- The Ringing World' was founded in the year 1911 by John Sparkes Goldsmith, who remained its proprictor and editor until his death in 1942.

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## MORE CENTRAL COUNCIL REFLECTIONS

NOT all 'The Ringing World' Committee came to Stoke for the presentation of their report to the Central Council on Whit Tuesday, but those who came unfortunately could not agree on its contents. Ever searching after full facts, Mr. J. T. Dunwoody asked for the minority report. Alas, there was not one; the dissentient merely expresed himself dissatisfied. Now there was nothing to hide, no scandal, no particularly outrageous misdeeds by the Editor, but merely that the emphasis on the year's activities was misplaced.

This was the first year of the new price of ' The Ringing World '-an increase from 6 d . to 8 d . That increase should result in two obvious things: a reasonable margin of profit and a reduction in sales. The need for an increase in price was mainly brought about by three things-the increase in printers' wages, an overdue adjustment of editorial and other salaries (honorariums would really be the correct word to apply) and a margin to enable more blocks and larger issues to be produced. At the time the decision for a 8d. paper was taken there were members of the Standing Committee who would have preferred 9d., and some even 7d. A middle course was adopted.

A warning was given to the Standing Committee at the time that with the increase in price a drop in circulation was inevitable. The Editor placed the loss at 500 copies. Fortunately, through two methods-the offer to postal subscribers of favourable renewal terms if paid before January 1 st , and the spade work of stalwarts - this did not take place. The maximum drop was 231, and this has been reduced considerably until now we are above the corresponding week in 1960. What the minority felt was that the report presented too dismal a picture - and really, when compared with the financial gain, what had been sacrificed was indeed very small.

There is much loose thinking on this question of circulation. Because there are between 40,000 and 50,000 ringers in this country it is thought that the circulation of 'The Ringing World' should be approaching that figure. However enthusiastic Guild secretaries might be, the fact remains that with the great majority of the 40,000 their ringing is confined to their own tower-Sundays and possibly a practice evening. What happens at Central Council meetings is no concern of theirs. The Editor quoted to the Council a parallel example. He belongs to a chess club of about 30 members, but only three of those members buy a magazine devoted to the advancement of the game, and one of those copies is for the general benefit of members. Comparing the two, 'The Ringing World' is quite favourably placed. This does not mean that we do not want new subscribers. There is always the normal wastage by death and marriage, apart from those whose
journal. This enrolment must be continuous, but our maximum field is not more than 6,000 . Even if sales increased by another 500 the net extra revenue available would not be more than $£ 8$ a week, and there would not be any corresponding increase in general advertising.
How is the safety margin, in view of rising expenditure, to be maintained? It means exploring ways and means of giving extra service to readers. In the first place, our column of births, engagements, marriages and deaths is not utilised as it should be. An examination of footnotes of peals and quarter peals indicates that in a great many cases instead of the charge of 4 s . for an advertisement a quarter peal is rung by the tower in the true ringers' style of recording these domestic occasions. Sometimes this is accompanied by a donation-or charity money, as some like to regard it. Not a bit of it. A donation of 2 s .6 d . replaces the 4 s . that should be paid for the notice. The journal provides an extra service. Do not assume that something new is being introduced. It is as old as the hills in newspaper work. Weekly papers give lists of wreaths and wedding presents on payment; some get revenue from publishing photographs of blushing brides, and even great and important journals from the lists of guests at dinners and receptions. There are, of course, the reader advertisements. The Editor, in an impromptu speech to the Council, gave an indication of how this search for revenue could be usefully employed.
Probably no committee of the Council has a greater responsibility than the Editorial Committee. They and the Librarian and his helpers are the only people vested with trading responsibilities. The fact that another $£ 1,200$ from 'Ringing World' surplus had been invested in Defence Bonds did not escape notice. 'R.W.' investments now total $£ 4,600$, a nice nest-egg against the rainy day. We should like to see a greater margin of profit come from the hard work of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. B. Speed in looking after the sale of Central Council publications. It was an exceptionally good year but the profit was only $£ 339$ s. There is a tendency to pander to young ringers by almost uneconomic sales. A balance of $£ 339$ s. is not sufficient to develop what should be an expanding service. Compared with other organisations the Council receives an inadequate revenue in its General Fund to carry out its work. Affiliation fees from Societies and Associations are absurdly low for the character of the work undertaken of staging an annual meeting, financing committees and providing the necessary literature and reports. Even giving full weight to the vast amount of honorary work undertaken by the Secretary downwards, the whole set-up has an atmosphere of excessive cheese-paring. Compared with other organisations our out-of-pocket expenses to officers are absurd-a pre-war income is expected to meet the

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

LEICESTER
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., May 18, 1961, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes, at the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 25 cwl .

| Ernest Morris | Treble | Geoffrey M. Brewin | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William A. Lacey |  | A. Peter Whitehead | 8 |
| *John Jelley | 3 | Dennis Mottershead | 9 |
| John A. Acres | 4 | John E. Cook | 10 |
| Ernest W. Rawson | 5 | Robert B. Smith | $1!$ |
| Herrick B. Bowley | 6 | Edward Jenkins | Te | Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley

* First peal of Surprise Maximus.

Specially arranged and rung before the Mothers' Union thanksgiving for marriage service at the Cathedral this day

## LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs., May 18. 1961, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes,
Ap the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A PEAL OF 5280 LONDINIUM SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 24 cwt .

| John Walden | Treble | Walter Tomlinson |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Norah M. Randles. | 2 | Geoffrey Paul |
| Claire Dillamore | 3 | George H. Randles |
| Jack L. Millhouse | 4 | Raymond F. Smith |
| Margaret A. Parker | 5 | Geoffrey R. Parker |
| Peter A. Sharp.. | 6 | John Freeman |

Peter A. Sharp.
-. ...
Conducted by John Freeman.
First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.
MACCLESFIELD. CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Whit Monday, May 22, 1961, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 26 cwt .21 lb . in D.
John R. Mayne
Trebl John Worih
Patrick I. Chapman. .
Robert B. Smith
Basil Jones ... .. $\quad$. $\quad 3 \quad$ Cecil W. Pipe .. $\quad$.. $\quad .$.

Bernard L. Groves.. .. 4
C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 5

Jack L. Millhouse. . 6 Wileped Wiliams ...
Composed by John Carter. 9
Brian Harris 10

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat.. May 27, 1961, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes. Ar the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 37 cwt .73 lb . in D flat.

| *J. Alan Ainsworth | Treble | Denis A. Bayles |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Eric N. Harrison | 2 | Leslie W. G. Morris | 8 |
| $\dagger$ Basil Jones | 3 | A. Peter Whitehead | 9 |
| Robert B. Smith | 4 | Leslie Boumphrey | 111 |
| C. Kenneth Lewis. | 5 | Brian Harris | 11 |
| John Worth | 6 | Edward Jenkins | Ten |
| Composed by Frlde | DENCH. <br> e Max | Conducted by 400th peal. | - |

## TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 15, 1961, in 2 Hours and 30 Minules.
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF S040 FOSTON SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr. 13 lb . in C .


## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mon., May 29, 1961, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.
At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 25 cwt .
*Mrs. H. B. Bowley . . Treble John A. Acres
$\dagger$ Jack P. Kesterton. . 2 Geoferey M. Brewin ..
R. James Cook .. .. 3 Herrick B. Bowley.

