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## THE GLORIES OF KENT AND ITS RINGING

THE appealing title was culled from the letter inviting this article to mark the occasion of the Central Council's third visit to the 'Garden of England.' The writer, of West Country origin and domiciled for a mere two decades, is less likely to look through rose-coloured spectacles than some proud Man of Kent or Kentish Man (or Maid of Kent or Kentish Maid). The distinction, one should explain, is between those born east of the River Medway and those born to its west, though few are ever sure of the correct way round, which is surprising since this same river is the boundary between the dioceses of Canterbury and Rochester, and goes to show that two dioceses or no there is a unity about Kent naturally preserved among its ringers through their county Association.

The county town of Maidstone is itself astride the Medway, and the Maidstone District is the central one of the six into which the county has been divided to give workable units for ringing activities. Londonwards lies the Lewisham District, north and south the Rochester and Tonbridge Districts respectively, matched by the Canterbury and Ashford Districts as you go eastwards. Their boundaries were fixed when railways were enjoying their heyday, but any inclination to revise them in the light of the present day is heavily affected by the weight of tradition. For all the Districts are very different and individual but nevertheless form a cohesive county 'commonwealth' in quite a literal sense. One pertinent reason for this—much to the credit of the founders of the Association 80 years ago—is that there is a composite and not particulate financial structure, with no continuation funds from year to year in the individual Districts. We sink or swim together, and take pleasurable interest in the variety of activity across the District boundaries.

To reach Folkestone, Central Council members will traverse eastwards through Kent and see it fresh in its new mantle of green growth—the orderly fruit trees, their young fruit beginning to swell, and the hop binds racing up their strings. Free of the outskirts of the Metropolis the rural scene predominates—oast houses and village churches sprinkled around, fringed in the north by the chalky Downs, revealed nostalgically in the white cliffs at Dover. But if the heart of the Kent countryside is the Weald, there is a different loveliness in the wilder Romney Marsh which skirts it in the south. Here sheep abound, with an occasional field of tulips giving an attractive patch of colour. The fine church of Lydd, the 'cathedral' of the Marsh, is a dominating feature, and here one is right away from the holiday crowds. In bygone years the smugglers favoured this outlying corner.

At Folkestone itself another contrast presents itself, between the harbour area and the heights of the Leas Cliff, from where, on a clear day, the coast of France is plainly visible. It is an ideal conference and holiday centre, and non-ringing wives and younger members of the family will have all they need to entertain them while ringing matters are in progress. Fortunately the conference proper is restricted to a single day, so we trust that members, despite all the attractions, will put in a hard day's work.

Already I have hinted that the Kent County is celebrating its 80th birthday, for it was on Whit Monday in 1880 that the foundation meeting was held in the Chapterhouse at Canterbury Cathedral. The two previous meetings of the Central Council in Kent were, not surprisingly, held in Canterbury, the cradle of Christianity, and in 1960 it is hoped that many will include a visit to this most wonderful city. The Archbishop is the Association's president, and we recall with pleasure a recent Association dinner at Rochester when His Grace joined with us and his 'unruly' Bishop of Rochester.

All members of the Kent County are extremely proud of our one remaining foundation member, Mr. E. S. ('Old Ted') Ruck, of Willesborough, and it is no coincidence that this tower has such a remarkable record of Sunday service ringing. And here it is appropriate to mention a few names which live in the annals of Kent ringers, beginning with James Barham, of long ago, whose band, the Lenham Youths, displayed remarkable prowess. The ringing of the full extent of Bob Major (40,320 changes) at Leeds in 27 hours or so, admittedly with reliefs, was a superb enterprise, and Barham's tombstone in Leeds Churchyard is now maintained by the Association.

As for the Kent County itself, it was built up around the exertions of Canon Helmore, who for 40 years was its general secretary and treasurer. His immediate successor in office was Mr. Fred Mitchell, who has just died. Ringing is often a family affair, and to exemplify this in Kent who better than the Council's most efficient secretary, Mr. E. A. Barnett, of Crayford, whose father and grandfather achieved distinction before him?

Finally, the bells of Kent, truly a wonderful and varied array. How difficult to pick out individual towers; but the various excursions planned over Whitsun include a goodly sample, ranging from the ring of five in the wooden campanile at Brookland, and the light 12 in the Waterloo Tower at Quex Park, to such lovely octaves as New Romney, Ashford and Headcorn, and the recast ten at Maidstone itself.

Kent, its countryside, its maids and men, its churches and bells, every member of the Kent County welcome the ringers of England to this Garden of England!

E. S. J. H.



***Peals rung in honour of the Wedding  
of Her Royal Highness Princess  
Margaret and Mr. Antony  
Armstrong-Jones***

**TWELVE BELL PEAL**

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD  
*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS**

Tenor 26 cwt. 11 lb. in D.	
FREDERICK WILSHAW .. Treble	PETER LAFLIN .. 7
*EILEEN FEARN .. 2	HAROLD C. LONYON .. 8
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 3	BASIL JONES .. 9
*CAROL FERNLEY .. 4	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. 10
*DENNIS HENSHAW .. 5	ALAN A. POTTS .. 11
JOHN WORTH .. 6	BRIAN HARRIS .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

**TEN BELL PEAL**

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
*On Mon., May 9, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 26 cwt. 18 lb. in D.	
MRS. G. W. HUGHES .. Treble	ARTHUR T. DUTTON .. 6
HOWARD HOWELL .. 2	ROGER W. BARKER .. 7
M. JILL FISHER .. 3	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. 8
MARION E. KEY .. 4	GEORGE W. HUGHES .. 9
BARNABAS G. KEY .. 5	FREDERICK G. HANDLEY .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE W. HUGHES.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

DARESBUURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

\* AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5088 ILKESTON, KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16½ cwt.	
CECIL RADDON .. Treble	MRS. D. LOWE .. 5
*DENIS MADDOCK .. 2	*DOUGLAS LOWE .. 6
*MICHAEL THOMPSON .. 3	HAROLD WORRALL .. 7
HARRY W. HOWARD .. 4	*ROGER KING .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY.

\* First peal in the method.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD  
*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.	
ANTHONY K. FORTIN .. Treble	J. KEITH WARD .. 5
CHRISTOPHER M. BLOOMER .. 2	*ROY B. WAWMAN .. 6
WILLIAM BUTLER .. 3	DEREK W. STONE .. 7
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 4	*COLIN J. WATSON .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN HOWES.

\* First peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E.	
EDWARD J. BRAGG .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5
TOM PAGE .. 2	*G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON .. 6
*DENNIS G. BLOWS .. 3	*ROY COLLINS .. 7
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. 4	E. JOHN WELLS .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by E. JOHN WELLS.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal. First in the method as conductor.

Rung also to celebrate the birth of a daughter (Margaret Anne) to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wells.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

AT THE WATCH TOWER,

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

MARION S. AINSWORTH .. Treble	GEORGE S. DEAS .. 5
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. 2	KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN .. 6
BRYAN PATTISON .. 3	ERIC N. HARRISON .. 7
ROBIN G. TURNER .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET,

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	CHARLES H. MOORE .. 5
GEOFFREY R. DREW .. 2	PETER M. ADCOCK .. 6
THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 3	HENRY TOOKE .. 7
PERCY SQUIRES .. 4	REV. G. C. GALLEY .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by REV. G. C. GALLEY.

Rung also as a birthday compliment to W. Clover.

HERTFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

*On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

E. JANE LANGTON .. Treble	*PATRICK COLLINS .. 5
MIKAELA ERIK .. 2	CHRISTOPHER M. PAIN .. 6
MARCUS P. BARTON .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. 7
DR. D. J. NEAL SMITH .. 4	†GEOFF. PRATT .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal. † First in the method.

**SIX BELL PEALS**

CROMER, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In two methods: One extent Kent T.B., six Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt.
RAYMOND W. BALLS .. Treble	PETER M. ADCOCK .. 4
JOHN R. SMITH .. 2	THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 5
PHILIP J. L. PURSLOW .. 3	GEOFFREY R. DREW .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. DREW.

Rung also to mark the birth of a son (David George) to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Balls.

SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENIS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being four extents Single Oxford and three Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

JOHN F. WRIGHT .. Treble	J. EDWARD BROWN .. 4
FREDERICK DERRY .. 2	WALTER WESTON .. 5
HENRY P. COLLIN .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

SOHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Fri., May 6, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
*BARRY BASS .. Treble	C. REX WALLER .. 4
*GEOFFREY D. WATTS .. 2	ROGER J. PALMER .. 5
DEREK G. TAYLOR .. 3	RICHARD J. W. HOUSDEN .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD J. W. HOUSDEN.

\* First peal and first attempt.

Rung by Soham Grammarians.

BISHOPWEARMOUTH, COUNTY DURHAM.

THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

*On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Court Bob and Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.
KEITH WARD (King's) .. Treble	JOHN THORLEY (King's) .. 4
DENNIS ELLISON (King's) .. 2	CHRIS. J. HERBERT (S. John's) .. 5
BRYAN PATTISON (Bede) .. 3	NICHOLAS WEBB (King's) .. Tenor

Conducted by BRYAN PATTISON.



## ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents Single Oxford and five Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.  
 \*SUSAN MEREDITH (14) .. Treble | F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 4  
 \*RUTH BLACKSHAW .. 2 | MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 5  
 \*JOHN HIGGS .. 3 | WILLIAM L. EXTON .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First in two methods.

## GRAPPENHALL, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.  
 ERIC BAILEY .. .. Treble | ROY FOSTER .. .. 4  
 FRANK TAYLOR .. .. 2 | MICHAEL THOMPSON .. 5  
 JOHN C. BREEZE .. .. 3 | HAROLD WORRALL .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD WORRALL.

Rung also as a 'get well' peal for Ian C. Potts, a local ringer.

## NEW BUCKENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.  
 WILFRED G. SAUNDERS .. Treble | F. CHARLES GOODMAN .. 4  
 C. FRANK W. PHILIPPO .. 2 | FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 5  
 ARTHUR G. BASON .. 3 | H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

## NORWICH, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, Childwall, and two 720's of Plain Bob.  
 Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

NORMAN COSSEY .. .. Treble | JOHN COX .. .. 4  
 MIRIAM A. HIGDON .. 2 | FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 5  
 ARTHUR G. BASON .. 3 | H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

## MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

## THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Tues., May 10, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G sharp.

\*GRAEME W. HEYES .. Treble | GEORGE W. PIPE .. 4  
 MONICA E. COLLINS .. 2 | \*ARTHUR H. FISHER .. 5  
 DIANA M. PIPE .. 3 | \*JOHN J. F. ROPER .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Surprise. First of Surprise in Australia.

## BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.  
 G. COLIN JACKSON .. Treble | J. EDWARD BROWN .. 4  
 RONALD G. RUSSELL .. 2 | FREDERICK DERRY .. 5  
 PERCY D. BALDOCK .. 3 | JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

## PETERCHURCH, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr.  
 \*ARTHUR E. KINSEY .. Treble | REGINALD G. POWELL .. 4  
 \*JOY SMITH .. 2 | CHARLES PHILLIPS .. 5  
 \*LEONARD SMITH .. 3 | \*MICHAEL V. POWELL .. Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD G. POWELL.

\* First peal in the method.

## LEIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES IN SEVEN METHODS

Being 42 extents: (1) to (4) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (5) to (8) Southrepps, (9) to (12) Clifford's Pleasure, (13) to (16) Plain Bob, (17) to (20) Kennington, (21) to (24) April Day, (25) to (32) Grandsire, (33) to (36) Plain Bob, (37) to (40) Kennington, (41) and (42) Grandsire, (43) to (46) Plain Bob, (47) and (48) Grandsire.  
 Tenor 7½ cwt. in A flat.

FREDERICK WATSON .. Treble | \*MARCUS G. STEVENS .. 4  
 ERNEST MORRIS .. 2 | BRIAN M. SMITH .. 5  
 BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 3 | WILLIAM C. KILLER .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

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

## OTHER PEALS

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## BUCKFAST, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE BENEDICTINE ABBEY OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in C.

JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. Treble | WILLIAM T. COOK .. 7  
 WILFRED WILLIAMS .. 2 | R. ROGER SAVORY .. 8  
 TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 3 | DENNIS RANDALL .. 9  
 ARTHUR H. REED .. 4 | WILLIAM HIBBERT .. 10  
 MRS. P. LEWINGTON .. 5 | THOMAS J. SOUTHAM .. 11  
 ALAN F. THIRST .. 6 | THOMAS J. SETTER .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

## LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 41 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in C.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble | \*ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 7  
 CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2 | JOHN MACDONALD .. 8  
 PHILIP A. CORBY .. 3 | \*WALTER H. DOBBIE .. 9  
 FRANK W. PERRENS .. 4 | JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 10  
 PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. 5 | FRANK C. PRICE .. 11  
 THOMAS J. LOCK .. 6 | RALPH G. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* First peal of Cambridge Maximus.

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Alice Lester, of the local band.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## MANCHESTER.

## THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE VIRGIN MARY, SS. GEORGE

AND DENYS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 27 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

GEORGE F. NIX .. .. Treble | \*RONALD J. JOHNSTON .. 6  
 \*BARRY S. SHEPPARD .. 2 | ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 7  
 †CYNTHIA BIBBY .. 3 | DAVID W. JAMES .. 8  
 †MARGARET ROSS .. 4 | DEREK OGDEN .. 9  
 \*JOHN H. SOANES .. 5 | BARRIE HENDRY .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by DEREK OGDEN.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Bob Royal.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE ROYAL

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

\*JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. Treble | JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 6  
 †RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 2 | BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 7  
 \*ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 3 | \*JOHN A. ACRES .. 8  
 ERNEST MORRIS .. 4 | RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 9  
 \*RALPH ELKINGTON .. 5 | G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal of Royal in the method. † First of Royal in the method 'inside.'

## BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5028 SPLICED ROYAL

Being 928 Little Bob and 4,100 Plain Bob, with 209 changes of method.  
 Tenor 25½ cwt.

S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. Treble | PETER SCHOLFIELD .. 6  
 RITA M. JOWETT .. 2 | JOHN H. FIELDEN .. 7  
 \*FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 3 | NORMAN SMITH .. 8  
 W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 4 | IAN M. HOLLAND .. 9  
 B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 5 | RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

\* 150th peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## CALDICOT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

## THE LLANDAFF &amp; MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 30, 1960, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND BARTHOLOMEW.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lb.

NIGEL LAMPING .. .. Treble | MELVIN EDWARDS .. 5  
 \*EDMUND J. R. HARTLEY .. 2 | \*ADRIAN F. R. HARTLEY .. 6  
 \*ROGER G. HAVARD .. 3 | BRYNLEY TAYLOR .. 7  
 GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND .. 4 | ANTHONY M. COOMBS .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by ANTHONY M. COOMBS.

\* First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor.

Rung to congratulate Miss Janet Harvey (a ringer of Radyr) upon her engagement to Mr. Derek Faulke, of Sevenoaks.



## WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 7, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's Four-Part.

A. JAMES GLASS .. .. Treble	KENNETH BUCKINGHAM .. 5
MONICA M. BLAGROVE .. 2	HOWARD OGLESBY .. 6
GLYN I. JENKINS .. 3	FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 7
J. KEITH WARD .. 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

Rung for the christening of Mark Thomas Blagrove.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

JUNE I. DEAR .. .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
JILL MAYES .. .. 2	EDWIN G. BUCK .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
LEONARD B. SCOOT .. 4	JACK S. DEAR .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by COLIN A. S. HARWOOD.  
First peal in the method as conductor.

## MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE &amp; NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

*EDWARD H. WILLOWS .. Treble	*DAVID PARKINS .. 5
DAVID K. WALKLATE .. 2	EDWIN WALKLATE .. 6
*NORLEN WICKHAM .. 3	†REGINALD J. STRETTON .. 7
†MICHAEL KNIGHT .. 4	JOHN F. MURFIN .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DAVID K. WALKLATE.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside.' ‡ First of Major.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 29 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in D flat.

ALFRED BALLARD .. .. Treble	JOHN M. JELLEY .. 5
J. EDWARD CAWSE .. 2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. 6
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 3	E. ALAN JACQUES .. 7
W. ERNEST RAWSON .. 4	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.

## SHEPSHED, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

C. W. HALL .. .. Treble	*E. TEBBUTT .. 5
*JAMES A. LORD .. 2	*FRANK CHAMBERS .. 6
CELIA COWLEY .. 3	JAMES W. BOWLEY .. 7
PHILIP WEBSTER .. 4	ROLAND BENISTON .. Tenor

Composed by H. HOWLETT. Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

\* First peal of Major.

## STOKE PRIOR, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in A.

*MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Treble	MARIYN HAWKES .. 5
†MICHAEL G. SELBY .. 2	†WILLIAM B. POMEROY .. 6
†PAUL CATTERMORE .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7
*GORDON T. BROWN .. 4	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First 'touch' of Yorkshire.

Rung as an 18th birthday compliment to the ringers of the sixth.

## SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in G.

GRACE BURCHNALL .. Treble	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. 5
*LAVINA MUMFORD .. 2	KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. 6
†VALERIE WATERFIELD .. 3	HAROLD DENMAN .. 7
*ELEANOR ROSE .. 4	RICHARD HOBBS .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by RICHARD HOBBS.

\* First peal of Major. † First on eight bells. First 8-bell peal as conductor.

Rung to mark the completion of 20 years as Vicar of Sutton-on Trent by Canon R. T. Keal.

## WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

DOUGLAS R. WHALLEY .. Treble	*RONALD BARLOW .. 5
PHILIP MASON .. 2	†LESLIE WHALLEY .. 6
HARRY ROBERTS .. 3	PHILLIP S. WHALLEY .. 7
ALBERT LAWTON .. 4	ALAN D. SIEBLE .. Tenor

Composed by H. WHITLEY. Conducted by DOUGLAS R. WHALLEY.

\* 100th peal. † First of Major.

A birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 47 lb.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	*ROY WILES .. 5
HENRY TOOKE .. 2	CHARLES H. MOORE .. 6
PERCY SQUIRES .. 3	RAYMOND G. LOFTY .. 7
THOMAS SPIGHT .. 4	PETER M. ADCOCK .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by PETER M. ADCOCK.

\* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Ted Curson, of Harlow, on the birth of a daughter.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

JOHN R. GILDEN .. Treble	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 5
EILEEN M. FEARN .. 2	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. 6
CAROL FERNLEY .. 3	SAMUEL J. HAINES .. 7
BASIL JONES .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

## MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.

## THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Tues., May 17, 1960, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G sharp.

GEORGE W. PIPE .. Treble	ARTHUR H. FISHER .. 5
KENNETH J. MINCHINTON .. 2	*WILLIAM D. WATSON (15) .. 6
DIANA M. PIPE .. 3	*JOHN H. FRYER (16) .. 7
MONICA E. COLLINS .. 4	JOHN J. F. ROPER .. Tenor

Composed by F. NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Major, and in Victoria. First of Little Bob by all the band except the conductor, and in Australia.

A compliment to Nolan Golden on his recovery.

## ASH-NEXT-SANDWICH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 21, 1960, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 2,496 London, 1,216 Bristol, 960 Cambridge, 384 Superlative, and 118 changes of method.

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in E flat.

DORIS E. COLGATE .. Treble	STANLEY JENNER .. 5
ROBERT COLLINS .. 2	IAN H. ORAM .. 6
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 3	MARK W. MARSHALL .. 7
RALPH BIRD .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

For composition, see 'Ringing World,' November 6th, 1959.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

NASH, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in B.  
 ADRIAN F. R. HARTLEY .. Treble | \*JAMES W. GOODFELLOW .. 4  
 MELVIN EDWARDS .. .. 2 | EDMUND J. R. HARTLEY .. 5  
 BRYNLEY TAYLOR .. .. 3 | ANTHONY M. COOMBS .. Tenor

Conducted by EDMUND J. R. HARTLEY.

\* First peal of Minor. First as conductor. Fastest peal on the bells, and by all the band.

Rung to mark the christening the previous day of H.R.H. Prince Andrew.

MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Easter Monday, April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ALL SAINTS' DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 5 cwt. in C.  
 NOEL D. DEAM .. .. Treble | EDWARD VENN .. .. 3  
 ALEC GAMMON .. .. 2 | ROY H. JONES .. .. 4  
 CLIVE HOLLOWAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CLIVE HOLLOWAY.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. David Pullin, of Stanton St. John.

PENARTH, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob Minor.  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in C.

EDMUND J. R. HARTLEY .. Treble | ADRIAN F. R. HARTLEY .. 4  
 ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 2 | JAMES W. GOODFELLOW .. 5  
 BRYNLEY TAYLOR .. .. 3 | ANTHONY M. COOMBS .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY M. COOMBS.

First peal of Minor in two methods for all the band.

Rung for Easter.

ST. HILARY, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., April 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being eight extents each of Antelope, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Plain Bob, four each of Reverse St. Bartholomew and April Day, and two each of Stedman, Grandsire, Kennington Bob, Clifford's Pleasure Bob and Southrepps. Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

DAVID J. LIEWELLYN .. Treble | JAMES W. GOODFELLOW .. 3  
 EDMUND J. R. HARTLEY .. 2 | ADRIAN F. R. HARTLEY .. 4  
 ANTHONY M. COOMBS .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY M. COOMBS.

First peal in ten methods on the bells, and by the band.

WINTHORPE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one 240 and 40 extents of 120 (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt., approx.  
 F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER Treble | \*JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. 4

\*IVY ROE .. .. 2 | DENNIS SIMPSON .. .. 5  
 †WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 3 | †MARK W. LEWIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal 'inside.' † 25th peal together. ‡ First of Doubles. Mr. F. W. Midwinter has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung for the birthday of Her Majesty the Queen.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OFFLEY SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lb. in A.  
 CATHERINE WHITE .. .. Treble | RAYMOND G. SMITH .. .. 4  
 FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 2 | JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5  
 DENNIS LAUD .. .. 3 | KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method.

RAYNE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 11, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of (1) Alnwick, (2) Chester, (3) London, (4) York, (5) Beverley, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 7 cwt.

JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. Treble | PETER WOOD .. .. 4  
 \*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 2 | \*PATRICK W. SALTmarsh .. 5  
 ALAN R. SYDER .. .. 3 | HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

\* 50th peal together.

A birthday compliment to John Symonds.

BRILL, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising an extent each of (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Single Oxford, (5) Double Bob, (6) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

ERNEST G. JONES .. .. Treble | WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 4  
 ROBERT A. REEVES .. .. 2 | CYRIL H. KINCH .. .. 5  
 MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 3 | ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. H. M. Norton.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES IN 21 METHODS

Being 42 extents: (1) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (2) Stedman, (3) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (4) Stedman, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kennington, (7) April Day, (8) St. Simon's, (9) St. Albans, (10) Eynsham, (11) St. Martin's, (12) St. Paul, (13) St. Leonard, (14) Southrepps, (15) Reverse Canterbury, (16) Clifford's Pleasure, (17) St. Giles, (18) St. Nicholas, (19) St. Andrew, (20) St. Miles, (21) Winchendon Place, (22) St. John, (23) Grandsire, (24) Plain Bob, (25) Kennington, (26) April Day, (27) St. Simon's, (28) St. Albans, (29) Eynsham, (30) St. Martin's, (31) St. Paul, (32) St. Leonard, (33) Southrepps, (34) Reverse Canterbury, (35) Clifford's Pleasure, (36) St. Giles, (37) St. Nicholas, (38) St. Andrew, (39) St. Miles, (40) Winchendon Place, (41) St. John, (42) Grandsire. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in B.

MRS. B. G. WARWICK .. Treble | BRIAN M. SMITH .. .. 4  
 ERNEST MORRIS .. .. 2 | ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 5  
 BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 3 | FREDERICK WATSON .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower,' being the first lady to do so. Quickest peal on the bells.

Rung for the 32nd anniversary of the dedication of the bells; also a 40th wedding anniversary to the rector's warden and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bottrill.

OFFLEY SURPRISE MINOR

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**BARKING, SUFFOLK.****THE SUFFOLK GUILD.***On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,****A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. Treble	HUBERT A. MITSON .. .. 4
*GILBERT R. GOODSHIP .. .. 2	BERNARD C. FAIRHEAD .. .. 5
URBAN W. WILDNEY .. .. 3	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT E. LESTER.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.'

Arranged and rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Alice E. J. Lester, a member of the local band.

**BLACKROD, LANCASHIRE.****THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(Bolton Branch.)

*On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHARINE,****A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*CAROL KNIGHT .. .. Treble	FRED BROWNLOW .. .. 4
†DAVID YOUNG .. .. 2	‡ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. 5
†JOSEPH THORNLEY .. .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL.

