as a token of respect and rung for his funeral service on November 4th. A half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire was rung by the local band in honour of this grand old man who set us an example we would do well to follow.
S. W. B.

## Bedfordshire Association

The November meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Silsoe on November 12th. When ringing commenced only eight ringers were present but by tea time the number had doubled.
The Vicar joined the ringers for tea. which had been prepared by Miss A. Culpin. At the business meeting Arlesey was selected for the next meeting on December 9th. The Rev. J. D. Benton conducted a short service and then ringing continued with Mr. T. Harris as Ringing Master. During the evening more ringers arrived. which enabled a greater variety of methods to be rung.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A FAMILY REMEMBRANCE

Dear Sir.- The new treble bell placed in the tower of Buckerell Church, during 1949. was the war memorial to the two lads who gave their lives for king and country in World War II. One of these was Gordon Broadhurst.
On Sunday, November 13th. for service Mr. Joseph Broadhurst. father of Gordon and an old ringer now of Buckerell lower, got together five of his surviving children-four sons and one daughter-and they rang the six bells for Evensong half-mulfled, which is always done here on Remembrance Sunday. We bave always hoped that one day this would be done.
I. myself. helped to teach Mr. Broadhurst and taught the five children to ring in Buckerell towei. The daughter. Marina (now Mrs. Piper), was. until last February, the only lady ringer to have rung a peal in our tower. This was eight years ago last week. when she rang with her father and brocher, Raymond. Never in the history of Buckerell tower has one family rung the bells on their own and Mr. Broadhurst remarked afterwards. I'm the proudeat man in Buckerell tonight. - Yours faithfully,
F. H. PARR

Buckerell. Devon.

## SMOKING IN BELFRIES

Dear Sir-Apropos the recent correspondence in "The Ringing World on smoking in belfries, perhaps the following anecdote may be of interest.

Many years ago. an old friend of mine. now long since dead. used to chime our six bells from the ground floor on Sundays. when there were insufficient ringers. There is a west door to this tower and a large pair of oaken doors leading into the nave.

My old friend was very fond of his pipe, short clay, known irreverently as a nosewarmer. and on fine days used to indulge in

One wet Sunday, however, he stood just inside the west door. pipe in mouth. when around the angle of the tower came the Rector. His pipe was swiftly transferred, from mouth to pocket, but the aroma could not be disposed of so easily.
Laying his hand on my old friend's shoulder the Rector said. Never mind, Henry, never mind. I don't consider this as strictly part of the Church. I call this the porch under the tower:
Surely a Christianlike attitude.-Yours faithfully.
W. A. EDWARDS.

Everleigh. Wilts.
Dear Sir.-When living in Beccles. Suffolk. 1 remember the late Mr. Henry Hopson buying five pints of ale each practice night for the ten ringers of the Corporation Campanile of ten bells. in connection with St. Michael's Church. and plenty of smoking. Although I do not believe in either. I fail to see the difference between making smoke with incense and tobacco: hoth are the product of the good earth. both give forth a pleasant or unpleasant aroma. - Yours faithfully.
G. E. SYMONDS.

## Ipswich.

CLAYBROOKE. LEICS.-On Nov. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. Ballard 1. Sheila Procior 2. I: W. Rawson 3, W. W. Bradhury (first quarter)
4. J. A. Acres 5. E. Sowman 6, M. C. Faulkes (first as cond.) 7. C. Clarke 8. A birthday complimient to Mrs. Seal. donor of these belts.

BELLS UNRINGABLE,
In the Feckenham Deanery of Worcestershire are two rings of bell; which nad been considered unringable, for several years, untal recently.
The six bells at Inkberrow had been unrung for 25 years until this summer, when members of the Wychbold band 'resurrected" them (see earlier issue of R.W.).
At Feckenham, it was rumoured that the bells were so bad-going that it was impossible to ring then. Previously, the incumbent here laad given the impression that was not in favour of ringing, but on the institution of a new Vicar. permission to inspect the bells was sought. and readily given.
It was then found that the tenor wheel was somewhat decayed and that a chiming mechanism had been installed, which impeded the swing of two of the bells. Otherwise. the frume and fittings were in a reasonable condition.
The necessary attention was given by a member of the Wychbold band and on September 30 th the villagers heard their bells ringing out for the firsi lime for many years, to rounds on the octave. and Grandsire Doubles. The bells do not 'go easily, but can be rung. One difficulty is the long draught of rope. but this did not deter some local residents from volunteering to learn to ring, and they are now learning under the instruction of Mr. A. D. Cook, of Wychbold. It is certain, at any rate. that when the learners have mastered these tricky bells, they should be able to ring nearly anywhere!

The bells have an interesting history. dating back to 1640, when the original ring of five Has installed by Henry Bagley. It appears
that the treble to this five was subsequently that the treble to this five was subsequently
recast as the inscription 'Cantate Domino Canticum Novum. $1676^{\circ}$ ( $O$ sing unto the Lord a new song) infers. A treble was added in 1776 by Mathew Bigley. In 1841. the fifth of the six was recast. and in 1860 Taylors. of Loughborough, added two trebles.
The tone of the tenor is particularly fine. but on the whole they are hardly tuneful bells. as they form a rather vague approximation to the scale of $G$ major

The last peal on the bells was Bob Major in 1930, the only peal of Major rung on these bells.

PAUL.

## RINGING COMPETITIONS

Dear Sir-I would support ringing competitions. arranged on the fines suggested in Mr. Donald Price's recent letter. for the following reasons:-
(1) I helieve that a great many ringers fail to appreciate what good striking is and these competitions should enable such ringers to hear some reasonably good striking.
(2) They will help many others. like myself. to improve his or her striking.
(3) Provided a standard system of marking is adopted the competition resuls would he a means of measuring ones. or rather the band"s. improvement. This would. I think, encourage bands to keep striving for a still higher standard.
(4) It seems to me that many ringers are more concerned with their personal progress rather than with that of their Sunday band. Competitions would. I hink, encourage the progress of hands rather than that of individuals.
It should not be inferred from the last item that I advocate that one should only ring with his or her Sunday team, as a great deal can be learnt by mixing with other ringers.Yours faithfully.
R. G. CORBY.

## OUR VOCATION

Dear Sir,-Allow me to express my thanks and congratulations for the excellent and inspired leading article in the issue of November llth. We cannot be reminded too often of our vocation as Church bell ringers in contrast to our hobby of church bell ringers.
As you so rigntly point out, bells can be false gods. It is only too easy for ringers to be so carried away by their love for their art that it degenerates into a lust, to such a degree that they would find it extremely difficult to renounce it entirely as an zet of spiritual discipline, for one year, say, as one would deny onself something throughout Lent. Most of us, if we are honest, would acknowledge our guilt in this matter, and that we salve our consciences by olfering our services in the belfry on Sundays. We might not be called to renounce ringing, as John Bunyan did, but should we find it easy if we were! The few ringer; we have known who have taken this drastic step have usuatly been misunderstood by their colleagues.
It is wholly to our soul's good that you, sir. tell us ' we must see our ringing in a true perspective' and that 'all peal ringing, even tor pleasure, is an offering to the Almighty, Although I often participate in and enjoy a peal. I wonder, frequently, during its pertormance, whether something, which is an undoubted imposition upon one's neighbours can be a proper offering to the Almighty. There is little genuine justification for a peal when the same desiderata can be attained by including young ringers in quarter peals.
A recent hostile letter in our local Press complained that often the bells are rung for an hour at a stretch -so quarters are not appreciated either outside the tower
There are, too, other things which prevent our ringing being a perfect offering, apart from the performance itself. Most of us, at some time or other, have been guilty of selfishness in the methads we ring. in the frequency with which we grab a rope, in possessiveness of our towers. in the ringers we invite into our peal bands-lame dogs unwanted here!and we may be despotic and domineering, or given to displays of bad temper if things don't go exactly as we desire. We may resent being corrected when we make a mistake in our ringing. We may be jealous over another person's, or another tower's progress. We may 'hog, all the conducting. We may, by our unpunctuality or casual attendance. prevent our band from offering its best-or even from offering anything! By our obstinate refusal to study our art at home we may remain incompetent and impede our colleagues who are giving some of their time to make themselves worthier ringers. even if of elementary methods.
Most of us are either too indifferent or too shy to precede our ringing with a prayer for its acceptance by God, but such an oblation would undoubtedly make us more conscious or our real vocation and invoke a proper response in our ringing and belfry conduct, and assist our progress towards being Charch bell ringers. - Yours faithfully.
Slough.
W. BIRMINGHAM

## GRATFFLLLY ACKNOWLEDGED <br> BALANCE SHEET

Dear Sir.-Regarding the 'Gratefully Acknowledged. balance sheet this is interesting, but smacks. somewhat of the Pharisee in the Temple. Any prolific peal ringer take; on an expense equal to an additional wife and certuinly more troublesome.

Were I Chancellor of the Exchequer I ould grant to him a tax allowance for:-
(1) Wear and tear,
(2) Mileage.
(3) Sweet nitre for softening up purposes. Yours, etc., A. FLAT.

## LETTERS-Continued

## THE RINGING WORLD

Dear Sir,-All ringers will agree with the spirit of the letter from Mr. H. E. Taylor ('R.W:- 4/11/60), the paper must be maintained and the Exercise could just not do without it. But when he says he hopes to see the 'Gratefully Acknowledged' column go on for ever, and grow even longer, 1 could not disagree with him more.
Continuance of this column only means that "The Ringing World is not yet on a sound financial footing, where cost of production is covered by legitimate receipts. Readers are therefore getting their copies at slightly under cost price and are being subsidised by the generous few.
Let us look at facts. The average receipts from donations in the ten weeks analysed by Mr. Taylor amount to just under $£ 37 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. per week; the week November 4 th produced much more. £8 1s. 8 d . Now an increase of 1 d . on the price of the paper would produce 143 s . 4d. per week per thousand copies sold. I believe tlie circulation is more than five times this figure, so that $1 d$. increase would bring in more than all the money at present being donated, and would only cost each subscriber the paltry sum of 4 s . 4 d . per year. (Of course, the Post Office benefits: the poundage on the 44 postal orders acknowledged last week produced 11 s .)

Would the committee please let us know what their future policy is to be? Do they intend the 'R.W. eventually to pay for itself, or to rely on steadily increasing donations?
There is a case of paying for quarter peals. They are not of great news value in themselves, and in former times stood little chance of being published: and. as they are generally rung 'at home' they do not involve ringers in much travelling expense. But, to be fair, it should be all or none. And, if paid for, there should be a flat rate of say 3 d . or 6 d . per bell.

Peals are in a different category. Much. if not the whole, of the science of ringing has reen evolved through peal ringing. They have a certain news value. have always been published free and should continue to be so. If peal ringers want to pay for their pleasure they should pay steepleage towards the cost of ropes. etc.; where no fund for this purpose exists. there is always the box labelled 'Church Expenses." Many churches are finding it increasingly difficult to meet these. However, I do think that the 'R.W' could


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economise by printing peal reports in much smaller type and more in the way that it prints quarters. The present style is at least 80 years old! It would also be a great help to those wanting to look up past performances in back numbers if they were published, like the quarters, in alphabetical order.

The paper could well be pruned without any loss of value or interest. Some correspondence of late has been allowed to degenerate into mere personal bickering: and some accounts of outings and tours might well be cut down-though while contributors remain potential 'generous benefactors' this may not be easy!

What we are really suffering from now is the aftermath of the inflationary years following the war. During that time money dropped to little more than one-fifth of its former value: our wages did not keep pace. so it became necessary to adopt all sorts of expedients to avoid losing the support of the less well-off and the less enthusiastic. This cushioning process can, and should, I think. now cease. 'The Ringing World' cost 3 d . in the 1920's; it is now only 8d. Associations which formerly provided all services, including a free report. to members for an annual sub. of 2 s ., are now striving to make do on subs of from 3 s , to 5 s . instead of a more realistic $10 \mathrm{~s} .$. and making up the difference by charging booking fees. So half the members get their reports at under cost at the expense of the others. All this leads to continual collection of very small sums of money. and a flow of very small postal orders. 'But.' they say. 'you must pay to have your peals printed. When I get my report I do not want to see my own pealsI know all about those already. I want to see other people's.

Would 'The Ringing World Committeeand those who run the finances of our asso-ciations-please do some rethinking?
C. W. WOOLLEY.

## Bushey Heath

## UNRINGABLE BELLS' WERE

 RINGABLEDear Sir.-A sensation was caused at Ashley, a village on the extreme northern borders of Northants, on November 8 th. when the lie that had been current in the village for 29 years was nailed.
An influential resident of that time who disliked bells held sway over the then Rector, to stop the ringing. For some years the bells hung silent. Every application from any source to ring met with the excuses that 'the bells were unringable,' or the steeple wasn't safe, despite it being rebuilt 112 years ago. The incumbent who yielded and the influential resident left; and all who succeeded him. through ignorance, believed the rumour although told by one of the peal band on two occasions that they were believing something which was not true.
A new Rector has come. whe is more favourable towards bells though himself not a ringer. Ropes were loaned from Market Harborough. to test the bells out, after cleaning bearings and other adjustments. A quarter peal was eventually rung, and now there has been a peal to dispel the rumour, to the joy of Ashley. One resident said it reminded her of old times.-Yours, etc..

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## NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The Nottingham University Society held the autumn term's outing on November 12th. A party of 14 left the university at $12.30 \mathrm{p.m}$. by coach ready for action at the five towers on the itinerary
Arriving in good time at the Church of St. Mary and All Saints. Bingham. we were welcomed by the tower captain and later by the Rt. Rev. A. M. Gelsihorpe. Rector of the parish. For the hour we were there we found the eight rather difficult to strike bu: nevertheless a variety of methods were rung ranging from call changes to Cambridge Major.
East Bridgford was visited next and numerous Minor and Doubles methods were rung on the very pleasant six. These bells proved easier to ring at a relatively slow pace -as one of our lady members discovered after turning the tenor in to Cambridge Minor.
After tea in Newark-on-Trent. we made our way to the Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene. The height of this church is greater than its length and of this we needed no reminding by the time we had climbed to the ringing chamber. Here we were made very welcome and it was unfortunate tha our friends there had to tell us that the tenor's clapper had snapped during ringing for a wedding earlier in the afternoon. Nevertheless, the front eight were a joy to ring Here we added Yorkshire and Double Norwich to our repertoire.

After heading north for some 20 minutes up the A.1, someone rather carelessly woke up the driver and it was then that we found we had passed Tuxford. some three or four miles back. As a result our stay was shortened by some ten minutes but the remaining time was used to good effect and Superlative was rung for the first time that day. Here one rings from the ground floor and with the long draught it is difficult to hear the bells clearly.
Our final tower was SS. Peter and Paul, Mansfield. a perfect Taylor eight. We were pleased to see some of our friends from St . Peter's. Nottingham. there and we kept the bells moving until 9 p.m.. the methods including an unusual touch of Stedman Triples, conducted by the tower captain, and a near perfect course of Bristol.
We thank all incumbents and their ringers for their hospitality and also Martin Bishop, our secretary, for his splendid arrangements. D. W. F

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## TEACHING A BAND FROM SCRATCH TO FIRST PEAL

By E. L. HUMPHRISS

After 35 years of teaching ringing I set about teaching a band from scratch. This was my procedure.
Half a dozen pulls on the backstroke followed by half a dozen on the handstroke. One is talking all the time: 'Keep your back straight-and your knees supple. Don't look up. Don't look at the handstroke sallyringers who have to look, to catch the sally, are a menace all their lives. Hands together. are a menace all their lives. Hands together. knees - - this gets the idea over, of a long pull. Don't anticipate the fall of the sally, rely on rhythm or sense of timing.
The learner should be handling a bellhand and back-within five minutes of lirst starting. It may be necessary to catch the tuft at handstroke a few times but not more than a few. half a dozen at the most. All learners must look round the tower when catching the sally.
After 10 minutes there is a 10 minute rest (or 20 minutes). The learner looks and listens for 10 minutes. then comes back on the full back and hand. To keep a learner on backor handstroke only for more than half a dezen pulls is just waisting time.
It is found to be dangerous for a learner to bring the rope end out of the left hand anywhere but ovei the index finger. 2nd/lst knuckle joint. If it comes over the fleshy part at the base of the thumb it is only a matter of time before a learner gets the rope round the left elbow.
Learning to handle a bell. three learners to each instructor is a good number. one is no use at all. their rest period is wasted and there is so much for them to get into their system by intelligent watching and listening to the instructor who is giving a grounding in style. Feet correctly placed. hands together. etc. A learner who catches the sally too high must let it slide through his hands until the bell is on balance-then put the "glue on-don't let it bump.

## ROUNDS TO QUEENS

Handling the bell should be mastered in four evenings. We do not practise call changes at all but the first open exercise consists of running from rounds to Queens and back to rounds.


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The learner is told who to follow and whether to make slow' or 'quick' pulls or check. We never say pull in. always "check in." A learner who pulls in invariably goes over the top next stroke and cannot keep the beat.

This is a rhythm exercise. Any ringer who 12345678 breaks the beat is told exactly 13254768 what to do to put it right. 13527468 E.g.. instruction to ringer of 13572468 2nd: 'In going up. No. 2. you are Remain in O.K.. but in coming in again Queens for a you are too far away from time. then: the 3rd. When coming in, 13572468 No. 2. you must be much 13527468 nearer-or you must appear 13254768 to be much nearer-all bells, 12345678 than when going up.

## RINGING WITH EARS

This exercise is repeated until all ringers have the beat. 'Ring with your ears-not your eyes, is introduced now. Also at this stage the instructor must 'place, the learner. A learner never just happens ' on the bell he can best handle. Ringing at meetings is often poor hecause ringers are badly placed. E.g.. instruction to the 5 th: Go right in. No. 5 . pull with 2 and $3:$ : On running from rounds to Queens.
E.g.. instruction to No. 7. "You are too far away from everybody. No. 7. when you run in. pull with, not behind. especially your backstroke over the 2nd.

- No. 2, you must set your bell and wait for 3, 8. 5 and 2, and listen-listen all the time-don't break the beat-ring with your ears 90 per cent and your eyes 10 per cent.'

If your bell " tumbles in " on you. bend your knees a bit and put some weight on at the end of your stroke.

Don't put the weight on the rope at shoulder height and then let go the sally.

A learner becomes a ringer when. on his own. without any instruction from the instructor. a little holding up or a little checking in is done quite automatically to put the rhythm of the beat right.

An instructor needs to know from experience the speed at which the back end bells appear to go their best. The instructor must hurry them along or slow them up to the best advantage.
Some learners who are not very handy with a rope are given an exercise ringing one handed. First with one hand, then the other. Say a dozen hand and back pulls with the right hand. then change over, the bells ringing all the time. to the left hand. I do this sometimes during the ringing of the five minute bell. We encourage learners to come up on Sundays and ring the five minute bell.

Rhythm and maintaining a beat are mastered during the rounds to Queens to rounds exercise. I usually take the treble myself and so maintain the open hand, right from the start. A learner on the 2nd soon gets the right ideas about leading and moves on to the treble.

## PLAIN HUNTING

Plain hunting is the next exercise. All learn the bells to follow and whether it is a slow run. setting each stroke or running in and checking each stroke.
The treble ringer for example will learn: slow over 2. slow over 4. slow over 6 slow over 8. etc., etc. : then in coming in over the same bells. a quick check stroke for seven blows.
This develops into counting: 2 over 2. 3 over 4. 4 over 6. 5 over 8. etc., etc.. and so on into 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.. etc., etc., representing the place the bell is in
Counting out loud. in some cases. I insist on. The young ringer has by now learned to count up to eighths placs and back to lead. Most learners don't take kindly to counting. The band by now are six months on.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
To Grandsire Doubles. 7. 6. 8 covering, and ringing this by learning the bells to follow.

Ropesight is useless when you have band all learning to ring their first method. Coursing order gets resulis quickly. and, most important. keeps the ringers happy.
Once the band can ring a plain course of Grandsire Doubles-by knowing who to follow-position counting in plain hunting has now made easy the next stage of position counting through the plain course while at the same time knowing full well who to wait for or check in over.
To Grandsire Triples is the next stageplain course, then keeping 5, 6, 7 in order the 3 bob touch. $3 \mathrm{in}, 4 \mathrm{in}, 2 \mathrm{in}$, comes quite easily
Plain course of Bob Major is the next exercise, then back to Grandsire for a $350-$ 5 ths before touch.
Grandsire. 500 changes. or Stedman Doubles, or both. can well follow. The rest is easy.
To conduct Parker's Twelve Part. each part taking 15 minutes. the clock keeps the conductor right on the calling and watching the coursing order keeps everyone in line By calling to the clock a conductor can give so much more attention to the ringing. Our peal started on the hour. at 4 p.m.. each part laking 15 minutes.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

At the annual meeting of the N.W. Branch, held at Bridgerule. on November 5 th. 16 new members were elected-13 from Shebbear College and three from Stratton. The Rev. John Scoit presided and the president. Preb E. V. Cox. who had travelled nearly 100 miles to the present, presented Guild certificates to E. Nunn. G. Alford. J. Hockridge and $O$. Gittins, all from Stratton. All the officers were re-elected.
The meeting was attended by 43 ringers, including visitors from Coombe Martin Plymout! Tavistock and Shebbear College The service was conducted by the Vicar, and the sermon preached by Preb. E. V. Cox. The wives of local ringers provided tea. Ringing of this pleasant litule eight (tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.) included Grandsire. Stedman. Plain Bob. Kent T.B. and rounds. Thanks are accorded to all who helped to make the meeting a success and especially the president for travelling such a long distance to give us his encouragement.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Northern District) and DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Southern Dis-trict).-Joint meeting. Richmond (8). Saturday November 26th. Special invitation to Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association members. Bells from 2.30 p.m.-Edward Hudson and Peter Rock. Hon. Secs.

6989
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION llehester Branch.-Annual meeting. Yeovil (10). Saturday. December 3rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, please. -R. J. Fox. 109. Middle Street. Yeovil. 7002 BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. Taunton Branch.-Annual meeting. Wellington. Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 2.45 p.m Service 4.15. Names for tea. Rockwell Green bells available 7.30 p.m.-A. H. Reed. George Street. Taunton.
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATIONChew Deanery.-Annual general meeting at Yatton (8). on Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business. Nimes for tea. please. by Thurs-
day. December Ist.-D. G. Yeo. Estune: Brockway. Nailsea.

6933
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Bedford District.-Meeting at Willington. on Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by November 30 th to Corby, 26. Heathficld. Putnoc. Bedford.

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DEVON GUILD.-North Devon Branch. Annual meeting. Chulmleigh (8), Saturday, December 3rd, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.-D. Jewell, Hon. Sec. DEVON GUILD.-Aylesbeare Branch.Annual meeting, Topsham. Saturday, December 3 rd. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by December 1st, to R. T. Perry, Redclifl. Lympstone.

6963
DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-Meeting at SS. James and Basil. Fenham. Newcastle, on Saturday, December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service 5.30. Names for tei ny November 30 th, to J. Alan Ainsworth 3j, Derhill Park, Newcastle.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Ely District.-Meeting at Swavesey and Over, on Saturday. Decemoer 3rd. Swavesey bells (6) 3 uril 4.45 p.m. I'ea 5 p.m., at Uver. Over bells (8) avallable atter tea.-D. F. Murfet Dis. Sec.

7018
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Bristol City Branch.-Satur day. December 3rd. St. Mary Redcliffc Corporate Communion 8 a.m. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.. Community Centre, Gunea Street. Annual business meet ing $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Good attendance, please.-A Bennelt.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bridg north District.-Practuce at Much Wenlock Saturday next. December 3rd. 6 tull 8.30 p.m Method: Double Norwich.-H. Edge, Dis. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONNorthern District.-Practice meeting a Koyston on December 3rd, at 5.30 p.m.-E Buck. Dis. Sec. 6970
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Watford District.-Practice meeting. Abbot Langley (6). Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 6.30 p.m.-G. N. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 7017

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-By-meeting at Stockbary (Rodmersham not available). on Saturday December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please to Mr. A. Dunk, Pett Farm Bungalow Stockbury Valley, Sittingbourne. 6969 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Blackburn Branch.-Meeting. December 3rd. at Burnley, St. Peter's. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. meeting to follow. Proposed to donate £6 trom branch Fund towards cost of new ropes at Whalley, requires authorisation.-J. Pilk ington.

7003
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Lancaster Branch.-Monthly meeting at Lancaster. St Mary's, on Saturday, December 3rd. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. tea at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rosemary Harmsworth. 13. Cavendish street. Lancaster.-P. Handley, Branch Sec

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Wigan Branch.-Meeting at St. Wilfred's. Standish. on Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tei 5 p.m. Names for tea. please, to Mr. T Grounds. 10. Cross Street. Standish. Nominitions for Ringing Master and secretary.-C. F Low. 11. Park Crescent, Southport. -Eastern LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern
Branch.-Meeting at Wrangle. Saturday, December 3 rd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 Tea in Parish Hall at 4.30 p.m. Important: names for tea to me by Monday. November 28th-W. E. Clarke. 99. Norfolk Street
Boston.
NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.-Annual general meeting. Suturday. December 3rd. at Stoke. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. November 30th. to J. G. Burton. 71. Bagnall Road. Milton. Stoke-on-Trent. 6998 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch. Meeting at Gorleston. December 3rd. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Service day. November 301 th . certain please. to Miss B. Smedley. 9. Cliff Avenue. Gorleston-on-Sea. Great Yarmouth. Yarmouth bells will be available for one hour only, from 2.15 to $3.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -P. G. Newstead. Branch Sec. 6980 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-North Bucks Branch. - Newton Longueville (8). Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and quarterly meeting to follow. Names for tea by November 30th.-F. Vickers 64. Bourtonville. Buckingham.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD - North Dorset Branch.-Annual meeting at Gillingham. Saturday, December 3rd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting following. Numbers for tea by November 30th, to Richard Longridge. Bourton Vicarage, Gillingham. Tel.: Bourton 316. All welcome 7001
SHEFFIELD \& DISTRICT SOCIETY Meeting at Thrybergh, 3 p.m. Saturday, December 3rd. Names for tea to Mr. F Brunt, The Channings. Doncaster Road, Thrybergh. please.-3. Seager, Sec.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. Nottingham District.-Meeting, Bulwell, Saturday, December 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than December 1st, to S . Adams, 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington. 6990

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern Division.-Quarterly meoting Lind-
field (8). Saturday, December 3rd. Bells 3 field (8). Saturday, December 3rd. Bells 3 November 30 th . Mrs. Hairs, Norman Cottage. Park Corner, Groombridge.

7005
SWANSEA \& BRECON GUILD - Southern District.-Annual District meeting at St. Paul's, Sketty, December 3rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. 3. T. Williams, Dis. Sec. 6979 WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD. -Andover and Basingstoke Districts.-Combined meeting. December 3rd, at the following towers: Hurstbourne Priors 1 to 2 p.m., Whitchurch 2 to 3. Laverstoke 3 to 4, Overton 3.45 to 4.30 and after tea. Service and tea. Overton, followed by meeting. Deane 6 to 7. Church Oakley 7 to 8, Wootton St. Latwrence 8 to 9 p.m. Tea only to those who notify, by previous Tuesday, Rev. F. Sanders, Overton Rectory.-G. K. Dodd, J. Chesterman. Hon. Secs.

WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH GUILD. -Christchurch District.-Quarterly meeting at Peter's bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.50 p.m., in St. Peter's Hall. Ringing after tea at St. John's, Surrey Road. Names for tea by Thursday, December 1st, to Mr. Colin Conway, 121. Richmond Park Road. Bournemouth.-W. T. Godfrey, Dis. Sec.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-Annual meeting, Exeter, St. Thomas', December 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names 10 J . Andrews, 14. Attwyll Avenue, 7016 Exeter.
GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - South Forest Branch. Annual general meeting. Lydney. Saturday, December 10 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Coombe, Oaklands Farm. Newnham. Glos.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION-
7026 Western District.-Meeting at King's Langley. Saturday. December 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 pm . Names for tea by Tuesday; December 6th. to Mr. B. Barker. 7. Watford Road, King's Langley. No name no tea.-
J. Good. Dis. Sec. LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leicester District.-Meeting at Anstey. Saturday. December 10th. Ringing ${ }^{3}$ p.m. Service 4.30 .
Tea and meeting 5 p.m.. in Church Rooms. Names for tea by Wednesday. December 7th. please. io Mr. R. Elkington. 24. High Street. Anstey. Leicester.
LLANDAFF \& MONMOUTH ASSOCIA-TION.-Llandaff Branch-Meeting. Saturday December 10th. St. Bride's Major, Bells (6) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business to follow.-R.E. Coles.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-North West District. -Practice meeting Saturday, December 10th. Rougham (6). Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.-A. ${ }^{\circ}$ F.
Ballam.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern December 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by Deccmber 8 th. to Mr . A. Lucas, 145. Sanders Road. Reigate.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District.-Quarterly meeting. Pocklington. on Saturday. December 10th. Bells (8) 2 to 8 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.. in Church Hall. Names by December Rairstow. 9. Victoria Road. Pocklington.H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## TAYSOM'S TRAVELLERS IN DEVON

$\mathrm{O}^{N}$N Friday, October 21st, a company of 12 assembled at Warmley for a ringing tour in Devonshire. They were Rita Webb. Jean Palmer, Gloria Newton, Ian Smith and Mr. and Mrs. H. Taysom (Warmley), Michael Hobbs (St. Ambrose. Bristol), Peter Hurcombe (Gloucester). Iver Goulter (Norton), Christopher Barrable. Terence Milsom and Alan lee (Twerton. Bath). With Henry Taysom at the wheel of the mini-bus the party decided to label itself as 'Taysom's Travellers. Lustleigh, near Bovey Tracey, which was the headquarters, was reached about 11 p.m.
Saturday dawned quite bright and dry, and at the first tower, Bovey Tracey, we found a restored Gillett and Johnston octave (tenor 14 cwt.). rung from the ground floor. The Rector, the Rev. G. Duxbury, welcomed us and wished us well on the rest of the tour Highweek, the next tower. was also a restored Gillett octave, but a little lighter ( 11 cwt.) These bells go very well and Oxford Bob Triples was the highlight. The tower captain gave us directions for the next tower, East Ogwell. which lies amid the country lanes The Rev. E. Dalby met us and said he was sorry that the bells are seldom rung, but despite this the little ring of five ( 6 cwt .) go very well. On to Denbury, where Mr. C. Ellis was waiting for us; these are another lovely little five ( 8 cwt .). seldom rung. Here the band had the experience of ringing with single back ropes. A break was made for refreshments.
By 1.30 p.m. we were at Ipplepen, a beautiful octave again restored by Gillett and Johnston although the tenor has since been rehung by Taylor's. A musical touch of Grandsire Triples went very well indeed.
We arrived late at Totnes, one of the county's heaviest octaves ( 28 cwt.), again restored by Gillett's. Here waiting for us was the tower captain and Mr. Aubrey Bennett. Bob Major went very well and the captain remarked he was surprised to see the bells rung by such a young band. Mr. Bennett accompanied us to Dartington, the first six of the day ( 17 cwt .). The bells are rung from the ground floor with rope guides and the back ones are a little tricky to handle, but Cambridge seemed to go along well.

## POLICEMAN SURPRISED

At Staverton, the local policeman watched with open mouth as the mini-bus shot down a "No through Road" to the church. The bells are one of the county's heaviest sixes ( $21 \frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$.), and they took a bit of getting up. Little Bob was very successful, and we also Little Bob was very successsul, and we aiso
us after assuring them we were not going to ring scientific.' Through the lanes to Broadhempston, where, to our surprise and his, stood the same policeman; this time we explained what we were doing. The bells go well but the treble is slightly of key.
Having reached Ashburton in the dark we made a mistake. We found a building that looked like a church so in we went equipped with torches, and after trying all the doors decided to look again at the outside of the building, where was found a plaque labelled Ashburton Maternity Clinic.' Eventually, we found the church where the Vicar, curate and captain were waiting. We explained our delay and the Vicar announced that we were not the first. as the building has a 14th century tower. Anyway the bells are a lovely octave (21f cwt.).
The last ring of the day was Ilsington, near Haytor. one of the highest points on Dartmoor. The bells were a perfect end to a perfect day, a restored Gillett six that were a joy to ring. Back to Lustleigh, where we spent a pleasant hour in the inn with the local ringers and villagers, who gave us an histoncal and interesting account of the district.
Sunday, 7.30 a.m.. saw the company at Lustleigh Church, for Communion, where the Rector said he was deeply sorry we could not ring later in the morning as the custom is the bells shall not be rung while a villager is lying dead: Anyway, by kind invitation of Mr. Bennett. we rang at Dean Prior (a slow turning. Taylor restored six, $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.). Here we rang a variety of methods on this lovely six after the morning service. Back to Lustleigh for lunch and then a start on the homeward journey. A stop was made at Sampford Arundel (Somerset), to ring for evening service; here the local ringers made us so welcome and let us ring what we wished. We did ring some call changes and Grandsire Doubles with the locals and it was good to think they are conquering method ringing. Warmley was at last reached and 'Taysom's Travels' were nearly over for one yay but it was the sort of thing one would like to do again. Our grateful thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and Miss Gay for looking after us at Lustleigh, to the incumbents and captains who made us so welcome in towers where method ringing is not very often heard. to Mr. Bennett for his kindness and to Henry Taysom for driving the minibus. The ringing had been a very high standard. 19 methods and call changes.
A. F. L

## QUARTER PEALS

EAST ILSLEY, BERKS. On Nov. 13 th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Patricia E. Hibbert (first of Stedman) 1, J. W. T. Hibbert 2, Mrs. Marjorie C. Hibbert 3, A. W. G. Sayers 4. Eileen M. Wilson 5. J. W. Wilson 6, C. J. Hibbert (cond.) 7. H. R. Wells 8. For Remembrance service.
EDLESBOROUGH. BUCKS.-On Sept. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 1, Mrs. June Sinfield 2, Ian Knox 3, M. D. Pearson 4, 1. Pett 5, W. Sear 6. After Evensong for Harvest Thanksgiving.
HEA VITREE, DEVON,-On Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (ferst quarter of Holi's Orizinal): G. Skinner 1. Miss J. Wooders (firse of Grandsire Triples) 2, A. T. Truman 3, B. H. Thompson 4, R. E. Truman 5, G. E. Retter (cond.) 6, F.
Wreford 7, F. Wills 8. For Remembrance

## Evensong.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Nov, 131h, 1,260 Doubls Oxford Bob Triples: E. Blower 1, R. Tomlin 2, D. Belcham 3, F. May 4, M. Hallett 5, G. Sandwell . A. House (cond.) 7. W. Ward 8. Rung for Evensong.
RIPON, YORKS. -Om Oct. 1st, at the Cathedral, 1.800 Plain Bob Royal: D. Alderwon (first quarter) 1. Shirley A. Mudd 2. E. Hudson 3. P. Dawson Lumley 8, G. Benfield (cond.) 9. F. K Williamson 10. Rung in honour of the first visit of the Archbishop of York to the Cathedral.
STANTON ST. JOHN. OXON,-On Nov. 13th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Julia Chandler (first in method) 1, R. H. Jones (cond.) 2. Helen Williams (first in method) 3. N. D. Deam 4, J. S. Walker 5. For the birthday of the Priace of Wales.

STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.-On Nov, Yth, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. Cook 1, I. Hodgson 2, F. Howard 3. R. Edwards (cond.) 4, D. Beaumont 5. J. Beaumont 6. First quarrer 1, 2, 5 and 6.

STANBRIDGE, BEDS.-On Aug. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jose Hutchings 1, J. W. Sinfield 2. M. D. Pearson 3, W. Sear 4. F. K. Williamson (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.
TATTERSHALL, LINCS.--On Nov. 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet Burrell 1, L. K. Taylor (cond.) 2, J. W. Bailey 3. F. Ingall 4. J. P. Morriss 5. H. Burrell (first quarter) 6. A birthday compliment to Janct and Harry Burrell.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

Silkstone won the six bell contest at the quarterly meeting of the Association, held on October 22nd, at Kirkburton. Some very good striking was heard during the competition and an excellent tea was served by the local company. The judge was Mr. T. W. Hilton and his decisions and order of ringing were as follows: Cawthorne (ragged) 68. Meltham (good in parts) 61. Shelley (good. but for a trip) 39. Friezland (good throughout) 27. Silkstone (very good) 24

Thanks were passed to the judge and marker, the Vicar and Mr. Burton for his excellent arrancements and hospitality. Next meeting Armitage Bridge, April 22nd.

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## ASSERTIVE YOUNG MALES

0NE of the problems confronting most elderly people is 'bridging the gap' of years. In a family, like the ringing Exercise, this is constantly with us. It is no uncommon thing to find three generations ringing together in a belfry, and an age range of 50 years or more between the oldest and the youngest. The outlook of the youngster of today is very different from three generations ago. The average intelligence is higher; generally speaking there is more self-confidence and certainly more independence. The stern discipline of three generations ago does not prevail, and while some of the testy elderly at times try to install this and remark: 'When I was a boy you would sit in the corner and watch, and you would be lucky to hâve a pull,' there is a recognition that a new age requires different methods of approach.

Those in charge of towers today are not of the same sergeant-major type of 50 years ago. While there is a reasonable standard of discipline, the iron hand wears a velvet glove. It seems as if youth is placed on a pedestal; they are certainly allowed a greater measure of freedom when they show prospects of becoming a ringer. The elderly sit back and make sacrifices. They revel in the progress of their pupils, and to another old crony at a District meeting will say, with pride: 'Yes, he was one of my pupils. Look at the grace of his ringing and perfect bell control.'

Alas, there comes a time when the pupil outstrips his master; sometimes it is as short as three or four years. The youth or maiden has been on a ringing tour or two and comes back to the belfry with the glint of knowledge and experience in his or her eyes. A repertoire of methods, far exceeding those of the tower captain, is at their disposal. With this experience has come a sharpening of the ears; there has been the new knowledge that is some ringing the ear is a more important aid than the eye. The striking of individual members, particularly the elderly, is noted critically, and there are possibly asides, such as: 'Old Harry is striking wide - he must be getting deaf.'

With males there is a new assertiveness: it is not so noticeable among girls, whose nature is different. The period between 19 and 23 is often most difficult with young men. They become impatient with the elderly members who cannot advance as quickly as they can, and the atmosphere is apt to become strained. It cannot be denied that as one gets older there is a reluctance to embark into new fields. The preoccupation of other things in life lessens the will, and often the mental faculties make learning difficult.

How is the veteran captain to bridge the gap now that the pupil who was 'the apple of his eye' has reached a realm of proficiency beyond his own? To give up the captaincy of the tower-a position he has held for 10. 20 or 30 years-is very much against the grain. He has taken a pride in his bells and their regular ringing for Sunday services; he has also the respect of the vicar and the parishioners; he feels tolerably fit except for perhaps an occasional twinge of rheumatism. No, such a course is unthinkable.

With the constant moving about the country through changes of employment the crisis is frequently averted. But where the young man remains it is the responsibility of the captain to 'bridge the gap.' Failure to do this results in one of two things: Youth will either find another tower more congenial-and with modern transport such as the motor-cycle and small car this is a reasonable proposition-or he will be getting his ringing with one of the area peal bands and neglect the fold of his youth.

The wise captain will make use of his new-found knowledge by creating new responsibilities for him. If there is not a deputy conductor he will promote him to the position. He will ask him to accept certain responsibilities in the training of recruits: and it is a fact that young people often prefer to be taught by someone nearer their own age than the elderly. If possible, he will use his influence to secure for him an office in the District, such as assistant Ringing Master. This male assertiveness has to be channelled into responsibility, otherwise it will be a cause of friction and unpleasantness in the tower.
Without being unkind to anyone, this phase in life is a common experience, although sometimes its bluntness is softened by a feminine influence. Very often opportunities for service arise where the leadership of a tower is presented to him - not necessarily the belfry in which he was trained-and his knowledge and influence are used to the full extent to the advancement of the Exercise. Hard as it may sound, the wise old captain, if his tower is fully manned, will make the sacrifice for the benefit of ringing at large, even if it is to the detriment of the proficiency of his tower.
One of the secrets of the great advance in ringing in recent years has been the effective harnessing of enthusiastic youth, with the necessary 'know-how.' This information is very patent in our quarter peal columns. We have very many of these 'assertive young males' bringing along their young companies and taking as much pride in them as the veteran captains. And it is all to the good. although some of our old men will shake their heads and say: 'It was not done in my young days.'

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

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Mrs. G. A. Halls . . . 5 I John M. Jelley ... .. Tenor Composed by Shirley Burton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. Witness: G. Ronald Edwards.
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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\dagger$ Claudia A. Critchley | 2 | J. Richard Castledine |
| G. William Critchley | 3 | Jack S. Dear.. |
| Eric Edmondson | 4 | John R. Mayne |

Jack S. Dear..
John R. Mayne
Frederick E. Collins Tehor
Arranged by W . Eric Critchley.

- 50th peal together. $\dagger$ 50th peal together. $\ddagger$ First of Yorkshire.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Nov. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Rita M. Jowett Tenor 25 ? cwt.
 Arranged and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
BURTON-UPON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Nov. 19. 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes. At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 28 cwt .2 ar. 9 lb . in $D$ flat.


SLOUGH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFURD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal., Nov. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.
At the Church or St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qs. 19 lb . in E.
A. James Glass J. Keith Ward. Frederick R. Scott
Dennis C. Bowen Treble
$\qquad$

## William Butler

Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Alan, $\ddot{R}$. Pink.
Golden. Guild.
qr. 19 ib. in E.
Dennis Knox ..
William Birmingham
William Birmingham
D. Kenvyn Walters Wilfrid G. Wilson Alan R. Pink

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Nor. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 24 cwt .7 lb . in D .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs.. Oct. 13. 1960. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt .48 lb . in G .

| Thomas R. Simmons | $\ldots$ | Treble | David Cubitt ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Dr. David Heighton | $\ldots$ | 2 | H. William Barrett | | Dr. David Heighton | .. | 2 | H. William |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthur G. Bason | .. | .. | 3 | Bert Gogle |


| .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 6 |
| .. | 7 | Godfrey G. Walpole .. 4 | F. Charles Goodman ... Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Dr. David Heighton.

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first peal of Major on the bells (following augmentation from six to eight) by an all-local company, the same composition being used.

BILLINGSHURST. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sal. Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{6}$ cwt.


STEYNING. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Now. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minules, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL. OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Wil Tenor $11+$ cwt.
*J. Richard Wilson . Treble *Henry C. Weaver .. 5
 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Edgar R. Rapley } . . & . . & 3 & \text { Leonard Stilwell... } \\ \text { Raymond Wood } & 7 \\ \text { EW. Leslie Weller } & \text {.. } & \text { Tenot }\end{array}$
Composed by W. Barion.
Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 50$ th peal for the Association.

## ERITH, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minules.
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Arthur G. Mason.
Tenor 15 cwt in G.
Treble
Arthur G. Mason. . . . Treble Arthur S. Richards
Joan Blresford .. .. 2 Doris E. Colgate .. .. 6
*Paul J. Dye .. .. .. 3 Herbert E. Audsley


* First peal in the mechod.

A first birthday compliment to Katrina Jane le Saux, grand-daughter of Mr. F. J. Cullum.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 12. 1960. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes. At the Church of SS. PETER and Paul. A PEAI. OF 5056 KENT TREBELE BOB MAJOR

 Rosemary 3. Seabrook
Composed by James Lockwood.
Tenor

GRAVESEND. KENT.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Sal.. Nov. 12. 1960, in 3 Hours.
At St. George's Chapel of Unity (Pocahontas Memorial). A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt I qr. 6 ib . in E .
Peter Bfresford Treble
Joan Beresford
2
3 Arthur G. Mason
Thomas H. Francis
Composed by Arihur Knighis.
 Dennis Beresford .....Tenor Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes:
At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

## Tenor 144 cw .



GREAT HOLLAND. ESSEX THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.<br>On Mon., Nov. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Mintutes. At the Church of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

 Tenor 15 cwt .Rachel J. R. Newsiead Treble Urban W. Wiluney.
Edgar R. Rapley .. ... 2 Maurice E. Downs.
Alan R. Andrews
Frank B. Lufkin 6

George N. Orman ... 4 Walter Arnold $\ldots$ Temur 7

Composed by E. Barneti, sen. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
WHITCHURCH. HAMPSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Nov. 18, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Church of All Hallows.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pritchard's.
FREDERICK Jice Tenor 16 cwt .
Brian A. B. Shingler ... 2 . 2 Ernest J. Munday.
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd.
John Manley ... 4 Reiginald F. Crook. . Terer
Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent. the Rev. Hamiton Lloyd. who was inducted on July 27th.

## ENDERBY, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saf., Nov, 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF 5056 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt .2 qr. 15 lb.
Frederick E. Wilshaw.. Treble Raiph Elkington W. Ernest Rawson.. .. $\frac{2}{3}$ paul Martin $\begin{array}{llll}\text { John M. Jelley } & \ldots & 3 \\ \text { A. Maxwell Lindsey } & \ldots & 4\end{array}$ Composed by C. Middleton.
A. James Poynor

Russell S. Morris. . . . Tenor First peal in the method

## HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nor. 19, 1960, in 2 Housr and 51 Minules.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cw . in A

John Walden
Treble *George H. Randles
$\square$
-Clatre Dillamore
2 *Geoffrey R. Parker
*Norah M. Randles
-Margaret A. Swann 4 Jack L. Millhouse .. Tehor

* First peal of Watford Surprise.

KINGSWINFORD. STAFFORDSHIRE
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD
On Sal.. Nov, 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
R. Arthur peakman ..Treble Marin D. Fellows

Denis N. Layton .. .. 2 "Frederick E. Jukes Thomas Hemming . Clifford Skidmore.. C. Frederick Jukes Tenor Frederick G. Handley.. Conducted by Denis N. Layion. composed by A. Knighis. The ringers of the trehle and tenor have now " circled the tower."

ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

- $38-14-1258-36-34-1458-16-78$. L.-c. 12. Group B.


## LONDON.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal., Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Howrs and 36 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Ann, Stamford Hill.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt 3 qr

Giles C. Galley .. .. 3 Philip Mehew .. Wilfred Willams .. .. 4 Thomas J. Southam .. Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff First peal in the method on the bells

PENISTONE YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sal., Nov. 19. 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minules.
At the Church of St. John,
A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arihur Champion.. ...Treble + +David Lockwood .. .. 5

| Eric Stainrod... .. | 2 | †Trevor Tarbatt | .. | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

 Composer unknown. Conducted by Noes F. Moxon.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Treble Bob. First as conductor on eight bells.
Rung to celebrate the dedication of the new Church of St. Aidan at Oxspring: also the birth of a son (Nigel) to Mr. and Mrs. I. Crossland.


## THROWLEY. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Mintutes,
At ihe Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In 11 methods, comprising 768 each Bristol and London. 576 each Ealing and Rutland, 480 each Wembley and Wauford, 288 each Cambridge. Superlative, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and Pudsey, and 137 changes of method. Doris E. Colgate .. . . Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. 5 Stanley Jenver.

2 Ian H. Oram

| Arther S. Richarids | $\ldots$ | 3 | Johin R. Cooper | . | . | 7 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ralph Bird | . | . | . | 4 | Philip A. Corby | $\ldots$ | . | Tenor |

Composed hy E. A. Barnetr. Conducted by Philip A. Corby. First peal in I! Surprise Major methods by all except the ringer of the fifth. First in the county, and for the Association.

WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
IHE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minules.
At the Church of St. Glles,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .
*Robert W. Winsianley Treble| Roger Baldwin ... .. 5
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Jean M. Addicoti.. } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Denis R. Carlisle } & . & . & 6 \\ { }^{\text {FF. }} \text {. Neville Palling } & \ldots & 3 & \text { Gordon A. Halls } & . . & . & 7\end{array}$

+ Par A. M. Halls .. .. 4 James H. Palling .. .. Tenor
Composed by Steven Ivin. Conducted by James H. Pailing.
*First peal in the method. $\ddagger 175$ th peal. First on the bells.
The congratulations of the band go to Mr. and Mrs. W. Arnold Morley on the birth of their daughter.

WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Sal.. Noi. 19. 1960, in 3 Hours und 2 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor $15 \frac{\mathrm{cw}}{} \mathrm{cw}$. in F .
*Graham B. Sleight (14) Treble tGordon Rothwell
Mrs. P. J. H. Hudson 2 tlvan Kay ... 5
+Michatl D. Fishwick.. 3 Gloffrey Cheetham .. 6
Keith Abbotr. ... 4 Phlip J. H. Hudson ... Tenor
Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.
*First peal at first attemnt. +25 th peal together. $\ddagger i 50$ th peal for the Association.

Rung for the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the bells on Octoher 23rd, 1910.

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## FIVE AND SIX bell peals

COLTISHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NOKWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sun., Oct. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minules
at the Church of St. John-ihe-Baptist. A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In four methods. being four extents of Plain Bob, one each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's.

Frederick Boyce ...Treble Horace Lubbock Tenor 10 cwt . Friderick Boy
David Cubitt
Ted Howes

| Treble | Horace Lubbock |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | Bevan W. Willgress | Geoffrey R. Drew.

Conducted by Geofrrey R. Drew. SCULTHORPE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Oct. 27, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND All SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
*J. F. Towler...
Freda P. Greaves
Freda P. Greaves.. .. Treble Bevan W. Willgress
David Cubitt. . .. .. 3 Ivan J. M. Saunders
enor 8 cwt .

- First peal at first attemipt. Ivan J. M. Saunders.
* First peal at first attempt.

Rung in honour of the 26 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Saunders.

> HAPPISBURGH NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Nov. 2. 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
a PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

*Ambrose E. Mason .. Treble
Jocelyn B. Gardiner
*Andrew R. Harvey
$\dagger$ Allen Twyman
2

Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
First peal. $\dagger 20$ th peal. 25 th as conductor.
H. R Rung to celebrate the birth of a son and heir to the Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Chisnell.

## FINDON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On"Mon., Nov. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Herbert W. Woolvey .. Treble George Francis
Cecil R. Longhurst . . 2 Frank B. Lufkin
Lequard Sitiwell
3 Edgar R. Rapley
Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin. SAXTHORPE. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Nov. 7, 1960, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.
Freda P. Greaves
Gilbert E. Larter
Treble Bevan W. Willaress
David Cubitt
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.

* 25th peal together. 25th peal as conductor for the Association. First of Plain Bob Doubles by all the band except the tenor ringer. Fustest peal at a church.

WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Nov. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
At the Church of St. George,
AT PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise and three $720^{\circ}$ s each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.
*Cynthia J. Shackell . . Treble
Evgar R. Rapley .. .. 2 +Sheila A. Shackell .. 3 Frank B. Lufkin... Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. LUFKin.

* First peal. + First in more than one method.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to the fourth ringer and a birthday compliment to Janet Tidey.

Tenor 8 cwt $\dagger$ Richard F. Verrall ... 4 Richard
Cecil R. Longhurst品

ACLE. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN A
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 10,1960 , in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Edmund,
AT PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being extents of Plain Bob, Double Court. St. Clement's, Double Plain Boh, Double Oxford, College Bob and Reverse Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 47 lb . in $G$.
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Doris E. Lidbetter } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Nolan Golden } & & . . & . . & 4 \\ \text { Bevan W. Willgress } & \ldots & 2 & \text { Bert Gogle } & \text {.. } & . . & . & 5\end{array}$ Arthur G. Bason ... .. 3 H. William Barreit .. Tenor Conducted by Nolan Golden.
A compliment to Mr Herbert W. Lidbetter on his 88 th birthday. The traditional party took place at Hollycroft after the peal.

> WHITSTABLE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
Being 720 of Oxiord T.B., two $720^{\circ}$ s Kent T.B. and four 720's Plain Bob.
Derek M. Holness.. .. Treble I Stanley A. Wooding
Edgar R. Rapley ... 2 Frank B Lufkin 4 Keith J. Triplow ..... 3 Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor

Rung in memory of Michael J. Holness.
BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes, At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (ten different callings).
Tenor 23 cwt .2 yr. 6 lb . in E flat.
Frederick G. Hooper .. Treble Philip C. Pitciford
J. Edward Brown .. .. 2 Frederick Derry ... 4

Clarence F. Briggs.. .. 3 Harold Stevenson .. .. Tentor Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.
Rung half-muffled on the eve of Remembrance Sunday. WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOClATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sat., Nou' 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being seven extents.
Tenor 11 cwt .
*. Dale...
. . . Treble
Conducted by T. Tarbatt.

* First peal. First as conductor

WELFORD-ON-AVON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
a Peal OF $\mathbf{5 0 4 0}$ Minon
In seven methods, consisting of extents of Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's College Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt., approx. Jqseph E. Newman .. Treble Robert W. Cole
*Colin B. Longmore $\quad . .22$ etrnest W. Penn
Martyn Hawkes . . . 3 Harold E. Raxter. . . Tenor Conducted by Harold E. Raxter.
seven methods. First on the bells.

* First peal in seven methods. First on the bells.
HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Mon.. Nov. 14. 1960, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 9 cwt .1 yr .24 lb .
Alan Griffin (Trinity).. Treble Noel Waite (St. Cath.'s)
*Lawrence Smith (Queens") 2 Henry Lewis (Fitz.)
*Richard Hough (Jesus)
James Tayor (Si Cath ㅇ) 5
Conducted by James Taylor.

* First peal. + First inside.

Rung for the 12th birthday of H.R.H. Charles. Prince of Wales.

The Accumulated Experience of Four Generations is behind all our Clocks

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Nov. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 blunsdon SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents
John Hill
John R. Mayne
Raymond G. Smith.

Tenor 8 cwt .13 lh . in A . Frank C. Price.
Kenneth R. Dunstan
Gerald Penney
Tenor

First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

## BRISTOL

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY. On Sar., Noy. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minures. At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount Without, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Bob. Double Oxford Bob. St. Clement's College Boh. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

## David Heighton .. .. Treble

*ian C. Maycock
*Michael J. Austin $\quad 3$ *John C. Blaldwin
*John C. Baldwin .. . . Tenor Conducted by David Heighton.

* First peal in seven methods. The conductor has now "completed the circle ${ }^{\text {e }}$ in that capacity.


## ORLINGBURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE <br> THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sar., Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minules. <br> At the Church of Sr. Mary.

Being six extents each of St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob. April Day, Old. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire. enor 10 cwt . 3 qr. 8 lb . in F .
Percy Amos
*tTimothy A. Wooding.... 2 Treble $\begin{gathered}\text { *Richard J. Danby } \\ \text { \#Michael R. Harvey }\end{gathered}$
George F. Roome
Conducted by Gfo
+Michael R.
Conducted by Gforge F. Roome
First peal in seven methods. $\dagger 25$ th peal. $\ddagger$ First peal
In memoriam Rev. W. R. Flex (Euddington), J. R. Sharman (Cogenhoe), Mrs. M. E. Allebone (Easton Maudit) and W. Whitney (Yardley Hastings).

TOLLESHUNT DARCY, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 TOLLESBURY DELIGHT MINOR
Being seven extents, with 5 -6 the right way throughout.
Tenor $5 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cWt}$. in B.

## Mary Roast

Ernest E. S. Johnson
Treble DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS Andrew S. Hudson. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.
First peal in the method.

## WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE

## ThE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

On Sun.. Nov. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

## at the Church of St. Mary-de-wyche,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In 13 methods, being three extents each of Seighford, Little Aston. Dedworth. Wychbold Pleasure, Honeybourne, Reverse St. Bartholomew. Clifford's Pleasure, April Day, Reverse Canterbury. Southrepps, Kennington and Plain Bob, and six of Grandsire. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in G sharp.
 James E. Pullon (13) .. 3. *Hugh B. Makins

* First peal. Most methods by all, and on the bells.

Rung before choral evening Communion. Also hirthday compliments to Valerie Powell and Paul Cook (local ringers) and Nicholas J. Davies (Ashford. Kent).

## TOLLESBURY DELIGHT MINOR

$36 \times 34,16 \times 12 \times 1236 \times 12 \times 56$

## HANDBELL PEAL

## LEICESTER.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 1 Minute.
At 12. Dorothy Avenue Glen Hills.
A PEALC OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor size 12 in F.
 Ernest Morris Maurice Aikins. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
Composed by E. Mar * 550th peal for the Guild.

ASHFORD, KENT.-On Nov, 13th. 1.261 Grand sire Trintes: Rita E. Gould (firsi of Triples) 1, Mr. T. Cullingworth 2. Margaret $M$. Jones 3, J. $R$ Cooper 4, T, Cullingworth 5, P. Cattermole 6 N. 1. Davies (first of Triples as cond.) 7. H. S Wickins B. For Evensong.
ASTON, WARWICKS.-On Nov. 13th. 1.120 Grandsire and Plain Bub Doubles: P. Casmin 1 . H Downic 2, A. Short 3, D. T. Finnemere \& A. S. Burbidgc (cond., are 12) 5, E. Franklin 6. For Evenung.

AYlestone, leics.-On Nov. 6th, 1.280 Plain Boh Major: Christine Sedgley 1. P. Martin 2. Maric Davenmort 3. Sandra Chesterton 4. Patricia Wardle 5. T. Roper 6, R. Morris (cond.) 7. J. Poynor \&. For Evensong, and to welcome the Rev. J. R McManus, assistant curate.
BALDOCK. HERTS.-On Nov. 13th, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: A. Buck (first quarter) 1. M. Hopkins 2. J. I. Dear 3. 1. Hughes 4. D. Surclife 5 . P. Flack 6. R. Castledine (cond.) 7. C. Harwood 8. Also on Nov. 13 th. 1.260 Plain Bob Major: Miss C. Dear (firsi quarter) 1. C. Harwood 2. L. Scoot 3. M. Honkins 4, J. S. Dear 5. P. Flack 6, E. Buck (cond.) 7, R. Castledine 8. Borh rung half-muffied for Remembrance Sunday. Also on Nov. $16 \mathrm{ih}, 1.280$ Plain Bob Major: D. Sutclific 1. Miss C. Wills (first of Major 'inside') 2. L. Scont 3. M. Hopkins 4. L. Hughes 5, P. Flack 6. E. Buck 7. R. Castledine (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service.
BARKING, SUFFOLK.-On Nov. 12th, 1.440 Double Cour! Bob Minor: G E. Symonds (cond.) 1. H. A. Mitson 2, R. E. Lester 3, H. D. Lister 4. J Ivings 5 , W . J. Bution 6 . Halg-muffled for Armistice.
BOCKING. ESSEX.-On Nov. 14 th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (s and ? covering): Mrs. A. Moore 1. P. Liurence (first quarter) 2. H. Moore 3. Rev. J. Burslem 4, K. Lewsey 5. R.Suckling (cond.) 6 1 Henshaw 7. Rung half-mufiled after Evensons. BOLDMERE. WARWICKS. -On Oct. Gih. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss B. J. Lymn (Hrat quarter) 1, D. Reeves 2. M. N. Lawrence (cond.) 3, 1. N. Laud 4, J. E. Neale 5. P. G. Laud 6. For Harvest Festival.

CAMBRIDGE.-On Nov. 6th, at St. Andrew the Great. 1.280 London Surprise Major: R. Hough 1,

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C. Webster 2, J. Secker 3. J. Davies 4. H. Muirhead 5. F. Secker 6. H. Neill (cond.) 7. J. Taylor 8. Also at St. Mary the Great, on Nov. 14th, 1,242 Grandsire Caters: K. J. Futter 1, P. H. Pigr 2, 1. Wilkin (first of Grandsire Caters) 3, A. 1. Griffin 4. H. E. Bishop 5. E G Hibhins (cond.) 6, T. R. Jennis 7. H. C. Foster y. H. F. Brown 9, H. Muncey io. Firsi on ten for 1 and 8 . In homnur of the Prince of Wales mirthday.
CHELSFIELD, KENT.-On Nov. $13 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Plain Boh Doubles: A. Smith 1. Hillary Martin (first - inside') 2. Jillian ()uthwaite 3. M. Legs 4, 1). Manger (cond.) 5. C. Rowe 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.
COALBRUOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.-On NOV. 13hh, 1.260 Grandsirc Triples: C. Edwards 1. Rosaline A. Farlow 2, W. S. Crawford 3, J. Hanley 4. A. A. Etsmnre 5, B. L. Jones 6, A. S. Bayley (cond.) 7. A. Lloyd 8. Rung half-mufiled for Remembrance Sunday Evensong.
CONSETTT. CO. DURHAM.-On Nov. 13th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Armsirnne 1, G. Wall 2, R Oliver 3, N. Erringion 4. R. B. Sketion 5, W Tysun (cond.) 6. For Remembrance Service.
DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.-On Oct. 30th, 1.280 Plain Bub Major: G Bonsor 1, J. F. Johnson 2. Elisabeth 4. Negus 3. Gillian Tavener 4. Hilary M. Johnson 5. H. M. Johmon 6. P. I. Chapman 7. D. J. Marshali (cond.. aged 15) 8. For Evensons EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS. On Oct. Sth. 1260 Pialn Bob- Minor: Susan Meredith 1, June Thumas 2. H. Hill 3, N. Wilde 4, J. Meredith (cond.) 5, J. Higes 6.

## EPSOM, SURREY.-On Nov. 13th, at St. Marin's,

 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Diana W. Hand 1. Patricia A. Gibson (first quarter) 2, F. Oakshott (cond.) 3. Barbara M. Spencer (first of Triples) 4, Janet M. Besant 5. L. D. Kingswood 6. J. C. Davidge 7. 1. E. Chapman (first quarter) 8, Rung muffled in memoriam John. Nightingall, 30 years' churchwarden. memoriam John. Nightingall, 30 years churchwarden. Bob Mahor: J. Stevenson 1, Miss S. Smith 2, Mrs. B M. Hunt 3. D. Jones 4. J. A. G. Ball 5, G. Miles 6. A. H. Sturgess 7. J, H. Hunt (cond.) 8. Rung to welcome the birth of a son to Rence and Alan Sturgess, both members of the focal band.FARNINGHAM, KEAT.-On Nov. 7th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minur: Rita E. M. Gasson (U.C.) I. Mary Alkinson (Westfleld) 2, Enid Town (Weaffitld) 3. N. J. Davies (London Hospital) 4, P. Cattermole (King's, cond.) 5, Diana M. Lawless (Wesficld) 6. Rung by members of London University Suciety.
HITCHAM, BUCKS.-()n Nov, 13th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsirc): Heather Rarrett (firss quarter) 1. Jennifer Sceeny 2. Mary F. ('arr 3, T. Evans 4, H. O. Glesby (cond.) 5. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.
1.ONDON.-On Nov. 13th, at St. Clement Dancs: 1,277 Grandsire Caters J. Tomset! 1, A. Fulwell 2. Hilda Ontway 3. H. Eldred 4, S. Croft 5, A. M. Stacey 6, W. G. Wikon 7. D. Theedum 8. W. I: ( )atway (cond.) 4. M. Gathercote 10. Rung halfmuffied for Armistice Sunday.
MANCHESTER. - At 52. Woodland Road. Gorion. 1.260 Grandaire Doubles: J. Robinson $1-2, ~ R$. M. Edwards 3-4, G. Rumney (first 'in hand as cond.) 5-6.
MODBURY, DEVON.-On Nov, 16th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: T. G. Myers 1. F. E. Day 2. H. C. Spencer 3, 1). R Bould 4, W. J. Harvey 5, W. G. Lavers (cond.) 6.
OXFORD.-On Nov. 131h. at St. Aldate's, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor (all calls being singles): Catherine M. Chapman 1, J. H. Gardner 2. J. Venn 3. R. H. Allsworth 4. R. M. Jones 5, E. R. Vern (cond.) 6. Rung half-mufled for Remembrance Sunday Evensong.

READING, BERKS.-On Nov, $13 \mathrm{th}, 1,280$ London Surprise Maior: Jennifer M. Davies 1. Patricia Heather 2, J. Manley 3, P. Wilkinson 4. E. J. Munday 5, J. N. Discrens 6, C. E. Lewington 7. N. J. Diserens (cond.) 8. For Remembrance Sunday. ST. CRANTOCK, CORNWALL.-On NOY. 15 th . 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Rev. A. J. Vincent 1. Rev. G. W. Ruming 2. Rev. A. S. Roberts (cond.) 3. Rev W. E. Minors 4, Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella 5. Rev. I. R Jose 6 . A compliment to the Rev. W. H R. Trewhelle for 31 years secretary of the Truro Diocesan Guild.
WELIINGTON, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. A. Thatcher (frmt quarer) 1. C. H. Webber 2. Miss G. M. Stevens (first of Triples) 3, W. Stevens 4, I. G. Hughes 5. G. J. Gammon 6. D T. North (cond.) 7, C. E. Baker 8. For morning service.

BRATTON, WILTS.-On Nov. $12 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: R. Humphries 1, R. Purnell 2, Miss C. Lansley (first as cond.) 3. A. Bartlett 4. R. Lovelock 5, P. Gaisford 6. Rung for the wedding anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Humphries, Mr. and Mrs Purnell and Mr. and Mri Gaisford, all being in the previous weck.
BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.-On Nov. 9th, 1.261 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Neal (firm quarter) 1, 1 North 2, T. Clark 3, E. Ashby 4, C. Cook 5 , N. Jenkins 6. T. Norris 7. D. Cobb 8.

CASTLE CARY, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 14th. 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. F. Creed 1. W. G. Hodges 2, S. W. White 3, W. J. Tiley (first of Minor) 4, A. Callow 5, W. E. Tumer (cond.) A compliment to Prince Charles on his birthday.
CHURCH GRESLEY, DEREYS.-On Nov. 20th. 1.254 Grandsire Duubles: A. Baxter (14) 1, Mrs S. H. Jones 2. D. P. Joncs (cond.) 3, S. H. Jones 4. D. Eames (15) 5. Rung half-muflied in memory of John Baxter (17), bruther of the wreble ringer who died November 12 h , after a long illness.
CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.-At the Church of Si. Stephen, on Nov, 20ih, 1.264 Plain Bub Major: Miss S. Hughes 1, Mlss E. 1. Langion 2, G. Prat 3. V. Green 4, J. Perrett 5, N. Davies b, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 7, J. Ewion 8. For Mating.
DOWNE, KENT.-On Nov, 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob): 1. C. Bowers 1, A. S. Richards 2, R. E. Finch 3. D. Hulland 4, 1. Falrcloth firse of Duthles as cond.) 5. T. C. Premice 6. First quarter fur ? and 6. Rung as a compliment to John Lnuis George, son of the Vicar, Rev. L. G. Vedy and Mrs. Vedy, sho was baptised this day. Ringers of 1 and 6 are believed to be the tirst members of Duwne Church to take part in a quarer peal.
DUNHOLME, LINCS.-()n Nov, 13th, 1.260 Plain Hob Doubles: J. M. Smith 1, P. Coddington 2, P. Burton 3. B. W. Smith 4, T. R. Smith (cond.) 5. B. Clark 6. For Remembrance Day servise.