Peter J. Staniforth .. 4 Robert B. Smith .. ..
$\ddagger$ Richard Grant .. .. 5 William J. Root .. .. Tenor Composed by Wm. PYe. Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.
*First peal of Surprise. $\dagger$ First of Cambridge Surprise Royal.
\$ First of Surprise on an 'inside' bell.
Rung with the best wishes of the band to Derek G. Goodman, a former bellringer and chorister at Leicester Cathedral, who was ordained at Southwell Minster on Trinity Sunday.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ALDERSHOT, HAMPSHIRE
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., May 17, 1961, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor $8 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Charles W. Denyer .. Treble Edward J. Bragg
Stella P. Tate-Mitchell 2 Stanley G. Ponting. Rosemarie Chapman .. 3 William H. Viggers William T. Beeson . . . . 4 Tom Page .. .. .. . . Tenor Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Tom Page.
Rung in honour of the consecration of the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, Guildford.

GATESHEAD. CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs., May 18, 1961, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

At the Churreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Tenor 15 cwt .
*Michael Armstrong (14) Treble| J. Alan Ainsworth.
Norman Errington 2
William Tyson .. .. 3 Eric N. Harrison
Charles N. Lea .. .. 4 Robert F. Telford .. ... Tenor
Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

- First peal.

STRATTON, CORNWALL
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Fri., May 19, 1961, in 3 Hours and 6 Minules,
At the Church of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb . in. E.
Gillian M. Trent . . . Treble Edward G. Talsor
James Tomsett.. .. .. 2 Charles Sangwin
Charles Taylor .. .. 3 Michael J. Thomas.
Harry Stacey .. .. .. 4 Robert C. Kippin
Arranged and Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.
Rung as a compliment for the wedding the previous Saturday of Terry Heard and Eileen Curtis.

## BAMBURGH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## At the Church of St. Aidan,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Twelve-Part.
Iris Thomson

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | Treble |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |
| 1 | 3 |

John E. Anderson.
Marion S. Ainsworth
Kenneth W. Cheeseman
2
3
4
J. Alan Ainsworih Frederick Ross
*Eric N. Harrison George S. Deas ... .. Tenor Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

- 50th peal together.


## BENSON, OXON

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
At ihe Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
R. D. Wells
H. Dunsden
H. L. Bishop
J. E. Godman
enor 14 cwt . in F .

Rung on the eve of St. Helen's Day for the Patronal Festival.

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## BREWOOD. STAFFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Mary and Chad,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb . in D

| ve M. Smith | $e$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Penelope Sedgwick | 2 | Ian H. Oram |
| Jill V. Morgan | 3 | Thomas Cullingworth |
| ucy Allen | 4 | Norman V. Harding | Conducted by lan H. Oram.

*First peal of Surprise Major. † First of Surprise Major "inside. +First in the method.

Rung for the Whitsuntide Festival.

## EALING, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. \& LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Stephen,
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR


Trevor N. Bailey
Alan F. Thirst. .
Wilfred Williams William T. Cook
Composed by G. Lindoff.
Conducted by Wilfred Williams.
First peal in the method on the bells.

## ECCLES, LANCASHIRE

THE ANTIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND AND

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenar 19 cwt .3 qr .13 lb . in E flat.
Bro. Joseph Thornley, Farnworth Lodge 5301
Bro. Norman Tompkins, Egerton Lodge 2216
Bro. Cyril F. Sutcliffe, Beacon Lodge 4066
W. Bro. David Vincent. De Sala Lodge 5657
W. Bro. James W. Horner, Norley Lodge 7319

Bro. Harold Walker, Minster Lodge 4663
Bro. Peter Crook, sen., Antiquity Lodge 146
Bro. Peter Crook, Jun., St. John's Lodge 221 $\qquad$
.. .. .. Tenor mposed by 1. B. Worsley. Conducted hy Peter Crook, sen.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of remembrance to the late Vicar of the parish, the Right Worshipful Brother the Rev. Canon Tom W. Taylor, M.A., Past Grand Chaplain. Provincial Grand Mark Mason for Lancashire (Eastern Division), and a great friend to all ringers.

## ECCLESTON. CHESHIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat.. May 20, 1961. in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

 Tenor $26 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

## SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE,

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sal., May 20. 1961, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt 1 qr .19 lb . in F .
*Brian C. Law. Gary W. Mason
Mark G. Wood
Ernest Morris
Composed by Henry Hubbard. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick
Treble A. James Poynor * First peal on eight bells. Mrs. B. G. Warwick has now "circled the tower, and the conductor has now done so for the fifth time. Rung for the Festival of Whitsuntide.

## MARSHFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tues., May 23, 1961. in 3 Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pritchard's.
Tenor 18 cwt

* Roger Algate

Peter Bridle
+Jacqualine A. Purnell..
Peter E. Parry
\$S. Michael J. Young
Pairick J. Bird
Don C. Exell.
D. John Huni.

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* First peal. $\dagger$ First on eight "inside." $\$$ First on eight and "inside.'

ASHTON-UNDER-LYME, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 24, 1961, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt .
Neil Bennett


Christine Townend 2 $\square$
Eileen Fearn .. .. .. 3 Frederick Shallcross ... 7

Carol Fearnley
4
Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.
AUDLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 24, 1961, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt . 18 lb . in F sharp.
*A. Patrick Cannon .. Treble Ernest H. Mastin.. ..

| George W. Pipe | $\ldots$ | . | 2 | Norman V. Harding | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Diana M. Pipe.. | . | . | 3 | H. William Barrett | . | 7 |

Cecil W. Pipe. . . .. 4 *Ralph G. Edwards ... Tenor
Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by George W. Pipe.

* 50th peal together, rung in 45 different towers.


## DRAYCOTT-LE-MOORS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Wed., May 24, 1961, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
A Peal AT the Church of St. Margaret,
George W. Pipe Tenor 11 cwt. 25 lb . in F sharp. Wishaw
Shelagh R. Collins .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 6
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Jack L. Millhouse } & . . & \text {.. } & 3 & \text { A. Patrick Cannon } & . . & . . & 7 \\ \text { Diana M. Pipe } & . . & . . & . & 4 & \text { Cecil W. Pipe } & . & . . \\ \text { Wenor }\end{array}$
Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conlucted by Jack L. Millhouse.
First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.
BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., May 25, 1961, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At THE Church of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt 1 qr. 18 lb . in F .
Norman V. Harding .. Treble Ernest H. Mastin .. .. 5
George W. Pipe .. .. 2 H. William Barrett .. 6
Shelagh R. Collins
Frederick E. Witshaw $\cdots 3$
Frederick E. Wilshaw .. 4 A. Patrick Cannon .. ... Tenor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.
The conductor has now 'turned in ' 500 different tenors to peals.

## GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK. <br> THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 25, 1961, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor 30 cwt 2 qr .4 lb . in D .
Wili iam b. Duncan ..Treble Arthur G. Wigmore
Doris E. Lidbetter. . .. 2 Rev. Gilbert Tiurlow...
A. William Bird .. .. 3 Rev. Giles Galley .. .. 7

Peti:R G. W. Newsiead
Composed by Cornelius Charge.
Conducted by Rev. Giles Galley.
First peal on the bells.
Rung to celebrate the reconsecration of the church, May 8th, 1961 ; also a welcome to Andrew and a birthday compliment to his grandfather, the ringer of the third.

## MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., May 25, 1961, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF THE WATCH TOWER, 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR <br> Tenor 10 cwt .26 lb . in G .