\* First peal, aged 14. † 25th peal together. ‡ 100th peal. First as conductor.

Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. F. Horton.

**HARTLIP, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,****A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven 720's in 11 methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham, (3) Beverley and Surfleet, (4) Bourne, (5) Annable's London, (6) Norwich and (7) Cambridge and Ipswich.

Tenor 12 cwt. 20 lb. in F sharp.

A. PATRICK CANNON .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4
CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 2	RALPH BIRD .. .. 5
ANDREW M. MACVE .. 3	MARK W. MARSHALL .. Tenor

Conducted by RALPH BIRD.

First peal in 11 Surprise methods by all the band. Mr. A. P. Cannon's 600th tower for a peal.

**CLOWNE, DERBYSHIRE.****THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,****A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in B flat.

*LINDA M. JONES (13) .. Treble	A. BENJAMIN COOPER .. 4
†IAN A. RICHARDSON (14) .. 2	MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. 5
MRS. BESSIE HOLMES .. 3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

**NEWINGTON-JUXTA-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Sat., May 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.****A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being an extent each of London, Ipswich, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

RALPH BIRD .. .. Treble	ANDREW M. MACVE .. 4
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 2	*MARK W. MARSHALL .. 5
CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 3	*A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

\* First peal in seven Treble Bob methods.

**HANDBELL PEAL****CLEATHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Fri., May 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,***AT CLEATHAM HOUSE FARM,****A PEAL OF 5160 SPLICED MAJOR**

In 42 methods: Single Oxford, Single Norwich, Montgomery Little Bob, Ellesmere Little Court, Marlborough, Highbury, Longney, Winchester, Shipway's, Edmonton, Lavenham, Chesterfield, Maidstone, Ashbourne, Spalding, Richmond, New London, Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Plain Bob, Gainsborough Little Bob, Wellington Little Court, Little Bob, Crayford Little Court, Bastow Little Court, Kent Little Court, Little Oxford Bob, Victoria Little Court, Colville, Romsey, Cheltenham, Leamington, Pulford, Avalon, Painswick, Kidlington, Double Oxford, Pershore, Hereward, Double Norwich, St. Clement's and Crayford College; 359 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

*A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 1-2	GEORGE E. FEIRN .. .. 5-6
*JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 3-4	†JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.

\* First peal in 42 methods. † First in 42 methods 'in hand.'

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## LOUGHBOROUGH

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*Quarter Peals rung in honour of  
the Wedding of H.R.H. Princess  
Margaret and Mr. Antony  
Armstrong-Jones*

## DATE TOUCH

**WOODCHESTER, GLOS.**—On May 6th, 1,960 Grandsire Doubles: A. Howell 1, F. Garland 2, M. Simpson V. Deane 4, R. Thain (cond.) 5, J. Higgins 6.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Wingrove (cond.) 1, Gwendoline Reeves 2, Dorothy Fletcher 3, Ann Shies 4, R. Broadley 5, M. Broadley 6, A. Bridges 7, S. Hatfield 8.

**BLACKBURN, LANCs.**—At the Cathedral, on May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (on the back six): J. Froome 1, G. Wignall 2, M. J. Halliwell 3, W. Tyson 4, P. Crook (senior) 5, J. F. Wood 6.

**BOUGHTON, NORTHAMTS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Elkington (first quarter) 1, W. Barnett 2, R. Hodnett 3, R. Pritchett 4, R. Chater (first as cond.) 5.

**AREDENBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. Thomas 1, F. J. Bedford 2, J. Clements (cond.) 3, W. Mantle 4, R. Bethel 5, G. Corbett 6.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAM.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Doubles, in three methods: S. H. Blick 1, A. W. Thomas 2, R. E. Coles (cond.) 3, S. Lunn 4, J. Thomas 5, E. Carter 6, L. Groom 7, I. D. Davies 8. Rung with 6 and 7 covering alternatively.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—On May 6th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mrs. D. Symes (first of Kent) 1, C. W. Denver 2, Miss W. R. Hide (first of Kent 'inside') 3, E. Box (first of Kent) 4, S. Meadows 5, J. W. Marr (first of Kent) 6, R. North (first of Kent) 7, E. J. Wells (cond.) 8.

**FOLKINGHAM, Lincs.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Hollingshead 1, Miss I. E. Lindsey 2, C. T. H. Bradley (cond.) 3, J. Lindsey 4, C. Wilkinson 5, J. Machin 6.

**GRIMSBY, Lincs.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): N. Pashley 1, C. Moon 3, H. Mingay 4, F. Kennington 5, J. B. Budd 6, A. Pashley (cond.) 7, H. Hadwick 8.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: R. Mcasures 1, P. Rogers 2, M. Major 3, J. Church 4, R. Fuller 5, L. H. Bywater (cond.) 6.

**HURSTPIERPPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: W. Oxenham (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Brown 2, G. Mansbridge 3, J. Norris 4, S. Brown (cond.) 5, M. Wooldridge 6.

**REDGRAVE, STAFFS.**—On May 6th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: A. Driver (first quarter) 1, H. Fuller 2, N. Watson 3, S. Holman 4, A. Foreman 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6.

**RYE, SUSSEX.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: (6-7-8 covering): Rosemary G. Hicks 1, Noreen Winter 2, M. Winter 3, A. Hicks (cond.) 4, J. Small 5, M. Hodgson (first quarter) 6, D. Jackson 7, A. Jackson 8.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janet Wilkinson 1, B. A. Martin 2, B. V. Hart 3, T. P. Harris 4, D. R. Brazier (cond.) 5, Julie Bell (first quarter) 6.

**TWERTON, BATH, SOMERSET.**—On May 7th, 1,280 Rutland Surprise Major: R. J. Bowden 1, D. J. Hunt 2, A. F. Lee 3, Joan Gray 4, B. A. Shackleton 5, R. G. Hooper 6, D. Hoare 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8. First in method for 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. Also for wedding of Don C. Exell and Miss Kathleen Reeves.

**VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.**—On May 6th, at Christ Church Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Horne 1, Miss J. Midgley 2, Miss M. Horne 3, Dr. A. Batten 4, Miss M. Izard 5, A. Izard 6, E. W. Izard 7, B. Guthrie 8.

**WARBOROUGH, OXON.**—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (with 7, 6, 8, covering): Jean Exon 1, G. McIlhone (first 'inside') 2, Helen Butler 3, A. Howes (first 'inside') 4, F. Absolom (cond.) 5, M. Thewliis 6, V. Fox 7, D. Exon (first quarter) 8.

**WHITBY, YORKS.**—On May 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Lamerton 1, A. V. Coates 2, J. Waller 3, J. Hodgson 4, G. White 5, June Mallinson 6, S. R. Elwick (cond.) 7, F. Lamerton 8.

**WHITCHURCH, GLAM.**—On May 6th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: B. Taylor 1, E. J. R. Hartley 2, R. G. Havard 3, A. F. R. Hartley 4, J. W. Goodfellow 5, A. M. Coombs (cond.) 6.

**WICKEN, NORTHAMTS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Pitson 1, C. Truman 2, J. Linnell 3, F. C. Case 4, W. A. Yates 5, T. E. Roberts (cond.) 6, G. E. Green 7, G. Foddy 8.

## OTHER QUARTER PEALS

## HALF PEAL

**MANCHESTER.**—At Brookfield Unitarian Church, on May 19th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: C. Livesey 1, G. Rumney 2, P. Dale 3, E. M. Quinn 4, B. Rumney (longest length) 5, W. H. Dowse (cond.) 6.

**AUGHTON, LANCs.**—On May 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Marsh 1, W. Rimmer 2, Mrs. R. J. Pearson 3, J. R. Lunham 4, S. Walmesley 5, K. Rothwell 6, A. L. Pearson (cond.) 7, A. Lyon (first quarter) 8. On the baptism of Alan Geoffrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pearson.

**BECKLEY, OXON.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (300 Grandsire and 960 Plain Bob): J. S. Walker (first quarter) 1, 1. M. Ryan 2, G. Labalestier 3, E. Venn (cond.) 4, R. H. Jones 5. For Rogation Sunday.

**BURTON UPON TRENT, STAFFS.**—On May 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 4, 8 covering): Janet Cochrane 1, G. Harrison 2, Jill Cochrane 3, G. Brown (first quarter) 4, T. Pryce (cond.) 5, W. A. Corten 6, J. H. Brittan 7, R. A. Welton 8. Rung to mark 60 years' service by J. H. Brittan as a chorister at St. Modwen's.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On May 8th, at St. Andrew's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Griffin 1, F. A. Secker 2, J. Schofield (cond.) 3, T. G. Page 4, D. Davies (first of Triples) 5, J. R. Taylor 6, D. J. Kuby 7, H. Muirhead 8.

**CLERKENWELL, LONDON.**—On May 15th, at St. James', 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss M. Prockson 1, Miss D. Prynne 2, A. Lewry 3, J. Hayns 4, G. Parsons 5, W. Prockson 6, D. Sibson 7, J. Euston (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**CLIFTON, BEDS.**—On May 8th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor (7, 8 covering): J. P. Hulme 1, Miss J. Mayes 2, A. W. Dillely 3, G. W. Mayes 4, D. Newis 5, P. W. Thompkins (cond.) 6, T. Dillely 7, S. Bywaters 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. L. Hibbs, member of Parish Council.

**DUBLIN, EIRE.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on May 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples (on the light eight): E. G. Buchanan 1, R. I. George 2, W. H. Wilson 3, D. Vokes 4, C. J. Reede 5, J. A. Atkinson 6, T. McMorran (cond.) 7, V. R. McCormick 8. Rung by St. Patrick's Cathedral Society as a birthday compliment to E. G. Buchanan.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—On Mar. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Balchin (first of Triples) 1, Miss S. Curtis (first 'inside') 2, Miss W. R. Hide 3, S. Meadows 4, K. Daw (first of Triples) 5, J. W. Marr 6, R. North 7, C. W. Denyer (cond.) 8. Also on May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Curtis 1, Mrs. C. W. Denyer 2, C. W. Denyer 3-4, E. Box 5, R. North 6, E. J. Wells (cond.) 7, J. W. Marr 8. Rung on the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. Meadows.

**GOODWORTH CLATFORD, HANTS.**—On May 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jill Jewitt 1, Hazel White 2, Cherry White (first as cond.) 3, B. Mills 4, G. K. Dodd 5, G. Dowling 6. First quarter for 1 and 6. Rung for the wedding, this day, of Miss Dorothy Aldridge, at Andover Parish Church, of which tower she is a member.

**GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. H. Rogers 1, I. W. Neale 2, F. E. Hall 3, C. E. Hall 4, G. A. Atkins (cond.) 5. For Rogation Sunday and the third anniversary of the induction of the Rev. E. Goodman.

**HADDENHAM, CAMBS.**—On May 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Howe 1, H. Sharpe 2, G. Markwell 3, D. Murfit 4, G. Walker (first as cond.) 5, A. Yarrow 6. For Confirmation service.

**HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Hunt 1, M. Froome 2, D. Weaver (first 'inside') 3, R. P. Wood (cond.) 4, R. Wilson 5, J. Still 6, H. Weaver 7, L. Stilwell 8. A farewell quarter to treble ringer, who is leaving the district.

**LEIRE, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On April 18th, at St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire: J. H. Dove 1, C. W. Carr 2, N. W. Price 3, M. Stevens 4, W. Johnson (cond.) 5, F. E. Dove 6. Rung half-muffled in respect of Mrs. E. W. Dove, mother of the ringers of the treble and tenor.

**MARCH, CAMBS.**—On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ann Unwin (first quarter) 1, Jennifer Lewis (first quarter) 2, D. Feek 3, J. Payne (first 'inside') 4, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, M. Jones 6. For morning prayer; also on the occasion of the baptism of Lesley Ann, infant daughter of Kenneth and Peggy Jennings.

**MARYSTOWE, DEVON.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Johns 1, W. A. T. Brimacombe 2, W. Manning 3, J. Rich 4, D. R. Bould (cond.) 5, L. Cundy 6.

**MILDENHALL, SUFFOLK.**—On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: J. E. Ivings (first of Royal) 1, H. A. Mitson 2, E. R. Nice 3, Miss D. M. Reeve 4, J. Nice 5, H. Fuller 6, R. Rose (cond.) 7, A. F. Ballam 8, J. W. Paul 9, E. A. Cracknell 10. For Evensong.