EARL'S CROOME. WORCS. - On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: I. Davis 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, D. Price 3, C. Haylings 4, J. Lawrence
EDGBASTON. BIRMINGHAM.-On Nov. 20th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Reeves 1, B. M. W. Dohbie 2, J. N. Lindon (cond.) 3. A. Timmins 4,
T. R. Russell 5. S. Waterhouse 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

EDMONTON, MIDDX.-On Nov, 20th, 1,344 Little Bob Major: Iris George 1, Trudy Newcombe 2. W. Theobald 3, W. George 4, 3. Towers 5, J. Weeks 6, D. Langdon 7, T. Hawkins (cond.) 8. First for 1, 2, 4 and 6 , Rung half-muffled in memory of Ierry Anderson, former ringer of this tower, who died on November 19th.

GOLDHANGER. ESSEX. On Nov. 12th. 1.260 Minor (Plain Bob, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.): T. White (first quarter) 1, J. Owers 2. B. C. Mann (cond.) 3. A. Appleton 4, W. White 5. H. Appleton

Runs to mark the 50th anniversary of the firas peal of Minor on the hells by a local band.
GOLDINGTON, BEDS.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Doublea $\mathbb{S t}$. Simon's. St. Martin's, Winchendon Place. St. Nicholas". Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Reverse St. Barholomew and Cirandsire): L. E. Duffind 1. Mrs. R. G. Corby 2, J. H. Edwards 3. R. French 4, R. G. Corby (cond.) 5. A. Lumbis 6. Rung for the combined Confirmation and Parish Eucharist service.
GRFAT ROLLRIGHT, OXON.-On Nov, 16 h . 1.260 Crandsire Doubles: H. Francis 1. J. Benfield 2. R. Jarvis 3. S. Pulker 4. 1. Harris (cond.) 5, C. Tompkins 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Walker. who celebrated their silver wedding on this day.
HINTON WALDRIST. BERKS, -On Nav. 13ih. 1.260 Grandasire Doubles: J. Moland 1, Miss P. Rooney 2. F. Moland 3. N. Leslie (cond.) 4. D. Leslie 5. A. O'Shaugness
for Remembrance Sunday.
HUGHENDEN. BUCKS.-On Nov, 8ih. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Haynen (first quarner) 1. Misk W. Hussey (first 'inside') 2. Miss B. Smith 3. R. Bigge 4. Mies J. Barnon 5. A. Newlon 6. R. Hezell (firs of Triples as cond.) 7. Miss B. Newion 8 .
HURSTPIERPOINT. SUSSEX.-()n Oct. 30th, 1.260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Pauline Hood 1. S. W. Brawn 2, J. R. Norris 3. M. Wondrrdee 4, H. W. Brown 5, N. Wright (firsi quarier) 6. Penelope Clark 7. B. Oxenham 8. A compliment to David Robinsun and Joyce Walsh, both members of the local band, on their engagemene of merriage. Also on Nov. 3rd, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Penelope Clark 1, Joyce Walah 2. M . Wooldrider 3, S. W. Brown 4, H. W Brown 5. Pauline Hood 6. D. Robinson 7. A. Wakh 8. supa half-muffed by members of the focal band in

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memory of Charles Diplock, a ringer in this towe for 62 years, who died on Uctuber 30th. Atso on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (540 Plain Bob, 720 Grandsire): N. Wright (first on a warking bell) 1, Joyce Walsh 2. J. R. Norris 3. S. W. Brown 4. H. W Brown 5. Pauline Hokrd 6, A. Walsh 7, D. Robinson 8. First in two methods by all except 4 and 5 . Rung half-mufied for Remembrance Sunday Evensung.

HUTION CRANSWICK, YORKS.-On Nov, 16th $1,2 \%$ Cambridge Minor: J. Porter (first of Cambridge as cond.) 1, B. Fisher 2, R. Gibson 3, C. Brown 4, D. Johnsun 5, R. Ducker 6 .

ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.-On Nov, 191h, 1.440 Kent Treble Buh Royal: L. C. Way I, Miss $P$ Helborn 2, W. G. Wilson 3, 1. Perrett 4, Mrs. O. L Rogers 5. Miss J. Creak 6, 1. E. L. Cockey 7. C. H. Rogers 8, M Gathercole 9, H. W. Rugers (cond.) 10. Firs in method for $1,2,4,6,8$ and 9. Rung for Evensong. and the anniversary of the marriage of H.M. the Queen to H.R.H. Prince Philin.
LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.-()n Nov. 13th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Fox (firsi quarter) 1. L. Fox 2. C. Hughes 3, L. Batley 4. Miss V. Hester 5. F. Mills 6. J. Crampion (cond.) 7. C. Willming-

LONDON:-At Westminster Abbey, on Nov. 17th. 1.281) Cambridge Surprice Major: M. P. Mureton I, C. W. Cecil 2, W. Rawlings 3, H. N. Pitsiow (cond.) 4. J. D. Rock 5, J. A. Waugh 6, 1. Phillips Crampion 8. Rung on Foundation Day
MARKET BOSWORTH, LEICS.-On Nov. 13 th . 1.260) Grandsire Triples: G. Newton 1. J. Lawrance 2. Hodgcus 3. H. Hollis 4. J. W. Rawson (cond.) Rung half-muffled to commemorate Armistice Day.
millom, CUMBERLAND.-On Nov, 14th, 1,320 Plain Bot Doubles: A. Metrers (first quarter) 1, V. Forshaw 2, J. Bagnall 3. J. E. Burles 4. D. Lawson
(cond.) 5. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss K. A. Houlden (Leyland), Mr. F. T. Tyson (Millom), Mr. 3. C. Lawson (Preston).
NAILSEA, SOMERSET,-On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Brake (first of Minor) 1. P. Blake 2, Mary Powell 3, 1. Derrick 4. T. Phillins 5. C. Kortright (cond.) 6. To welcome Jacqueline. granddaughter of the ringer of fifth.
NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On Nov. 15th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Horton 1, Ann Hancock 2. Wendy Bowak 3, L. Cordell 4, 1. McPhail 5. W.
Wedlock (cond) 6 . Airthday comoliment io G. Wedlock (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to $\mathbf{G}$. Horton.

PARRAMATTA, N.S.W.-On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Dirubles (Grandsire. Plain Bob and Old): L. Brace (first quarter) 1. R. W. Ferris (cond.) 2. G. A. Langshaw 3. R.
R. E. Miller 6.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-On Nov. 20th, as St. Andrew': Church, 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss
R. J. Marks 1. Miss Y. C. Poner 2. T. G. Myers (cond.) 3. J. Perkins 4. D. F. Wheeler 5. H. W. Miltord 6. F. E. Day 7. H. F. Myers 8. D. R Bould 9, W. H. Marks 10. For Evensons, and birthdas compliment to Miss R. J. Marks.
POULTON-LE-FYLDE. LANCS,-On Nov, Bth, 1.440 Kent Trebie Bob Mınor: 1 Nevin 1. Miss D M. Barres 2. Miss O. W. Barrelt 3. B. Alkingon 4 B. H. Hali 5. P. Crook (sen.) 6. P. Crook 7.

PLTNEY, LONDON,-On Nov. 26hh. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Bull 1. M. Lewis 2. L. Alten 3. B. Coatsworth 4. C. Mew (cond.) 5. A. Clayton h. For Everwang
OUEDGELEY, GLOS.-On Nov. 2 hh .1 .2 ta Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. Hall 1. J. Parker 2. S. J Pugh 3. P. T. Hurcombe (cond.) 4. C. F. Wisey 5. Miss A. Cox

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OUFENBOROUGH. KENT.-()n Nov. 11th. 1,264) Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Wallace (first quarter) 1
P. Nexus (finst 'invide') 2 , W. A. S. Rayfield 4. G. Hawker 5. Mrs. Groall 6. BirihS. Raytield 4. G. Hawken 5. Mrs. Gr
day compliments to three local ringers.

RIPPLE. WORCS.-On Nov, 1 th, 1.320 Besthorpe Bob Doubles: Anne Broxton 1. Nadine Price 2. C Haylings 3, A. Halling 4. M. Hawkes (cond.) 5 1. Woolley (firs: quarter) 6. First quarter peal in this variation by all the band.
ROTHERSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.-ON NOV 13th, 1.320 Reverse Camerbury Doubles: Jennifer Gituins (firs: quarter) 1, Elizabeth M. Paul 2. M. R Harvey 3. G. C. Paul 4, K. D. Perkins (cond.) 5 Rung half-mufled for Evensons.

RUARDEAN, Glos.-On Nov, 20th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles (4, 6 and 8 covering): W. T. Penn 1, A. Harling 2, A. Halling 3. W. J. Harper 4. E. W. Penn 5, T. Wilce 6. J. J. Webb (cond.) 7 H. Meek 8. Rung on the occasion of a visit by the Bishon of Gloucester.
ST. BREOCKE, CORNWALL.-On Nov, 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Moss (first away from tenor) 1. D. Docking 2, J. Roberts 3. C. Stephens . A. H. Eplett (cond.) 5. J. Norihey 6. Rung to mark the birth this day of a daughter io Mr. and Mrs, N. Saunders, of Wadebridge.
SHIRLEY, WARWICKS. - Un Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Shaw 1, R. Hencbury 2. C. D. Raugh 3. Judy Robinsen 4, V. A. Hemming
(cond.) 5. E. T. Lloyd 6. J. T. Clark 7. N. Smith 8. First on eight 1 and 8. First 'inside' on cight 3 and 7. Rung half-mufled for Remembrance Day. SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.-On Nov. 17th. 1,440 Plain Bub Minor. Muss M. Plain 1. M. J. Cuok 2. Miss A. Stevens 3. R. Wakefield 4, R. J. Smith 5 W. Godwin (cond.) 6. First of Minur by all the tand except the conductor.
SPRINGFIELD, FSSEX-On Nov, $121 \mathrm{~h}, 1.261$ Plain Rob Minor: D. R. Doy (firsi quarter) 1. B. G. Brinkley 2. I. R. Panton 3. J. O. Kerley (tirst quarter) 4. M. S. Golding (first inside') 5. B. R. Bover (firs as cond.) 6.

STOWTING, KENT.-On Nov, 13th, 1.260 Plain Bub Minor: losephinc D. Hardy (firse of Minor) 1. Rita E. Goutd (firse inside') 2, C. T. Hillis 3. N. J. Davies 4. T. Cuilingworth 5, P. Cattermole (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong, and as a welcome Rev. P. M, laquel. newly inducted Vicar.
SUTTON. CAMRS.-Un Nov. 194h, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Shipn 1. G. Markwell 2. G. Walker 3. D. Murfet 4, C. Gimber (cond.) 5. A. Yarrow 6 Rung half-mufled in memoriam F. G. Howard. for many years a ringer at this church
TAUNTON, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 13th, at St. James Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: T. Jeanes 1. R. Beale 2, F. Chidgey 3, J. Brewer 4. F.
Matravers 5, F. Murris 6. W. G. Gigo (cond.) 7, B. Houper (first quarter) 8. Rung half-mufled for Remembrance Sunday
THURLOXTON, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 17th. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob): E H. Langley 1. J. Brewer 2. W. Gigg 3. A. H. Reed (cand.) 4. P. N. Tubb 5. Rung in honour of Thurloxton being made a separate parish, having been a united benefice with Durston for the past 64 years.
TWYNING. GLOS.-On Nov, 18th, 1.260 Chase Bot Doubles: Christine Halling 1, M. Hawkes 2. W Williams 3. A. Halling 4. E. W. Penn (cond.) 5, I). Williams 6

WAITHAM ABBEY, ESSEX. On Nov. 13th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Secker (first quarter) 1. Miss J. Whitcher 2. D. Hawkins 3. M. C Austin 4, K. R. Scrimshaw 5, H. Duncan 6. R. J. Chapman (cond.) 7. T. Pearson 8. Rung half-muffied for Remembrance Sunday and to the memory of Fred Dighy. a true 1 riend to this tower.
WARMINSTER, WILTS.-On Oct. 16th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 1. 2 covering): L. Hawkins 1. Susan Porter (11. first quarner) 2, V. Bull 3. E. Norris 4. A. Buil 5
(cond.) 7. T. Mallard 8 .

WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Nov. 18ih. 1.260 Grandsire Doublev: Christine Froggatt 1. R. W. Winstanley 2. Rocemary. Whitehouse (lirss
quaner) 3. W. L. Ratclifie 4. J. Woolley (firs as cond.) 5. K. C. Voke. (first quamer) 6. Firit quarter by membars of the Sunday service band
WEST HAM. LONDON.-On Nov. 13th. 1.260 Plain Bub Royal: A. H. Worboys 1. F. J. Richardson 2. S. Penfold 3. J. Carrn 4. J. Fowler S. A. I
Salishurv 6. I. MePhail 7. A. D Gargrave 8. T. Ean 9. F. V. Gant (cond.) 10. Rung half-muffied for Rememhrance Surdas
WESTMINSTFR, IONDON.-At St. Stephen's: Rachester Row. on Nov. 16th, 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: Miss D. Lawless 1. I. Hurhes (first of Minor) 2. R. F. Overingion 3. A. 1. Frast 4. M. P. Moreton (cand.) 5. J. H. Crampion 6.
WEST WICKHAM, KENT.-On Nov. 13th, 1.4411 Treble Boh Minor ( 720 each Oxford and Kent): A. S. Richards 1. W. A. Hughes 2, L. W. G.
Skinner 3. R. E. Finch 4. J. Faircloth (fire of T.B. as cond.) 5. D. Holland 6. Rung half-muliled for Remembrance Day service.
WHITBY, IORKS.-On Nov, 13th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: J. Lamerton 1. A. V. Coates 2. J. Hudeson 3, G. White 4. J. Waller 5. A. Waters 6. S. R. Elwick (cond.) 7, F. Lamerion 8. For Remembrance serivce.
WHLBURTON, CAMES.-On Nov, 9h. 720 Cambridge Surprise, 600 Woodbinc: G. Markwell 1. H. Sharp (86) 2. S. Shipp (cond.) 3. D. Murfer 4. G. Walker 5. A. Yarmw 6. Rung to celebrate the 648 anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

## 'A BIT O' ZATURDAY RINGIN'

'Ere did I tell 'ee 'bout the little trip us 'ad down 'ere in Cornwall a week or so ago? 'Twas on October 15th. I think, 'ees thats it was I know, 'twas the Zaturday before the eighteenth Sunday arter Trinity, an' the missus always 'as er hair done the Vriday before that. Well us put this yer trip on for some chap called Paul Field, and is dog, from Zummerzet way; 'tis only Paul that rings, of course. 'is dog just listens an' barks a bit. 'Twas said that this yer chap only wanted a couple of towers to 'clean up' Cornwall; 'tis amazin' 'ow you can get about these days. ain't it. with these new fangled 'orseless carridges.

Well to get on with the story, as the parsen said after 'ee'd bin preachin' for 'alf an hour, us went up to Menheniot first, an ansome little six. tenor 'bout leb'm 'underd. where us' aived 'em up and rang a bit of Grandsher and Bob Miners (ah, yes, us be getting on with 'alf pull stuff now), before us went on to Saltash, which is nearly in Deb'm This is where they'm buildin' a new road bridge acress river: our gaffer, Alan Carveth. was daft enough to want to walk across the catwalk the workmen be usin to get from one end to 'tother without gettin' their veet wet. but us managed to drag on off it and into the tower. These bells be lovely to ring on after rehanging followin' fourteen years' silence, they'm a ring of six with an 'eavy tenor, bout fifteen underd.
Us was all peckish by this time, an' seein' as 'ow the pubs weren't open us decided to make do with a drop of tay. Us 'ad this at Launceston (pronounced Lansion) with a bit of zummat to ait before goin on to Laneast. another ring of six. 'bout nine 'underd. 'Tis a pity these bells be never rung as they'm very pretty sounding. The ropes was all drawn through a rack close together so they could be chimed an' us 'ad to go up over an' thread 'em all down through the guides hefore us could ring. Well everything was ready agin to start. This time the of rope
up. Muscle man Paul got 'old of tenor rope and with one 'aive 'ee broke it, so up us went ag'in an' tied a nice big knot in it, just like us would do at 'ome. an' then got ready ag in to start. This time the ol rope lasted two pulls from Paul before it broke ag'in. Us realised by this time that 'twould be better to stick another rope up. so us went up ag'in an' put one of our old ones on. This time us actually managed to get bells up an' ring a few changes before the second and third ropes broke within 'alf a minute of each other. Us decided to finish it there an' tidied the mess up a bit before goin' on to the last place at Advent to ring a quarter peal at the little church in the middle of a field.

These are five 'boys' bells, tenor 'bout three 'underd. an' us 'ad to scrounge around for a couple of candles to see to ring. Us never realised before 'ow evil lookin' Alan Carveth is by candlelight. but us managed to get over our nerves and ring a quarter of Grandsher.
Well. 'twas time to start for 'ome, stoppin' on the way at St. Columb for a bite to ait an' a drop of wallop. I never realised before but the only time our ringers is quiet is when they' m aitin'. Us 'ad a good trip an' be very grateful to all the parsens 'oo let us ring on their bells. and be 'appy to know that one Paul Field and dog returned 'ome victorious after 'cleaning up' Cornwall.

GARGE
ROCKWELL GREEN. SOMERSET.-On Oct. 23rd. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Chick 1, IV. Seevens 2, G. Sievens 3, G. Hutching 4. W. R. Trickey (cond.) 5. T. C. Taylor 6. For Evensong, and the conduztor's birthday. Also on Nov. Ist, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Chick 1, C. Webber 2, A. Cooke 3. G. Hutching 4. W. R. Trickey (cond.) 5. T. C. Taylor 6. For All Saints Day. Also on Nov. 12th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Cbick 1. A. Chapman 2, A. Cooke 3. G. Hutching 4. T. C. Taylor 5, K. Thorne 6. Conducted by W. R. Trickey. A farcwell to ring of 2 .

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Central Bucks Branch

The second Central Bucks Branch supper was held at the King's Head Hotel, Aylesbury, on October 29 ch , when 68 members and friends attended. The branch chairman (the Rev. G. H. Isaacson) presided, and was supported by the Master (the Rev. C. E. Wigg). the branch president (the Rev. Canon G. Dixon). the honorary general secretary (Miss M. R. Cross), the Mibrarian (Mr. H. L. Roper) and Mrs. Roper, and the branch secretary (Mr. D. G. Wheeler).
Apologies were received from the Bishop of Buckingham (the Rt. Rev. G. D. Savage). the Deputy Master (Mr. F. Sharpe), the Vicar of Winslow (the Rev. A. P. A. Barnes). Quainton ringers. Wotton Underwood ringers and Mr. W. E. Jones, of Waddesdon.
The chairman. in his stories, told of how an attempt to play a carol by means of a chiming apparatus was frustrated and parishioners of his former London parish were surprised to hear the strains of "Now the day is over' proceeding from the belfry, prior 10 the eight oclock celebration on Christmas morning.

Miss Cross spoke on the early days of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and of its former Masters, while Mr. Roper compared ringing to playing cricket.
The chairman thanked all those who had helped with the evening's arrangements and also 'in advance, those who had come to entertain.

The winner of the identity competition was Miss J. Bates. Contributing to the entertainment were Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Jamieson. with tunes on their handbells and Mr. Andrew Douglas. songs and stories. Mr. C. Walton led community singing accompanied by Mr. A. Kemsley on the piano.
A four-a-side darts tournament was held under the superintendence of Mr. J. W. Hald after which the Rev. G. T. Barker made the presentation of prizes to the winning team consisting of Messrs. E. Reece. L. J. Gregory. J. E. Tompkins and C. Griffin. D. G. W.

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The quarter peal at Downe is another progressive step in Kent ringing. Change ringing is being practised in the tower and this was the first quarter in which local ringers had taken part. The quarter of Doubles in thrce methods was rung by four ringers from West Wickham and two of the local band. It was a happy occasion, to mark the baptism of the Vicar's son. The band, after the service. attended. with the congregation, a reception in the village hall.

Messrs. Frank B. Lufkin and E. Rapley have had a week 's peal ringing in Sussex and Kent, during which five peals were scored.

The 50 th anniversary of the first peal of Minor, at Goldhanger, Essex. was marked by a quarter peal on November 12th. In the band were Messrs. J. Owers and A. Appleton, who took part in the first peal.

Another similar anniversary to Goldhanger comes from Wilburion, Cambs. Here the 64th anniversary of the first peal on the bells was celebritted by a quarter and in this Mi. H. Sharp. nosv 86. rang the second. This is an enoouragement to all our octogenatian ringers.
Six priests rang in a quarter peal at St . Crantock. Cornwall, as a compliment to the Rev. W. H. R. Trewhells. who for 31 years has been secretary of the Truro Diocesan Guild. This was the first quarter in Cornwall by six priests

The peal at Penistone. on November 19th. was the first on eight bells by the Barnsley and District Society for over ten years. The composition. from 'The Clavis.' was rung threadbare in Yorkshire during the i8th century.

The light, anti-clockwise octave at Foxeath. in North Essex, has been silent for several years, but with the permission of the Rector. the Rev. L. G. Folkard, was rung to a peal of Treble Bob on November 12th. These hells go quite well and it is to be hoped that they will he heard more often in the future. call change district and was much appreciated and admired. Mr. E. H. Langley, who came from Wokingham to Somerset, 18 months ago, would like to thank Taunton ringers for their assistance and help in improving his ringing.
The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association are holding a course of instruction in Cheltenham. in the New Year at Monkscroft County Secondary Modern School evening institute, running for eleven weeks, coverjing a wide field of ringing subjects.
The Southern section of the Surrey Association held an extremely successful practice at St. Mary's Church, Reigate, on Tuesday. November 15 th. which was attended by 43 ringers. The officers extend their thanks to all who attended and also their hosts, the local ringers.
An unexpected opportunity to ring his first peal came to Graham B. Sleigh (14) at Whitworth. Lanes. on November 19th. Five minutes before the start the band was one short and Graham was roped in although he had not previously rung more than 200 changes. He rang very well. reports the conductor.
As no other name could be found in old Ringing Worlds, the variation included in the peal of Doubles at Wychbold on November 20th was named Honeybourne (consists of Reverse Canterbury leads for the bobs in Reverse Si. Bartholomew). It was so named in deference to Worcestershire's heaviest (and roughest?) five (tenor 193 cWt . in F), a ring of superb tone, as yet unpealed.
The open day held at Beaminster. Dorset. on November 19th, in aid of the restoration fund for the bells was quite a success and created much interest among the townsfolk. who inspected the records, the bell frame and the deplorable state of the frame. Unfortunately the ringing fraternity did not support the effort, there heing only four visitors. A sum of 1116 s . was received in conributions.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T, J. LOCK

UNPEALABLE METHOD.-An unpealable method is one which cannot be rung to a peal of five thousand or more changes without repetition of any one change. When some of the regular methods defy a true composition of five thousand odd changes on the accepted principles of composing the problem is sometimes solved by parting the tenors at least once and perhaps only for a lead or two. The alternative treatment of these such methods is to determine the least number of changes that ring true. thus producing a composition of, say, 5,728 changes. Some of our modern composers have worked out compositions for methods previously thought to be unpealable.

UNUSUAL TOWERS.-A short list of towers or structures which contain a ring of bells is given below, and as you will notice they are situated in widely placed parts of the country. They have been chosen because there are none others, or at the most very few. quite like them.

Accrington.-Access gained by a circular staircase which rises above the floor in the centre of the rope circle.

Brookland.-The bells are contained in a detached wooden structure having an outline similar to a pyramid

Dublin, St. John's R.C. - An oblong ringing chamber with the ten ropes falling in two straight Jines.
East Bergholt.-A detached structure in which the bells are rung by wooden handles or levers instead of ropes, the ringers standing level with the bells which are hung a few leet above the ground.
Kingsclere.-A ringing chamber with no windows or natural lighting.
Liverpool Cathedral.-Possibly the most spacious ringing chamber there is. The ringers stand on a raised circular platform and the ropes fall into the 'well.' Access is gained by two lifts

Loughborough Bell Foundry.-Unsuspectingly situated on a street corner. Even whilst ringing eating and drinking is permitted!
Manchester Town Hall.-Bells in a civic building, and access to ringing chamber by lift

Melbourne.-Choir stalls have to be hinged back before ringing commences
Morpeth Watch Tower. - Similar to a church tower but detached and isolated in the centre of a street

Pershore Abbey.-An open iron spiral stairway leads to the ringing chamber, the floor of which i supported on two great wooden beams. and the sides of which are of open wire mesh.

Quex Park.-The bells are in the isolated Waterloo tower, which is surrounded by trees in the middle of a field.
Southwell Minster. - The ringers stand in a gallery against the inside of the four walls of the central tower
Windsor Castle.-A keeper's flat is 'next door.'

UP RIGHT, UP WRONG-As stated previously. there are two ways of raising a bell, one being the wrong way. The other (and more usual) way is, more often than not. quite easily done. The points to remember in order to raise a bell properly arepull at the rope to start the bell swinging as in chiming. when the clapper will be hitting the backward or following 'edge ' of the bell: continuz to pull the rope downwards so that the bell is swinging higher and higher making sure you check the bell movement enough to enable the clapper to strike on the backward edge every time: when the clapper commences to strike on both the backward and forward edges pull at the sally and at the end of the rope which you are holding coiled in your hadd. You will gradually release the coil as the hell swings higher: When a hell is "up right the clapper is lying at the forward edge of the swing just completed. and when the bell is 'up wrong' the clapper is lying at the backward edge of the swing just completed. It is important to have all the bells 'up right.' otherwise the striking will be be adversely affectea.


## MR. WILFRID G. WILSON, <br> London County Association.

Mr. Wilfrid Wilson's record of service to the Exercise is one that should inspire all who are concerned with the training and instruction of beginners in our art. We should all be grateful to him for producing his booklet - Notes for Beginners,' which ran into six editions totalling 3.500 copies. These were all hand produced. enlirely at his own expense and risk. The value of this work has found suitable recognition by its incorporation in the Central Council's "Handbook for Beginners. Mr. Wilson has also written a book ' On Conducting. which in its second edition has just been printed. and numerous articles which have appeared in this paper. including 'Stedman' and ' Double Norwich for Begi iners.

He was associated with the late J. A. Trollope in the preparation of various publications by the Methods Committee of the Central Council; reprints of the Snowdon series; and he helped E. C. S. Turner to complete the book on 'Grandsire,' which had been commenced by Trollope. In addition to all this, he has lectured at the week-end courses of instruction sponsored by the Oxford Diocesan Guild
Born in 1910, at St. Pancras, London, and moving to Ealing in 1915, he was educated at Ealing County Grammar School. He was taught to ring, along with Ernest Turner, by J. A. Trollope, at Christ Church, Ealing, where he is now tower captain, and rang his first peal in 1927. His peals total is 189, of which he has conducted 40 . The total includes 30 on handbells, of which he has conducted 7
His interests are more in Sunday service ringing and teaching than in peal ringing-but he is particularly proud of two peals in which he has taken part. One was a peal of Grandsire Triples he called in 1954, with two first pealers in it, one aged 13 and the other 64; and the second was a peal of Spliced Surprise Major, in four methods, which he conducted without having called a bob in any Surprise method, or indeed having rung three of the methods.

Mr. Wilson is by profession a local government officer, having entered the service of the London County Council in 1928, in the department of the Clerk of the Council. He has been concerned with the work of many of the Council's committees, and with staff management. At present he is clerk of the Town Plinning Committee, dealing with road improvements and the development plan for London. His army service (1940-46) saw him in North Africa, Italy and Greece.

He was, at one time, an assistant secretary of the Middlesex Association. 1930-48, and represented that Association on the Central Council. 1936-48. He is now treasurer of the London County Association, and has represented this organisation on the Council since 1952. He took an active part in the preparation of the "Beginners' Handbook, and at the last Council meeting was elected to serve on - The Ringing World' Committee. It is always the busiest man who can find time to undertake the 'tricky' jobs, and we have no doubt that Wilfrid will make his contribution to one of the most difficult jobs the Counci has to offer!

JAFUS.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Marlborough Branch

A most enjoyable time was spent by the 24 ringers who attended the annual meeting of the Marlborough Branch held at Marlborough on November 19th. The visitors included Mr and Mrs. Brian Bladon, of Swindon, the former stating that an attempt for a long peal would shortly take place at Mildenhall.

The afternoon's ringing on the lovely six was followed by the service conducted by Wanon F. B. R. Brown. A.D.. Rector, who in his address spoke of the place of ringers in the service of God.

After tea. Mr. George Newman presided over the business meeting. The secretary (Mr. Arthur Palmer) in his annual report stated that nine meetings had been held during the year. and a most successful outing to Ross-on-Wye. Both Aldbourne and Overton towers on-Wye. Both Aldbourne and Overton towers
thad been televised with short shots of the ringing.

The chairman welcomed those who were secking election. and recruits from Chisledon, Overton. Marlhorough St. Mary and Colling-bourne-Kingston were duly enrolled. With the thanks of the meeting for the past services the officers were re-elected as follows: Chairman Mr. G. Newman: honorary secretary. Mr. A. Palmer ; vice-chairman, Mr. J. Fuller.

Ringing in the evening included Grandsire and Bob Doubles. Bob Minor, St. Simon's and Kent T.B., with rounds for beginners.

## JOINT MEETING AT WHICKHAM,

 CO. DURHAMThe Western District of the Durham and Newcastle Association were joined by the North Eastern Branch of the Ladies' Guild, at Whickham, on November 19th. The weather could not have been worse and dense fog made travelling most difficult. In spite of this, ringers came from as far as Richmond (Yorks), as well as a contingent from Darlington. These included Mr. T. Cooke, president of the Durham and Newcastle Association and Miss D. M. Killingley, vice-president of the Ladies' Guild.
Good use was made of the bells before tea: rounds for the learners (and there were many of them) and various Minor methods for the more advanced. Canon Lamb conducted a short service before going into the Church Hall for tea. Miss Killingley presided at the meeting and called upon Norman Errington to propose a vote of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens. Mr. W. Tyson thanked Miss Thompson and her helpers for a most excellem tea and also mentioned the good work of Stephen, in his efforts to make the meeting a success and in training a young hand. After months of toil the bells of Whickham now ring out with a band composed of youths whose ages. combined, do not come up to Stephen Thompson's (70).
The ladies held their meeting later when a gate-crasher (a male) attempted to attend, but he was politely (?) told to get out.
R.W.L.

## THE STORY OF A DORSET TOWER

## ST. MARY'S, BEAMINSTER

 By EDNA PANNELLTHE bells in the tower of Beaminster Church were recast from the five bells into a ring of eight in 1764 by Thomas Bilbie, in a shed adjoining the churchyard. The tenor weighs 26 cwt . in D , and bears the inscription, 'I to the church the living call, and to the grave do summon all.' It was the custom to toll this bell, called the Passing Bell, on the death of a resident; this practice has alas, been dropped, the last time it was heard was January 4th, 1957.

The present chimes were remade in 1765, and the hymn tune 'Hanover' has been played every three hours, day and night almost without fail, since 1780 . Previous 10 this there were two tunes played as chosen by the parish' on the five bells. The church clock dates from 1739, and was remade in 1929, and has no dial. Both the chimes and the clock have to be wound manually, the clock daily and chimes every other day.

## RULES FOR RINGERS

The earliest record of the forming of a Guild of ringers is in 1874, and then there were nine honorary members and eight ordinary members. An ordinary ringer who was unable to attend a "paid' occasion, had to supply an honorary singer in his place, or pay a forfeit, and was fined 6d. For leaving the belfry before the ringing was finished, or without the captain's consent. a ringer was fined 2 s . 6 d . The fines were many, and rules strict. and were observed firmly.

The funds were divided amongst the ringers at the annual meoting held in January. Honorary members were paid a ninth share of the sum of subscriptions and fines Ordinary members paid all money earned during the year, less fines, divided into nine equal shares, eight for the ordinary ringers, and one share into the honorary funds. Admission to the Guild was 1s., and the annual subscription 1s. 6d. To be admitted to the Guild a man had to be approved of by the Vicar and churchwardens as being a suitable person for the belfry. Then his name was put before the members of the Guild who used a balloting box (still in the belfry today) to show their approval.

The earliest accounts held by the Guild are 1884. when eight ordinary members received $£ 22 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. as their share for the year's rinaing. The honorary members received nothing. Obviously the ordinary members had atrended well!

## THE PASSING YEAR

From time immemorial it has been the custom to ring out the old year with muftled bells. A short service in the belfry, then the tens and units of the year are tolled on the tenor just before midnight. The New Year is greeted merrily.

Attendance registers have been kept regularly, but the eartiest records of these are 1900 . It was the practice in the paid days to mark the register at the end of the first souch, thus: a . absent; x , present; 1 , late.
The set of 19 handbells, used by the Guild coday, were purchased in 1878 , at the cost of $i 8$ iss. Two of the ringers canvassed the town for contributions towards these bells, the records state how much was collected. and also that "each ringer who canvassed the town be paid 4 s . to compensate him for the loss of time during collecting.' The whole of the 'Reserve Fund' was also used to pay for these bells. which were inscribed in 1880 , 'St. Mary's, Beaminster'-after inquiries as to whether the tone would be altered if an inscription was added! Up until the bolls were rehung in 1887 it took two


## ST. MARY`S, BEAMINSTER.

## |Photo: Dearden and Wade. Bournemouth

men to ring the tenor. The hells were quarter turned then and tuned.

The Guild joined the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers in 1888, and we read, The Diocesan Guild paid a visit to Beaminster in 1887. for this occasion the Guild spent $£ 4$ in improving the furnishings in their belfry.

## DUMB BELL PRACTICE

In 1894 the Seages dumb bell practising apparatus was installed at a cost of $£ 1612 \mathrm{~s}$. from Guild funds-it seems to have been in need of constant repair. It was used during the 1939-45 war when the bells were silenced. to keep alive the ringing enthusiasm of the Guild but it is unusable again now.
In 1900 the Guild first made a start on scientific ringing: and some books were purchased. But the first record of actual ringing half pull changes was in 1910. When Mr. I. Hervey Beams. the headmaster of Bradpole School, walked a distance of five mile each way, weekly, to instruct the Guild in Grandsire Doubles. He offered his services free. but received a gratuity of $£ 1$. The end of the first world war saw Mr. Beams again journeying to Beaminster. this time to ring Grandsire. Stedman and Plain Bob Triples.
In 1912 the present Guild was formed and the latest rules drawn up in 1950. In 1914 the number of ringers had to be limited to 20. there was such enthusiasm then. Members of the Guild rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles on Chrisimas Eve. 1915.

The bells were rehung on ball bearings in 1938 and to raise the necessary funds members canvassed the town.

## LONG SERVICE

Long years of service to the tower have been a feature of the Guild. Mr. J. B. Dunn was a ringer for 30 years, of which for 20 years he was captain. He was presented with an illuminated address in 1903; this was
returned to the belfry upon his death, as was a clock. still in the tower. which was presented to Mr . George Pomery in 1904. bearing the inscription, A token of respect, 1873-1902.' Quite a number of the ringers of today are descendants of the ringers of the last century, and three members now have 52, 49 and 48 years' service behind them.

Only 12 peals have been rung on the bells. The first was 5.040 Grandsire Triples in 1907. Next 5.040 Stedman Triples in 1909, followed by 5.056 Bristol Surprise Major (the first peal of Major on the bells and first of Bristol in the county). 1924 saw another peal of Grandsire Triples, 1932 another of Stedman Triples. A peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung in August. 1939, and May. 1947, saw the "Barrabool Peal of Bob Major. 1949 a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich Court Bob Major. The last three peals-in 1950. 1951 and 1957 -are all of Stedman Triples.

## MEN HANGED FROM TOWER

The tower itself is over 100 feet high. The ascent is made by a central external staircase which goes right up to the battlements. It is adorned with sculptures of Virgin and Chitd (the former is crowned and seeptred). Crucifixion. Resurrection and the Ascension. From this tower in 1685 men were hanged to teach the people what they might expect from King James II! A great deal of money was spent in 1958 in replacing the pinnacles. repairing the scutptures and stonework. The whole tower was encased in scaffolding for several months.

Now the framework of the bells is becoming weak: it is eaten with woodbeetle and rotting. It is the same age as the bellsalmosi 200 years. The bells are in the weakest part of the tower. When they are rehung they will be put at a lower and safer level. in a cast iron frame, on a concrete reinforced ledge. The bells themselves will be sent to the foundry to be fith turned and tuned. The clock and chimes will be wound mechanically.
Why are we so anxious to rehang our bells? In eight years or so they may be considered unringable, and the voices of this church will be silenced. We feel that whilst the bells are able to send their message through the streets. lanes and fields of the neighbourhood they are reminding those who are preparing themselves for service it is nearly time-and those who do not intend attending churchthat there is a church, and Sunday is a day set apart from other days.

Contributions towards the restoration fund may be sent at Mrs. E. Pannell, honorary secretary and treasurer. Beaminster St. Mary's Honorary Ringing Guild, 214, Gerrards Green, Beaminsier. Dorset.

## PEALS OF MINIMLS AND <br> FOLR BELL TOWERS

Dear Sir-Mr. P. A. Whitaker's arguments (page 755) might be better understood if a precedent had not already been created by the recognition of four bell peals. That a majority at the last Central Council meeting decided in favouf only goes to make the opposition look bad sportsmen. and the Central Council ridiculous. in trying to reverse the position now that a precedent has been created.

What are we going to do with ringers in four bell towers, like Ridlington, Rutland. where more than four bells is not possiblesnub them and act with uncharixableness? After all these four bell church ringers are our brothers: कhey need our help. our sympathy and our charity-not to be looked down on.-Yours faithfully,

Weston Favell.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## MORE FALSE PEALS

Dear Sir.-After finding that the 50 method peals were false. Robin Heppenstall has been checking the tigures and finds there is another repetition of changes between leads of Crayford College and Kidlington College. Since my Spliced arrangements are all based on the same plan. this falseness occurs in ' 10 more peals that have been rung, as below.

I am therefore in the unfortunate position in having to withdraw another 10 Spliced peals, which I give below.

I believe I am correct in stating that the figures of each Spliced peal were published as they were first rung. Should anyone have these peals I will give the corrections so that they will be true.

All the leads of Kidlington College must be changed to Crayford College and vice versa.
Again my sincere apologies to all the ringers who took part in the false peals.-Yours sincerely,
G. E. FEIRN.

## Gainsborough, Lincs.

P.S.-The arrangement of 84 Spliced Plain and Little methods that was published in The Ringing World. about 1942. is false as it stands.-G. E. F
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## NEWS FROM VANCOUVER

Dear Sir.-Having placed a notice in the R.W: that we would be glad to welcome any out of town ringers. we have bean stimulated and encouraged by the visitors 10 our tower.
At our regular service ringing, on August 14th we welcomed Mr. Peter Crook, of Bolton, Lancs, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold McDonald. of Edmonton. Alberta, formerly of Ireland. We had met Mr. Crook at Christ Church Cathedral. in Victoria, B.C.. and at the Benedictine monastery at Mission City, B.C.. and found all his advice most helpful. The following, Tuesday, a practice night. Harold and Valerie McDonald returned to ring with us again. We enjoyed them very much and plan to meet them one week-end next spring when some of our ringers hope to ring in Calgary. Alberta.

On September 20th, we were pleased to m.et and ring with Wing. Comdr. J. S. Mason, R.A.F.. from London and Birmingham. At present he is stationed in Los Angeles, California, Unfortunately we had a poor turn out for practice that evening and so the ringing was limited. Wing Comdr. Mason thinks it possible he may be up our way again. We hope so.
Mr. Wiltiam B. Cartwright, of Selly Oak. Birmingham. on tour through our city, rang with us on September 30th. We had a good ring and enjoyed Mr. Cartwright's company. both in the tower and afterwards:
Mr. Peter Crook joined us again on October 25th, on his homeward trip to England. He called a touch of Bob Minor and made our practice night most enjoyable. After ringing in the tower we moved to the home
of one of our ringers for tea and handbells.
It is with great pleasure that we remember our visitors of these pist few months, and we. here in the West. cut off by distance from the majority of the ringing in the world. feel honoured that these distinguished ringers have paused in their travels to ring with us and give us the benefit of their experience.-Yours truly.

## J. FRANCIS BODIE

Vancouver Society of Change Ringers.
Vancouver, B.C.. Canida.

## DERBY CATHEDRAL PEAL

Dear Sir,-With reference to the peal at Derby Cathedral. rung for the Ancient Society of College Youths. I am sorry that it has caused a series of controversial letters in. The Ringing World
Mr. Hall's letter is based on his own personal views and (as yet) no protest has heen registered by the Derbyshire Association.
Personally. I regard the Ancient Society of College Youths as non-territorial. and therefore they have a perfect right to ring peals wherever they please.

The very fact of the suggestion that the two societies should be used to exploit differences between two personalities is even more regrettable.

References to the South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association by Messrs. Carlisle and Marshall. in the issue of November 4th. were quite uncalled for. While one may feel that the formation of this Asso. ciation has brought about divided loyaltieswhich I for one deplore-no good will be gained by hurling insults which have brought no credit to the Derbyshire Association-in fact the very reverse.

I hope that this letter will close this issue. I am sure you can make better use of the limited space available.-Yours sincerely,
B. P. MORRIS
onorary Secretary.

The Derbyshire Association.
Ashhourne. Derhyshire

MORE LOWERING OF STANDARDS?
Dear Sir,-I don't know whether it is because I am getting older and losing my sense of humour, but two items in the peal columns of your issue of November 18ith caused me some misgivings.

I undersiood that when a hitherto unnamed method is pealed, the band have the option of naming it, hut the Exercise expects them to show some discretion in their choice. An example of the normal procedure is seen on page $76+$ (at Watlington). On the previous page however, at Heptonstall, a multi-method peal of Plain Major is recorded, involving some fantastic method nomenclature! It would appear that (assuming, of course, that this is a genuine report) several methods were used which were hitherto unnamed: in some cases they had actually given their own surnames to these methods. a distinct departure from normal taste. (Bob Smith tells me he hopes to arrange a peal of Smith Bob Major. soon!)
And where on earth is Lesser Wopping and what merits does it claim to entitle it to give its name to a method that never meant to do anybody any harm? Surely it would have been better. and more helpful, to have given the C.C.C. numbers of these methods in the report. leaving the actual naming till such time as the methods concerned are rung to an entire peal. I think there is a precedent for this.
Secondly on page 766. I find that the Universities Association. which must have as one of its chief aims. more so perhaps shan any other association. the proper advancement of change ringing. has become the unwilling recipient of yet another handbell Minimus stunt? Whatever can be said for ringing Minimus in a four-bell tower. it seems quite clear to me that. competition for University Entrance being what it is. the three young men concerned would have been far more wise in devoting this ill-spent time to their wise in devoting this ill
studies!-Yours faithfully.

DEREK P. JONES.

## SIX BELL TECHNIQUE

Dear Sir.-I disagree with the views of Mr. Harry Poyner on peals of Plain Bob Minor and as I have previously given my opinjon on such performances I will pass over the subject tut I must question the last sentence in his letter: There is no better foundation than Plain Bob on which to build up six bell ringing.

Surely Oxford or Kent Treble Bob is the correct ground method from which a learner can graduate 10 scores of T.B.. Delight and Surprise methods. Plain Bob can lead to a few plain methods and according to the Minor peal columns only about ten are in regular use, these being used by eight-bell ringers when they wish to ring a peal in seven Minor methods.

Furthermore, the task of weaning a learner from Bob Minor to Oxford is often a long and painful business, as we have found to our sorrow.

The best way to develop six bell technique is to learn the various front works of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine. New London. etc.. then certain back works and from the fout-way lable many interesting methods can be produced. "A Collection of Minor Methods is really essential but this book is out of print and a strong rumour is being circulated that the new edition has been banned. something about certain words being used for the names of the new Alliance Methods! However. I still have my taltered copy and the youngsters can always learn Plain Bob from "The Beginners" Handhook.-Yours
faithfully.

Cawthornc. Barnsley.
M. F. MOXON.

HAND WOUND TO ELECTRIC WINDING

## RAMBLING RINGERS’ 1960 TOUR

THIS year's tour of the Rambling Ringers, from July 23 rd to August 13 th. was the most successful in the history of the Society, being attended by over 60 . Ringing started on the ten at. Beddingten, where a bride arrived to the sound of Cambridge Royal. Later in the day there was ringing at Banstead and on the six at Kingswood.
Sunday's programme opened with ringing on the len at Reigatc. After a meal of cheese and beer two of the towers of the Tillingbourne valley, were visited-Shere and Albury. The latter's hells go well but we probably zang them too quickly. We rang at St. Nicolas. Guildford. for Evensong, bu some of the members 'took time off' to grab Holy Trinity Cathedral. The youth hostel at Milford was reached in time for supper.
The route on Monday was from Frensham, in Surrey. into Hampshire. at Binsted, and then the reasonable eights at Alton and New Alresford. As permission could not be obtained to ring at Winchester Cathedral, the light six at Tichborne were substituted-and nice bells they proved to be

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE WILLIAMS
Tuesday was a splendid day with Bristol at Twyford and Grandsire, Stedman and Cambridge Royal at North Staneham, and an inspection of the grave of that giant among ringers-George Williams. But the best was to come winh the restored ring at St. Mary's, Southampion, followed by St. Michael's, Southampton. where we were greeted by the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. Later, some of the party inspected Mr. Felstead's filing system of peats. After a 15 mile cycle ride we arrived at Brockenhurst and enjoyed our night at the Norleywood Youth Hostel with its grand warden.
Bournemouth was in the next day"s programme with ringing previously on the 12 at Christchurch and then St. Peter's and St. John's. Surrey Road. A chapter of misfortunes followed. There was difficulty in finding the ferry, then there were three cycle mishaps and heavy rain. A drowned party reached the youth hostel. but not too disspirited to visit the fine eight at Swanage that night.

## IN DORSET

Friday was spent amid Dorset towersWinterbourne. Whitchurch. Blandford. Gussage St. Michael (and although it was sweltering hot six of the party rang a quarter peal here). Gussage All Saints and Wimborne Si. Giles. where Superlative was rung.
Saturday's ringing started with the glorious: eight at Cranhorne and at Ringwood we were greeted by the newly-arrived party from Leicester, inctuding the first officers to join the tour. Later. at Milford-on-Sea we were joined by our president. Mr. Patrick I. Chapman. and Spliced London. Bristol and Cambridge was rung. The ferry was caughe to take us to the Isle of Wight. the youth take us tel haing reached in time for dinner.

## ON THE ISL.AND

Sunday and Monday were both spent on the island. There was service ringing at Caristrooke and Fresthwater. In the gyrating cower at Newport the worst ringing of the tour was recorded by a local gentleman. Other towers visited were Godshill. Arreton. Brading and Ryde and then by ferry to the mainland for a night at Gosport Youth Hostel.

Monday's ringing commenced with four Spliced and Bristol at Alverstoke. At Portsmouth Cathedral Yoikshire Royal would not go and the ringing in general was poor. The nightmare of Portsmouth was forgotten as changes were tapped with clocklike precision at Havant. On the way to Westbourne we were struck by a violent thunderstorm. the road being covered with large chunks of ice in a matter of seconds.
At Westbourne the good work was carried on. What a pity, in view of the subsequent striking. a band not trained by the College of Campanology could not have acquitted itself better at its very stronghold. The night was spent at East Marder Youth Hostel.
The next morning at South Harting the London Scholars' group was rung and the Vicar expressed his pleasure at the standard
of the ringing. Six Spliced was rung at Pulborough (8) and four Spliced by the second team and at Arundel the rise in peal was excellent and the subsequent ringing of high standard. It was here we rang a course of Wembley Surprise Major.
Thursday saw us ringing on three sixesLyminster, Angmering and Goring-and during this the College Exercise group was rung. The lollowing day was spent at Shoreham and at the two Brighton tens, St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's.
Our first progress course of London Royal, followed by Yorkshire and Cambridge Royal. was rung on Friday at Lewes. Progress was noted at Ringmer by eight Spliced and the secand team five Spliced. At Alfriston. the Cathedral of the South Downs,' a hotch potch of Minor methods was rung. Saturday's ringing included St. Mary's. Eastbourne, Pevensey, Bexhill and St. Leonards.
After ringing for Matins at Battle on Sunday we went to Salehurst. Here we were approached by some of the locals who asked us if they could record some of our ringing for an old ringer who would like to hear the bells again. This we did with Stedman, Spliced eight and Double Norwich. We should like his opinion. Evensong ringing was on the lumbering old eight at Goudhurst and a merry evening was spent at the youth hostel where the Ringing Master entertained the company.

## SPLICED 10 REACHED

It was not such a merry Master the following morning when he came to the youth hostel vowing everlasting destruction on wasps-he had been stung several times while hay making! To he recorded this day was the first touch of Spliced 10 at Biddenden. a press interview at Ashford and Wye Surprise at Wye. A dark and menacing sky caused some of the feebler brethren to take the train. The night was spent at Chartham.

The road to Dover was taken the following day via Folkestone with ringing en route. More rain was encountered on Wednesday and at Quex Rark a near perfect course of Yorkshire Maximus was rung. Later came Yorkshire Maximus at Canterbury Cathedral (well rung) and Cambridge Maximus (awful).
The rain persisted the next day which was too much for two of the party who headed for home. Ten Spliced was again rung-at Chilham. At Eastling (6) we found the Vicar and some of his congregation waiting for us.

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These bells can only be chimed, but the welcome that was received will ever live in our memory. Doddington Y.H. is probably the best in the couniry and more like an hotel.

The next morning London. Yorkshire and Cambridge Royal were rung in the huge tower at Leeds and at Maidstone we said goodbye to the Honorary Master. Mr. Denis Mottershead. The day ended with ringing on the fine eight at Wrotham. which brought out the best in the bells.

The concluding day of the tour saw us in London. At Bromley we left a lasting impression. as the ringing from start to finish was first class. At Si. Giles'. Camberwell. we were unable to bring out the music of the bells.

We hops to visit Somerset for the next tour.
(Abridged.)

## LETTERS-Continued

FIRSI PEAL IN MONMOUTHSHIRE
Dear Sir--Replying to Mr. Hanninglon's letter. evidence that the peal of Grandsire Triples ar Chepstow, in 1837, was false is largely circumstantial but fairly convincing.

Nearly sixty years ago while I was on the way to a meeting in Gloucestershire with the Rev. C. D. P. Davies the conversation turned on old composers, and with the Chepstow peal in mind I asked if he knew anything of its composer. He did not. but said that if he had been a person capable of composing a peal of Grandsire Triples at that time, more would have been heard of him.
Some forty or so years later the late Mr. R. T. Hibbert's obituary credited him with calling the first peal in the country some time around 1890. and the next time I saw the late J. A. Trollope I asked him if he knew anything of the Chepstow peal and its author. He had evidently come across it in his investigations into ringing history, as without any hesitation he replied that the peal was a transposition of a 2.520 in an old book on ring ing, which. while true as a half peal. became false when doubled by singles.

In view of Mr. Trollope's great knowledge in such matters. I felt it quite safe to say the 1886 peal at Monmouth was the first true peal in the county.-Yours sincerely,
E. BARNETT
10. King Close, Crayford.

## PLRELY PERSONAL VIEWS

Dear Sir.-I was alarmed to read the statements recently made by Mr. E. H. Willows. He incorrectly refers to a dispute between the Derhyshire Association and the College Youths.
The dispute. if indeed it is a dispute. is solely between myself and Mr. D. G. Clift. the writer of the cour report in question. For my part the views I expressed were my own and must not be assumed to be those of the Derbyshire Association. The same can be said about the humorous remarks of Carlisle and Marshall.

Whilst on the subject of the North Derhyshire and South Leicestershire Association I have noticed that they take care not to advertise their activities in "The Ringing World.' Thus Mr. Willows' remark about Mr. Marshall not having attended one of their meetings is a bit pointless. If their standards of striking are so exemplary let them advertise their meetings in advance: other ringers would like to come along.Yours sincerely.

Derby

## Ancient Society Of College Youths

At the business meeiing of the Ancient Scciety of College Youths. held on November 12th. at the $R$ ising Sun. Carter Lane, E.C.. the following were elected officers for 1960-1961:-
Master. Michael P. Moreton: secretary, John Chilcott: treasurer. Cyril G. J. Watts: senior steward. William T. Cook: junior steward. Michael V. Chilcott: trustees. Ernest G. Fenn and J. Frank Smallwood.

## OBITUARY

MR. JOHN R. SHARMAN
In the account of the College Youths dinner (November 18th), among those mentioned who had passed away during the year was Mr. John R. Sharman, who had been a nember for 63 years.
Mr. Sharman was probably unknown to the present generation. but for many years he was very prominent in ringing circles, especially in London. first with the College Youths and later with William Pye and the Middlesex Association.
Mr. Sharman was born in Northamptonshire and educated at Northampton Grammar School. where my headmaster said I was the finest handwriter in the school.' and no doubs it was at Northampton he learned to ting. He left there about 1895 for Crawley, where he was one of James Parker's band.
Leaving Crawley in 1897 he went to Bexley to work on the building of a large mental hospital. and for nearly a year he was a frequent visitor to Crayford
For the next 20 years he lived in London until he left to take over (I believe) the family business at Cogenhoe, where he spent the semainder of his life.
With his departure from London his peal ringing activities appeared to cease. but I have no doubt whatever he continued as a Sunday service ringer as long as he was able
He was a personal friend of Mr. A. T King whe founded the Middlesex Association and he was probably this Association's oldest member.
Mr. Sharman was a safe ringer, a perfect striker. a good conductor, and a very useful man on a heavy bell. Among his many peals are a 'John' peal of London at St . Stephen's. Rochester Row, and a John peal of Stedman Cinques. at St. Giles', Cripplegate
In the early years of the present century he circled, the Waterloo Tower. Quex Park. Birchington. with twelve successive peals. These were week-end visits when one peal would be rung on Saturday evening, and two peals on Sunday.
Respecting the wishes of Mr. J. P. Powell (who built the tower and installed the bells) that the bells should never be rung during service times at Birchington Church, Sunday peals always finished betore 11 a.m. or 6.30 p.m.., but Mr. Sharman would insist that the first peal had to finish by 10.30 a.m. to enable him to attend service at Birchington Church. and most of the band would go with him. Like the late Mr. Challis Winney and John Flint, of Bolsover, Mr. Sharman and John Flint, of boisover, Mr, Sharman had attended the College Youths' dinner, and the veterans' gathering at Bishopsgate, his tast visit being in 1959.
In my long ringing life there are many ingers I count it a privilege to have known and of these none ranks higher than John $R$. Shatman.
E. B.

## MR. C. H. EXON

With regret we record the passing of Mr . Charles Herbert Exon on November 11th at Dorchester. Oxon. Mr. Exon was the last surviving member of the band which rang the then record peal of 11.096 London Surprise Major. in- 1896.
After moving to Dorchester from Oxford in 1906 he found his business as a baker gave him little time for serious ringing. athough he had rung about 89 peals by the time he was 30 years of age.
A keen churchman. he was a member of the Parochial Church Council. people's warden for many years and a member of the Parish Counch for over 50 years. He was also a governor of the local school.
After the funeral service a muffled quarter peal of Plain Bob Doubles, with 1 and 2 leading. was rung on the Abbey bells. This was his granddaughier's first quarter. The ringers were: B. Butler 1. P. Selwood 2. Peggi Exon (first quarter) 3. Jean Mary Exon Ahsolom (conductor) 7, D. Exon 8.

## MR, F. HLRRY

We regret to record the passing of Mr Fred Hurry, of Duxford. Cambs, on November $16: \mathrm{h}$. aged 76 years. He had been ill for some months, but his death occurred suddenly. It came as a particular shock to members of the Ely Association. who had visited him during their meeting at Duxford on the previous Saturday, as he seemed to be recovering and was his usual cheerful self.
Living in the neighbouring village of Sawstun all his life. Fred learned to ring in 1904. He had been a member of the Ely Association since before the First World War and was also a member of the Cambridge Youths. Never a great peal ringer (he had rung four or five at Sawston). he was well known at district meetings, both of the Ely and neighbouring Associations.
The funcral was held at the Cambridge Cremathorium on November 19th. where the Cambridge Youths were represenued by Mr. W. R. Quinney (Master) and Mr. T. Chinery.
In the evening 1.260 Plain Bob Minor was rung to his memory on the half-muffied bells of Duxford by the following: J. Halls (first quarice of Minor) 1. I. G Stracey 2, C. W. Cook (cond.) 3. E. G. Hibbens
C. W.C.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## Ashford District

A good cross-section of the ringing fraternity, ranging from budding conductors and patential tenor kings to 'giants' relaxing after 11 Spliced at Throwley. put the fine ring at Bethesden to good use on November 19th. for the Ashford District mecting. Ringing was mainly under the direction of Mr. L. T. Pope.
The service was conducted by the Vicar. the Rev. H. O. Albin. who gave a thoughtful address. Dr. D. P. Gray was at the organ. and Mr. C. T. Hillis read the lesson. An excellent tea was enjoyed at Low Wood Guest House.
At the business meeting four new members joined the Association. Miss K. Yeo reported on the work to be undertaken at Tenterden. It is hoped this famous tower will be in action again in eight or nine months. Mr. S. G. Waters undertook to arrange the next meeting, at Biddenden, on January 7th. Thanks were expressed to the Vicar and Dr Gray for their kindness. and to Messrs. Harry and Peter Jarvis for making all the arrangements.
C. T. H.

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## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD <br> A Compliment To A Clerical Secretary

The Truro Diocesan Guild has had four secreiaries during its 63 years of life. All have been clergymen: Canon A. J. Kempe. Canon H. H. Mills. Canon H. R. Jennings. and for only one year short of half its lifesince 1929 - the Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella.

Father Trewhella. as he is affectionately known to many. has truly welded the Guild in many ways because of his attendance at meetings and general care of many towers whenever this has been needed. At all three churches. where he has been Vicar, something has been done to the bells. At Zennor three old bells were augmented to six, at St. Crantock a dead live with a ringing tenar were completely restored. Previously at St. Paul's, Truro, a ringing bell of 12 cwt . was hung.
Cornwall is a county where much remains to be done in various spheres of ringing. On November 15th just one more thing was accomplished in that six priests rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles, at St. Crantock, with their Diocesan Guild secretary. and in his honour. The occasion meant travelling a good many miles for some. but it was a unique one, and the quarter went with such case that it was suggested at the end it should have been a peal. Five of the band were true Cornishmen. the sixit. the Rev. G. W. Ruming, curate of St. Mary's, Penzance, was born in Norfolk. All the five Cornish incumbents have bells in their care at Kenwyn (8), Carbis Baty (10). St. Breward (6). St Crantock (6) and the Rev. J. R. Jose two rings of six at Perranarworthal and Stithians.

Father Trewhella entertained the band to a bountiful tea. and there was much talk of bells. The majority of the band had rung at mosi towers in Cornwall. One ring of five. now lowered to the ground, had been visited by some many years ago. and the secretary has thice left. one of which he travelled many miles to ring at recently, having arranged with the incumbent to leave the key accessible. but he failed to do so! The ranks of ringing clergy still grows. and even Cornwall can put up a show with an effort. May this not be the first and last.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On November 19th. members of the Luton District met at Westoning for their third ringing contest.

Competition was keen. with eight bands taking part. The standard of striking was very good. and youth was much to the fore These contests are held to promote better ringing for Sunday services. As 4 p.m. drew near. lots were drawn to decide the competing order of the bands, while the judges retired to the Vicar's study to listen to the competitors
After the contest 42 people adjourned to the Village Hall. where a sumptuous tea had been prepared by the Vicar's wife and ladies of the village. When tea was over excitement ran high as everyone wondered who could be the winner of the beautiful silver cup. which had been given to the Association for this contest by Mr. Peter Newing, a ringer and lay-reader. who has been living at Woburn and is now at Durham University

The judges were: Mr. F. Plummer of Hitchin. Mr. A. E. Rushton. president of the Bedfordshire Association, and Mr. R. Sharp. of Maulden. Their remarks and criticisms were both helpful and revealing. Although two teams chose to ring changes instead of rounds, they were judged on striking only Westoning was the winning band with 112 faults. and Woburn second with 134 faults. The Vicar of Westoning. Rev. S. Wright. had the very great pleasure of presenting the trophy to his own ringers. the majority of whom were youngsters, who had been ringing about a year. There was great applause as these youngsters went off with their prize. It was agreed that the contest should be an annual event. and be held each May.

After the presentation the ringers refurned to the belfry for more ringing, which ranged from rounds to Spliced Surprise.

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## DEATH

LONGFOOT.-On November 18th. 1960, at his residence. Home Farm. Castor. Peterborough. Walter William Longfoot, for many years churchwarden and ringer at Si. Kyneburgha's Church. Castor, atged 60.

## IN MEMORIAM

JELLEY-We remember with deep affecion our loyal and faithful friend. Ernest, passed away December 2nd. 1959.-The ringers of St . John-the-Divine Church. Lescester, and friends.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Ely District.-Meeting at Swavesey and Over, on Saturday, December 3rd. Swavesey bells (6) 3 until 4.45 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., at Over. Over bells (8) avatlable after tea.-D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 7018
GUILDFORU DIOCESAN GUILD. Guildford District.-Practice meeting on Saturday, December 3rd. at Stoke. Kinging $66-9$ p.m.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.Watford District.-Practice meeting. Abbot's Langley (6), Saturday, December 3rd. Bells 6.30 p.m.-G. N. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 7017 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Rochester District.-By-meeting at Stockbury (Rodmersham not avajlable), on Saturday, December 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea. plesse. to Mr. A. Dunk. Pett Farm Bungalow. Stockhury Valley, Sittingbourne. . 6969
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - North Bucks Branch.-Newton Longueville (8). Saturday. December 3rd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and quarterly meeting to follow. -F. Vickers. 64, Bourtonville. Buckingham.
SHEFFIELD \& DISTRICT SOCIETY 7022 Mecting at Thrybergh, 3 p.m. Saturday, December 3 rd. Names for tea to Mr. F' Brunt. The Channings, Doncaster Road, Thrybergh, please.- 1. Seager, Sec. 7027
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ton Spa. ton Spa.

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Mr. S. T. Price. 12, Regent Street. Stonehouse. Glas.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Farnham District. - Nomination meeting at Aldershot (8). Saturday. December 10th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. December 7th, to Miss N. Bragg. 20. Church Hill. Aldershot.
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LADIES GUILD - West Midland District. Quarterly meeting. Si. Nicolas". King's Norton. Birmingham. Saturday, December 10th. Ringing $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 , followed by meeting. Ringing 6-8 p.m. Notifications for tea nol Iater than Wednesday. December 7th. to Miss J. M. Funnell. 7. Lanchester Road. King's Norton. Birmingham. 30.1067 LADIES' GUILD. - Western District. Meeting Warmley. Bristol. Saturday. December 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. meeting to follow. Names for tea by December 8 th. 10 Miss B. Johnson. 10. Lancashire Road. Bristol. 7. 7049
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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION -Liverpool Branch.-Branch meeting at St. Michacl's. Garston. Saturday. Decemter 10ih. Belts 3 p.m. Serviec all 4,30 p.m.. followed ho lea and businen: mecting. Nime, for tea not later than Wednesday, December 7th. to Mr. A. H. Mason. 17. Lovelace Road. Garston. Liverpool. 19 -T. E Radcliffe. 706 ?

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LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District-Meeting. Saturday, December 10th St. John's. Deptford. Bells 3.30 p.m. Business 5 p.m. Tea. own arrangements. Evening ringing. St Mary's, Lewisham. 6.30-8 p.m. All welcome. Bucks Branch--Quarterly meeting. Waddesdon (6). Saturday, December 10th. Bells available $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Guild service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher: the Bishop of Buckingham. Names for tea by Wednesdty previous.-D. G. Wheeler. 47. Whaddon Chase. Aylesbury, Bucks. 7039
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - City Branch.-Annual meeting. December 10th, at Ifiley. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4. Tea $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A. J. Adams, 35, Church Hill Road. Cowley, Oxford
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDDiventry Branch.-Meeting. Kislingbury, Saturday. December 10th. Tea for those who et me know by Tuesday previous.-F. W.
Hancock. Church View. Willoughby. Rugby.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION -Meeting. Malins Lee (6). Saturday. December 10th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, to Mr. H . Poyner. 16. Hawthorn Road. Shrewsbury, 7076
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SUFFOLK GUILD. - S.W. District Annual general meeting at Bures (8), Saturday December 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 п.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. D. Mills Colchester Road. Bures.

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SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Section.-Nomination meeting at Betchworth. December 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by December 8 th, to Mr. A. Lucas, 145 , Sandcroft Lane. Reigate-G. A. West. Hon. Sec Western Division.- Practice meeting at Findon (6). on Saturday. December 10th, at 3 p.m Service $4.30 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. Names lor tea by previou: Wednesday, please. to E. W. Keys. 'Grey stones. Salthill Road. Fishbourne, Chichester

## RAISING THE STANDARD

## Compositions Of Stedman Caters And Cinques

## By 1). E. PARSONS

The great disadvantage of composing peals of Triples is that, no matter how one arranges the calls, all 5,040 possible changes have to be used. There can be no question of musical composition, but only of ease or difficulty of calling.

When dealing with Caters and Cinques, however, it is the composer's job to select the most musical changes out of those available. The ease of calling should only be a secondary consideration.

## MUSICAL CONSIDERATIONS

The first point to establish is what, in the general opinion, comprises musical changes. Judging by the compositions rung now, and for many years past, there is no doubt that the Titlums course ends ......78E90 or
.978 and the handstroke course ends .8709 E or .....879, followed by a slow six. are the most popular. Apart from the undoubted music and rhythm around the course ends. the combinations of bells in the middle of the course are generally pleasant. although this is more a rule in Cinques than Caters.

There are several other course ends which should have some consideration, namely:Tittums and handstrokes followed by a quick six.

Real Tittums ' .....768E90. Caters, i.e., …... $87 \dot{E} 900$.