Marion S. Ainsworth .. Treble| Eric N. Harrison .. .. 5
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Kenneth W. Cheeseman.. } & 2 & \text { Nicholas I. Wright.. } & \text {.. } & 6 \\ \text { Alan R. Patterson ... } & 3 & \text { George S. Deas } & . . & . . & 7\end{array}$

| Alan R. Patterson .. | . | 3 | George S. Deas .. .. 7 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John E. Anderson | . | .. | 4 | J. Alan Ainsworth. . | Composed by Edwin H. Lewis. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

Rung on Mayor's Day as a compliment to the newly-elected Mayor. Ald. W. S. Sanderson, who has been a member of the Borough Council for over 50 years.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Fri., May 26, 1961, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, A PEAL OF 5008 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt 1 lb . in E flat. Composed by John R. Keiteringham. Conducted by D. Juhn Hunt.
*First peal of Little Bob. + 25th peal together. $\ddagger$ tirst of Little Bob Major, and has now compteted the "family. First of Little Boh on the bells. Ringers of treble and sixth have now each 'circled the tower.'

## BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 22t cwt

| Eileen A. Osborne | Treble | W. Eric Critchley |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Howard Scott | 2 | J. Henry Fielden |
| B. Gillian Schofield | 3 | Wilfrid F. Moreton |
| Rita M. Jowett | 4 | Richard E. Price |

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TRIPLES
Containing 1,680 Grandsire, 1,260 each of Oxford and Double Court and 840 St . Clement's, with 108 changes of method Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .
 Composed by A. J. Pitman (No. 1).
Conducted by Clifford Skidmore.

* First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First of Spliced Triples. $\ddagger$ First of Triples 'inside.' The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.

HARPENDEN. HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5168 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

*Kenneth J. Darvill
A. Rowland Tysoe

Tenor Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by George W. Debenham.

* First peal in the method.

MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sal., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Bapist,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Middleton's.

Conducted by Ronald G. Beck.
QUEENSBURY, YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
at the Church of The Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE' MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt
 Vernon Bottomley
Composed and $\mathrm{C}_{\text {Conducted by Ian M. Holland. }}$

Composed and Co

* First peal in the method.

A birthday compliment to Mr. W. Barton, of Pudsey, a vice-president of the Association.

> SWANSEA. GLAMORGAN.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church or St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIIJGE SURPRISE MAJOR Middleton's.
Donald G. Clifi ... . Treblc
Conale John Phillips
WIILIAM B K YNasto
3
Selwyn H. Dearden Conducted by Wilfred Williams.
First peal of Surprise on the bells.
CLEVEDON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Mon., May 29, 1961, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Middleton's. Peter D. Warren R. George Morris
..

| Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\cdots$ | 4 |

D. John Hunt ..

Barrie Hendry
*Cliff Richards
David J. Purnell
Tenor 14 cwt .

Ronald G. Beck
Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Cambridge.


## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 2, 1961, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Ruth M. Blackshaw
Ruth M. Blackshaw . . Treble
William L. Exton.. .. 2 Maurice Harrison
*Roderick Wilde .. .. 3 †John R. Pratchett.. .. . Tenor

* First peal at first attempt. $\dagger$ First of Minor. "inside."

STANTON HARCOURT, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 6, 1961, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in two methods: 30 Grandsire and 12 Plain Bob.
Vernon Cliffton Tenor 13 cwt., approx.

Norman Leslie.
Michael Edney.
Treble Alec Cantwell
" First peal.
Conducted by Dennis Leslie.

BRADFORD-ON-TONE, SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., May 10, 1961, in 2 Hours and 59 Minures, At the Church of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

## Being seven extents.

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Charles H. Webber } & \ldots & \text { Treble } & \text { Ivor G. Hughes } & . . & . & 4 \\ \text { Mrs. D. M. Bellamy } & \ldots & 2 & \text { David T. North } & . & . & 5 \\ \text { *Reginald A: Toze .. } & . . & 3 & \text { Geoffrey J. Gammon } & . . & \text { Teno }\end{array}$ *Reginald A: Toze .. ... 3 Geoffrey J. Gammon ... Tenor

Conducted by Georfrey J. Gammon.

* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor. Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. T. North on the birth of a son (Andrew).

DEENE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 11, 1961, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor $10 \frac{8}{4}$ cwt. in G.
 Conducted by Roy W. Spencer.

- First peal. † First "inside.'


## ALBURY, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 13, 1961, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Peter and paul.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Being 42 extents.
*James G. Etherington.. Treble
*John H. Askew.
*Margaret Nursey ..
Conducted by Herbert G. Arthur.

* First peal at first attempt. Believed to be the first in the method on the bells by the local band.

HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Mon., May 15, 1961, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In three methods, heing two extents each of Oxford and Kent T.B and three of Plain Boh.
Alice E. J. Lester ...Treble | James B. Morley .. .. 4
*Neville F. Whittell. . 2 Robert E. Lester ... .. 5
Hubert A. Mitson. . . . 3 †Roger L. K. Whitiell.. Tenor
Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

* First peal in three methods. + 50th peal.

A birthday peal for the ringer of the treble.
ALVESTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Sal., May 20, 1961. in 2 Hours and 45 Mimutes,
Ar the Church of Sr. Helen.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being six extents of Stedman, 24 of Plain Bob and ten extents and one 240 of Grandsire.

Michael J. Hobbs
*Mervyn J. Hoskins . . Tenor

Alan F. Lee
$\begin{array}{cc}. . & \text { Treble } \\ . . & 2 \\ . . & 3\end{array}$
Henry Taysom
Conducted by ALAN F. Lee.

* First peal. First of Doubles on the bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Ian Smith.

BUXHALL, SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR,
In seven methods, being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt .7 lb .
Hubert A. Mitson . . . . Treble Roger J. Palmer
Alice E. J. Lester . . ... 2 Robert E. Lester Rosemary J. Seabroox ... 3 John L. Girt Conducted by Robert E. Lester.
A birthday peal for Rev. C. N. Kendall (Rector) and H. A. Mitson (churchwarden).

## SHENLEY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of York, Carlisle, London, Wells, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 17 cwt .3 qr .2 lb . Thomas E. Roberis.. .. Treble George W. Holland .. 4 James Linnell .. .. .. 2 *George E. Green .. Charles E. Truman.. .. 3 William A. Yates.. .. Temor Conducted by William A. Yates.
*First peal in seven methods.
Rung for the 19 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. W Holland.

TAXAL. DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in five methods: (1) St. Clement's College Bob, (2) Double Oxford Bob, (3) Plain Bob, (4 and 5) Oxford Treble Bob. (6 and 7) Kent Treble Bob.
Alan G. Kirk.. .. .. Treble *Edmund Shutleworth Brian Schofield

| *Edmund Shuttleworth | 2 | Peter Dale |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| *Giles B. Thompson | P. | 3 | John Robinson |

Tenor
*First peal in five methods. The conductor's 50 th peal.
WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 20, 1961, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one exient each of Double Court. Double Oxford. Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Leslie H. Taylor .. .. Treble Joseph W. Baily
Alan G. Payne.. 2

Harold Baksley
john R. Ketteringham .. Tehor
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.
conductor.
100 th peal as conductor.
BLABY. LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 22, 1961, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes, At the Church of All Saints. A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in 33 variations: (1) Stedman. (2) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (3) Grandsire, (4) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (5) Plain Bob, (6) April Day. (7) Kennington, (8) Besthorpe. (9) Old, (10) St. Simon's, (11) Eynsham. (12) St. Albans, (13) Shropham, (14) Cassington, (15) St. Martin's. (16) St. Leonard's, (17) St. Paul's. (18) St. Peter's. (19) Plain Bob, (20) Mileham, (21) Plain Bob, (22) Southrepps, (23) Clifford's Pleasure, (24) Reverse Canterbury. (25) Costessy, (26) St. Columb, (27) St. Giles', (28) St. Andrew's. (29) St. Nicholas'. (30) Norwich: (31) St. Thomas'. (32) St. Miles', (33) St. John's, (34) Winchendon Place, (35) Walsingham, (36i SI. Luke's. (37) Grandsire, (38) Plain Bob, (39) Grandsire, (411) Plain Bob, (41) Grandsire, (42) Plain Bob.
Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.) in $A$ flat.