**PENMARK, GLAM.**—On April 19th, 1,980 Plain Bob Minor: A. M. Coombs 1, A. F. R. Hartley 2, N. Lamping 3, D. Llewellyn 4, E. J. R. Hartley (cond.) 5, W. J. Goodfellow 6.

**PILTON, DEVON.**—On May 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Walters 1, D. Jewell 2, C. Sangwin 3, F. Yeo 4, F. Sangwin 5, J. Phillips (cond.) 6, D. Randall 7, H. Stacey 8. First quarter peal on the bells. A birthday compliment to C. Sangwin.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Martin 1, A. Clayton 2, L. Allen 3, C. Mew 4, B. Coatsworth (cond.) 5, B. Bull 6. For Evensong and to mark the engagement of Susan Goddard, a member of the local band.

**RADWAY, WARWICKS.**—On April 30th, 1,440 St. Miles' Doubles: J. W. Hall 1, P. Amos 2, V. A. Perry 3, A. R. Jones 4, G. F. Roome (cond.) 5. Rung on the Festival of St. Miles Gerard and St. Francis Dickenson.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On May 1st, 1,260 Spliced Grandsire, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob Triples: Miss E. Hatch 1, D. Belcham 2, M. Hallett 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, R. Tomlin 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**SHARNBROOK, BEDS.**—On May 7th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor and 540 Plain Bob Minor: T. Bragg 1, R. Lucas 2, Miss B. Lovell 3, Miss B. Marsh 4, P. Starr 5, B. Makeham (cond.) 6. A tribute to Mr. T. Bragg, who has left Sharnbrook for Australia.

**SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.**—At the Minster, on April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia Wright 1, G. E. Foster (cond.) 2, F. L. Hemstock 3, D. Simpson 4, J. R. Pratchett 5, A. R. Fowkes 6. First quarter peal on back six. A birthday compliment to ringer of 5.

**STAMFORD HILL, LONDON.**—At St. Ann's, on May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. B. Rowe (first quarter, age 12) 1, Miss P. Rowe 2, M. J. Rowe (cond.) 3, E. J. Rowe 4, H. Howson 5, L. Green 6.

**SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.**—On May 22nd, at St. Mary's Basilica, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. F. Hammond (first of Minor) 1, Audrey E. Peters 2, Wendy A. Nichols 3, R. L. Clark (first of Minor) 4, T. W. Goodwer (cond.) 5, J. C. Sheehy 6. A welcome home to Ann Brown, after five months in England.

**TWICKENHAM, MIDDx.**—On May 8th, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Major: Elizabeth Hill Brown 1, Jill Barron 2, Gillian Neal Smith 3, Ann Muir 4, A. J. Muir 5, D. J. Neal Smith 6, M. D. Hill Brown 7, D. Hill Brown (cond.) 8. A farewell to M. D. Hill Brown, who left for Montreal, Canada, the following evening.

**UPPER CLAPTON, LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Matthew, on May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Mrs. C. F. Neal 1, Mrs. R. K. C. Wilkings 2, Mrs. D. Neal 3, R. K. C. Wilkings 4, D. W. Gray 5, D. Neal (cond.) 6, C. F. Neal 7.

**WAKEFIELD, YORKS.**—At the Cathedral, on May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss L. Gott (first quarter) 1, Mrs. W. F. Moreton 2, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 3, D. Cubitt 4, K. Park 5, G. Townend 6. For the triumphal return of Wakefield Trinity R.L.F.C. with the Rugby League Challenge Cup.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Margaret Westcott 1, D. A. Hewitt 2, Gillian Neal Smith 3, H. Rumens 4, R. Goodman 5, A. S. J. Boyack 6, E. Holman 7, B. Downes 8, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith 9, R. G. Leale (cond.) 10. First of Royal for 1, 3, 5 and 9. Rung by a band from Walthamstow and Richmond on the occasion of a visit by the choir from St. Matthias', Richmond, to Walthamstow to give a recital of Easter music.

**WARMLEY, GLOS.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Lock (first quarter) 1, Myra J. Wilkins (first of 3 Doubles 'inside') 2, Gloria M. Newton 3, H. Taysom 4, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 4, B. K. Lewis 6.

**WHITCHURCH, SALOP.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. E. Morris 1, Mrs. H. Poyner 2, F. Leech 3, H. F. White 4, F. H. Bennett 5, E. V. Rodenhurst 6, H. Poyner (cond.) 7, B. Malam (first quarter) 8. For the wedding of the Rector, Preb. J. Hall.

**WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. Lowe 1, Rita Gower 2, Rosemary Gower 3, L. T. Pope 4, W. P. Garner 5, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Harriet A. Carlton, mother of Raymond J. Carlton, tower secretary.



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Miss Judy Midgley, formerly of St. Andrew's, Plymouth, who is in charge of ringing at Christ Church, Calgary, flew over the Rocky Mountains to take part in a quarter peal at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, on May 6th, in honour of the Royal wedding. She was also able to take part in the ringing for Sunday morning service before flying back to Calgary. The opening of the bells in Calgary, in September, 1958, was attended by Mr. Izard and Miss Margaret Izard, who made the journey by air.

Mrs. B. G. Warwick is the first lady to circle Croft, Leicestershire, tower to peals.

Our Welsh friends inform us that the first peal for the Royal wedding was completed at 12.50 at Cadoxton-juxta-Neath. It started before the wedding ceremony at 10.10 a.m.

The 12-year-old who rang so competently in the Royal wedding peal at Kingswinford (see page 340) was David Downing and not Antony Fasey. Sorry, David!

The peal rung at Sapcote for the Royal wedding came round at 4.14 p.m.—36 minutes before South Wigston (see page 351). They were 20 minutes late in starting as our correspondent had the cows to milk!

Commenting on 'Alphabet for Beginners' 'H for Home,' a varsity ringer writes. 'If Mr. Lock rang Reverse Bob Major he would find 13527486 at the first lead-end, but the "Home" position does not come up at the end of the course.'

Particularly welcome at the Morpeth Watch Tower on May 21st was Mr. R. H. Dove's party from Leeds. When the name of Miss Jennie Armstrong, who incidentally was celebrating her birthday, was mentioned one lady remarked. 'O yes, we see her name in "The Ringing World."'

Miss Monica Collins, of Guildford, and now of the Bush Nursing Hospital, Lilydale, Victoria, tells us that she has already developed an 'Aussie' accent and has also a brand new car to cover the 23 miles to Melbourne. Our peal columns reveal that she has rung two peals in two successive weeks.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. George Pipe, from Melbourne, writes: 'You might like to record Australia's appreciation of the efforts to improve "The Ringing World," which several ringers here now enjoy. I think that on its present form it has never been better, especially when the 24 page issues appear.'

Soham Grammarians finished their peal for the Royal wedding on May 6th at 2.39 p.m.

A peal attempt for the Royal wedding of Bob Royal at St. Peter Mancroft came to grief half-way through owing to a shift course.

Mr. Roy D. Tomlin has called his first peal—Holt's Original! He acknowledges the inspiration of the Beddington, Surrey, band in learning the composition, which he called at the first attempt.

When St. Matthias' choir, Richmond, visited Walthamstow to give a recital of Easter music on April 26th, five members of the local band and five from St. Matthias', Richmond, Guild (four of whom were choristers), rang in a quarter peal of Plain Bob Royal.

Mr. H. W. Barrett, Ringing Master of the Norwich Diocesan Association, calls our attention to the faultless ringing of three lads—Michael Utton, Richard C. L. Brown and Michael J. Parker—in their first attempt for a peal at Lowestoft on May 21st.

Mr. Michael Hill Brown, who has left Twickenham for Montreal, Canada, has been a ringer at Twickenham since the installation of the bells in 1950 and a member of the choir since 1948. After the quarter peal the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. A. Charles) presented Michael, on behalf of the choir, with a book and a record of the choir singing a hymn during a broadcast service in which he took part.

Chelmorton, near Buxton, bells are being rededicated on June 26th. Two of the old four have been recast and in order to make a ring of five. Col. J. C. Cavendish, of Derwent, has given two of the old bells from Derwent. One of these has been recast and the metal of the others gone into the new tenor at Chelmorton. There is a frame for six bells.

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## Folkestone's Welcome To The Central Council

By JOHN WILLIS

Vice-President and Acting Chairman,  
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Members of the Kent County Association, and especially those residing in East Kent, are particularly pleased that this year, on Whit Tuesday, the Central Council will meet at Folkestone.

Folkestone is well accustomed to conferences of all kinds, and to please the eye of the visitor there are lavish displays of flowers to beautify a naturally lovely locality.

The Council will be honoured by a civic welcome from the Mayor of Folkestone (Ald. F. W. Archer), and the Church will be represented by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop (Suffragan) of Tonbridge and Canon J. F. Hough, M.A., Vicar of Folkestone.

Hotels and guest houses of all types will seek to provide pleasure to the palate and restful comfort for weary ringers.

Weary they will indeed be if they visit all the towers—about 50—listed in 'The Ringing World' (May 6th, 1960, p. 313) where, through the work of the District secretaries, Messrs. Hillis and Phillimore, and Mr. J. R. Cooper (Ringing Master), the kind co-operation of the clergy and other authorities has been secured. Dr. Hatcher has been in general charge of arrangements with Mr. A. Berry taking care of reception tickets.

Ringers, old and young, will join in welcoming the Central Council, and they confidently expect to hear striking worthy of such an exalted body.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL VISIT

### Additional ringing arrangements

Owing to a wedding, Newington bells will be available only from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, June 4th, and not as previously stated.

Folkestone Parish Church will be available on Saturday, June 4th from 7.30 to 9 p.m.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Dr. D. J. Neal Smith learnt to ring at All Hallows', Twickenham, and not at St. Catherine's, Felstead, as has been previously stated.

Tenterden ringers appreciated Mr. Paul L. Taylor standing in a quarter peal on May 14th in place of Miss Yeo, who had strained her shoulder. Mr. Taylor had been inspecting the bells, which require attention.

A peal board has been placed in the ringing room of St. Mary's, Hampton, Middlesex, to commemorate what must be the campanological performance of the past-quarter century, the peal of Scientific Triples rung in July, 1958, under the conductorship of Robin G. Leale.

An officers' peal of the Kent County Association for the late Mr. F. Mitchell is being arranged to take place at Milton in the near future. On the evening of his funeral the whole pull and stand was rung at Milton Parish Church.

After losing a peal of Kent T.B. Minor at Whitchurch, Glam., on the day of the Royal wedding, the band made a second attempt at Peterston-super-Ely on the following Tuesday. After about 20 minutes' ringing, the Vicar, who had another key, entered the church and asked the band to stop for about 20 minutes. When ringing was resumed there was only time for a quarter peal.

Among the recent group of registrations of membership of the College of Campanology is yet another overseas one—that of Mrs. Valhalla Grossmith, of Umvukwes (P.O. Box 43), Southern Rhodesia. She will be better remembered as Miss V. Hill, and she sends greetings to all old ringing friends, especially those of whom she has peal-ringing memories, in Oxford and Leicester.

# SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE - No. 23



MR. CHARLES J. SEDGLEY

St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich.

Mr. Charles J. Sedgley, although born in Norfolk, has spent most of his life in Suffolk, and to him, together with G. E. Symonds, must go the credit of not only maintaining, but greatly enhancing, the very high standard of ringing established by the late James Motts and his contemporaries in the St. Mary-le-Tower band at Ipswich.

Mr. Sedgley has excelled in the art of composition, and his contributions have been timely and exceedingly useful. He has some very strong views on how peal compositions should be set out when published and would

like the notation to be placed before the resulting course end—not after as is the general practice. Indeed, so strongly is he convinced of this that in 1946 he moved a resolution to get the system changed when the Central Council met at Norwich. Tradition in ringing, however, dies hard, as it does in many other things, and his resolution was not passed.

Born in 1887 at King's Lynn, where his father was a ringer, he learned to ring there, and he rang his first peal at Stow Bardolph in 1906. This was Bob Major, conducted by Frederick R. Borrett. He moved to Ipswich in 1909, where the first peal ever of Cambridge Surprise Maximus had just been rung, and such was his ability that when the second peal was rung, a year later, he took part in it.

He was in the forefront in developing Surprise Maximus ringing at Ipswich and, jointly with George Symonds, increased the range of methods to an astonishing degree, thus placing Ipswich at the very top, by ringing the first peals ever rung of Superlative, New Cambridge, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Rochester and York Surprise Maximus. This was the position for several years, until the Birmingham men, under the leadership of G. E. Fearn, and the Leicester men, under Harold Poole, took up the challenge.