Inverted Tittums.
Whittingtons. Queens. etc.
Several peals are available using these positions but they do not seem to have found general favour
Once the positions of the back bells at the course ends have been decided, it remains to find the best arrangements of the front six. It is almost invariable to have the 5 th or

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Eastern District-Quarterly meeting. Packlington, on Saturday. December 10th. Bells (8) 2 to 8 p.m Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., in Church Hall Names by December 8th. please, to Mr. C Bairstow. 9. Victoria Road. Pocklington. H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ASH. SURREY.-Surprise Minor practice. Monday. December 12th. Methods: Bourne, Canterbury, Cunecastre. Durham, Ipswich. Netherseale. Norwich and Wells. 7053 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILDKettering Branch.-Evening practice meeting at Geddington (5), on Monday. December 12th. Bells from $7-8.30$ p.m. Alt welcome

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-The Charles W. Blakey Memorial Table and Visitors Book will be dedicated on Saturday. December 17th, at Rishton Parish Church. A cordial invitation is extended to all who wish to attend. The arrangements will be as follows : 3 p.m.. bells available for ringing: 4. service, conducted by Rev. W. Brandwood. Vicar of Rishton: preacher. Rev. R. D. Si. John Smith. president of the L.A.C.R.: 5 p.m.(approx.). tea will be provided at a small charge: please send names for tea to Mr. A. Yates. 15. Norfolk Street. Rishton. Blackburn. Lancs. at least one week in advance. There will be further ringing
after tea.-John Pilkington. Branch Sec. 7036

## SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AND NORTH

 LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION - Annual general meeting. Saturday. January 14th. Legion Hall. Shardlow. at 5 p.m. Ringing 3 p.m. Nominations for officers and committee for 1961. to secretary. Mr. R. S. Barker. 3. West End Drive. Shardlow. Derby, before December 20th. Nomination forms available from secretary.7065
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6th in 5ths place. The most musical position for the other bell (6th or 5 th as the case may be) is generally accepted to be in 6ths place. If this is not possible then the aim is to keep it in 4ths. except for the special case of the 6th in 2nds place in Caters which gives excellent music in the middle of the course although a rather poor course end Now, in most of the compositions rung today, this musical quality is partly sacrificed in order to have a bell. usually the treble fixed in seconds place. By doing this only six ....56 course ends are available for one arrangement of back bells, instead of the possible eight, and the extra padding courses to make up the number necessitate the use of the 6 th in 3 rds or even treble's place.
It is often claimed in defence of this practice, that there are musical advantages in having the treble fixed in 2nds place, in that in Caters in the middle of every course, 18 and 91 dodge together behind. In the eight . .56 blocks, the extra two .... 56 course ends. plus the associated music of the. sixes preceding and following these course ends. more than compensate for the part loss of these regular 18 s and 91 s . It is also just as pleasant. to my mind. to have the 2nd and 3 rd in 2nds place, as they are octaves above the 9 th and 10 th. One could argue that the 4 th in 2nds place theoretically mars the music as it is a 7 th interval above the 10th, but in practice. it only sounds bad if the 4th and 10th strike together.
There is no case at all in Cinques. as the 2nds place bell dodges only with 7,8 and 9 of the back bells.
FIXED 2nds PLACE BELL'S POPULARITY
The fact is that having a bell fixed in 2nds place makes life much easier for the composer and conductor. For the former, proof can be checked just by the natural course ends and anyway there are only about four different blocks of courses that can be used. Composition is therefore limited to the going off and turning courses. The conductor is also helped by the lack of variety in blocks, and usually only has to learn the going off and turning courses and the treble's place bells. The 2nds place bell, besides being an extra guide to the calling positions, is a useful bell to ring as it is always around at the usual call positions and mistakes can quickly be spotted. It is also helpful to have one less variable.

Now the idea of the eight .... 56 block is by no means new. When I showed my first Siedman composition to one famous ringer, I was informed that it was impossible to compose anything original in Stedman Caters and Cinques as John Carter had done it all. While that statement is rather open to doubt, Carter certainly produced this peal of Cinques, in which he used some of the variations of the back bells mentioned earlfer.

5,237 STEDMAN CINQUES By JOHN CARTER

| $1234567890 E$ | 6 | 7 | 18 | 19 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


$\mathrm{A}=1 \mathrm{~s}, 2,4 \mathrm{~s}, 5,6,7.8,9,10,11$.
$\begin{array}{llllll}\mathrm{B} & =7,8,9,10,13 \mathrm{~s}, ~ 14,15,16,17,18 \\ \mathrm{C}=7,8, & 9,10,12 \mathrm{~s}, 13,14,16,17,18 .\end{array}$
$\mathrm{C}=7,8,9,10,12 \mathrm{~s}, 13,14,16,17,18$.
$\mathrm{D}=2 \mathrm{~s}, 3,7,8,9,10,12 \mathrm{~s}, 15,16,21 \mathrm{~s}$.
$E=7,8,10 s, 13 s, 14,15,16.17,18$, (To be continued.)

5,152 LITTLE BOB ROYAL By DAVII) HEIGHTON


Repeated with single half-way and end. For 5.008 omit any one group of 3 bobs Rung at St. Stephen's. Bristol, September 7th, 1960, conducted by composer.

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FAILURES<br>By ERNEST MORRIS

SOME years ago, when I had passed the 1,000 peal total, a Norwich friend said: 'You can tell us how many peals you have rung can you tell us how many failures?'. That was quite impossible, but it must be over 5,000 ! Like all peal ringers, I have had failures through ropes breaking, clappers falling out, clappers breaking, conductors putting in or leaving out calls, being stopped by outsiders. lights failing. meeting short, and many other unforeseen happenings. Three of the most disappointing of these happened far away from Leicestershire.

I had been invited to take part in two peals-one in Durham and one in Northumberland. After travelling all that way we met at Gateshead-on-Tyne, and the late Wm. H. Barber actually called an excellently-struck peal of Stedman Triples when, within a few changes of the endthe seventh was in 4-5 up - before going to rounds his rope broke! So I did not get a peal in Durham, but we did, however, score a very fine one at Newcastle Cathedral. Another disappointment far from home was at Ashton-under-Lyme, when Gabriel Lindoff came over from Ireland specially to call Kent T.B. Maximus. After two hours the tenor clapper broke!
At St. Margaret's, Leicester, a similar thing happened in an attempt for Grandsire Cinques with the late Joe E. Sykes. The tenor clapper ball broke off. Quite recently in London, after three hours of excellent ringing the conductor missed a bob! and so-to quote an old Leicester record - 'ye peal was lost.' Once at Gilmorton and again at Overseale, one of the clappers came out entirely!

At St. Mark's, Leicester, we had practically rung a peal of Stedman Triples, and in the last block out went the lights. We were naturally startled, but kept going as they came. on again: but not for long: they were switched off and on and it was hopeless. The sergeant-major (Fred H. Dexter) set his bell, rusbed across the belfry and down the spiral stairway at breakneck speed. Woe betide anyone he caught! But alas, when he got to the bottom of the stairs he could not get out as we had wedged the door. By the time the others got down and out he had calmed down somewhat, and found it was the curate who wanted us to stop because he had a service! Almost the same thing happened at Quorn. only instead of the lights a small bell in the belfry was jangled in the last course of Kent Maior.

In 1907 I went to Loughborough to listen to a peal of Kent Royal. but the band met short and roped me in! After three hours Wm. Willson, jun.., shouted to his uncle who was calling it: 'I can't go on.' He replied: 'Stick it--not far to go!'. However, young William set his bell and fell down in a dead faint, to the consternation of us all. He soon recovered, fortunately, and was able to proceed home.

The only peal my father-the late Josiah Morris, whom Harold Poole dubbed 'the Rhythm King'-ever gave up was at Swithland when he was on the tenor. At the end of the fifth 720 he set his bell, too exhausted to go on. A month or so later I tackled this bell myself, and we succeeded. They said later that I drank 13 cups of tea!

At King's Lynn, on one occasion in an attempt for Kent Royal with 'Uncle' Joe Sykes on the tenor, we lost it after 3 hours 10 minutes owing to the sun streaming down on Joe's head and back and the bell not going too well. George Cross-who was calling one of my compositions from treble-tried to swap bells with the tenor when in Slow for last course, but he being short and Joe being well over 6 feet tall could not reach the back-stroke. In the confusion so caused the peal was lost.

These are but a few of my experiences of lost pealsI could quote many more, some amusing, some annoying, but all disappointing.

## CAUSE AND EFFECT

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Nov. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Mimutes, at ihe cathedral Church of St. Philip.
A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 31 cwt . 21 lb , in D .

| Muriel Reay | Treble | David J. Purnell |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ruth M. Burder | 2 | George E. Fearn |
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| Roderick W. Pipe | 4 | Bryan D. A. Woolley |
| Roderick J. Lees | 5 | John A. Anderson |
| John Pinfold | 6 | Peter Border |

Conducted by Peter Border.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.
Ai the Cabhedral and abbey Church of Si. Alban
A PEAL OF 5015 GRANDSIRE CINQUES
Tenor 23 cwt 2 cr .11 lb . in D
Claudia A. Crithley. Treble *Gerald Penney .. .. 7
*J. Richard Castledine
Arihur Day
*G. William Critchley.
Harold V. Frost
*A. Rowland Tysoe
William J. Arnold . Tenor f. Deal. Conducted by Geurge W. Debenham. *First peal of Grandsire Cinques.

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ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Thurs., Nos. 10, 1960., in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

At ihe Cathedral Church of Sr. Philip.
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Tenor 31 cwt 21 lb . in D

THE BATH BATH, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 23 Mintes. At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 33 cwt .25 lb . in C.
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George J. Hawkins
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A. James Poynor .. .. 2 Gordon A. Halls Ralph Elkington .. .. 3 John A. Acres . Ernesi Morris... .. .. 4 Russell S. Morris. Mrs. G. A. Halls
Composed by Shirley burton. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
John M. Jelley
Conducted by Bun G w Tenor Witness: G. Ronald Edwards.
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Bryan D. A. Woulley
David J. Purnell.
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*First peal of London Royal.

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## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nor. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL Tenor $25+$ cwt

| D. R. Mitchell | Treble | $\ddagger$ Bernard E. Matihews. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Angela Grainger .. | 2 | Herbert W. Woolven |
| *J. Richard Wilson | 3 | George F. Francis |
| +E. Winifred Keys | 4 | Frank H. Hick |
| Edgar R. Raple |  |  |

Composed by Ernesi Morris. Conducted by Herbert W. Woolven
First peal of Royal. $\dagger$ First of Bob Royal. $\ddagger$ First on ten First as conductor on ten.

NEWPORT. MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.
At ihe Cathedral Church of St. Woolos,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor $2 \mathrm{cwl}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .20 \mathrm{lb}$. in E flat.
Thomas Yeomans .. .. Treble FDavid J. Llewellyn .. f
Elizabeth Brown .. .. 2 ©live G. Bryant .. .. 7
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Jacqueline S. King } \\ \text { Margaret E. Ridyard .. } & 3 & 4 & \text { Selwyn H. Dearden } & \text {.. } & 8 \\ \text { Robert E. Coles } & \text {.. } & . . & 9\end{array}$
*Brynley Taylor .. .. 5 | David J. King.. ... .. Tenor
Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by David J. King.

* First peal of Royal. First of Royal as conductor

SOUTHAMPTON.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal.. Nov. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes. AI the Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 COMBINED OXFORD AND KENT TREBLE HOB ROYAL
Worcester variation. with 96 changes of method. Tenor 21 cwt .2 qr. 8 lb .
R. Roger Savory .. .. Treble David E. House .. .. 6 John R. Faithfull .. 2 Frederick W. Rogers .. 7

 | Norman Hayes |
| :--- |
| +M. Elizabeth Chapman | Composed by Henry W. Wilde. Conducted by R. Roger Savory. * 150th peal. †First in the Worcester variation. First of combined Oxford and Kent T.B. in the county, for the Guild, and by all except the ringer of the fifth.

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Roy Chamberlain. Vicar of St. Mary's. Southampton. on the second anniversary of his induction to this living.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

CHEWTON MENDIP. SOMERSET.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY. On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Teaor $24 \mathrm{cwt} \mid \mathrm{Gr} .1 \mathrm{lb}$. in D.
*Beryl W. Abbott .. .. Treble §John C. Baldwin .. .. Patricla M. Bourn.. .. 2 Brian J. Wylde †tane K. A. Cook

Brian J. Wylde
Patrick J. Bird

rer Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Patrick J. BirD.
*First peal of Surprise. + First of Yorkshire. $\ddagger$ First of Surprise *First peal of Surprise. 'inside." § First of Major.

FAIRFIELD. BUXTON. DERBYSHIRE. THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

Tenor 12 cwt 10 lb in F sharp.

Brian J. Woodrupfe .. Tenor Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Brian J. Woonruffr. *First peak of Major. † First of Major 'inside.

YARDLEY. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTINS GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat. Nov. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, AT IHE Church of ST. EDBURGHA.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cw .2 qr .16 lb . in $F$ sharp.
Albieri H. Fitier ..Treble A. Rex Agg ar. or or
Fizabeth M. Ýrdicy
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Joun McDovalo } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & 6 \\ \text { John A. Anderson } & 6 \\ \text { Gin }\end{array}$
Brian Downie
George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor
Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Peter Border.

## SHIRLEY WARWICKSHIRE

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Wed., Nov. 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes. At the Church of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 6 cwt . 1 yr .1 lb . in B flat.
Edwards T. Lloyd .. Treble John A. Andersun

Elizabeth M. Yardley
Charles A. S. Webb
Geoffrey Davies
Composed by H. Law James. David J. Purnell. John McDonald George E. Fearn onducted by George E. Finor

## WOODFORD. ESSEX

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .21 lb . in F sharp.

John V. Temple Treble *Geofrey Pritt
J. Michael Lakin
E. Jane Langion
*Mikaela Erik
Composed by J. Parker.

- First peal in the method

Treble
2
3
4

- Meofrrey Pratt.
*tanihony V. Queen
Derek E. Sibson 25th peal.

WYMONDHAM. NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sun., Nov, 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.
ai me Abbiy Church of SS. Mary and Thomas of Canierbury.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 25 cwt , in D


Composed by Thomas B. Worsley. Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung lor Evensong on Thanksgiving Sunday.
DORCHESTER, OXON.
THE OXFORD SOCIETY
On Mon.. Nov. 21. 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minures. at the Abeey Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Pitstow's.

Tenor 16 cwt .
*Chrisiine B. Clayton.. Treble

David T. Darby .. .. 2
Andrew N. Stubbs .. 3
$\dagger$ Peter J. Wycherley
Cond
John G. Pusey
Nicholas J. Martin
$\ddagger$ Robin J. Elliott
Neil I. Ailnatt

- First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Major. $\ddagger$ First of Yorkshire inside.
In memoriam こ. Exon.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHIAM. On Mon., Nov. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of St. barnabas.

A PEAL OF S08: LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 1 gr .15 lb . in F .

*Geoffrey Davies .. 4 George E. Fearn

Conducted by Peter Bordir.
Composed by J. W. Washbrook.
*First peal of London.

ALDERMASTON. BERKSHIRE
THE READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
On Wed.. Nov. 23, 1960. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes. Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5083 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwL . 2 qr. 14 lb
*Frederick J. Sage.. .. Treble; $\ddagger$ John Manley Jennifer M. Davies

| 2 | Peier M. Wilkin |
| :--- | :--- |
| .3 | †James P. Blond |

Patricia Heather

+ Janet K. Secker
4
Composed by N. J. Pitsiow.
First pel of surprise t Conducied by Donald H. Niblett - inside. First of Surprise for the Society.


## CLEVEDON, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wed.. Nov. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. Ai the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5008 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt . 1 gr .20 lb . in $\mathbf{F}$.
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble
Doreen Cox
*John Baldwin *Patrick J. Bird *Anthony E. Cox Reginald G. Hocplek
-Brynley A Shacrleton
John R. Ketteringham Composed and Conducted by John R. Ketieringham.
-First peal of Little Bob Major.
DARLEY DALE. DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## at the Church of St. Helen

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F
*Glorge H. Paulson .. 2 Ronald h. bullen .
Mrs. Pat A. M. Halls 3 Harold Taylor .. .. 7
J. Frank Smallwood .. 4 Burley P. Morris ... .. Temor

Composed and Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

- First peal in the method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower ' to peals.


## OXFORD

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. Nor. 24. 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Ebbi:
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 4 cwt .3 gr .19 lb .
Ernest G. Jones .. .. Treble Brian R. White .. .. 5
Christine M. Woodward 2 Ernest J. Munday .. ... h
Edgiar J. Smith .. .. 3
Alan R. Pink .. ... ... 4 Donalio h. Nibleiti ... Temo
Composed by lan M. Holland. Conducted by Donald H. Nibletr.
50th peal as conductor.
A compliment to Christine Woodward and Geoffrey Lanegan on their engagement.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nor. 25. 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.
At ihe: Cahedral. Church of The Holy and Undiviued Triniy,
A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt 1 lb , in E flat.
D. John Hunt .. .. .. Treble Peier E. Parky

Richard J. Bowdin ... 2 Elisabein A. G. Bowdin of
Dunald E. Cubb .. .. 3 Cliff Richards .. .. 7
Dun C. Exlll .. .... 4 Pairick J. Bird.. . ... Tenor
Composed by H. W. Wilde.
First peal in the imethod by all. The conductor has now circled the tower.:

## BARKWAY HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sut. Nuv. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minules.

A the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
A PFAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition.
Tenor 16 cwt
Claudia A. Critchley Treble
"Charles A. Bysouth .. 5
George A. Spencer ... 2 .J. Richard Castledine... 6
Peiter J. Coles .. .. 3 . G. William Critchley. 7

* $\dagger$ Edwin G. Buck .. .. 4 Jack S. Dear .. .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

- First peal of Stedman Triples. $\dagger 100$ oh peal. First of Stedman Triples as conductor.

BUCKLEY. FLINTSHIRE THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 26. 1960. in 3 Hours and 10 Minules.
AT He Church of St. Maithew.
A PEAL OF 5152 PERSHORE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cw .2 qr. 7 lb .
Denise Shallcross .. .. Treble Edward V. Rodenhursi
John W. Griffiths.. .. 2 Dennis H. B. Millward
John S. Dean
Dennis h. B. Millward
Robin J Le
F. Hector Benneti .. .. 4 Percy Swindley .. .. Temor

Arranged and Conducted by John W. Griffiths.
First peal in the method by all.
Rung half-mumfed to the memory of Samuel Birks. ringer at this church since 1904.

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CLOCKS CONVERTED TO ELECTRIC DRIVE
Inspections \& Estimates Free

JOHN SMITH \& SONS - DERBY

## CONGLETON CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 1 Minule,

At the Church of St. Peter,
a peal of 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .1 qr .2 lb .


## LONGNEY. GLOUCESTERSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR


Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Cyril A. Wraitien. * First peal in the method. + First of Major in the method.

Rung on the eve of Advent Sunday.

## LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE <br> THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION <br> On Sat.. Not: 26, 1960. ith 2 Hours and 38 Mimules. <br> At the Church of Ale Sainis.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Grorge E. Thoday | Treble | †Roger J. Palmer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rosemary Seabrook | 2 | Colin A. S. Harwood |
| Donald F. Murfet | 3 | Geoffrey A. Lucas |
| Gforge E: Crisp | 4 | Mansfield Ginn |
| omposed by C. H. * 25th peal of Majo | tersley. | Conducted by Mansi:I e method |

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nor. 26. 1960. in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. At the. Church of St, Matibias.
OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE
A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $16 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| John McDunald | Treble | David J. Purnell |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R. George Murris | 2 | Barrie Hendry |
| Arthur V. Pearson. | 3 | John A. Anderson |
| Glorge E. Fearn | 4 | Peier Border | Conducted by. Peter Border.

## MANSFIELD. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Nor. 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Mimutes. At thit Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt . 11 lb .
Iredk. A. Salier.... Treble Robert E. Day


Composed by W. E. Bason. Conducted by Fredk. A. Salier.

* First peal

Rung on the eve of Advent. Birthday compliments to Mrs. M. 1. Pailing and Mr. F. Adsock.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon., Nov. 7. 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF 5040 MiNOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's College Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwl . in F .


Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Savage, of East Budleigh, Devon, upon the birth of a second son.

NORTH CREAKE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saf., Nov. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules.
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Kent T.B.. Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's, and four extents of Plain Bob

Tenor 12 cwt . in F sharp.
Noman V Haboina.
.Treble Euward Howes
Robin Sitipp (14) .. .. 2 Leseie W. Houghion
Tuny Owen .. .. .. 3 H. William Barreil .. Tenor
Conducted by H. William Barreit.
STAVERTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. Nov. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
Ar ihe Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE MINOR
Being seven extents.
Jacqueline A. Downing Treble
*Ronald Russell
Tenor 10 cwt .3 gr .26 lb . in G
*Ronald Russe
Placy Amos Timoihy A. Wooding
*Robin V. Baker George F. Roome ... .. Tenor

> Conducted by George F. Roome.

* First peal in the method.


## BEENHAM. BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Now. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Double Oxford, two of Oxford Treble Bob, iwo of Kent Treble Bob and iwo of Plain Boh. | Reginald W. Rex | .. | .. | 2 | Treble | Reginald F. Crook |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| W. Sayers | . | . | 4 |  |  | Howard Oglesby .. .. 3 Geoffrey K. Dodis .. . . Tenor Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

DEENE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. Nov. 19. 1960. in 2 Hours and 31 Minules,
AI THE ChURCH OF St. Priter.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court. Single Court. Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwl 1 yr .12 lb . in G .

| Drkn | Richard A. Websier |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ronald Russell | Roy W. Spencer |
|  |  |

*Philip C. Pitchford .. 3 James H. Musson.. . . Tenor
Conducted by James H. Musson.

- First peal in seven methods.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Philip C. Pitchford on their 19th wedding anniversary.

LOWESTOFT. SUFFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 19. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minules,
AI the Church of Si. Margareit.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOLBLES
Being 42 cxtents.
ANIJREW E. Crowe ...Trehle| Nurman P J. Cossiv
*Blinard V: Hindi:s ... 2 Michall Uitun

> Michael J. Parker . . . Tehor

Conducted by Michael J. Parker.

- First peal. first astempt. First as conductor.

BARMING. KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Mon.. Nos. 21. 1960. in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## Ar the Churla of SI. Margaret, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two cach of Oxford I.B. Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 93 cwt John Mannering ... ..
Olive Couchman
*Monty Gilberi ... .. 3 Thomas Cullingworth Tenot
Treble
+Martin Howe.
Tenor $9 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. Conducled by Bernard Groves.

* First peal of Minor inside. + First in four methods.

Rung in menory of Mr. Pope, sometime ringer at Headcorn and chorister at Wateringhury

## SELLINDGE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Wed., Nor. 23, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
at the Church df St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
Tenor 9 cwt
John Bashford
Treble
John R. Cooper
violif I. F. Reif
Robert Swifi Crawford T. Hillis

Tenor
Malsif Vantom Conducied by Crawford T. Hilis.

* First peal.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. P. M. Jaquet

## WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed.. Nov. 23, 1960), in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PIAAN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 8 cwt 2 qr 22 it . in A. *Brian C. Law .. .. Trible $\dagger$ Ernest Morris
†brian G. Warwick.... 3 *Brian R. Culilin ..... Tenor
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Plain Bob Doubles. $\ddagger$ First of Plain Boh Doubles on tower bells.
Rung as a farewell to Brian R. Cullin who has inoved to Great Gien.

## ALGARKIRK. LINCOLNSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Fri. Nov. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Thelwall and Childwall. (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford T.B.. (4) Kent T.B., (5) Double Oxford. (6) Si. Clement's and (7) Plain Bob.

Albfrt E. Flatters
John P. Morris .. .. Treble Joseph W. Bailey .. $\quad . \quad 2$ J. Martin Thorley. William E. Clarke.
J. Martin Thorlay Barsify
enor 12 cwt .

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.
A fifth wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Philip H Reynolds.

> BARKING, SUFFOLK.
> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat.. Nor. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A DEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
In 14 methods: (1) Alnwick and Neweastle, (2) Lightfoot and Wearmouth. (3) London and Wells, (4) Chester and Munden, (5) York and Durham. (6) Beverley and Surfleet. (7) Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt .1 qr .7 lb .
Howard W. Eglestone Treble *Leslie N. Melton.
4
*James B. Morley .. .. 2 Dennis A. S. Symonds.. 5
*Roger L. K. Whittell 3 Joe E. G. Roast .. . . Tenor Conducted by Jof E. G. Roast.

* First peal in 14 Surprise method. The most Surprise Minor methods yet rung to a peal for the Guild.


## BABWORTH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Nov. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
At the Church of Ail Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being 720 each of Killamarsh, Kent. Capel, Sandal, Kingston, London

Scholars' Pleasure and Oxford.
John Coatrs
*Harold Denman
Treble
*Grace Burchnall $\qquad$ *Katherine Burchnall Gforge, Chailans Ernest Preston
Conducted by Ernest Preston.

* 150th peal together. First in seven methods as conductor

Rung for the birthday of George Challans.

ELSTREE. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Oll Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In four methods, being (1) and (2) Beverley, (3) and (4) Surfleet, (5) and (6) Cambridge, (7) Norwich. Tenor 6 cwt . 1 q. 26 ih . *Robi:rt Hardy .. .. Treble
Kennfit R. Dunstan
Treble
H. George Hari
 4

* First peal Conducted by Walter Ayre.
rehle Bob.
MOULTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Nov. 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Frank Taylor .. .. Treble $15 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
*Freda P. Griaves.. 2 Bohn G. Ames ... 4
*Alan G. Payne .. $\cdot$.
* First peal of Conducted hy J. Martin Thority.

SEEND. WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Nol: 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Mimutes.
At the Church of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. L. Michail Noad .. .. Treble Herbert M. Heaton .. 4

Norman G. Knie ..... 2 Eric J. Hitchins .. ${ }^{2} 5$
Wiliam C. West .. .. 3 Charles F. Andrews .. Temor
Conducted by Charles F. Andrews.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunn., Oct. 30, 1960, in 1 Hour and 28 Minutes,
at 22. York Street, Redfield

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMLS

 Being 210 extents.Reginald G. Hooper ... 1-2| *Brynley A. Shackleton 3-4 Cunducted by Reginald G. Hooper.

* First peal 'in hand.' First of Minimus by both.

SOUTH WIGSTON. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Nov. 18, 1960, in 1 Hour and' 43 Minutes.
In the Briffry of the Church of St. Thomas, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in two methods: Grandsire 22, Plain Bob 22.
Brian G. Warwick .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Ernest Morris

+ Brian M. Smith .. .u 5-6 Conducted by Brian $\ddot{G}$. Warwick.
* First handbell peal.

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sum., Nov. 20, 1960, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes,
in St. Margaret's Sflect Vestry Hall. A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAIOR Tenor size 12 in F .
Ernest Morris .. .. $. . l^{2}-2 \mid$ John A. Acres.. .. .. 5-6
John M. Jelley .. .. 3-4 Brian G. Warwick ..
Composed by Edwin J. Lindley. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick. EXNING, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 19. 1960, in 1 Hour and 41 Minutes, in the Church Hall of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.
Roger J. Palmer
1-2 $\mid$ Anthony
R. Man
*Irene A. Cross
Conducted by Anthony
R.
R. Minn.
*First peal, first attempt (age 14); youngest lady io ring a handbeil
peal for the Guild.
Rung by members of the College of Campanology.

## HALF PEAL

WARBOROUGH. OXON,-On Nov, 24th, 2.520 Plain Bob Triples: Susan Howes 1, Helen Butler 2, G. McAlonc 3, V. Fox 4. Margaret Thulis 5, A Howes 6. F. Absolam (cond.) 7. M. Welsh 8. Firsi half neal for all excep the conductor

ASTON, HERTS.-On November 27th, 1,261 Grandsire Doubles: F. J. Carrod 1. C. Geeves 2, Mrs. H. Bank: 3, H. Shire 4, A. Day (cond.) 5, 1. Pallett 6. Rung for Advent Sunday and condus tor's birthciay
BALDERTON, NOTTS.-On Nov, 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: B, E. White 1. Mrs. C. Pritchen 2. Miss T. Williams 3. Mrs. C. W. Reed 4. C. W. Reed (eond) S. C. Pritehett 6. First quarter 2 and 6. For Evensong.

BEAMINSTER. DORSET.-On Nov, 23rd, 1,260 Sudman Triples: G. S. Morris (cood.) 1. R. P. Sclway 2. C. W. Powell 3, C. R. Poole (first in method) 4. H. G. Keeley 5. J. T. Barrett 6, W. E. Turner 9. S. W. White 8. In memoriam James Barrett, father of the ringer of sixth, after the funcral.
BOYNE HILL, MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.-On Nov. 27ah. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: D. Livingexion 1 .
G. Gibbs 2. Kathleen Norh 3, D. Farthing 4. Mrs. G. Gibbs 2. Kathleen Norh 3, D. Farthing 4. Mrs.
D. Livingsion 5, J. Blackwood 6. E. E. Gosling (cond.) 7. D. Youne 8. For Advent Sunday, also a 2 lst birihday compliment to the ringer of 61 h .
BREDON'S NORTON, WORCS.-On Nov, 20 h . 1.260 Single Oxford Minor: G. Stallwond 1. R. Perks 2. J. Firkins 3. E. Cooke 4. J. Attwood 5, F. E. Wond (cond.) 6. For evening service.

BURMARSH, KENT.-On Nov, 22nd, 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, All Saints: Southrepps, April Day. Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss A. Rayner 1. Mrs. M. Watts 2. F. Watts 3, H. Watts 4, R Wratten (cond.) 5, T. Fage 6. Firs in six methods for all the band. A birthday compliment for Mrs B. Walls.

CASTOR, NORTHANTS.-On Nov. 21 st, $1,26 n$ 2. L. Sharpe 3. M. Parker 4. F. Sismey (cond.) 5. J. Coulson 6. Rung half-muffied in memory of Walter William Longfoot, for many years rinecr and churchwarden at this church.

## CHELTENHAM, GLOS.-On Nov, 27.h, 1.294

 Siedman Caters: E. T. Newbury 1. Miss V. Willard 2. W. A. Farmer 3. C. T. Burridge 4. W. Dyer 5. 1. Goutter 6. C. A. Wramen (cond.) 7. P. Baker 8. T. Borcham 9. W. Newman 10. For morning prayer.CROSS STONE TODMORDEN, W. YORKS.On Nov. 25th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Noble (first quarter) 1, G. Cheetham 2, C. R. Milthorn 3. J. C. Ashworth 4. J. H. Fielden 5. P. Scholfield (cond.) 6.
GREENWICH, LONDON:-On Nov. 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: T. Culver 1, P. Cave 2. J.
Dafters 3. T. Easterby 4. Miss F. Cannon (first as Dafters 3, T. Easterby 4. Miss F. Cannon (first as
cond.) 5, F. Mend 6, J. Jefferies 7. P. Eboworth (first quarer) 8. For Evensone.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-()n Nov. Gih. 1,260 Flain toh Triples: Misa M. Thomas 1. G. W. Bishop 2. H. K. White 3. J. H. Napper 4. C. J. Garlick
5. M. Bishop 6. A. H. Webb (cond.) 7. L. F. Cox 8. Fieq quarter in the method for all the band. Rung on the 70 ih binhday of the Vicar. Rev. H. A. Smith-Master.

IIAVANT, HANTS.-On Nov. 20th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: M. Marshall 1, Mrs, B. M. Hunt 2, Shirley M. Parsons 3. D. S. Jones 4. E. Treagus 5, 1. R. Hasted 6, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 7. C. Parsons 8. For evening service. and as a welcome to the baby son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sturgess, of Farcham. born November 16 hh .
HEREFORD.-On Nov, 27th, at All Sainis' Church. 1.264 Plain Boh Major: M. Munn 1. Mies R. larrent 2. F. Reed (cond.) 3. Mise A. M. Gladwell 4. J. Eisel 5. T. Wond 6. A. W. Davis 7, A. T. Wingato 8. Firss of Major 4 and 5 .

HERSHAM, SURREY,-On Nov, 271h, 1.2611
Doubles (Reverse Camerbury. Plain Bob and Doubles (Reverse Canerbury. Plain Bob and
 Owen May 2. Pamela Bird 3. H. Colcombe 4. J.
King (cond.) 5. C. N. Chinncry 6. For Evensong. hoLME PIERREFONT, NOTTS. - On Nov. 20 h . 1.260 Minor (Plain Bob and Single Oxford): C.
Frogran I. S. Meredith 2, R. Blackhaw Frogran I. S. Meredith 2, R. Blackhaw 3. M. W.
Harrison and F. Bradley 4. B. Mils 5, F. Bradley Harrison and F. Bradley 4. B. Milss 5, F. Bradley
and D. Armasming 6. Conducted by F. Bradiey and B. Mills. Rung for adult Confirmation service. Also 1.440 Minor COnford Treble Bob and Single Onford): S. Meredith 1. D. Armatrong and C. Frograt 2. R. Blackshaw and B. Mills 3. M. W. Harrison 4. A. Larkin 5. F. Bradley 6. Conducted by D. Almatrong and F. Bradley, Ruase for St. Edmund's Day evenine service. Patron Saint of

## QUARTER PEALS

HOUNSLOW, MIDDX.-At the Church of St . Paul, Hounslow Heath. on Nov. 20th. 1.380 Grandsire Doubles: R. O'Shea (firss quarter) 1. D. Shaw 2. D. Howell 3. C. Stevenson 4, D. C. Morgan
(cond.) 5. D. Winterson (first quarter) 6. First on bells for about seven years. For Evensong.
LLANDAFF, GLAM.-At the Cathedral, on Nuv. 27th, 1.280 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Hazel Everell (first of Doubles) 1. Penelone 1. Wazel Everell (first of Doubles) N. A. James 3, A. W. Smith 4, N. W. H. Simun (is, first ds cond. and of houbles) 5. H. C. Evans (firss quarter) 6. Firss quarter in twa on the front six for Advem.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes', on Nov. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Caters: A. F. Warren 1. M. L. Lewis 2. Dorean Deverell 3. Angela Martin 4, J. M. Payion 5. A. W. J. Butler (cond.) 6. B. 1. Willes 7. I. H. Oram 8. P. L. Smarı (first of Caters) 9. P. M. Herring 10. First on 10 hells by 2, 4 and 10 . Rung on the wedding anniversary of H.M. Elizabeth II and H.R.H. Duke of Edinhurgh
melbourne.-At St. Paul's Cahedral. on Nov. 191h. 1.260 Siedman Triples: K. Minchimon 1, Mrs D. M. Pipc 2, Miss E, Lloyd Robers 3. G. W Pipe (cond.) 4. A. H. Fisher 5. W. B. Pitcher 6. B. R. Cox 7. J. 1 Roper \&. First in the methud for 2. 6 and 7
MELKSHAM, WILTS.-On Nov. 27th, 1.264 Grandsire Triples: H. Cockell 1, S. R. Cockell 2. Mrs. W. C. West 3. L. M. Noad 4. W. C. Went (cond.) 5. Dr. H. Heaton 6, C. F. Andrews 7. C. G. Gibbons 8. Rung for Confirmation.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.-At the Church of St. James. Benvell. on Nov. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Harle 1. Mrs. K. Wyndham 2. Mive 1. Thomson 3. C. S. Dixon 4, F. Ross (cond.) R. Barrow 6. Rung for Confirmation service. NUTPIELD, SURREY.-On Nov. $20 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Russell 1. W. Dunn 2. D. Rowe 3. V. Griges 4. G. Olliver (cond.) 5 ,

## Evensong.

OLDSWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.-On Nov, 16th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Jennifer $M$ Burford 1, F. V. Nicholls 2, P. 1. Brown 3. M. J. Fellows 4. M. D. Fellowi (cond.) 5. P. Bill (first quarter) 6. J. A. Tandy 7. J. E.
Lawley 8. Rung as a farewell to Rev. C. V. Foord. curate of Oldswinford. on appointment as Rector of Si. Clemen's. Worcester. Also on Nov. 26 hh .1 .264 Grandsire Triples: A Roden 1. J. Lloyd 2. F. G. Handley 3. D. H. Watson 4. R, Chance 9. C. W Cooper 55. M. D. Fellows icond.) 7. R. Tandy y. Rung half-muffied as a token of respect to Mr. A. J. Skelding. a ringer here for many years and interred this day.
RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.-On Oct. 23 rd .1 .260 St Clement's Triples: A. House 1. Miss E. Hatch 2, R Tomlin 3. F. May 4, E, J. Blower 5. G. D Sandwell 6. M. 3. Halleut (cond.) 7. W. F Ward 8. For Evensong. Also on Nov. Sih, 1.260 Grandsire Trinles: Miss E. Hatch (firs as cond) 1, W. F. Ward 2, Mis V. Hester 3. F. May 4. E. J Blower S. M. J. Hallett 6. A. House 7. R. Tomlin y For Evinsonr.
SALISBLRY, WILTS.-On Nov. 2sih. at St. Thomas" Church. 1.260 Grandsine Triples: H. A Roles 1. Maraaret R. Page 2. Ann M. Sweeney 3 R. O. Fry (cond.) 4, B. Aun Abrahams 5. E. Haincs 6. L. A. Page 7. E. Doel 8. Rung half-muffied in memoriam George K. Norton. former camain of tower and an honorary life member of the Guild. whose funeral took place this day. Also on Nov. 27th, $3 t$ St. Thnmas Church, 1.280 Double Norwich 27h, at St. Majmas E. C. Read 1. Margaret R. Page 2. I. Ann Abrahams 3. H. H. Abrahems 4. B. J. Marlow (cond.) 8. Firss in method for 1. 2, 3. and 6. Rung for Evensont, and as a silver wedding compliment to the reble ringer. a valued member of the rower.
SHARDLOW, DERRYS.-On Nov. 20th, 1.260 Doubles (Plain Rob and Revene Camerbury): I. T Fuster 1. E. H. Willows 2, A. Whiting 3. M. Fern 4. B. R. Mannine (cond.) 5. C. Rondley (first quarter) h. For the baprims of: Francls Mark Jones.
Siephen Andrew Roadley and Robert Edward Wormald.
SLOUGH, BUCKS.-On Nov. 27th. 1.260 Oxford Rob Triples: D. P. Hilling 1, F. R. Scoti 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3. J. K. Ward 4, W. D. Ward 5, J. C. Bin 6. W. Birmingham (cond.) 7. E. L. A. Hudson
8 For the Advent Fextival.

SNAITH. YORKS.-On Nov. i9th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs, J. J. Taylor 1. Betty Martipion
 Hawcroft 4. H. S. Morley 5. W. Graves 6, L. M.
Wondhead (cond.) 7. E. Philpor 8. For the wedding of former National Dairy Queen 20 -year-old Marjorie Watson and farmer Richard Morrisun.
SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS. On Ncr, $30 \mathrm{Mh}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Minor: D. J. Bodicoat 1. K. Bodicoat (first of Minor inside ') 2. M. G. Wond 3. Mr, B G. Warwick 4. B. G. Warwick 5. B. M. Smith
(cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Nov. 13 h .1 .260 Plain Bnb Triples: D. W. Sienson (firsi of Triples away from tenor) 1, B. G. Warwick 2, M. G. Wond 3. Sandra E. Chesterton 4. E. Morris 5, 1. A. Acres 6. B. M. Smith (cond.) 7. B. C. Law (first quarter) 8. Half-muffied for Remembrance Sunday servics. Also on Nov. 13th. 1,260 Doubles (Stedman. Plain Bob, April Day. St. Simon's. Eynsham. St. Martin's. St. Leonard and Grandsire): D. J. Bodicoat I. B. G Warwick (cond.) 2, M. G. Wond 3, Mrs. B. C. Warwick 4. B. M. Smith 5, D. W. Stenton b First in as meny methods for 1, 3. 6. Half-muffled for Evensong.
STAMFORD. LINCS.-At St. Martin's Church. on Nov. fith. 1.260 Oxford Bob and Plain Bob: E. Cox and J. R. Nicholls 1. R. H. Knight 2. C. Matthews 3. P. D. Baldock 4. Sadn.-Ldr. G
Massey 5. J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. Rung half-mufled prior to the memorial service for the late Vicar. Rev. H. Boulton.

STROUD, GLOS.-On Nav. 27th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: 1\&ner Gleed 1, Retty Telling 2. T. Pritchard 3. R. Baker 4. P. Riddiford 5. V. Deane 6. T. Witts (cond.) 7. F. Garland 8. A wedding comolimem 10 Miss Janet Pritchard, daughter of Mr. Trevor Pritchard (tower master).
STURRY, KENT.-On Nov, 26th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Rita E. Gould 1. Mary S. Taylor 2 Pauline Fennell 3. P. A. Batchelor 4. P. E Deverill 5. N. J. Davies (eond.) 6. Rung after the failure of a peal.
SUCKJLEY, WORCS,-On Nov. 22nd. 1.261 Grandsire Doubles: F. Boucher 1. P. Cale 2. J. Ranford 3. F. Merrick 4, W. Huband S, J. Cale 6 Rung half-muffled in memory of James Wnodyat inerred this day. He learned to ring at Suckley and had been a ringer for 60 years.
SWINDON, WILTS.-AI Chris Church, on Nov 27th. 1.299 Stedman Cater: Miss M. Wright 1 Dr. C. G. Rowarth 2, Mrs. P. Minchin 3. Mrs. E Sution 4. Dr. H. Crair 5, W. W. T. Daniell 6. P. Minchin 7. R. G. Townsend 8. E. Sution (cond.) 9. R. J. Drewett 10. For Evensong, and to celebrate the 21 st birthday and engasement of Miss M Wright to Mr. R. J. Drewett.
TENTERDEN, KENT.-On Nov. 6th. 1.260 Grandsire Drubles: Winifred Millen 1. Karneen M. Yeo (cond.) 2, Vialet I. E. Relf 3. M. E. Downs 4. P. Relf 5. A. Gorham 6. Rung in honour of the birth of granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. W Tickner. also a 91 m biritay enmpliment to Mr. P. Barnes.

THORPE-LE-SOKEN. ESSEX. On Nov, 27th 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Downs 1, Mrs P W Mill 2. P. W. Mills 3. F. Harvey 4. E E. Dive) (cond.) 5. W. Ruffles 6. For Maxins. and as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. Harvey.
WAKEFIELD, YORKS.-At the Cashedral Church of All Saints, on Oct. 18th. 1.260 Plain Rob Triples; Marearet Brighen (firse quarter) 1. Linda Comt 2. Mrs. Io Moreton 3. W. F. Moreton (cond.) 4. G Dale 5. K. Park 6. G. Townend 9, T. W. Crossley 8 Warrorotgh. OXON.-On Nov. $13 \mathrm{th}, 1.200$ Plain Boh Doubles (with 7. 6. 8 covering): $\mathbb{R}$ Howes (fira quarier. age 14) 1. Helen Butler (19) 2. Susan Howes (fira inside. 16) 3. G. Mcllhone (firsi as cond.. 13) 4. Margares Thewlis (16) 5. M. Welvh (15) 6, V. Fox (18) 7. A. Howes (18) B.
WEST WICKHAM, KENT,-On Nov, 23rd. 1.320 London Surprise Minor: A. S. Richards (cond) 1. 4. J. Faircloth 5. A. M. MacVe 6, Firs in method for 3. 4, 5 and 6
WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.-On Nov. 201h. 1.34 Avhtead Surprise Major: Miss O. D. Couchman 1.
R. E. Lambert 2, R T. Lambert 3. E. J. Ladd 4. B. F. L. Groves 5. T. E. Sone (cond.) 6. C. A. Tester 7. T. A. Croas
YAFTON, SUSSEX.-On Nov, 26th, 1.212 Plain Bob Minimus: S. J. Morris (firss quarter) 1. B. W. T. Williame (firse quarrer) 2. P. J. M. Arisht (first - invide and of Minimus) 3, C. R. C. Coukmaker (firse of Minimus. cond.) 4. First quarter peal by resident members of Chichester Theolosios College. Firse on the belle. Rung in memoriam Rt. Rev Herbert Linford Gwyer, sometime Bishop of Gearte. C.P., South Africa.

AMBERLEY, SUSSEX.-On Nov. 27/h, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire. Plain Bob and April Day): E. Sopp 1. F. Storey 2, J. Reeves 3. S. Hamilon 4, J. Newell (cond.) 5. Rung half-muflied for the memorial service to Bishop Gwyer. formerly of the Dinecse of Gcorge. South Africa, and late of Amberley.

ASTON. WARWICKS.-On Nov. 20th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Boh): P. Casson (first quarer) 1, A. S. Burbidge (first as cond.) 2, R. C. ingram 3. D. Ingram 4, D. T. Finnemore 5. M Ingram 6. For Evensong.
BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Oct. $30 \mathrm{hh} .1,260$ Stedman Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Gwen Reeves (first in meihad) 2. Dorothy Fletcher 3. Kathleen Fletcher 4. Ann Shiels 5, M. Broadley 6. A. Bridges 7. R. Broadley 8. Rung for a combined service of various denorinations at the Parish Church.
BLOCKLEY, GLOS.-On Sent. 24th, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E, J. Hitchins 1. J. R Ketteringham 2. B. A. Shackleton 3. M. J. Hobbs 4 , D. 1. Humi 5, H. W. Woolven 6. D. E. Cobb (cond.) 7. R. G. Hooper 8.

BRF:CON.-On Nov. 22nd, at St. Marv's Church. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Particia M. Dunning (first quarter) 1. T. H. Owen 2. M. M. Peteraon (cond) 3. M. R. Thomas 4. M. T. Johns 5, G. P. Davies 6. Rune for the Parnchial Festival.

BOLSOYER. DERBYSHIRE.-On Nov. 27 th .1 .344 Plain Bob Major: C. Wright 1. D. Cooper 2. M. J. Cooper 3. A. B. Cooper 4, S. Slaney 5. A. Keller 6. H. Wagsaffe 7, K Rutland (firat as cond.) 8. For Evensong.

BRISTOL.- At the Church of St . Amhrose, on Nov. 15th. 1.260 Plain Boh Minor: F. R. Hussey 1. F. J. Sampson 2. Miss G. M. Hussey 3. T. Hins (first of Minor) 4. R. G. Hooper S. B. A. Shackleton (cond.) 6. For Dedication Festival.
CHESHUNT. HERTS.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): Miss C. Kina (first quarter) 1. E. Pickett 2. Miss C. Farrington 3. D. Sayer 4. W. Newnham 5. C. Campbell 6. R. Durrant (cond.) 7, D. Billimore 8. For Evensong. and as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 4,7 and 8 .

## QUARTER PEALS

CONINGSBY, LINCS.-On Nov. 18th, 1.260 Minor (Norwich and Cambridge Surprise): E. Flintham 1, B. Hunt 2, J. R. Young (cond.) 3. A. E. Flatters 4. J. Kemp 5. R. Bamber 6 . Silver wedding complimens io Mr. and Mrs. E. Flintham.

CONSETT, CO. DURHAM.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Armstrong 1, G. W. Wall 2. 1. Vickery 3. R. Sketon 4. N. Errington 5, W. Tisson (cond.) 6. For evening service.
DORKING, SURREY.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Alison Read 1. G. F. Prans 2. Ethel Clear 3. Olive Boulden 4. B. Read 5. E. G. L. Coward 6. A. P. Cannon (cond.) 7. B. Coward 8. Rung as a welcome to Miss Boulden, who has come to reside in the district.
EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.-On Nov. 191h. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: C. Froggatt 1. N. Wilde 2, R. Blackshaw 3. M. W. Harrison 4. B. Mills (cond.) 5. J. Higgs 6.

EPSOM, SURREY.-At Christ Church, on Nov. 20th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. E. Fentiman (first of Cambridge S. Minor) I, Adrienne Gibson (first of Cambridée 'inside') 2. Sylvia Marsh 3, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 4, F. J. Oakshott 5, D. J. F. Oakshott (first of Cambridge S. Minor) 6. For Evensong

EXNING. SUFFOLK.-Un Nov, 13th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Hilda Cross 1. A. Benstead 2, J. Genteman 3. E. Jagaard 4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5. For Remembrance Sunday.
GREAT COMBERTON, WORCS,-On Nov. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Butler 1. R. G. Haines (first Minor - inside') 2. G. J. Hemming 3. Jacqueline Roberts 4. M. G. Selby 5, G. C. Hemming (cond.) 6.
HAGBOURNE, BERKS. On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Plain Bob Trinles: W. White 1, G. W. Bishop 2 . H. K. White 3. J. H. Napper 4. C. J. Garlick 5 . M. Bishon 6. A. H. Wehb (cond.) 7. L. F. Cox 8.

MALIFAX, YORKS.-On Nov, 13th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: J. F. Bryant 1. Sheila M. Moulds 2. Patricia Reeve 3, M. V. Conping 4. J. N. Pankin 5. J. H. Fielden (cond.) 6. G. F. Bryant 7, R, E. Moulds 8. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

HARPENDEN, HERTS,-On Nov. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janet Gray (first quarter) 1. Mrs. M. A. Coburn 2, Gillian Coker (firsh inside ${ }^{\text {) }}$ 3. A. Day (cond.) 4. F. C. Jacklin 5. R. Newson 6. For Evenson3, and with the best wishes of the band (1) Miss Coker, who is shortly leaving for Australia. LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCS.-On Nov. 19th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. G. Haines 1, M. 1 Butler 2, Jacqueline Roberts 3. G. J. Hemming 4. M. G. Selby 5. G. C. Hemming (cond.) 6. First Minor for 1 and 2.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes', on Oct. 16th. 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: N. Bagworth 1. Susan Rawlings 2. B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3, 1. H. Oram 4. A. Barworth 5. P. Mehew 6.
MONTFORD, SHROPSHIRE.-On NOv. 22nd. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor; Miss G. M. Newman (first quarter) 1. Mary C. Poyncr 2, F. Cattell 3. F. H. Bennett 4, H. Poyner (cond.) 5, R. Newton 6. Rung for the Induction of Rev. Mr. Shamion.
NASEBY, NORTHANTS.-On Nov. 13ih, 1.260 Grandsir? Doubles: Miss L. Brown 1, F. Lane 2, D. Seaton 3, W. Gropley 4, W. Brown (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffied for Remembrance Day service. NORTHAMPTON.-On NOv, 14th, at the Church of the Holy Senulchre 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (4. 6. 8 covering): Miss G. M. Burman 1. Mrs. G. F. Ranm: 2. G. F. Roome (cond.) 3. D. Rees 4. Miss 1. A. Downing 5. T. Jennings 6. J. C. Rainbow 7. B. Hughes (first quarter) 8. A 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Delia M. Miller.
NOTTINGHAM.-On Nov. 13th, ai St. Peters Church. 1.263 Stedman Caters: J. H. Paiting (cond.) 1. Mrs. M. I. Pailing 2, Miss D. Hookins (first in method) 3. Miss H. B. Nevin 4. Miss S. K. M. Knight 5. F. N. Pailing 6, F. A. Salter 7. J. G. Underwood 8, R. Baldwin 9. D. W. Friend 10. For evening service
NUNEATON, WARWICKS.-On Nov. 19th, at St. Nichola ${ }^{*}$ Church. 1.260 Grandsire Douhles: N. Newcombe 1, R. Bates 2. R. Moore 3. J. Richardson 4. E. Wilson (cond.) 5, W. Beebe 6. Rung half muffled in memoriam Mr. G. J. Stoneley, who was for many years a ringer at this church. and also for Mr. R. Moreton, father-in-law of the ringer of 4 .
SHELLEY, YORKS.-On Nov. 26th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: G. Dale 1, Elizabeth Peace (first quarter) 2, Sustn Peace (first quarter) 3, S. Ramaden 4. G. Townend (cond.) 5, T. Tarbatt 6

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Until recently there has been no resident band at Hounslow. In fact, when
the tower captain. David Howell, undertook to start a new band the=bells had 10 be cleared of several feet of rubbish. Now after much hard work. a band of teenagers ring every Sunday evening and the two firsts in the quanter peal of November 20th are the first of the new band to reach proficiency. At the presen: time only the back six are ringable, A belfry fund has been started.

The middle six at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, were rung by a band of staff and pupils of the Priory Schools for the annual founders ${ }^{*}$ Day service, on November 25 th.

The Chester Diocesan leaflet in its December issue offers the bells of St. Michacl's Church. Chester, for sale. This is a Rudhal!! six. cast at Gloucester. in 1726.

Visitors to Itchingfield's (Sussex) beautifully kept bedfry admire the map of Sussex, where all ringing towers are neatly indicated. Differers coloured pens are used to show the number of bells.

The bells of Hlaby. Leics. are being rehung. Three members of this tower-Brian C. Law. J. Hedley Wale and Brian R. Cullin-seared their first peal at Whetstone on November 23 r.

On Remembrance Sunday the 1st Rotherham Girl Guides rang Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor before the Communion service at St. Leonard's Parish Church. Thrybergh. The ringers were the Misses J. Green. C. Green (cond.). M. Donovan. M. Gaskell. P. Smith and J. Oakley. The striking throughout was very good.

On November 18th. 1950. a band rang a peal of Grandsire Triples, at Edenbridge, to mark the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Leigh. On November 19th. 1960, the same band met again. they stood in the same order, and rang the same composition (Parker's Twelve Part), but unforiunately two bells crossed over in the 1 hh part. The band were afiterwards entertained by Mr. E. Leigh at The White Horse.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Regarding the peal rung at Saxlingham-Nethergate to mark the 50 th anniversary of the first peal by a local band, John Aldis and George Poyntz are still in the village. Although crippled and coming to church in an invalid carriage. George Poyntz still rings the tenor at Sunday morning service. He walks with the aid of two crutches and while ringing props himself up against the wall. He is still happy when doing this and calling a touch.
A concert organised by the ringers of Tenterden. on November 17 th . raised $£ 53$ for the restoration of their bells.
Silent since 1929. the bells of Askerswell. Dorset. are ringing again. A new treble gives this tower a ring of six.
Reading University Society, at its first dinner, had Sir John Wolfenden as one of the principal speakers. The gathering wis almost as representative as a U.A. dinner.
The boys of Abingdon School. Ringing Society rang for the funeral service of a former headmaster on November 2lst. This Society has now a dozen ringing members.
As published in our last issue. members of the Norwich Diocesan Association claim to have rung the fastest peal on church bellsDoubles in 1 hour and 47 minutes. at Sax. thorpe.
Viewers of B.B.C.'s 'Ask me another programme on December 1 st will have heard the bells of Lincoln Cathedral as background music. Franklin Engleman mentioned that it was the ringers' practice night.
Peal ringers get their dates booked up so far ahead that we hear that there is a demand that in future the bellringers diary should contain pages both for the current and the succeeding year.
In conjunotion with the Cheltenham Education Committee, the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association are holding a course on bellringing on Wednesday evenings at Monkscroft County Secondary School. Chelsenham. First lecture January 11th.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY



## This Year's List Of Christmas Day Bells

At breakfast time on Christmas Day, in the Home Service, greetings will be heard ringing out from the following lowers:

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## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK

"V"
VARIATION.-Explanation of this term can hardly be expressed in writing so as to adequately convey its meaning, but there are three uses of the word which can be given as examples.
Tireble Bob-Worcester variation and Killamarsh variation are slight differences from the original of Kent Treble Bob. There is a Burton variation of Superlative Surprise.
Extension of method-Brighton variation. Stepney variatwon and No. 3 variation are all ahernative extensions of London Surprise from Major to Royal.
Composition.-Johnson's variation of Middleton's composition of Cambridge Surprise Major involves a simple alteration from the original, but is preferred by some conductors. Other variatoons to original compositions occur in Grandsire Triples and in Stedman Triples.

VENTILATION.-Good ventilation could be described as sufficient changes of fresh air without draught. Bad or inadequate ventilation leads to unhealthy conditions and, of course, is not conducive to good sustained ringing. Whilst the adequate ventilation of a ringing chamber is not always an easy matter, it is sometimes quite evident that no one has given this matter sufficient consideration. We, as bellringers, cannot always expect to have ideal ventilation because in some cases to achieve this would be a costly business. So apart from having an opening light, which should be adjustable, in the window there can be no principle laid down for ventilation and each case must be treated on its merits. Generally speaking, a small ringing chamber requires more attention to this matter than large one.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

Fog was mainly responsible for a smaller than average attendance at the West Lindsey Branch meeting, held at Lea, on November 179th. The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. H. J. Knight) and teat was provided in Lea Institute by local ladies.
At the business meeting. when the vicepresident. (Mr C. H. Baker) took the chair, it was decided to combine the usual dinner and social evening with the annual meeting to be held at Gainsborough on January 21st. It was also agreed that particular methods should be announced for future meetings, at which they would then receive special attention.
M. L. M

## MASTER CONDUCTING

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## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 50



## MR. ROBERT S. ANDERSON,

## North Staffs Association

Mr. R. S. Anderson. who came from Newcastle in the North to live in Newcastle in the Midlands, will nol object to being described as a 'Geordie.' for he possesses all the characteristics of that hardy race of fine reople. He is forthright, earnest, sincere and hard-headed
It is not surprising, therefore. that when the present 'Ringing World' Committee took over the management of the paper, they should invite him to join them, and his work on this committee has been outstanding. He has that fine quality of tenacity, and once having undertaken a task. he will see it through, come what may. The past ten years have provided this committee with one crisis after another, and throughout this trying period his
cheerful confidence has inspired the other members to carry on with its heavy task, and he has earned the respect and gratitude of the Council and the Exercise generally.

Born at Gosforth, Nonthumberland, he was taught to ring at All Saints', where he was also a chorister. His father was a chorister at this church for 25 years. Bob Anderson soon came under the influence of that grand ringer, Bill Barber, and rang his first peal, Stedman Triples. at Gosforth in 1923, which Barber conducted. His peals total is a modest one and now stands at 90 , of which he has conducted 17. He is more concerned with regular service ringing and the instruction of youngsters. It was due to his enthusiasm that the North Staffs Association rang its first haydbell peal. Bob Major, in 1943, and the first Surprise peal (Cambridge), by a resident North tâft's band, in 1948.
When he was residing in the North, it was a vogue 10 ring stunt peals, and Bob took part in the only peal on handbells in a coal mine. This was Grandsire Caters, conducted by W. H. Barber, and rung in the low main seam at Cramlington No. 2 pit, in 1930. He occupied the important office of vice-president, Durham and Newcastle Association in 1933-34. and was secretary of the Newcastle Cathedraf band until he moved South in 1939. In 1946 he was elected chairman of the North Stafis Association and served in that office until 1958. He is Central Council representative for that Association and is a member of the Standing and 'Ringing World' Committees.

By profession. he is a director of a company of land and estate agents, at Hanley, and is an associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries, holding a seat on the Stoke-onTrent Council of that body. He is also assistant secretary of the local Trade Association.

As tower master and chorister of St. Giles Church, he takes an active part in parochjal activities. Like most Northerners he loves music and is a member of the Stoke-on-Trent Choral Society, also serving on its committee. Although a very busy man, Bob, is always ready to lend a hand where it is required, and we may count ourselves fortunate to have him amongst us.

JAFUS.

## CREWKERNE DEANERY SHOW THEIR METTLE

Most outings. apart from the work of the organisers, are fairly carefree oecasions. There are. however. exceptions, and one such took place on November 26th-an outing from Shepion Beauchamp, composed mostly of members of the Crewkerne Deanery, with one or two friends.

Apart from one slight mishap, when the ringer of the third protested that the slider had gone, only to find that the bell had a really deep set, ringing went very well at Burlescombe, ranging from Grandsire through Stedman, up to Cambridge Minor.

We then proceeded to Tiverton for tea and ringing at the Parish Church (rounds, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Kent T.B. Major).

Then came the ten at Cullompton, where the ringing consisted of Grandsire Caters and Plain Bob Royal. This ringing which was. on the the whale. very good, brought great joy to the hearts of the members of the Crewkerne Deanery, and completely refuted the statement. recently made by one of the 'top brasses,' in the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. that 'Ringing is dead in the Crewkerne Deanery. The Deanery members and friends hope that such statements will not be made again, and would suggest that some of the big noises in the Association come down and see what our capabilities are.

Thanks are due to Mr. R. Dean for arranging the towers and the tea, also to the incumbents and. last but not least. to Mr . J. T. Locke, for being such a good Ringing Master.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## Chertsey District

The nomination meeting of the Chertsey District was held at Chobham on November 26th and was well attended considering the weather conditions. The Rev. O. R. Acworth conducted the service which was followed by an excellent tea. provided by the local band.

The nominations received for district officers were as follows: Ringing Master, Mr. R. Collins; Assistant Ringing Master, Mr. J. King ; secretary, Miss E. Loveland; executive committee, Mr. T. Luxford; auditor, Mr. W. Shepherd

The subject of the Alfred Pulling Memorial Bell was discussed, and the Guild Master, Mr. C. W. Denyer. appealed to all towers who had not contributed to do so as soon as possible. It was agreed to apply to the executive committee for permission to purchase a duplicalor, as the Ringing Master felt it would help to bring the towers closer together if reports were circulated round the district after each meeting.

Those present were reminded of the district dinner to be held at the Ship Hotel. Weybridge. on December 10th. Mr. Hawthorne closed the meeting by proposing the vole of thanks, and also welcoming all the new members, in particular those from East Molesey, and the Rev. G. S. Archibald (Chertsey).
Ringing continued until 8.15 p.m., the methods being mainly Grandsire and Plain Bob.

## PROGRESS IN A CORNISH TOWER

## Kea, Truro

By a pretty oreek, off the Truro River, there stands a fifteenth century tower of three stages. with thin diaconal buttresses. The missing pinnacle was struck by lightning fifty years ago and fell to the ground. The tower is ath that remains of the ancient church of the parish of Kea.
Saint Kca was a disciple of Saint Patrick and was consecrated bishop by him. He travelled through Wales, Somerset (where he founded the Church of Lan-to-kai). and Devon (where he established the Church of Landkey, just east of Barnstaple), to where now stands Old Kea. He built a monastery here before travelling on to Brittany, where he founded more churches.

The monastery of St. Cleus and the manor (Landege) are mentioned in Domesday Book (1085). ii 1270 Kea was esteemed the mother chunch of Kenwyn and Tregavethan.
The church being in an extreme corner of the parisin. John Tregian. Lord of the Manor of Landege. petitioned Henry VIII for permission to build a church in a more central position in the parish The king gave his consent but. perhaps because of the religious troubles that followed. the proposal was not carried out until 1802 when, except for the

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO

 IFRIENDS, through 'The Ringing World,' featured in next issue-Decem-ber 16th. Price 4s, for 36 words.
lower. the dilapidated church was pulled down and a new one was built on Killow estate. The barn-like building erected in 1802 was pulled down in 1894 to make way for the beautiful church of All Hallows that now stands. Built to the designs of George Fellowes Prynne, of London. it was consecrated on June 4th. 1896, by the Bishop of Truro, Dr. John Gott.

Three bells were removed from Old Kea ower in 1803. One is pre-Reformation, bearing the Royal Arms of the fifteenth century, The other two ware dated 1603 and 1667 respectively and were later cracked: the story goes that some joyous miners struck them with their picks
On Friday, July 22nd, 1904, the new ring of eight bells, tenor 12 cwt .1 qr. 4 lbs.. was dedicated. The fifteenth century bell was hung as the seventh and the seventeenth century bells were recast by Taylor and hung as fifth and sixth.

In 1953 Messrs. C. W. Jose and A. Locke began to teaoh six boys to ring. Later, another boy and three girls were taught. These young people have kept St. Kea bells ringing thice every Sunday and at the weekly practice. Progress has been slow. This is partly because of the great difficulty in teaching so many at the same time and. of course. there is always homework. But the band has been taught to ring Grandsire Doubles quite well and with the kind help of outside ringers. especially Mr. D. Burnett. Ringing Master of the Truro Guild, a number of quarter peals have been rung.
We are now attempting Grandsire Triples and Bob Minor. We would like to thank hose who have assisted us in our progress and we ahways welcome visitors on Sundays and to our practices on Wednesday evenings. H. J. P.

Looking ahead. a week-end course will be held at Missenden Abbey College of Adult Education in June. Sponsors are the College of Campanology.


## OLD KEA TOWER

## RETIREMENT AT EDINBURGH

After seven years as a ringer at St. Mary"s Cathedral. Edinburgh. Mr. A. W. Lloyd is moving away from the distriot on his retire. ment as Past Master for Edinburgh.

During these years he has given loyal and enthusiastic service to the Cathedral band and also to the Scottish Association. His teaching and encouragement of beginners has been greatly appreciated and his going has left a gap in the band which will be very difficult to fill

A fareweh dinner. followed by an evening's entertainment at a theatre. was held on November 19th. Later a book was presented by the conductor. Mr. C. R. Raine. on behalf of the ringers.
Mr. Lloyd presented the belfry with a se: of tubular bells.
A. B.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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## GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS

The autumn meeting of the Guild of Medical Ringers was held in London on November 26th. Ringing in the afternoon look place in the eight-bell tower of Holy Trinity, West Hill. Wandsworth, and later in the ten-bell tower of St. Mary Abbots Kensington. A high standard of ringing was kept up throughout, and it was noteworthy for two things: firstly, every touch ana course came round successfully, and secondly, no Grandsire wis rung. The latter may have been due to the tact that the ringing was in charge of the Master, D. J. Neal Smith who is known to have some controversial views about the method!
At Wandsworth, Plain Bob Triples and Major, Stedman Triples. Littse Bob Major and Cambridge Major were rung. and at Kensington. Plain Bob Caters and Royal Stedman Caters. Little Bob Royal and Ken Treble Bob Royal were all successfully brought round. The Guild was fortunate in having several visiting ringers at both towers, and it was a pleasure to have the president W. R. Winterton, ringing with us.

Dinner in the evening was held at the Redeliffe Hotel. Chelsest. the company numbering 22. The president in a short speech said that he thought the meeting had been one of the most successfut the Guild had yet had. and particularly the ringing earlier in the day. He expressed his thanks to those who had arranged the meeting and the towers. mentioning the part the honorary secretary, D. L. Gullick. had played, who to everyone's regret was unable to be present that evening. He also welcomed the guests. especially Jack Phillips. who he felt was such a firm supporter of the Guild that he should be an honorary member!

The evening concluded with the usual handberl ringing: this even managed to rise to the unprecedented height of Grandsire Caters. and an erudite display of tune ringing. four-in-hand, by Phil Chalk and one of the guests.
D. J. N.S.

## YATTON RINGERS IN THAMES VALLEY

November 12 th was the date fixed for the annual outing of the Yatton ringers and a good date it proved to be. for the weather was grand. This popular event has grown from strength to strength and this year a company of over 50 ringers and friends from various towers in this district sot of by train at $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. for the Thames Valley are: (British Railways having reserved coaches)

We arrived at Didcol at $9.5 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and then transferred to two motor coaches for the tour. The first tewer was Abingdon (10). where we found the Vicar's two daughters lubricating the bells and one of them joined us in a touch of Grandsire Triples. Our stay here for an hour was very enjoyable. We then moved on 10 Dorchester (8). where the Abbey proved most interesting to all: a pleasant hour wa: spent in the tower.

It was a short journey to Wallingford. another pleasant eight. The 11 miles to Hendey-on-Thames (8) was through wooded country and much enjoyed. After ringing we adjourned to the Catherine Wheel Hotel for an excellent meal

The last tower. Reading (St. Laurence (12)) was the highlight of the day. It was a great experience for many to ring even rounds on 12 bells. The party was very pleased 10 ring. successfully. a course of Grandsire Cinques twice, as only a few had attempted this before Methods rung at all the towers were mainly Grandsire. Stedman and Plain Bob

The coaches were dismissed at Reading and we set of for home by train at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. having had a most successful day. Very many thanks to Mr. Bert Price for his excellent organisation and to the incumbents and ringers who met us.
P. M. P.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## OUR VOCATION?

Dear Sir.-There were two sentences in Mr Birminghams letter ( Ringing World: November 25 (h) which made me think a good deal The sentences were as follows:
We cannot be reminded too often of our vocation as church bell ringers in contrast 10 our hobby of church bell ringers.
. such an oblation (i.e.. a belfry prayer) would undoubtedly made us more conscious of our real vocation and invoke a proper response in our ringing and belfry conduct, and assist our progress towards being church bell ringers.

The suggestion of both these sentences is that there is a vocation to be a church bell ringer. I'm not quite sure that this is true. nor do I think that we can make a distinction be.ween our ringing as 'vocation' and our ringing as hobby.