John M. 2 A. James Poynor
Cond M. Jelley $\because$. Temor
Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

- First peal in as many variations'.

Rung for the Festival of Whitsuntide.
BLANKNEY. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon.. May 22. 1961, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

> AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWAD. A PELE 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being two extents each of Kent Treble Bob. Single Oxford and Plain Bob, and one of St. Clement's. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
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Conducted by Loliss Willeders
*First peal on an 'inside' bell. $\dagger$ First in more than one method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower."

## CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Whit Monday, May 22, 1961, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Ipswich. Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Double Court and Plain Bob.
Owen C. Ballard .. .. Treble Samuel J. Twitchett
Rosemary J. Seabrook ... 2 a Alan R. Andrews .....
roger J. Palmer .. .. 3 Edward E. Davey .. .. Temor
Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.
STITHIANS, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 22, 1961, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Stythian,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES
Tenor 9 cwt.

Roger G. Eggins .. .. 3 Anthony J. Davidson . . Tenor
Conducted by Clement W. Jose.

* First peal at first attempt.

To commemorate the 11 th anniversary of the rehanging of the bells.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Tues., May 23, 1961, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes,

## At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 extents in 27 methods, viz. Two extents each of St. Simon's, Eynsham, St. Albans, Cassington, St. Martin's, St. Leonard's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, St. Giles'. St. Andrew's, St. Nicholas', St. Thomas', St. Miles', St. John's. Winchendon Place Bob, and one each of Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington, Old Bob, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb's, St. Luke's, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Stedman. Peter J.. Chilton .. .. Treble $\mid$ Sandra E. Chesterton .. 3 Brian S. Chapman .. .. 2 John M. Jelley .. .. 4
A. James Poynor .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## SEALE, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., May 23, 1961, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
At the Church of Si. Lawrence.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Conducted by Edward J. Bragg.

* First peal of Plain Bob Minor.

Rung to commemorate the centenary of the restoration and rehallowing of St. Lawrence's, Seate.

## MALDON, ESSEX

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 24, 1961, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being four extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.
Tenor 12 cwt . 2 qr . 2 lb . in F sharp.
 - john Clarke .. $. . . \quad . . \quad 3$ james L. Towler $\quad . . \quad$.. Tenor Conducted by Aribur Hubble.

* First peal. First of Minor on the bells since they were rehung in 1922.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Thurs.. May 25, 1961, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and all Angels.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents (C.C.C. Nos. $55,49,51,52,34,48$ and 28). Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr .6 lb . in C.

| Frederick Watson .. .. Treble | Brian G. Warwick |
| :---: | :---: |
| David W. Stinson | J. Hedley Wale |
| Mark G. WOOd | Le |

> Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

A 16th birthday compliment to David Sienson: also rung for the 31 st anniversary of the dedication of the bells. and as a 15 th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. Davis (chorister at Croft) and his wife.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 25, 1961 , in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,

## At the Bell Foundry Campanile, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 15 methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich. Norfolk, Bourne and Hull Surprise: (2) Kent and Oxford T.B.; (3) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise ; (4) S. Oxford and S. Court ; (5) Double Oxford ; (6) St. Clement's ; (7) Plain. Rung on the front six.
 C. William Hall .. .. 3 Roland Beniston .. .. Tenor

- 150th peal.

SILK WILLOUGHBY. LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 25, 1961, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Denis,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents, each called differently: 110 singles, 50 bobs. Tenor 8 cwt .3 qr .18 lb.

. Conducted by James H. Musson.

* First peal of Plain Bob Minor.

A tribute of esteem and respect for Mr. H. M. Day.
TIMSBURY, SOMERSET.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thurs.. May 25, 1961, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church or St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being two 2.160's and one 720
Patrick J. Bird .. . Treble
Reginald G. Hooper .. 2
*Roysion Blackler .. .. 3
David Heighton Tenor 12 cw
Francis C. Mogford . . Tenor

* First peal of Surprise Minor.

Conducted by David Heighton.

BARKING, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., May 26, 1961, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
AT PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being an extent each of Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's. Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Conducted by Robert E. Lester.
A birthday peal for J. B. Morley.

## WAKEFIELD. YORKSHIRE

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Fri., May 26, 1961, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes, <br> \section*{At 37. Thornes Lane, <br> \section*{At 37. Thornes Lane, <br> A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR}

Being seven extents in 130 methods: (1) Charlwood. Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Newdigate. Old Oxford, Willesden. College Bob IV, Humber. Braintree. Taxal, Marple, Clarence and Elston Delight and Morning Star Treble Bob; (2) Benington, Freiston, Langton, Frampton, Candlesby, Butterwick, Tattershall. Alford, Chelford, Poynton, Sutton, Denton. Ellacombe. Finchley, Darrington, Adwick and Thrybergh Alliance, Double Oxford, London, College, Wavertree College and Double Court, Cripplegate and Cornhill Little and Bastow Little Court; (3) Blaxhall. Mitcham. Stanhoe. Stratton. Stonehouse. Ringstead. Hayes, Sharnbrook, Ellacombe, Buxton, Iver. Wordsley. Lamberhurst, Harmondsworth. Bramfield Alliance and Little Bob; (4) Berkeley, Kentish, Pembroke. Edinburgh, Barham and Oswald Delight. Berwyn and Waterford Treble Bob, Pencombe. Eardisley, Bodenham. Morland. Crofton, Kirkthorpe. Kippax, Felkirk Alliance and Bastow Little Court; (5) Duke of Norfolk. College Exercise. Norbury, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure. Kingston, Oxford and Kent Trehle Bob, Surfleet, Spalding, Pinchbeck. Wainfleet. Gedney. Gunby, Spilsby, Bicker, Normanton and Sibsey Alliance, Bastow and Kent Little Court; (6) Walsingham, Cromer, Olney, Tibenham. Lammas, Steventon. Fulmer, Chalfont, Penshurst. Northaw, Allesley. Wrentham, Calverleigh, Snod!and, Swanscombe. Hever Alliance. St. Lawrence Little Bob, Little Bob and Crayford Little Court: (7) Mendlesham and Tonbridge Alliance. Belvedere Little Bob. St. Clement's. Childwall, College, Wavertree College. Thelwall, London. Lytham, Horsmonden. Killarney, Frodsham, Windermere, Cumberland, Ennerdale. Fulbeck, Canterbury, Reverse, Double and Plain Bob. Pontefract. Wath. Donottar and Carisbrooke Delight;

249 changes of method. A plain lead of each method included.
Tenor size 12 in $F$ sharn.
Howard Scoit .. .. .. $1-2 \mid$ Wilfrid F. Mureion .. 3-4 W. Eric Critchley .. .. 5-6 Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
The most methods rung in a peal, and the most possible in seven extents.

## WANLIP, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Syston District)

THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL CAMPANOLOGICAL SOCIETY.
On Fri., May 26, 1961, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
at the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents (all singles). Tenor 7 cwt .3 qr .3 lb .
*Rupert A. Clarke.. .. Treble *David F. Moore .. .. 4
$\dagger$ Rodney E. Lloyd .. .. 2 J. C. Shirley Scott .. 5
$\ddagger$ Malcolm D. Barsby .. 3 B. Stedman Payne .. . . Tenor Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

* First peal on tower bells. † First peal. $\ddagger$ First of Bob Minor. First of Minor by the Sociely.

Rung on St Augustine's Day as a thanksgiving for the archbishopric of Dr. Fisher; also as a farewell to the Rev. C. F. Trevor, Curate of Birstall, and to mark the ordination on Trinity Sunday of Derek G. Goodman, a member of this Society.