Mr. Sedgley's first peal as conductor was Cambridge Surprise Major at Henley, Suffolk, called from the 4th. But 12 bell ringing has been his greatest delight, and of his total of 324 peals, 125 have been on 12 bells. He has conducted 86. He composed and conducted the first peal of 5.040 Cambridge Maximus ever rung, and of his 12 bell peals, no less than 61 are of Surprise Maximus in eight different methods. He was elected Ringing Master of the Suffolk Guild, when it was founded in 1923, and he served in that capacity until 1956, when he resigned. He was also a member of the Central Council from 1927 to 1956. All his working life was spent in the printing industry until his retirement in 1957.

Mr. Sedgley is very proud of the performances of the Ipswich company in 1938, when 10 peals of Maximus were rung, which included six of Cambridge, two of Superlative and one each of Rochester and Double Norwich. In addition they rang a peal of Yorkshire Royal. He conducted the first of Cambridge Maximus at Saffron Walden, and the last peal, again Cambridge Maximus, at Great Yarmouth in 1939. These bells were destroyed by enemy action, and have now been replaced by a new ring.

JAFUS.

## Hints For Beginners—23

You can ring more comfortably by standing so that the rope falls in a straight line from the boss-hole and is not pulled at an angle.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Ashford District

The first meeting to be held by the Association at Lympe attracted some 40 visitors to this quiet backwater off the A20, on May 21st. It was held under the auspices of the Ashford District.

The church, with its fine Norman tower, overlooking Romney Marsh, completes an impressive medieval group with the castle beside it, to which it was attached for centuries.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. W. Neilson. Mr. R. Brotherton read the lesson, and Miss M. Atkinson was at the organ. Afterwards an excellent tea was enjoyed in the Village Hall. At the business meeting, nine new members were elected to the Association, including five from the local band.

The bells, which were restored in 1928 and augmented to six by the addition of a treble in 1952, are rung from the centre of the church floor. Ringing was under the direction of Mr. L. T. Pope, of Willesborough.

C. T. H.

## SHEBBEAR COLLEGE

Shebbear College Society had an enjoyable week-end leaving the College at 4 p.m. on Friday, May 13th, and arriving at Haslemere at 8.30 p.m. Met by Philip Stevens and a local schoolboy the party set off for London the next day and had the great privilege of ringing at St. Clement Danes' and a visit to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, where they were conducted around by Mr. A. A. Hughes. The evening was spent at Maresfield, Sussex, where there was ringing before being hospitably entertained by Peter Turner's family.

On the Sunday the return journey was broken at Calne, Wilts, for ringing on the eight bells, lunch with the Slee family at Bristol, ringing for Evensong at Minehead with the local band and a late tea with Mr. Clifford. College was reached at 10 p.m. The kindness of the many friends who made the trip possible will not be forgotten. Thank you all.

P. P. and R. D.



## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Associate Membership

THE annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Sheffield on April 30th, when, by kind consent of the respective clergy, the fine ring of eight at St. Marie's and the modern light ten at Ranmoor were available during the afternoon, and the Cathedral (12) following the meeting till 9 p.m.

An excellent tea was enjoyed at the Wolstenholme Hall, followed by the business meeting at which the chair was taken by the president (Archdeacon C. O. Ellison), supported by the general secretary (Mr. L. W. G. Morris), the honorary peal secretary (Mr. W. E. Critchley), and Mr. A. E. Marsh, who deputised for the honorary treasurer. Apologies for absence were received from the honorary treasurer (Mr. G. Benfield), also Messrs. E. Hudson, H. Chant, W. F. Moreton, B. Sutton, S. H. Steel and M. Phipps.

An omnibus vote of thanks to the Cathedral authorities, St. John's, Ranmoor, and St. Marie's R.C. churches for the use of their bells was accorded on the motion of Mr. V. Bottomley, seconded by Mr. P. Birkett. This was acknowledged by Mr. H. O. Chaddock. A similar vote of thanks to the respective local companies was unanimously accorded on the motion of Miss M. E. Wilkinson, seconded by the general secretary. Mr. J. Seager replied.

In presenting the 84th annual report, the president said they welcomed 53 new members, who had joined during the year, but they had still a long way to go before the position could be considered as being satisfactory. There were many towers without members, and consequently not affiliated to the Association. This indicates the desirability of some form of Associate membership to attach to the Association those ringers who have not yet mastered the art of change-ringing to the point where they can fulfil the requirement of 720 changes. This and various ancillary matters were now being considered by the committee.

A revision of the rules was also being undertaken, but as yet it was incomplete. So far it has been decided to make no alteration in the title of the Association, and not to relax the conditions for full membership. In future nominations for delegates to the Central Council will be received every third year at the September general meeting, to be followed by election at the ensuing January meeting prior to the first meeting of a new Council. This will transfer the responsibility for the election of representatives from the committee to the general membership of the Association.

The peal secretary's report showed that 118 peals had been rung on tower bells, and 18 on handbells, making a total of 136, and of which the conducting had been shared by 46 conductors. Thirty-three members had rung their first peal, and five had conducted a peal for the first time. Peals had been rung on all numbers from Doubles to Maximus, and Surfleet Surprise Minor. Wath Delight Minor and New Cambridge Surprise Maximus figured in the lists for the first time.

While the balance sheet showed a gain for the year of £17 6s. 8d., the committee were aware that some difficulty was still being caused by the late payment of subscriptions by some members, and pointed out that a considerable amount of extra work and anxiety is caused by laxity in these matters. The remedy is an easy one, and is in the hands (or rather in the pockets) of the members. Mr. W. Barton gave the auditors' report, and formally moved adoption of the report. Mr. I. Slack seconded, and the report was unanimously adopted, with thanks to the principal and District officers for continuing to serve the Association so faithfully and well.

The next business was to re-elect the president for the following triennial period. The

general secretary said that no other nomination had been received, and the committee unanimously recommended the re-election of Archdeacon C. O. Ellison, who had now guided their affairs with commendable skill and courtesy for the past 13 years. He had great pleasure in moving that Archdeacon Ellison be re-elected. This was seconded by Mr. A. E. Marsh, and carried with acclamation. In acknowledgment, the president thanked the members for their continued confidence, adding that he would be pleased to do his best in the interests of the Association at all times.

Mr. W. E. Critchley was unanimously re-elected peal secretary, coupled with thanks for his exacting work in the past year on the motion of the president, seconded by Mr. J. Seager.

It was unanimously decided to accept an invitation to hold the next meeting at Hull on September 17th on the motion of Mr. H. Walker, seconded by Mr. I. Slack. The president reminded the meeting that arrangements were in hand concerning the Snowdon Dinner, which would this year be held at Rotherham on October 22nd. Members were asked to note the date, and help to ensure its success by giving it their support.

Miss Carol Fernley, of Hazel Grove, and Mr. E. Bennett, of Ulverston, were elected out/county members on the motion of the general secretary, seconded by Mr. I. Slack. This concluded the business, and ringing at the Cathedral followed until 9 p.m.

### ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

The bright sunshine and horse chestnut trees in full bloom created a perfect setting for the meeting of the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society at Codsall, near Wolverhampton, on May 14th. A varied programme of ringing on the excellent light eight was ably supervised by Mr. E. Malin, the Ringing Master. The Society has, indeed, a bright future with the large number of young ringers present.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Gilbert Smith and in his address he spoke of the part bells played throughout the ages. They formed, he said, an historical background going back 600 years and their message was still the same today as long ago.

Tea followed in the church hall where more than 96 members and friends sat down to enjoy the hospitality of the Codsall ringers. Accommodation, needless to say, was rather cramped and many people were unable to sit at tables. We were indebted to Mr. Albert Richards, the Codsall ringers and their many lady helpers for the excellent meal provided.

Ringing continued after tea until about 8.30 p.m. Ringers were left with pleasant memories and we look forward to holding further meetings at Codsall in the future. D. J. T.

### 'LEARNING AND TEACHING BELL CONTROL'

Mr. Norman Chaddock's script of 'Learning and Teaching Bell Control' (see Notice page 358) has a preface written by Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd who writes: 'The course itself is thoroughly and thoughtfully prepared, and is clearly planned to provide for the quick learner and the slower student. The material is obligingly selective, and so are the pictures; and the experience of a skilled teacher is plainly revealed in such features as suggestions for questioning, paragraphs on stance and poise, and practical hints. The script is valuable without the illustrations, and the illustrations may be used in any normal form of instruction, but the course and the illustrations together make an impressive and valuable addition to the instructor's resources.'

## ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK

"J"

**JANGLE, JAR, JEER, JERK, JOG, JOLT, JUGGLE, JUMBLE.**—Don't, in the interests of all that life stands for, avoid all these things. There seems to be a complete scarcity of technical terms relating to ringing which commence with the letter J, but something has got to be written in order to continue and complete the alphabet. Some of the above words can be applied to human character, inasmuch you will find no jeering, jolting, juggling or jumbling in a happy, well organised and progressive band. If you feel like committing any of these things at any time, please don't. Endeavour to find a better solution to the situation. Of the other words, jangling, jarring, jogging and jerking can be applied to your success or otherwise at ringing. If you manage not to jangle, jar, jog or jerk you will be making good progress towards becoming a competent ringer. As an aid to achieving this, when you are preparing to ring, stand easy with one foot slightly in front of the other and a few inches apart (all to suit your own stature); stand with your nose not more than six inches from the natural position of the rope; face the centre of the circle of ropes so that you can see them all with the minimum of movement; stretch your arms so that you catch hold of the sally as high as you are able comfortably to do and then, when you pull at the sally, make a smooth and straight-down-towards-the-floor movement with your hands, retaining hold of the sally in its downward movement for as long as you can. Your grip of the rope at tail-end will also be at the position, when the bell is at back-stroke, that your arms are again comfortably straightened. When you pull the bell from back-stroke, repeat the smooth and straight-down-towards-the-floor movement as far as you can. Always keep your elbows in to your body, no jogging your colleague on the next rope, never raise your heels off the floor and never twist your body one way or the other. Hold the rope firmly and do not let it slip through your hands. Several photographic examples of correct holding and handling of a bell rope are to be found in 'An Elementary Handbook for Beginners in the Art of Change Ringing,' issued by the Central Council, price one shilling. When you meet the ringer who does not do any of these Js quoted above, judge him and make him your pattern.

**JOHNSON.**—Henry Johnson, 1809-1890, one of the illustrious men of the Exercise, is remembered regularly by the annual dinner held in Birmingham, where he spent most of his life. At the age of twenty he called his own 720 changes of Grandsire Minor and at the age of 35 he was an acknowledged leader. He stimulated and sustained Thomas Thurstans in a great struggle for a peal of Stedman Triples and he was the first person to call the famous four-part extent in this method. Johnson composed a notable 26.016 Stedman Caters containing the 120 course ends and without a fixed bell in seconds place. He produced compositions in various standard methods, gaining merit with his originality and it was he who first showed how Middleton's composition of 5.600 Cambridge Surprise Major could be reduced to a convenient 5.056. To celebrate Johnson's eightieth birthday Sir A. P. Heywood gave a dinner in Birmingham to which all the prominent members of the ringing societies were invited and during which the broad scheme for the formation of a Central Council for Ringers was outlined. Henry Johnson was buried in Aston churchyard and the Exercise showed its respect and appreciation to a remarkable character by erecting a tombstone on his grave.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### WHEN YOUR OUTING TAKES PLACE

Dear Sir.—I have again been asked to assist in arranging outings in this area, which is becoming increasingly difficult, so I am making an appeal to visitors of all towers. Please remember permission is granted to ring: the bells are not yours to bang about. You are in God's house and if you were downstairs you would act as such. You are in strange surroundings so why try methods too ambitious for your company?

Here in Bures we try to keep our tower as good as the rest of our church, but last year we had the paintwork all scratched with shoes, a low ceiling so three tailends cut to pieces, three cracked stays and our Vicar has asked me if visitors could be a little quieter. We had five learners in at one time—four could not even catch the sally: the din outside was unbearable. Parishioners have every reason to try and stop visitors.

Some towers have already been closed on Saturday mornings. The fashion seems to be to grab a quick pull instead of enjoying a nice course of good striking. Can we blame some clergy for thinking we are a company of heathens? Please try to keep our towers open for our fellow ringers who wish to come later.—Yours faithfully,

LESLIE D. MILLS.

Bures, Suffolk.