Surely all of us have a vocation to follow Jesus Christ: we are called to be disciples of Our Lord, and then in the light of our response to that calling and with due regard 10 our gifts and abilisies, we find some particular piece of church work to do. It is after we have respanded to our calling that we think out what our faith is going 10 mean in terms of service to God and our neighhours. It would seem to me that we shall serve Grod better if we choose 10 do something we enjoy doing: if our abilities suit us for bellringing, then let us he good very mazy the enjoyment of ringing bells for the services on Sunday and the pleasures of good Saturday peals.
What I wish we could avoid is the assumption that there is a contrast between what Mr. Birmingham calls our vocation as church bell ringers. and our hobby of church bell ringers. Surely the contrast is hetween those who respond to their calling to be disciples and those who don't. If we helieve and acknowledge that God is the giver of all. then everything that those who respond to their calling do with their lives ought to be an offering 10 God. What makes ringing an offering to God is not when and where we do it. but that we want to offer our lives-and therefore our ringing -to God. The fact that we ring for halt an hour before the Parish Communion or Evensong does not necessarily invest our ringing with any quality of adoration. Bob Major rung on Sunday for a service is not necessarily a better offering 10 God than a good peal of Stedman on Saturday. What gives value and meaning to our ringing is that we want to reflect in our daily living our obedience and devotion 10 God so that whenever we ring we shall give our best as an offering to Him and thonoughly enjor it.-Yours faithtully. MICHAEL FREEMAN (Rev.)
Messingham Vicarage. Scunthorpe. Lincs.

## GRAMOPHONE RECORDS AT CROMFORD PARISH CHCRCH

Dear Sir.-The article on gramophone records of beils allowed at Cromford Parish Church. Derbyshire (page 772). needs a slight correction in regard to the mention of the six bells in the church as unsafe to ring This of course. is wrong, as Cromford Parish Church contains six tubular bells and. as the Rev. Mr. Read. parish priest. mentioned, these are horrible things. Compared with them the reproduction of gramophone records of hells would be an asset.
The question of six bells in this church may be confused by the fact that the Vicar of Cromford is also Vicar of Bonsall. an adjaining parish. which has six bells which are unsafe. at present. for ringing.-Yours
sincerely. sincerely.
Darley

## THE RINGING WORLD

Dear Sir.-Recently when trying 10 recruit a new subscriber 10 . The Ringing World. I received the following riply: I am not going to spend 8 d . per week on a paper which appears to have the free advertisement of the professional peal ringers as its main object. One wonders how many other possible new readers are lost for the same reason. for to the ordinary ringer the weekly reiteration of the same names tends to become somewhat boring.
With all due respect 10 Mr . Woolley most quarter peals are usually of interest for tne greater proportion of them are rung for a specific reason. which does not appear 10 be the case with the peals. Similarly it seems that most peals are rung solely for pleasure so why should they he published Iree? Everyone expects to pay for their pleasure whatever form it happens to take and the ringer who could not pay, say 6 d ., for the publication of his peal successes would indeed be in very hazardous financial straits.
By all means make a publication charge for peals and quarters at. say. 6d. and 3d. per ringer. reopectively. Had this charge been now in force the peals published on November 25th would have produced $t 814 \mathrm{~s}$. - and the quarters $£ 84 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d . A weekly income of somewhere about \&is-ill would presumably put 'The Ringing World on its feet. or would the ringers be 100 mean to send in their reports?

Let us have more reports of outings. which are usually intereating. frequently humorous and very often helpful to other organisers in planning their future trips. especially if the district contemplated is foreign

More reports of meetings would also be welcomed. especially those which name the home tower of visitors. It is rather fun trying to guess which ringer (or ringers) made the journey from : Much Binding to a meeting at Ambridge
Condense the peal reports. make a publication levy and pus more of general interest into the paper. Then let every reader strive $t 0$ get at least one more subscriber. but do not increase the price of the paper itself: raising fares does not appear to make public transport more popular!-Yours sincerely.
E. T. PAUL FIELD.

Knole. Langpart. Somerset.

## PEALS ARE NEWS

Dear Sir.-I cannot agree with the view expressed by Mr. J. T. Barrett in your issue of October 21 st, that it is incumbent on those sending in peats to comribuic to 'The Ringing World.
I 3 m not unaware of the financial difficulties which your excellent magazine is experiencing. But, nevertheless. peal reports are esisentially items of new's. and as such contribute in themselves ito its succesi-Yours faithfully.
R. N. PITTMAN.

Pembrake College. Oxfard

## A WEAK NOTE.

Dear Sir.-So 'A Fhat likens the expenses of prolfic peal ringing 10 keeping a second wife. Anyone who can be so foolhardy as to indulge in :uch a douhiful luxury ourht not 10 quibble athout paying for his double trouble.

It reminds me of the little boy who shuffled through all the puddles he could find and then complained of wet feet.
A very weak note. 'A Flat.' and terribly out of tune.-Yours faithfully.
H. E. TAYLOR.

Darley Dale

## RINGING COMPETITIONS

Dear Sir.-1 am pleased that Mr. Donald Price is in favour of promoting competitive ringing in his county for 1 am convinced it will lead to better striking. without the risk of creating bad feeling or bitterness: in over 30 yazars of contest ringing 1 have yet to encounter anything but good fellowship between the reams competing. The lessons: learnt when taking part in a contest or even listening soon have their effect on Sunday service ringing and non-ringers quickly notice the improvement. often remarking that the bells don't sound so bad after all "!

I do not agree with the condition of entry suggested by Mr. Price. in that the band should consist of ringers local to one tower. I think that the Barnsley and District rule of a minimum of four, which safeguards against sickness. eic.. would be better. Regarding prizes. these could take the form of ringing publications or tokens. so recipients could select their own book: a R.W: subscription would be welcome in some cases. I cannot resist poking my nose into the aflairs of the Blandford Festival and at the risk of being told to mind my own business. I feel that where a bequest has been made for an annual ringing competition every effort should be made for one to be promoted. The money could be used for advertising. teas and providing such awards as I have previously mentioned. I certainly like the spirit of a festival but I cannot see how good striking can be promoted at such a function unless a picked band is periodically recruited to demonstrate their skill and this would certainly not be in keeping with the ree and easy spirit of the festival.
Canon Cox. in his text. gave a a hint of what was needed when he quoted. "Seek that ye may excel." and probably would not be against a competition if correctly organised. Yours faithfully.

## Cawthorne. Burnsley.

## CHURCH BELLS OF KENT

Dear Sir.-I am in the process of collecting material concerning Church Bells of Kent ${ }^{\text {B }}$ with a view to rewriting the book of the same name. by J. C. L. Stahlschmidt (1887). which is very inaccurate in part. and now which is very in
sadly out of date.
With the aid of some help in my spare time a systematic personal visit is being made to all Ken. beffries for the collection of material of companological interest-this was not carried out in many cases in the original hook. with the result that some inscriptions and dimensions were inevitably very erroneous. IIn one instance the inscriptions and dimensions of two bells in the same tower were all muddled up.)
I am very interested in old bell-frames and fittings, and am hoping to include details of these at appropriale towers.
Any information. however small. Dertain. ing to Kent bells (past as well as presemt), their fittings, and the frames and steeples in which they hang, will be very gratefully received by me at the address below, and will be personally acknowledged-Yours faithfullv.

NICHOLAS J. DAVIES
The Gables. Kennington.
Ashford. Kent

## RANG IN THE BOW BELIS TIME SIGNAI.

Dear Sir-With reference to the front page of *Tre Ringing World, of November 18:h I heg to stale that my husband. Mr. C. W. Roberts, is also a "survivor of the band who made the recording for the B.B.C. time signal. He rang the third hell on that occasion. - Yours fai:hfully. GORERTS (Mrs.) Waltham Abbey. Essex.

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## LETTERS-Continued

SILENT BELLS RING OUT FOR ADVENT
Dear Sir, In the 'R.W.' of November 25th we read of two rings of bells which have been rescued from silence. To these we should now add another, as on Advent Sunday the first Sunday service ringing for over 25 years was heard from the tower of St. Johir the Baptist. Roughtown. Mossley, Lancs.

In August a working party. under the direction of the new Vicir. decided to clean the belfry. With the help of Geoff. Armitage (who came specially for the joh). a whole week was spent in removing the usual rubbish and painting the framework and replacing some worn out fittings.

Upon examination. the bells and frame and the tower were found in good condition. As some 6600 has been speni on the tower in the last rew years. this has finally nailed the lie of "unsafe tower" and a start was made to train a band of ringers.

After nearly three months of practice with tied clappers the bells have now been rung open for the first time. Perhaps this Adventtide which has seen ihree rings restored to their proper duty will inspire us to reclaim all the other rings which now are unringable.

Ringing at St. John's is at the moment behind restricted to service ringing and practice nights (Friday). Perhaps the time will soon come when we shall be able to welcome everyone to our belfry.-Yours sincerely.

> RONALD M. EDWARDS. (Honorary Instructor)

## Dukinfield. Cheshire

THE LATE MR. J. L. S. GLANVILL-
Dear Sir.-In the excellent tribute to the late Mr. J. L. S. Glanvill. of Woodbury. there appears to be a small error. Mr. Glanvill did not take part in the first resident peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major for the Devon Guild as was suggested by your correspandent. This particular peal was rung at Highweek Parish Church. Newton Abbot. in March. 1937. conducted by the late Mr. C. R. Lilley. Of that band who rang it there are only two survivors. these being Mr. Tom Myers. of Plymouth and-Yours faithfully.
A. L. BENNETT.

Cornerways. Buckfastleigh, Devon.

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## THE FECKENHAM PRACTICES

Deai $\operatorname{Sir}$-I was interested to read in "The Ringing World 'about Feckenham. and the revival there of regular practices after a long silence. However. 1 must point out that my own contribution to the progress that is now very real is but small. Friday not always being an easy night for me to attend. Since 1 agreed to take on the tisk of instructing the numerous learners. when Paul Cattermole left the district in Octoher (when I assume his letter was written). the helpers came mainly from Wychbold and Hanbury-but in the last six weeks the Friday practice has become very well supported by ringers from several local towers. such as Alvechurch. Beoley and Redditch. Mention must also be made of the immense practical help up top" by a ringer journeying each week from Selly Oak, who 1 know would prefer to be nameless.
It is hoped that the Feckenham ringers will be capable of ranging their own bells in rounds by Caristmas inere is certamly no lack of crithus.asm. although the 6th has recently become very badiy damaged and is now unringable, luckily not affecung the remaining seven.
It is heart-warming to see a tower rebo:n, and to know that when one does atempt 10 insiruct begmners, many practical ringers appear, as if rom nowhere, to give userul and much needed support.-Yours sincerely.

## Wychbold

ARTHUR D. COOK.

## CHAMPIONING FOUR BELL PEALS

Dear Sir.-I feel that I must write in favour of four betl peals. A peal on four bells is an achievement. both from the point of view of physical eftort and of concentration. Compare the number of times a dodge is made in plain Bob Maximus with Plain Bob Minimus!
On the physical side take, for instance, a 16 cwt . four and 16 cwt eight: when the tenor leads a ringer must lift his bell at least twice as high when coming from the lead on four :o what the has on eight. If a four bell tower has a band of ringers why should it not ring a peal? It is allowed on six and five bells where repetition of changes are unavoidable. so why not on four? Of handbell peals. weH, if the band are capable of better things, ringing four bells is a farce.

I am afraid that the ringers on the higher numbers of bells have, for a long time, looked down upon us. the lesser brethren. We ring in our simple way for Sunday service the same as they; we give of our best. be it but Grandsire Doubles or Bob Minimus. We admire those that are capable of the complex ringing on the higher numbers: long may they continue to do so. But. please. let us, the lesser brethren, have a chance 10 ring 5.040 blows and to let it be recorded.-I remain. one of the lesser ringers.

JOHN E. COOK
Birstall. Leicester

## REV. C. E. WARD

Dear Sir.-May I acknowledge with grateful appreciation the notice of my father s death appearing in your issue of Octoher 21st last?

The peal of Bob Majar rung on August 22nd, in honour of his 90ih birthday, by the Sussex County Association under Mr. Colin Tester, of Bremchley. was greatly enjoyed by my father and the tribute was much valued by us all at the Old Vicarage, Salehurst.
As your nolice remarks, Mr. Ward was a keen supporter and enthusiastic amateur in all bellringing matters and during his long incumbency enjoyed the support of a long succession of Salehurst teams ringing these lovely bells.
Our thanks are also due to the captain and ringers of Salehurst Church ream for their trouble in arranging the birthday peal and to Mr. Tester and his team for carrying it through. Likewise to the Salehurst feam who rang the half-muffled bells after his funeral on St. Michael's Day.-Yours very truly.

JOHN L. WARD.

## THREE ASSOCIATIONS AT RICHMOND (YORKS)

Three Associations-the Yorkshire (Northern District), the Durham and Newcastle (Southern District) and the Cleveland and North York-shire-met at Richmond Parish Church on November 26th. It proved an extremely enjoyable meeting, with methods ranging from Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Fian Bob Major and Minor. Yorkshure and Cambridge Surprise and finished up with a touch of Spliced Cambridge and Superlative-though St. Clement's lriples proved a stumbling block.
The Rector (Rev. P. de la Poer Beresford Pierse) conducted a service, with Mr. J. A Brown (vice-president of the Yorkshire Assjovation) as organist. In welcoming the ringers. the Rector spoke of the increasing noise in the world, of ten calling people to woildly things, and stressed the duty of the ringers, and their privilege, to cull people to the praise and worship of God

Miss Killingley and her helpers provided a first rate tea, for which they were warmly thanked by Mr. T. Cox, who also thanked the Rector and the churchwardens for the use of the betts, and Mr. Brown for playing the organ.
At the business meeting of the Yorkshire Association, it was agreed to join forces with the Durham and Newcastle Association's Southern Distriot for a meeting at Stockton on January 28th, and the method for practice is Cambridge Surprise Royal. It was agreed to hold a meeting on Easter Monday at Bedale. Yorkshire. Miss Susan Bridge, of Richmond, was elected a member

The secretary (Mr. E. Hudson) referred to the course to be held at Grantley Hall, near Ripon, in March, and Mr. T. Cooke, president of the Durham and Newcastle Association, said it was hoped to hold a similar course at Lumley Castle. Co. Durham.

## BELLS OF RICHMOND (YORKS)

The ring at Richmond. Yorks, was augmented from six to eight in 1904. the treble being given by public subscription and the second by the first Marquess of Zetland. The third was the gifi of Sir Conyers D'Arcy. M.P. for Richmond, in 1739 . The fourth and fifth were cast by Samuel Smith. of York, in 1697, and the sixth came from the nearby Easby Abbey. when the Abbey was dissolved. The seventh is dated 1697 . and the tenor was cast by Warners' in 1863.


Robertsbridge, Sussex

## OBITUARY

MR. E. G. FOSTER
Once again death has depleted the ranks of the senior members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. On November 15th the news was received of the death of Mr. E. G. Foster, at the age of 83. A vice-president of the Guild. he was almost the last of the older generation of Reading ringers, all of whom were well worth knowing. for each had a mind of his own, was fearless in standing out for what he considered to be right and had a very strong sense of duty.
Mr. Foster was born at Riseley. Berks. where his father was the police sergeant. As young man he joined the statf of the Reading Corporation Water Department. with whom he remained for 45 years, until his retirement just before the last war. At first he was a chorister at St Luke's Church but affer the First World War he learned to ring at THehurst Parish Church. He remained a member of that band until he joined the hand at St. Laurence's. Reading. in 1927. when the band was being rebuilt under the lcadership of J. R. Mackman and later of R. T. Hibbert. He remained a faithful member of that tower until blindness caused him to leave Reading two years ago.

In 1932 he became the secretary of the Reading Branch and continued in that office until 1446. During that time he had to face the difficulties of the war years. but due to his quiet steadfastness the branch emerged from those years in a sound position and became once again a centre of active progress. Previous to becoming the branch secretary he had been a branch auditor.

During his years at St. Laurence's. Mr. Foster was a prominent member of the Parochial Church Council and was involved in the administration of a charity which is in the care of that church and of the
Reading Town Council. He was elected a Reading Town Council. He was
vice-president of the Guild in 1958.

For many years a member of the Guild committee his opinions were listened to with respect. He did not ring many peals by modern slandards. but he was one of whom it will be said, He never missed Sunday service ringing. with all that that entails.

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## MR. SAMUEL BIRKS

The sudden death of Mr. Samuel Birks, of Buckley. during the night of November 21 st, came as a great shock to all of his many friends in Buckley and North Wales. He attended church on Sunday morning. as was his regular custom. and the writer had been discussing. with him. happily, future events

He was 72 and had been a ringer at St . Matthew's Church since 1904 and. although he had been disabled by the loss of the lower half of one leg for over 25 years. he never complained and was regular in his attendance at service ringing until about four years ago when $a$ fall on an icy road damaged his stump and he was not able to usc his artificial leg again. Nevertheless, his interest never wavered and he was always ready with good advice: his example and the habit of years found him at church at 10 a.m.ringing time-an inspiration to all.

He held many offices in the church and was a member of the Parochial Church Council for more years than I can remember.

His body was brought into church on Thursday nigh: (November 25th) and the bells: were rung half-muffled: also after the funeral service the following day.
On November 26th. members of the North Wales Association and the Chester Diocesan Guild met at St. Matthew's and rang a halfmuffled peal of Pershore Bob Major in memoriam. To his widow and son and daughters our deepest sympathy is extended.

A brother of Mr. Birks. Mr. Fred Birks won the V.C. in World War I and lost his life in the action. R.I.P. D.H.B.M.

## MR. JAMES WOODYATT

The death occurred on November 17th of Mr. James Woodyatt. of the St. John's band. Worcester

Jim Woadyatt was born at Suckley. Worcs 78 years ago. and learned to ring there. On coming 10 live in Worcester he joined the band at St. John's, and remained a faithful member for over 50 years. and tower secrekary for 14 years. For a long period prior to his death he rang regularly at Claines Church on Sunday mornings: He was a member of the Worcesiershire Association for nearly 60 years. and had taken part in 39 peal:.
During his long association with St. John's he always carried out his duties in a quiel and efficient manner. and could always be relied upon. Until his health failed. about six years ago. he was seldom absent on Sunday evenings.
Sincere sympathy is extended to his family Many of us in and around Worcester will retain happy memonies of a loyal friend who will be sadty missed.
The funeral service look place at St. Barnabas Church. Worcester. on November 22nd and was conducted by the Rev. R. F. Griffiths. Apurt from the family mourners the congregation included the Rev. M. H Richards (Vicar of St. John's) and the following ringers: Messis. W. Lewis (Ringing Master). T. W. Lewis. J. Jeffries. A. T. Hollis (St. John's). E. Wilson and A. Morgan (Claines). J. Ranford (Suckley). and F. Hyde rrepresenting the Western Branch of the Worcestershire Association). After the interment. at Astwood Cemetcry. handbells were rung at the graveside
In the evening half-muffled touches of Grandsire Doubles (with 7.6.8 covering) were rung on St. John's bells in his memory. F. H.

## Beaminster Bells

Dear Sir.-I am afraid I have misled soms neople regarding the cost of rehanging Beaminster bells. The estimated cosit of rehanging. etc.. by Messrs. Taylors. of Loughborough. is $£ 2.000$. The remainder of the sum includes mechanisation of the clock and chimes and repairs to tower.-Yours sincerely.

> Honorary Secretary and Treasurer Beaminster St. Mary's Honorary Ringing Guild
P.S.-The calendars are selling well via The Ringing World.-E. G. P.

## RINGING WEEK-END AT MELBOURNE

On November 19th three Adelaide and one Bendigo ringer spent the week-end with the St. Paul's, Melbourne. Society. The express purpose of meeting was to attempt a peal of Plain Bob Royal at the Cathedral. which failed after two hours ringing. Those taking part were: K. T. Minchinton 1, G. Heyes 2 W. B. Pitcher 3. D. M. Pipe 4. A. Fisher 5 B. Cox 6. W. Wilson 7. E. Lloyd-Roberts 8, J. J. Roper 9. G. W. Pipe 10. The attempt was. in actual fact. the first course of Bob Royal for the ringers of 3,6 and 7, and these three deserve highest praise for a very goad performance

To make up for the disappointment a first chiss quarter of Siedman Triples was recorded and this was undoubledly some of the best ringing we have heard for some time.
In between some jolly good meals and hard talking a more convivial evening was spent at Ken Minchinton's home. Sunday saw us trying our hand at Cambridge. Double Norwich. Grandsire Caters. Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and altogether some pleasing touches were brought round.
Congratulations once again to the Adelaide band for the ir most anviable progress over the past year and we can confidently say another very happy week-end logether again

## TONBRIDGE AND MAIDSTONE YOUNG RINGERS

Ten voung. en:husiastic members of the Tonbridge, and Maidstone districts of the Kent County Association held a ringing tour on November 19th. The tour wats planned for :owers in North Kent. including the Isle of Sheppey

An early start was made from Tunbridgc Wells by dormobile. and after picking up remaining friends in Maidstone we made our way to Stockbury (5). Harilip (6). Newington (6) and Tunstall (8), where we were met by Mr. Spice and welcomed most cordially. With his help we rang a course of Cambridge Surprise Major, and left 10 ring at Eastchurch (6).
Lunch and refreshment was then enjoyed at the nearest hostelry before travelling 10 Minster (6). Unforiunately we were not me: at Quaenborough (6). so travelled with speed to Milton Regis (6). Where we stood in wonder at the size of the ringing chamber. but found the six bells very pleasiant to ring. At Rainham (8) we were again made very wekome and also at Frindsbury (8). Here. with the help of Mr. C. Jarrett (and a litte advice), a decent course of Cambridge was again brought round with little difficulty
The last tower was Hoo (6). where we thoroughly enjoyed the bells. All agreed that it was a very worthwhile day of ringing and our thanks go to Brian Jeffrey for arranging the towers and to Colin Tester for driving.
M. A. L.

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## BIRTH

CHAMPION.-On Sunday. November 27th, 1960. 10 Myrtle and Colin Champion. a son. James Maxwell: both well.

## GOLDEN WEDIING

MR. \& MRS. H. BARRATT. of Barley, near Royston. Herts. celebrate their golden wedding on Dec. 12th. 1960. Mr. Barratt was : member of the Minchinhampton. Glos. band for 40 years.

7095

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

CHILCOTT.-The address of Mr. and Mrs 3. E. Chilcou is now 42, Lavender Road West Ewcll. Surrey.

## TEMPORARY ADDRESS

From December 15th. 1960, to April 21st. 19\%1. the address of Shirley Burton. of Leciccster, will be: c/o Mrs, C. Kyle. I. Raglan Strect. Mornington. Dunedin. New Zealand. 7073

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## MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS-Business meeting at . The Rising Sun.' Canter Lane. E.C.. Saturday. December 10th. at 6 p.m. Forthcoming practices: December 13 Lh . St. Paul's Cathedral. 6.30 p.m.: December 20th. St. Lawrence Jewry, 6.30: January 3rd. Southwark Cathedral, $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. There will be no practice on
Tuesday. December 27 th . Will members please note secretary's new address.-John Chilcott. 42. Lavender Road. West Ewell. Surrey. 7087
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION Biggleswade District. - Meeting. Arlesey, December 10 th . Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Bob and Wells Surprise. Will you make this meeting a suecess.-A. Smith. Dis. Sec.

EAST DERBYSHIRE \& NOTTS ASSOCIATION and Chesterfield Distriat. DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting on Saturday. December 10th. at North Wingfield Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome.Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome.-
B. A. Sollis and A. B. Cooper. Hon Secs.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD-Meeting a Wadhurst. Saturday. December 10th. Tea at The Willow Plate: Durgates.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-Meeting on Saturday, Decemher 10th. at St. Andrew's. Chesterton. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-E. W Bullman.

7070
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Wisbech Branch.-Meeting. Walpole St. Peter, Saturday. December 10th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-J. Fox. Dis. Sec.

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Wotton Branch.-Annual meeting. Watton (8). Saturday. December 10th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30 p.m.-B. Cooper. Flat 2, Rangers House Woodmancote. Dursley.

7077
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Farnham District.-Nomination meeting at Aldershot (8). Saturday. December 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. 7063

LADIES' GUILD.-West Midland District Quarterly meeting. Si. Nicolas'. King's Norton. Birmingham. Saturday. December 10th. Ringing $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5. followed by meeting. Ringing $6-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern District.-Meeting. Saturday. December 10th St. John's, Deptford. Bells 3.30 p.m. Business 5 p.m. Tea, own arrangements Evening ringing. St Mary's. Lewisham. 6.30-8 p.m. All welcome

7061
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Aylsham. Saturday. December 10th Rededication of rehung bells ( 10 ). Service 3 p.m. Ringing after service until 6 p.m.. and from $7-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Enquiries regarding tea to N. J. A. Pumplirey. 14. Buxton Road. Aylsham.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The monihly practice will be held on Saturday December 10th. at Langley. Ringing from 6109 p.m.-Miss D. Hague. 7081
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS and MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting at St. Augus. line 's. Kiburn (near Kilburn Park tube station). on Salurday. December 10th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow. Ringing also at St. Mary Magdalene. Holloway Road. 2.30-4 p.m.

SURREY' ASSOCIATION, - Southern Section.-The meeting advertised for December 10th. at Beichworih. has been tranferred o Nutfield. All other arrangements as previous advert.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec. 7084 SUFFOLK GUILD. - S.W. District. Annual general meeting at Bures (8). Saturday, December 10 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION 7057 Western Division.-Practice meeling at Findon 6). on Saturday. December 10th. at $3 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 D.m.

7058
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY Meeting. Saturday. Dec. 10th. Clapham. St. Marv's (R.C.). Clanham Park Road. 3-4: Holy Trinity. West Hill. Wandsworth. 4.30-5.30: All Saints'. Wandsworth. $6.30-7.30$ p.m. 7086

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Luton District. - Mecting. Dunstable. Saturday. December 17 th . Bells (8) 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by 15 th. to Mr. A. G. Matthews. 57 . Tring Road. Dunstable-K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec

7089
Crewe
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Crewe Branch.-Sandtwach. December 17th. Bells (8) p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by December 14th. No name no tea.-W. Kerr.
102. Moreton Road. Crewe.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Wirral Branch.-Meeting. Neston. December 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Wednesday previous. Alexander J. Martin. 19. Falcon Road. Birkenhead.

7101
CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Meeting Thornaby. Saturday. December 17th. at 3 p.m. -P. W. B. Semmens.M.A.. Hon. Sec. 7079
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Peak District.-Meeting at Burbage. Buxton. on Saturday. December 17th. 3 p.m. Cups of tea only, at 5 p.m. All welcome.-H. E. Taylor, Dis. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.-The Charles W. Blakey Memorial Table and Visitors Book will be dedicated on Saturday, December 17th. at Rishton Parish Church. A condial invitation is extended to all who wish to attend. The arrangements will be as follows: 3 p.m.. bells available for ringing: 4. service. conducted by Rev. W. Brandwood, Vicar of Rishton: preacher. Rev. R. D. Si. John Smith. president of the L.A.C.R.: 5 p.m.(approx.), tea will be provided at a small charge; please send names for tea to Mr. A. Yates, 15 . Norfolk Street, Rishton. Blackburn. Lancs, at least one weck in advance. There will be further ringing after tea.- John Pilkington. Branch Sec. 7036
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,-Loughborough District. - Hugglescote. December 17 th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Castle Inn. Names by 13th, to E. J. Tovell. Jenny's Lane. Ravenstone. Leicestershire.LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Syston District.-Meeting at Battow-on-Soar. on Saturday. December 17 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, in Church Room. 5 p.m. Names by previous Wednesday. to Mr. B. S. Payne. 66. Melton Road
SELBY AND BEVERLEY DISTRICT SOCIETIES.-Joint meeting. Goole. December 17 th. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Christmas tea. Church Hall. 5 p.m. (mod. charge). Names, please, on or before December 15 th . - Mrs. J. J. Taylor. 165. Dunhill Road. Goole.-L. M. Woodhead and K. Kirk, Hon. Secs.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting. Aldrington (6). Saturday. December 17 th . Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Please notify Mrs D. H, Paine. 21. Hogarth Road. Hove. 3. numbers requiring tea.-George North. Div, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD-Devizes Branch.-Annual meeting. Trowbridge. Satur* day. January 7th. 1961. Bells (12) 4 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Other towers available: Nonth Bradley (8). 2.30-3.45: Hilperton (6). 2.30-3.45 p.m. Names for tea essential by January 2nd. please to E. J. Hitchins.
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## A NEW STAFFORDSHIRE SIX

IMMEDIATELY outside the borough. notwithstanding repeated efforts by the Burton Corporation to absorb it, lies the village of Stretton-cum-Wetmoor, and the traveller entering or leaving the brewing town by the Derby end can scarcely fail to notice the striking sandstone church surmounted by its massive red roofed tower.

Almost as well known as the name Bass. the name of Gretton has dong been associated with Burton-in church life, industry and in Parliament. and like many of the churches inside the borough the Church of St. Mary Stretton, was built by a brewer, Mr. John Gretton, sixty-three years ago.

When the church was built three bells weighing 13.17 and $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. Were installed by Mears and from the arrangement of the oak framework it is obvious that they were intended to form the back three of a ring of cighl.

A year or two ago it was deemed unsafe to ring the bells and, a scheme was mooted to recast them into a lighter ring of six, which has now been accomplished.

The church, beautifully decorated for the harvest festival was filled to capacity on October 14th. when the Bishop of Lichfield Dr. A. S. Reeve, dedicated not only the bells but the church's first processional cross and a new parish hall, the latter a do it yourself, eftort by a handful of parishioners in five years.

Referring to the new hall, in an address during the service, Dr. Reeve expressed appreciation of all the effort which had gone into its construction.
The cross, he said, would add dignity to the worship in the church.

Of the bells. he said: This is a tume when the art of change-ringing is very much on the increase again. We are finding more people. both men and women, coming forward to mount the steps to the towers of our churches and ring the beHs. The art of change-ringing is one of the most beautiful things when it is well execured and. I think the most glorious of sounds.

Among those attending the service and dedication ceremony were the Rural Dean of Tutbury (Archdeacon E. Aldington Hunt. Vicar of Burton), the former vicar of Stretton (the Rev. F. S. L. Ramsden), and Lord Gretton, O.BE... who read the lesson.
After the dedication of the ball a course of Cambridge Minor was rung by S. H. Jones 1, 3. P. Fidler 2, P. L. Taylor 3, H. Marcon 4. J. W. Cotton 5. R. H. Dove 6. Later, visiors from Repton. Church Gresley and the Burton churches kept the bells going to a variety of methods.
The Vicar of Stretion. the Rev. D. B Laughton. is himself a ringer and the church is fortunate in having an enthusiastic ringer in the choir. Mr. Fred Pearce, who successfully inaugurated the restoration and augmentation of the bells at nearby Tutbury. 27 years ago.
Perhaps one's only regret is that a tower measuring some twenty \&wo feet square might not have a heavier ring but the bells are a pleasant Taylor six. with a tenor of about 10 cwl .. and it is expected that the pits already provided for the two trebles will not remain racant for long.
R.H.D.

## LATE NOTICES

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Abarts District.-Meeting. Hatfield. Saturday. December 17th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. in Memorial Hall. Names for tea to Miss A. Chapman. 18. Endymion Road. Hatficld. Tel. Hatield 2191.-S. Huckle. Dis. Sec. 7102 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - ManchesRusholme. Saturday. December 17 th. BeHs (8) 3 D.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for iea by Wednesday. December $14 i \mathrm{~h}$. to Miss Dorothy France. 61. Bulkeley Road. Cheidle. Cheshire.-W. H. Riddle. Sec. 7100

OVER WALLOP. HANTS.-()n Nov. 19h. 1.260 Deubles (Stedman. St. Albans, Eynsham. St. Simon's, Reverse Camerbury Plessure. Cliford's Pleasure. Southrepps Pleasurc. Kenningion, April Day, Plain Both and Grandsire): B. C. Burrough 1. H. N. Evans 2, C. R. C. Coussmaker (cond) 3, R. A. Brown 4, A. J. Tumber 5.

## RAISING THE STANDARD

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By D. E. PARSONS
(Continued from page 807)
If the back bells are kept in the Titums and handstroke positions only, the next requirement is for blocks of calls which include the eight ....56s. but are "padded." The following are examples of this:-

5,055 STEDMAN CATERS
By C. W. ROBERTS
$\begin{array}{lllll}231456789 & 5 & 6 & 15 & 16\end{array}$

|  | $\begin{aligned} & 316452978 \\ & 612453 \\ & 241356 \\ & 234156 \end{aligned}$ | - | A |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 216354 132456 143256 |  | - - |  |
| D | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 124653 \\ 261354 \\ 236154 \\ 312456 \\ 341256 \end{array}\right.$ |  |  | - |
|  | 326451 243156 214356 |  | - |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 416352 \\ & 634152 \end{aligned}$ | - | - | - |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 315462 \\ & 214365 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{B} \\ & \mathrm{D} \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 315462879 \\ & 214365 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} \\ & \mathrm{D} \end{aligned}$ |  |

$\mathrm{A}=1 \mathrm{~s} .2,4.5,6.10,11,12,13,14$.
$B=4.5$. h. 15.16
$\mathrm{C}=2.3 .5,6,10.14$

$\mathrm{A}=1 \mathrm{~s} .2$ 2. $9 \mathrm{~s} .15 \mathrm{~s} .18,19$, starting slow six. $\mathrm{B}=5,6.7$. 18. 19.
$\mathrm{C}=2$. 5s. 13 s .14 . 15. 18 s . 19
These peals are not often rung. probably because of the unusual calling positions and transpositions and. dare I suggest. because they look just like any other of Mr. Roberts peals when published. Who knows. if one of them became nicknamed 'Roberts' Musical: we might have another élite band of ringers who had called it from every working bell. or rung it in 99 different towers. To be serious. though. the padding course ends in these reals do not have the 6th in 4 ihs place at all. but let it fill trebles and 3 rds place. To my mind this is too high a price to pay for the admitted saving in singles.

In order to encourage people to ring the eight ....665 block type of composition, a compromise has heen made in this next peal. whereby only the handstroke block is on this principle.

5,097 STEDMAN CINQUES
BY F. E. DARBY
By F. E. DARBY
$2314567890 \mathrm{E} \quad 6 \quad 19$
31625478 E 90 A
$\mathrm{C} \begin{cases}\hline 312456 & \frac{2}{2} \\ 2143 & - \\ 4132 & \frac{2}{2} \\ 4123 & \mathrm{~S} \\ 2134 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 3142 & - \\ \hline 316452 & 2 \\ 512463 & -14 s^{3} \\ \hline 213465 & - \\ 2143 & \mathrm{C} \\ \hline\end{cases}$

| 4321658709 E | B |
| :--- | :---: |
| 3421 | 7 s |
| 2134 | $-18-$ |
| 1234 | 7 s |
| 3412 | $-18-$ |
| 4312 | 7 s |
| 1243 | $-18-$ |
| 2143 | 7 s |

$A=1,6,7.8,10,11,12,13,14,15.16,17$.
$B=2,6,13 \mathrm{~s}, 15 \mathrm{~s} .18 .19$.
(To be continued)

## THE LADIES GUILD

## Midland District

Despite dense fog. ringers assembled at Measham on November 19th from Droitwich Castle Bromwich. Nottingham. Crewe. Błoxwich and Leicester. for a Midkand District meeting. A warm welcome was extended by the Vicar, who conducted shortened Evensong. The Vicar's wife and helpers arranged an excellent home-made tea, which was speedily dealt with by young South Wigston and Blaby supporters, who had organised a minibus.

After tea the vice-president. Miss Thompson thanked the Vicar for his arrangements, Mr Warwick for playing the organ and also for atranging the coach which enabled 26 ringers to sit down to tea. The gentlemen than adjourned to the tower for further ringing whilst the ladies held their meeting. Mention was made and support hoped for. for the meeting to be held in London on January 21 st for the unveiling of a new peal board to commemorate the 35 th anniversary of whe ringing of a peat by all ladies. of Stedman Caters. The annual general meeting will be held at St. Peter's. Derby, with St. Alkmund's open in the evening on February 18 th . The April meeting will be on the 22nd. at Attenhorough. Notts. but this is subject to con firmation.

## A BALDOCK OUTING

## A balf-day outing in November?"

But it' $\mu$ be dark four oclock, and think of the fog!

Despite these depressing comments when the outing had to be postponed from Septentber. the expedition was a success, with only one tragedy. the difference in Essex licensing hours. to mar the day for some

Alchough grey and rainy when we left home. the weather improved. and kept quite good. without any of the dreaded fog later on. Great Dunmow was the first tower, the 21 cwt . octave being deemed "the finest in East Anglia. "and "real beauties!" Felstead's 12 cwl. octave. though fair. came as an anticlimax before going to tea in Braintree. There we mot Mr. L. Wiffen, who accompanied us to the remaining towers. St. Michael's. Braintree. is another eight. with an unexpectedly steep climb to the ringing chamber. though well worth it. Bocking has another unusual route. up a spiral iron staircasc. and a good heavy eight when you get there. Halstead was enjoyed. and a beautiful course of Bristol was rung
We were most fortunate in meeting a warm welcome everywhere we went. and in the weather.

5,040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
by C. KENNETH LeWIS 234567890 6th M W 7th Out H
452337096
534729860
432657890
62534
23456
First rung at Macclesfield. November 19th. 1960.

5,040 VERDON SURPRISE ROYAL by Shirley burton

| M | W | H | 23456 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{Z}$ | 3 | 52436 |  |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 2 | 54326 |  |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | 3 | 3625 |  |
|  | 2 | 2346 |  |

First rung at the Bell Foundry. Loughborough. November 21 st. 1960. conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

NETHER WALLOR, HANTS.-On Nov, 19th. 1.320 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: H. N. Evans 1, B. C. Burrough 2, C. R. C. Coussmaker (cond.) 3, G. R. Crisp 4. A. J. Tumber 5.

OXFORD.-At St. Mary Magdalene, on Nov. 17th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. N. Stubbs 1, A. Green (first inside') 2. D. Bennct 3. A. J. Thompson 4. N. J. Martin (cond.) 5, D. T. Darby 6. Rung for St. Hugh's and St. Hilda's Days.

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## TO ALL RINGERS- 'A HAPPY CHRISTMAS'

By Canon C. C. Cox

IT is in that simplest form we would convey our wishes once again today. And it can be sufficient. There is no need to choose Christmas cards worded with more or less elaborate sentimentality. Many of those decorative forms of greeting point to a superficial and inadequate conception of the Festival. They seem to imply only Have a good time! Get all the pleasure you can out of your Christmas dinners and gatherings!' In that sense, of course, the wish may be sincere enough. But then. after Christmas, no one may be any better, even if no one is any the worse.
The fact cannot be disguised that of the millions who will exchange Christmas greetings a large majority will be giving little or no thought to the origin of Christmas. A religious occasion can so easily become paganised. Nowadays the commercial world lays itself out at some cost to advertise it as the 'Gift Season'; even the least ecclesiastical shops display the traditional picture cards and trade, perhaps. Crib figures. The general public is offered every inducement to spend money, and the commercial world expects to make a good cash profit out of the Christian Festival.
The possibility does exist, of course, that some who ' keep' Christmas only in the worldly sense may pause to reflect a little upon the meaning of what is being celebrated, upon the significance of giving 'presents,' upon the reason for the church bells ringing; even wistful, perhaps, to know what is going on inside the churches to which they see people eagerly moving. We can only hope and pray that some hearts and minds may be opened to seek and find the deep reality.

Seriously, 'A happy Christmas to you' is more than a mere wish. It really takes on the nature of a prayer. It is not just to be lost in the air, or buried under a wealth of holly berries and paper wrappings. It should be given in the faith that it will reach fulfilment, by the one who receives it co-operating with the heart of the giver. That is the Christian interpretation of the Gift of God Incarnate in history, claiming a thoughtful and universal response from men. The first Christmas wish was of heavenly origin, and it was worded in the right order: ' Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace. goodwill toward men -which makes Christmas more than an annual flash of enjoyment. It is in truth a flash of light as from a dazzling star piercing the darkness, to catch up wonder from men. Yet still more than that: it is the Birth of a new dynamic which is to have a permanent effect upon human life: a
dynamic centres in a Person, the Son of God Himself, born of a woman, ' Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth ": which, year after year, is to be in process of fulfilment.

Here is the reminder that the Christian Church has been born for the one purpose of regenerating humanity. It is no humanly-devised institution, but the very Spirit of God moving in a world of labour and conflict. As such it car-ries-albeit ideally as yet-the resolving element in all human problems, and the element of mercy in all human judgments. It is God's own agency on earth for the awakening of conscience and for salvation from sin

That is what the church bells have to say each Christmas Day. 'Rejoice in the Crib of Bethlehem; yes, but come to it like little children who are open to be loved, open to love as they are loved. who are ready to be born again in self-discipline, prepared to glory in the shadow of the Cross for the sake of the Light beyond.'

Let our Christmas wishes, then, echo that of the heavenly host and proclaim a new birth, both for ringers and for ringing; a new dynamic each year with which to become possessed. The old life, the old ways-into which, may be, we have dropped back a little-won't do. We are not living merely in the present, but for the future. The new man must be put on. And that new man is Jesus Christ born at Bethlehem, never to stay there but moving and growing and inspiring ceaselessly "until the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.'

Consider, too, how the influence of this new birth is to bear upon the family, or society, or brotherhood of ringers -whichever word best describes that association. Church bellringers are a family bound together, not just by a common interest, but by a personal fellowship with a Personal Leader, symbolised by the captain in the tower or, in wider sense, the president of an area Guild. And, on the more spiritual level. by the incumbent of the parish under the bishop of the diocese, the latter in his turn submissive to the Archbishop of the Province-all deriving their policies and relationships from the Divine Humanity of Him Who was once the Babe of Bethlehem.

To wish 'A happy Christmas' then today involves the recognition of all this again. It is the time to welcome Him. the Prince of Peace, the King of Love. anew into our belfries, into our hearts, into all our service as churchmen and churchwomen: to welcome Him now as more than the Babe of Christian history, rather as the fullgrown Son of Man; as the sublime Teacher; as the great unseen Conductor through ' all the changes and chances of this mortal life.' (Continued on next page)

Let our greeting, then, in the time-honoured words, carry the vision and prophecy of its fulfilment. And as on Christmas morning we move from our Communion at the Altar-the mystical outcome of long ago Bethlehemrejoice in the assurance that, through our humble and faithful co-operation with the will of God the Saviour, the church bells we handle shall
' Ring out the darkness of the land;
Ring in the love of Truth and Right;
Ring in the common love of Good;
Ring in the Christ that is to be!’

## THREE PEALS IN ONE DAY ON SOUTH TYNESIDE

ALL RUNG YOR THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE dIocesan association.
JARROW-ON-TYNE. CO. DURHAM.
Onl Sat., Nov. 26, 1060, in 2 Hours and 35 Minules.
AT THE ChURCH OE Sr. PETER.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Double Court, (2) St. Clement's, (3) Beverley Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Surfleet Surprise, (6) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Conducted by Kenneth Arthur.
First peal on the bells for over 30 years.
GATESHEAD-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.
On Sat.. Nos. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .
Charles N. Lea .. ...Treble George S. Deas
John E. Anderson. . 2 Kenneth W Cheese .. Marion S. Ainsworth .. 3 Kenneth Arthur *Frederick Ross ... 4 J. Alan Ainsworth.. ... Tenor Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth. * First peal of Surprise 'inside.

## SOUTH SHIELDS, CO. DURHAM

On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. At the Church of Sr. Hilda,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.
John E. Anderson
George S. Deas
3. Alan Ainsworth

- Norman Erringion
*First peal of Surprise "inside.' $\dagger$ First in the method.


## TWELVE BELL PEALS

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Nov. 28, 1960, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,
AI the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 25 cwt .


Shirley Burton
Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.

* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Maximus.

Rung with the best wishes of the hand to Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Burton, who left on December 16th to visit their daughter in New Zealand.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Wed., Nov. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church op St. Saviour. Southwark,
A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 48 cwt . in B.
John Phillips
Michael V. Chilcott
Treble Dinnis Randatil
Michael P. Moreion
Roger F. Overingion Brian D. Threlfall
Philip A. F. Chalk.
Johin H. Crampion
Wilfred Williams Tenor
Alan J. Frost
William T. Cook
James Phillips.
Composed by David E ... 6 Wilfred Willims $\ddot{\mathcal{V}}$.. Tenor
Rung to mark the consecration as Bishop of Warrington of Canon
L. Brown, formerly Vice-Provost of Southwark.
5
6
7
renor
$\square$
eror $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Ross } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Arrison } & . . & . . & 6\end{array}$

## TEN BELL PEALS

## KING'S NORTON. BIRMINGHAM.

ST MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat., Nov. 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 17 cwt 1 gr .6 lb . in E .
R. Ann Barr .. .. ..Treble ©harles A. S. Webs .. 6
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { •Linda M. Hughes .. } & \text {. . } & 2 & \text { Paul W. Webb } \\ \text { Roderick W. Pipe.. } & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { *Roger J. Gay }\end{array}$
*Ann E. Fellows

- Alma M. Greaves.

John McDonald .. .. 9
Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd.

* First peak of Caters. First of
*Geoffrey Davies ...... Tenor
Conducted by John McDonald. Caters as conductor.


## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Nov. 20. 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minntes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL
Being 2,520 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, with 55 changes of method.
A. Peter Whitehead .. Treble

Ronald J. Johnston .. 2
Neil Bennett
Tenor 25 cwt .2 qr. 25 lb . in D.
F. John Nelson

Derek Ogden
Edward Jenkins
$\qquad$
Frederick W. Grocott .. 4
Frederick Shallcross .. 5 Derek Taylor . . . . . Tehor
Composed by C. K. Lewis. Conducted by Derek Ogien.
First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal for the Association.
ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. \& N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.
At The Church of All Saints,
5040 ISLEWORTH
A PEAL OF 5040 ISLEWORTH LITTLE BOB ROYAL Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E .
Mrs. Olive L. Rogers Treble Gerald Penney .. .. 6
*John R. Perrett .. .. 2 James W. Wallman.. .. 7
Thomas J. Lock
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { James W. Wallman.. } & \text {.. } & 7 \\ \text { Geoffrey Dodds } & \text {.. } & . & 8\end{array}$

| Mrs. Joyce Dodds | .. | 4 | Wilfrid G. Wilson.. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *John G. Pusey | .. | . |  |

*John G. Pusey arrand Harold W. Rogers ..

* First peal of Royal. First peal in the method.


## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Peier.
A PEAL OF 5093 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt . in D.
-Roger Durrant
†Stephen P. Darvili
A. Rowland Tysoe
A. Rowland Tysoe
$\ddagger$ Christine M. Rimmer
Treble $\ddagger$ Christopher E. Hayier

Kenneih J. Darvill
Thomas J. Southam Stanley Huckle .. ... 8 George W. Debenham .. 9 Eric Edmondson .. 7 - Tehor Composed and Conducted by George W. Debenham. * First peal. + First in the method. ₹First of Caters.

ISLEWORTH LITTLE BOB ROYAL 2-10-16-50-1

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ERDINGTON. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Mon.. Nov. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Barnabas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOR MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt .1 gr. 15 lb . in F .
Roderick W. Pipe....Treble Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 5
*Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2 Gloffrey Davies .. .. 6
Alma M. Greaves.. . .
Maureen M. Wooley ..
M Jaul W. WebB .. .. . . . Tuhn A. Anderson ..
Composed and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipl.

* I.irst peal on cight bells.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Nov. 19, 1960, in 2 Howrs and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SE:RPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt 2 qr .22 ib .
.. Treble Eustace W. Bullman ... ${ }^{-}$

| John G. Gipson .. .. 2 Donald F. Murfet.. |
| :--- |
| Donald E. R. Knights .. |

Donald E. R. Knights .. 3 Geoffrey A. Lucas. . .. 7
George E. Thoday .. .. 4 | Mansfield Ginn .. .. Tenor
Composed by N. Pitsiow Conducted by Mansfierd Ginn.
Rung in memoriam Frederick Hurry, of Sawston, a ringer for 56 years, who died on Nevember 16th, 1960.

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 24 cwt .1 qr .16 lb . in D.
J. George Shellard William J. Chester Thomas E. Roberts.. Charles E. Truman - . Composed by E. W. Tipler.

Frederick Vickers
William A. Yates
George W. Holland $\ldots$ Tenor
Conducted by George W. Holland.

## EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Nov. 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF 5024 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR


## ERITH, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Nov. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . in G .

| Juan Beresford | Treble | Frederick J. Cullum |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arihur G. Mason | 2 | Bernard F. L. Groves |
| * Paul J. Dye | 3 | Ian H. Oram |
| Herbert E. Audsley | 4 | Philip A. Coray |
| Composed by C. W. - First peal in the | beris. hod. | Conducted by Philip |

AYLESFORD, KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes
At the Church of St. Pfiter,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Lambert's variation of Pritchard's. Tenor $14!\mathrm{cwt}$
Glorge Fry .. .. .. Treble

Olive D. Couchman .. 2
Margarl.t A. Ladd.. .. 3

Conducted by Colin A. Tester.

## BREWOOD. STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat.. Nov. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

At the Church of SS. Mary and Chad.
A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .2 qr .12 lb .


> HEYWOOD, LANCASHIRE
> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
> On Sat., Nuv. 26,1960, in 3 Hours.
> Ar THE CHURCH of St. LUKE,

A PEAL OF 5088 HEYWOOD SLRPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt 3 qr . in D.


## LONG ASHTON SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960. in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, at the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 30 cwt 3 qr. 23 lb . in D flat.
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay Treble
Gwilym G. Salmon.

Philip N. Tubbs
Arihur H. Reed


 Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by John H. Gilberr.

ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Oil Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, ar the Church of St. Mary.
A IPEAL OF 5056 STAFFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwi .2 qr. 20 lb , in F sharp.
Frlderici E. Wilshaw Treble Arihur Pritchard
*Eric Speake
*Robert B. Smith 5
*Robert J. Warrilow 3
*David W. Brunning $\quad$.
Composed by John R. Mayne.
*David W. Friend
-Divid W. Faiend .. $\quad 7$
Conducted by Derth P. Junes.
First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.
SOUTHWELL. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
O" Sat., No: 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.
Ai ih: Cathedral and Collegiate Church of the Blessed Vikgin Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5152 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 27 cwt .3 qr .27 lb .
Malcolm Phipps
Malcolm Fosier
-Glorge Challans
Treble| Ernest Preston
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Ernest Preston } & . . & . . \\ \text { Dennis Cooper .. } & . . & . .\end{array}$
Herbert T. Ruoke .. . . 7
Composed by Arihur Knights. Conducted by Douglas h. Rooke.
150th peal. First in the method on the bells.
Rung as a birthday compliment to H. T. Rooke, J. T. Rooke, G
Rung as a birthday compliment to H. T. Rooke, J. T. Rooke, G. Challans. F. Cooke and A. B. Cooper

STRETFORD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sar.. No1: 26, 1960 , in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At ihe, Church of St. Maithew.
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Tenor 11 cwt .1 qr .23 lb . in $\mathbf{G}$.
Neil Benneti .. .. .. Treble *Peiter Scholfielin

 Composed by John Carier. Conducted by Derek Ogden.

* S0th peal for the Association.

Rung as an 8uth birthday compliment 10 Mr . Wilfred Moss, a ringer at Stretford for over 60 years.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat.. Nor: 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minules,
AI the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt .2 पr. 22 lb .
W. J. Ridiman (Queens') Treble H. E. Bishop (Selwyn)
*L. Smith (Quecns') .. 2 Frances Secker (Girton)
Clare Websier (Gitton) 3 Hilary Muirhead (Newn.) 7
*II. C. Lewis (Fitz. H.).. 4 I. G. Page (Downing) .. Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Hilary muirhead.

* First peal of Major. First as conductor.

TURVEY. BEDFORDSHIRE
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat. Nov, 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
Ar the Church of all Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
*Anthuny H. Smidi
Treble Alan S. Smilif
Henry C. Fosier. 2 Murrar A. Collman
Harold w. Placock
R. Frank Baker Jurkay A. Cullman
Bryan F. Sims .. ...... Tenor
Composed by J. R. Priichard. Conducted by Bryan F. Sims.
First peal.

## CHURCH <br> CLOCKS

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JOHN SMITH \& SONS - DERBY

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,
On Saf., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Mimutes,
At the Church of SS. Pierer and Paul

## A PLAA OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In five methods, containing 1,120 London, 1,088 Superlative and 1,024 cach of Bristol. Cambridge and Pudsey, with 107 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. R. George Morris

Treble
Barrie Mendry
Ruth M. Border .. .. 2
Peter Border
John A. Anderson
John McDunald
George E. Fearn
.. Tentor
Arihur V. Pearsun
Conducted by Peler Border.

## WARGRAVE, BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Nov: 26. 1960, in 3 Huurs and 5 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 PAINSWICK SURPRISE, MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. 2 yr. 10 lb . in E.

William S. Deason ... 4
Composed by C. H. Hattersley.

AYLESTONE, LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., Now. 30. 1960. itn 2 Hours and 37 Minules.
At the Church of Sr. Andrew.
a peal of 5040 stedman triples
F. H. Dexter's No. 1.
*S. Marie Davenport
Patricia A. Wardle
russell S. Morris

* Sandra E. Chesilerion

Treble A. James Poynor
A. James Poynor
*Terky 1. Roper Pieter J. Sianiforth paut Marin

## RIH

Tenor $15 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.5
6
7

Conducted by Peter J. Sianiforih.
*First peal of Stedman.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.
STOKE POGES. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Nov. 30, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLFS
Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 13 cwt . 2 qr. 3 lb .


Jinniffr M. Daviis .. 4 Vincent T. Cherrill
Tenor Conducted hy Arifur D. Barker.

* First peal. and first attempt for Stedman (aged 14 years). † First of Stedmain.

NORTHAMPTON
TIIF. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs.. Der. 1, 1960. in 3 Howrs and 4 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt .


* *ric Billings ... ... 3 *William A. Yates.
*David J. Marshall 4 *Patrick I. Chapman
Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.
*First peal in the method. $\dagger 25$ th peal.
ALDERMASTON. BERKSHIRE
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., Dec. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 THE DRAGON MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . 2 qr. 14 lb . in G.
Arihlir Sayirs.
Ronald K. Russ

Ricinali) W. Rlx Alalrt Dist:rens | Treble | Ernest J. Mu |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | John Manley | John Manley ... ..

Ronald F. Disikens
Gegitrey K. Dodd. Composed hy Believed to be the first peal rung in this method.

BALCOMBE. SUSSEX.
THE: I:AST GRINSTEAD AND DISIRICT GUILD. On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes. At the Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAIOR Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Tenor
Treble
Ernest J. Ladd
2 Brian Jeffery
Ann Geurge
Olive D. Couchman
2
3 Brian Jeffery .
Margarei A. Ladd
Tenor

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## BRISTOL

TIIE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Lord Mayor's Chapel (St. Mark's),
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Cambridge, Double Oxford and St. Clement's, und two each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt . Elisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble|John C. Baldwin Clifford Richards . . .. 2 Roysion Blackler ... .. 5 David J. Purnell . . . 3 Dun C. Exell .. .. . . Tehor Conducted by Royston Blackler.

KNAPTON, NORFOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 4: extents.
Tenor $5!\mathrm{cwt}$
Allen Twyman.
Andrew R. Harvey... ... 2 Gilbirt Ei. Larier
Geofrrey R. Drew. . . . Tenor
Conducted by Georfrey R. Dri:w.
PASTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Tues., Nov. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Mimutes.
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of two extents of St. Clement's and five of Plain Bob. Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Ambrose E. Mason.. .. Treble| David Cubitit Frederick Buyce .. $4 . \frac{2}{3}$ Gilbert E. Larier .. ... 5 Horace Lubbock ... ... 3 Geoffrey R. Drlw... .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey R. Dri:w.

## CATFIELD. NORFOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Now. 23. 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,
At the, Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Consisting of 15 extents Grandsire (six callings) and 27 Plain Bob.
Ambruse E. Mason.. .. Treble Gilbert E. Larier
Andrew R. Harvey.. .. 2 David Cubitit
*Gloffrey R. Drew .. Tenor
Conducted by Geoffrey R. Driw.

* 75th peal for the Association.

BENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs. Nov. 24, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
At the: Church of Si. Cuthbert,
A PFAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being 720 each of Beverley Surprise. Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Boh, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Boh and Plain Boh.

Tenor 12 cwt
lris Thumpson .. .. .. Treble | J. Alan Ainsworih..
John E. Andiersun .. . . 2 George S. Deas
Christopher T. Lamb ... 3 | Eric: N. Harrison .. .. . Tenor Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.
First peal of Minor as conductor.

## THRYBERGH. YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Nol. 25, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, At the Church of St. Leonard.
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR
Being seven extents in 98 methods: (1) Walsinghan, Cromer. Olney, Tibenham, Lammas, Steventon, Fulmer, Chalfont, Penshurst, Northaw, Allesley, Snodland, Calverleigh, Hever, Wrentham and Swanscombe Alliance, St. Lawrence Little Bob, Little Bob and Crayford Little Court; (2) Blaxhall, Mitcham, Stanhoe, Stratton, Stonehouse, Ringstead. Hayes, Sharnbrook, Ellacombe, Buxton, Iver, Wordsley, Lamberhurst. Harmondsworth and Bramfield Alliance and Little Bob: (3) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk. Norbury, London Scholars', Sandal, Kingston, Oxford and Kent Treble Boh. Wainflect, Gedncy. Surffect. Spalding. Pinchbeck, Gunby. Spilsby. Bicker, Sibsey and Normanton Alliance, Kent and Bastow Little Court: (4) Mendlesham and Tonbridge Alliance, Belvedere Little Bob. Thelwall. London, Lytham. St. Clement's, College, Childwall. Wavertree College, Horsmonden. Killarney. Plain, Douhle, Reverse, Fulbeck, Canterhury, Frodsham. Windermere, Ennerdale and Cumberland Boh and Pontefract. Wath. Donottar and Carisbrooke Delight: (5) Old Oxford, College Bob IV. Willesden. Newdigate. Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby. Charlwood, Marple, Braintree, Taxal, Humber. Clarence and Elston Delight and Morning Star Trehle Bob; (6) Barham and Oswald Delight; (7) Cambridge and Primrose Surprise; with 201 changes of method Tenor 8 cwt .26 lb .
Geoffrey Townend.. .. Treble Wilfrid F. Moreion
Howard Scoit
Harold Chant

Most methods in a tower-bell peal hy all, and for the Association
A birthday compliment to Mrs. Jo Moreton.

WELDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Mary-the-Virgin,
AT THE CHURCH OF SI. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

FOLKINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Southern Branch.)
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes. At ihe Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Double Court, Single Court and Single Oxford, and one of Plain Boh. Ivy E. Lindsiy ... .. Treble Cuihberi T. H. Bradiey 2 Ahbert IE. Scoit 3 Cecil Wade Charles Wilkinson. James H. Musson
. Tenor Conducted by James II. Musson.
Rung on the eve of Advent, and for the Patronal Festival. Also to welcome the new Rector, Canon F. R. Money, M.A. (formerly of Winchester Cathedral), and Mrs. Money. Also to mark 100 years aggregate service to the above church by Mr. C. T. H. Bradley and his late father and mother.

LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDIGANSHIRF.
THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Padarn,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 13 cwt .

Conducted by Michafi. Hart.
QUENIBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRF.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Syston District.)
On Sur., Nov. 26, 1980 , in 2 Hours and 41 Minures, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 21 extents of Grandsire, 12 of Plain Boh and nine of April Day. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb . in G sharp.

| *Margaret J. Kirk... | Treble | "Graham H. Stonehouse |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mat.colm | D. Barsby | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ernest F. Payne. .. .. | 4 | B. Stedman Payne .. . . Tehor

* First peal.

Rung as an engagement compliment to James Mitchell and Miss Cynthia Sanders, of Syston.

SOUTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., No:. 26, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the Church of All Sainis.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven vifferent extents. Tenor 11 cwt 3 qr .3 lb .


- First peal. † First inside.


## .SWAINSWICK. BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Bath Branch.)
On Sat., Nor. 26. 1960, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
Af the C'hurch of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 24 of Plain Boh and 12 of Grandsire. * Patricta A. Burt

Treble 2 $\ddagger$ Leslie R. G. Taylor Teifface J. Milsom †Percival R. Young Conducted by Alan F. Lee. alian F. Lee..

Being seven different extents.
James Lyons
David C. Urqumart
Treble
Ronald Russell

Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in A flat.

3 Fred A. Ginns ... Tellor
Rung to commemorate the 250 th anniversary of the installation of the bells.

## RAVENINGHAM. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sum., Nov, 27. 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes, Ai the Churth of Sit Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents each of April Day and Grandsire, and 38 of Plain

## Bob.

Tenor 8 cwl . in A .
*Richard C. L. Brown .. Treble| Ralph W. Bickers
Norman P. J. Cossey . . 2 Michael J. Parkfr
Trevar N. J. Balley .. Tehor
Conducted by Trevor N. J. Balley.

* First peal of Doubles.


## BUXTON. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sun.. Now. 27, 1960. in 2 Hours and 47 Minules.

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& \text { A T THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW. } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
\end{aligned}
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In seven methods, viz.: (1) Camhridge, (2) Double Oxford, (3) St. Clement's and Childwall, (4) Plain Boh, (5) Oxford T.B.. (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Boh.

Tenor 12 cwt .
Shirley M. Parsons .. Treble *Gilbert E. Larter..
*David Cubitr .. .. .. 2 Peter Adcock
Thomes E. Spight. . .. 3 Geoffrey R. Drfw .. Tenor
Conducted by Gioffrey R. Driw.

* First peal in seven methods.

Rung for the Patronal Festival
DUNSFOLD, SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Nov. 28, 1960), in 2 Hours and 36 Minules,
Ar the Church of Si. Mary and All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being two extents of Bourne, Beverley and Cambridge, and one of Surfleet Surprise. Tenor 10 cwt .3 yr .21 lh . in A flat.
Sianley G. Ponting


William T. Beeson G. Kenneih Wilitiamson

Ann M. Cox
Conducted by Harold A. May.
DEAN PRIOR. DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Wed., Nos. 30. 1960, in 2 Hours and $\$ 2$ Minutes,
Ar the. Church of St. Gforge-the-Martyr.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different $720^{\circ}$ s.
Aubrey L. Benniert.... T
Treble
Rev. W. Paschal Dowing
Fri:ITPRICK E. Day
Conducied hy Thomas G. Myers.
Rung on the Feast of Si. Andrew, and as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

NEWBURN-ON-TYNE, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wed., Nov. 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minules. At 1he Church of St. Michael. and All Angels,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

* First peal. + First on six bells. $\ddagger$ First in three methods. The conductor's 25 th peal for the Association.
Rung half-muftled as a tribute to the Rev. Walter Brooksbank, Rector of Swainswick since 1946, who passed away on November 22nd. 1960 .


## STISTED, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Dec. 2, 1960, in. 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In 22 methods, viz.: (1) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham. York and Durham; (2) Cambridge, Ipswich, Primrose, Norfolk, Bourne and Hull; (3) Alnwick and Newcastle: (4) Lightfoot and Wearmouth; (5) London and Wells; (6) Chester and Munden; (7) Westminster and Allendale.

Tenor 10 cwt .
Margarei E. Panion . Treble Patrick W. Salimarsh .. 4 John A. Warner .. Dfinis A. S. Symonds .. 3 Howard W. Eggiestone Tehor Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

## WOLVERCOTE, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Fri., Dec. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
Ai the Church of St. Peter,
A PFAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Seven callings.
David T. Darby
.Trebte
Nichoias I Martiver 8 cwt .
Peifras J. Martin
†Andrfw J. Thomson .. $\overline{3}$ Andrew N. Sinbes.. .. Tenor
Conducted by Andrew N. Stubbs.
*First peal. † First "inside."

ALVESTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Oir Sal., Dec. 3, 196(), in 2 Hours and 54 Minules,
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt . in F .

| Gillian M. Hussey | . Treble | †Terence J. Miisom | .. | 4 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rita M. Webb | .. | . | 2 | $\ddagger$ Cliff J. Richards. | .. | .. | 5 |

†Gioria M. Newton .. 3 tAlan F. Lee .. .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

* First peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First in two methods of Minor. $\ddagger 25$ th peal (all in 1960). First on the bells.
Rung as an 80 th birthday compliment to Mrs. J. E. Wreford, grandmother of the ringer of the second.


## GAINFORD, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sal., Dec. 3,. 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Fred Hodgson
Treble
Thomas Cooke..
Tenor 14 cw .

Charles N. Lfa .. .. 3 Kenneth Arihur .. .. Tenor Conducted by Kenneith Arthilr.
First peal in seven methods on the hells. and only the second recorded since their installation in 1865.

## BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.

THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
On Saf., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, comprising 1,680 Grandsire, 1,680 Reverse Canterbury and 1.680) Plain Boh.
\#JEAN ExON ... .. . Treble
$\dagger$ Geoffrfy H. Pullin .. 2
Pfifr S. Benneti .. .. $\mathbf{3}$ | ${ }^{\text {Hit. Alan Roberts }}$.... Tenor Conducied by Peter S. Bennett.

* First peal at first attempt. + First of Doubles. First in more than one method as conductor. First peal for the Sociely.
Rung to mark the engagement of Mr. Frank Anderton and Miss Pamela M. Seatree, both members of the Society.

COTTERSTOCK, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minules.
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 ST. ANDREW'S DOUBLFS
Being 42 six-scores. Tenor 8 cwt 2 qr .11 lb . in B flat
Ronald Russeli. .. .. Treble Percy Amos ... .. .. 3
Richard J. Danby ...... 2 Timothy A. Wooding.. .4
Gforge F. Roome
Tenar
Conducted by George F. Roome.
Rung within the octave of the Festival of St. Andrew (patron saint).
First peal in the method by all, for the Guild. and believed anywhere.
First peal on the bells for many years.