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL. BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, At the Church of St. Agatha,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
*Barbara M. Butler
.. Treble Margaret E. Thewlis
*Roger A. Howes .. .. 22 Edward R. Venn
Helen J. Butler
Conducted by Euward R. Venn.
*First peal. Believed to be the fastest pcal on the bells.
Rung as a 141 h birthday compliment to Barbara M. Butler (May 28th).

CLUTTON. SOMERSET.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., May 27. 1961, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Oxford Boh. Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . *Christine Collett ..Treble †Antony R. Kench.. .. 4 John C. Baldwin .. .. 2 Royston Blackler .. 5 Ian C. Maycock .. .. 3 Michael J. Austin. . .. Tenor Conducted by Royston Blackler.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First in more than one method.

For Founders' Day.

## KIRKBY LONSDALE, WESTMORLAND.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
at the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being two extents Oxford T.B. and five Kent T.B. Tenor 12 cwt . harold N Tembey. Treble $\mid$ Thomas Metche
James Dickinson $\quad .$.
Alan Capstick .. .. .. 3 William G. Wilson .. Tenor
Conducted by George E. Braithwatte.
First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all the band except the conductor, and on the bells.
Rung for the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Capstick.

## MEREWORTH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 27, 1961, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

## At the Church of Sr. Lawrence,

In four methods, being two extents of Kent T.B., Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and one of Oxford T.B. Tenor 9t cwt. in A. flat.
 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { *Martin L. Howe } & . . & 2 & \text { Bernard Groves } \\ \text { Monty W. Gllbert } & . . . & 3 & \text { Trevor A. Cross } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\ \text { Tethor }\end{array}$ Monty W. Gilbert Conducted by Bernard Groves. * 25th peal.

## HANDBELL PEAL

BARROW-UPON-SOAR. LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Syston District)
THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL CAMPANOLOGIC AL SOCIETY
On Wed., May 24, 1961. in 1 Hour and 33 Minutes, At 66. Melton Road,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES
Being 42 extents (four callings).
*Malcolm D. Barsby $\quad . \quad 1-2 \mid$ B. Stedman Payne
*David F. Moore .. .. 5-6
Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.
*First peal of Boh Doubles.
A birthday peal for the rioger of the treble.

## HALF PEALS

STUDLEY, WARWICKS,On May 22nd, 2.520 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Gwilt 1 , R. Spray 2, Miss M. Tyson 3, T. Griffiths 4. J. W Perkins (cond.) 5, R. Crook 6. Rung by the Sunday service band as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Perkins, on their wedding anniversary

SWITHLAND, LEICS.-On May 27th, 2.880 Plain Bob Doubles: Pamesa C. Dobson 1, M. W. Brown (first -inside') 2, Judy A M. Cox 3. R. E. Lloyd 4. H. Brant (cond.) 5, M. J. Copson 6. First half peal by all the band.
TRURO, CORNWALL.-On May 13th, at the Cathedral, 2.640 Plain Bob Major: C. W. Jose 1, A. Locke 2, G. Eyles 3, Rev. A. S. Roberts 4 G. D. Carter 5, A. J. Davidson 6, R. A. Southwood 7. A. Carveth (cond.) 8. Rung for the Festival of the Friends of the Cathedral.

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.-On May 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. Wond 1, M. W. Ford 2. N. J. Hayne 3, W. C. Trevett 4, Joseph H. Hayne (cond.) 5. D, J. Wood 6. Rung for the arrival of Richard John, son of Mr, and Mrs. H. J. Ford.

ABINGDON, BERKS.-On May 28th, at St, Nicolas' Church, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Angela Carter 1, B. R. Care (cond.) 2, Anne M. Rowson (first 'inside') 3. Mrs. A. E. Lock 4. Philippa 1. P. Dixon (first 'inside ') 5. Margaret Simmonds
(first quarter) 6 A compliment to the newly apoointed Mayor, Alderman Burrett.

BARKING, SUFFOLK.-On May 14th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, N. F. Whittell 2, A. E. J. Lester 3, R. L. K Whittell 4, R. E, Lester (cond.) 5, J. B. Morley 6. Rung half-muffled, before Evensong, in memoriam Miss F. Emsden, lifelong worshipper and chorister at this church.
barming, KENT.-On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Gunner 1, R. Phippen 2, W. Grice 3. L. Colvin (first 'inside') 4, W. Manser (cond.) 5, T. Crocker (first quarier) 6. For Confirmation.

HARKBY, LEICS.-On May 21st, 1.320 Reverse St. Bartholomew's Doubles: Christine Smith 1, R. D. Flowers 2. Amy Warnes 3, B. Brant 4, M. R. A. Kirk (cond.) 5, K. Robinson 6. Rung on Barkby's bellringers and choir Sunday

HARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCS.-On May 17th, 1,280 Double Norwich Coirt Bob Major: J. Bray (cond.) 1. C. A. Harrison 2, H. Hall 3, S. Bromfield 4, G. E. Feirn 5, G. Dodds 6, A. Crowder 7 M. Crowder 8. Rung after failure of peal attemnt, on the 50th anniversary of the first peal rung in this tower.
BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.-On May 28th 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. G. Godwin 1, M. D. Barsby 2, F. K. Thompson 3, G. B. Lowe 4, J. R Perkins 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1, 2, 4, 5 and by the present Sunday service band. For Evensong on the Patronal Festival.
BENGEO, HERTS.-On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Doubles ( 660 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob): Mrs. M. Butcher 1, A. S. Carter 2, J. H. Phillips 3. E. J Phillins (cond.) 4, J. Welch 5, S. D. Butcher 6. For Evensong. and as a 21 se birthday compliment to Miss J. Margaret Tate, a member of the local band.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.-On May 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Sheath (first of Minor) 1. E. R. Rapley 2, E. F. Fosberry 3, H. F. Wood 4, C. Longhurst 5. G. C. Rix (cond.) 6. For Whit Sunday Evensong.
BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.-On May 29th. 1,260 Doubles; (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Linda Cull 1, Veronica Tumber 2, Vivien Rowe 3, T. Chapman 4, Caroline Vibert 5, W. Durrant 6. First quarter 1. 2 and 6 . Rung for Trinity.

BOTTESFORD, LEICS. On May 25th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. T. Samuel 1, W. L. Exton (cond.) 2, J. D. Clarke 3, T. G. Goodwin 4, M Briton 5, T. O. Greasley 6, L. B. Box 7. J. Marshall 8. Rung half half-muffled as a token of respect to H. Tinkler. 40 years a chorister at this church.

BRIGHTON. SUSSEX.-On May 28 th , at the Church of St. Peter, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: B Stone 1. Jean Warner 2. C. W. T. Riddleston 3,
Angela Grainger (cond.) 4. B. Norih 5. G. North 6, A. W. Bond 7. D. Snoswell 8. In memoriam Rt. Rev, John C. H. How, one time Vicar of Brighton and retired Primus of the Episcopal Church in Scotland and Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway, who died on Whit Monday in his 79th year.
BRISTOL.-At Christ Church, on May 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. R. Kench 1, Judith Atkinion 2 J M. Stallard 3, R. Blackler 4. M. J. Ausin S, D R. M. Heighton (cond.) 6. J. C. Baldwin 7.
S. M. J. Young 8. By U.B.S.C.R. for Rogation Sunday.