### THE BROADCAST— 'ONE SOLITARY DONG'

Dear Sir.—Seeing the letter by H. N. Pitstow in a recent 'Ringing World' about the B.B.C.'s attitude to ringing reminds me that last Sunday I hurried back to a friend's house from church to hear St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, bells before the 7.45 p.m. service on the West of England Home Service, as was stated in the then current issue of 'The Ringing World.'

After some trouble in 'tuning in,' we heard the announcer say that they were just going over to Bristol for the evening service. **We did not hear Redcliffe bells, but one solitary dong.** As one who spent three years in Bristol and frequently rang at Redcliffe, it is an understatement to say that I was a little disappointed!—Yours faithfully,

MAURICE E. DOWNS.

Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.

### EAST ANGLIAN DIALECTS

Dear Sir.—On page 351 JAFUS refers to broad Essex dialect. This is the first time I have heard of such existing. Of course, with Folks to the north-east, a pair of Shires to the west, Dons in the south and Sex in between, there's bound to be some smattering. The voice I heard at **Yarmuth bell ouphun**, I agree, had a slight Suffolk flavour but no more than a little '**Seud orf tha wort'ur**' and would certainly be treated as **furren** in a good many places between the Waveney and Deben valleys. **I nivver knew she wuss a sarrvunt thow!**

BOR DEARVUD.

### PEAL CORRECTION

Dear Sir.—I recently sent in a report of a peal of Kent and Oxford combined, rung at All Saints' Church, Daresbury, on May 6th. The names of the ringers should read:

Cecil Raddon treble, Denis Maddock 2, Harry W. Howard 3, Michael Thompson 4, Mrs. D. Lowe 5, Douglas Lowe 6, Harold Worrall 7, Roger King tenor.

I regret the error.—Yours faithfully,

H. WORRALL.

Warrington.

### MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD NOT UN-CO-OPERATIVE

Dear Sir.—One can obtain an impression from recent correspondence in 'The Ringing World,' particularly from the impertinent comment in the report of the London University Guild annual meeting, that the Manchester University Guild has purposely been an aloof and unco-operative member of the Universities Association. This impression is most certainly not a true one. We have never refused to help other Universities in our own area, and any member of other Guilds, including London University, are always welcome in Manchester.

The purpose of the letter from our secretary was to correct a false claim regarding a 'big-four' group amongst the University Guilds, and to stress that with as many Guilds north of Birmingham as south of it, the viewpoint of certain southerners who consider the northerners as remote outsiders is now quite unjustified.

We have invited the Universities Association to hold a dinner in Manchester, and I believe that if it takes place it will be the first annual dinner held north of Birmingham. We shall certainly do all we can to help if in future members of southern Universities wish to come 'up North' more frequently than in the past.—Yours faithfully,

DEREK OGDEN,

President.

The Manchester University Guild.

### BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL

Dear Sir.—May I express, through your columns, my sincere thanks to the Bristol City Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, for the welcome received at their ringing festival on May 14th.

Like many other visitors, I was much impressed by the excellent arrangements and the willingness of local ringers to act as guides, etc., and this great occasion, given civic recognition by the presence of the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Bristol at the official luncheon, will long be remembered by those privileged to attend.—Yours faithfully,

A. E. RUSHTON.

Luton, Beds.

### PERFORMANCES

Dear Sir.—I was interested to read Mr. May's letter headed 'Quarter Peals,' in which he mentions 1,000 changes at Headington.

This, of course, was a performance encouraging to the young ringers included, but, of course, was not intended to be claimed at any time as a quarter peal.—Yours sincerely,

TOM SMITH.

Headington, Oxford.

### METHOD SPLICING

Dear Sir.—Although 'Method Splicing' has been out of print a good number of years, a copy is at Stockport Central Library. This is recorded at the Central Library in London and is available for use in any library in Great Britain.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN P. FIDLER.

Loughborough.

One Sunday morning, whilst listening to the broadcast of one of those excellent recordings of Evercreech bells, a prominent North Country ringer, as he heard the tenors dodging behind, exclaimed, 'That's a bob there!' His thrifty wife immediately began to search the floor in the hope of finding a shilling, and it was several minutes before he could subdue his laughter enough to explain to her just what kind of a 'bob' he meant!

### BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL

**B**RISTOL'S first festival went off very well indeed. How could it have been otherwise when you have the loveliest city in England on a glorious spring day, many fine rings of bells and the whole show organised by one so able as Bert Bennett, assisted by his committee. We've never had it so good! It is said we had 200 ringers there, but it seemed a lot more when they were all crowded into the belfries at Redcliffe, Kingsdown, or the Cathedral. It was a day for the tenor ringer, for from his lofty elevation he alone could see which of the crowd had a bell-rope and which had not. More than once an innocent bystander was fiercely told to dodge before the conductor realised he was not actually ringing!

It was a hey-day for the tower-grabber, but 140 took time off to lunch informally with Bristol's Lord Mayor. His Worship, feeling no doubt in a somewhat statistical mood after having polled more votes against than for himself in the Council elections two days previously, pointed out that had twelve men set out to ring the extent of Maximus on the day the Gloucester and Bristol Association was formed, they could have done it twice over by now. What opportunities we do let slip!

But still, the respectability of sitting down to lunch with a Lord Mayor, a Dean and the Chancellor of the Diocese would probably not have been offered to ringers back in 1878. Nor perhaps would we then have had the opportunity of attending together, and filling the nave at such a moving service as we had in the Cathedral that afternoon. Ringers together are no ordinary congregation, for it is their ministry to assist in the service of worship, and one often feels a oneness between priest and congregation in ringers' services, which is not always present in parish services. What finer hymn could we have had than that wonderful one by George Herbert:

'Let all the world in every corner sing,

My God and King.'

And what appropriate hymn to close with than:

'Now thank we all our God.'

The Dean reminded us of the sacred ministry of our calling, and closed his address with this quotation, 'What we become in the presence of God, so we are all the day through.'

This festival, you see, was conceived with a serious purpose in mind: to rededicate our service to God, to promote our Christian fellowship with one another and particularly with our own clergy. Was it successful? That is only known to each one of us in our own hearts as we live the day through.

P. G.

### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Chertsey District

A record number of well over 50 people attended the meeting of the Chertsey District at Walton on May 14th. Most of them came from within the Diocese, but there were also visitors from Petersfield, Kingston and Sunbury.

Prior to the service, a meeting of the District Ringing Masters was held to discuss plans for a memorial to the late Mr. A. H. Pulling. It was decided that a bell should be hung in the new Cathedral, preferably to be installed before the dedication service, which could be used for the Cathedral services, and later be incorporated in the ring of bells when the tower is completed.

Tea was prepared by the local ringers and served in the Church Hall and was followed by a short business meeting, with the Guild Ringing Master, Mr. C. W. Denyer, in the chair.

Ringling continued until 9 p.m., Oxford Bob Triples being the most successful method attempted.

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## OXFORD UNIVERSITY EASTER TOUR

ON Easter Eve the first-comers descended upon Heathfield, in Sussex, where the Society had 'taken over' a guest house, Barratts Park, as a base for the tour. After the first of a series of excellent suppers, they rang sundry unadventurous methods, as if by way of a gentle warm-up before the tour proper began, on the sweet-toned six at Warbleton.

On Sunday morning there was ringing for services at Brightling, Dallington, Waldron and Heathfield; at the last, a course of Kent was halted while young Nancy Threlfall protested against the idea of her mother ringing while she was not there to watch. Having established, however, that such a thing would not occur again, she preserved an admirable equanimity for the rest of the tour.

After lunch came an impromptu tower-grab; a five was called for, and a good one found at Ewhurst; then followed some pleasant touches on the six at Sedlescombe. After some acrobatics had permitted the recovery of a rope-hook that had run up to its pulley, the heavy-laden vehicles moved on to Dallington. Before the band who were to ring for evening service at Heathfield went on their way, one member demonstrated his answer to the prevailing Sussex fashion of rope-adjustment. Disdaining the use of knots, he struck his bell while remaining seated, rising only at the call of 'Stand.'

The Master was so moved by this performance that he organised an immediate quarter peal, which was abandoned only when we were joined by members of the local band for some combined touches.

On Monday morning there arrived the coach which was to carry us about for the next four days, its driver becoming an enthusiastic spectator in every ringing room. After negotiating for the first time the two right-angled corners between Barratts Park and the Heathfield Hotel (which housed the overflow party), we set out for Hailsham. Here we found a neatly-kept ringing loft, and, conditions being favourable, a touch of six-spliced was brought round.

At Eastbourne the party sampled four interestingly varied rings of eight. At St. Mary's (15½ cwt.) the bells went well but were

a shade thin in tone. There was something of a scramble to give everyone a ring at All Saints' but in spite of harassed cries up the stairs ('Tell him to call it round; there's a service in five minutes and two hands to go yet!') no one was disappointed.

### A CANCELLATION

The rush was the result of an alteration of our schedule following the cancellation of a morning peal attempt. Last year, there were no less than nine peals in the tour programme, and the report in the 'R.W.' contained disturbing phrases such as 'anguished moments,' 'considerable furore,' 'ceased abruptly with the Master acting on humanitarian principles' and 'lack of volunteers.' This year, the reduction of the number of peals to three prevented the appearance of any furore, anguish or necessity to apply humanitarian principles; it did not, however, promote the appearance of any volunteers.

The Society continued its ringing at Eastbourne after lunch, exercising itself at St. Saviour's (24½ cwt. in an imposing brick tower) before relaxing at Christ Church (8½ cwt.); it then went home by way of Alfriston, where ringers perform in the very centre of the cruciform church. In spite of ominous quiverings of the guide-frame the ropes 'came down straight,' which was just as well in view of the number of holiday-makers who crowded into the church to witness the spectacle.

The strain of this public performance seemed to tell upon several members: although the careful coaching by our tame Wealdman ensured that we all pronounced correctly the name of our last tower, we did less than justice to Hellingly's sound 11 cwt. six.

Tuesday began with visits to Ticehurst, a difficult six, and to Goudhurst (8, 25 cwt.). There was a slight delay before we could get into this tower; those who did not disappear in search of coffee watched the passings and repassings of Frances, who shouted from her car window that she was getting nearer and nearer to success in her quest for the tower key. The secret of the key's hiding-place was eventually learnt, and the wait proved well worth while.

Another very good eight was found at Hawkhurst. After a little difficulty in persuading the tenor to go up right, we discovered that the quaint 'coconut' element in the sound of the bells inspired rhythmic striking, and some of the most enjoyable touches of the tour resulted.

### SLUMBERING DURING STEDMAN

A pleasant afternoon began at Northiam and Salehurst. At the latter tower the afternoon sunlight filtering into the picturesque ringing room caused people to slumber during Stedman, but eventually Colin Taylor organised some good Double Norwich for the benefit of his tape recorder. Unfortunately, one of the valves died a slow death during the recording, so that the play-back gave the impression that the tower was being wheeled away slowly over the horizon.

After tea, some good London Major at Battle attracted Peter N. Bond, who joined us in a fast and furious touch of Spliced which gradually overtook the conductor and made its escape. In the evening there was a most enjoyable trip to Burwash, where it was shown that a low ceiling can lend atmosphere to a ringing room without interfering with striking.

On Wednesday, we found that a tape-recorder had been set up to await us at Buxted: perhaps it was stage-fright which thwarted all efforts to ring a really fitting touch. The symptoms persisted at Maresfield, and confidence was not regained until after a grand lunch at the Foresters Arms at Fairwarp. Then everyone found the 15 cwt. eight of Christ Church a joy to handle, although the bells have a repressed, reedy tone in the ringing room which bears no relation to their true voice when heard outside.

Lewes bells, our only ten, were kept manned for an hour before the day finished at Ringmer. This time a low ceiling proved disturbing, and although listeners outside liked the tone of these bells, observers inside the ringing room received the impression that heavy weather was made of most touches. In

the evening, the ringers of Heathfield were kind enough to welcome us to a special practice night.

Came Thursday, our last full day, and the weather was as clear and bright as it had remained for the whole of the tour. We started the day at Mayfield, where the noble detonations of the tenor delighted everyone, and carried on to Wadhurst. Here the very attractive 12 cwt. eight were rung to a course of Superlative which matched the glass and wrought-steel screen which separates ringers and nave; all agreed that the idea was excellent, but some had doubts concerning the execution.