## John Taylor \& Co.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

## The LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

ADDERRURY, OXON -On Noy, 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire) (6, 7, 8 covering): H. L. Rope: 1. M. W. Sayers 2, B. J. Davis 3, Mrs, A. Bennet! 4, R. A. Reeves (cond.) 5, D. E. Cuntripp 6, J. E. Sayers 7, M. W. Coleman 8. First quarter on eight by the Sunday service band. For Mr. A. Jackman's 92nd birthday.
ALVASTON, DERBYS.-On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Aston (first quarter) 1, Miss B. A. Manning 2, R. I. Gosling (first inside') 3, B. R. Manning (cond.) 4. E. D. Thomas 5, S. Huson (first quarter) 6. A birthday complimern to Mins E. Huarter)
ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Nov. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. D. Casson 1, B. D. Downic 2. A. S. Burbidge 3, D. T. Finnemore 4, D. R. Ingram (first is cond.) 5. E. J. Franklin 6. Also on Dec. ${ }^{41 \text { h. }}$, 1,260 Grandsire Tribles: P. D.
Casson 1, B. D. Downie 2, A. S. Burbidge 3, M. G. Ingram 4. D. R. Ingram 5, A. Short 6, R. C Ingram (cond.) 7. D. T. Finnemore 8. Rung for Evensong.
BATHWICK, BATH.-On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doublew: 1. Iason (firsi quarter) 1. June Crecs 2. Maurcen Viner 3, K. Harrison 4. R. S. M. Stubbs (cond.) 5, P, R, Stubbs 6. For Evensona.
BECKLEY, OXON.-On Nov, 27th, 1.260 Grandside Doubles: Rev. H. Berson 1, N. D. Dean 2, Helen Williams 3. R. H. Jones (cond.) 4. 1. S. Walker
For Advent Sunday.
GLAYDON-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.-On Nov. 25 th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Allison 1, R. W. Thompson (cond.) 5, I, Bullerwell 6. Rung after Confirmation service. Before the service the same hand rang 720 Plain Boh Minor.
BRAMPTON. HUNTS.-On Oct, 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. E. Wells 1, R. F. Baker (cond.) 2, R. Cooper 3, E. J. Whiting 4, M. J. Dyer 5. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Samuel Brian Crawford and Adrienne Jill Latchford.
BUCKLAND, BERKS.- On Nov. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $7,6,8$ covering): A. $F$. O'Shaugnessy 1. A. J. Hutt 2, J. Surawford 3, C. E. R. Evans 4, C. 1, J. Pearce (cond.) 5, W Edgington 6. M. Willis 7, F. H. Carter 8. For Evensons, and to mark the rededication of the 7th hell.
BURGESS HILL. SUSSEX.-On Oct. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Rosemary F. D Thompson 1. Stella M. Knight 2, D. S. Anderson 3, S. W. Brown 4, K, C. Knight (cond.) 5, A. institution of the Rev. 1. Hoare to the living of St Andrew's. Burgess Hill. Also on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Duribles: Susan Ware 1. Angela $M$ Barclay 2, Lois E. Perman 3, D. S. Anderson 4. K. C. Knight (cond.) 5, G. Burrows 6. Rung halfmufied for Remembrance Sunday.
CLEVEDON, SOMERSET.-On Nov, 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and April Day): B Worner 1. Mary Powell 2. V. James 3, M. J.
Horieman (cond.) 4, J. Brain 5. For Parronal Horieman (cond.)
Fesival Evensong.
CROYDON. SURREY. On Dec. 4th, it the Church of St. John the Baptist. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. F. E. Collim 1, Miss H. Talbos 2. R. Stevens (firs quarter) 3. N. Brown 4, R. Davies 5. N. G. Steere 6. F. E. Collins (cond.) 7, R. G. Abbatt 8.
FDINBURGH.-At the Cathedral Church of St . Mary, on Nov. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: N. D. Haig (first quaner) 1, Dr. J. Weddel 2. T. Lambert 3. Miss K. Branson 4. A. W. Lloyd 5, A. Best 6.
C. R. Raine (cold.) 7. B. Laing (first quarter) 8. A C. R. Raine (col.d.) 7. B. Laing (first quafter) 8. A
compliment to Mr. A. W. Lloyd on his retirement.

FAWLEY, HANTS.-On Nov. $26 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Plain Boh Minar: Gladys D. Kitcher 1. Audrey J. Knight 2. Mary Smith 3. L. D. Smith 4. M. D. G. Northway 5. M. Peters (firme as cond.) 6. First in the method for 1, 3, 4 and 6 .
FLIXION. MANCHESTER.-On Nov. 20th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Henshall 1. Miss D. Richardson 2. Miss E. Collier 3, W. J. Moss (cond.) 4. W. H. Riddle (firm 'inside') 5. C. Harper 6. Rung hefore Matins, and as an 80th birthday complimem to the conductor
FULMER, BUCKS.-On Dec. 3nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doublea: H. Chadwell (first away from cover bell) 1 , E, G, Swift 2, J. E. Camp (cond.) 3, W, D. Ward 4. E. R. Gotham 5, D. G. Rowlands 6. A 21 st birthday compliment to Miss Rosemary Adair, ringer Iver.
GREA
GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.-At St
icholas' Church, oo Dee. 4th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. B. Duncan 1, E Goate (cond.) 2 Freda P. Greaves 3. Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow 4 A. W. Bird 5, A. J. May 6, G. W Fletcher 7. Rev. G. C. Galley 8, B, W. Willgress 9, P. G. W Newstead 10. Rung on the eve of the Feas of St Nicholas, Paroon Syint.

## QUARTER PEALS

GUISELEY, YORKS.-On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): J. Rhodes 1, Miss R. Jowell 2; K. Park 3, W. J. Couperthwaite 4, P Dawson S, F. K. Williamson (cond.) 6.

HALESOWEN, WORCS.-On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Pickering 1, J. H. Cox 2, Miss M. Tromans 3, L. Clissett 4. Miss W. Pretty 5. T. Greenhall 6. H. Shilvock (cond.) 7, B. E. Woodalt 8. Rung half-mufiled in memoriam Tom Morton, for many years a lay reader, interred this day.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.-On Dec. 4h, 1.260 Stedman Triples: V. Tipton 1. E. Curson 2, R. Hayden 3, L. Whitby 4, W. Wheeler 5, Aley 4, S. Clark (cond.) 7, J. Collins 8.

HINCKLEY, LEICS.-On Nov. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Anne Grainger (first quarter) 1. A. Ballard 2, Elizabeth A. Wilcox 3, W. W. Bradbury (first of Stedman) 4, E. A. Sowman 5 , C. R. Hayward 6, M. C, Faulkes (first in methad as cond.) 7, C. P. Rice (first quarter) 8. By the local Sunday service hand for Confirmation scrvice.
HITCHIN, HERTS.-On Dec. 4th, 1.2 ht Plain Bob Major: Janet Carling 1, Mrs, C. A. Agr 2, M. D. Trigg 3. Mrs. D. J. Mager 4, F. J. Plummer 5. W. F. Tod 1 6. A R. Ags 7. C. M. (Ormc (cond.) 8. First of Major for 1 and 3.
hUNTINGDON.-At St. Mary's Church, on Oct. 30th. 1.280 Plain Bob Maior: C. Bell (first of Major) 1. W. Ransome 2, M. J. Dyer 3, Miss D. Robinson 4. J. R. G. Spicer 5, A. J. Davey 6, H. S. Peacock 7. J. H. Biufl (cond.) 8. Rung with best wishes 10 the Vicar. Canon Morris, upon his departure on holiday to India. Also at All Saints', Nov. 1st. 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Howes 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2. A. J. Davey 3. M. J. Dyer 4, A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Atso at All Saints', on Nov. 6th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Howes 1, C. Bell 2, J. R. G. Spicer 3, H. S. Peacock 4, A. T. Howes 5, S. Gilbert (cond.) 6. For morning service.
LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.-On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Tony Newman (first quarter, 13) 1. N. Wayte 2, L. Sheesby 3, 1. Homfray 4, W. Farmer (cond.) 5, A. Newman 6. For Harvest Festival. Alss on Oct. 2nd, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: W. Farmer (cond.) 1. J. Homiray 2. D. Newcombe 3. L. Sheesby 4, J. Jordan 5, T. Boreham 6, A. pendicbury 7. H. Harrison 8. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: I. Goulter 1,
Mrs. Wratten 2, A. Pendlehury 3, D. Newcombe 4, Mrs. Wratten 2, A. Pendlehury 3, D. Newcombe 4,
J. Burridge 5, T. Borcham 6. C. Wratten (cond.) 7. A. Newmar 8. For Evensong. Also on Nov. 6ih. 1.260 Gra.idsire Doubles: T. Stephens (first quaner. 13) 1. L. Sheesby 2, R. Fry 3. J. Homfray 4, W. Farmer (cond.) 5. 4. Newman 6. Also on Dec. 4ih. 1.260 Double Norwich C.B. Major: Mrs. Wratten 1. A. Pendlebury 2, Shirley Parsons 3, W. Farmer 4. J. Homfray 5, I. Goulter 6. T. Boreham 7, C. Wratten (cond.) 8.
LONDON.-At St. Clement Danes; on Nov. 20th, 1.250 Grandsire Caters: A. J. Salishury 1. Miss 3. Peacock 2, J. Carrott 3. S. Penfold 4. D. Mitchell 5. A. Gargrave 6. I. Fowler 7. T. East 8, L. S. Woods (cand.) 9. J. McPhail 10. For Matins on the Patronal Festival. Also on Nov. 27th, 1.260 Plain Hob Royal: Miss A. Lowirgs 1. A. H. Worbeys 2. Mis: 1. Peacock 3, S. Penfold 4. F. G. Richardson 5. F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, A. J. Salishury 7. A. Evensoal or Advent Sunday:
MAIDSTONE. KENT.-On Dec, tih, 1.296 Little Bob Roval: Mrs T. Cullingworth 1, Miss O. Couchman 2, L. Mannering 3, C. Tester 4. B. Graves 5. T. E. Sone 6. T. Wicken 9, J. Walli,
8. T. Crnss 9. T. Cullingworth (ennd.) 10.

## NORTHMOOR, OXON.-On Nov 29th. 1.264

 Doubles (Plain Bob. Anril Day and Grandsire); I: Clifton 1, Mrs. P. E. Pimm 2, H. Floyd (cond.) 3. A. Camwell 4, A. Hicks 5. H. Miles 6. Rung it celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Miles, of EynshamPLYMOUTH. DEVON.-On Nov. 29th. al Si . Andrew's Church. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss R. J. Marks 1. Miss Y. C. Porter 2. J. Perkins 3, H. H.
Thomas 4. D. R. Bould 5, T. G. Myers (cond.) 6. F. E. Day 7, S. O'Shaughnessy 8, A. W. Myers 9. W. H. Marks 10 . Rung for adule Confirmation

PRESTON, DORSET.-On Nov. 30th, 1.260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): G. C. Cornick (first extent T.B.) 1. Sylvia Wazson (hrst exient T.B.) 2. Mrs. A. J. Slade 3, Betty J. Marsh 4, A. J. Slade 5. H. J. Ford (cond.) 6. Firs of Minor M. Spinney, on the goldea jubilec of his ordination.

SOUTHGATE, LONDON.-At Christ Church, on Dec. fth, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Ann Aldridgc 1 Pamela Miller 2, S. G. Peck 3, H. Miller 4, W Wainwright 5, L. G. Gates 6, M. Rowe 7, C Aldridge icond.) 8. For Evensong
SPAXTON, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Cavill 1, Joan L. Taylor 2. H J. Cavill 3. S. Parish 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5, J. J. Ford 6. Runs for the 55th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hurford, also the guth birthday of Mr. Hurford.
STAFFORD. - On Nuv. 28 th , at the Church of St. Mary. 1.260 Erin Triples: Richard 1. Warrilow I F. R. Wirrin 2, R. K. Mowforth 3, R. Barlow B J. Wylue 5, A E. Garbett 6, Robert J. Warrilow (cond.) 7. D. Murcott (first quarter) 8. First in method for all. Rung for Commissioning of Assize.
SUTTON.ON-HULL, E. YORKS.-On Nov. 25th, at St. James' Church, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Ducker (cond.) 1. Miss J. I. Porter 2, T. W. Thirkcll 3, H Rodmell 4, C. R. Robinson 5. H. F. Gibson (first of Cambridge) 6. A birthday complimelis to H. Rodmell and F. W. Dale, of Hesile, hoth 81 years.
TENDRING, ESSEX.-(On Nov. 271h, 1.260 Plain Bnt Minor: A. Brazier 1. Mrs. A. Hales 2. Ann Pryke 3. E. E. Davey (cond.) 4. 1. Cooper S. W. Ruffes 6. For Evensong, and as a compliment in Mr. C. Marven on completing 57 years as church clerk, this day.
THORNHILL, YORKS.-On Nov. $13 \mathrm{hh}, 1,320$ Trehle Bob Minor (Oxford and Kent): F. Popplewell 1. H. Wood 2, D. Scargill 3, J. Pcarson (cond.) 4. O. Coulthard 5, Hbe, Wood 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.
TONBRIDGE, KENT.-On Nov. 20th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Daphne Hills (first quarter) 1. J. T. Medhurst 2, G: Fry 3. Margaret Ladd 4. S. A. Whise 5, W. Rogers 6. W. H. Dobbic (coni.) 7, C. Hancock 8. For evenina service.
TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.-On Dec, Ath, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): Jacqueline A. Reason (first on treble) 1, D. J. Barnett 2, Pat A. Buri 3, J. R. Hobbs 4, T. J. Milsom (cond.) 5, Carol A. Ritchens (first quarter) 6. A. F. Lee 7, C. J. Barrable 8, For Evensong, also
an 18th birthday complimen: to Pat Burt. Also on Dec. Sth, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): L. J. Cox 1, C. J. Barrable (first as cond.) 2. Pat, A. Burt 3, A. F. Lee 4, T. J. Milsom 5, Eilcen Elliot 6, J. W. Isaacs 7, Jacqueline A. Reason 8. For Confirmation service.
WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.-On Dec. $4 \mathrm{th}, 1.280$ Double Norwich Court Bob Major: P. D. Chapman 1. Miss G. Newcombe 2, E. E. Holman 3, T. Hawkins 4, F. Sykes 5, A. J. Boyack 6, D. Hewint 7. B. Downes (firse in method as cond.) 8. First in the method 1, 2 and 5. For Evensong.
WATFORD. HERTS. -In Dec, 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Avent (first quarter) 1. G. Seaman 2. R. Hullah 3. R. Smith 4. D. Bell 5. R. Bell 6, D. Laud (cond.) 7, W. Paul 8. For Evensong.

WELIS, SOMERSET.-At the Cathedral, on Dec. dih. 1.260 Plain Boh Caters: Mrs. A. Shnrt 1. R. Short
Roberts 5. P. P. Wright (cond.) 6. M. Moll Mercman 7 . Prime 8. G. Salmon 9, M. Stone 10. For Evensong.
WOODBURY, DEVON-On Nov. 7ih. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4. 6. 8 covering): H. J. Briggs 1. A. Goading 2. A. G. BetLs 3. H. Miller Dawe (cond.) 5. V. Fox 6. J. H. Glanvill Gooding 8. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mrs. J. Loman (ringer of this parish) and a granddaughter for the rineer of 8 th .
WOODFORD. FSGEX.-On Dec. 4th, 1.344 Grandsire Triples: A. H. Warhnys 1. Miss P. Bourn 2, Miss J. Peacock 3. J. Carrott 4. J. Fowler 5. A. J. Salishury (cond.) 6, T. East 7, F. V. Gant 8. For Matins.
WORCESTER.-On Nov, 29th. at the Cathedral. 1.2611 Stedman Triples: Susan Jackson 1. G. Bowen 2. H. Neill 3. J. C. Slaier 4, T. W. Lewis S. G. E. Evenden 6. D. Beacham (first of Siedman as cond.) 1. J. Stanicr 8. Rung on the back eight for St. ndrew's Eve.
WORMINGFORI), ESSEX.-On NOV. 301h. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mary Perkins 1. Meriel Bloyce (first in more than one merthod) 2. A. Bridges (firss of Doubles) 3. E. Leggert (cond.) 4. D. Culham 5. F. Warnes 6. For the Patronal Festival.
YATTON, SOMERSET.-On Nov. 17hh, 1,280 Double Norwich C. B. Major: T. Bennett 1, 1. Derrick 2. D. C. Exell 3, J, R. Keteringham 4 , B. A. Shackleton 5. D G Yeo 6, J. Brain 7, R. G. Hooper (cond.) 8.

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We understand that Mr . Morris has passed the late Mr. William Pye's peal total

## BELFRY

 of 1.967 peals (conducted 1.428). This gives him the proud title of having rung more peals than anyone living.Sution-on-Hull ringers and friends wish Harold F. Gibson a speedy recovery from a recent accident at work in which his back and recent accident at wor
knee were damaged.
Ninety-eight me:hods were rung in a peal of Spliced Minor, at Thrybergh, Yorkshire, on November 25th. An amazing feat of memory by the band and its conductor, Mr. Wilfrid F. Mareton

The peal of Grandsire Caters at King's Norton. on November 12th, was the first of Civters for six of the band and Mr . MeDonald's first of Caters as conductor. Congratulations.

A first peal at the age of 14 is always noteworthy. but it is a special achievement when that first is a good peal of Siedman Triples, as rung by David $P$. Hilling, at Stoke Poges, on November 30ch.

The conductor of the peal of The Dragon Major, rung at Aldermaston, on December 2nd. would like to associate this peal with the nume of the late George Gilbert, the figures being given him hy George. although he: never realised his ambition to peal it
Next Friday Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Burton sail for New Zealand on a three months visit to their daughter. The hest wishes of the Leicester Guild were expressed to their peal secretary by a pead of Maximus at Leicester Cathedral, on November 28 th.
St. Andrew's, Folkenham. Lincs, have staunch supporters in the Bradley family who have completed 100 years' service to the church. The late Mr. C. E. Bradley was 43 years a churchwarden and his wife. Mrs. C. E: Bradley, was 16 years the voluntary organist. Now their son. Mr. C. T. H. Bradley, has completed 41 years as tower captain. Appropriately, the centenary was marked by a peal on Novemher 26th and the ringers entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilkinson.

## GOSSIP

In hanour of the 81 st birthday of Mr. Harry Rodmell, who, for over 60 years, has been ringing at St. James', Sutton-on-Hull, a quarter of Cambridge Surprise Minor was achieved, in which Harry participated. For his past two birthdays the local company have unsuccessfully attempted a peal. The company faiting in the last peal attempt would like to place on record their appreciation of the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mri. R. Porter, during the ensuing evening.
Alveston, Glos, have now a very pleasant six: the bells have been rehung by Mears and Stainbank on ball bearings. The first peal on the bell; was rung on December 3rd.
Six ringers from the Marston. Oxford. hand were confirmed on December 4 th. They were Helen Williams. Margaret Cozier. Elizabeth Muller. Vivien Roberts, Elaine Liles and Sheenah Gammon.
Exeter Cathedral bells are now in use after their overhaul. Practices will be held. as in the past, on the third Saturday monthly, starting December 174h from 6-8 p.m.. and the Sunday following 5-6.30 p.m.

Heckington. Lincs, tower was struck by lightning during the sermon on December 4th. An examination revealed that it struck the clock hands, shattered the clock case and mehed the chime release hanging down into the ringing ohamber. From there it leapt to the water pipes, via the electric conduit, and passed into the main body of the church. Damage. fortunately, is not serious.

The new Rector of Rougham. near Bury St. Edmunds, the Rev. G. E. Jarrold, is a lover of bells. He has left behind, in his former parish. Ellingham, Norfolk. nearly £600 he has collected. without a special appeal. towards the estimated cost of $£ 1.250$ for the rehanging of the five bells of the Parish Chureh in a new frame. At the tea, after his induction. his Ellingham parishioners present were delighted to hear from Mr. Jarrold that the previqus day he had received two generous cheques towards the hell fund.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

ESTABLISHED

## READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY'S FIRST ANNUAL DINNER

FOUNDED almost exactly six years ago, the Reading University Society reached a landmark in its history on November 26 hh , by holding its first annual dinner. After ringing during the afternoon at Caversham, Tilehurst and the three Reading towers, about 80 members and visitors attended the dinner at the White Hart Hotel

Following the loyal toast, the vice-chancellor of Reading University, Sir John Wolfenden, C.B.E.. in his capacity as president of the Society, proposed the healih of "The Church.' Before reaching this subject, however, he said that he was honoured to be given the privilege of making the first speech at the first dinne of the Society and to be allowed to address such a magnificent gathering of lunatics. He quickly added that lunatics could be divided into three classes: the harmful, who had to be put away; the harmless, who could be ignored; and the beneficial, in which category he included bellringers.

Sir John pointed out that the church had always worked for the encouragement and lostering of the arts, which included the ringing of hells. Although their efforts were not atways welcomed by everyone, the majority of ringers performed ther art with noble intemtions, and their work could be described its sacramental, as they were dedicated to the service of the church and her Creator.

Mr. John Coates, a founder member and former Master of the Society, proposed the toast to The Visitors, who included the Masters of the Oxford, Cambridge, Southampton and Bristol University Societies, and also members from London and Nottingham Universities. He also welcomed several members of the Reading Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, without whose co-operation the Society would have no bells on which to ring.
A witty reply was given by Mr. Dermot Roif, secretary of the Universities Association. He hoped that the presence of Sir John Wolfenden was not a preliminary to a Commission of Enquiry into Bellringing, and pointed out that the recent survey of Sunday service ringing had shown the need for more competent instructors-a need which University Societies could help to overcome.
Mr. Adrian Tumber, Master of the Soutltampton University Guild, in proposing the healih of "The Reading University Sociecy." observed that the fact that he had been entructed with this toast was an indication of the fine spirit of friendship which had grown up between these two of the younger generation of University Societies. This friendship had arisen largely because they held a joint annual tour, and he hoped this tradition would continue.
In reply, the Master (Mr. Peter Wilkinson) remarked that the Society had now grown to about 20 resident members-quite a high percentage in such a.small university. The standard of ringing had also improved, and he stressed the tremendous amount owed to the St. Mary's band for giving them the opportunity to ring the more advanced methods. He concluded by expressing his thants to the incumbents who had given permission for the ringing during the afternoon and to the secretary (Miss Jennifer Davies) for making the arrangements for such a successful and memorable dinner.
D. H. N.

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MR. A. PATRICK CANNON,

## Surrey Association.

To say that Mr. Pat Cannon is 'enthusiastic' is an understatement, for there are hardly any limits to which he would not go ii the reward was a new tower or a sluggish tenor to 'turn in' to a peal. Up to the present he has visited and rung in no fewer than 2.333 lowers. and if that is not a record his peills in 623 towers and 480 tenors 'turned in to peals certainly constitute a record. Forty-six of these tenors have weighed 26 cwt. or more. In addition he has iuny the 1 th at Exeter to Grandsire Triples and Caters. During the last 15 years he has rung peals in no less than 500 different towers. The late Jimmy George was once described as 'ubiquitous.' but compared to Pat Cannon he was a mere novice. In all his travels. Pat has always fostered a love of hells and created interest in our beloved art. and has never spared himself when there was a possibility of enthusing others.

Born at Wimbledon in 1913, of Irish descent, he was educated at St. Laurence College, Ramsgate, and Chard School, Somerset. He learned to ring at St. Laurence, Thanet, Kent, in 1928, and rang his first peal, Stedman Triples at St. John's, Deptford, Lewisham, in 1930. To this peal he rang the tenor behind (coming events cast their shadow, etc.). Many of his early peals were conducted by Thomas E. Sone, of Paddock Wood, and very frequently Pat would cycle 50 miles to a tower for a peat, and then cyole 50 miles back. In 1933 he commenced conducting peals, his first being at St . Olave's, Hart sitreet, London, with what was, at that time, the youngest band to ring a peal of Major.
His peals total up to November 27th, 1960, is 813, of which he has conducted 413. Notable amongst these are 'turning in' the tenors at Queen Camel in 1937 to eight Minor methods; Beverley Minster to Boh Royal in 1938; Sherborne Abbey to Double Norwich. Superlative and Cambridge Major Birmingham Cathedral to Superlative in 1945; and Loughborough Parish Church to Cambridge Royal in 1956. He has taken part in 11.568 Double Norwich, at Debenham, in 1950, and the record peal of 13,280 Cambridge Surprise Major, at Quex Park, in 1959.
Pat was Ringing Master, Surrey Association Southern District. 1950-56, and has represented the Surrey Association on the Central Council. 1951-53 and 1957 to present date. He has been a vice-president of the Surrey Association since 1957. He greatly enjoys giving encouragement to up and coming youngsters and has piloted many of them through their first peal, and first in a method.

During the war he served from 1940-45 in the Royal Corps of Signals in India. He married his wife, Sylvia, in 1945, and she also is a ringer, having nine quarter peals to her credit. Since 1952 he has been a regular member of St. Martin's, Dorking, band and previously for four years was a member of the Betchworth band. By profession Pat is schoolmaster
Pat's other hobby is philately, and if his stamp collection is as varied and colourful as his variety of peals, it will be something worth looking at. He is now in the prime of life, and at the present rate at which he is going. it will not be long before we see him topping the 1.000 mark. Good luck to him!

JAFUS.

## THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION

A stone plaque in memory of the late Cecil Victor Ebberson has been placed in the Church of St. Nicholas, Dersingham: The service of dedication was held on October 15 th, in the presence of the widow and members of his family, Mr. Nolan Golden (president). Rev. H. G. Lillingston (past president), Rev. R. G. E. Dodson (chairman. Western Branch). Mr. H. W. Barrett (Ringing Master), Mr. W. Love (general secretary and treasurer) Mr. G. A. Cooke (Ringing Master, Western Branch). Mr. C. Tovell (honorary secretary, Western Branch). Mr. A. G. Bason (chairman, Northern Branch), together with a large congregation. including friends from Ely and Lancashire Associations and Lincoln Guild.
The service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. T. O. W. Glass. and the dedication and address was by the Archdeacon of Iynn (the Ven. H. K. Percival Smith)
In his address the Archdeacon paid tribute to the services given to the church by Cecil Ebberson. He described him as a sincere churchman. who, by his life, set an example for all to follow, and a man who will always be remembered with respect and affection.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The annual general meeting of the Oxford University Society of Change Ringers was held on November 29th. when the following were elected
Master: N. J. Martin (St. Peter's Hall)
Secretaries: Hilary Mason (St. Hilda's), A J. Thomson (Wadham).
Treasurer: P, Wycherley (St. Catherine's).

## CONQUERING THE UNPEALABLES

The bells of St. Andrew's, Cotterstock. near Oundle, have, for some years, heen regarded locally as unpealable. A thorough examination of the bells revealed the source of the trouble, the third bell being the culprit. The rim of the wheel on one side having become loose (tacks rusted), a local novice had nailed strips of hardboard alongside. projecting and causing them to bind the frame. The end of the clapper was also touching the slider at each swing.
These obsiructions once overcome, the bells went plain-sailing, although everyone was ready to make a quick exit at the first signs of a jumped bearing. etc. The peal was satisfactorily accomplished, making the third such tower-Stoke Doyle and Ashley being the previous ones to be conquered. Soon two others are to be tested.
It is from Cotterstock where the say; ing about 'the weakest go to the wall' originated. Stone benches are still to be seen around the walls where the aged and infirm used to sit centurics ago, when. the church had no pews or chairs.
Of the bells. the front four of 1708 are by Henry Penn, of Peterborough. The tenor is by John Taylor, of Loughborough. But one wonders whether Mr. Dove is correct in his given weight of " 8 cwt . 2 qr .11 lb. "- it sounds and measures nearer 7 cwt ., as was always reckoned. P.A.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

()N November 12 th the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford held its ninth annual dinner at the 'Black Horse Inn.' Wolverhampton. It had been more than 25 years since a dinner of this nature had been held by the Society in the town and those who attended were wel! rewarded with a first class ovening's entertainment.
During the afternoon the fine 'twelve' at St. Peter's and also the 'eights' at Bradley, Coseley and Penn were available for ringing. It was most disappointing that ringers did not take fuller advantage of the facilities provided.
Ninety members and friends were present at the dinner. The Archdeacon of Stafford, the Ven. Basil Stratton, took the chair and after an excellent meal commenced the evening's formal proceedings by proposing the loyal toast. In his comments following the toast, he said how pleased he and his wife were to be present. It was very encouraging to see such a pathering on this his first visit as president of the Society.
The tonst "Church and State, was proposied by Mr. R Buxton. J.P... a former mayor of the nearby town of Bilston. He was very pleased to be able to propose this loast, particularly as he had promised to do so a year ago and had had to withdraw at

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the last moment due to sudden ill-health. He had, he said, been connected with St. Martin's Church, Bradley, for many years and he was very grateful to the Society for the help given to the church in 1957 to train a completely new band.
The Rev. David Sutcliffe, curate-in-charge of St. Bartholomew's Church, Penn, for the time being, in a witty speech, replied on behalf of the church. What a wonderful partnership there was between the Church and the State, he said. It reminded him of the blades of a pair of gardening shears, often moving in opposite directions, but if anyone tried to come between them they were soon very effectively dealt with.
The chairman next caMed upon Mr. Frank E. Haynes, the well known ringer from the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, to propose the toast to the 'The Society.' He had been a member of the 'Staffords' for 25 years and had rung a number of peals for the Society. Of late he had attended a number of its meetings and had many happy memories of his association with the Society and it gave him great pleasure to propose this toast. In his reply. Mr. Fred Bennett. a former secretary of the Society, thanked Mr. Haynes for his kind remarks. He did not judge the Society by the number of peals it rang but by the number of its members he could call his friends. Looking around the room on this occasion he was delighted to see so many of his friends present.
Mr. Dennis Holden from Coseley proposed the toast to "The Visitors. Dinners like this one, he said. would fall flat without visitors and it gave him considerable pleasure to have the company of so many that evening. He extended a special welcome to the Anchdeacon and Mrs. Stratton, who were atrending this function for the first time, and also to Mr. and Mrs. R. Buxton, Rev. David and Mrs. Sutcliffe. Mr. Frank Haynes and and Mrs. Sutchfte. Mr. Frank Haynes and of Penn. responded on behalf of the visitors and thanked Mr. Holden for the warm welcome he had extended on behalf of the


A FAMILY REMEMBRANCE. - On Remembrance Sunday the bells of SS. Mary and Giles Church. Buckerell. Devon. were rung half-muffled by Mr. Joseph Broadhurst and his five surviving children. The treble bell commemorates two lads from the village who geve their lives in World War II and one of these is Gondon Broadhurst, a son.
In the family picture are (left to right):

Society to everyone. The ordinary churchgoer was, he felt. rather apt to take bell ringers for granted and he would like to thank them for the wonderful work they did every Sunday calling people to church.
This concluded the formal part of the evening's entertainment and after a short break the artistes were brought in. There were three. Betty Johnson (soprano). Fred Baggott (pianist) and Albert Morgan (comedian). Between them they provided first class entertainment, which kept the gathering amused until 10.30 p.m.
So ended the Society"s 1960 dinner, leaving members with happy memories of the occasion and lookin, forward to another successful dinner in 1961.
D. J. T.

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Geoffrey. Merlin, Joseph, Marina (Mrs. Piper). Roy and Raymond. When the bells were removed to the Whitechapel Foundry, Raymond hetped Mr. F. H. Parr in the work and akso in their reinstallation. Pictures on the walls are of three recent peats and the handbell ringers (members of the Sunday service band) setting out last Christmas.
[Photo: E. C. Harris.

## PANGBOURNE \& WHITCHURCH RINGERS' OUTING

In a year of seemingly continuous days of mud and flood, September 10th. the day of the outing of the Pangbourne and Whitchurch bellringers, was of brilliant sunshine.

Ringing started at St. Mary's, Billingshurst. followed by Itchingfield with its beautifully kept belfry containing a map of Sussex where all ringing towers were neatly indicated. different coloured pins being used to show the number of bells.

The unusual tombstone by the lych-gate at Kirdford attracted attention. It was to the memory of boys who died from having placed greenwood ashes in their bedroom. from falling from a horse, and "a farmer's cart passing over him.' The bells were heaucifully mellow and went well.

Our next visit was up the tombstone paved paths to the beautiful church of Rudgwick (6. 14 owt.). The betts. on the ground floor. gave some of the newer ringers their first experience of an anti-clockwise ring. Grandsire was rung to give several novices a chance to try the treble. followed by Litule Bob and touches of other methods
In the clear evening light we walked through the beautifully kept churchyard to the church of Cranleigh. Surrey (8, 16 cwt ). A notice in 1912 commemorated the first peal ever rung in the tower in which a husband and wife took part. Touches of Bob Major. Siedman Triples. amongst others. were rung.
Racing against time we arrived hate at Shalford. Surrey ( 8.13 cwt .). to receive a warm welcome from a patiently waiting foreman. The belts were recast in 1936 and go well. Little Bob Major. Stedman. Grandsire. Plain Boh. with call changes for the begimners, were enjoyed. Supper was taken at Guildford. Our thanks are due to the incumbents and to the foremen who met us.
B. J. C.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## THE CAPER AT LANEAST

Zur.-Oi zeed thic bit $0^{\circ}$ a spaich like wot hat there Carnish veller, Garge, did zend 'ee and oi were prapper mazed to vind 'er were so eddicated.
Now. oi baint quirking and quiddling bout wot 'er zed 'bout thic bit o'caper at Laneast, hut it 'er 'ad t'glean at un veller's droubles er mid ave zed zummot bout tother onaps It well. Twere iike this, see you. No zooner 'ad oi put me ands on thiccy tenor rope t'raize t'bell than t'plaguey thing did purdle all round oi. vor itwere as rotten as a mixen. But when t'others did start a'valling the bells. when there baint no need to eave on t'ropes. they did break dree on em. un avore t'other Garge did spake 'bout my rope cause oi were a vurriner, but t"other vellers they were Carnish.
Mind ee. there baint no ard veelings cos of d'know that 'er zed it in vun and they there Carnish lads and meadens did make oi prapper welcome but vore oi dicome ter zee ee agin, thee mind 'ee d'mend thee manners. Maister Garge. If thee doant, oi wont allow 'ee to 'ave no Zummerzet scrumpy when thee dcome to zee oi.-Oi be, your cumble sarvent.

PAUL FIELD.

## Knole. Langport.

## DOUBLES 'METHODS

Dear Sir-I am afread that Mr. Paul Cattermole didn't search far enough back in his old ' Ringing Worlds, before naming the Reverse Camerbury variation of Reverse St. Bartholomew. Honeybourne. Had he done so, he would have found that this particular varialion has been rung many times under the name of Northrepps. Another variation of the same basic method-with an Old Doubles single for the call-has been rung as Fortune. While on the subject of Doubles variations, perhaps I might add a few more to the list published in the . R.W: for November 14th. 1958 (page 744)?

All Saints/Old Bob single $=$ Marchington .
All Saints/P.B. plain lead=Rushall.
Grandsire/All Saints' plain in lieu of normal Grandsire singles = Newborough .
Plain Bob/Grandsire bobs and singles (120 -P.B.S.P.. twice repeated) = Dedworth.
But please. Mr. Cattermole, variations -not methods.-Yours sincerely,

CYRIL A WRATTEN.
Cheltenham.

## COLLEGE OF CAMPANOLOGY

Dear Sir.-In the interests of ringers generally, and particularly in she South Midland region may we offer this information?
The next residential week-end course in ringing. in which we shảll be participating. will be at Missenden Abhey College of Adult Education, during the first week-end in June next. The College is under the direction of the Buckinghamshire Education Committee. and it is understood that the warden will be advertising the arrangements in more detail. in these columns in due time.

Concession of reduced charges will be made to thove attending from Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire: and it is advisable to reserve the date-June 2nd to 4 th. 1961 -for an early booking. when the advertisement appears. since the accommodation is limited to 38 resident students and 30 non-resident.
The talks and demonstrations will he arranged to suit both instructors and learners, and to interest those. also. to whom the suhject is entirely new.-Yours. etc.
R. $\mathrm{G}, \mathrm{T}$. BENNETT.
$P$. and PRO.
College of Campanology.

## 'THE RINGING WORLD"

Dear Sir.-My thanks to Mr. C. W. Woolley for putting into words what I have long felt:-
Inat there is a case for paying for quarter peals because they are not of great news value whereas peals are of news value.
That 'The Ringing Work Committee should consider economy by means of adapting the present means of printing peal reports.
1 heartily endorse the remark that the Committee should tell us if their policy is to intend the R.W: eventually to pay for itself or to rely on donations. I know the iheoretical answer is that of an increase in circulation of a few thousand but shouldn't we face the fact that despite many efforts and appeals over the last decade the circulation has risen to nowhere near the desired level.
However, what should be continually stressed is that a postal subscriber is helping the paper substantially more economically than those subscribers who purchase the paper through a newsagent. The present circulation is about: postal subscribers 2.316 . others 3.184 .

Does everyone realise that by paying an annual subscription for delivery by post you only pay 4 d . more per year than by paying your newsagent 8d. per week, i.e., 8d. x $52=$ il 14 s . 8. Annual postal subscription, $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$. I realise that many younger ringers cannot perhaps afford an annual subscription, but suggest that older persons who can afford it, do so, even if it means that on a rare occasion a copy may become slightly marked during postal transmision.-Yours faithfully,

## Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

## ST. MARY'S, BEAMINSTER

Dear Sir.-I read with interest tinged with horror the article on St. Mary's. Beaminster. Dorset: in a recent issue of The Ringing World.
I have rung on these magnificent bells, in fact stood in in an unsuccessful peal attempt in, I think. 1947 . I have always been led to believe that these bells are a maiden cast ring by Bilbie. I am therefore quite horrified that, if what the article says is true. they are to be $\frac{1}{8}$ turned and tuned. Why this passion for uniformity?
No doubt Beaminster bells might sound a little better if they were tuned: clearly a new ring, or a nondescript and mixed ring is the better for the tuner's attention, but a maiden cast ring. cast heside the churchyard. in my opinion might well be left alone.
A later paragraph in the article suggests that in 1887 the bells were $t$ turned and tuned. I do not know whether this involved the bells being tuned the modern way on a lathe or not-even if it did I still think it wrong that one of the few such rings should be tuned again.

I realise that I probably strall be accused of sticking my neck out .... rushing in where angels fear to tread. etc.. etc. However. I stick to my guns. and much as I enjoy ringing on a perfectly tuned and perfectly hung Taybank ocrave. I think it will be a great pity when all our bells of a given weight sound the same and go the same: rather as massed produced cars from the same factory
are nearly identical. Yours faithfully are nearly identical.-Yours faithfully.
E. F. M. SAMSON. Major.

Wellinghorough. Northints.

## A CHRISTMAS DAY T.V.

The bells of Se . George's Church. Damerham. near Fordingbrides, will be seen and heard ringing in the I.T.V.. Southern Television programme. 'Farm in the Sauth.' on vision programm

## METHODS NAMED AFTER PEOPLE

Dea: Sir-With regard to Mr. Jones letter stating that the peal of 29 Spliced Plain Major at Heptonstall was a distinct departure from normal practice." in that seven new methods were named after, members of the band. I find. on looking through various collections of methods, that the naming of methods after people is not so rare or unusual. Everybody has heard of Stedman and Grandsire. In particular, Doubles methods have several saints names used as method names ( 30 out of 70 in C.C.C.), and the ratio of people's names to place names in cther groups of methods is about $1: 10$. (This includes all Minor methods and Plain Major. C.C.C.)

Furthermore several surnames are place names anyway, and while on the subject of place names. what suitable names could the band have chosen for their new methods? Heptonstall and Yorkshire are about all, anything, else would have been inappropriate compared with the names actually used.

Mr. Jones seems to regard this means of naming methods as a lowering of standards." if anything the names given are far better than many given in days gone by, e.g.: Merry Wakefield Delight Triples. Merchants: Return Exercise Major and Five Shillings to Drink Triples! ! No, Mr. Jones. bands these days have a sensible attitude to method naming. and this is certainly no lowering of standards, Perhaps Lesser Wopping is not on earth. but on the other side of the moon!-Yours. etc.,
'FARMER

## Manchester.

## DAY'S PEAL RINGING ON TYNSIDE

Peal ringing Geordies had some intensive practice on November 26 th, when peals were accomplished in the three ringable towers on the South Bank of the Tyne to the East of Newcastle, all the towers being within a few hundred yards of the river. Eleven different ringers took part.
At 9 a.m. five ringers were assembled at Si Peter's. Jarrow-on-Tyne. to give a royal welcome to one of the joint organisers. who had slept in. A start was made at $9.20 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to score the first peal on these bells for over 30 years, the tower being out of action from 1939 until last year, when the peal ringers, led by Charles Lea. invaded the tower to make the bells ringahle. Parishioners are now ringing them regularly.
The entry of the verger into the belfry towards the end of the 5th 720 nearly upset things but we settled down again and finished off the peal at a cracking pace. Outside the church some lady parishioners made rather threatening enquiries about why we had rung for such a long time.
At Gateshead. we were again 20 minutes: late in starting so we had to push the not easy going, oddstruck bells along to complete a good peal of Yorkshire in 2 hours 46 minutes. These bells sound their best at speed but they certainly test the stamina of the men ringing the buck five.
Off along to South Shields. at the river mouth. to ring Cambridge on these very odd struck bells. Afterwards we all adjourned to the Maison Lea, where Nancy Lea and Charles" mother had prepared a most welcome hot meal. Then the day's events and other happenings dear to the heart of ringers were discussed into the not early hours of the next morning
The day's results: a 30 year old peal silence broken at Jarrow: Fred Rows and Norman Errington each scored their first peal of Surprise 'inside. beth having had a number of attempts over the past year: some good ringing and happy fellowship.
J. A. A.

## MR. WILFRID J. MOSS' 80th BIRTHDAY

It is probable that only a limited number of parishioners of St. Matthew's, Stretford, and St. Michuel's, Flixton, know the name of Wiffrid J. Moss. However, all those with ears to hear must be aware of his service to both churches, for Mr. Moss has been a bellringer for $62 \frac{1}{2}$ years at Si. Matthew's, and for he past 15 years he has also rung at St. Michael's for Matins. while continuing to ring at St. Mathew's for Evensong. He ailso attends the weekly practice meetings at boih churches.

Recently Mr. Moss celebrated his 80th birthday and as a birthday compliment the Flixton ringers invited him to conduct a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles. This was suocessfully rung before Matins on Sundiy, November 20ch.

Mr. Moss has been a member of the Lancashire Association of Change Ringers since January. 1901, and has participated in over 100 peals in various towers in and outside the county. many of these having been conducted by him.
To mark the occasion of his 80th birthday a representative band from this Association and the Manchester University Guild of Change Ringers rang a peal of Stedman Triples at St. Matthew's on November 26th. It is worthy of note that this band included members from the Manchester Cuthedral, St. Michael's and St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, St. Paul's. Cross Stone. Todmorden, St, Bartholomew's, Marsden, and the Universities' Guild members hailing from Northimpton and Leeds.

## WINCHESTER \& PORTSMOUTH

The second combined meeting of the Andover and Basingstoke Districts on December 3rd in the Whichurch - Overton area was a big attraction. In addition to District members. visitors were present from Swindon, Reading. Chichester, Warnford. Petersfield and Winchesiter. The service, in Overton Church, Winchester. The service, in Overton Church, Basingstoke District (hie Rev. F. Sanders).
Tea in the parish room was followed by a short business meeting of the Andover Disirict, presided over by Mr. A. W. Allesten. Furvher ringing followed at Deane. Oakley and Wootton St. Lawrence. a big crowd queueing for a ring at all these towers until 9 p.m. All agreed that it had been a successful day despite continuous rain.
G. K. D.

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD West Dorset Branch

The annual meeting of the West Dorset Branch was held at Lyme Regis on November 26th. when 10 towers were represented and visitors present from Portsmouth, Stalbridge, Hampreston, Charminster and Mr. W. Shute, Ringing Master of the North Dorset Branch.

A service touch of Stedman Triples was rung. The service was conducted by the curate at Lyme Regis and the address given by the Rev. O. L. Willmort, Vicar of Loders, A charge of 6 d . per head was made for the sumpluous tea 10 defray the cost of hiring.
The Rev. J. S. Arthur (branch chairman) presided at the business meeting. Arising from the minules. the guestion was raised of the charge per rope for peals entered in 'The Ringing World: Mr. J. T. Barrett, supported by Mr. Morris (C.C. representative), said that at the mecting of the Council, at Whitsun, the view was expressed that peals were news and the public press did not make a charge for news.
The accounts showed a small deficit due to a second grant to Askerswell for their rehanging fund and extra advertising and postage. 1! was agrced to make a grant of $£ 10$ to Guild funds to help meet the cost of printing prayer cards and the new Guild Ortice.
The meeting stood in silent tribute to Mr. Harry Legg. of Loders, Mr. Frank Bugler, of Bridport, and Mr. James Barrett, of Beaminster (father of the honorary secretary). The officers were re-elected as follows: Chairman. Rev. J. S. Arthur; vice-chairman, Mr. C. Powell; honorary secretary and treasurer. Mr. J. T. Barrett (Beaminster), Ringing Masters. Messrs. G. Morris and H. Keeley (Lyme Regis) and H. D. W. Bishop (Evershot), with Canon C. C. Cox and Mr. F. Knight as commitlee members.
Quarterly meetings were fixed as follows February, Whichurch; April. Powerstock July. Askerswell ; September, Beaminster. The annual to be in November, at Bridport.
Fourteen new members were made, including eight from Thornecombe, who again were joining the branch. and one from Askerswell, where the bells are again hung for ringing with a new treble cast to make it a ring of six. They have been silent since 1929. Great credit was given to the villagers, who number only 140 , in the way they have found the necessary money. Half-pull ringing is being practised at Netherbury and Thornecombe.
Mr. Barrett thanked the meeting for their condolences in the death of his father, and lold how his father always listened to peal altempts at Beaminster with great interest Although not a ringer himself, hut a keen sportsman. Mr. Barrett had likened a peal to a century in cricket. To lose an at tempt near the end was like being caught in the slips with 99 runs 10 your credit!
The chairman thanked the Lyme Regis ringers and their wives for supplying the ted. and all who had assisted in the service.
The ringers then returned to the lower.

## SWANSEA \& BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD

Evidence of keenness was forthcoming at the Southern District meeting at Sketty, on December 3 rd, when over 40 ringers faced the awful weather to attend. Ringing before the service ranged from rounds to Cambridge Surprise Major. The Vicar, Canon Garfield James, conducted the service and the address was given by the Rev. D. White (curate), who is a riager.
A very nice tea was provided by the ringers of Sketty and their wives under the management of Mrs. Whitworth; they were thanked by Mr. Arthur Hoare.
At the business meeting the company stood in sympatily with the relatives of the late Mr . Chris Hawkins and Mr. James Heare. Mr. J T. Williams was re-elected secretary and Mr. Roderick audior. The Vicar. who presided, gave a cordial welcome to the visitors. who included Mr. Derek. Ashridge and Miss Mollie Tilbury and the Ringing Master
of the St. David's Guild.

PRACTICE NIGHTS IN LONDON AND SUBURBS
Monday:-10 Rickmansworth 7.30 p.m.. 8 Battersea 7.30, 5 Merton 7.30. 8 Barnet 7.45. 8 Chislehurst (Annunciation) 7.30, 10 Croydon (Sr. Peter). 8 Enfield 7.30 .8 Erith (Christ Church), 8 Harrow Weald 7.45. 10 Hampstead (St. Stephen), 10 Hillingdon (St. John Baptist) 7.45, 8 Holborn (St. Giles) 1st Monday 7. 8 Kilburn 8. 8 Kingshury 7.30, 8 Leytonstone (St. John Baptist) 7.30. 8 Old Hackney (St. John) 7-8.15. 8 Staines (St, Mary) 7.30, 12 Shoreditoh, 8 Woodford 8, 6 Wood Green 7.30 8 Woolwich (St. Mary), 8 Putney 7.30 .

Tuesday.-8 Barnes 7.45, 8 Barking 7.30. 8 Bromley 7.30. 8 Camberwell. 8 Criyford. 12 Croydon (St. John Baptist). 8 Ealing (Christ Church) 7.30, 8 Feltham 7.45. 6 Hayes 8.8 Heston, 8 Holloway $7.30,6$ Nonthaw $7.30,10$ Poplar 8 . 8 Romford 7.45, 8 Staines ( St . Peter) 7.30 , 8 Streatham (St. Leonard). 6 Wanstead 7.45. 10 Watford. 8 Willesden 7.30 , 8 Uxbridge (St. Andrew) 7.30. 8 Chiswick. 8 Hounslow. 8 City (St. Olave, Hart Street) $6.30-8,6$ Chelsfield 7.30 .
Wednesday.-8 Bexley 7.30, 8 Ealing (St Stephen) 2nd and 4th. 6 Edgware 7.30. 5 Foots Cray, 8 Hampsiead (Si. Ann Brookfield) 2nd and 4th. 8 Harlington 2nd and 41 h 8. 8 Hendon 7.30, 10 Kingston-on-Thames, 8 Monken Hadley 7.30. 8 North Mymms 7.30. ¢ Old Windsor, 6 Havering-atte-Bower 7.30 6 Harmondsworth. 8. Wandsworth (West Hill) 7.30 . 8 Ruislip 7.45, 12 St. Martin-in-the-Fields 1 st Wednesday, 12 Southwark Cathedra! 6.30-7.30, 6 Stanwell 6.45, 10 Stepney (St, Dunstan) 7.30, 8 Sunbury 7.30, 10 Twickenham (All Hallows) 6.30. 8 Twickenham (St. Mary) 8. 8 Upper Clapton (Hackney) 8. 8 Uxbridge (St. Margaret) 7.30. 6 West Wickinam 8,8 Mitcham (SS. Peter and Paul) 7.30 .

Thursday -8 Clapham (St. Mary R.C.) 7.30, 10 Beckenham 7.30. 8 Bushey. 8 Dartford 8 8 Edmonton. 8 Eltham 7.30. 8 Finchley 7.30, 10 Fulham. 8 Hampton 7.30. 8 Lewisham 8. 6 Shenfield 8. 8 Stanmore 7.30. 10 Southgate 7.30 .10 Walthamstow (St. Mary) $7.30,8$ Wimbledon 7.30, 8 Mortlake 7.30 .

Friday. -10 Chelsea 8, 6 Cranford 8, 8 Brentwood 7.30. 10 Isleworth 8, 8 Richmond 8, 6 Sidcup 7.30. 8 Walthamstow (St. Saviour).

Saturday. -10 Greenwich 7. 12 Waltham Abbey 1 st and 3 rd 6 p.m.

Please notify inaccuracies.
ST. DAVID'S. PEMBS.-On Nov. 12th, at the Cathedral, 1.600 Lithle Bob Major: M. Holh 1. C. A. Lewis 2, Gillian Graney 3, P. S. Bennett 4, W. G. Jones 5. R. C. Warburton 6. M. S. Hart 7. A. R. Price (cond.) \& Rung to welcome Rev. T. H. 1 Palmer. B.A. (Lamneter), recently instalied as a minor canon at the Cathedral

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## RAISING THE STANDARD

By D. E. PARSONS

(Continued from page 823)
The approach used in the previous peal should only be taken as a step towards the goal of accepting the eight 56 and .... 65 blocks as the standard to be adopted by the Exercise. To this end, the following peals have been composed with the idea of making the calling and transposition of the blocks as simple as possible, yet retaining the musical requirements set out earlier.

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By D. E. PARSONS (No. 4)

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| 431265879 | D |
| 2143 | C |

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$\mathrm{B}=2 \mathrm{~s}, 6,7,8,9,15$
$\mathrm{D}=2.9 \mathrm{~s}$, for 5.019 .
$\mathrm{D}=3,4,5,6.8,10 \mathrm{~s}$, for 5.007
5,019 STEDMAN CINQUES
By D. E. PARSONS (No. 4) 2314567890E $6 \quad 7 \quad 19$

$A=1 \mathrm{~s}, 2.6 .9 \mathrm{~s}, 15,16.19 \mathrm{~s}$.
$\mathrm{B}=2,13 \mathrm{~s} .15 \mathrm{~s}$.
It will be seen that. except for the single at 8 in the middle of the sixteen course block in the Caters, the extra calling positions only involve a pair of bobs in 56 (or 67 for Cinques). The blocks are perfectly regular and, of course, can be used in either Caters or Cinques.

The transposition in Caters of a 5, 6. 16 from 123456 is 213654. which is a very simple variant of the 321654 produced by the usual 5,16 .
It is my hope that the use of these blocks and others equally simple, which can probably be produced, will lead to the adoption of the eight $\ldots .556$ s and $\ldots .65$ s as the rule rather than the exception.

ADVANCED COMPOSITION
Once this has been achieved, more complicated compositions could be attempted. To encourage this. I would suggest that some means of identification of compositions is long means of identification of compositions is ong
overduc. It would be most helpful also for composers to know which of their compositions find favour. Perhaps the Central Council would give the matter some thought. They might inaugurate a central register of compositions or suggest, at least, that any original composition must be identifiable by a serial number together with the composer's name.

As an example of a composition deliberately made difficult (to obtain the music of the 6th in 2nds place in the middle of the course hut out of it at course ends, plus all the eight.. .56 s and 65 s ) here is a peal which has only once been rung, to my knowledge. conducted by J. E. Chilcott, although there have heen several attenints.

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In conclusion, the object of this article is to try to raise the accepted standards of Stedman Caters and Cinques peal ringing. 1 should like to see the use of fixed 2nds place hell compositions come to be regarded only as a stepping stone for first peals.

The compositions included are only examples, but each of them could be the basis of a collection like Carter's 217 peals of Stedman Cinques. or in fact. the 7.220 peals in Carter's "Circuits of Stedman Caters." There is also plenty of scope for new blocks, variations on those given and different arrangements for the back bclls.
There are composers willing to provide these. given the encouragement of you-the ringers and conductors.
(Concluded)

## OBITUARY

MR. J. R. MAIN
Fincdon Church and parish. Nomhants. has lost a most farhful and esteemed servant by the death. on November 28 th, of Mr. John Robert (Johnny) Main, at his home, 23. Union Street. Finedon. He was 77 years of age and is survived by his widow.
Born in Finedon, he joined the church choir at the age of eight and went into the belfry when this voice broke at 13. He quickly developed the art of change ringing. although he was 18 before he rang his first peal. 'Johnny', was an excellent method ringer. Of his 150 peals he conducted several. With the late Mr. George Basford, his tower captain and friend. he rang 99 peals-inness of Mr. Basford prevented them from ringing the 100th. His favourite methods were Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Superlative.
Hesides being a regular and faithful service ringer, he held many other offices. For five vears he was Ringing Master of the Wellingborough District-and his fatherly approach 10 younger ringers was often commented upon. He was also a sidesman, an organ blower and. in the latter yeiurs of his life. verger, an office he held at the time of his death.

Ii was his wish that his body should be in the church overnight, prior to his funeral. This was conducted by his Vicar, the Rev. J. C. Gill. Mre Hirst Cuttell was at the organ and the choir was also in attendance.

At noon, on the list day of November, his hody was finally laid to rest within sound of the church belts. John Robert Main leaves. with the parishioners of Finedon, a wonderful example of devolion 10 God and church. Rest eternal. grant umto him. O Lord, may light perpetual shine upon him.
E. J.C.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Thirty ringers attended the Mansfield District meeting held at Edwinstowe on November 19 th . visitors attending from as far apart as Nottingham and Chesterfield. Ringing in a variety of methods preceded a short service. conducted by the Vicar. Rev. W. H. Pickles. In a short address he welcomed everyonc to Edwinstowe.
Mr. S. W. Fessey. district chairman. presided at the business meeting when four new ringing members and ene non-resident life member were elected. They were: Mrs. M. Wood. J. Mabbolt. J. Penistone and $\mathbf{H}$. Cartlidge. all of Edwinstowe. and Mrs. Silcock. of Chesterfield. The Hell Fund collection realised 12s. 7d.
The customary voies of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the ladies for the excellent tea. Ringing continued until shortly after 9 p.m. methods rung ranging from. rounds and call changes to London Surprise.
D. H. R.


##  <br> Christmas Greetings to All Readers <br> 

THE RINGING WORLD' COMMITTEE, the Editor and staff send their Christmas greetings 10 all readers. May the joy of ringing Christmas bells be in the hearts of all who ring and their families.
Greetings to all English ringers with best wishes from the CHRISTCHURCH (New Zeatland) SOCIETY OF BELL RINGERS.G. N. Sloan, Hon. Sec.

The ringers of ST. MARY'S. APSLEY, send Chris:mas greetings to their many ringing friends. espectally all who helped to make the outing so successful. May the Christmas spirit prevail throughout the coming year. 7118
Christmas greetings to all. especially to those far away and in faraway places. Jennie ARMSTRONG. Morpeth.

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A happy Christmas to all ringers and ringing friends of ours. wherever they may be. and may the New Year bring good health and every happiness to you all--Mr. and Mrs. W. Aroadclyst. Devan.

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Mr. Peter N. BOND sends sincere greetings and all good wishes for a blessed. happy and holy Christmas and happy New Year to all ringing friends, especially fellow-Cumberlands. 7116

Heartiest Christmas greetings to the Master, Deputy Master, secretary, report secretary, peals secretary, branch officials. and all my other friends in the Chester Diocesan Guild. John KINGDON.

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The bellingers of CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. VICTORIA. B.C.. Canada. send their best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to their ringing friends in the United Kingdon and elsewhere.
The ringers of DANBURY (Essex). send Chrisumas greetings to all their friends. once itgain. and best wishes for the New Year, and plenty of good ringing in the months ahead.

Christmas greetings.-To all ringers and friends who have visited the Peak District on any occasion. We send our kindest greetings and sincere wishes for Christmas and the coming year. On behalf of the PEAK DISTRICT branch of THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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E. T. Paul FIELD. Marshfield. Knole, Langport. extends. to aH his ringing friends best wishes for Chnistmas and the New Year and takes this opportunity of tendering heartfelt thanks for the many kindnceses shown to him in 1960 .

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Christmas greetings to Aldenham. Cromer and Monken Hadley biands. and a special werd of thanks to those long suffering tower masters, and others. who have put up with us. -Donald. John and Ian FRANKS. Radlett. Herts.

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The season's warmest greetings to all my ringing friends and colleagues. with many thanks for their patience and instruction during the past year. especially Wikon, Salisbury and Southampton towers.-Edward A. HAINES. Wilton. Salisbury. Wilts.

From Mr. and Mrs. F. I. HAIP friends.-Greotings and best wishes for 1961 -Normanis Cottage. Park Corner, Groombridge. Sussex. Tel. Groombridge 438.7108

> A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all ringers. especially the St . Margaret's. Leicester. and St. Mary's, Queniborough. singers and friends. also the Leicester and Syston District Guilds singers. with best wishes from Frank P. HARWOOD

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A very happy Christmas, and fraternal Wivhe, of prosperill in the Neth. Year, 10 all iriends avoimsted with bells. -J. Arthur HOARE. 6, Ciendrus Crexent. Fiorestfast Swanve.

Sincere Christmas greetings to all members of the Sussex County Association, remembering. especially, those who are ill and those no longer able to ring.-Reginald V. JOHNSON, Master.

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David. Frances, George and Hilda MASSEY, of Frome. Somerset, send Christmas greetings to all ringing friends. We wish you happiness. good heilth and good ringing in the New

Best wishes to all ringing friends for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.Denis MOTTERSHEAD. Wilmslow, Cheshire. 7143
Wishing all our ringing friends. everywhere. a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and bright New Year-N.S.T.G., Nailsea, in the county of Zummerzet.
Greetings and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all ringing friends from Mr. and Mrs. E. D. POOLE, Marlow, Bucks.

7126
The ringers of EMMANUEL CHURCH, PLYMOUTH, extend best wishes to all friends. both old and new, at home and abroad. for Christmas and the New Year. A hearty welcome awaits all ringers at Emmanuel in 1961.
To all ringing friends, far and near, a very happy Christmas and good wishes throughout the year for 1961, is the sincere wish of Mrs. E. H. PULLING, 144, Woodside Road. Guildford.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. F. SMALLWOOD send sincere greetings to all ringing friends. Best wishes for a happy Christmas, good health. good ringing and prosperity in the coming year.-Darley Dane. Matlock. 7106
All good wishes for Ctristmas and the New Year to ringing friends everywhere.-Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth and Rosemary. 7139

Greetings to ald my ringing friends. A very merry Christmas and happy and prosperous New Year.-Evelyn STEEL. Biddenham. Beds.

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To all our ringing friends 'everywhere.' inchuding 'our. 'Ringing World and the Editor. our best wishes for Christmas-and all it means and brings-and good health. prosperity and happy ringing for 1961 and succeeding years.-W. Frank and Ada STENSON. 'North Col.' 142. Minshull New Road. Crewe.

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all ringers and friends from Mr. and Mrs. E STITCH. 233. Penn Road. Wolverhampton. Stafts.

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T.o all our dear friends-and ringers every-where-we wish you all a most happy Christmis. good health and prosperity in the coming year. Should we not reach you through the post this year. our thoughts and wishes will be no less sincere.-DEE BEE, and E. B. VINC.ENT (and the dogs). "Mere Heyes House. High Legh. Knutsford. Cher

## THE DRAGON MAJOR


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## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK

WEIGHTED CLAPPER.-Sometimes referred to as a balanced clapper. and is used in the biggest of the bells. The impact of a clapper of normal design on a large bell would invite cracking the bell and so to avoid this happening a clapper of special design is used which reduces the force of impact. Instead of being hinged or hung at one end. a weighted clapper is hinged part way down the shank or stem in order to provide a balance to counteract and. to some degree. control the swinging force of the clapper ball.

WHITTINGTON.-This change is also musical and popular but, in my opinion, it is the anticipation of hearing the last threc bells striking (in a similar order to the Queen's change) which produces the 'finishing touch." The Whittington change is for not less than eight bells. when the order of striking is 12753468 . On ten bells the change is 3124975680 . and on twelve bells is 531246E9780T.

WHOLE PULL. Whole pull change ringing is very little practised but it means that changes in the order of striking are made only at each handstroke. This, as you will appreciate. results in a repetition of cach of the handstroke changes at every succeeding backstroke.

Whole pull right is when a bell is making a place at first handstroke and then at back-stroke-and all bells in a forward hunting method, e.g., Plain Bob, lead whole pulls right.

Whole pull wrong is when a bell is making a place at first backstroke and then handstroke, and only in such backward hunting methods as London Surprise and in such principles as Erin and Stedman do whole pulls wrong occur

WORKING BELL.-A working bell is one which does the work of the method. For instance, the treble bell in Plain Bob is not a working bell because it merely plain hunts and does not dodge at the lead end. But al the other bells which dodge at the lead end are working bells. The treble in any Treble Boh or Surprise method is not a working bell because it does not do the work of the method. In Grandsire the treble and the tenor covering are not working bells. In a principle such as Stedman, the treble is a working bell because it does the same work as the other bells. The tenor covering is not a working bell as. clearly, anyone could ring this bell even to a peal and still know absolutely nothing of Stedman's principle.
WRONG.-Wrong in even bell methods is the label given to a call (Bob or Single) when the bell which the observation hell is coursing is in the Home position. To explain by examples: in Plain Bob Minor the Wrong position is when the observation bell is dodging in 5-6 up: in Plain Bob Major the Wrong position is when the observation hell is dodeing in 7-8 up: in Plain Bob Royal it is when the observation bell is dodging in $9-10$ up and in Plain Bob Maximus in $11-12$ up. To explain by another way. the Wrong position in any Minor method is when the observation bell is striking in fifth's place at the backstroke lead end. Major in seventh's place. Royal in ninth's place and Maximus in eleventh's place.
Wrong in odd bell methods is the label given to a call when the bell which the observation bell is being coursed by is in the Home position. In Grandsire Triples it is when the ohservation bell is dodging in 6-7 down-in sixth's place at the lead end: and so on.

CHIURCH EATON, STAFFS.-On Nov, 25tb. 1.2 An Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob. Grandsire): R. L. Hawkesworth 1. R. J. Warrilow 2. Mrs. E. M. Key 3. B. G. Key (cond.) 4. Robert J. Warrilow S. H. W. Jones, Rector of this parish, moriam funeral took place this day.
ROTHERHAM. YORKS.-On Nov. 27ih. 1.232 Plain Boh Maior: A. Holroyd (lomeest lenght) 1. Mary Alkin:on 2. Alrs, M. Rurbs 3. Susan Chaddoik 4. R. Wooustrat 5, P. Walker 6, B . D. Eucharist.

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## MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Peak District.-Meeting at Burbage, Buxton, on Saturday, December 17th. 3 p.m. Cups of tea only, at $5 \mathrm{p.m}$. All welcome.-H. E. Taylor, DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Derby and Ilkeston District.-Annual meating on Saturday. December 17th. at St. Peter's, Derby. Hells ( 8 ) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea, in Church Hall. 5 p.m.. followed by business meeting. WLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Rural Branch. - Annual meeting. Henbury (8). December 17th. Bells 3 p.m. Service and tea to follow. Please make effort to attend.-F. Hussey, 39. Gordon Avenue. Bristal,

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION:St. Albaris District-Meeting. Hatfield. Saturday. December 17th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.. in Memorial Hall. Names for tea to Miss A. Chapman, 18, Endymion Road, Hatfield. Tel. Hatfield 2191.-S. Huckle, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION-Blackburn Branch. -The Chartes W. Blakey Memorial Table and Visitors Book will be dedicated on Saturday, December 17th, at Rishton Parish Church. A cordial invitation is extended to all who wish to attend. The arrangements will be as follows: 3 p.m., bells available for ringing; 4, service, conducted by Rev. W. Brandwood, Vicar of Rishton: preacher, Rev R. D. St. John Smith, president of the L.A.C.R.: 5 p.m. (approx.) tea. There will be further ringing after tea.-John Pilkington. Branch Sec.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Manchester Branch.-Meeting at St. James', Birch-inRusholme, Saturday, December 17 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, December 14th, to Miss Dorothy France, 61. Bulkeley Road. Cheadle, Cheshire.-W. H. Riddle, Sec. 7100
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting. Aldrington (6), Saturday. December 17 th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.-George North, Div. Hon. Sec. 7083

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LADIES GUILD. - Central District. Quarterly meeting on December 31st, at Stanmore. Ringing from 3-5 p.m.. followed by servicc. Tea and short business meeting in the Churah House, then further ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Leversuch, 21 , Abercorn Road, Stanmore. Gentlemen cordially invited.

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Thrapston Branch.-Annual meeting, Thrapston (8), January 7th. Names for teas by Tuesday previous. usual arrangements.-L. Witten. 4, John Street. Thrapston, Kettering.

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UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION-Dinner, London, January 7th (15s. Undergraduates, others £1). Ringing: Wandsworth H.T.: 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.; Mortlake 1 to 2 p.m.: Chiswick 2.15 to 3.15 : St. Clement Danes 4 to 5.30 (followed by service). Dinner at the Victoria,' 6.30 for 7 p.m. A circular will be sent to everyone interested. Tour: Tring. Herts. August 18 th to 26ih.-D. J. Roaf. Trinity College. Cambridge.

The Cheltenham Committee for Education in conjunction with The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.
To start on Wednesday, January 11th, 1961. at 7 p.m. a course on BELL RINGING, running for 11 weeks, at Monkscroft County Secondary School. Cheltenham. Full details and forms of application may be obtained from Miss E. M. Bliss. Beech Pike. Elkstane. Cherenham. The course will be of interest to ringers at all stages, and is open to anyone. Fee: under 18 5s.. over 18 Gs-C. Rouse, Gen. Sec..

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> UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETYAnnual dinner, January 21st, 1961. This event is now open to all members of University Societies. Full day's ringing programme. Details by sending 16 s . to M. R. Rose, 6 , Kingsland Road, Shepton Mallet, Somerset, before Janwary 14th. Mark envelopes 'U.L. Dinner.' Cheques payable to U.L.S.C.R

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual committee meeting will be held in the Church House, Salisbury, on Saturday, January 28th, 1961. Details later.-W. C. West, Hon. Gen. Sec.

NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. A dinaer will be held at the University, on Saturday, February 18th, 1961. Funther details later.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

One of the happiest mectings of the year took place at Thrybergh on December 3rd when, despite inclement weather, about 30 members and friends gathered to enjoy a variety of ringing from rounds, call changes and Plain Bob to London Surprise Minor.
The majority of those attending were teenagers. including a number of girl guides and boy scouts, in the local company, who shortly hope to acquire their ringer's badge. A free tea was provided in the Church Hall, newly painted by the church troop of Boy Scouts. The centre table was adorned by the beautifus Doncaster and District Society Silver Cup. which Thrybargh Company have won for Sunday sarvice ringing attendance over the past two years. The business meeting was presided over by the Rector, the Rev. J. K. Dixon, and it was a pleasure to have the company of his charming wife at tea.
One new member (Miss Christine Armeson. of Rotherham). was eleoted. Details of a week-end course in bellringing at Grantley Hall. near Ripon. Yorks, were given. The course will take place on Saturday and Sunday, March 18th and 19th. The president (Mr. H. O. Chaddock) remarked how pleased he was to see Mr. John J. L. Gilbert, fit and well and back in action after his recent indisposition. The meeting ended with the usual votes of thanks and the secretary announced that the next meeting would be at Sheffield on January 7th.

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## THE BELLS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHESTER

MUCH interest has been aroused in Chester, and indeed much further afield, by an announcement in the press that the Vicar and wardens desire to sell the ring of six/ bells and to place the money in the general fund for the restoration of the church. For the first time, it would appear, many of the citizens, including some of the parishioners, have become aware of the fact that there are bells in the tower. Certainly they had not been heard for a very long time.
The tower is unique in that it stands on arches at the south end of Chester's famous Rows, those raised sidewalks which visitors find so attractive and from which access to the church is gained. The first tower, replacing a timber belfry which housed three bells of medixval date, was built in 1710, and young Rudhall must have watched the building with interest and anticipation. He was at that time in the city, hanging the new six at St. John's, a tower which later achieved some local fame from its association with the 'Gentlemen Bellringers.' At St. Michael's. however, Rudhall was not fortunate, and the old three bells, together with the sanctus, were hung in the new tower.
Fifteen years later there was evidently a strong desire in the parish for a ring of the 'musical ' bells which Rudhall had made so popular, and the matter was finally settled at a meeting held on May 30th, 1726, when it was ' unanimously agreed \& resolved by the inhabitants of the said parish that there shall be six Tuneable bells hung in the steeple instead of the three bells now hanging in the said Steeple.' The wardens were empowered to act, and they gave the contract to Rudhall who took away the three mediæval bells and the sanctus. the latter being recast.

In due course the new bells arrived from Gloucester and were weighed in the presence of a large gathering, the occasion being marked by a liberal allowance of liquid refreshment. Sir Richard Grosvenor, whose name appeared on the tenor, gave a donation of $£ 20$, a-windfall which called for further celebration. The total weight of the bells was 30 cwt . 2 qr . 7 lb .

The tower was in poor shape as early as 1815 , but it was not until 1849 that it was taken down, having by that time become dangerous. A new structure was erected which was considerably larger than its predecessor, but again the right of way through the Rows meant that the tower must rest on arches. In an obvious attempt to re-
duce the weight of stonework above, large windows were made at the second stage, that on the east looking into the nave of the church. The west wall was further weakened by a spacious recess made to accommodate the clock movement. The louvre openings too were large, and the bonding of the masonry left much to be desired. However, the bells were duly installed in their old frame, and all seemed well.

There were some keen change-ringers at St. Michael's later in the century, as records of their achievements plainly show, and the ringing chamber was also a place where handbell ringing was much practised. However, the ringers were eventually forced to abandon their major activity for an ugly crack developed in the west wall and the tower was declared unsufe for ringing. The bells were last rung to mark the occasion of the Queen's jubilee in 1897, after which they were 'clocked' and hymn tunes hammered out before the services, a practice which continued until about 20 years ago. Since that time they have not been heard at all.

The belfry became a home for hundreds of the city pigeons, and the droppings eventualty covered the floor and reached almost to the headstocks. As might be expected, the weight caused the floor to sag, and yet another dangerous situation had to be dealt with, the filth being shovelled into sacks, lowered to Row level, and carried to waiting vehicles in the street below.

After being buried for so long the bells can now be seen again. The trebles carry stock Rudhall inscriptions and the tenor is of course inscribed with the name of Sir Richard Grosvenor while the others carry the names of the wardens. The frame and fittings are naturally in a poor if not dangerous condition, and would be better moved from the tower which is itself badly in need of attention.

In the light of what has been written above it is clear that the parish is faced with a very difficult problem-the restoration of the whole of the church fabric. ' The tower is in such a state that even the dead weight of the bells and frame is viewed with concern, hence the proposition to offer the ring for sale. The matter will eventually come before the Chancellor, and while it would be unwise to anticipate his decision it is reasonable to suppose that he may grant a faculty for the sale of the complete ring to another church where the bells could be again used for their intended purpose. It is unlikely, however. that permission would be given for the bells to be sold singly.
J. W. C.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

ASTON. BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes. At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt .3 qr .18 lb . in D .


## TEN BELL PEALS

## BUCKFAST, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., Nov. 26, 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes, At the Abbey Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 41 cwt .1 qr .3 lb .


Composed by G. Ronald Edwardes. Conducted hy John M. Jelley.

* First peal on ten bells.


## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Thurs., Dec. 1, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

Af the Cathidral Church of Sr. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenon 31 cwt .21 lb . in D.

| Norman J. Goodman | .. Treble | Barrie Hendry .. | .. | .. | 6 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Roderick W. Pipe . . | $\ldots$ | 2 | David J. Purnell | . | .. | 7 |  |  |
| Bryan D. A. Woolley | $\ldots$ | 3 | George E. Fearn | . | . | 8 |  |  |
| John Pinfold | .. | .. | $\ldots$ | 4 | John A. Anderson | .. | .. | 9 |

W. Bertram Kynaston

Composed by W. Pye.
Conducted by Peter Border.

## LEYLAND, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat. 1 Dec. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 24 Minures,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL Tenor 23 cwt . 20 lb . ir E flat.

| Stanley Walmsley | Treble | Arthur Rigby |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas Barker | 2 | Donald Lawson |
| John H. Gartside | 3 | Lawrence Walmsley |
| Maryl R. Crossihwaite | 4 | *Derek Heaton |
| John Jack | 5 | Cyril Crossthwalie |

Composed by Edwin Timbrell. Conducted by Stanley Walmsley. * First peal of Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.
ST. LAURENCE-IN-THANET. KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Laurence.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB RUYAL Tenor 16 cwt .6 lb . in E .
 +Den. A. Chapman
Composed by George W. Debenham.
Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.

* First peal on ten bells. $\ddagger$ First of Royal. $\ddagger 100$ th peal. First of Royal as conductor.

SOUTHAMPTON
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes. At The Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 BRISTOL SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor $16 t \mathrm{cwt}$. in $\mathbf{F}$.

| * Derek C. Jackson | Treble | R. Roger Savory |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jessie M. Kippin | 2 | Tom Chapman |
| Rev. K. W. H. Felstead | ) 3 | Maurice J. Builer. |
| Nelia M. Leahy | . 4 | Adrian J. Tumber |
| M. Elizam:th Chapman | 5 | Charles H. Kippin |

M. Elizabrith Chapman

Composed by F. E. Darby.
Conducted by Charles H. Kippin.

* First 10 -bcll peal. First of Bristol Royal in the county, by the Guild, and by all the band except the ringers of the second and tenor.

BRISTOL
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
eginald G. Hooper tenor 23 cwt .
Treble *Alan F. Lee
*Doreen Cox
*Richard J. Bowden
*Richard J. Bowden .. 7
David J. Purnell
Patrick J. Bird
D. John Hunt
*Donald E. CobB ... ... Tenor
Anthony E. Cox
Anthony W. T. Cleaver
Conducted by Anthony E. Cox

* First peal of Cambridge Royal. First in the method and of Royal as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hancock, of St. Mary Redcliffe, on the occasion of their silver wedding celebration.

## DERBY.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sal.. Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
At the Cathedral. Church of All, Sainis,
A PEAL OF 5040 DERBYSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 19 cwt .1 lb . in D flat.
Roy Stephenson Tenor 19 cwt. 1 . . Treble Roger Baldwin ... ..
David J. Marshall... .. 2 Denis A. Frith.. .. .. .. 7
Mrs. P. A. M. Halls . . 3 Denis R. Carlisle ..

| Harold Taylor | .. | . | 4 | Ian M. Holland | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Gordon A. Halls | . | .. | 5 | James H. Pailing | . |

Composed by D. R. Carlisle. Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.
WRINGTON, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, i/h 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB ROYAL C.C.C. No. 239.

Vicior G. Roberts. . . . Treble
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2
Arihur H. Reed
Don C. Exell
John Brain
enor $37 \mathrm{cwt}$.13 lb .

Brynley A. Shackleton
John R. Ketteringham
Composed by James Motis
Conducted by John H. Gilbert
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.
Rung without previous practice.

> DERBYSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL $\times 30 \times 14 \times 50 \times 16 \times 1270 \times 18 \times 34 \times 50 \times 1458 \times 50$ L. $-\mathrm{e} .1907856342 \quad$ Clean.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## GOOLE, YORKSHIRE

THE GOOLE, YORKSHIRE.
On Sat., Nob. 5, 1960 , in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.
A PEAL THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST, 5280 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

OAKHAM, RUTLAND
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 5, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAIOR
Tenor 24 cwt .
Roger Baldwin .. .. Treble| Peter B. Knights .. ..
Pat A. M. Halls
Clive W. Walklate
James H. Pailing
Gordun A. Halls

Composed by G. A. Halls. Conducted by Michael R. Blore,
Rung in memoriam Ben Barker. for many years a faithful ringer at St. Peter's Church, Derby.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. On Sat., Nov. 19, 1960. in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt .3 yr. 3 lb , in A.


Composed by Stifuren J. Ivin 50th peal on the bells. $t$ First of Yorkshire Surprise Major.

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 19. 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwt . in E.
*Nicholas W. H. Simon Treble | Roger G. Havard Edmond J. R. Hartley.. Adrian F. R. Hartley.. 4 Composed by T. R. Pritchard. William J Goodfeliow Geoffrey J. B. Stickland 7 Bryn Taylor (17) .. .. Tenor Conducted by Bryn Taylor. * First peal attempt. aged 14. First as conductor

Rung as a compliment to Mr. R. T. White, who has been verger at Llandaft Cathedral for 25 years.

TUNSTALL. STAFFORDSHIRE
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Nov. 26. 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 9 cwt .



## BUSHEY. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thurs., Dec. 1. 196(), in 2 Hours and 48 Minures,
At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .
John E. Rouifs .. . . Treble| Christopher W. Woolley

| Kenneih R. Dunsian | . | 2 | H. George Hari | . . | . | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Elsie K. Hari.. | . | . | 3 | Nevile Jenkins | . | .. | 7 |

Elsie K. Hari.. .
renor
Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by Geoffrey W. Sfaman.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL AT THE ChURCH OF ST MARY. MISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt . 2 qr .4 ib . in G.
Alfred Ballard .. .. Treble *A. Maxwell Lindsty
W. Ernest Rawson. . . 2 Maritin C. Faulkes E. Alan Jacques .. .. 3 J. Edward Cawser.

Composed by Arthur Knights.
Russell S. Morris
John M. Jelley . . . . Tenor * First peal in the method.
Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF RIRMINGHAM On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the R.C. Abbey of SS. Thomas and Edmund of Canierbury,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 3 gr .16 lb . in F
Claudia A. Critchley .. Truble Bryan D. A. Woolley .. 5
Norman V. Harding ... $\frac{2}{3}$ Juhn McDonald ... .. 6
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { George E. Fearn ... } & 3 & 3 & \text { John A. Anderson.. } & \text {.. } 7 \\ \text { G. William Critchley } & 7 & 4 & \text { Peter Border ... .. } & \text { Tellur }\end{array}$
G. Willtam Critchley ... 4 Peter Burder ....... Tellor
Composed by Siephen Ivin. Conducted by Peier Border.

FINEDON. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Dec. 3. 1960, in 3 Hours and 20. Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-Part,
*Malcolm King
John King

+ Noel Pearson
- Eric Chapman

Tenor 21 cwt .
Treble Harry Richardson Geoffrey E. Watson William J. Whitmore Charles Richardson Charles Richard

* First peal of Triples. + First peal.

Rung half-muffied as a last tribute to John R. Main, a regular ringer at this church for over 60 years.

## HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5184 WHITMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb . in $A$.
H. George Hart .....Treble | Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. 5

Elsie K. Hart ..
Joe E. G. Roast
John R. Mayne
Dennis A. S. Symonds
Howard W. Egglestone Tenor Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells.
HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, At the Church of Si. John-the-Baptist,
Pritchard's.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's. Tenor $21: \mathrm{cwt} .1 \mathrm{qr} .22 \mathrm{lb}$. in E flat. | John Hill | $\ldots$ | .. | Treble | †Anihony R. Turley | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Michael W. Seymour | $\cdots$ | 2 | William H. Coles.. | .. | 6 |  |
| Frank C. Price |  | 3 | †Albert R. G. Twinn | . | 7 |  | Frank C. Price ... ... 4 a 4 Arthur D. Barker.. .. Tenor Conducted by Frank C. Price.

- First peal of Major, t First of Plain Bob Major. The conductor has now "circled the tower."
Rung as a compliment to Mrs. G. Goodfellow, who has been at ringer at this church for 40 years.


## HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
a peal of 5056 PLAIN bOB MAJOR Tenor $10+$ cwt.
*Richard Newman . . . Treble William J. Newman
Mrs. J. Thomas .. .. 2 Joseph E. Newman.
Mrs. P. Harris

| Joseph E. Newman... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ralph Harris ... .. | .. | 7 |

Joseph D. Johnson .. 4 Pairick Harris.. . . Tenut
Composed by F. Bennerr.
Conducted by Joseph D. Juhnsun.

* First peal of Major.

Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Angela M. Chapman (only daughter of the Rev. W. B. and Mrs. Chapman, of Hinton) to Mr. Roger S. Holdsworth. which was solemnised at All Hallows' Church, Almondbury. Yorks, the same day.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
Ar the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Sianley E. Bennett ... Treble John G. Ames
*Dennis Woods .. .. 2 Frank Taylor
J. Martin Thorley

Trevor A. Bevis
Cyril R. Burrell $\quad . \quad 7$
*Alan G. Payne ..... ${ }^{4}$
Composed by J. R. Prichard.

* First peal of Major 'inside.'

Conducted by J. Mariin Thorley.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minules.
Ai ihe Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 131 cwt .
 $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { E. Winifred Keys .. } & \text {. } & 2 & \text { Basil W. White } & \text {.. } & 6 \\ \text { Edgar R. Rapley } & \text {. } & \text {. } & 3 & \text { Leonard Sillwell } & \text {.. } & 7 & 7\end{array}$ Angela Grainger ..... 4 W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tehor Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.

## QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 BIDDENDEN SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
IVor Goulter .. .. .. Treble Victor Griffin
lesley J. Bladon $\cdot .$.
Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 3 Anthony R. Peake.
Shirley M. Parsons $\operatorname{li}^{2} 4$ Brian Bladon ... ... .. Tehor Composed by Stephen lvin. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

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

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SUTTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin
A PEAL OF 5152 KENT \& OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Ilkeston variation.

Margaret A. Swann
*C. Roger Asher +Daphne P. Brown. tClaire Dillamorf:..

## FIVE

## AND SIX BELL PEALS

## WHITSTONE, DEVON

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Sat., Oct. 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, at the Church of St. Katherine,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

*First peal of Major. $\dagger$ First of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob

Tenor 16 cwt . in F .
$\dagger$ Louis Willders
Peter A. Sharp $\dagger$ Geoffrey R. Parker
Jack L. Millhouse .. Tenor Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. Major.

## WICKEN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sal.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. John-the-Evangelist.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
William A. Yailis ..Treble Fredericic. C. Case
*James Linnell .. .. 2 Thomas E. Roberis
Willam J. Chesier .. 3 George W. Holland
*Charles E. Truman $\begin{gathered}\text { Arranged and Conducted by George E. Green. }\end{gathered}$

* First peal in the method. The conductor's 50th peal, and his 25th on the bells.
Rung as a compliment to the conductor's wife on the birth of a son. WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Mimutes,
Ar the Church of St. John-IHe-Baplist.

A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
H. Johnson's Six-Part. *David P. Hiliing. †Monica M. Bi.agrove $\dagger$ Pamela M. Jervis.: J. KEITH WARD

Treble
Howard OGlesby Frederick R. Scotit Euward S. T. Farr. Frank T. Blagroye
nk T. Biagrove.
Conducted by Frank T. Bi agro
Major. $\dagger$ First in the method.

* First peal of Major. † First in the method.
MILNROW LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Dec. 4, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
A PEAL, Ar THE CHURCH OF ST, JAMES. 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
Comprising 2,688 Cambridge and 2,368 Yorkshire. with 93 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Middleton's.
 tjohn P. Partington tGeoffrey S. Mills

Being seven extents
*Frank W. Bye
C. Wannell 2 Sidney F. Skinner

Sidney F. Skinn
Frank D. Mack
Conducled by Sidney F. Skinner.
*First true peal.
ROWBERROW. SOMERSET.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Wed., Nov. 30, 1960, in 2 Hotrs and 27 Minutes, Ar the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES


Conducted by Ruysion Blackler.
*First peal. $\dagger$ First of Doubles. $\ddagger$ First 'inside $\cdot$ and as collductor of Grandsire Doubles.

SULGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE:
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Dec. 2, 1960, ir 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. At The Church of St. James. A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Carter's Principle: Bcing 42 extents (live callings). Tenor 10 cwt 3 gr . Charles E. Truman .. Treble Montague Saundirs .. 4 Barky E. Saunders .. .. 2 William A. Yates .. .. 5 James Linnell .. .. .. 3 J. George Shellard .. Tenor Conducted by William A. Yares.
First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and for the Guild.

COLCHESTER. FSSEX.
TIIE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
(In Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minures
Ai 1 he Church of Si. Leonard-al-1hl-Hyihe, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Sinyle Oxford. Kent Treble Bob. Oxford Treble Bob, and four of Plain Bob. Bernard W. Fairhead .. Treble *John Avis William J. Brunt .. .. 2 Adrian G. Semken .. 4 George W. Barnes ... .. 3 Urban W. Wildney .. Temor Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.

* First peal "inside.'

Rung before the opening service of the Parish Mission. when the Church Army missioners were commissioned by the Lord Bishop of Colchester.

COUNTESTHORPE. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,

Being seven extents in six methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Double Oxford Bob, (3) St. Clement's Bob, (4) Oxford Treble Bob. (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .17 lb . RUSSELL S. Morris.. ..Treble Robert A. Southwood... 4 | John M. Jelley | .. | .. | 2 | A. James Poynor | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Brian | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| S. Chapman | .. | 3 | Joinn J. Murris.. | .. | . Tenor |  | Conducted by John M. Jelley.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.
GAYTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.
At the Chitrch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 IMOUBLES
Consisting of six six-scores each of Plain Bob, Old. Norfolk. April
Day, Reverse St. Bartholomew. All Saints` and Reverse Canterbury.


Conducted by Kenneih D. Plerins.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First in seven methods.

GREAT LIVERMORE, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. at the Church or St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
John Sonnes .. .. .. Treble Ronald J. Johnston
 Basil Jones
Composed by C. Kennein Lewis Brian Harris

Conducted by Basii Jonis. lirst peal in the method hy all the hand, on the hells, and for the Guild.
of St. Martin's, St.
ire (four callings).
Being 1.200 each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob (four callings), and 1,440 Grandsire (four callings); Arthur F. Ballam .. .. Treble Mrs. H. Ivings.

Richard J. Stannard
John E. Ivings
Henry Ivingis
Conducled by Arthir F. Ballam.

## HATHERN, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Petier and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Bcing 42 exteats in ten methods, viz.: One extent each of Huntspill and New Beh, six of Grandsire and two of Reverse St. Bartholomew four each of Rev. Canterbury, Winchendon Place Boh, St. Nicholas', Plain Bob. St. Martin's and St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Rev. Canterbury.
Tom Harris
Crila Cowiey
David Swify


Tenor

* First peal. First of Doubles by all the band

HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two different extents each of Oxford and Kent: Trehle Boh and three different extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .

| James Thorlily | $\ldots$ | . | Treble | G. Fred Terry.. | .. | . | 4 |
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| Ronald Lunn | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Join J. Taylor.. | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |

*Russeli. Stephenson .. 3 Leslie M. Woodhead . . Tenor
Conducted hy Leslie M. Woodhfad.

* First peal in three methods.

MARLESFORD. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sur., Dec. 3. 1960. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different 720's.
*john Marjoram
Jack Pilgrim
Raymond Preck
Treble
2 Alan S. Pip John W. Blythe Peter S. Bedford
Conducted by John W. Blythe.
*First peal.
ROTHLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
At the: Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Lohn-thi:-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt .2 gr. 17 lh . in F sharp. Gfoffrey M. Ei: win ..Treble *J. Richard Primins Judith A. M. COX . . .. 2 Charles V. Catiflit. Dfrek M. Sawyer

Conducied by John B. Bennfit
Tenor
Plain Boh Minor.
SADDLEWORTH. YORKSHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960. in 2 Hours and 45 Minules,
At the Church of St. Chad,
In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's College Bob and two each of Oxford Treble Bob. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Boh. Tenor 10 cwt . 1 qr . 6 th. in G .
Gordon Rumney
*F. Michael. Quinn.
Treble
2 Michafl. D. Fishwick Michael. D. Fi
John Robinson
John P. Partington
Conducted hy John Robinson
ohn Robinson.

* First peal in four methods. First as conductor in four methods.

SHAPWICK. SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saf., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 54 Mimutes. At the Chlercil of Si. Mary-the:-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE, DOLBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).
*Alan Kfni
Marjorif Legg
Howard Collings

Treble
2
3 John Prime Non-conducted.

* First peal of Doubles. $\dagger$ First of Grandsire Doubles.

SOUTH WEALD, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In 11 methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham, (3) Carlisle, (4) Chester and Munden, (5) Beverley and Surfleet. (6) Ipswich. (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 15 cwt .
*Gerald K. Goldwin .. Treble *John L. Fennell
*Colin M. Tiffin . . .. 2 Laurfnce H. Turner
*Robfrt J. Isgrove.. . . 3 Harry Turner.. .. . Tenor Conducted by Harry Turnfr.

* First peal in more than seven methods.

STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY. THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one 720 of Double Oxford and St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise. Oxford Treble Boh and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.
William T. Beeson .. Treble I Stanley G. Ponting
*Jit.l M. Lane .. .. .. 2 Dougi.as A. R. May
*Christine M. Harbott. 3 A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

* First peal of Minor in six methods.


## TENDRING. ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saf.. Dec. 3. 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. Ai Ihr Church of St. Einmund, A PEAL OF 5040 MIINOR
Being extents of St. Clements, Double Court. Oxford Boh. Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Boh. Oxford Treble Boh and Plain Boh Tenor $7 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Mrs. Violet A. Hales .. Treble Arthur G. Button
Ronald G. Bugg . . . 2 Edward E. Davey
Alan R. Andrews .. .. 3 Walter Ruffles .. . . Tellor
Conducted by Alan R. Andrews. THAKEHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minifes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents.
*Michael J. Wake .. .. Treble Marian Skinner
Charles B. Skinner -. 2 Bfnjamin W. Farhaili.
Robert Waki: .. .. .. 3 Raymond P. Wood .. . Tenor Conducted by Raymond P. Wood.

* First peal.

Rung as a compliment to Canon H. T. Mogridge on heing made
Rector of the united parish of Thakeham with Warminghurst.
WORTH. SUSSEX.
THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Nicholas, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Boh, two of Oxford Treble Boh and three of Plain Boh. Tenor 9 cwt .
*John Warnfr .. .. . . Treble Colin A. Tester
Margarei A. Lad $\quad . .12$ *Brian Jeffery..
Oitve. D. Couchman .. 3 Ernest J. Ladd
Tenor

* First peal in four methods.

> BOXLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Dec. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin and All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Single Oxford Boh. Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement‘s. Oxford Treble Boh. Kent Treble Boh and iwn of Plain Boh.

William Manser
*Oitive Couchman.. $\begin{gathered}\text { O }\end{gathered}$
*Monty Gilbrri ... 3 Thomas Cullingworth. . Tenor
Conducted by Brrnard Groves.

* First peal in six methods. The conductor's 250th peal.

THAMES DITTON, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Dec. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes. At the Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven different extents.

Frank E. Hawthorne .. Treble
Frank Oakshott .. ... 2
*David Leach .-

Tenor $7 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$
Douglas Boniface Michael Gathercole Wilifid G. Wilson.. .. Tenor Conducted hy Wilfrid G. Wilson.

- First peal. Rung on the eve of St. Nicholas. WENHASTON. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., Dec. 5, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes. At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
Raymond Peck
John W. Blythe
Peter S. Bedford Treble Jack Pilgrim

Tenor 12 cwt .6 lb .

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Jack Pilgrim .. .. .. 4
C. Jack Gibson.. .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. William Barrett.
The ringers of 2 and tenor have 'circled the tower' to peals.
LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Dec. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Norwich Surprise. Cambridge Surprise. Kent and Oxford Trehle Bob, Hereward, Single Oxford and Plain Boh. Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .13 lb.


A compliment to Celia Cowley and Tom Harris on their engagement. PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL. CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, At the Church of St. Piran.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.
Tenor 12 cWt .2 qr .
Clement W. Jose

| Treble | †Roger G. EgGins |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Douglas Burnett |
| 3 | †David R. Michel |

$\stackrel{5}{\text { Tenor }}$
Anthony Locke
idson
Conducted by Douglas Burnett

* First peal on six. + First peal. First of Doubles as conductor.


## SMARDEN, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 17 methods: (1) Netherseale. Lightfoot and Wearmouth: (2) Hull and Annahle's London: (3) London. Wells and Cunecastre ; (4) Hexham and Berwick: (5) Stamford and Rossendale: (6) York and Durham: (7) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet: with 116 changes of method. Tenor 18 cwt .1 gr .21 lb . in E. Ckawford T. Hillis. . Treble lan H. Oram

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Ral.ph Bird .. .. .. 2 John R. Cooptir
Andrew M. Macve .. .. 3 Thomas Culilngiworih .. Tenor Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
First peal in 17 Surpriso methods by all the band, and on the bells.
WRAGBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE LEEDS UNIVERSITY UNION CAMPANOLOGICAL SOCIETY
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Michafl and Our Lady,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Oxford Treble Boh, one of Cambridge Surprise. one of St. Clement's Boh and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . F. Kfith Wilisamson .. Trehle | Robin Brown .. .. .. 4 *Frances Fatrbank .. .. 2 W. Russell Rfad .. .. 5 Keilh Gol.dthorpe .. 3 W. John Couperthwaitf Tenor Conducted by W. John Couperthwaite.

* First peal on tower bells. First as conductor in more than one method.


## HANDBELL PEAL

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Nov. 29, 1960, in 2 Hours and 2 Minures,
at 128. Leicester Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Graham T. Ball
John Vernon

Tenor size 15 in C.

Conducted by Michael Vernon
A birthday compliment to Miss Jill Vernon, of Caterham. Surrey.

## LOUGHBOROUGH

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-At St. Pcier 8 Cathedral, on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. O. Goulter 1. Enid Roberrs 2, H. Greenhalgh 3, C. H. Bagot 4. H. F. Cox 5. W. B. Pitcher (first as cond.) 6, B. R. Cox 7, H. C. Moule 8. For Remembrance Day service. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,260
Grandsire Doubles: A. Facy 1, Enid Roberts (cond.) 2. H. Greenhalgh 3, W. B. Pitcher 4, B. R. Cox 5, W. Lampard (first quarter) 6. Also on Dec. 4th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. O. Goulter 1, Enid Roberts 2. H. Greenhalgh 3, C. H. Bagot 4, W. B Pitcher (Hrst of Minor as cond.) 5, A. R. Lamphee 6 For Confirmation
A Ylestone, leics.-On Nov. 20th, 1.344 Plain Bob Major: S. Marie Davenport 1, Christine Sanders (first of Major 'inside') 2, Patricia A. Wardle 3, Sandra E. Chesterion (first as cond. in method) 4 A. J. Poynor 5, T, I. Roper 6, R. S. Morris 7, P Martin 8. For Evensong.
BEDDINGTON, SURREY-On Dec. 3rd, 1,344 London Surprise Maior: Jill Parsons 1, F. E. Darby Chilcott 5, A. Rogers 6, B. D. Threlfall 7, R. Bird 8. Rung after meeting short for a peal attempt of Royal. Also on Dec. 4th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: E. G. Talbott 1, Jean Lavender (firss of $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Surprise Royal) 2. Jeanette Winchester (first of } \\ \text { Surprise Royal) } & \text { 3. Kathleen Chilcott 4, R W }\end{array}$ Hinde 5, R. J. Cook 6, F. E. Darby (cond.) 7 F. D. Jennings 8, M. V. Chilcott 9, S. F. Kimber 10. For Evensong.
BLACKWELL, DEREYS.-On Dec. 11th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Cantrill 1, P. Eastland 2, A Smithson 3, W. Steele 4, J. Smith 5, A. Wheeler (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 5. For Evensong.
BOURNEMOUTH-As St . John's, on Dec, 4th 1.296 Cambridge Minor (tenor covering): Miss D Gould 1, H. A. Mitchell 2. Mrs. D. Gardener 3. F Price 4, A. Busby (firat Cambridge) 5, M. J. Best (cond.) 6. A. V. Davis 8. For Confirmation service. BRATTON CLONELLY, DEVON.-On Nov, 26th 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Shepherd (first quarter) 1, W. Manning 2, W. C. Boucher 3 H. Benoy (cond.) 4. F. Wells 5, L. Cundy 6.

Bristol.-At the Church of Si. Michact-on-theMount, Without, on Nov. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. G. Mould 1, Jane B. Tuffin 2, J. C Baldwin 3. C. T. Biscoe 4, 1. C. Maycock (cond.) 5. S. M. J. Young (first quarter) 6. For Evensong by the U.B.S.C.R. Also on Nov, 27th, 1.260 Plain
Boh Doubles: T. Samuelson (first quarter) 1, Christine Collett 2, R. Blackler (cond.) 3, M. J. Austin 4, T. Kench 5, D. Evans 6. For Evensone by the U.B.S.C.R. Also on Dec. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mary Busch (first quarter) 1, Jennifer Gambling 2. Dorohy Stafford 3, Bridget Heighton 4. J. C. Baldwin 5, D. Heighton (cond.) 6. For
Evensong. Also on Dec. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Morris', Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Winchenton Place. St. Nicholas', St Simon's and St. Martin's): Pam Sturdy (first quarter) 1. R. Blackler 2, I. C. Maycock 3, J. C. Baldwin
4. M. J. Austin (cond.) 5, C. T. Biscoe 6. First auarter in 10 methods for all. For Evensong by the U.B.S.C.R.

BUCKLAND, SURREY.-On Dec. 3rd, 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: Sally Parrott 1, R. E. Fentiman 2. W. Parrort 3. J. Munton (first as cond.) 4, D. J. F.
bakshou 5. A. Saunders (firs quarter)
BURSTOW, SURREY. On Dec. 8 h h, 1,260 Plain Rob Doubles: R. Padbury (first quarter. first attempt, 14) 1. L. W. Penfold 2. G. Charlon 3. T. Padbury A. J. Bull (cond.) 5. H. H. Padbury 6.
CAVENDISH. SLFFOLK.-On Nov. 30 th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. J. Seabrook 1, Mrs. W. A. Perry (first quarter) 2, H. G. Huneyball 3. S. M. Honeyball 4, S. J. Twitchett (cond.) 5, W. A Perry 6. A birthday comp
CONSETT. CO. DURHAM.-On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Plain Boh Minor: M. Armstrong 1, E. Oliver 2, 1. G. Wall 3. R. Skelton 4, N. Errington 5, W. Tyson (sond.) 6. For evening service.
EAST ILSLEY, EERKS.-On Nov. 28ih, 1.260 iedman Triples: C. J. Hibbert 1, J. W. T. Hibbert 2. Mrs. M. C. Hibbert 3. J. H. Naper 4, A. W. G.
Sayers 5, R. M. Head (first quarter) 6, W. G. Bishop (cond.) 7, H. R. Wells 8.
GREAT TEW, OXON- On Dec, 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Majort M. W. Saycts (firse of Major) 1, B. J. Davies (firse of Major 'inside') 2, H. H. Alexander
3. H. H. Morley 4, W. J. Cross 5, R. A. Reeves 6. W. N. Genna 7, C. C. Clarke (first of Major as FARNH Grandsire Triples: Mise R Lund 1, H. Wingrove (cond.) 2. Miss D. R. Fletcher 3, W. Henley 4, G. Rielar 5. R. Broedley 6, A. Bridecs 7. D. Miles (firat quarier) 8. In memorism Mi*s $F$. Parker. daughter of the famous composer, Mr. J. J. Parker. arerred qhie doy.

## QUARTER PEALS

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On NOV. Gth, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Tonic 1. Critchley 1, Ann E. Fellows 2, 1. Mary Funnell 3, Linda M. Hughes 4, Veronica M. Miles 5, Alma M. Greaves 6. R. J. Gay 7, R. W. Pipe (cund.) 8. For Evensong. Also on Nov. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Tessa P. Kemp 1, Linda M. Hughes 2, J. Mary Funnell 3, Ann E. Fellows 4, Alma M. Greaves 5, Vesronica M. Miles 6, Susan Funnell 7. R. J. Gay 8, R. W. Pipe (cond.) 9, N. J, Goodman 10. For Evensong.
LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.-On Dec. 4th. 1,312 Double Norwich C.B. Major: Mrs. M. A. Wratten 1. A. Pendlebury 2, Miss S. M. Parsons 3. W. A. Farmer 4. Rev. J. B. T. Homfray 5. I, Goulter 6, T. Boreham 7, C, A. Wratten (first in method as ond.) 8. For Evensong
LEEDS, YORKS.-On Dec. Ath, 1.264 Plain Bob Minor: R. Brown 1-2, M. G. Swift 3-4, F. K. Williamson 5-6, W. J. Couperthwaite (cond.) 7-8.
LEICESTER.-At St. John-thc-Divine, on Nov. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Aikins (first on eight) 1. A. Grant 2, 1. Fraser 3, P. Chilton 4, R. Elkington 5, S. Harrixon 6, K. Townsend (first as cond, aged 15) 7. A. Cooke \%. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: S. Hartison R. Elkington 2. 1. Fraser 3, R. Southwood 4; H. Grant 5, A. M. Lindsey 6, P. Chilton (first as cond., aged 15) 7, K. Tuwnsend 8. For Evensong.
LECHLADE, GLOS,-On Dec, 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Hayden 1, A. King 2, G. Land (cond.) 3. H. Evans 4, P. Kirby 5, J. Ryman 6. For Evensons.
LITLINGTON. HERTS,-On Dec. 4th. 1.260 Plain Boh Doubles: F. Bailey (first quarter) 1, W. Ridgeman 2. A. Mynotl 3. D. Pepner 4, W. Newman (firse of Doubles and as cond.) 5, F. Morgan (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.
LONDON.-At St. Clemen Danes', on Dec. 11th. 1.260 Siedman Caters: J. Tomsett 1. Freda Greaves 2, M. Gathcreole 3. A. Fulwell 4, R. Cadamy 5, 1. Maybrey 6. J. Marks 7. D. Theedom 8, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9, B. Willgress 10. First of Stedman Caters for 3,5,6,8 and as conductor. Also at St. Giles-in-the-Fiekds, on Nov. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: V. Green 1, Miss J. Firth 2, Miss J. Langion 3, M. Barton 4, J. Perrett 5, G. Parsons Matins.
LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICS.-On Dec. 3rd, 1.537 Stedman Carers: Bro, A. Tomlinson 1, Bro. A. Gibbs 2. Bro. R. Ingram 3. Bru. F. Perrers 4, Bro. B. Kynaston 5, Bro. E. Elson 6, Bro. C. Harrison (cond.) 7. Bro. P. J. Staviforth 8, Bro. J. Worth 9, Bro. 1. Thorntey 10. Rung by Fremasons to mark the installation of Bro. Colin Harrison.
LOWER HEYFORD, OXON.-On Nov, 12 h . 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. H. Kinch 1. C. Clarke 2. R. Reeves 3. L. Busby 4, E. G. Jones 5. E. J. Smith (cond.) o. A birthday compliment to E. E. Pearson.
MAIDS MORETON, BUCKS.-On Dec. 2nd. 1.260 Douhles (Siedman, Grandsire, Plain Bob): .Miss D. Busby 1. R. Vickers 2. A. Stanton 3. C. Stopps 4. G. Holland (cond.) 5. H. Stopras 6. Rung on the Moth birthday of Mr. H. Jones. a ringer at this church for 70 years.
MARSTON, OXON.On Nov, 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Duubles: R. H. Jones 1. J. S. Walker 2. Helen Williams 3. N. D Dean (cond.) t. A. Gammon 5 . For Evensnag.
MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICS.-On Dec, 10th. . 321 Stedman Caters: A. Stiman 1, E. W. Rawson 2. P. A. Corby 3, T. Templeton 4. R. Manion 5. A. Ballard 6. R Mortis 7. H. Clayton 8, P. J. Saniforth (cond.) 9, S. Smith 10. Rung on the occasion of the Melton District dinner.
MERROW. SURREY:-On Dec, 7th, 1.26n Plain Boh Minor: K. R. A. Glue 1. Jill M. Lane 2. P. G. Smart (cond.) 3. A. Pamela Warren 4. B. A. Todd For Confirmation service.
NAILSEA, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 6th. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Owen 1. Jennifer Brake (first - inside') 2, L. Derrick 3. Mary Powell 4, C Korright (cond.) 5, H. Hardwidge
NORTON CANES, STAFFS.-On Dec. 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Suatan Devey 1. D. Jordan 2, Ann Eden (first quarter) 3, Margaret Guthrie 4, G. Bradbury (cond.) 5, A. Armstrong 6. A birthday compliment and a farewell to ringer of third, who leaves to bocome a nurse.
NORTON, HERTS.-On Nov, 23rd, 720 Single Ozford, 720 St . Clements Minor: Gillian Sims 1. Caroline Wills 2 I. Werrett 3, H. E. Werrett 4,
M. A. Collingo 5. P. Mehew (cond.) 6, Elisabeth Wills (13, cover bell) 7 .

OCKHAM, SURREY:-On Nov, Gth, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Priestley 1, Miss J. Drury 2, Miss P Drury 3, A. D. Leach 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5. For

PETERSFIELD, HANTS. On Dec. $1 \mathrm{lth}, 1,260$ Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: H. DeCombe 1, R. Walker 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, D. Hughes 4 . Tipper 5, B. Kercher 6.
PUTNEY, LONDON. On Dec. $11 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Triples: A. Martin 1, B. Coatsworth 2, L. Allen 3. A. Mann (first of Grandsire Triples) 4., J. Perrett (tirst of Triples as cond.) 5, A. Clayton 6, C. Mew 7. B. Bull 8. For Matins, and 10 mark the confirmation of Alan Millidge, Hugh MatPherson. Michael Uphill and Graham Welch, all memters of the local hand.
RAYLEIGH ESSEX.-On Nov. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. F. Ward 1, M. F. Harch 2, R. D. Tomlin 3, F. May 4, G. D. Sandwell 5, D. Belcham 6, M. J. Hallett (cond.) 7, E. J. Blower 8. For Evensong.
READING, BERKS.-Ai 5 ?. Mary's Church, on Dec. 4th, 1,280 Glasguw Surprise Major: K. Conterell 1. A. Diserens 2. Jennifer M. Davies (first in method) 3. J. N. Diserens 4, F, W. Lewis 5, R. F. Diserens 6, C. E. Lewington 7, N. J. Discrens (cond.) 8 .

ROMSEY, HANTS. On Dec. 7h, 1,266$)$ Plain Boh Major: K. J. Jacohe 1, Audrey 1. Knight 2, M. D. G. Northway 3, M. L. Northway 4, H. J. Page 5, C. M. White 6, C. H. Kippin 7, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 8. First in method 1 and 4. For the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Northway
SALISBURY, WILTS.-At St. Paul's, on Oct. 181h, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: E. Haines 1, Miss M. Page 2. Miss A. Sweeney 3, R. Haines 4, B. Lawes 5, J. Daniels 6, L. Page 7. H. Abrahams (cond.) 8, First of Major for 3 and 4. Also on Dec. Ist, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E. Haines 1. Miss M. Page 2, Mrs. A. Ahrahams 3. R. Haines 4, B, Lawes 5, J. Daniels 6, L.
Pages 7, H. Abrahams (first in method as cond.) 8. First of Double Norwich for 1 and 4.

SLAUGHAM, SUSSEX.-On Dec. 5th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $4,6,8$ covering): E. Arnold (first quarter) 1, S. Brook 2, P. Tomsett 3, F. Smith 4, A. Turner
(cond.) 5, A. Tayman 6, S. Arnold 7, M. Abbott 8. Rung in memory of J. Gratwick, a ringer of this

STANWELL, MIDDX.-On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob Minor: F. T. Blagrove 1. D. P. Hilling 2. Monica M. Blagrove 3. M. Lane D. Pickets 5, C. B. Fynes 6. Half-muffied on eve of Remembrance Sunday.
SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.-On Dec. 10th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Miss G. Burchnall 1. Miss K. Burchnall 2, Mrs. C. W. Reed 3, P. N. White 4, J. D. Clarke 5: C. W. Reed 6, J. W Raithby 7. W. L. Exton (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge Maior 3,5 and 8. Also 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss K. Burchnall 1, Mrs. C. W Reed (first of Double Norwich) 2, P. N. Whise 3 , Miss G. Burchnall 4. J. W. Raithby 5, C. W. Reed 6. W. L. Exton (cond.) 7. J. D. Clarke 8. Runr after a real attempt for Cambridge Surprise Major.
SWINDON, WILTS. At Si Mark' Church Nov. 27ih, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: M. A. New Collins 4, M. J. Stanley (first as cond.) 5. A. Sims 6 . For Evensons, by a reenage band

SWITHLAND. LEICS, On Dec. 3rd, 1.260 Grand-
Doubles: M. W. Brown (first quarter) 1. B. D. Barsby 2. E. F. Payne 3, J. Mitchell 4, THAhF:HAM, SUSSEX. On Dec. Sith. 1.260 Sicdman Doubles: Marian Skinner 1. Charles Skinnet 2, R. Wilson 3. B. Farhall 4. R. P. Wend (cond.) 5.
TOROUAY, DEVON.-On Dec. 3 rd, at the Church of St. Saviour, 1.260 Grandsirc Doubles: K. E Fursden (first quarter. first attempt) 1, A. 1 . Bennett 2. A. J. Garhett 3. P. A. Leck 4, W. J. Harvey (cond.) 5, J. Kelly 6.
UPWELL, NORFOLK.-On Dec, 11th, 1,26n Plain Boh Minor: Ann Dorling 1, E. H. Mastin 2, S. G. Elsey 3, N. Greenacre 4, T. Bush 5, G. I. Mann (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and av a 20th hirthday WISTASTO treble ringer.
WISTASTON, CHESHIRE,-On Dec. 10 hh .1 .272 Plain Boh Minimus: R. A. Trickett 1-2, F, R. Morton (cond.) 3-4. First quarter on handbells for both.
WOBURN, BEDS.-On Oct, 26th, 1,264 Plain Boh Maior: Kathleen Rivett 1, F. Rivett 2, Mrs. Mary Mann 3, C. Payne 4, K. C. Fleming 5. P. Wakeman 6, C. D. Mann 7. R. Churchill (cond.) \&. Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Colin Paync, with best wishes of the remaining scven ringers
WOLLATON, NOTTS.-On Dec. 4th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Shonficld 1, C. R. Daft 2. P. W Hawcock 3. M. Popplesion 4, R. Preston S, P. J Hawcock (cond.) 6. Welcoming the return of Mr. R. Preston, from H.M. Army.

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The quarter peal at Buckfast Abbey, in which four monks took part, was rung to celebrate the silver jubilee pube in the priestHooper), who was ordained years ago. After the quarter the Abbey 25 years ago. After the quarter peal. which was rung on the middle eight, the visitors were entertained by the Community, the Lord Abbot. himself, attending to thank the ringers personally.
Mr. Bryn Taylor (17) wishes to know whether he is the youngest person to conduct a peal of Major for the Llandaff and Monmourh Diocesan Association.

The seven good wishers in the quarter at Woburn are getting in plenty of practice for ringing for another occasion in Colin Payne's life that might occur in the near future!
Litlington. Herts, has made a start. This issue contains a quarter, the first in which any member of the local band participated or conducied.
The peal of Minor rung at Tendring. Essex. on December 3 rd . was 10 mark the completion of 57 years' service as church clerk by Mr. Charles Marven. A ringer for an even longer period, he still attends district meetings, and is well known in the area. The band look forward to ringing for his diamond anniversiry.

The band who rang the peat of Cambridge Surprise Royal at Christ Church. Bristol, would like to associate with it the name of Roger O. Fry, who was to have called the peal, but had to drop out for health reasons. The band wish him a swift return to health and send h:m their best wishes for his ordination at the end of December.
On December 1st, 1950. a peal of Bristol was rung to welcome the Rev. Philip Lea, as Rector of St. John-the-Baptist, Erith. Now, ten years later, another peal of Bristol has been rung as a farewell, with many thanks for the ready permission always given to the many ringers who have come to St. Jahn's to aftempt peals. Forkunately. Mr. Lea will not he leaving Kent, is he is to be inducted to the living of Seal.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

St. George's Church. Damerringing chamber and exclaimed: I always wanted to ring a bell.' Before anyone realised it, he thas pulled off the treble, which was already up. Fortunately no harm was done. but he learned that bellinging it not so easy as it look; in the few seconds which followed.
With the first peal of Tyrone Surprise Major (named after the Irish county) at Rocester, Staffs, Derek P. Jones has completed the alphabet ' of Surprise Major peals.

Two surprises awaited the band on completing a seven Minor methods peal at Bradrield. Berks, on December 9th-a glass of port or sherry kindly provided by the local captain. Mr. J. Butler, and two inches of snow, which had fullen while the peal was in progress.
Mr. Gordon Halls, of Derby, is putting in some very useful work by coHecting postal subscriptions and is also roping in some new subscribers. This kind of practical help is much appreciated. We hope that R.W: enthusiasis in ather districts will copy Mr. Halls" example.
Iwo 15 -year-olds, Keith Townsend and Peter Chilton, of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester. pupils of Mr. S. Hurrison, have conducted wheir first quarter peals-Grandsire and Stedman Triples. respectively. The Stedman is worthy of special mention as Peter has been conducting this method for only a few weeks. The visiting ringer afterwards remarked that it was the best ringing in which he had taken parr for some considerable time.
The peal rung at Acton on December 12th was, at the Rector's request, associated with St. Cecilia. The parish had musical celebrations for St. Cecilia's Day (November 21st) and the Rector (the Rev. Richard Parsons) was anxious to include the bells. Owing to circumstances outside his control, a peal could not be attempted on the eve of the festival. but the band did ring the bells before the actual celebrations. the following evening. The peal (Lincolnshire) was the lonth on the bells.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY



## BELLS SILENT FOR 40 YEARS RUNG AGAIN

THE bells of Cowesby Church, in the Norrih Riding of Yorkshire, silent for more than 40 years and which the late Vicar considered were too heavy to be rung, have been restored by ringers from Thirsk and Nonthallerton.
A recent inspection of the tower revealed an accumalation of jackdaws' nests which buried the fourth and tenor bells up to the crown and except the treble all were completely jammed with twigs. The wheels and stays and sliders and pulleys, when exposed, seemed sound and an oil can and bottles of oil also came to light.
The ropes hung coiled in the chamber below, except for the tenor's which was broken at the gatter hole. The others were severed at the same point where they had rotted away and knots were tied inside the wheel. This, of course, put the sallies out of reach and led indirectly to the discovery of a box containing 17 handbelts, for something was needed to stand on. One at a time the bells were raised and rung then lowered in pairs by the two ringers who had undertaken the work. The ropes held firm and stood the test. It is hoped to find others, however, no necessarily liew, which will serve for the
little ringing likely to take place here. little ringing likely to take place here.
The bells are a ring of six, by Warners, installed in 1878 and Dove gives the tenor as $8 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. They are in A flit and of a good tone. The ropes falt in two straight lines of three to the chancel floor from a central tower. The church was designed by Salvin in 1846 and is in the Norman style and on the site of a Saxon church. All that remains of the old church are the communion rail and altar candlesticks. which are Jacobean and worthy of inspection.
The beautiful stone village nestles among the Hambleton Hills and together with Felixkirk (6), its bells would provide a satisfying detour for a touring band between Thirsk and Northallerton. There is no incumbent in either parish at present but the churchwardens and Rural Dean. who is the Vicar of Thirsk, readily gave permission for the restoration and would be glad 10 allow visitors to ring at both these interesting churches.
On December 10th, the work being comMeted. a representative band rang the bells to a good 720 of Plain Bob Minor. There is no lighting in the church or a quarter peal would have been rung. The ringers were: Elsdon Metcalf 1. John Brown (president, Northern District, Yorkshire Association) 2, Arthur Bashforth (Yorkshire committee) Tom Cox (president, Cleveland and North Yorks Association) 4, Edward Hudson (secretary. Northern District) 5. Fred Hodgson (Ringing Master. Northern District. cond.) 6.

The proceedings were watched by a barn owl perched silently, high up in the roof. Was he thinking 'One hoot and I'm oot'?

## Open Evening At Crayiord

Relatives and friends of the ringers of St . Paulinus', Crayford, were invited to an open evening on December 6th, organised by Mr. E. A. Barnett.

The evening began with demonstrations in the tower in raising the bell, hand-stroke and back-stroke, by young beginners. Next several course of Plain Hunt. Rounds and Plain Bob were rung.
The rest of the evening was spent-in the Parish Hall, where cakes and tea were provided by Mesdames Barnett and Bond. The guests were shown a simple method in ringing Plain Hunt on handbells and also ture playing. The very enjoyable evening concluded with parents trying. rather unsuccessfully, to ring handbells.
I. M.

## New Five For Essex

The three bells at All Saints' Church. Shrub End. Colchester, are to be made into a ring of five with a tenor weighing about 6 cwt . The work is heing carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and it is hoped that the bells will be ready for ringing by the beginning of next November. The existing three bells were put in by the same foundry, about 1844. and were originally hung for ringing, but they have been in an unringable state for many years.

## SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 52



## MR. HERBERT LANGDON,

## London.

London has provided the Exercise with many famous ringers, but none more so than Herbert Langdon, easily the best known and best loved figure in the Metropolis. He is a wonderful link with those giants of the past such is Matt Wood, James Petitt, W. T Cockerill, W. Prime, Sam Joyce, H. Springall,

Horrex, C. Burden, Tom Benney, W Tanner, Bob Newton, J. N. Oxborrow, J. W. brohers Pasmore, and many others, with all of whom he rang many peals.

His stories of these great men of past generations are always most entertaining and are listened to with great respect by all who are lucky enough to enjoy his friendship. To give even a modest account of his ringing career would take up the whole of the space in 'The Ringing World, and we are only able to deal with some of the highlights, which will give our younger members some idea of his stature as a ringer.

Mr. Langdon is the youngest of four ringing brothers, and son of Henry Langdon, Who was also a well known London ringer. The oldest brother, Harry, did not attain the same degree of prominence as the other three, Thomas, William and Herbert. Born in London in 1881. Herbert Langdon first learned to ring at St. Gites'. Camberwell, being taught by his brother, Wilhiam-who also taught T. H. Taffender to ring. After a period of call changes at Lambeth, he went to Chelsea and Fulham for his first experience of change ringing, and later migrated to St. Margaret's, Westminster, where Tom and Bill were already Westmins
members.

## RANG AT ST. PAUL'S FOR 58 YEARS

In 1900 he becume a College Youth, and in February of that year first rang at Si. Paul's Cathedral. His performance evidently satisfied the older members of the band and he was appointed as a substitute ringer, serving a full member of the St. Paul's Guild, and he rang there continuously until 1958, having been conductor since 1938, when he succeeded W. T. Cockerill. He rang his first peal (Holt's Original) at St. Gcorge's, Camberwell. in 1899. Which was conducted by G. E. Symonds, who also conducted his next three peals. His fifth peal, Stedman Caters, at Beddington, was conduated by that great ringer. Harry Barton, who had evidently taken a great liking for this promising youngster. who before long was appointed conductor of the St. Margaret's band.

Mr. Langdon never kept a record of his peal performances, but recent research kindly undertaken by Mr. Edwin Jennings, of Braintree, and Mr. L. Stilwell discloses that his peal total is 549 , of which he conducted 237.

Peals of which he can justly be proud are the record 21,363 Stedman Caters at Appleton in 1922, Carter's odd bob one-part Stedman Triples, both of whioh he conducted, and the silent performance of the latter on handbellsone of the greatest achievements yet. In 1923 he conducted the attempt for the record length of 12,675 Stedman Cinques at Southwark, which was 13 years later discovered by one of the band to be false. Langdon umpired the first handbell Surprise peal, Superlative, conducted by Harry Pasmore, with whom he rang many handbell peals, including Grandsire, Siedman. Plain Bob and Treble Bob an 8, 10 and 12 bells. Pasmore and Winney were the principal conductors. In 1904 he joined the Yorkshire Association, and struck up a lifelong friendship with the brothers Woodhead who were so impressed with his ability that they invited him to conduct the last peal on the old bells at Leeds Parish Church, and the first peal on the new bells.

Among many other notable peals in which he took part was the first and only peal of Cambridge Maximus at St. Paul's, with A. B. Peck on the tenor, and conducting. Langdon rang the 11 th-always the problem child at St . Paul's. She was in her worst mood, and after ${ }^{2 t}$ courses Langdon told Peck he was doubtful if he could finish. 'Well,' said Peck, "you say "stand " when you've had enough." He continued to the end of the 3rd course and thought he detected a slight improvement in the 'go.' He tried another course and she went a bit better. Deciding to carry on, he found that the 'go' deteriorated, but he stuck it out until the end. He said afterwards that had it not been for the wonderful rhythm attained by the rest of the band, he could never have rung that bell that night.

Herbert Langdon has been associated with Westminster Abbey bells since their augmentation in 1919, and he and A. B. Peck are the only survivors of the band who rang the opening touch there. He has rung more peals with Peck and the late C. F. Winney and has probably rung more peals of Stepney than anyone. His other hobby is cricket-he is a staunch supporter of Surrey, and if he had not taken up ringing there is no doubt he would have been a star performer in that game.

By profession he is a shipping agent, well known in the City and renowned for his reliability. He is as methodical and relipble with his work as he is with his ringing.

He has friends not only in London, but all over the country, particuharly in Birmingham. and it is a great joy to see him in the company of his dear old friend Albert Walker. May they both be spared to us for many more years!

JAFUS.

## A WET AFTERNOON IN OXFORDSHIRE

On the afternoon of December 3rd a party of ringers from Radley College and village. Abingdon, Oxford, and even one from Cheshire, went on an outing to three Oxfordshire towers.
Our first stop was at Dorchester Abbey where we were joined by two of our friends from Oxford, and the Chaplain of Radley College. Here we all enjoyed ourselves, ringing on the heavy eight ( 16 cwt .), of deep. melodious tone. After about an hour's ringing we proceeded to Brightwell Baldwin. Here, after a welcome tea in the Village Hall. we did justice to the fair-going six ( 9 cwt.). We then pressed on to Warborough, where some of the best ringing of the day was had on this pleasant eight ( 10 cwt ). Ringing here ranged from rounds to Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major.

We are very grateful to Miss M. R. Cross for very kindly arranging the outing, to all incumbents and tower captains, and to all those who so very kindly provided transport
R. N. G.

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, AVINGTON, HANTS

By PETER DICKINSON
IT was whilst talking to a visiting band of ringets at my home tower recently I heard that the bells of Avington Church were to be sold. I knew that they had been unringable for many years but now the Rector and churchwardens had applied for a faculty to sell five of the six bells.
As this was to be the end of another ring of six bells in this part of Hampshire I went to Avington to find out some details about the bells and the events leading up to their being sold.

Avington is a pleasant village on the River Itchen, about $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from Winchester and is one of the smallest villages in Hampshire. At the present time it consists of the Manor House and nineteen cottages and the church
The Church of SL. Mary is a red brick building in the Georgian style dating from 1770. On entering the church I found one of the ladies of the parish was engaged in putting sonte new candles on the altar and she soon asked if I had been to the church before. As it was several years since I had been there, she cold me of the restoration work that had been carried out on the roof and windows and the considerable sum of money that had been raised to carry out the work. She also pointed out several interesting features such as the two-decker pulpit, the high box pews, the elaborate carving over the altar and the western, gallery, all in mahogany, a 'vinegar Bible' in a glass case, the 'flower vase' font and the barrel organ in the gallery.
I said that I had heard the bells were being sold and could I have some details of them? Apparently one of the bells was broken in pieces, another one badly cracked and to put the bells in order was beyond the resources of the parish, so, refuctantly, they had decided to sell five of the bells and have the tenor rehung for the service bell.
I asked if I might go up into the belfry and have a look at the bells and get any inscriptions that might be on them. The lady replied that she did not allow anyone up into the bell chamber without the Rector's permission as it was considered unsafe, but I was welcome to go up to the ringing chamber and view the church from the gallery. This I did and as I stood in the gallery I could visualise the old "choir' as described by Thomas Hardy in his novel "Under the Greenwood Tree.' In the ringing chamber there was little of interest-several old hatchments and the bell ropes. one of which came through the tread of the stairs to the bell chamber. On the floor were several old footstraps.
Back in the church the lady said she could not tell me any more of interest at present but if I would call at her house one evening she would furnish me with more details.
ON SAXON SITE

The following week I called at her house and both she and her husband were eager to help me find any interesting details. A former Rector, the Rev. H. Wright. went to great trouble about 1900 to trace the history of Avington and very interesting reading it makes. There has been a church on the present site since A.D. 961 . This Saxon building was dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul and was built in the time of Si. Swithun. who used to dnaw taxes from it.
In the year 1768 the Marchioness of Carnarvon and the Rev. Ellis Jones Clerk, Rector, applied for a faculty to buidd a church to replace the old Saxon church as the old church is a low building and is dark and incommodious for the parishioners of the said parish to attend Divine Service in and in several parts thereof is become ruinous and decayed.'

The faculty was granted The Church to be furnished with a new altar piece and communion table with suitable ornaments, a rew pulpit and reading desk, new pews and seats and a font for the use of himself and family and indrabitants, likewise a new set of bells.'
The new church was built at a cost of $£ 2.500$ and consecrated an February 23rd, 1770.

The details of the new set of bells are set out in the parish register as follows:-

Avington St. Mary's Church Bells.
Peal of Six Bells supplied by Pack and Chapman, A.D. 1771.

## Diameters

Weights

|  |  | cwt. | gr | 16. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $40^{\prime \prime}$ | Tenor | 11 | 0 | 13 |
| 361" ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | V | 8 | 3 | 6 |
| $33 \frac{1}{}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | IV | 7 | 0 | 27 |
| 31" | 111 * | 5 | 2 | 20 |
| 29" | $11^{*}$ | 4 | 3 | 25 |
| 271" | Treble * | 4 | 3 | 5 |
|  | Total | 42 | 1 | 12 |

Cast at Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London.

* Bells marked thus are cracked through inferior ringing.-H.W.
There is no indication of the date that this footnote was added but in the Hampshire Chronicle; "o early 1959, the following note appeared in the + 50 years ago' column:
Avington: The Bellringers of Tichbarne Parish Church paid a wisit 10 Avington Church and spent the evening ringing Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob on the Church bells. They afterwards went to the Plough Inn, Itchen Abbas, and spent an enjoyable hour!
Following the list of diameters and weights is a list headed: "Mottoes on the Bells in the Tower
Treble: I mean to make it understood
That though I'm little I am good.
Second: If you have a judicious ear
You'll own my voice is sweet and clear.
Third: Whilst thus we join in cheerful sound Let love and loyalty abound.
Fourth: Ye pcople all that hear me ring
Be faithfull to your God and King.
Fifth: Such wondrous power to music's given It elevates the soul to Heaven.
Tenor: Ye Ringers aht that prize your health and happiness
Be sober, merry, wise and you'll the same passess.
Now after 190 years five of the bells are to be taken down from the tower and sold back to the Foundry whence they came. The money ransed by their sale will be used pantly to restore the fabric of the tower which has housed them for so long. It is many years since they have been rung and it will be interesting to know where they will go. Maybe they will be recast as a ring for another new church as they were before. but ene thing is certain: they will not sound through the Itchen Valley as they did the night Tichbome ringers rang them fifty years ago.


## BARNSLEY \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Fourteen towers were represented at the monthly meeting of the Barnsley and District Society. held at St. Peter's, Kirkthorpe, near Wakefield, on December 10th. A warm welcome was given to all present by the Rev. Gerald Barber, and then. because of another appointment. he vacated the chair to Mr. Noel F. Moxon. The present officers were pominated for submission to the general meeting at St. Mary's. Barnsley. on January 14 th . The usual vote of thanks was offered by Mr. Frank Brunt.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## Northern District

The combined attraction of Immanuel, Streatham, bells and a special penformance of Son et Lumiere' in Croydon Parish Church in the evening broughi an unusually high attendance to the nomination meoting of the Northern District on November 26th.

During the afternoon Immanuel bells were put to good use in a variety of methods under the supervision of the Master, Mr. F. E. Collins. The service, to the Associs. tion's form, was taken by the Vicar, the accompaniment to the hymns being played by a visiting ringer from Tanbridge. Tea followed in the New Church Hall and Mrs. Collins, with two helpers from Croydon Parish Church, put on a first class spread.
The business meeting was dealt with in the usual brisk manner so theat the 50 people present were not kept away from Croydon bells too long. Four new members were elected and ail the existing officers were nominated for 1961 . In addition, Mr. Tony Clayton. of Putney, was nominated for a place on the committee. The sum of $£ 55 \mathrm{~s}$. was voted from the District Funds to the A. H. Publing Memorial Fund, without a dissenter. The Bell Fund collection amounded to 28s.
By o p.m. more ringers and friends had gathered for the performance of Son et Lumiere, especially arranged for the ringers by Mr. F. E. Collins. This proved to be a most impressive history of Croydon Parish Church over. 1.000 years, shown in light and by sound recordings.
The show is the church's contribution to the celebrations taking place in Croydon this year to mark its millenary. It was a privilege much enjoyed by all to have a special performance arranged, and concluded another most happy meeting.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION <br> Eastern District

The Eastern Branch held its winter meeting at Gorleston-on-Sea on December 3rd when 31 members and friends attended Gorleston Parish Church is a popular one for weddings and because there were two ceremonies during the afternoon, ringing was of necessity restricted. The new ring at St . Nicholas: Great Yarmouth, was, however. made available for an hour so that ringers did not have to be idle for long, or be disappointed.
The service was conducted by the Vicar of Gorieston, Canon E. L. Corbell. R.D., Mr. Tucker being organist. A hot meat pie tea prepared by Miss Barbana Smedley, of the local company. was held in the Church Hall. the meeting. which followed. being presided over by the branch chairman. Mr. presided over by the branch chairman. Mr. tion and branch officers.
Mr. H. W Barrett thanked the members for nheir kind wishes conveyed to Mrs. Barrett and himself on their recent silver wedding anniversary. The belfry election of Patrick Bird. Michael Sprackling and Tudor Davies to non-resident life memberships was ratified. It was proposed that the 1961 branch annual meeting be held at Loddon on February 11th. subject to suitable arrangements being made

The meeting was told that the bells at Kessingland were being augmented to six and would be opened after Christmas, also that the rehung ring of ten at Aykham would he opened on December 10th. Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar. the organist. Mr. Bird (Master of the local company) and Miss Smedley for the excellent tea arrangements.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## METHOD NOMENCLATURE

Dear Sir.-When the peal in 29 Major methods was arranged at Heptonstall, with unusual method nomenclature, jt was realised that we might shock a few people, but we never dared to hope that we should be an inspiration for poetry, and under the circumslances I should like to clarify certain details.

The peal report is, of course, quite genuine. The composition and detaids of new methods were sent to 'The Ringing World' with the report. so perhaps the figures will be published in due course.

The composition itself has no special merit, and the methods included are all simple variations of well known methods, but as 10 of them had never been rung before, we were faced with the problem of finding quite a large number of names. Eight of the new methods, although acceptable as methods, are not in the Central Council Calleotion. so there was no question of just giving them a C.C.C. number. As it might have proved difficult associating names with methods we named eight of them after members of the band and two after places and in fact in that way we were able to associate the method structure and name quite easily.

We don't claum credit for all the exotic place names in the peal. several of them had already been chosen by previous bands, but surely your correspondent should find out more about places like Lesser Wopping before he decides that they are inappropriate for methods!

In the days of College Exercise. Shipway's Court and London Sctiolars' Pleasure, etc.. when, penhaps, ringers had not settled into an unalterable routine. names given to methods usually had a significance. and did not simply copy the names of places, in many cases not in any way associated with the methods they gave their names to. At present we are probably the only band ringing the offending methods. so maybe we can on this occasion be permitted to copy this very early Lradition.

We don't intend to ning a full peal in any of the methods, but if any ringers do, we shall be pleased to accept any names they choose for them.-Yours faithfully.

Sale. Manchester.

## THE PROFESSOR'S INVESTIGATIONS

Dear Sir-With reference to Mr . W Shepherd's letter. page 515 of The Ringing
World for July 29 th last, upon ahe above World: for July 29th last. upon ahe above
('R.W. leader. July 15 th ). I made a few notes at the time concerning the questions he raised but circumstances then conspired to prevent my completing them. I hope I am not now toc. late. and that they may be of some assistance.
The Professor's investigutions are sound enough in the main but in handling the various equations we musi bear in mind that for reliability only definitely known values may be ascribed. Now in giving his examples the Professor was dealing with imaginary ringers and so could obviously only assume or suppose particular values. Had he been dealing with real ringers it will be seen, from a careful study of his equations. that he would. by the application of these methods. have been in very great danger of making many enemies for life. Any reader doubring this should try it out.
The celehrated Herr Taubenhaus, who strode across the stage of internitional chess
for so many years. used a similar method for assessing the potentials of his many opponents. and stopped at nothing in order 10 obiain any information over and above his first-hand experience concerning them. which he considered to be necessary.

It is not known how this fact got abroad but get abroad it did, and it is recorded that in a raid upon his hotel room during the great tou:nament at Braden-Baden (presumably by people who had suffered at his hands) all his papers disappeared. Nothing else was touched. When the worked examples of his methods were studied in the light of named individuals such a howl of rage went up that Herr Tauhenthaus packed hurriedly and fled, and it was quite a while before he dared appear in another top-ranking tournament.