## QUARTER PEALS

RRISTOL.-At the Cathedral. on May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. Algate 1, Kathleen M. Exeli 2. Jacqualine A. Purnell 3, P. Bridle 4, P. J. Dye 5. D. C. Exell 6, C. Richards (cond.) 7. D. C. J. Padfield 8
BURNLEY, LANCS.-At St. Peter's Church, on May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. A. Collier (first quarter) 1, R. Bolt 2, R, Parker 3, Pamela Blakeley 4, N. Smith (cond.) 5, E. J. F. Wall 6. Rung for Mayoral Sunday.
CALSTOCK, CORNWALL.-On May $24 \mathrm{~h}, 1,260$ Grandsire Doubles: Ruth Aston (13, first quarter) 1 Rev. G. W. Ruming 2, Marion Lidgey 3, K. G Davey 4, H. Miles (cond.) 5, J. Harvey 6. A welcome to the Rector, the Rev. G. W. Ruming, inducted at Calsweck on May 18 th
CALVERLEY, YORKS.-On May 28th, 1.264 Plain Rob Major: J. M. Dixon 1, P. M. Dawson 2, W. Lee 3, R. A. Appleby 4, R. Waddingion 5, P. Wheatley 6. P. M. Lumley 7, R. J. Lumley (cond) 8. For evening service. Birthday comnliments to Mrs. P. Dawson, Mrs. P. Wheatley and P. M. Lumley.

CAPEL, SURREY.-On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor; Patricia Sheldon (first quarter) 1, Hannah Penfold 2, A. Harman (cond.) 3, R. Tullett 4, Barbara Sheldon 5, P. Ede 6. For Whit Sunday Evensong.

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA.-On May 21st, 1.279 Grandsire Doubles: L. Hewitt 1, V. Sheppard 2. J. Riley 3. O. Lamb (has "circled" the tower) 4. R. Law (cond.) 5, J. Ernstzen, jun. 6. For Whit Sunday Evensong.
CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.-On May 21st, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: R. M. Damerell 1, Mrs P. S. Cracknell 2, B. Edwards 3, Mrs, J. Kelly 4, B. A. Crackneil 5, P. W. Atkins (cond.) 6. For Evensong on Whit Sunday.
CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Penny (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. H. J. Sutton 2, W. W. T. Daniell 3, Miss R. Roworth 4, Dr. C. G. Roworth 5, A. R. Peake 6, E. Sution (cond.) 7, E. Vincent 8.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.-On May 19th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Barratt 1. G. Forrester 2, Miss B. M. Holm 3. L. Connall 4, E. Pimlott 5, B. J. Ongley (cond.) 6
CHELFORD, CHESHIRE,-On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Newton (first quarter) 1, E Pimlott (cond.) 2, R. Barratt 3, H. Callwood T. Norbury 5, F. G. Forrester 6. For Evensong. CHELSFIELD, KENT. On Whit Sunday, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Smith 1, Hillary Martin (first of Minor 'inside') 2. Pauline Fennell 3, Julian Outhwaite 4, M. Legg (first of Minor) 5, D. Manger (cond.) 6. For Evensong.
CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.-On May 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: V. Griffin 1, Miss S. Parsons 2. I. Goulser 3, A. Bennett 4, C. Wratten 5, P. Hurcombe (first quarter in method) 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7, G. Drew 8. A compliment to Miss Shirley Parsons and Geoffrey Drew on their engagement
CHIDDINGLY, SUSSEX.-On May 18th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Vine 1, Rev. G. Summergood 2, W. Cull 3. J. E. Baker 4, G. Beeney (cond.) 5, K. Funnell 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 6. Rung half-mufficd in memoriam Miss Denise Knight, ringer a! this tower.
CHIDDINGLY, SUSSEX.-On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss V. Knight (first quarter) 1, Rev. G: Summergond 2, W. Cull 3, I. E. Baker 4 G. Beency (cond.) 5, C. Vine 6. For Evensong.

CONSTANTINE, CORNWALL.-On May 9th. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: K. I. Tatt (first quarter) i. C. Riddy (first quarter) 2, R. G. Eggins 3, Mrs R. O. Mossop 4. C. W. Jose 5, G. W. Riddy 6. To celebrate the birth of a son (Anthony Russell) to Keith and Frances Tatt, ringers.
CONSETT, CO. DURHAM.-On May 28th, 720 Kent T.B., 540 Plain Bob Minor: G. Wall 1. J Vickery 2, M. Armstrong 3, N. Errington 4. R Skelton 5, R. Oliver (cond.) 6, W. Tyson cover bell.

DEREHAM, NORFOLK.-On May 14th, 1.264 Plain Rob Major: P. 1. Pease 1. P. M. Farrow (first of Major and 'inside') 2, J. Hindry 3, T. G. Pett 4. E. Howes 5, S. Marshall 6. G. Love 7, G. P. Adams (cond.) 8. Rung on the occasion of the Norfolk County Youth service at Dereham.
DURKING, SURREY.-On May 17th, 1.280 Kent Treble Boh Major: G. Marriner 1, Jean Lavender 2, Ethel Clear 3, Olive Boulden 4. E. G. L. Coward 5. D. Mundy (first of Kent) 6. A. P. Canmon (cond.) 7. G. F. Pratt (first of Kent) 8. Rung to commemorate the consecration of Guildford Cathedral.

DORCHESTER, OXON.-On May 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Peggi E. Exon 1, Margarer E. Thewlis 2, Barbara M. Burler 3, R. A. Howes 4, P. G. Mellone 5, R. H. Jones 6, E. R. Venn (cond.) 7, W. Thame 8. Rung for the Dorchester Festival service.
DOVER, KENT.-At St. Mary's Church, on May $23 \mathrm{rd}, \mathbf{1 , 2 6 0}$ Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. George 1, C. Genrge 2, J. Eagles 3, G. Gray (cond.) 4, G. Ruck 5 E. J. Walker 6, J. D. Thomas 7, M. Godfrey 8. Rung to celcbrate the making of the new Mayor of Dover.
EDENBRIDGE, KENT.-On May 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: P. W. Morse 1, C. Cook 2. E. C. Leigh 3. Ann George 4, E. J. Jenner 5, S. Jenner (cond.) 6. First of Bob Minor for 2 and 3. For Evensong.
ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.-On May 21st, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: G. Peck 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, H. Fuller 3. Miss D. Reeve 4. J. E. Ivings 5, A. J. Davey 6. E. Hotinn 7, J. W. Paut (cond.) 8. For morning

EPSOM, SURREY.-Al Christ Church, on May 17th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Rosemary Blyth (first in eight bells) 1, R. E. Fentiman (first of Grandsire - inside ') 2, F. Oakshott (cond.) 3, Sylvia Marsh 4. W. Parror: 5, D. J. F. Oakshott 6, D. Herschell 7. J. Munton 8. Rung to mark the dedication of the new Cathedral at Guildford.
ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.-AI. St. Barnabas', on May 24th, 1, 260 Plain Bob Minor: W. T. Shetion (first quartic away from tenor) 1, A. Brazington (first of Minor) 2, Mrs. D. J. Atherley 3 R. C. Ingram 4, W. J. V.. Conduct 5, D. R. Ingram (cond.) 6, Rung for the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Payne (members of the local band).
EWELL, SURREY,-On May 17th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. J. Munday 1, H. E. Good 2, Gladys Anderson 3, A. S. Besait 4, P. Ford 5, R. C. Spittle 6, C. W. Munday (cond.) 7. D. A. Carpenter