Lunch in Tunbridge Wells was followed by a visit to St. Peter's, where the eight were rung at a variety of tempi; then we tried our hand on the six at Frant, a ring of decided originality. Unfortunately we failed to master these bells before our allotted time was up.

The last tower of the tour, and a most fitting one with which to end, was that of St. Denys', Rotherfield. No one could fail to be impressed by this fine 23 cwt. eight.

There had been a peal attempt planned for Friday; whereas, however, many members would have liked to stand in, too few could remain to do so, which meant a reluctant cancellation. Nevertheless, everyone who had come on the tour went away well satisfied, and our grateful thanks go to the incumbents and ringers who permitted us to ring their bells and met us on our arrival. Finally, we are all much indebted to Frances Threlfall for making such an excellent job of all the organisation.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN

Twenty-two ringers sat down to tea (provided by the Mothers' Union) at the quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch, held at Cromer on May 14th. The Rev. W. Warr conducted the service and Mr. N. Golden, president, read the lesson. Ringing was under the watchful eye of the Branch Ringing Master, Mr. J. R. Smith.

Mr. A. G. Bason presided at the business meeting when the following new members were elected: Miss R. A. Burton, R. C. T. Burton, C. M. Friar, A. Gill, J. W. Hornigold, R. E. Hutson, O. O. Knight and D. Last (all of Yaxham). Mr. and Mrs. Robinson (Coggeshall, late Chester Guild), P. Squires (Hethersett) and R. A. Jones (Wymondham). Three probationers were also elected. Next meeting Yaxham, July 23rd.

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## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### President's 1,000 Peals For Home Association

**M**EMBERS, representing 30 towers in the Diocese, together with visitors from London, Suffolk, Lincolnshire and St. Helens, met in Norwich, on the occasion of the annual meeting on Saturday, April 30th, well over 100 sitting down to tea.

The Rev. Giles Galley opened the meeting with prayers, and the company stood for a moment's silence in memory of the 14 members who had passed to higher service during 1959.

The president, Mr. Nolan Golden, took the chair, and was given a great welcome after his recent stay in hospital. Thanking them for their good wishes and especially all who had written letters and visited him in hospital, he said it had been a source of strength and encouragement to him to know that so many of his friends had him in their thoughts and prayers. Unfortunately, he would be going back again for a further operation very shortly, but hoped that it would result in him being fully recovered and able to play his full part in the activities of the Association once again.

The Ringing Master, Mr. H. W. Barrett, said he wished, on behalf of the Association, to offer their congratulations to the president on his great achievement in ringing over 1,000 peals for his home Association, the great majority of which he had also been the conductor, and composer of many of them. His 1,000th peal was a peal of 5,056 of Cambridge Surprise Major, rung at Hingham, August 12th, 1959. He asked this to be fully recorded in the minutes. This was seconded and passed with acclamation. The Association are fortunate to have one of the greatest ringers and composers of all time in their ranks and he wished him a happy outcome to his present indisposition.

The president thanked the Ringing Master for his remarks and said that he looked back with happy memories of his ringing career and of all the friends he made during that time and looked forward to resuming his activities once again. He had not kept detailed records of his peals but could probably furnish the Association with most of the information that they might require.

### YOUTH AND 'THE RINGING WORLD'

In his review of 1959 the president said it seemed a year of consolidation rather than a record one. Membership had gone up to 478, an increase of 22 on the previous year. It was most encouraging to see again the large number of young people present, a feature of the last few annual general meetings. It was a great pity that several of the older members had lapsed from membership, but he hoped that everything possible would be done to bring them back. He reminded the younger ringers of the importance of taking 'The Ringing World'. This is essential if they were to get the full enjoyment from the ringing activities. It would help in widening their interest in new methods and could persuade them to learn composition and so eventually be able to call and conduct peals.

The great event of the year was, of course, the dedication and opening of the 13 new bells at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth. He congratulated the Vicar, the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow, and his ringers on the splendid arrangements made for the 200 ringers who attended to have a ring in the time available. Restoration has been completed at Attleborough, but comment had been made in the failure to have the ropes fall in full circle. The ten at Aylsham will be restored in the present year, also the five at Kessingland. It is understood that this ring will be augmented to six.

The Ringing Master, in his report, stressed the importance of maintaining and improving Sunday service ringing. He had visited a number of towers without warning during the year, and had been pleased to hear the bells ringing. With a membership of approximately 500 he was sure that a great improvement could be made and appealed for greater support in this direction. 85 peals were rung during the year.

The general secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. Love, reported that 82 new members had been elected—60 resident and 22 non-resident life members. The financial position could be termed as satisfactory. Income for the year at £154 19s. 10d., gave an excess of £2 17s. 8d. over expenditure. The General Fund stands at £259 9s. 11d., and the Belfry Repair Fund at £104 15s. 7d.

All the officers were re-elected for 1960, also vice-presidents with the addition of the Rev. Frank Jarvis, Vicar designate of St. Peter Mancroft, and the deletion of the Very Rev. J. A. H. Waddington, who had left the Diocese.

Particulars of the proposed memorial plaque in memory of the late Cecil Ebberson were given to the meeting. It will be in Hopton Wood stone and is to be placed in the ringing chamber at Dersingham. It is hoped the dedication will take place in September.

The service was held in St. Peter Mancroft, the Rev. Gratton Guinness giving the address.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Luton District Meeting At Eaton Bray

In an endeavour to stimulate interest in ringing, and in meetings in particular, the May meeting of the Luton District included an interesting ringing competition, the second of such attractions staged by this district.

From 3 p.m. the bells were kept going and all tastes were provided for, the ringing ranging from rounds to Cambridge Surprise, until 4 p.m. when the competition took place. Over 40 ringers were present. For the competition rounds only were allowed and each band was allowed 30 seconds to get the 'feel' of the bells, after which they were judged on the following 120 rounds. Contesting bands were Eaton Bray, Leighton Buzzard, Husbore Crawley and Westoning, the last named proving to be the winners.

After an excellent tea, provided by the local ladies, the results were declared, an additional treat being the playing of a tape recording of the competitors' efforts by Mr. K. Fleming.

Messrs. F. J. Plummer and A. E. Rushton were the judges, the latter standing in for Mr. R. J. Sharp, whose unavoidable absence was regretted by all.

Further ringing took place both before and after Evensong, conducted by the Vicar, Rev. P. Graham.

A. E. R.

## IRISH ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Executive Council and the final contest for the Murphy Cup was held at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, on May 14th. Mr. William Pratt (president) presided at the Council meeting and silent tribute was paid to the memory of Robert S. F. Murphy, P.C., Ringing Master and librarian (life member) and George N. Price and Mrs. T. E. G. Taylor (non-resident life member).

The annual report stated that Radio Eireann broadcast Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, for 15 minutes to ring out 1959. The B.B.C. (Northern Ireland) provided a good programme in which John T. Dunwoody and Harry Brown, assisted by Mr. W. Pratt and Jean Stewart, explained the intricacies of bellringing. During this 30 minute programme on Christmas Eve the bells of every tower (except Carrickfergus) and those of Armagh Cathedral were heard. St. Donard's was easily the best of the towers which broadcast on Christmas Day.

Three visiting parties rang 28 peals and four local peals had been rung including Plain Bob Royal at Dundela. Membership totalled 369 (life 15, honorary 3, ringing 351) and there were 198 non-resident life members.

Arising from the report two resolutions were passed—to set up a Reserve Fund into which £4 or £5 would be paid annually and to authorise the investment of Association funds in Republic of Ireland guaranteed stock yielding not less than 5 per cent.

'The Irish Bell News' showed a profit of £9 2s. 2d. after setting aside £2 10s. 6d. to the Renewal Fund. A number of favourable expressions of appreciation for the paper had been received.

Mr. William H. Wilson, a ringer at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, since 1907, president of the Association in 1932 and president of St. Patrick's Society, was elected a life member and presented with his certificate.

The election of officers resulted in the re-election of Mr. William Pratt as president and Mr. F. E. Dukes as general secretary. Mr. John T. Dunwoody is the new Ringing Master and also badge secretary and Mr. W. H. Wilson librarian. The Editorial Committee of 'Irish Bell News' is Mr. F. E. Dukes (editor), Mrs. F. E. Dukes, Mrs. J. Jeffrey (nee Jean Stewart) and Mr. G. Bingham.

The Murphy Cup was won by St. Peter's, Bandon, 44 faults, followed by Mount St. Alphonsus, Limerick, 64 faults; Enniskillen 76 and Drogheda 106. The judges were Messrs. W. H. Wilson and F. Bogan and Mrs. J. Jeffrey. Bandon won the cup for the first time.





## DEDICATION

## SALTASH, CORNWALL

Until May 23rd, the six bells of SS. Nicholas and Faith, Saltash, Cornwall, had been unringable for about 15 years. It was because of other urgent work that the bells had to wait, but now all is well again. On Sunday, May 1st, the bells were hallowed by the Lord Bishop of Truro, the Rt. Rev. J. M. Key, before being hoisted into the tower. The work has entailed a completely new frame and fittings, and the recasting of the third.

The bells were originally a Thomas Bilbie six, cast in 1760. They were rehung by Aggett, of Chagford, in 1902 when the two tenors were recast. The tenor weighs about 15 cwt. The restoration has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., and the bells are now tuneful and go well.

The church was filled to capacity for the opening on May 23rd. Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. J. C. Boyes, and the sermon preached by the Rev. A. S. Roberts (Vicar of Carbis Bay), who took as his text 'The seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound' (Rev. viii, 6).

Mr. Roberts pointed out that in May of last year they were celebrating the 100th anniversary of the opening of Brunell's famous Saltash Bridge, and that this May it was exactly two hundred years since Bilbie's six bells were erected. The ringers' work was first of all a dedicated work in the service of the Church, but it was also progressive, and there was a tremendous joy in it. It was an art with a wide interest, and no other body of church workers travelled from place to place like ringers.

To ringers Saltash, without its bells, had become rather unimportant, but now with restored bells, and a new bridge being built, no doubt many visitors might be expected.

'Receive them as brothers beloved,' said Mr. Roberts, 'and after cultivating the team spirit in the local tower remember the wider sphere of ringing in the Diocese, the whole country, as well as in many countries of the world. Further, ringing cannot be properly learnt without a text book, and every tower, if not the individual, should take "The Ringing World".'

Those present included Mr. Alan Carveth (president, Truro Guild) and Mrs. Carveth, Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella (general secretary), Mr. J. W. Clarke (Assistant Ringing Master), who has been training the new and reconstituted local band at Landulph, and ringers from Teignmouth, Plymouth and many parts of Cornwall. The local band rang the bells first immediately after the service followed by many visitors who kept them going to a late hour.

There was no lack of ringing with Landulph, St. Dominick and St. Stephen-by-Saltash also available. This last, in every circumstance, must be the finest six in Cornwall. With a 161 cwt. tenor, in a spacious tower, a frame for eight, hung low in the tower, perforated slate in place of louvers and the first example of a lantern roof in Cornwall, they sound magnificent both inside and outside, and as another Taylor ring Saltash is now blessed with two splendid rings.

Ringings included several Doubles and Minor methods, and, of course, plenty of well struck Cornish rounds and call-changes.

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## MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Edden, of Deppers Bridge, Leamington Spa, extend their sincere thanks to relatives and friends for their good wishes and help in making their wedding day. Saturday, May 21st, 1960, such a very happy occasion. 6040

FRITCHE—DISNEY.—On May 21st, 1960, at St. Mary's Church, Anstey, Leicestershire, Anthony, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Fritche, of 5, Ambleside Drive, Eyres Monsell, Leicester, to Margaret, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Disney, 11, Dalby Road, Anstey, Leicestershire. 6058

## RETURN THANKS

CADE.—Will members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild accept the sincere thanks of the family of the late Simon Cade, of Scothern, who died on April 8th, 1960, aged 60, for their kindness and sympathy. He was one of the first members of the Guild and rang peals with the late Rev. H. Law James. 6055

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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## MISCELLANEOUS

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As indicated in the 'Ringers' Diary', the Annual Meeting and Reunion this year is on Saturday, August 27th, from 2 p.m. onwards; and is at Staines, Middlesex. Full details to all who notify their intention to come. Tea, by reservation, please. Friends of members very welcome. (Write as below.)