Now. the Theory of Equations-that every numenical equation has a root, i.e., some quantity in a numerical form, real or imaginary, which, when substituted for the unknown quantity in the equation, shall render the said equation a numerical identity, is by no means self-evident, nor is it easy to afford evidence for it which shall be at the same time convincing and free from limitations. The argument of Clauchy, however, in his demonstration consists in showing that the quantity which it is wished to prove capable of being reduced to zero, can be exnibited as the product of two factors, one of which is incapable of assuming a minimum value or, in other words. that a less value than one assigned can always be found, and that therefore it is capable of acquiring the value zero. The argument is not completely free from objections. but is perhaps less objectionable than any of its forbears.
The solution of simultaneous equations of the first degree, two or three unknowns, may be presented under the form of a set of fractions. the numeratiors and denominators of which are symmetric products of the coefficients of the unknown quantities in the equations. These products were called resultants by Laplace but are now known as determinants, a name first applied to certain of them by Gauss. - Yours faithfully

Stourbridge. BERNARD C. ASHFORD.

## LEADING PEAL RINGERS

Dear Sir,-Soon the annual list of 'Leading Peal Ringers, will be published again. I sugguest that this year you publish not ondy the name and number of peals, but also the tower with which each ringer is associated for service ringing purposes. This would not only help to connect our leading peal ringers more with Sunday service nunging, but also give readers some idea of the homes of these disembodied names. Always this list is a mere repatition of names that have become familiar through reading the peal columns. The additional information would at least help us to associate a band or group of pead ringers with a particular tower. town or peir ringers whith a particular tower. lown or
city, which should add to the interest of the peal colunms next year.
1 know of pead ringers (last year we were told that there was a group of them) who withhold their names from this list. Their main reasons seem to be that no one else wants to know this information and they are not publicity seekers. Perhaps they can be persuaded to send details this year. There are people who want to know, both friends and strangers. The column is news-please don't help to strangle it.-Yours faithfully
Bristol
it.-Yours faithfully,
PATRICK J. BIRD.

## B.B.C. TIME SIGNAL

Dear Sir.-With Mr. Herbert Langdon and Mr. C. W. Roberts cannot we add the name of Thomas H. Taffender. senior (Taff). to those associated with the B.B.C. time signal? We should be grateful if the actual list. names of ringers and positions taken up. were to he published soon-in . The Ringing Wonld. I remember "T.H.T. telling me a year or two ago that the bell; went rather badly at the time.-Yours sincerely.

Swindon.
P. MINCHIN

## OBITUARY

## MR. A. J. SKELDING

The Worcestershire Association has lost one of its oldest members by the passing of Mr Albert J. Skelding. on November 23ird.
He was elected a member of the Associa tion at its annual meeting. Easter, 1895, and became Nornhern Branch secretary in 1920 and held this office until 1933. when he was succeeded by Mr. W. B. Cartwright, now the Associations Master.

For many years he rang at St. Thomas' Stourbridge. but around 20 years ago, jus prior to his retirement. he left Stourbridge to reside at Oldswinford and became a member of the band at St. Mary's.
He was elected a Freeman of the Association in 1950, but indifferent health and failing sight put a stcp to his ringing aotivities although he maintained a keen interest in tike atfairs of the Association.
The funeral took place at Oldswinford, on November 26th. and was conducied by the Rector. Anchdeacon Hurley. After the interment handbells were rung over the grave by members of the Northern Branch. followed by a quarter peal, half-muffled. of Grandsire Triples by a band representative of the four Stourbridge towers and Brierley Hill.

## MR. W. SMITH

Ringers of the Melton District were very sorry to hear of the death. on December 1lith. of Mr. William Smith, of 123. Kings Road. Melton Mawbray. Born at Hose. 58 years ago, he learned to ring in that tower under the guidance of Mr. Willie Sharpe. He also rang at Long Clawson, and rang the tenor to the first peal on these bells in May. 1927. Mr. William Smith (his namesake). from Turra Murra. New Souih Wales, rang the treble on that occasion
He joined the Framland Society of Change Ringers in 1919 and had been chairman for the past six years. He was also a member of the Leicester Diocesan Guild and was District chairman from 1948-49. He had taken part in four peals-two for the Framlands and two for the Leicester Guild
The funeral service took place in Melton church on December 13 th and was conducted by the Vicar. Cinon C. M. S. Clarke. Mr. J. Gilson and Mr. F. Sheppard represented the Framland Society and Leicester Guitd. A wreath was sent by the former.
J. H. C.

## MR, ARTHER HAIGH

## AN APPRECIATION

It was with deep regret that I learned of the passing of Arthur Haigh. of Blackpool. I leave to someone who has a more intimate knowledge of his iffe and career the wriring of his obituiry, but 1 feel I musi express appraciation as one of those who, when stationed at Elackpool during the war, was made welcome at the haven. in East Topping Sireet, by a perfect lady and a perfect gentleman.

Many are the happy hours that I. and others in simslar oircumstances, have spent there, ringing handbells. talking about ring. ing and making music. whilst Mrs. Haigh prepared the coffec or altered the buttons on my greatcoat to make it fit. or gave us a solo from the 'Messiah.
have no doubt that all those who had the privilege to know Arthur Haigh will feel. as I do. a sense of deep personal loss. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Haigh and Mary.
May he rest in peace.

## CALL CHAVGES

In Call Changes the bells ring in the same sequence a number of times over. The most musical sequences have tenor bihind.

At some stage in the progress of a ringer or a band of ringers, it may be convenient to make use of call changes, the main objects being:-
(1) Training in ringing in different places and over different bells.
(2) Avoiding the monotony of prolonged rounds.
(3) Avoiding the ' discords' associated with attempting change ringing when there is litule hope of doing so with success.
(4) Making the bells sound at their best for services-from the point of good striking and musical sequences-when the band is not capable of good change ringing.
Call changes enable us to select and ring the most musical sequences and this should always be the aim when they are used.
There is a variety of systems of conducting call changes but the one described below will be found very satisfactory, especially with a band of heginners. A few words of warning: If it is the intention, ultimately, to progress to method ringing, it is advisable, whilst making use of call changes for service ringing. to practise simple change ringing exercises leading to method ringing.

A good system of call changes is to start from rounds and aim at gradually bringing up a selected musical sequence by changing one pair of bells only at each call. The change is made at the handstroke after the call is made. The command should be called at a handstroke. When one pair of bells change places it means they will both foHow a different bell at the next handstroke until further orders. One other ball will have a different bell to follow after the call, i.e., the one that is after this pair in the sequence. Suppose we move from rounds (123456) to 113546. 4 and 5 have been changed. 5 is now following 3,4 following 5 and 6 following 4. To produce this sequence (123546) the conductor need only say. 5 to $3: 4$ to 5 : 6 to 4: At the next handstroke the ringers of these bells carry out the command. thus producing the required sequence (123546).


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## by Norman Chaddock

Here are some examples producing musical sequences:-

## 12345678 Commands.

$12345768 \quad 7105,6$ to 7 , tenor to 6. 12354768 5 to 3. 4 to 5.7 to 4. $12357468 \quad 7$ to 5,4 to 7,6 to 4. $13257468 \quad 3$ to 1,2 to 3,5 to 2 . Queens | 13527468 |
| :--- |
| 13572468 |
| 13 | Keturn to rounds by reversing sequences.

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\begin{aligned}
& 12345678 \\
& 12345768 \\
& 12347568 \\
& \begin{array}{l}
12374568 \\
12 \\
1
\end{array} \\
& \text { Whittingtons } 12753468 \\
& 2345678 \\
& 12354678 \\
& 12356478 \\
& \begin{array}{l}
12356748 \\
12536748
\end{array} \\
& \text { Tittums } 15263748
\end{aligned}
$$

The above three touches can be combined to produce a longer touch including Rounds, Queens and Whittingtons.

123456
12354
13254
13
135246 Queen
$\begin{array}{lll}31 & 1524 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 2\end{array}$
531246 Whittingtons
123456
124356
142356
142536 Tittums
12345
12435
11435
24135
Queens
This system may be adapted to any number of bells and to produce any desired changes

Some call change hands work slowly through the changes of Grandsire in this way; others work on the following system:-

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 123456 \\
& 2 \\
& 213 \\
& 2
\end{aligned} 31456
$$

When 4, then 5 have been hunted up to 5ths the bells return into rounds.
little imagination is needed to devise many call change touches " going through various changes and relurning gradually 10 rounds.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## Eastern District

The winter meeting of the Eastern District was held at Pocklington, on December 10th, when about 25 ringers attended. The service was conducted by the Vicar. Rev. G. Christie.
An excellent tea was provided by the local ringers wives, and was foHowed by the busiress meeting. presided over by the viceprevident. Mr. A. E. Sellers. Two new members were elocted-Jeanne E. Bottomley and David Rhodes. both of Bradford Cathedral. Sherhurn-in-Elmet was selected as the next place of meeting. if passible on April 8th. The secrelary announced the week-end course in bell ringing to be held at Grantley Hall, near Ripon, from March 17th to 19 th .
The secretary promised to write Mr . F. W. Dale. of Hessle, wishing him a speedy return to good health.

The standard mechods were rung and also Yorkshire and Cambridge Surprise Major.

## A WORCESTERSHIRE SKITTLES MATCH

Friday, December 8th, saw the floods down and spirits up. for that evening the Worcester Cathedral Guild was to meet the Southern Branch of the Association in a skittles match at the Vialage lnn, Twining.
The Southern Branch was rather short of ladies so the Cauhedral Guild lent them two to make up the teams to seven-a-side. The first game was won by the Southerners by 138 to 122. The second game went to the Cashedralites with 132 to 109 , John Slater having the highest individual score.

After this game someone called "Time." which is short for 'That's all, so arrangements were hurriedly made for a return match.

The evening was a great success, so much so that one member was heard to say he was thinking of it all through a yuarter of Stedman the next day. Everyone is looking forward to the next time. when it is a home match for the Southerners.

> R. G. M.

## BIRMINGHAM'S BROADCAST

For the Christmas morning broadcast from Birmingham Cathedral. two recordings were taken on December 8th.

The first was two courses of Siedman Cinques in which the company stood H. H. Fearn 1. M. Reay 2, E. C. Shepherd 3, R. W. Pipe 4. B. D. A. Woolley 5. J. Pinfold 6. R. G. Edwards 7, N. J. Goodman 8. J. McDonald 9. J. A. Anderson 10, G. E. Fearn 11. W. T. Froggatt 12.

The second was a full course of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, rung by H. H. Fearn 1 , M. Reay 2. E. C. Shepherd 3. R. W. Pipe 4. B. D. A. Woolley 5, J. Pinfold 6, B. liendry 7, N. J. Goodman 8, J. McDonald 9. R. G. Edwards 10. J. A. Anderson 11. G. E. Fearn 12.

The choice will be made by the B.B.C.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

An extremely enjoyable and successful afternoon was the verdict of all who attended the North Devon Guild meeting at Chulmleigh. on December 3rd. Some very good striking of Siedman, Grandsire. Bob Major and Kent was much appreciated by the local crack callchange band.

After service. tea was supplied by the local ringers wives, and at a meeting Preb E. V. Cox took the ohair in absence of the branch chairman.

On re-entering the tower, water was found to be pouring through the 3rd sally hole. Not to be beaten. Tom. from Plymourh. called an excellent louch of Stedman, wearing trilby and mackintosh. One ringer, the local wag. reckoned he was sweating bobs and singtes at the end of the touch! Thank you, Chulmleigh. for a warm welcome.
D.J.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Warmley. Bristol. on Dacember 10.h. The somewhat ehilly weather was, no doube. to blame for the unusuatly small attendance. Ringing during the afternoon was followed by a service, conducted by the Vicar. Preb. Francis. Tea was then taken in the Church Hall. Votes of thanks to the Vicar and to Miss Webb for a splendid tea were proposed by Miss N. Williams. At the business meeting four new members were elected: Mrs. S. Mathews, Miss E. Webb, Miss G. Hussey and Miss D. Rogers.

The next meeting, the annual, will be held at St. James', Bristol, when it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

BARKSTON: LINCS.-On Dee. 3rd, 1.248 Lirtle Bub Minor: Elizabeth Holmes 1. C. Nokcs 2. C. McCartney 3, G. Ingleby 4. D. Firth (cond.) 5, J. Holmes 6.
BRISTOL -On Nov. 18 th , at St Mark's Chapel, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. J. Hobbs 1 . Gillian Mussey 2, F. C. Mogford 3, J. R. Ketteringham 4, J. Brain 5, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 6.

## PUTNEY RINGERS IN SUSSEX

A fine day being provided on November 19th, Putney ringers and friends set out for a day in Sussex. Bolney (8) was the first stop, where we were particularly pleased to meet the Vicar, a former Putney curate. The 'go' of these bells is quite good, but the tone poor. At Hurstpierpoint (8), the bells were excellent, both for tone and 'go.'

Arriving at Brighton, on the ten at $S t$. Peter's we managed Grandsire Caters, for the first time on a Putney outing. Bob Royal, despite the fact that the fifth had no stay! After lunch and a look round the town we went to St. Nicholas' (10). This ring must be among the best toned productions of the Croydon Foundry.


ST. NICHOLAS', BRIGHTON, visited on the recent Putney outing.

The splendid Norman church at Shoreham wals the next call, where we added Double Norwich to the usual repertoire of the four standard methods. By now it was dark, and after a much-needed tea we circumnavigated country lanes to the delightful village of Amberley (5), with its castle, which formerly belonged to the Bishops of Chichester. and pleasant old ring of bells. Here various madcaps rang Orpheus Doubles. which we were informed was Stedman before Stedman invented Stedman! Our last stop was at Billingshurst (8), where the bells are very noisy in the ringing chamber. After a few hitches. Cambridge Major was rung for the first time.

Our thanks go to all incumbents and tower captains who helped to make this, perhaps, the most successful outing we have ever had.

> A..C.

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## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## Chew Deanery Branch

The annual meeting of the Chew Deanery Branch was held at Yatton, on December 3rd. when approximately 50 members and friends representing most of the towers in the Branch attended. The fine sing of eight bells was put to good use prior to the service, which was conducted by Rev. W. Paton, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar. An excellent tea, prepared and served by Branch lady members in the Churah Hall. followed the service.

At the business meeting those present first stood in silent memory of members of the Branch who had passed away since the previous annual meeting. These were Rev. A. J. Hobbs (Winford). E. Goldstone (Portishead). H. Marshall (Yatton) and F. Derrick (Clapton-in-Gordano). Arising from the minutes, it was agreed to defer the question of a corporate attendance at Evensang, one Sunday. until the next meeting.

The accounts for 1960 proved satisfactory and officers for 1961 were elected as follows: Chairman and Ringing Master, H. W. Knight ; vice-chairmen. C. Bishop and L. Derrick secretary, D. Yeo, and reporter. M. Horseman. Two new members from Yatton, three from Portbury and one each from Nailsea and Kingston Seymour were elected, and it was agreed (provided permission was forthcoming) that the April quarterly meeting should be held at Backwe't. with mondily practice meetings at Easton-in-Gordano. Chew Magna and Weston-in-Gordano, for January, February and March. respectively. The half-yeanly Corporaie Communion was arranged for Portishead on the fourth Sunday in April.

A welcome was extcnded to Mrs. Sirong. of Nailsea. after her illness and the business concluded with Rev. W: Paton, who had acted as Chairman, proposing a vote of thanks to all who had contributed to such an enjoyable meeting.

Further ringing look place under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. H. W. Knight.

## SCHOOL RINGING SOCIETIES MEET

Through items appearing in 'The Ringing World' the bands from Shebbear College, North Devon. and Cirencester Grammar School knew of each other's existence and met for the first time on Advent Sunday, at Holy Trinity. Watermoor, Cirencester. The Shebbear party, consisting of three masters and 15 boys, started at dawn in charge of Mr . J. Queen (ringing organiser). The Cirencester Grammar School hand has no Master attached. Peter J. Lewis was the leader

After ringing Grandsire Doubles and rounds at Watermoor, the party went to Cirencester Parish Church and rang rounds on the 12 and Grandsire Doubles on the back eight with three bells covering. Both school bands. 37 in atl. piled into six cars and proceeded to St. Mary's. Meyseyhampton. where good use was made of the six bells. for an hour Methods rung were Grandsire. Pkin Bob Doubles and Minor and Reverse St. Bartholomew's
A sandwich lunch was partaken of in the schoolroom at Leahlade. and the ringing afterwards was more successful. Stedman Doubles was added to the ringing repertoire at South Cerney. An adjournment followed to Cirencester Arammar School canteen. where the ringers were welcomed by the headmaster and Mrs. I. V. Barnett. Tea was served by the girls of the Cirencester bend and speeches followed. In thesc Ian R. Slee. on behalf of Shebbear. thanked Cirencester for their hospi:ality and invited them to make a return visit to Nonith Devon. Peter J. Lewis replied with hopes of a, return visit. Shebbear College was reached safely by $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$

## Marston (Oxon) Ringers' Outing

On December 3rd. a very windy and wet day. Mareton and other ringers had an outing into Buckinghanshire. Towers visited were Wootton Underwood. Waddesdon. East and Stecple Claydons. Twyford. Launton and Marsh Gibbon.

At Launton they had the pleasure of ringing with the Deputy Master of the Guild (Mr. Frederick Sharpe). A warm welcome was accorded them at every tower. Home was reached at 10 p.m.. some of the band looking as if they had been on a cross-country run.

## RINGERS' CROSSWORD (No. 4)



## A LANCASHIRE CLUB CORNER

By FRED TAYLOR

- Ah see they're buryin' Jemmy Lofty today, th' beliringer,' said owd Dick as he cut up his usual pipeful.
'Why, is he deeud?' asked little Tommy, holding his hands over the cheery, welcome blaze of the fire.

It he deeud?' went on owd Dick. 'Wot art axin' a question like that for? Would they bury him if he weren't deeud?'
' Nowe,' Tommy chirped. 'yo've getten me in a knot this time. Anyroad. ah'm very sorry to 'eat that Nice chap. was Jemmy. He'd bin a bellringer a good number o' yers. He'll be missed, will jemmy, "cause they're not blessed with too mony bellringers at th' churches these days. It doesn't seem to atlract th' youngsters, ah reckon they want a bit o' summat moor excitin'. Poohin' a rope with a bell at th' end is not excitin' enough fer a lot $0^{\prime}$ young folks today. Ah see vicars are cry'n' eawl for 'em up an deawn th country. They've a shortage $0^{\circ}$ young belllingers an they're findin it very difficult to fill 'th' gap. It'll be a pity if bellringin' dees cawt. because ah allus think they've a sweet soothin' seawnd someroad to th' ear.

Owd Sam struck a match and held it for a second or two over his pipe before he spoke. 'There's nowt nicer: he mused, "than to listen to the church bells pealin' o'er th', countryside on a summer Sunday neet. Th' sun just nestlin behind the trees, a gentle breeze blowin' thi strains o' the bells fra some owd parish church oier th' meadows, th' corn fields. th' pasture lands, an' even o'er th' hills an' across th' dales. Wot does tha sey, Bob?'
Bob leaned back in his chair and grinned broadly. ' Th' seawnd of a church bell is appealin', he exclaimed. 'no matter wheer yo 'ear it, Sam. Ah know there's lots o' folks Who look on 'em as owd fashioned an' eawt o' date, but fer mesel ah'd be sorry to see 'em go. Ah've listened th' bells 'ere in Wiggin fer donkeys yers an' they seawnd nicer every time ah ear 'em.'

Owd Dick, perched in the opposite corner, nodded approval. Ah quite agree with thi, Bob,' he murmured, 'an' owt that's beautiful to th' eye an' th' ear should be classed as an art. an' Jemmy Lofty, whom they buried today, 'as given me an' thousands of others pleasure with his bellingin'. He's devoted aw his spare time to this job in th' belfry fer th' biggest part of his life an' ah reckon Jemmy will land at heaven's gate awreet. Wot do yo' think, Sam? Don't yo' agree?'

- Of course, ah do.' replied the old fellow. an yo' must remember this. That th' bellringin is not just poohin a rope an' makin' a din. It's a art, an' a gradely art, an' one that ah reckon owt to be encouraged. Thee travel th' district an' listen to church bells in every locality an' that'll discover heaw each church seems to send eawt a little message. a little S.O.S. of its own. Anybody with a bit of imagination can decipher some inner meanin that comes fra them tuneful chimes of a Sunday neet. 'Ave yo' ever tried gooin' on a tour of th' Wiggin district some Sabbath evenin' an' translated 'th message they seem to broadcast?'

Owd Dick smiled. 'Nowe, ahive ne'er thowt abeawt it that road. Sam. But ah can fancy a chap could get a lot o' pleasure by so doin' We'll ave a tmp reawnd this summer, thee an" me an' Tommy an' Bob 'ere. We met pick summat up. Thoose bells met sey summat we've never yerd befoor. Ayc. we'll ave a saunter reawnd owd lad. if God spares us.'

- Well, ah ve "ah some experience of it: owd Sam went on. 'an' ah tell thi that these bells ave a language of their own. Ah went reawnd the leawn one neet this last summer an' ah wrote deawn me thowts in a laht verses as ah was gooin' along. Yo' met think it was quare thing to do, but further ah went an moor ah loved it.
- Co on. chirped little Tommy, 'let's "ear a hit $0^{-}$Shakespeare fra al Wiggin ex-coaler. tlras off. Sam.
'Well,' began Sam. ' ah didn't write 'cm in th' dialect but in th' Queen's English. So yo' must sort it eawt for yorsels. 'Ere goes,

Church bells have a language
Yes, they speak to us, you know,
Have you ever heard their messages
As on your way you go?
"Oh come to church, good people, come,"
The sweet bells seem to say,
I hear them on this Sabbath
As I plod my silent way.
For on this Sunday evening
I decided I would seek,
To translate their precious meaning
In the language that they speak.
And Im travelling round the countryside, Surrounding Wigan Town,
To listen so attentively
Then write each message down.
"Ye shall walk and not faint,"
Said the Wigan All Saints'.
" Do not build upon sand," Said the bells of Up Holland.
"Build your house on a rock,"
Replied the bells of Poolstock.
"Come into the fold."
Said the bells of Parbold.
"For I am the way,"
Said the church bells of Haigh.
"You can't live as you wish,"
Said the bells of Standish.
" God's laws are in full,"
Said the bells of Aspull.
" Come, worship your God,"
Said the bells of Blackrod.
"Come workman or prince," Said the bells of Ince.
"Yea. come doubly or singly," Said the sweet bells of Hindley.
"For you, Christ has suffered."
Said the church bells of Rufford
" So repent of your sins," ${ }^{2}$
Called the bells of Billinge.
"Then the battle's half won,"
Replied the bells of Ashton.
"What say ye that I am?"
And on this lovely evening,
This glorious Sabbath day.
histened to the messages
These sweet bells have to say.?
Little Tommy knocked the ash from his cigarette. 'Well,' he muttered. 'it's not so bad fra an owd pit lad. Ah'm just reminded of an owd bellringer ah once knew very weel. an' weis he retired he bowt a nice little bungolow an' cawd it "The Chimes." Ah allus used to think wot a lovely name it was. an one that browt back happy memories of past experiences.
Bob gave a chuckle. "Ah shall ne er forget owd Chippy,' he mused. 'he ran a chip shop. biggest part of his life. an' wen he an h:s wife retired, they bowt a bungalow too, an wot does tha think he named it?'

## Tommy shook his head and smiled.

Dunchippin,' replied Bob, 'an' ah thowt he couldn't 'ave hit on a better name. Anyroad. ah think we'd better go an see if the chips are ready. Ah'm leavin' yo
'Tak' thi time." shouted Dick. 'we're aw gooin' one road. Pooh th' dor to. Sam. Look after yorisels, folks. Be careful. Tommy. Keep smilin' everybody, an' don't forget. if yo' want to get into business where yo re sure to get a foothold-it's easy. Become a chiropodist. Cheerio!"

Mr. Ranald Clouston has had Part II of "The Chuich and Other Bells of Aberdeenshire published. He is joint author with the late Dr. F. C. Feles, and is at present engaged on the third and final part waich will cover the city of Aberdeen. and review the work of the various founders in the county.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

 Chertsey District DinnerThe Chertsey District scored a very successful 'first in the method' on December 10th, when a District dinner was held at "The Ship Hotel,' Weybridge. Fifty-six ringers and friends sat down to an excellent meal, under the gernial chairmanship of the Guild's Master, Mr. C. W. Denyer
Proposing : The continued prosperity of the Chertsey District. Mr. Denyer said how pleased he was to note the spirit of the district, particularly in view of the days when it was seriously considered dividing the area between the other districts. The Farnham District would have to look out if it wished to remain the leading district!

The District Ringing Master. Mr, R. Collins. replied, and paid tribute to those who had worked so hard, often in face of great disappointments. He mentioned, in particular, Messrs. W. Shepherd. J. B. Hessey, F. J. Dodson and F. E. Hawthorne. who was still giving the benefit of his experience to learners.
Mr. Hawthorne proposed "The Ladies and Visitors.' and hoped that ningers" wives would be considerate when their husbands went off for an occasional peal! He welcomed those visitors who were not ringers, and had a special word for Mr. W. Goldstone, the oldest ringer present.
Mrs. Kitty King replied on behalf of the ladies and thanked Mr. Hawthorne. pointing out that at Hersham it was quite common to have 'bertes" at hoth ends of the rope.
A varied programme of entertainment followed. under the direction of Mr: J. King. including handhell ringing, also piano solos from Colin Chinnery.

## ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD

The quarterly meeting of St. David's Guild was held at St. Dingad's, Llandovery, on December 10th. Members attended from Llandilo, Carmarthen. Barry Port. St. David's, Llanelly, Ltandovery College and our friends from the Swansea and Brecon Guild. The Vicar, the Rev. C. Thomas, officiated at the service and the members were entertained to a very nice tea by the Mothers Union.
At the business meeting, with the Vicar in the chair, all present stood as a token of respect to the late Mr. C. H. Hawkins, who had passed away since our last meeting. The Vicar then welcomed the Guild to Llandovery and opened the meeting. A touch on the handbells was given by the Swansea and Brecon members and the collection for the Bell Restoration Fund realised $£ 1$ 4s. The suggestion of a joint meeting with the Swansea and Brecon Guild was passed to the committee. Also the place of the next quarterly meeting. This is due to the fact that Cardigan bells are being restored and it is possible that they will be ready by next Easter.

The Ringing Master. Mr. R. Warburton, gave the good news that there is a possibility that Nevern hells are going to be restored. This will mean an extra two rings of six in the Diocese. It was abso suggested that the annual meeting should be made a full day's ringing: starting at 11 a.m. instead of the usual 2.30 p.m.
Four new probationary members and two life rineing members were proposed. Mr. W. Wilfiams. Carmarthen. then proposed a vate of thanks to the Vicir and the Ringing Master. and to the ladies who provided lea. The Vicar responded and olosed the meeting with a prayer. Members then returned to the lower to ring until $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## 5,040 THRUSSINGTON SURPRISE ROYAL

By SHIRLEY BURTON

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den. Suffolk.
and
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## MEETINGS

LADIES' GUILD. - Central District. Quarterly meeting on December 31st, at Stanmore. Ringing from 3-5 p.m., followed by service. Tea and short business meeting in the Church House, then further ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Leversuch, 21 , Abercorn Road, Stanmore. Gentlemen cordially invited.

7140
LADIES GUILD.-Beds and Northants Branch.-Meeting. Saturday. December 31st, at Finedon. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m. Please send names for tea 10 Miss K. Rivett. 117. Stagsden Roud. Bromham Beds. Please support.

7043
ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD. -The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held at Mirfietd (10), on January 7 th. Names for tea, please, to The Caretaker, Church House. Mirfield. All welcome. 7105 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly general meeting. Ilkeston (8), Saturday January 7 th. Committee meet 4 p.m. Bells available from 3.15 . Tea 4.45 p.m., for those who notify Mr. E. Fletcher, 30, Margaret Avenue, likeston, Derbyshire, not later than January 3rd-B. P. Morris, Sec. 7048 ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.E. DivisionAnnual general meeting at Writtle, on January 7 th . Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by January 4th. to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Dinbury. 7145
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kington District.-Annual meeting at Lyonshall. on Saturday. January 7th. Bells (6). Service. Tea. Usual times.-J. Preece, Dis. Sec. Lea Lodge. Staunton-on-Arrow, Leominster, Herefordshire.

7050
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Tonbridge District) and LADIES GUILD (Kent Branch).-Meeting at Edenbridge, on Saturday, January 7th. Bejls (8) 3 p.m. Names with cash ( 2 s . 6d.) by Tuesday. January 3 rd, to Hon. Dis. Sec.. W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Raad, Tonbridge ©MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOL SOCIETY.-Meeting at Aylesford (8). Saturday. January 7ih. at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names. please. 10 Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315 . Loose Road, Maidstone. 7049 NORWICH ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch. The annual branch meeting on Saturday. January 7th, at St. George's, Colegate. Bells (6) and St. Mites (8) from 2 pm . Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Runging at St. Peter Mancroft. in the evening. Names for tea by January 4 th. to C. Bird. Hon. Sec.. 27. Warwick Street. Norwich. NOR 48 F. 7059 DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM-Annual meeting. January 7 th . in St. Martin's Church Hall. at 4.30 p.m. Si. Martin's bells (12) 3.30 p.m. Cathedral (12) after meeting.-G. E Fearn. Hon. Sec.
. 12 after meeting.
SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern District.-Annual meeting at St. Gwendoline's. Talgarth. on Saturday. January 7th, at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Teas 2s. 6d.-G. P. Davies. Dis. Sec

7060
DEVON GUILD-Mid-Devon Branch Annual meeting. Saturday, January 14th Michael's. 2.30. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to D. J. Roberts. 84. Westhill Road. Torquay. GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Saturday, EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Saturday,
January 14th. annual dinner, at The Culverden Arms. Tunbridge Wells. Tickets 14 s . $6 d$ Names. with cash, by January 7th. to Mr. E. Nrumes. with cash, 107. Upper Grosvenor Road. Tunbridge Wells. St. Peter's bells 4-6 p.m. Dinner at 6.30 p.m.-C. A. Bassett. 7130

UNIVFRSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETYThe date of the annual dinner is January 28th and not as printed in last issue of The Ringing World.

## RINGING STORIES

By G. E. SYMONDS
At Christmas, 1900, the Thornham (near Eye, Suffolk) ringers went 'boxing ' with handbells. On December 31st they visited the Hall. After ringing in the entrance the owner gave his subscription and ordered cakes and beer to be brought. Upon preparing to leave he thanked them very much. As the next day would be January 1st, 1901, he said: 'I wish you all a happy new century,' whereupon old Ted blurted out: 'Same to you, sir, and many on [of] ' cm .

The following shows how unenlightened are some people when listening to bell-ringing.
Overheard in St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, churchyard during the 'firing ' after a wedding: - What strong men those ringers must be to pick up all the bells and bang them together.'

This was a long time ago. The Bishop was visiting St. Mary-le-Tower the next day. The Vicar asked the Master to have the bells rung for the occasion. The Master explained that the ringers were scattered in different parts of the town and it was impossible to get them together. To this the Vicar replied: "There are plenty of men standing idle on the Cornhill with nothing to do who would be glad of a job.'

The late William P. Garrett told a clergyman that the peal he accomplished at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London, was the first rung by electricity. His Reverence said: You had an easy job. Mr. Garrett then corrected himself, saying: "It was the first rung with electric light.'

Years ago, a writer to one of the Ipswich papers often criticised three subjects, viz.: Prams on the pavements, teachers' salaries as compared with that of clerks, and, of course, bell-ringing. He mentioned that he received 750 letters of complaints-he must have counted all the letters in one epistle, finishing by stating what sense anyone can see in banging two pieces of metal together he could not understand.'

The writer replying to a toast to the ringers mentioned this, and said: What sense about $1,000,000$ people can see in watching two pieces of leather knocked about on football fields on Saturdays I cannot understand.'

Being somewhat hard of hearing, a young ringer said to me what sounded like this: "After a week's tour and finishing, with a peal at Debenham I had 15 whiskies '; to which I replied: 'It would have been cheaper to buy a bottle.' He answered: "What good would a bottle be for 15 blisters? ' Got it?

## AN IMPORTANT OCCASION AT ECCLESTON

Still hale and hearty at 92, Mr. Sam Jones, of Eccleston Cheshire, celebrated his birthday on December 10th, when a band representing several branches of the Chester Diocesan Guild assembled in the affernoon and rang a well-struck peal of Plain Bob Triples on the fine eight at Si. Mary's Church.
This was followed by high tea at the house when our veteran occupied the place of honour at a table daden with good things, having as its centrepiece a magnificent cake made by his granddaughter. Nearby, lay a greetings telegram from the Bishop of Chester which read: An behalf of myself, personally. as well as of the ringers of the Chester diocese I send you heartiest congratulations on your 92 nd birthday." Mr. Jones treasures this greeting as he remembers when he rang 120 Grandsire Doubles with the Bishop. The toast of the evening was given by Mr. S. Jones junior. who conveyed the sincere wish of all present-" Many bappy returns.

A pleasant hour was spent afterwards round the fire with the customary talk of bells and towers. ringers and peals. All too soon the time to depart arrived and with renewed good wishes the visitors lefit Sam to his cosy fireside. The whirs of self-starters was soon heard beneath the great yew tree against the chunchyard and one by one the visitors left the sleepy village.

5,184 JARROW SURPRISE MAJOR
By A. KNIGHTS

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| 65324 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 62433 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 26354 | 2 |  | 2 |
| 23564 |  | 1 | 2 |

2 x repeated.
Rung at Willesden, June 30th, 1960.
Also rung at Willesden, October 27th, 1960. as the first peal of Zeals Surprise Major.

## 5,088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

By W. ERIC CRITCHLEY


Rung at Harmston, Lincolnshire, November 19th. 1960.

ABINGDON, BERKS.-On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. R. Cross 1, Miss J. M. E. Dixon (first quarter) 2, Miss M. A. Catter 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4, J. W. Bevit 5, W. A. Smith (cond.) 6. Rung as a thanksgiving for the 89th birthday of Mrs. A. E. Carter, grandmother of the riager of the third.
BLACKHILL, CO. DURHAM.-On Dcc. 11 h , 1.261 lain Bob Minor: G: Walt 1, J. Vickery 2, R. Oliver 3, N. Errington (cond.) 4, C. T. Lamb 5. R. Skelton 6, W. Tyson covering. For Evensong, and visit of Bishop of Durham for 75th anniversary.

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## THE RABBITS' GUILD

TTHE fourth annual general meeting took place, according to custom, on the Feast of St. Francis, when for the first time the members gathered openly wearing the Guild badge, with its device of the Rabbit Trippant, proudly conscious that the danger of reprisals is past.

The Master's speech, thoughtful and constructive as usual, was received with enthusiastic approval. He began by expressing his delight in the steady expansion of the Guild, the increasing respect accorded to it, and his firm belief that in pursuing the objects for which it was founded it renders a service to ringing which could be given in no other way. He added, with characteristic modesty, that he did not venture to hope that he, the first Master. was worthy to figure as a Servant of the Exercise, but he did confidently expect that the honour would be early accorded to a successor in the office of Master.

Perhaps the subject of most general interest with which he dealt was the silent tower. 'Wherever I go, and I travel a good deal,' he said, 'I enquire about the local towers and the prospects for ringing, and I am appalled by the number of churches equipped with rings of bells, many of them fine rings in good order, and all lacking the one essential -ringers to ring them. This only bears out, of course, the findings of the recent survey, but I suspect that the true position is even worse than that revealed by the admittedly incomplete returns.
'I have given much thought to this sad subject, and especially to consider in what way our Guild might modestly contribute to an improvement. My idea is the formation of mobile bands, made up, as occasion arises, of ringers whose services are not always required in their own towers, or who belong to bands which for one reason or another cannot maintain regular morning and evening service ringing. If a mobile band were to offer to man some of these silent bells, perhaps on a special occasion, such as the patronal festival, I have no doubt that parishioners would be greatly delighted by the sound of their bells. and that in many places interest would be so aroused that a local band would be formed, and eventually the reproach of a silent tower removed.
' Of course,' he went on 'the recruiting of mobile bands and the skill required would be quite beyond the capabilities of us Rabbits alone, but if anything of the kind were
anywhere to be proposed I trust that we should hasten to pledge our support. Our performances, alas! leave much to be desired, but after our long, long years of earnest practice some can manage a little change-ringing, and most can achieve tolerable rounds. I believe that in such an enterprise we Rabbits could fitly justify our venturing to exist, and our example be a great encouragement to wouldbe learners and such as have lapsed in despair. We should, of course, be happy to encourage properly qualified applicants by enrolling them in the Guild.'

He added that though it was incompetence in ringing which brought about the gathering over which he was presiding, members were not necessarily failures in other walks of life, and many could do good service in maintenance work and in making neglected bells ringable. He claimed to be himself capable of a pretty splice. The applause of the meeting gave ample evidence of its approval of the Master's suggestion, and there was a cry of 'Up, the Roving Rabbits!'.

Thereupon the meeting discussed several matters of interest. One was the function and technique of the standerbehind, in which both subject and speakers were vexed. It was entirely agreed that the stander-behind sadly lacks an accepted convention and his vagaries add yet another and a huge stumbling-block to the path of the learner. Too often he does not know whether instructions relate to bells, places, what he should be doing now this very instant, at the next pull, as the next piece of work, or even at the next lead. One member reported that his instructor, who is rather slow in the uptake, tells him what he should have done last! There was complete agreement that clear instruction on this point, even better, an agreed convention, would go far to ease the struggles of the learner, especially of the Rabbit-in-the-making, and save many a collapse into chaos. There was a complaint from many quarters of instructors who issue wrong orders, revoking them as soon as the unfortunate tyro is hopelessly lost, with a casual 'Sorry,' followed by a new set of orders. an ordeal which no Rabbit can be expected to survive. The suggestion that the threat of honorary life membership of the Rabbits' Guild would strongly discourage such unfair behaviour was accepted, and members were authorised to make the threat wherever it is deserved. The cry of a member who had evidently suffered especially severely on this score. 'That'll larn 'em!', was endorsed by a burst of applause and some anticipatory chuckles, nods and winks.

The committee which had undertaken the task of preparation presented its Hims for Instructors. In the wonds of the chairman; Some dre born rabbits, but some have rabbitdom thrust upon them. The hints were generally considered excellent, and were agreed with the addition of one outlining the Guild's advice on the stander-behind and with the fervent hope that those for whom tiey are intended wil profit by them. to the alleviation of the lot of the Rabbit and the tenefit of the Exercise generally.

Two members reported that having met shont for an attempt for a peal of Minimus. and the suggestion of a peal of Singles having caused one of the three to fall in a dead faint. the remainder of the band rang 5.040 changes on two bells. They claimed that as peals of Minimus are compatible with continued nembership of the Guild their lesser exploit was inoffensive. Their claim was allowed. but such performances are considered really beneath the dignity even of Rabbits. The clappers. of course, were tied.

This matter led to a discussion on the 'no peals' rule. The argument was put forward, and strongly pressed. that as the rule has caused much distress to members of less than average incompetence it was not in the best interest of the Exercise that they should be expelled from the Guild on scoring a peal. The general feeling of the meeting was evidently in favour of continued mombership on the grounds of 'once a Rabbit. always a Rabbit.' Formal notice is to be given for this impontant matter to be debated at the next A.G.M. and a vote to be taken on a proposed relaxation of the rute.
Having disposed of the business to everyone's satisfiotion. the meeting adjourned to partake of the annual feast. at which members greatly enjoyed the special dish traditionally served on this occasion humble pie with caper sauce.
W. D.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 32 cwt .3 qr .14 lb . in C sharp.


Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

## OXFORD

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 17. 1960, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of Christ,

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In four methods, comprising 1,440 each of Superlative, Yorkshire and Pudsey, and 960 of Cambridge, with 100 changes of method.

## Tenor 31 cwt .



## TEN BELL PEALS

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
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EWERBY. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 15 cwt .23 lb . in D .

| argaret A. Swann | le | Louis Willders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Delia Smith | 2 | Geoffrey Paul |
| *Claire Dillamor | 3 | Geoffrey R. Parker |
| A. Robin Heppenstall | 4 | John Walden |
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Tenor
Composed by Chas. W. Roberis. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. * First peal of Grandsire Caters.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## WORSLEY LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Dec. 11, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mark.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version.
Tenor 24 cwt. 7 lb . in D
Edward Jenkins
Reter Scholfield
Frederick W. Grocott F. John Nelson
John H. Fielden John H. Fielden
A. Peter Whitehead 6
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Frederick Shallcross...$\quad 5 \quad 5 \quad$ Derek Oaden $\quad .$.
Composed by C. K. Lewis. Conducted by Frederick W. Grocorr.
BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Dec. 15, 1960, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.
at the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor $25 \ddagger$ cwt.
Arthur Tomlinson ...Treble Peter Crook .. .. .. 6

- John Froome .. .. .. 2 *Donald Lawson .. .. 7

Brian A. Tomlinson .. 3 *M. John Halliwell .. 8
John H. Gartside
Charles Clegg
Peter Crook. jun.
Laurence J. Williams..
Conducted by Arthur Tomlinson.
Composed by W. Hudson
First peal of Caters.
Rung to commemorate the opening of the new sanctuary at the Cathedral.

## HERTFORD

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Sat., Dec. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 29 Minules.

## At the Church of All Saints. <br> A PEAL OF 5000 OAKHAM SURPRISE ROYAI

Tenor 25 cwt .23 lb . in D.
Pairicia M. Bourn .. .. Treble| Alfred J. House .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 7
Celia F. Whitfeld. . . 3 Peter J. Eves .. .. .. 8
Joan Beresford $\quad . . \quad . . \quad 4 \quad$ J. Richard Castledine ... 9
G. William Critchley .. 5 John R. Mayne .. . . Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method by all the band, in tho county, and for the Association.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Christopher Perowne, recently inducyed to this living.

## ROTHERHAM. YORKSHIRE. <br> THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> (Sheffield and District Society.)

On Sat., Dec. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor $34 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{\mathrm{cw}}$. in C sharp.
Mrs. Margaret Burns.. Treble | Ian Tilling .. .. .. 6

* Mary Atkinson ... .. 2 Norman Chaddock ... .. 7
†Patricia Walker .. .. 3 Fred Fisher .. .. .. 8
Mrs. Elsie Chaddock. 4 John N. D. Chaddock .. 9
$\ddagger$ Raymond Woodward .. 5 | David G. Frfinch .. .. Tenor
Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by Norman Chaddock.
* First peal on ten bells. † First of Grandsire Caters 'inside.
$\ddagger$ First of Grandsire Caters.
A farewell from the local band to Fred Fisher, who is taking charge of the bells of St. Stephen's, Eastwood. Rotherham, which have been silent for some years.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat.. Dec. 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
Ar the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt 3 gr .19 lb . in F .

## Roger Hazell.

Roland Biggs
Mrs. A. E. Cox
David A. Cornwall
Composed by Dennis Knox.

| Treble | Sydney M. Bailey.. | .. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Dennis Knox .. | .. | .. |
| 3 | Walter Lee | .. | .. |

Conducted by Anthony E. Cox.

## LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD On Mon.. Dec. 5, 1960. in 3 Hours. At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5056 NEWMARKET SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt


Edwin T. Chapman.
Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.
First peal in the method.

## ARKSEY YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Dec. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
Howard Scott James Thorley W. Eric Critchley Edward Dalingwater

Treble Harold Wagstaff Tenor 10 cwt 2 3 4 Geoffrey Graham Frederick J. Jackson Kathleen Mallender 5
6
7

Tenor Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

Rung on the occasion of the 81st birthday of Mr. Ben Birkett, a ringer at this tower.

## BIRMINGHAM

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM On Tues., Dec. 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minures, At the Church of Si. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt
Elizabeih M. Yardley.. Treble George E. Fearn ... .. 5
Peier Bordir .. .. .. 2 John Pinfold 6
Norman J. Goudman .. 3 Barrie Hendiy.. .. .. 7
John A. Anderson .. .. 4 John McDonald Temor
Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Peiler Border.

## TRURO, CORNWALL

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD
Ont Tues., Dec. 6. 1960, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes, At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation). Tenor 35 cwt
Rev. A. S. Roberis .. Treble Anthony Locke
*Anthony J. Davidson .. 2 Alan Carveth .. .. ..

Douglas Burnett .... 3 David J. King.. ....
Peter J. Coles .. .. 4 Colin J. B. Taylor .. .. Tenor Conducted by Alan Carveth.

* First peal. The fastest peal on the bells.

Rung to mark the 50 th year of Truro Cathedral bells.
NORTH STONEHAM. HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Wed., Dec. 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt . It qr. 16 lb . in G

* Molly Hayes .. .. .. Treble R. Roger Savory

Jessie M. Kippin
$\begin{array}{ll}2 & \text { David E. House } \\ 3 & \text { Maurice J. Butler. }\end{array}$
M. Elizabeth Chapman

4 Tom Chapman
†JOHN R. Faithfull ... 4 TOM Chapman .. is ... Tenor Composed by Chas. W. Roberts. Conducted by Tom Chapman. * First peal of Surprise. + First of Yorkshire. First of Yorkshire as conductor.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Thurs., Dec. 8, 1960, in 2 Hours and' 43 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5120 SOUTHAMPTON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt .3 qr .25 lb . in $\mathbf{A}$.

| C. Edward Lankester | Treble | Thomas J. Lock | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joan Beresford | 2 | G. William Critchley | .. | 6 |  |
| Claudia A. Critchley | 3 | Alfred J. House | .. | .. | 7 |

 Composed by S. WOOD. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 292).

## ERITH. KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Fri., Dec. 9. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minules. At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 15 cwt. in G

| Arthur G. Mason | Treble | Ralph Bird |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joan Beresford | 2 | Ian H. Oram |
| Herbert E. Audsley | 3 | George J. Butcher. |
| Frederick J. Cullum | 4 | Peter Beresford |
| omposed by John L. |  | Conducted by I |

omposed by John L. Morris. Philip Conducted

> SOUTHAMPTON SURPRISE MAJOR
> - $34.58 .6-56-38-34-3.14-16.3$.
> 8ths place lead-end. 4ths place bob.

## LEICESTER

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Dec. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor $8 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$
John M. Jelley .. .. 2 Martin C. Faulkes
William A. Lacey .. .. 3
A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 4

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Geoffrey M. Brewin John E. Cook

Conducted by JOHN ... Tellor

## BALDOCK. HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 26 cwt .2 qr .22 lb . in D
Edwin G. Buck .. .. Treble Jack S. Dear
Colin A. S. Harwood .. 2 Brian J. Woodruffe
Michael D. Staniforth. . 3 Philip Mehew
Philip Mehew ...
J. Richard Casiledine .. Tenor

Composed by James W. Washbrook.
Conducted by J. Richard Castledine.

WTTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Brian G Brown
Treble
†+Myra J. WILKIns... ... 2
\#Anthony W. Gibes
Henry Taysom
Conducted by A

* First peal. + First 'inside.' \& First of Triples.

BOURNEMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sat.. Dec. 10. 1960, in 3 Hourst and 5 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dexter's variation. John Hariless

Herbert H. Abrahams
Kathleen E. Fletcher
Frank L. Harris
5
6
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay. . 3
Ronald N. Marlow
Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, At the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

John H. Sitch
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| John H. Sitch | Treble | Harry Turner |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Sylvia A. Hayward | 2 | Edward T. Sifch |
| Robert C. Heazel | , | Bertram C. Hines |
| Ernest W. Furbank | 4 | +Harry Flanders |

Ernest W. Furbank i 4 †Harry Flanders .. . . Tellor
Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James. Conducted by Harry Turner.

* First peal on eight bells. + First peal.

Rung half-muffled to the memory of Canon Leonard Stokes, M.A., Vicar of Brentwood, whose funeral took place earlier in the day.

DARLINGTON. CO. DURHAM
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat.. Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Cuthber.
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Mrs. K. Lawson .. .. Treble Charles N. Lea .. .. 5
Mrs. C. N. Lea ... .. $2 \frac{2}{3}$ Thomas Cooke ..

Mrs. T. Cooke. . . . . 3 Kenneih Lawson .. .. 7
Mrs. J. A. Ainsworth .. 4 J. Alan Ainsworth.. .. Tenor Composed by Norman Chaddock. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth. A 19th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cooke.

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DORCHESTER, OXON
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Grove's variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 16 cwt in E. Edwin Drewitr .. .. Treble George Bishop Fredk. A. H. Wilkins .. 2 Francis A. White 6 | David C. Woodward | . | 3 | Brain R. White | .. | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by Brian R. White.

ECCLESTON CHESHIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saf.. Dec. 10. 1960, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES Tenor 26 cwt. 3 gr. 3 lb .
J. William Clarke.. .. Treble Reginald W. Worrall .. 5

Charles W. Lawton .. $\mathrm{V}^{2}$ John W. Griffiths.. .. 6

| Mrs. C. W. Lawton | . | 3 | Henry Parker .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cecil Raddon .. . . . | 7 |  |  | Cecil Raddon ... ...... 4 Harry W. Howard...... Tenor

Composed by J. A. Trollope. Conducted by John W. Griffiths. Rung in honour of the 92 nd birthday of Mr. Samuel Jones, of Eccleston.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. On Sal., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes
A PEAL OF S056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
 Conducted by George E. Fearn. NORTH BRADLEY. WILTSHIRE THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.
*Malcolm Phillips

| Eric J. Hitchins .. |
| :--- |
| Archibald T. Knighi .. |

$\dagger$ Laurence E. Hitchins.. 4 David J. Knight Tenor 13 cwt .

Conducted by Frederick S. Slatford.

* First peal. $\dagger$ l00th peal. First peal on the eight bells by a local Sunday service band.

Rung for the Festival of St. Nicholas.

## QUORN. LEICESTERSHIRE

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sal.. Dec. 10, $196(0)$, in 3 Hours.
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.
A PEAL OF 5024 PIAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt .2 gr .18 lb .
J. Richard Perkins ..Treble Derek M. Sawyer
*Malcolm D. Barsby .. 2 Geoffrey J. Lowe
Geoffrey J. Lowe
E. Alan Jacques

| . |  | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| .- | .. | 7 |


| Ernest F. Payne ... | . | 3 | E. Alan Jacques . . . . 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| F. Kevin Thompson | . | 4 | B. Stedman Payne .. | Composed by F. Kevin Thompson. Conducted by B. Stedman Payne. *First peal of Major 'inside."

RAYLEIGH. ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minuses.
At the Church of The Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE, SURPRISE MAJOR


* First peal in the method.

Rung as a 21 st birthday compliment to Valerie K. Hester. ROCESTER. STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1980 , in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5152 TYRONE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .17 lb . in $F$ sharp.

| hur Pritchard |  | David W. Brunning |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles A. S. Webb | 2 | Robert J. Warrilow |
| Frederick E. Wilshaw | 3 | Richard J. Warrilow |
| Brian J. Wylde | 4 | Derek P. Jones |
| omposed by Siephen |  | Conducted by Der | First peal in the method. The conductor completes the alphabet to peals of Surprise Major.

> TYRONE SURPRISE MAJOR $-58-14-58-38-14-58-34-18$
L.e. 14263857 ; 2nds. F.C.E.'s: 24365 ; $46325,34562,62345,54263$,

THRAPSTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arimur Gibbs
*Shelagh R. Collins Edwin T. Chapman
Stanley E. Bennett
Composed by C. J. Sedoley

| reble | Ronald C. Noon ... .. | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Murray A. Coleman | .. | 6 |
| 3 | Albert W. A. LegGett... | 7 |  |
| 4 | Geoffrey E. Watson | .. | Tenor |

* First peal in the method.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeffs.
ACTON. MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Dec, 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

John D. Rock .. .. Tenor 14 cwt in F
Treble Dr. D. J. Neal Smith .. 5
Robin . Leale
$\begin{array}{lllll}2 & \text { A. Patrick Cannon } & . . & 6 \\ 3 & \text { Alan J. Frost. . } & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$
William T. Cook .. $\quad .$.
Composed by W. Barion, Conducled by Robin G. Leale.

* First peal of Lincolnshire. 100th peal on the bells, and the first of Lincolnshire.
Rung in connection with the festivities for St. Cecilia"s Day.
BILLINGBOROUGH. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. Dec. 12. 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5152 OVERSEALE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt 3 gr .1 lb.
George Dawson
John E. Allen ... .. Treble Edwin T. Chapman ... ..
I J. Mariin Thorley .. .. 3

Stanley E. Bennett.....
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Albert W. A. Leggeil } & . & 6 \\ \text { Cyril. R. Burrell } & \ldots & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Ronald C. Noon } & \ldots & . & \text { Tenor } \\ \text { Conducted by Ronald } & \text { C. Noon. }\end{array}$
First peal in the method by all.
NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE). CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., Dec. 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas
A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR
John R. Gilden Tenor 14 cwt .1 qr. 22 lb . in F.
Eileen M. Fearn ....... 2 Edward Jenkins $\quad . \quad .$. Carol Fernley . . . . .. 3 Leslite Boumphrey .. .. 7

Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by B. Harris.
First peal in the method by all except Miss Fernley, and on the bells.
WARFIELD, BERKSHIRE.
THE READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Wed., Dec. 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael-the-Archangei.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt .
Jennifer M. Davies - Treble James P. Blond .. ..
Helen M. Diserens $\quad . \quad 2$ John Manley

- 3

Patricia Heather .. . 4 Donald H. Niblett . . Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Donald H. Niblett.

* First peal of Cambridge. First of Cambridge for the Society.


## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

## Middletons.

Ronald W. Steward . Treble
Robert E. Lester .. 2 Walter Ruffles
*Hubert A. Mitson .. 3 William J. Button
*Raymond F. Taylor .. 4 . 4 Lesile G. Brett .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Leslie G. Brett.

* First attempt for a peal of Surprise Major.

TRUMPINGTON. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sat.. Dec. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At ihe Church of SS. Mary and Michael
A PEAL OF 5024 TRUMPINGTON SCRPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr .22 lb . in G.
E. Jane Langton .. .. Treble T. Reginald Dennis

George E. Thoday . . . 2 Geoffrey A. Lucas. Eustace W Builman Derek E, Latchford

Derek E. Sibson
Mansfield Ginn
Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
Composed by E. W. Tipler.

First peal in the method.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

PARRAMATTA, NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA.
THE NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION
On Sat., Feb. 6. 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minures
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 30 extents of Grandsire (ten callings) and 12 of Plain Bob (four callings).

*Ralph L. Clark
Conducted by Robert W. Ferris.

- First peal. † First of Doubles

Rung half-muflled in memoriam Thomas Howell, a loyal member of this tower for 55 years, who died on January 28th. 1960), in his 77th year.

OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 1. 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minules,
At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being four extents of Stedman, 14 of Grandsire and 12 each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterhury: with 13 changes of method Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwl}$. in A .
Tom Smith
. Treble Harry W. Badger
Robin J. Trebilcock
2 Edward Venn
$\qquad$
Alec Gammon
.. .. .. Teno
*First peal 'inside.' Ringers of treble and 2 have now 'circled the tower.'

Rung for the Feast of St. Andrew
STAPLEFORD, CAMBRIDGESHIRE
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Fri., Dec. 2, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minures.

> AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW

\section*{At the Church of St. Andrew

## At the Church of St. Andrew <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, namely: Cambridge Surprise Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford. Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall and Plain Bob.
${ }^{\text {* Henry Lewis (Fitz.) . Treble }}$
Peter Shipton (Pemb.).
*Richard Hough (Jesus)
Conducted by James Taylor.

* First peal in more than one method.

APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE
THF HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon. Dec. 5. 1960. in 2 Hours and 48 Minites. At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In ten methods, being (1) Carlisle. (2) Cunecastre, (3) Lightfoot and Wearmouth. (4) London and Wells. (5) York and Dirham. (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge.

Kennerth R. Dunstan . . Treble
William J. Puddifoot . . 2
Walter Ayre
Conducted by Walter Ayre.
The treble ringer has now circled the tower.
Birthday compliments to T. J. Southam and the conductor.

## BRADFIELD. BERKSHIRE

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri.. Dec. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minules,

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Af the Church of Sr. ANDREW } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF } 5040 \text { MINOR }
\end{aligned}
$$

In seven methods, being one extent each of (1) Beverlcy Surprise. (2) Surfleet Surprise, (3) Cambridge Surprise. (4) Double Oxford. (5) Ox ford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Boh.
Eric P. Woolgrove .. Treble Ronald F. Diserens
Reginald W. Rex ..
*Patricia Heather .. .. 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd.
enor 12 cwt

Conducted by

* First peal in seven Minor methods. First on the bells since 1912.

Rung as a farewell to Ernest J. Munday, who is leaving Reading to take up an appointment in Wolverhampton.

STISTED, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Dec. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents: (1) Norwich. (2) York. (3) Durham, (4) Ipswich. (5) London. (6) Wells, (7) Cambridge. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Dennis N. Whent .. Treble 1 Alan R. Syder. 4 Bernard W. Falrhead
.. 2 Walter Arnold
Andrew T. Beckwith .. 3 Urban W. Wildney .. Tenor Conducted by Urban W. Wildney.
STRATTON ST. MARGARET. WILTSHIRE
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Onf Fri., Dec. 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret-of-Antioch,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Jennifer M. Cook.
Thomas R Collins
*E WHLIAM
Treble
2
Conducted by

Tenor 8 cwt .1 qr. 17 lb .
†Michael J. Stanley

- Peter H. Naylor Victor Griffin
. Tenror Victor Grific
ctor Griffin.
* First peal. + First of Minor in the method.

Rung as a birthday compliment to R. J. Purnell, of Bradford-on-Avon.
HASKETON. SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sar., Dec. 10. 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minufes, At the Chelrch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods: (1) Chester, (2) London, (3) Bourne. (4) York, (5) Beverley. (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$. in A flat.
*Peter J. Eves. . . . . Treble Leslie N. Melton .. .. 4 Howard W. EgGlestone 2 Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 5 Roger L. K. Whittell.. 3 Dennis A. S. Symonds .. Tenor * 150th peal. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

THE GIOUCESTER MINETY, WILTSHIRE.
CESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sar.. Dec. 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of Si. Leonard.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods: (1) London. (2) Wells, (3) York, (4) Durham, (5) Beverley. (6) Suffleet. (7) Cambridge.

Ivor Goulter ... .. Treble Cyril A. Wratte | *Peter T. Hurcombe | . | 2 | Terry A. Collins .. .. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brian Bladon . . . . | . | 3 | Victor Griffin | Conducted by Brian Bladon.

*First peal of seven Surprise "inside."
A. birthday compliment to Geoffrey $\mathbf{P}$. Green, of Gloucester.

WESTON-BY-WELLAND. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat. Dec. 10, 1960. in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes,
At the Churche of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being two extents each of St. Martin"s, Sı. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard. St. Simon’s, St. Albans, Cassington, Eynsham, Reverse St. Bartholomew. Northrepps Pleasure. Fortune. St. Blaise, Grandsire, Plain Boh, Kennington, Old. April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure. St. Columba and Clifford's Pleasure.

Tenor 5 cwt. in $\mathbf{B}$.
*Bryan S. Cope
.Treble Richard J. Danby .. .. 3

* Percy Amos
*Timidthy A. Wooding .. 4

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\text { George F Roome } 0 \text { T Tenor }
$$

Conducted by George F. Roome.

- First peal in 21 methods.

To mark the bicentenaries of the births of Martin Madan and Bacil Woodd, hymn writers.

EAST FARLEIGH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION <br> On Mon., Dec. 12. 1960, int 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, <br> At the Church of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
*Diana J. Kerchey.. .. Treble Monty W. Gilbert. Joe C. Wallis .. .. 2
Olive D. Couchman .. 3
Martin Howe
Bernard Groves

* First peal


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## ARBORFIELD, BERKSHIRE,

THE READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
On Wed., Dec. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of Sr. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 30 extents (ten callings) and six 240's. Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr .24 lb. - Alison Scales
.Treble John W. Blackwood John W. Blackwood ...

+ Brian Shingler †Felicity Webber
$\dagger$ Frederick J.
. Conducted by Frederick J. Sage.
* First peal. + First of Grandsire. First on the hells since rehanging. First of Doubles for the Society.


## LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Wed., Dec. 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Church of St. Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 FRYERNING SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right. way throughout. Tenor 8 cwt .13 lb , in A.
Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Treble G. William Critchley .. 4
Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 Frank C. Price .. .. 5 Raymond G. Smith.. .. 3 John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

EAST MOLESEY, SURREY THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one 720 of Cambridge Surprise, one 720 of Oxford Treble Boh. one 720 of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt .2 qr . in G.
Dr. D. J. Neal-Smith .. Treble Catherine M. Powell .. 4 Christine M. Harbott. . 2 John F. M. Maybrey .. 5 *Frank Oakshott .. .. 3 A. Patrick Cannon.. .. Temor Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

* First peal in more than one method. First of Minor on the bells, and rung after meeting short for Double Norwich, owing to illness. Rung for the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. Edward C. Allen.

HATHERN LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in three methods, viz.: One of St. Clement's, two of Hereward and four of Plain Bob. Cen Tenor 9 cwt .2 qr .12 lb .
*Roger Atkins .. .. Treble Celia Cowley
Judith Exon .. .. .. 2 Tom Harris
Valerie Lacey
Conducted by Tom Harris.

- First peal. Rung for the wedding of Miss Faith Bradhury and Mr. Waliis Barradell.

WIGGENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sal.. Dec. 17. 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.
A. Keith Phillips

Treble
M. Roland Reed

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|  | 3 | Canducted by Graham J. Mann

First peal as conductor. A birthday compliment to Miss E. Brown.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## LEEDS, YORKSHIRE

LEEDS UNIVERSITY UNION CAMPANOLOGICAL SOCIETY.
On Sun., Dec. 11, 1960, in 1 Hour and 35 Minutes. at 6. Hall Grove. Hyde Park, Leeds, 6 ,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS
Being 70 extents each of Double Bob, Reverse Bob and Plain Bob Tenor size 8 in C.
*F. Keith Williamson: 1, 2, 3 and 4. Umpire: Michael G. Swift.

* First peal "in hand.' First of Minimus. Rung as a novelty. BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Dec. 15, 1960, in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes, At 66, Melton Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Ten callings.
Tenor size 15 in C.
Ernest Morris
$1-2 \mid$ B. Stedman Payse
Malcolm D. Barsby .. 5-6
Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.


## John Taylor \& Co.

LOUGHBOROUGH

## HALF PEAL

GRANBY, NOTTS. - On Nov. 26th. 2.700 Minor $(720$ each of Single Court and Single Oxford and 1.260 Plain Bob): C. Froggatt 1. S. Meredith 2, Miss D. Armstrong 3, P. Allcock 4, B. Mills 5, F. Bradley (cond.) 6. A 21 st birthday compli
to Mr . J. Meredith, brother of the 2 nd ringer.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.-On Oct. 9th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: C. H. Macve 1, Miss R. Perrin 2. R. Bird 3, 1. C. Perrin 4, P. J. Milton 5, A M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also on Nov. 27th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. A. Cork (first quarter) 1. C. H. Macve (first inside') 2, J. C. Perrin 3, P. J. Milton 4. J. D. Faircloth 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also
on Dec. Ath, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. J. on Dec. 4th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. J.
Mitton 1, J. C. Pertin 2, R. Bird 3, J. D. Faircloth 4. C. F. McGill 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6.

ASTON, HERTS. On Nov. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. J. Garrod 1, C. Geeves 2, Bertha Banks 3, H. Shire 4, A. Day (cond.) 5. J. Pallet 6. For Matins, and for the conductor's birthday.

BATH, SOMERSET.-At St. Michael with St. Paul's, on Dec. IIth, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Roberts 1, J. G. Hobbs 2, Miss B. Russell 3. G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 4, J. lason (first 'inside') 5. W. Bush 6.

BLACKHILL, CO, DURHAM.-On Dec. 12 th . 1.728 Plain Bob Major: Marion S. Ainsworth 1, W. Tyson 2, C. T. Lamb 3, J. E. Anderson 4, N. Errington 5, K. W. Cheeseman 6, E. N. Harrison 7. 1. A. Ainsworth (cond.) 8. Rung in connection with the 95 th anniversary of the consecration of the church.

BUCKFAST, DEVON.-On Dec. 8th, 1,334 Plain Bob Triples: A. L. Bennett 1, Rev. D. P. Angold 2. Mary Russ 11 3, E. M. Atkins (cond.) 4, Rev. P. Dowling 5, W. G. Lavers 6, Rev. A. de Guinaand 7. Rev. G. Arnold 8. Rung to mark the silver Jubilee of priesthood of the Rt. Rev. Placid Hooper, Abbot of Buckfast.
BUCKINGHAM.-On Dec. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples; C. Stopps (first on eight) 1, A. Stanton (first on eight) 2, R. A. Vickers 3, F. Vickers 4, G. W. Holland 5, F. Pareman 6, W. A. Yates (cond.) 7, W. H. Yates 8. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Townsend.
BYFIELD. NORTHANTS.-On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. T. Steel 1, J. J. Spraggert 2, F. W. Hutt 3, Miss D. Williams 4, V. A. Perry (cond.) 5, L. E. Russell (first quarter) 6. Rung halfmuffled in memory of W. John Haynes, a ringer for many years, who died on November 25th.

COSGROVE. NORTHANTS. - On Dec. $18 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Plain Bob Doubles: Miss B. Cummings 1. J. Lambert 2. K. Stubbs 3, E. R. Lamber (cond.) 4, T. Hefford 5. J. Martin 6. First attempt for 1,5 and 6. Rung for service of lessons and carols.

CROPWELL BISHOP, NOTTS.-On Dec. 2nd. 1.279 Grandsire Doubles: Ruth Blackshaw 1, R. Mills 2. Christine Froggatt (first 'inside') 3, M. W. Harrison 4, B. Mills (cond.) 5. For St. Andrew's Day. DANBURY, ESSEX.-On Aus. $11 \mathrm{~h}, 1.260$ Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Roast 1. Miss M. Edwards (first quarter) 2. H. Edwards 3. E. G. Roast I. J. M. Saunders (cond.) 5. G. J. Saunders 6. EAST ILSLEY. BERKS.-On Dec. $12 \mathrm{th}, 1.260$ Grandsire Triples: C. J. Hibbert 1. G. W. Bishon 2.
Mrs. M. C. Hibbert 3. J. H. Napper 4, J. W. T. Mrs. M. C. Hibbert 3, J. H. Napper 4, J. W. T.
Hibbert (first as cond.) 5. R. M. Head (first in method) 6. A. W. G. Sayers 7. H. R. Wells 8.
ELM. CAMRS.-On Dec. 7th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Dorling (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Brown 2. M. R. Reed 3. N. Greenacre 4, T. Bush 5,
G 1. Mann (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. ilth. 1.260 G 1. Mann (cond.) 6. Akso on Dec. 11th, 1.260
Plain Bob Minor: A. K. Phillips 1, G. Knight 2, H. J. Reeve 3. J. Knight 4, P. A. S. Minall 5 , G. 1. Ma in (cond.) 6. Rung for the afternoon rededication service.
FAREHAM. HANTS.-On Dec. 181h, 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mrs. R. Sturgess 1. Miss S.
Smith 2, Mrs. B. M. Munt 3. Lt.-Cdr. J. Merritt. R.N. Smith 2, Mrs. B. M. Hunt 3. Lt-Cdr. J. Merritt. R.N.
4. J. A. G. Ball 5, G. Miles 6. A. H. Sturgess 7. J. H. Hunt (cond.) 8. First in method for 2 and 4. HIGH ERCALL. SALOR. -On Dec. 17th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: M. W. Challinor (first of Triples) 1. R. E. Mortis 2, H. White 3, Mary C. Poyner 4,
E V. Rodenhurse 5, P. Evans 6, H. Poyner (cond.) 7. E V. Rodenh
R. Austin 8.
KIRK ELLA. YORKS.-On Dec. $18 \mathrm{ch}, 1.260$ Plain Bob Miner: Miss P. Irwin 1. I. G. Campbell (first of Minor) 2, K. Kirk 3. I. N. Goldthorpe 4. K. Goldthome (cond.) 5. J. S. Rank 6. For Evensong.
HARLINGTON. MIDDX. On Dec 15 th. 1440
HARLINGTON, MIDDX.-On Dec 15th. 1.440 Plain Hob Minor: Miss W. Smith 1. Miss J. Hitchcock 2, A. Corran 3. T. Durn 4, D. Howell 5. D. C. Morgan (cond.) 6. Rung for the institution and the induction of the new Rector, the Rev. Ronald $J$. Rardent.