To mark the consectation of Guildford Cathedral.
FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay 1, E. A. Haines 2, I. Ann Abrahams 3, J. E. Daniels 4, W. T. Godfrey $5, \mathrm{R}$. Haines 6, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 7. E. J. Doel 8.
GOTHAM, NOTTS.-On May 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew, April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Blackshaw 1, C. Froggati 2, J. Woolley 3, M. W. Harrison 4. B. Mills (cond.) 5. A 72nd birhday compliment to Mrs. E. E. Blackshaw and a 21 st birthday compliment to Mr. B. Longley.
HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDX.-On May 28th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs, M. Sprackling (first of Minor) 1, C. Stevenson 2, H. J. Eldred 3, M. Sprackling 4, W. G. Wilson 5, D. C. Morgan (cond.) For morning service.
HAWLEY, HANTS.-On May 24ih, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Evemy 1, Sylvia J. Tate-Mitchell (first - inside ') 2, T. Page (cond.) 3, Stella P. Tate-Mitchell 4. P. Joyse 5, R. Clist 5, 1. Murgatroyd 7, G. Gilding 8.
HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.-On March 5th, 720 Ipswich Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Minor: J. R. G. Snicer 1. F. R. Nicholls 2, A. J. Davey 3, D. F. Murfer 4. D. E. R. Knights S, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. T. Howes 1, J. R. G. Spicer 2. R. W. Green 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, M. J. Dyer 5 . H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

HENLOW. BEDS.-On May 21st, 1.260 Grandsire Doubies: P. Thompson 1, K. Barnes 2, M. Major (cond.) 3, R. Fuller 4, L. H. Bywaters 5, T. Pike 6. For morning servicc.
HERSHAM, SURREY.-On May 28th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. A. Smith 1, H. Coloombe 2, Joan A. Smith 3, Gwen May 4, J. Martin 5, C. N. Evensong.
HONITON, DEVON.-On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Broom (first quarter, age 13) 1 , . Real 2, W. Webb 3, A. Hodge 4. D. Salier cond.) 5. M. Squire 6. Also on May 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman and Grandsire): Janet Real 1, W Webb 2, A. Hodge 3. D. Satter 4, C. Webb (cond.)

HORSELL, SURREY.-On May 14th, 1.260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasurc, Plain Bob and Grandsirc): J. Bilk 1. Miss y. Drury 2. Miss P. Drury 3, G. Oliver 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5. D. Priestley 6. A birthday complimem 10 C. Spiers (75 yzars), formerly a ringer at East Mcon parish hurch.
HUNTINGDON.-At All Saints', on Easter Day, 1.260 Plsin Bob Minor: A. T. Howes 1, C. L. Bell 2. J. R. G Spicer 3. A. J. Davey 4. P. E. Wellg 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.-On May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. R. Norris 1. Penclope Clark (first 'Inside') 2, N. Wright (first ' inside') 3, S. W. Brown (cond.) 4, H. W. Brown 5, M. Wooldridge 6. Rung for Rogation Sunday. Also on May 1 lth. 1.260 Plain Bub Doubles: R, Allen (first away from a cover bell) 1, H. W. Brown 2, S. W. Brown (cond.) 3. M. Wooldridge 4, J. R. Norris 5, N. Wright 6, For Ascension Day.
KEA, CORNWALL.-On May 20th, 1.260 Doubles (Siedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. W. Jose 1, G. D. Carter (firse in three methods) 2, A. Locke 3. A. J. Davidson 4, D. Burnett (cond.) 5, B. A. Parkin 6.
KENILWORTH, WARWICKS.-On May 18 th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Mathews 1, C. Royal 2. D. Joyce 3, C. Williams 4, J. Webh (cond.) 5, T. Webb 6. For Confirmation service by the Bishop of Coventry.
KIRBY-IN-FURNESS, LANCS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Boumphrey 1, H. Tembey 2. N. M. Newby 3, J. Blackburn 4, A. Capstick 5. T. F. Metcalfe (first as cond.) 6. Rung after a peal attemp failed.
LANE END, BUCKS.-On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Goodchild (first of Minor) 1, Faith Harris 2. K. Seymour (cond.) 3, G. Smith 4, C. Hagger 5, R. Hazell 6. For Parish Communion.

LEIGH-ON-MENDIP, SOMERSET.-On May 24th, 1.26n Grandsire Doubles: D. A. J. Biles (first quarter) 1, Celia M. Hill (first 'inside') 2, D. M. C. Hill 3, H. F. Creed 4, W. J, Tiley (cond.) 5, H. C. Lintern 6
LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.-On May 28th, 1,260 Sredman Triples: A. E. Rushton (cond.) 1. H. B. Whitney 2, G. Hawkins 3, J. M. Sterhens 4. R. Churchill 5. K. G. Spavins 6. R. Woodruff 7. E. Conquest 8. Rung in honour of the ordination to priesthood of the Rev. R. L. Law, B.A.

LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.-On May 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Deddington, April Day, Plain Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire): M. Wall 1, A. Stenning 2, E. Jarrett 3, A. Terry 4, E. Nixon 5, W. Luff 6. For evening service.
LINCOLN.-At the Cathedral, on May 21st, 1,299 Stedman Caters: M. Parkinson 1, Mrs. G. R. Parker 2, Miss C. Dillamore 3, S. A. Chambers 4, W. Tomlinson (cond.) 5, R. F. Smith 6, C. E. Brown 7. H. L. Pask 8, G. R. Parker 9, G. Paul 10. For morning service.

LITTLEHAM, S. DEVON.-On May 30ch. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): O. Gaiter 1. J. Carter 2, F. Mack (cond.) 3, J. West 4, R. Gatter 5, G. Elleu 6, P. Gatter 7 T. Sparkes 8. Rung half-muffied as a tribute of respect io Preb. E. V. Cox. president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers from 1933, who died this day.
LONDON, S.E.-At Southwark Cathedral, on May 14th. 1.260 Grandsire Triples: E. J. Rowe 1. R. W. Hinde 2. A. Rogers 3. B. Baker 4, W. T. Cook (cond.) 5, S. F. Kimber 6, J. Phillips 7, T. N. Bailey 8. Also on May 28th, at St. Clement Danes", 1.259 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Cook 1, F. V. Gant 2. E. Furbank 3. D. Hewitt 4. B. Hines 5, R. Chapman 6. Miss P. Bourn 7. A. Gargrave 8, L. S. Woods (cond.) 9, J. McPhail 10. For Evensong on Trinity Sunday.
I.ONDON.-On May 14ih. at St. Clement Danes. 1.277 Grandsire Caters: A. Fulwell 1, Mrs. W. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Oatway 2, W. Oatway 3. C. A. Hughes 4, M. } \\ \text { Sprackling 5. A. E Laker } & \text {. }\end{array}$ Sprackling S. A. E. Laker 6. C. M. Meyer 7. F. Mead 8, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 9, W, J. Bradbronk 10. For moming service. Also on Whit Sunday. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss A. Lowings 1, A. H. Worboys 2. J. Carrott 3. S. Penfold 4. F. G. Richardson 5. F. V. Gant (cond.) 6. T. East 7, J. McPhail 8. For Matins.

## QUARTER PEALS

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.-On May 28th, 1,260 Plain Hob Minor: Ann Hancock 1, Wendy Bowak 2, N. King 3. L. Cordell 4, S. King 5. H. King (cond.) 6. For Matins, and a birthday compliment to $\mathbf{H}$. King.
OCKHAM, SURREY.-On May 7th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bills (first quarter) 1, Miss 1. Drury 2. A. D. Leach 3, J. Martin 4, B. Priestley (cond.)

OXFORD.-On May 21 st , at St . Ebbe's Church, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Withell 1. W. H. B. Wilkins 2, A. R, Pink (cond.) 3, J. R. Harris 4, C. Coles 5, E. R. Venn 6. J. H. R. Freeborn 7, A. E. Ivings 8 .

PRISTON, SOMERSET.-On May 25th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Monica Horseman 1, Sally Oases (first of Minor) 2, J. Brain 3, D. J. Barnett 4, A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, D. E. Cobb 6.