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VETERANS REUNION, LONDON, please note, now postponed from June 18th to September 17th.—John Euston. 6041

BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.—Ringing now every Sunday, 10.15 a.m. and 6 p.m. 6026

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## MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at March, Saturday, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. L. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 6004

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W.—Crusader meeting, Havering-atte-Bower, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Romford (8) will also be available at 6.30 p.m. Names for tea please, to Mrs. J. Branch, 91, The Drive, Romford. 5968

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Practice meeting at Offley, on June 4th, at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting, Hoo, Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5954

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—By-meeting at East Peckham, Saturday, June 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. 5983

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Thame, Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. 6014

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Annual meeting, Buckingham (8), Saturday, June 4th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. 6007

SUFFOLK GUILD.—West Central District.—Evening meeting, Hinderclay (6), June 4th. Bells 6.30 p.m.—H. Mitson, Dis. Sec. 5999

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Witham (8), Saturday, June 4th. Bells 3 p.m.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Walpole St. Andrew, Whit Monday, June 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 6003

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Whit Monday, June 6th, at Chemsford, Service in Cathedral 11 a.m. Preacher Archdeacon of Colchester. Annual meeting Coffee, etc., available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15 a.m. to 10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m. cost 5s. Tea as a running buffet, 2s. 6d. Later applications 6s. 6d. and 3s. respectively. Ringing: Cathedral 9.30 to 10.45 a.m. (Service touch at 10.45) and from 4 p.m. From 3 to 6 p.m.: Boreham (8), Great Waltham (8), Broomfield (6), Little Waltham (6), Springfield (6), Ford End (6), High Easter (6), and from 6 to 9 p.m.: Galleywood (8), Widford (8), Great Baddow (8), Danbury (6), Sandon (6), Little Baddow (5). Lunch and tea tickets from F. V. Gant, 3 Central Drive, Hornchurch. 5899

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 11th. Eaton Socon bells (8) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Norwich and Superlative. May we see YOU there.—A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6049

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Northwich Branch) and LADIES' GUILD.—Joint meeting at Witton, Northwich, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Mr. H. Parker, 64, Church Road, Northwich. 6036



**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 11th, 3 p.m. Tredington. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Shipston-on-Stour bells available, 6.30 p.m. 6029

**EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.**—Leigh (6), June 11th. Names for tea to Mr. B. Pankhurst, Chestnuts, Leigh, Tonbridge.—C. A. Bassett.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Dullingham on Saturday, June 11th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Weston Covill and West Wrattling will be visited after tea.—E. W. Bullman. 6037

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, Bishopstone (8), Saturday, June 11th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to R. Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon, Wilts. 6012

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Summer Festival, Saturday, June 11th. Ringing arrangements: Capel 10.30-12 noon. Merrow and Ockley 11-12. Ramore 11.30-1 p.m., Cobham and Stoke D'Abernon 2-4. Epsom, Christ Church 3-4. Leatherhead from 4. Dorking 7-8. Service 4.30 p.m. at Leatherhead, followed by tea in St. Nicholas' Hall. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday, to G. Marriner, 6, Leach Grove, Leatherhead. 6005

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth District.—Quarterly meeting at Calverley, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m., followed by meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 8th, to Mr. F. C. Bennett, 7, Rudge Heath, Pattingham. Staffs.—H. Edge, Dis. Sec. 6021

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Meeting, Cheshunt, Saturday, June 11th, 3 p.m. Tea 5.30. Service 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Durrant, 7, The Folly, Brookfield Lane, Cheshunt. 6024

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Meeting at Apsley, Saturday, June 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, June 7th, to Mr. A. Good, 44, Belmont Road, Hemel Hempstead.—J. Good, Dis. Sec. 5994

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Goodnestone (6), Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. the Village Hall, at 2 per head. Names, together with cash, please, by Wednesday, June 8th, to Mrs. R. Brett, Copmans Hall, Goodnestone, Canterbury. 5980

**LADIES' GUILD.**—North-Western District.—Joint meeting with Northwich Branch, **CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.** at St. Helen's, Witton, Northwich, Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by June 9th, to Mr. H. Parker, 64, Church Road, Northwich.—S. P. Wain, Dis. Sec. 6030

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 11th. St. Peter, Portishead. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 p.m., at the White Cot Cafe, followed by meeting in the Church. Names for tea by Thursday, June 9th, to Miss B. Johnson, 10, Lancashire Road, Bristol 7. 6017

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lancaster Branches.—Joint meeting at Silverdale, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Bolton, Kirkmeade, Core Road, Silverdale.—N. M. Newby and P. Handley, Branch Secs. 6011

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting, June 11th, at Whitworth (8). Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea 5, and business (6 p.m.), at the Vicarage.—Hudson, Sec. 6053

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at Ormskirk Parish Church, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 until 7 p.m. Please make your own arrangements for tea.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Chorley St. Laurence, Saturday, June 11th. Bring own food.—L. Walmsley. 6062

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Next meeting at St. Michael's, Huyton, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 8th, at the latest, to Mr. W. R. Birchall, 157, Bluebell Lane, Huyton.—I. E. Radcliffe. 6057

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting at Thrussington, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room at 5 p.m. (Ratcliffe-on-the-Wreake bells available 2.30 to 3.45 p.m.) Names by the previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. W. C. Hardy, 30 The Green Thrussington. 6035

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting at Gilmorton, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in village hall 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 8th, please, to Mr. G. Broughton, Main Street, Gilmorton, near Rugby. 6022

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD** (Loughborough District) and **MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.** Joint meeting, Measham, June 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. W. Hall and J. W. Cotton. 6019

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 11th. Evening ringing at St. Mary Abbots, High Street, Kensington. 6.30-8 p.m. Afternoon tower to be announced next week.—M. Powell. 6047

**MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.**—N. and E. District.—Meeting at St. John's, Stanmore, joint with **HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Watford District) Saturday, June 11th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and further ringing until 8 p.m. Ringing also at St. Margaret's, Edgware, 2.30 p.m. until 4 p.m. 6044

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Bucks Branch.—Annual meeting at Steeple Claydon (6), on Saturday, June 11th. Bells available at 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous. No name, no tea guaranteed.—D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whaddon Chase, Aylesbury, Bucks. 6050

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—City Branch.—Half yearly meeting at Stanton St. John, Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 8th, to Mr. R. Jones, 118 Oxford Road, Old Marston, Oxford. 6025

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guldborough Branch.—Meeting Welford (8), Saturday, June 11th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, to E. M. Thresher, 22, Watson Road, Long Buckley. 6060

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wing, June 11th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark Middle Street, Wing. 6015

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting, Chirton, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Marden (5) and All Cannings (5) also available. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to E. J. Hitchins, 136, Bradley Road, Trowbridge, Wilts. 6027

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Sherrifhales, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 9th, to Mr. J. Dakin, The Post Office, Sherrifhales, Shifnal. 6051

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at St. Martin's, Saturday, June 11th. Bells (6) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 9th, to Mrs. D. Leach, Gwalia Wen, St. Martin's, Oswestry. 6052

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Annual general meeting, Lichfield, Saturday, June 11th. Service at St. Michael's Church 3.45 p.m. Tea in St. Michael's Hall 4.30 p.m., followed by general meeting. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 2.30-3.25 p.m. and 6.30-7.30 p.m., St. Mary's (8) and St.

Michael's (6) during afternoon and evening. Also Little Aston (6), Elford (6), Kings Bromley (6), Yoxall (6), Longden (6), from 10 a.m.-12.30 p.m. and 7.30-9 p.m. Names for tea (limited to approx. 125) to Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres, Aldridge, near Walsall, by Wednesday, June 8th at the latest. 5990

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Meeting at Misson (6), Saturday, June 11th. Bells 2.30 to 5 p.m., Bawtry after tea. Names for tea by 7th to Mr. S. E. Young, White Horse Inn, Misson, Doncaster.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Lymminster (6), on Saturday, June 11th, at 3 p.m. Sorry, no facilities for tea available.—E. W. Keys, Hon. Sec. 6059

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting, Bridlington, on June 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service in Church 4.30. Tea in Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names, please, by June 10th, to Mr. J. A. Parker, Newhaven, 188, Queensway, Bridlington, E. Yorkshire.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5989

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—Corporate Communion, Kilmersdon, Sunday June 12th. Bells 7.15 a.m. Service 8 a.m. Names for breakfast, to Mr. G. Pomeroy, 6, South View, Babington, near Frome. 6034

**DEVON GUILD.**—Annual festival, Exeter, June 18th. Service St. Mark's 4 p.m., address by the Bishop of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for tea to Rev. C. G. Poulton, 36, Polsloe Road, Exeter. Ringing arrangements: St. Thomas' 1.30-3 p.m., Heavitree 1.30-3, St. Mark's 3-4, Cathedral 6-8.30 p.m. 5985

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Joint meeting with the **BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY** at Barrow-on-Humber (8), June 18th, usual arrangements. Names for tea by June 15th, to Mr. A. Crowder, Manor Farm, Barrow-on-Humber. 6048

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Lincolnshire Branch).—Joint meeting at Gosberton, Saturday, June 18th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 15th, to Mrs. M. Thorley, 32, Whitehall, Gosberton, Spalding, Lincs. 6016

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Machynlleth, Saturday, June 18th. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Please notify for tea by June 11th, to W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham, 6006

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Section.—Quarterly meeting at Limpsfield (6), June 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Large set of handbells available. Names for tea to Mr. E. Jarrett, 3, Titsey Road, Limpsfield, by June 16th.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 6042

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Alvechurch (8), Saturday, June 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Coach will leave Bell Hotel, Stourbridge at 2.30 p.m. sharp.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge. 6038

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Annual meeting, Almondbury, near Huddersfield, on June 18th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Committee meeting 4.15. Tea in Church School 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Monday, June 13th, to Mr. R. Jobson, School House, 8, Westgate, Almondbury, Huddersfield.—A. E. Marsh, Hon. Dis. Sec. 6054

### Birmingham University Society

At the annual meeting of Birmingham University Society on May 17th, Mr. Roderick W. Pipe was elected chairman and Ringing Master and Mr. Alan J. Collins secretary and treasurer for the session 1960-61.

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## QUARTER PEALS

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—On May 20th. at St. Nicholas'. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Garlick 1, J. Constance 2, Miss M. A. Carter 3, Mrs. A. E. Lock 4, A. E. Lock (cond.) 5, C. Corderoy 6. Rung for the visitation of the Bishop.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of St. Mary the Great, on May 19th, 1,242 Grandsire Caters: J. Wilkin 1, P. H. Pigg 2, J. Schofield 3, Miss H. Muirhead 4, M. Hood 5, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 6, T. R. Dennis 7, D. Stubbings 8, J. W. R. Quinney 9, H. Muncey 10. For Confirmation service.

**GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Ainger 1, A. Hudson 2, J. P. Brandon 3, R. Millham 4, P. T. Spencer-Phillips (cond.) 5, H. Carter 6. An 88th birthday compliment to George Green.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDX.**—On May 22nd, 1,280 London Surprise Major: W. H. Coles 1, T. G. Banister 2, M. J. Palmer 3, A. R. G. Twinn (first of London) 4, F. W. Goodfellow 5, N. D. Robinson 6, J. Hill (cond.) 7, F. C. Price 8. For Evensong.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On May 8th, 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Blackshaw 1, D. Armstrong 2, F. Bradley 3, A. Larkin 4, M. Harrison 5. Conducted by 2, 3, 4, 5. For evening service.

**MARPLE, CHESHIRE.**—On April 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Y. Pennington (first quarter) 1, Miss M. McKay 2, A. Osbaldiston 3, B. F. L. Groves 4, W. H. Dowse (cond.) 5, R. B. Smith 6. For Evensong.

**PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.**—On May 13th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): D. Burbidge 1, J. Linnell 2, C. Truman 3, W. F. Eyden 4, G. Shellard 5, W. A. Yates (cond.) 6.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—On May 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Spliced, Grandsire and Plain Bob, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Mrs. W. Simpson 1, W. Simpson 2, D. Marshall (cond.) 3, J. Harvey 4, C. Geary 5, R. Newsum 6. Rung for the christening of Susan Elizabeth, daughter of the conductor.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Bashford (first away from tenor) 1, Violet I. E. Relf 2, W. Tickner 3, P. L. Taylor 4, P. Relf 5, B. J. Kingsnorth 6. Conducted by Kathleen M. Yeo. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Dawn S. M. Day to Mr. Antony F. Tipples.

**WARBOROUGH, OXON.**—On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: V. Fox (first on treble) 1, G. McIlhone 2, Margaret Thewlis 3, A. Howes 4, F. Absolom (cond.) 5, M. Welch (first quarter) 6. For the tenor ringer's 15th birthday.

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