## QUARTER PEALS

HARROW WEALD, MIDDX.-On Dec. 5th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Miss C. F. Whitfeld 1. Miss R. Fleming (first of Surprise inside') 2 Misa F. Clayton 3, H. G. Hart 4, Mrs. H. G. Hart 5, V. Green 6, R. Hodgson 7, J. R. Mayne (cond.) 8.
KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.-On Dec 4th, 1,250 Yorkshire Surprise Major: R. W. Pine (cond.) 1. A. E. Fellows 2, I. M. Funnell 3, L. M. Hughes 4. A. M. Greaves 5, C. A. S. Webb 6, R. J Gay 7, G. Davies 8. First of Yorkshire for 2, 3, $\ddagger$ anc 7. For Evensong.
LANGDON HILLS, ESSEX.-On December 17th. 1.260 Minor (Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Rob): A. H. Worboys 1, E. Furbanks 2, J. Carrott 3, F. G. Rictardson 4, F. V. Gant (cond.) 5, A. 1 Salisbury 6. Rung for the 87 ith birthday of Mrs E. M. A. Saunders, mother of the ringer of 4 th . LEICESTER.-At St. Margaret's Church, on Dec. 18th. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Morris (cond.) 1, E. J. Clements 2, W. J. Tanser 3, T. Still (firsi - irside') 4, G. W. Mason 5, R. K. Mason 6. Rung for the carol service.

LOWER HEYFORD, OXON:-On Nov. 12th, 1.269 Cambridge Surnrise Minor: C. H. Kinch 1.
C. C. Clarke 2, R. Reeves 3. I. Busby 4. E. G. Jones 5, E. J. Smith (cond.) 6. A birthday cumpliment to E. E. Pearson.

LYME REGIS, DORSET, - On Dec, 11 th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Davies 1, H. G. Keeley 2. E. L. Taylor 3, Mrs. C. W. Powell 4. G. S. Morris (cond.) 5. R. N. Pittman 6, C. W. Powell 7, J. Rattenbury 8. For Evensong.
MARSTON, OXON.-On Dec. $4 \mathrm{th}, 1.272$ Plain Bob Minimu:: Elizabeth Miller (first quarter, first attempt) 1, R. H. Jones (cond.) 2, J. S. Walker 3, $V$ Roberts (first quarter) 4, N. D. Deam 5. For afternoon service, and for churchwarden's birihday. Also on Dec. 4ih, 1,320 Plain Bob Daubles: A. Dunkley 1, N. D. Deam 2. R. H. Jones 3, J. S. Walker 4, A. Gammon 5. For the Festival of St, Nicholas and for Confirmation service.
NASH, MON. On Oct, 22nd, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. Edwards 1, B. Taylor 2, A. F. R Hartley 3, R. G. Havard 4, E. J. R. Hartley (cond.) 5. W. J. Goodfellow 6

NUTFIELD, SURREY.-On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss P. Tanner (first quarter) 1. Miss G. P. Harbour 2, D. Rowe 3, W. Dunn 4, G. Olliver (cond.) 5, Miss S. Northeast 6.

Parramatta, N.S.W.. AUSTRALIA.-On Dec. 7th. 1.260 Doubles (Norfolk, Plain Bob and Old): K. M. Calvert (first quarter) 1, L. Bruce (first - inside ') 2. G. A. J. Langshaw 3, W. D. Watson (cond.) 4, R. L. Clark 5, J. C. Sheehy 6.
PASSENHAM, NORTHANTS.-On Dec. 18th. 1.260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): T. Raberts 1. F. Case 2. 3. Chance 3, E. R. Lambert 4. G. Green (cond.) 5. Rung for service of
lessons and carols.
PENARTH, GLAM.-On Oct. 23rd. 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. P. Bristow 1. E. J. R. Hartley (cond.) 2. W. J. Palmer 3, Rasemary Harding 4. A. F. R. Hartley 5. M. K. Jones 6. For Evensong.
PUTNEY, LONDON.-On Dec. 18th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Bull 1. J. Weeks (first 'inside ' and firsi of Minor) 2. A. Clayton 3. L. Allen 4. B. Coasworth (cond.) 5. C. Mew 6. To mark the prdination to the priesthood of Rev. John Mason. curate of this church. and for evening service.
RAYLEIGH. ESSEX.-On Dec. 11th, 1.260 Double Grandsire Triples: W. Ward 1. D. Belcham 2. G. Sandwell 3. F. May 4. M. Hallett 5. R. Tomlin 6. A. House (cond.) 7. G. Blower 8. For Evensons.

READING. BERKS.-On Dec, ilth. at St. Mary the Virgin. 1,280 Bristol Surbrise Major: Frances S. Secker 1. Janet K. Secker 2. Patricia Heather 3. Jennifer M. Davies 4. P. M. Williamson 5. E. J. W.
Marley 6. R. F. Diserens (cond.) 7. J. R. Taylor 8. First of Bristol for all except 1 and 7.
REDGRAYE, SUFFOLK.-On Dee. 11th. 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: A. Driver 1. Mrs. H. Ivings 2, H. Ivines 3, R. Rose 4, R. Rose 5. H. Fuller (first as cond.) 6. For evening service.
ROTHERHAM. YORKS.-On Dec. 4th. 1.248 Plain Bob Major: N. Donovan 1, Mrs. N. Chaddock 2. S. Armeson 3. Mrs. M. Burns 4, Miss S, Chaddock 5. R. Woodward 6. J. N. D. Chaddock 7. N. Chaddack (cond.) 8. Longest lenath by 1 and 3.
SOLTH ANSTON, YORKS.-On Dec. 101h, 1,280 Kene T.B. Major: F. Cook 1. M. Faster 2, E. N.
Bennett 3. G. Challans 4. G: Turner 5. L. North Bennett 3. G. Challans 4. G. Turner 5. L. North
6. F. Flint 7. H. T. Rooke (cond.) 8. Firse of T.B. Major for 1,3 and 6 . Rung for the birthday of Mr. H. M. Tumer, a ringer at this church and member of the Guild for 70 years.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKS.-On Dec. 1Hh, 1.260 Doubles (New, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Nicholas", Winchendon Place. St. Remigius', Plain Bob, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Osmund's and Grandsire): D Sheppard 1, E. M. Bradley 2. B. K. Sissons 3,

Potts 4, A. Sheppard (cond.) 5, H. Sandham 6. Rung for Evensong Confirmation service. Three young ringers, F. Etkin, D. Etkin and P. Corpley, were amonest those comfirmed by the Bishop of Selby.
SOUTHGATE, N.14.-At Christ Church, on Dec. 18th. 1.264 Plain Bnb Major: Ann Aldridge 1, Pam Miller 2. S. G. Peck 3. Monica Moore (first of Major inside ') 4. W. Wainwright 5, H. Miller 6. L. G. Gates 7, C. Aldridge (cond.) 8. In memoriam William Tegg, a member of the Southgate band 60 years ago.
STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDS,-On Dec. 18th, 1.320 Doubles ( 600 Reverse Canterbury and 720 Plain Bob): D. H. Thomas (15) 1, M. R. Thomas 2, J. W. Hope 3, M. L. Johns 4, C. A. Lewis (firse as cond.) 5, D. G. Griffiths (16) 6. First quarter 1 and 6.
SYDNEY, N.S.W.。 AUSTRALIA.-At St. Mary's Basilica, on Nov. 27th. 1.260 Doubles (Grandsire, Old. Norfolk and Plain Bob): G. A. J. Langshaw 1. Wendy A. Nichols (first in four methods) 2 , R. J. Klima 3. L. R. A. Curran 4. W. D. Watson (50th quarter. age 15) 5. J. C. Sheehy 6. Conducted by William D. Watson.
TEMPLECOMBE, SOMERSET.-On Dec. 13 th . 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss I. Down (first of Minor) 1. Mrs. M. M. Godley 2. F. J. Hazzard 3. T. E. Marks 4, F. Priddle (cond.) 5, P. Sparks 6. In homour of the christening of the baby daughter of Derek and Daphne Howcutt.
WARSOP, NOTTS.-On Dec. 17th, 1,440 Surprise Minor ( 720 Norfolk and 720 Ipswich): R. Bullivant 1. J. T. Rooke 2. M. Foster 3. G. Challans 4, F. Flint 5, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
WEST CLANDON, SURREY.-On Dec. 8th, 1.380 Doubles (Old, Reverse Canterbury. St. Simon's. Stedman. Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew. Dedworth and Southrepps): G. L. Grover 1, Shirley B. Aston 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, P. G. Smart 4, R. I. Vaughan (cond.) 5. Most methods 2 and 5.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

 Loughborough DistrictThe last monthly meeting of the Loughborough District was held at Hugglescote on December 17 th, and, probably due to the thick fog prevailing or to last minute Christmas shopping taking priority, the attendance was very disappointing. only eight members being present at the service (including the organist). This was unfortunate as it was the very first service taken by the Vicar (Canon C. G. B. Watson). after his induction to this living. the previous evening.
In spite of the weather. visitors from as far afield as Cottesmore (Rutland). Derby and Church Gresley made brief visits during the afternoon and evening so that Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman Triples, Little Bob, Kent T.B. and Double Norwich C.B. Major were rung with ample opportunities for the learniers present to make progress.
Owing to the smalt number present, no business meeting was held but Mr. H. 0 . Over. in the absence of the District chairman, expressed thanks to the Vicar and to all those making the arrangements, and announced that the next meeting (the annual) will be held at Whitwick on January 14th.

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Dr. D. J. Neal Smith and his daughter, Gillian, both rang in their 500 th tower on December 10th-the doctor at West Meon and Gillian at St. Mary's, Portsea. Both are regular Sunday service ringers but neither of them has ever attended a service for which they have rung! After ringing they both rush off to their bell-less church at Richmond, where the doctor is organist and Gillian sings in the choir.

Mr. John Euston informs us that he is hoping to arrange the Veterans' Reunion in Londan on June 24th.

Owing the musical activities at Winchester Cathedral there will be no practices on December 28th. January 4th or January llth.
This term Bristol University Society has sung nine quarter peals and every member who is capable of plain hunting has now scored his first quarter.
Mr. Ron C. Noon. of Spalding. enquires who has a complete record of peat names. In submitting a peal of Newmarket Surprise Major he states he is prepared to rename it if it is a duplicate.

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association have rung a married couples peal at Darlington, as a wedding anniversary compliment to their president and Mrs. Thomas Cooke.
There is a bright future for Bowdon, Cheshire, tower with nine teenagers in the band and another two at college. On a recent Sunday three old grandads, including the tutor and tower captain, sat out while a band with an average age of 15 years 8 months rang.
The three bells of St. Botolph's Church, North Cove, and St. John the Baptist, Barnhy, near Beccles. Suffolk. are back after receiving attention at the Loughborough Foundry, which included the recasting of the North Cove tenor. Steel frames have been provided to replace the wooden frames. which were badly attacked by death watch beetle. Both towers have been silent for years. The work is expected to cost $£ 1.500$.

## GOSSIP

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeffs, of Thrapston, Northants, entertained two separate peal bands to tea on the occasion of their silver wedding. One band, of which Mr. Jeffs was a ringer. unfortunately failed in their attempt at Titchmarsh. but the other band was successful at Thrapston. Two separate rooms were needed to accommodate all. but the hos's stitl proved very agile in the handling of the teapots, the toast being 'Many more happy years ahead.'
Putney ringers rang at Southwark Cathedral for the ordination of their curate to the priesthood on December 18th.
Most humorous greetings card we have received this Christmas is from the Wringing Master of Tewkesbury and District, performing his stint at the wringer. We wonder if ii is the honorary secretary, and navigatress. Nadine, directing operations with the rolling pin.
The first peal has heen rung in Stoulton Campanile. Worcs. The bells are claimed to be the lightest ring of six with a tenor of 107 lb . Mr. Arthur Jopp started collecting them in 1946 and had them tuned by John Taylor and Co.. Loughborough. in April, 1959. The tenor has a 17 inch diameter and is in C. It was cast by Mears and Stainbank in 1866.
Roger 0 . Fry, one-time secretary of the Bath and Wells Association. was ordained deacon. by the Bishop of Bath and. Wells. at the Church of St. Michael. Yeovil. on Sunday. December 18th. It is at this parish he will serve his first curacy. Also ordained last Sunday, was C. R. Chad Coussmaker, who has been appointed to a curacy at Southampton.
F. Keith Williamson. of Leeds University Union. will go down in history as the first man to ring a peal by himself. It was of Minimus and duly witnessed. We cannot imagine the Central Council permitting such performances after next Whitsun, but as the Rules and Decisions stand there does not appear. to a layman. anything against this performance which Mr. Williamson describes as a novelty.

# THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY 

ESTABLISHED

## Personalities' Follow <br> Servants <br> The scries ' Servants of the Exercise is temporarily suspended. . Jafus' is well aware that there are hundreds of nether aware that there are hundress of peared, although they are just as eligible for inclusion as all that have already appeared. <br> After more data has been collected, an effort will be made to resume the series, but, meantime, we are commenc ing a new feature, 'Personalities,' by another writer, and we trust that this will meet with the same appreciation that has been accorded to 'Servants.' <br> We feel sure the Exercise will not hard work

## ENTERPRISE IN DERBYSHIRE

A heartening example of what can be achieved by enthusiasm and perseverance comes from Chelmorton. a small village not from from Buxton. For many years, four unringable bells had hung in the Parish Church, and the villagers conceived the idea of providing the church with a better ring Those mostly interested in bells got together and started to raise a fund to have the existing old bells recast into a ring of five. After a lot of hard work. sufficient money was raised to justify work being commenced, and during the present year, an attractive ring of five bells has been dedicated.
Provision has been made in the frame for a sixth bell, and, encouraged by their success, the ringers are already hard at work, led by Churchwarden Mosley, raising the necessary funds to complete the ring. The latest news is that, as a result of a prize draw and whist drive, a sum of no less than $t 98$ 10s. 6 d. has been realised. which clears all debts on the installation of the ring of five, and has given a start towards providing the sixth bell.
Expert ringers from many part of the country have visited Chelmorton and have expressed their admiration at the quality of this attractive ring. The Universities Assooiation gave practical help by sending donations, and Mr. Burley Morris, secretary of the Derbyshire Association, has also been busy with advice and instruction. Already the band has made good progress, and we hope it will not be long before we see records of their achievements in 'The Ringing World.' and also a report that the hard working ringers of Chelmorton have realised their ambition to possess a ring of six.

JAFUS

## JOINT MEETING AT KILBURN

The annual joint meeting between the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesian Guild and the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths was again a successful occasion. there being about 50 present and more for the ringing sessions. This was in spite of the date having 10 be altered to December 10 th and the venuc boing out of town.' Three apologies for absence were received.

An Evensong service was held in St. Augustines Church, when an interesting and thoughtful address was given by Father Wikinson Tea followed. served admirably by Mrs. Birkinshaw and her helpers, and was attended by Father Riley and Father Wikkinson. who extended us a welcome to Kilburn. Handbells were brought into use before returning to the tower. In addition to the light eight at Kiburn. the heavier eight at Holloway were available, and a good standard of ringing was maintained at both towers
After suitable welcomes were extended by Mr. T. J. Lock, on behalf of the Association. and by Mr. D. Beresford. on behalf of the Society, thanks were accorded to Mr. D. C. Birkinshaw. local captain. and Miss D. Deverell. Holloway, and the two incumbents for use of the bells and other arrangements made.

## SERVANTS OF THE

EXERCISE - No. 53


## 'JAFUS'

If prominent members of the Exercise were to be matched with heroes of classical antiquity then the place of Nestor might well be represented by Mr. J. Frank Smallwood, convener of The Ringing World Committee. Jafus, as he is known to us in his writings, is by no means the oldest of our veterans, but he is certainly one of the wisest and one whose advice on ringing, or on any other matter, warrants serious attemion.

He was born in Birmingham in 1884 (within 200 yards of the birthplace of his old friend Albert Walker), attended Bishop Ryder's School and learned to ring at the church alongside. He joined St. Martin's Guild in 1903. but his first peal. Grandsire Triples at Bedworth in 1907, was not rung for any association. This fact led Mr. Smallwood to suggest the formation of the Warwickshire Guild. He took an active part in this work, was honorary secretary of the Guild for two years and called its first peal in 1908 . He is now among the very few surviving foundation members.

His peal total is about 400, and it includes some notable performances. He rang in the first peals of Cambridge Twelve and Brisiol Surprise to be achieved in Birmingham. the first peal on Exeter twelve in 1924, and the first peal of Bristol in Derby in the same year. Mr. Smallwood is a very competent handbell ringer. and he took part in the first handbell peal of Stedman Cinques rung in the city of Birmingham and the first in Coventry and York. He has rung peals on most of the rings of twelve in this country, and the list includes three at St. Paul's Cathedral.

A printer by trade, he has held important posts in Derby. Ipswich. Manchester, Bolton. Bath. Derby and London, and it is doubtless $t 0$ this wide experience of men and matters in different parts of the land that we may attribute his deep knowledge and great tolerance. While in London he was a member of both the St. Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey bands. and he holds the Queen's Coronation Medal awarded for services in ringing at the Abbey for the
Coronation. In 1950 he was elected Masier of the Ancient Society of College Youths, an honour of which his friends in St. Martin's Guild were very proud.

To ring with Frank Smallwood is to recejve a subtle lesson in concentration and devotion to the job in kand; to sit in his company in the social circle is both a privilege and a delight. To hear his downright views, whether
on Spliced Surprise ringing, current ringing events, or the state of Birmingham's streets, is to feel instinctively the tolerance and good humour that lie behind his plain pronouncements. And the fund of stories and anecdotes of ringers past and present contains of malice no trace but of impish humour a vast seasoning. To the beginner in the art his advice is fatherly but never patronising, and his encouragement to the learner is ungrudging.

In 1909 Mr . Smallwood married Sarah Phyllis Gilbert, and he has two daughters. He has often remarked that whereas his old Iriend Albert Walker had to go to Taunton to learn to ring and to find a wife, he managed to do both in Birmingham. Neither he nor Mr. Walker, he avers, has ever had any cause to complain. He is a vice-president of St. Martin's Guild, to which Society he presented a handsome peal book, a trustee of the Ancient Sociesy of College Youths, and Ringing Master of the Peak District, Derbyshire Association. During World War I he served for four years in France and Belgium.

Mr. Smallwood became a member of the Central Council in 1939, and he served on the first committee appointed to examine the Rules and Decision of the Council. He is now, as is well known, convener of The Ringing World' Committee, and it is here that his sound commonsense, his clear view of practical possibilities, and his courageous caution, have been of inestimable value. Those of us who have seen the problems of - The Ringing World' only from the fringe can scarcely conceive the anxieties and disappointments of the critical days through which the paper has passed (and indeed may still be said to be passing). The committee and its convener have never eased from mental fight, and they have faced boldly and uncompromisingly discouragements and difficulties from which most of us might well have recoiled.

Mr. Smallwood (like one of our famous Prime Ministers) has not hesitated to present to us a sombre picture, but to hear him marshal his facts before the Council is to feel that here is a tenacity, indeed a stubbornness, that will not admit defeat. His enthusiasm for the cause remains unimpaired and his declared consuming ambition is to see - The Ringing World 'standing on its own feet. financially sound, and with a circulation of 10.000

The work of saving 'The Ringing World from extinction is alone sufficient to justify a man's existence in the Exercise; and had Mr Smallwood no other claim to our notice, yet this would suffice to place him among the first Servants of the Exercise. Let this present series, then, end with a tribute to him that created it.

## MELTON DISTRICT DINNER

The annual dinner of the Melton District of the Leicester Guild was held on December 10th at the canteen of the Midland Woodworking Company, by kind permission of the management. An exceHent meal was provided hy the canteen staff for the 80 ringers and friends present. The visitors included the president. Mr. P. I. Staniforth, and Mrs. Staniforth. Rev. R. S. and Mrs. Northmore Rev. L. and Mrs. Leader, Rev. A. G. L Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ballard, Mr. Ernest W. Rawson. Mr. Philip A. Corby and
Andrew. from Kent, also Mrs. Corby senior.
The chairman (Mr. R. E. Manton) welcomed the company and proposed the loyal toast. The Rev. S. R. Northmore in a very good speech proposed The Leicester Diocesan Guild. to which the president replied. Miss Betty Smith (on behaif of the committee) proposed 'The Visitors.' Mr. P. A. Corby, in his reply, said how glad he was to visit Melton again.

After a course of Stedman Triples. on handbells, there was an excellent social evening with dancing and party games. logether with a monologue and trick cycling by the Beverly Quartet and that great star of variety, Mr. Jack Skinner.

## AYLSHAM BELLS AND RINGERS

By NOLAN GOLDEN
THE bells and ringers of Aylsham have a long and interesting history. On December 17 th another page was completed with the dedication of the recently rehung ring.

In the sixteenth century a shoomaker of the town, one John Betts the elder, made this request in his will:-

Item 1 will there be bought a tribill bell to the $v$ bellys in the steple of Ailishm by the advyse of Ed. With of Ailishim and John With his sonne of and for the $\operatorname{sim}$ of xli.
And if it may be bought better chepe i bequethe to the seid Edmu'de With and John for ther labor iche of them vis. viijd. And the rest if any be to be bestowed abought the frame of the same bell to hang yn .'
This was in 1529, but in 1553 the inventory states that there were but five bells in the tower. In accounts for 1647-8 we find: "Pd for ye Bricke carrying wch was used about the new running ye greate bell, 4s. Od.' and the next year, Paid John Long for his hempe strying at the greate bell shooting, 10 s . 0 d , and good againe, $£ 1$ Os Od. Among documents of $1653-4$ are two bonds of John Draper and John Brend in $£ 50$ each for well shootinge the great bell.'
Then in 1677-8, Samuel Gilpin, of Norwich, was paid $£ 118 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 d . for recasting the saint's well and $£ 1414 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d . for the third bell. In 1685 he recast the fifth bell, which work he carried out in partnership with Edward Tooke.

A tablet in the ninging chamber is inscribed: - John Curtis and Thomas Coulson. Churchwardens when this Ring was made into eight, 1700.' In that year Gilpin and Tooke cast four new bells and twenty-six years later what is now the eighth bell in the ring had to be recast. This cost $£ 17$ 3s. 3d.. and was under-
taken by the Nonwich founder. John Stephens. taken by the Nonwich founder. John Stephens.
Soon the present ninth had to be recast and it was done on the spot as was often the case. Altogether the work cost $£ 31$ is. Od., $\pm 18$ for Thomas Newman, the founder. and the rest for the furnace, clay, casting
materials, building the furnace. stock and ironmaterials, building the furnace. stock and iron-
work for the bell-fittings, ale for the workmen and for cleaning up the church after the work was done!
At the same time that St. Peter Mancroft Church was preparing to receive its new ring
of twelve bells, Aylsham's peal was augmented of twelve bells, Aylshams peal was augmented
to ten. The Norwich Mercury, for June 17th. 1775, carries this paragraph: "This is to aoquaint all lovers of the Art of ringing, that the Aylsham peal of Ten Bells has been inspected by Messrs. Osborn and Arnold. Bell Founders in St. Neots. Hunts. and it was found necessary to have the first four bells recast. which are completed by the parties above mentioned: for sweetness of tone, and perfectness in tune are allow'd (by Judges) to be a complete peal of Ten as any in the
kingdom. the Tenor weighing $19 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{qrs}$. kingdom. the Tenor weighing 19 cwt. 3 qrs. Peter's new tenor, it is thought to be an ingenious pieec of work as ever was executed by any founders. Aylsham's ten bells were 'opened on Monday. June 19th. 1775, and
the renowned twelve at Mancroft two days' later. And so for nearly two centuries the ten bells have been ringing out for services, for weddings. for funerals and for days of national rejoicing and thanksgiving.
CHANGE RINGING FROM 17th CENTURY
The ringers of Aylsham have always been both acrive and proficient. Change ringing century and simple changes became the study of ringers all over England. and by the beginning of the eighteenth composers were engaged in solving the problem of producing by a regular method every change on seven bells. Once the problem was solved. it became the ambition of all companies with eight
bells. to ring a "peal' of 5.040 changes. Having their octave in 1700, the Aylsham ringers $b=g a n$ to tackle the intricacies of change ringing with enthusiasm, and from the newspaper controversy in 1731 , between the rival Norwich companies at St. Peter Mancroft and St. Michacl-at-Coskany. we read in a letter, wrilten by Thomas Melchior and published in the Gazelte': We take leave to tell the Aylesham Ringers that we do not believe that they rung 5.040 changes at once pulling down any more than they believe that we have pricked or rung Stedman's Triples.' We have no record of such an early peal by the Aylsham ringers. but if they were not so advanced as the Norwich men, they were evidently cxperi ringers.

A MASTERLY PERFORMANCE
The first peal rung on the bells and which is recorded on a stone tablet made by the conductor. Samuel Thurston, of Norwich, was on Monday. April 28th, 1817. The Norwich Mercury' speaks of the peal as 'being the first that ever was undertaken in that
Steeple. Consisting of 5.264 changes of Bob Steeple. Consisting of 5.264 changes of Bob
Major. which took 3 hours and 12 minutes to ring. the tablet, a pleasant example of early nineteenth century mason's work with three bells in the 'raised" position above the top and one with the mouth downwards hanging from the bottom, informs us that it was allow'd by Judges to be a masterly performance, a Bell not being misplaced nor the repetition of a single change. J. Clarke W. Mitchell. J. Turner. T. Gooch. T. Edridge. J Warnes (churchwarden) and H. Bunn were the orher ringers. Anouher peal was rung, according to "The Norwich Mercury on October 25th. 1817, again conducted by Thurston. The wording is mysterious for it speaks of 'five thousand and forty of that most musical peal of Bob Major Treble. which was cleanly brought round in three hours and one minute without misplacing a bell, and we have reason to believe that this was the first peal of the kind ever rung.' No other names are mentioned.
Seven years later a band. made up with the help of ringers from Norwich. Coltishall and Kenninghall, rang a peal of 5.280 changes of Oxford Treble Bob Major in 3 hours and 5 minutes.
A peal board on the north wall of the ringing chamber commemorates, a 5.440 of Oxford Treble Bob Major in 3 hours and 3 ! minutes, rung on January 9th. 1838. Taking part were Charles Clements, aged 17, Samuel Mayston, aged 16 -unusually young at that time for peal ringing. and Charles Middleton. of Marsham. a name never to be forgotten by change ringers since he composed the only original peal possible. tenors together, for Cambridge Surprise Major and almost every week thrs composition is rung somewhere. first peal was rung on the ten bells by 'the Aylsham and Marsham Society - there being a close bond between the ringers of those places. They met on many occasions, first at one and then at the other tower. to exercise their skill. They had rung well over 5.000 changes nine years before when. 180 changes from the end. the tenor clapper fell out and invalidated the effort. The successful peal was one of 5.000 changes only. in the Tittum position. and "was brought round in 3 hours and 20 minutes
Tens of thousands of changes. rung by hundreds of ringers. have flown from the throats of the bells of St. Michael's tower. since that eventful day in 1852 . Long may they broadcast their music over the town and call the people to worship. And in the future. when they need again the skill of the bellhanger. may there be people in Aylsham with the same enthusiasm and generosity of those of roday, to make it possible.

## MEMORIAL TO MR. C. W. BLAKEY DEDICATED

On December 17 th many members of the Lancashire Association came to Rishton Parish Church to be present at the dedication of a memorial to a gooci friend and brother ringer, Charles William Blakey. The congregation also included a large namber of relatives and friends of Mr. Blakey. It was unfortunate, however, that the fog in some parts of the county had reduced the attendance.
After an hours ringing, the dedication service-a short form of Evensong-was conducted by Rev. W. Brandwood, Vicar of Rishton. This included a sermon by Rev.
R. D. St. John Smith, president of the Lancashire Association, who recalled the attributes for which 'Charlie' Blakey will be remembered and admired-his talent as a ringer and as an organiser, his loyal service as secretary of the Blackburn Branch and member of the Association committee, and most of all his strength of character and love of simplioity, honesty, and fair play. At the end of the service. the memorial table and visitors' book were brought to the nave of the church so that the book could be signed by those present. Eventually the memorial is to be placed in the ringing chamber.

There followed an excellent tea, after which all those who had in any way helped towards the success of the occasion were duly thanked. The vote of thanks could not be extended to include the weather, which had deteriorated. thus increasing the desire of ningers to begin their homeward journeys, and therefore the evening ringing was somewhat curtailed. Even so, the event will remain as a most pleasant memory to all who were able to attend.

## RINGERS' CHRISTMAS OUTING

On December 17th a company of ringers from St. Wendreda's Church, March, held what has now become an annual Christmas outing.
Two old and respected friends were visited: Crowland Abbey's bells were rung for an hour. the ringers' efforts being witnessed by a macabre and recent acquisition attached to the tower wall-the skull of a former illustrious abbot. The Abbey had the first chime of bells in the land. and the present bells werc the first to be broadcast in this country. Incidentally, the rope-draught (over 90 feet) is the longest in the country

Deeping St. James was next visited and the grand ald bells of the Priory Church were put to good use: some of the best ringing of the outing resulted here. The tenor weighs $19 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwi}$ and it was cast in 1620 by Tobie Norris. of Stamford.

An enjoyable tea-Christmas cake and allamid the traditional festive decorations. was partaken at Market Deeping. Handbells were rung. after which the party journeyed to Durobrivae. near Peterborough!
This former Roman settlement (called Castor nowadays) has a remarkable churchcruciform in design-which was dedicated on April 17:h. 1124. to St. Kyneburgh. a daughter of Penda, the pagan King of Mercin.
Here the ringers broke fresh ground and they were made very welcome by the Rector and the lacal leam. The bells in the central tower are very musical and are a plearure
to ring. The March campos were most fortunate in being allowed to ring them. for an architect has stated that these bells must be runo sparingly in order to preserve the outstanding Norman tower.

Many thanks to those who met the visitors at the churches. also to the clergy.

## LETTERS TO

WHY ARE THE BELLS RUNG?
Dear Sir.-I am more than a little puzzled by the Rev. Michael Freeman's suggestion that Bob Major rung on Sunday for a service is not necessarily a better offering to God than a peal of Siedman on Saturday.
If Mr. Frecman merely wishes to say that We are entitled to enjoy our ringing. and having enjoyed it. are entitled to use it as an orrering to God, then there can be no dispute. We are entitled to offer to God whatsoever we choose. though it is as well to remember the fate of Cain and his offering. But when Mr. Freeman suggests that a good peal of Stedman on Saturday is likely to be accorded the same degree of divine approval as Bob Major rung for a Sunday service then I must take issue with him, and frankly. I can find nothing in his letter which supponts such a contention.
Surely th: purpose for which the bells are being rung is of paramount importance

The peal bands and the service bands equally enjoy their ringing and equally ofter it to the service of God. What, then is to distinguish their effonts? The service band, surely, is ringing the bells for the purpose for which they were intended. i.e., as a preliminary to public worship and to advise the congregation that such worship is about to take place. Does this count for nothing? Mr. Freeman mentions a good peal of Stedman is opposed to Bob Major rung ... on Sunday: Does the method really matter? The service band struggling with Plain Bob is giving of its best just as surely as the peal band coasting through Stedman, and nothing more is asked of any of us. In my view the "widow's mite " of the Plain Bob men will be found equally acceptable-and probably much more so-than the richer offerings of their more able brethren.

But there is another side to all this which Mr. Freeman mentions but does not pursue, and this is our service, as bellringers. to God and our neighbours. These two thingsservice to God and service to our neighboursare inextricably associated. for we cannot love God and ignore our neighbours. How. then. can we best use our bells in the service of both?
Many years ago. when a young boy. I once asked. Why are the church bells ringing? My mother told me that it was Ascension Day. I thereupon decided that Ascension must be a very important day indeed.
In more recent years business took me, one evening, to a district which was new to me. I heard the bells ringing and asked a man the same question of many years ago. The man replied that he didn't know. but thought there may have been a wedding earlier in the day. "Or." he said. " maybe one of those damn ringers has had a birthday or a baby or something.
Pondering over these two incidents. I can't belp feeling that it is a great tragedy that the ringing of our bells is not always and immediately associated in the minds of the public with the worship of God. And I also believe that the church would he well advised to insist that all except service ringing should be on fully muffled bells. Then. when the bells are heing rung open on a weekday people other than young boys may ask, "Why are the church bells ringing? And sooner or later they may come to associate Christmas with Christianity, and on a Patronal Festival they may come to realise that it is the church and not a ringer that is having a birthday.-Yours faithfully.

Saxilby. Lincoln

THE EDITOR
'ALL TIME' RECORD HOLDER


Dear Sir.-The remarkable actevement of Mr. Ernest Morris in surpassing William Pye's record peals total will be acknowledged throughout the whole of the Exercise. As Mr. Pye had rung well over one thousand of his peals for the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, I extend, on behalf of its members. our congratulations to Mr. Morris-although appreciating that he himself is a non-resident life member.

The announcement of this new record coincides with a spare time " job of mine recording the peals rung by the Middlesex County Association and L.D.G. I have just passed the point when. in 1914. Mr. Pye, rang his 100 th peal on twelve bells. ' a feat never before accomplished. In the three ycars. 1912-13-14. thirty-five peals of Stedman Cinques were rung for the Association. quite a number being on handbells. In 1912. two peals of Stedman Cingues were rung at the Church of St. Mary the Great. Cambridge. on August Bank Holiday Monday, but the year following one peal of Maximus and one peal of Cinques were rung during the day on these bells, there also being recorded a peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells the day before.

Referring to Mr . Morris recent leader and his estimated number of peal attempts I have kept my personal record of peal attempts and. one day, when I have tahulated them I would pass on to you the figures if they would be of interest.-Yours sincerely
T. J. LOCK.

Honorary Secretary
Middlesex County Association.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The monthly meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Arlesey on December 10th. with Mr. L. Bywaters as Ringing Master The receatly-inducted Vicar of St. Peter's. Rev. E. B. Edgell. conducted Evensong and welcomed everyone to his church.
Nineteen ringers were present at tea which had been prepared by some of the local ladies in Si. Peter's HaH. At the business meeting Rev. E. B. Edgell was made an meeting Rev. E. B. Edgell was made an
honorary member of the Association. Mr. A. Smith then thanked him for taking the service and the ladies for preparing tea. Ringing continued but only one of the special methods. Double Bob. was rung

THE WHITTINGTON CHANGE
Dear Sir.-May I take issue with Mr. T. J. Lock on his statement that The Whittington change is for not less than eight bells.
I have always considered it to be at its best on six bells for then the six notes fit the six syllables of the words. Turn again Whitington. I have rung this set change hundreds of times and in imagination fitted the words to it. On six bells it runs 5-3-1-7-4-6.
Perhaps those who do not usually ring six or have never rung it on six would try it out.-Yours sincerely.
C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Altrincham.

## THE DRAGON MAJOR

What can things be coming to?
They've never been the same
Since the C.C. took Bob Major
And prefixed it with Plain.
We ve taken Standard methods.
Hunt and dodge and place
And completely rearranged them
To give a different face.
Myself. I've tried. that "Erin Into Major might well mix.
The result of all my labours?
Well. I'll write you out a six
12345678
21436587
$124 \times 578$
$142 \times 758$
$412 \times 785$
24163857
Quick six for Bob
Be it Doubles. Minor. Major. Just mix them as you feel.
To produce another method.
And then to ring a peal.
And now the greatest problem
As you rise to ringing fame
You've composed another method Now find another name.

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## STEDMAN AND <br> 'CAMPANALOGIA'

By T. A. BEVIS

'CCAMPANALOGIA or the Art of Ringing Improved 'has been rightly or wrongly described as the bellringer's bible. Unlike the Bible, however, 'Campanalogia.' pontrays but litule of its worthy author's personality. Apart from an unassuming foreword, Stedman, remarking an the excellencies contained in Grandsire and Grandsire Bob. with "great variety of New Peals' allows his pen a brief yet unimpeded flight when addressing his much esteemed friends, the members of the Society of College Youths.
Introducing his book with its variety of compositions. he adds with a flourish .. I therefore thought fit to usher them into the
world under the wings of your protection. The dedicatory concludes, Gentlemen: as member I held myself obliged to add my mite to your full fraught treasury of speculative and practical knowledge of this kind; though I confess your acquisition on this account will be very mean, since my want of ability sufficient to undertake a thing of this nature. and also want of opportunity, by converse with others to supply my own defects, have rendered the book less accepable than it might have been done by some more knowing head and acuter pen... The countenance you show it will silence detractors and be armour of proof against the fools bolts which may happen to be soon shot at the author, who is, gentlemen, a constant wellwisher to the prosperity (though an unworthy member) of your Society.-F.S.'
It is unfortunate for the Exercise that so bittle is known about the Father of English Changeringing. Born in 1631 , Fabian Stedman lived to a ripe old age; he died in the year 1713 and was interred in the Church of St. Andrew Undershaft.
A printer at Cambridge. Stedman became an active and devoted layman, serving the university town's oldest and most venerable fane-a small church with a proud Saxon tower, dedicated to St. Benedict

## SOWING THE SEEDS

Here it may be assumed-in this hallowed place-the first verbal expressions peculiar to the bellringer were uttered and the five complex and oft-times whorthodox and nowadays unaoceptable pattern of scientific ohange ringing, Unorthodox as ringing may have been all that time ago, there was laid the firm foundation which lends support even coday to those numerous methods heard echoing from the church towers of this island, and more important, here was sown the seed of the most mysterious and intimate brotherhood the kand has ever known.
Richard Duckwonth's 'Tintinnalogia' made its appearance in the last half of the 17 th century, and this book was followed in 1677 by Stedman's publication, Campanalogia. which tends to be regarded as a mere report of what was already then established ringing practice. The original : Report containing 231 pages was printed by W. Godbid. and
sold by Langley Curtis in Goat Court on sold by Lan

Stedman went to London in 1662 . and was elected treasurer of the Scholars of Cheapside. a ringing society which had a shoritlived existence. being dissolved in the same year.
In 1664 Stedman joined the Society of College Youths, and soon after his admittance to that Society returned to Cambridge. Haying published 'Campanalogia' F.S. again moved to London and was employed by the Audit of Excise. He was elected Master of the College Youths in 1682.

Campanalogia makes interesting reading. and in certain respects reminds the reader that the nerve and life-force of the early campanological embryo remains inextricably entwined in the complicated structure of the completely developed science as the art would appear today.
The book's opening pages describe in detail the art of changes: Its author makes it sound so easy... As if five men were sitting upon five stools in a row; the stools are supposed to be fixed places for the five men. but the men by consent may move or change to each
other's places at pleasure, yet still sitting in a row as at first... And likewise a peal of five bells, being raised up to fit a compass for ringing of changes, are these supposed to have five fixed places, which time assigns to there notes or strokes.

## MULTIPLICATION OF CHANGES

One is then introduced to the multiplication of changes, from four bells to 12 bells produc ing $479,001,600$ changes. Of the latter Sted man wrote that if one man should attempt to prick them down on paper, 1,440 to a sheet, they would take up 655 reams of paper and upwards, 'reckoning five hundred sheets to the rearm, which paper at 5 s . the ream, would cost $£ 1665$ s.

On defining changes on three, four and five bells and on larger numbers, Stedman weaves into this particular chapter, an incredible mass of figures, one 'sum' of which is finally arrived in the following amount: 1402645824276320, and this permutation, according to the author, requires $561,058,329$ reams of paper. "which paper all the houses in the City and Liberties of London would not contain ... and all the people, both young and old, in the City could not speak the like numbers of words under forty years and upwards, each of them speaking 15.000 every hour and twelve hours a day
In order to outline the admirable effects of the art, Stedman concludes with an example in which 20 horses with carts and a bricklayer provide mediums for the working of the necessary mathematics on the same principle of changes on larger numbers of bells. finally arriving at the figure of 13.953,600.000 bricks. After the proportion of 150.000 bricks to a house, they would build 93.024 houses. which are above six times as many as the late dreadful fire in London consumed.' One may readily assume that thus was devised the maxim, "blinding one with science!"
Dealing with an introduction to the practice of ringing, Stedman places special emphasis upon the musical qualities of betls, . . every peal of bells being tund according to the principles of music. for a peal of six bells are the six plain Song-Notes, whereupon all musick consists, namely. la. sol, fa, mi, re, ut.'
He continues by describing the various ways, of producing music on bells from 'rounds, to 'concords' and lastly to changes, a system which he described as 'intricate" and which induced him to pen a Treatise as a clue to guide the practitioner through the labyrinth of such changes.

## IMPORTANCE OF THE TREBLE

Stedman wrote that the most important bell in a peal is the treble (none will disagree. I'm sure) and for that reason the most judicious ninger ought to be put on the treble, for that bell cannot possibly be rung true by any other means than by beating of its own time. .
The author states that the truest way of raising a ring of bells is as quick as may be, every ringer taking assistance 10 raise his beil, according as the going of it requires.

The falling of the bells from a sett-pull must gradually be done, by checking them only at the sally, until the low compass renders the sally useless ... then he that rings the treble may give notice (by stamping on the ground) that the next time the beils come to strike at the fore-stroke, they may be checked down so low as to cease their striking at the back-stroke, yet their striking round at the fore-stroke may be continued, until they are brought into a chime, which is a graceful conclusion of a peal.

Having written further on the raising and lowering of bells, Stedman's sensitive pen imparts this ancient pearl of wisdom to the ringer

## EAR AND EYE

The ringing of changes is performed partly by the ear and partly by the eye; the ear
informs when to make a change. the eye informs when to make a change. the eye
directs the pull in the making of it: but directs the pull in the making of it: but
then again the ear guides the striking of the note true in its place according to time. . First, the ear, as a sentinel. discovers the near approaohing change, and also the place
refers it 10 the ear, to place the note true in striking.
Entering into elaborate detail, 'F.S.' then proceeds a lengthy lecture on the essential truths leading to accurate striking:

Observation 1: The learner must be able to distinguish the notes of a ring of bells one from another, and to know them asunder,. © Observation 2: The learner must rightly apprehend the place of the notes.
Observation 3: The next thing to be understood by the learner is the precedency of the Obses.
Observation 4: On the change between two notes, by moving them into other places..
Observation 5 : In the time of ringing changes-first, to observe and readily to know which two bells are always to make the next succeeding change: secondly if the learner is concerned therein, to consider what bell he is to follow in the making of it.
Painstakingly setting out the above observations, which the reader will agree are the basic elements of first class striking, Stedman portrays his ability as a patient and helpful mentor. Suffice to say, the practitioner of nearly 300 years ago, and even more recently, must have benefited in the perusing of his work.
Stedman was well aware of the complications involved in ringing method. Have we not all nervously confronted this old-established predicament? It is the old. old story

## BELL CONTROL

- In the ringing of ohanges, his (the learner's) mind will be so buried and wholly taken up with the consideration of the course and method of them, and his eyes continually wandering about to direct his pull in the following of the other bells, that unless he has extraordinary skill in the managing of his own bell, and can set it in a manner hood-winkt. he will be apt either to drop or overturn it; or else on the other hand. for want of skill, his eye and mind will be so fixed on his own rope and bell to guide the time mind the course of the changes, and then 110 wonder if he is in a wood, which conseque itly follows.
He continues, .... Therefore 'tis not enough that the young practitioner can set a bell it may be half a score times together, when 'tis an even wager that he either drops or overturns it in those ten pulls: but he musit be so skilled, as that he might adventure to lay ten to one. that he can set it thirty or forty times together. both fore-stroke and back-sroke. without dropping or overturning it. and without looking directly either on his hands or rope whilst he sets it.

How many ringers, nowadays, who, endcavouring to perfect their skill in the art of ringing, would practise tuning their voices io the notes of the bells? There are many ringers in these enlightened days who readily admit their inability at recognising individual rotes in a ring of bells: like the defective eye in its inability at recognising colours. Stedman maintained that should a learner be unable to match his voice to the bells, then a person must direct him therein. and also teach him how to take the true pitch of any notes with his voice-the only means in which to distinguish them asunder

The author lays heavy emphasis on the use of the ear, '... the chief grounds of this Art
depends on the ear... and to speak the truth. most practitioners are in these days (and one might add in our own day) somewhat deficient, herein.'

Food for thought is placed before the reader in the next paragraph: 'The ringing of changes (has) generally diverted the learner's fancy from the practice of raising, round ringing and ceasing, by which means we have in a manner lost one excellency in the pursuit of another. Therefore. I would wish that the practitioner of this art would set a greater Esteem on true ringing in general. since the only excellency as well in the ringing of changes as rounds. depends thereon... Therefore, the practilioner ought to have a musical ear. and to have some judgment in beating time. without which he can never ring his bell true to its place.
It would seem. then, that in Stedman's day. as in our own, the desirability of minute examination of each stage and the familarisa-
(Continued on next page)

Stedman and 'Campanalogia '-Cont.
tion of onesclf with the numerous complex angles of change ringing were sacrificed to some degree, they being impadiently and, at times, unwittingly put aside in favour of the severance of the anchor of fine judgment and balance-factors so necessary in becoming accurate, reliable and useful ringers

Enthusjasm is good, but all too often one observes the young leirner, flushed with early success. striding unconcernedly towards greater things. "from one excellency 10 another"discarding in his hurry partly devoured, sound advice. beneficial only in its complete assimilation.

## MAKE HASTE SLOWLY

I recall to mind the words of a well known gentleman. now passed on, to the effect that if a practitioner cannot ring 720 changes of a particukar method without having to be old what to do. then he is not master of that method, and it is therefore inadvisable to wrestle with other compositions until he can ring a full extent without error, placing his bell in the exact place, not almost there, thereby developing a rhythm-aided by complete understanding of the work-which makes all ringing beautiful to hear.

Perhaps a litte too harsh? One might be parmitted to point out that agreeable maxim, appropriate to the ant: Make haste slowly
The bellringer has not changed so very much in the last 300 years! At meetings, at work. at home and on holidays, there may be seen protruding from his pocket that indispensable book with its complicated figures and blue lines. In his wallet and in his diary there are seraps of paper on which have been written strange designs and scores of figures to assist him in ringing and conducting touches and peals

In ringing chambens one is confronted with arge printed sheets showing method construction, and even blackboards carefully marked with chalk. as well as the writing on the wall!

Stedman knew it all! He defines the learner must have frequent recourse to his pocket. that is. to the changes there prickt: from whence he must continually fetch instructions to direct the course of his bell, which is oftentimes the case of the learner: his thougin's $i n$ the dime of ringing being commonly upon the figures that are prickt, either upon paper, or else upon the steeple wall.?

Upwards of 30 pages are devoted to plain changes in which Stedman gives simple instructions on how to hunt from front to back and vice versa. The reader is also introduced 10 . Cross Peals. wherein several notes cross each other in their course and motion.

The author has a pretty way of describing a hunt bell as a 'helm or rudder' by which the course of the peal is steered. He continually refers to "whole-hunts," half-hunts" and 'extreams.
Many of the methods published in 'Campanalogia, are somewhat unorthodox and therefore quite unacceptable to modern files of method composition. Nevertheless. they are curiously interesting, and in some instances these structures suggest some musicat qualities. They are attractive if only from their colourful and amusing titles. One method on five bells is named. What you please. each bell leading four times and lying behind twice.

## 53 COMPOSITIONS

Stedman composed 53 "London Peals" for five. six. seven and eight bells. and these were dedicated to weird and wonderful names. such as 'Crambo.' 'The Primrose.' 'Orpheus.

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135 are published for octaves. which include 'The Wild Goose Chase -and this evidently lived up to its name. There is also an impressivesounding composition called 'The Grand Experiment.
The 'Campanalogia' concludes with a list of 35 methods on five and six bells. including Adventure.' 'Camelion." 'Medley,' 'Fortune,
Oxford Single Bob." and that aristocratic piece. 'My Lord.

Topsic-Turvey

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suades visions of rem surdes visions of rampaging hurricanes and of bells engaged in hotted up versions of The Blues. A mischrievous touch of humour is present with 'Jack-on-Both-Sides.' and a sense of elation is shared with the ghost of the old-time ringer clinging to his leather drinking bottle. in that five-bell
concootion known as ' Topsie-Turvey
We may well be inspired to 'Symphonie violent exeroise with the old. old favourite 'Jumping Doubles.' but oh! to relax and allow one's thoughts to drift majestically away, entering the realms of "The Dream the realms of The Contention? "The Cheat is to be avoided, yet how gratifying to embrace sister. 'Grandsire-uponSymphonie.

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it sounds: and 'The Tulip, 136245 Honeysuckle are finally shattered by that monstrosity. 'The Blunderbus.' Feminine grace prevails in 'The Antilope' and 'The Maremaid
Stedmair even institled the sweor fragrance of romance in his remarkable work. I think that method beats them all. It is called My Honey!

HONITON, DEVON.-On Nov, 13th, $2 t$ St, Paul's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4. 6, 8 covering): A. Hodge 1. C. Manley 2, D. Salter 3, J. Real 4. W. Baker 5, G Coombe 6. W. Webb (cond.) 7. M. Squire (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muftled for Armistice Sunday.

WILLINGHAM. CAMBS.-On Dec. 4th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor. P. Leggett (first quarter) 1. G. Crisp 2. G. Thoday 3, D. Murfet 4, G. Lucas 5, M. Ginn (cond.) 6. For Matins,

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## Swindon Branch

The annual meeting of the Swindon Branch was held at Christ Church. Swindon, on December 10th when the secretary reported another successful year. Meetings have been held monthly with an average attendance of 34: 19 new members had been elected. Two more towers were added to the list of ringable bells in the Branch and a meeting was held at both-Oakley and Hannington.

The retiring officers were re-elected with the exception of Mr. W. Trueman, who declined nomikation as Ringing Master, having held that position for the past eight years and chairman 20 years before that. With so many good young ringers available. Mr. Truemar felt the time had come to hand over. The Branch is very fortunate in having Mr. Brian Bladon as the new Master
Some excellent ringing was enjoyed in the afternoon and evening on the good Taylor ten a touch of Cambridge Royal being the best of the day. Meetings for the ensuing quarter were: January, St. Mark's: February, Rodbourne Cheney: March. Stratton St. Margaret
A Branch tea and social was held at Stratton St. Margaret on December 17th. which. although the attendance was less than expected. was very successful. It is hoped to make this a regular Christmas event.
R. E. G. L

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD No. 4
Across: 1 and 9 William Shipway, 5 and 13 Down Hol's One Part. 8 Ionic. 10 Tadorna. 11 Hesse, 12 and 17 London Pride, 14 Smears 19 Lindoff. 22 Ireland. 23 Bohar. 24 Great Ryburgh.
Down: 1 Waist. 2 Langdon. 3 Incur. 4 Masham. 5 Heigham. 6 Lewis. 7 Skyness. 12 Lapping, 15 Another, 16 Slider, 18 Irene. 20 Nabob. 21 Firth.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

High up on the North Downs overlooking the Medway Valley is the Church of St. Mary Magdalene. Stockbury, with its ring of five bells (tenor 15 cwt .). Despite the very high wind and pouring rain, some 50 odd members gathered at this ahurch on December 3rd for a Rochester and District meeting. Ringing before the service was under the direction of Mr. L. C. Harner, the new District Ringing Master. The Vicar (the Rev. Mr. Edwards) conducted the service, and tea was kindly given by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dunk. Friends of the young band at Stockbury kindly warted at the tables
Despite the weather the meeting was a great success and a richly-deserved vote of thanks to all who had helped in the arrangements was proposed by Mr. T. Barton, district secretary.

## 70 YEARS A YORKSHIRE RINGER

At the age of $14 . \mathrm{Mr}$. Herbert M. Turner learned to ring at South Anston. Yorks, and joined the North Notts Association soon afterwards. He is justly proud of his 70 years of continuous service as a ringer at his local church and also his membership of the Association for the same period.
Mr. Turner was a member of the famous six bell band at South Anston. under the late Mr. F. Fowler. This band rang every known Minor method to a 720 for Sunday service In one year they rang 103 methods to 720 s , a! for services. Still an active ringer. Mr Turner attends every Sunday although not now able to ring for long periods

On his 85 th birthday. December 10th. a band from Anston and Warsop met and rang a few touches of Minor with him. These were followed by a good quarter of Kent T.B Major, in which Mr. Gordon Turner, his son, rang the sixth. Members of the hand were then entertained by Mr. Turner in "The Loyal Trooper. May he have many more years of ringing ahead

## a PEAL ATTEMPT AT HULL

One Tuesday night, not long ago,
My mind to disencumber,
I took a solitary walk Upon the banks of Humber.

At once I paus'd, dismiss'd my thoughts And put them to the wing;
As well I might, when suddenly The bells began to ring.

The sound was sweet, the music full, The notes distinct and clear;
A gentle breeze convey'd the tone And brought them to my ear.

I linger'd on the water's brink, And heard the careful rise; That's good,' thought I, 'and merits praise And censure it defies.'

The bells they paused a little while, And then they made a start
With beat so true, as prov'd them rung By men who knew the art.
The dulcet changes soon struck off, In regular succession.
Like soldiers train'd. or lodges taught, To move in the procession.
The peal was 'Grandsire Triples' called, So termed by all our ringers.
For they have names for every peal, As tunes have name for singers.

It sounded well, and promised fair To reach its destined round;
'Twas like a vessel gliding soft, And to a haven bound.

When lo! a misadventure came. I cried, 'What's now the matter?' For all at once the music ceased, And all was jar and clatter.

The bells were jumbled in the peal, And no one knew its place;
The dogs came falling on the fox, And finished up the chase.

And now a silence interven'd And all was still and quiet
Dear me, thought I. 'how sweet the calm That supersedes a riot.'

But since I know those worthy men Who labour in the steeple.
I'll eien go in and ask of them, Why thus annoy the people?

The resolution form'd-I went, A private key befriending;
And as I mounted up the stairs Kept bending-bending-bending
At length I reach'd the door I sought, And lifting up the latch.
I found the youths assembled there, A neat and goodly batch.

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

## By T. J. LOCK

## "X"

XANTHUS, XAVIER, XENIA.-These are the names of the three methods as yet rung to peals beginning with this letter of the alphabet.

XCLAMATION MARKS (please xcuse licence). Why should many ringers make good sailors? Because they are so often at sea. Always eat an egg before you attempt a peal or a quarter peal. but make sure that it has not heen poached.

One of the best ways of getting ahead is to use the one you have.
French polish. His manners have improved since he came back from a holiday in Paris. Joyful new bell.- Hurray, it is good to be up in this tower. you remember the old saying " what you gain on the swings you lase on the roundabouts." well. we are up here for a long time now and we shall he on the swings
all right-everything to gain and nothing to lose.

Some ringers are not so good as people may think. They are dodgers. they snap and lie, they help to make rows and are unreliable because they change so.
Annual Report.-His birthday parties always go with a bang.
Summit meeting.-I was there waiting for him at the top of the stairs.
A peal attempt for Major was arranged in an Irish tower. but unfortunately the band met one too many short for eight.
Why is a man who is a good striker preferred to one who is not? Because he has control of the tongue of his bell(e).
Flag days.-He always seems to be most lired on Monday and Tuesday.
After a wedding ceremony a little boy was heard to ask his mother, "What do ushers do, keep people quiet?'

Off-chance. I am looking for an opporturity to emigrate.


X WORD.-Clues
Across:
shopkeeper takes it, a gardener grows it and a bell needs it.
6. Fell upos Jonah in the Old Testament story.
8. Hastened.
10. It is sometimes stated that bells have this-when really ringers have this their bells.
11. Soundly connceted with Christmas where some fruit is concerned.
13. Are they really found in belfries?
15. This with 16 Down gives you two kinds of article.
17. That is. (abb.)
18. A supcrlative place. (3.6)

## Down:

2. Pertaining to modes of action. 3. Such a charge would hardly entitic one to a scat at Wimbledon! (5.3)
3. With this. no true neal. (5.4) 5. Often describes lours even if they are noe nartics of betltimaers. Exclamation. usually of dismay. Two Q. Two
diphthonged.
4. Additional
5. Mdelods
6. See 15 Across.
'How's this. my lads?' I soon exclaimed,
Why-don't you know your peal?
Ben T-k-h taught you how to ring,
And this you know and feel.?
The first that spoke I long had known,
His name was William P $-\ldots$; ;
His words were few, he merely said, ' I'm sure it is not me.'
'Nor me,' said Joseph H --.-.-., 'I'm sure My bell neer left its place;
When I was clearly in the hunt, How could it be the case?'

Said Thomas S....-, 'I made my thirds, And down again to lead;
In one I met the treble bell,
So I'm from censure freed.'
The next to speak was Thomas $\mathrm{N}=\ldots$ -
And he express'd no doubt,
That some near neighbour-not himself, Had put the 'Grandsire, out.
' It was not me,' said Edward A $-\ldots$...;
I met the bell in two.
So I was dodging four and five, What ought I else to do?
'Come, come,' said Charlie P -... ; 'be still, We some of us were wrong;
The fault. however, let me say, Does not to me belong?

James A - - . - was equally convinced That he was in the right:
He always counted up and down, And kept the ropes in sight.
The last to speak was Joseph B ......,
Upon the platform mounted;
The tenor bell, of all the peal. Most worthy being accounted.
To clear himself he neatly said, Of order I'm a lover:
I never wander up and down, But always wait to cover.
Well, this is passing strange!' I thought; A singular affair!'
The men were all so confident, It made me stand and stare.
At length a lucky thought occurr'd.
Which showed the matter clear,
And prov'd a fact which should be known
By ringers far and near.
Now, gentle reader, don't be stunn'd
While I this fact unfold,
Altho' it be the strangest thing
That poet ever told.
As sure as mourner ever wept,
Or singer sang a song.
Altho the ringers all were right, The bells themselves were wrong.
There every voice at once proclaimed.
When once they saw the matter.
Tis plain enough where lies the blame-
Of all this noise and clatter.
'Twas not with us who pull'd the ropes.
And pulled them so true:
The culprits are above our heads.
As sure as blue is blue.
The rascals are on mischief bent.
They ve joined in firm alliance.
To play the master when they please,
And set us at defiance."
And now from henceforth be it known, Whene'er a peal turns lame.
The RINGERS never are in FAULT,
The BELLS are all to BLAME.
Copied from: The Bells of England (J. J Raven). Attributed to: Rev. William Knight (for 32 years incumbent of St. James', Hull. Died in 1862.).

In submitting this poem. Mr. J. R. Perrett. of East Sheen, London, writes that he helieves the church in question to be St. James'. Hull, which was damaged during the war. and has now been demolished. Of the eight bells. two have been obtained by Holy Trinity. Huht to augment their ring of 10 to 12 , and the other six are destined to be hung in one of Hull's new churches when the necessary money has been raised.

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## DEATH

HAGUE-On December 19th. 1960, at 8. Scudamore Crescent. Blackpool. Arthur. aged 75. the dearly loved husband of Mary and dear father of Mary.

## PERSONAL

BUT they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength: (Isaiah x1, 31a.) DENNIS.-
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So we were absolutely sure
You'd have shouted your greetings Up to The Moor.
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LADIES' GUILD. - Central District. Quarterly meeting on December 31st, at Stanmore. Ringing from 3-5 p.m., followed by service. Tea and short business meeting in the Church House, then further ringing until
$8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Gentlemen cordially invited. 7140 LADIES' GUILD.-Beds and Northants Branch.-Meeting. Saturday, December 31st, at Finedon. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Please support.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-Monthly practice, St. Leonard's. Shoreditch. Wednesday, January 4th, 6.30 pm. A.G.M., January 28th. Details later.A. W. Builer, Sec.

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ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD. -The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held at Mirfield (10), on January 7th. Names for tea, please, to The Caretaker, Church House. Mirfield. All welcome. 7105
BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Bridgwater Branch.- Annual meeting at Bridgwater, January 7th. 3 p.m. Usual arrange-ments.- R. Short, Chilton Trinity. 7066
DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly general meeting. Ilkeston (8), Saturday, January 7th. Committee meet 4 p.m. Bells available from 3.15 . Tea 4.45 p.m., for those who notify Mr: E. Fletcher, 30, Margaret Avenue, Ilikeston, Derbyshire, not later than Jantuary 3rd.-B. P. Morris, Sec. 7048
DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Social meeting at Chester-le-Street. Saturday. January 7th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.. followed by social. Names for tea to D. A. Bayles, 12, Crichton Avenue, Chester-le-Street.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Ely District.-Annual meeting. Saturday. January 7th, at Burwell. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 . Meeting 5 p.m.-D. F. Murfet. Dis. Sec. 7063 ESSEX ASSOCIATION - S.E, DivisionAnnual general meoting at Writtle, on January 7th. Bells (8) $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea by January 4 th, to P. W. Saltmarsh. Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 7145

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS Exeter Branch.- A joint practice meeting with the Aylesbeare Branch will be held at Broadclyst. on Saturday, January 7th. from 6 to 8
p.m.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Tonbridge District) and LADIES GUILD (Kent Branch).-Meeting at Edenbridge, on Saturday, January 7th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names with cash ( $2 \mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{~d}$.) by Tuesday. January 3rd. to cash (ss, 6d.) by W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge

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Clitheroe.-J. Pilkington.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Wigan Branch.-Meeting at All Saints'. Wigan (10
hells). Saturday Jan. 7th. Local cafes nearby hells). Saturday Jan. 7th. Local cafes nearby
for tea.-Mrs. L. Kenrick. Sec.
7069 LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Leicester District.-Annual meeting at St. Margaret's. Leicester, on Saturday, January 7 th. Ringing $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.. in St.
Margaret's Vestry. Names for tea by Wednesday. January 4th. please. to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth, 150. Narborough Road South.
Leicester. 7062
MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOL
SOCIETY.-Meeting at Aylesford (8). Saturday. January 7th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Teat 5 p.m. Names. please. 10 Mrs. Pamela J. Usborne, 315, Loose Road. Maidstone. 7049

NORWICH ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch.-Correction. The annual Branch meeting, on Saturday. January 7th. at St. Giles ${ }^{\text {, }}$ Norwich. Bells (8) from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at St. Peter Mancroft in the evening. Names for tea by January 4 th, to C. Bird. Hon. Sec., 27, Warwick Street, Norwich, NOR 48 F .
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM,-Annual meeting, January 7th, in St. Martin's Church Hall, at 4.30 p.m. St. Martin's bells (12) 3.30 p.m. Cathedral (12) after meeting.-G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch.-Annual meeting. Trowbridge, Saturday, January 7th. Bells (12) 4 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 . Dther towers available: North Bradley (8) 2.30-3.45. Hilperton (6) $2.30-3.45$ p.m. Names for tea essential by January 2nd. please. to E. J. Hitchins, 136, Bradley Road. Trowbridge, Wilts.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDNottingham District.-Annual meeting. January 7th. at St. Mary's. Nottingham. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrange-ments.-S. Adams

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern Division.-Practice meeting. Cowfold (6). on Saturday, January 7 th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.. to those who notify Mrs. E. L. Hairs. Norman Cottage. Park Corner. Groombridge, by Wednesday. January 4th.-T.N. 438.
UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION-Dinner. London. January 7th. Ringing: Wandsworth (All Saints'-note correction) 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.. Mortlake 1 to 2 p.m.. Chiswick 2.15 to 3.15. St. Clement Danes' 4 to 5.30 (followed by service). Dinner at the Victoria. 6.30 for 7 p.m. Money at once. please ( 15 s . undergraduates. others $£ 1$ ), to D. J. Roaf, Trinity College. Cambridge.

7071

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Dunster Branch.-Annual meeting at Minehead. January 14 th Bells from 3 p.m Numbers for tea by January 10th. essential.A. R. Tudball. Hon. Sec.

7068
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD - Macclesfield Branch.-Annual meeting. January 14th at St. Michael's. Maoclesfield (12). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by January Ilth. to H. C. Lonyon. 8. Cardigan Close. Macclesfield. 706
DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.Quarterly meeting at Buckerell. January 14th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business mecting. Names for tea by January 11th. please. to Webb, Millhead Honiton

7070
ESSEX ASSOCIATION -N.E. District. Annual District meeting at Ardleigh. Saturday, January 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 followed by tea and meeting. Great Bromley (6) available $2-4$ and $7.30-9$ p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday. January 11th. please. to Mr. F. Erth. Vinces Farm. Ardleigh. near Colchester.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W. District - 7087 A.G.M.. January 14th. Leytonstone. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in adjoining hall. Names for tea, please, to Leytonstone. E.II. LEY 4342. 7047 LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION Northern District.-Annual meeting. Saturday, January 7th. Note change of date. Further details next week. Everyone welcome.Bullock. Hon. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD - Banbury Branch.-Ouarterly meeting. Swatcliffe (6). January 14 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 445. Tadmarton (6) $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to C. C. Clarke. High Sireet. Deddington.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Newbury Branch.-Quarterly meeting. Shaw. Saturday. January 14th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. January 11th. to H. Laurenson. 52. Kings Road. Newbury.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Kettering Branch. - Annual meeting. Deshorough (8). January 14 th . Usual arrangemems. Names for tea by Tuesday previous. 10 Mrs. A. Loake. 2. Harrington Raad. Desborough.

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By CYRIL A. WRATTEN

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By S. WOOD

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    Bournemouth, on October 15th, 1960 .

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    The ringers in a peal at Heptonstall!
    Two days before the feast of Hallowe en As many methods to a peal were seen!.
    But stranger facts emerge from closer glance-
    That stretch much more uncertainties of chance -
    Each ringer had a method to his name.
    A novel way to find eternal fame?
    Should Fishwick be reserved for Friday peals?
    Or 'Lesser Wopping raise more painful weals?
    'Reverse Half Nelson' spliced with 'Double Blackley
    Produce a bruise that rises quite opaquely?
    White splicing 'Smith' with highbrow "Tolleshunt D'Arcy '\%
    We should at clash of places singular see.
    Poor Ogden in his Wellington Little Court-
    What names to give the would-he poet sport!
    But to be serious, the truth seems plain.
    They did it tongue-in-cheek to entertain.
    (Or did their ancestors far back hegotten
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