RAMPTON, NOTTS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Grace Borchall 1, Katherine Burchall 2, S. Lewis 3, R. Fanthorpe 4, D. McNeil 5, J. Coates (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Miss Pat Grady, a ringer at this church, and Mr. B. Haynes.
REIGATE, SURREY.-On May 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sharon Northeas 1, Joon Hanning (first in method) 2, G. Olliver 3, K. Game 4, W. Inwood 5, A. Streeter (cond.) 6, Freda Hankey (cover).
RODBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.-On May 19th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: W. B. Kynaston 1. R. E. G. Luton 2, A. T. Collins 3, W. J. Alexander (first - inside ') 4, D. Bounds (cond.) 5, F. Broughton 6. For Confirmation service, and a compliment to Mrs. K. Knapp, widow of a former vicar, on her 90 Mh birthday.
RYE, SUSSEX.-On Ascension Day. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles ( $7,6,8$ covering): Tina W. Newnham 1. Susan M. Morley (first 'inside') 2, Noreen Winter 3. Gillian Sewell 4, A. J. Hicks 5, D. P. Darby 6. S. Skinner 7, T. Longley 8. Conducted iointly by 3 and 5. First quarter 1 and 6. Also on Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Hicks (cond.) 1, Felicity M. A. Rooke 2, Noreen Winter 3, R. Simpson 4, M. Wimer 5, J. Small 6. D. Hodgson 7. S. Skinner 8. For Evensons.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.-At the Church of St. Stephen, 1,440 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B.): B. B. Hullah 1, Cecilia J. Bland 2, A. T. Hawkins 3, Christine M. Rimmer 4, M. L. J. Jordan 5. R. E. Hardy (cond.) 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Dennis Bowen and Christine Pullin, who were married on the following Saturday, also in commemoration of the dedication of Guildford Cathedral,
ST, ALBANS, HERTS.-At St. Peter's, on May 21/st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Chambers 1. Miss P. Rooney (first on eight) 2, S. P. Darvill 3. K. J. Darvill 4, T. J. Southam 5. R. W. Darvill 6. H. V. Frost (cond.) 7. H. J. Rooney (first on eight) 8. For Evensong, and as a wedding compliment to Miss Christine Pullin and Dennis Bowen, who were married at this church on the previous day.
SAXILBY, LINCS.-On April 16th, 1,320 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): M. Keyworth 1. Shirley Guymer 2, H. W. Cox 3. J. M. Blaikie 4. D. Crosby 5. J. H. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Evensong. and a 21 st birthday compliment to Mr. R. Crosby.
SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.-On Whit Sunday, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Welch I. D. R. Sunday. 1. 260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Welch 1. D. R.
Best 2. Cornelius 3. A. Besi 4. R. Welch 5. I. Best 6. For Evensong.
SLOUGII, BUCKS.-On May 21sr. 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. R. Bowler 1. J. K. Ward 2. A. D. Rivers 3. W. D. Ward 4. D. K. Walters 5. F. R. Scott 6. D. P. Hilling (first of Maior as cond.) 7, W. Birmingham 8. For the Whitsun Festival.

STANWELL, MIDDX.-On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1. Miss P. Harris 2, C. Fynes (cond.) 3-4, K. Young 5, D. Pickett 6. Also on Feb 25th, 1,260 Original Doubles (same band, except J. Bnyd); Feb. 26th. 1.260 Doubles ( 11 methods), same hand as Feh. 19th. Also on Feh. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles. On Mar 12th, 1.260 Doubles (six methods); on April 9th. 1.260 Doubles ( 10 methods); Adril 23rd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor; April 30th. 1,260 Durubles ( 10 methods).
STOGUMBER, SOMERSET.-On April 29th, 1.2611 Grandsire Doubles: A. Routley 1, J. Hawkins 2, P. Wats 3. R. Penny 4. R. Somerfield (cond.) 5. S Bryant 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. G. Hayes (chorister) and his bride, Miss C. Norman.
STRATTON, CORNWALL.-On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. T. Stacey 1. J. Tomsett 2, H. Trewin 3. E. G. Talbot (cond.) 4. H. Heard 5. A. R. Pargeter 6, H. Stacey 7, J. Hockridge 8. For Whitsun.
SWINDON, WILTS.-At Christ Church, on May 28th. 1.259 Grandsire Caters: R. J. Drewett 1, Mrs. E. Sutton 2, Miss M. Wright 3, W. W. T. Daniell 4. Dr. H. Craig 5, Dr. C. G. Roworh 6, Rev. R. E. G. Bryant - R. G. Townsend 8. E. Sutton (cond.) 9, E. Vincen 10. To mark the preferment of the Rev. R. E. G. Bryant, ringer of the 7 th , so the living of Stratton St. Margaret.
SYSTON, LEICS.-On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Christine A. Smith 1. M. D. Barsby 2, B. Brant 3, H. Humphreys 4, H. M. Payne 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. A wedding day compliment to James Mitchell (ringer at this tower) and Miss Cymulia Saunders.
THRUSSINGTON, LEICS.-On May 22nd. 1.500 Doubles (Cantarbury, Grandstre. Plain Bob): Christine Smith 1, Amy Warnes 2, Ann Warnes 3, M. R. A. Kirk 4, B. Brant (cond.)
WALKERVILLE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.-Ai ths Church of St. Andrew, on May 10th, 1,260 Plain Boh Doubles: Jane Carter 1, Enid Roberts (cond.) 2. D. Gambling 3, S. Carter 4. W. B. Pitcher 5, R. Tothill 6. First quarter 1, 3, 4 and 6.
WARBOROUGH, OXON.-On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bab Major: A. R. Pink 1, W. D. Ward 2, Miss P. Jervis 3, A. J. Adams 4, C. Coles 5. A. J. Glass 6, C. H. Kinch 7, W. Birmingham (cond.) 8. Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. W. L. Bunce. Also a wedding comptiment to Dennis Bowen and Christine Pullin, and a wekome to Jonathan, second son of Daphne and Malcolm $\mathbf{S}$. Cloke.
WARMLEY, GLOS.-On May 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Taysom 1, Sheila C. Matthews 2, Sandra Lewis 3, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 4. B. K. Lewis 5. C. J. Richards 6. Rung half-muflied in memory of Mr. H. Hardwick and Mrs. B. Selman. WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.-On May 24th, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: D. G. Miller (cond.) 1, S. N. Bristow 2. Pamela M. Stevens 3. W. Stevens 4, C. J. Sievens 5. L. Morrell 6. A 21st hirthday compliment to Mrs. H. Morrish (nee Srevens), a member of the local band
WELLINGTON, SOMERSET.-On May 18 th . 1.260 Girandsire Triples: K. Thorne (first of Triples) 1. C. H. Webber 2. Mrs, D. T. Norih 3. G. J. Gammon 4. W. Sievens 5. I. G. Hughes 6, D. T. North (cond.) 7. C. E. Baker 8.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.-On May 21 st. 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. S. Richards 1, L. W. G. Skinner 2. D. M. Randall 3. W. A. Hughes 4. Mary Taylor (first of Minor as cond.) S. J. D. Faircloth 6. Also on Trinity Sunday, 1,320 Trinity Sunday Treble Bob Minor: W'. A. Hughes 1. L. W. G. Skinner 2. J. D. Faircloth 3. J. E. Cannell quarter in the method for 5. R. E. Finch 6. First quarter in the method for all.

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## PERSONALITIES OF THE EXERCISE - 23



MR. G. STEDMAN MORR1S,
Salisbury Diocesan Guild.
It would have been impossible for Mr. George Stedman Morris, of Lyme Regis, Dorset, to be anything else than a very good ringer. Christened with a name like Stedman, he just couldn't be otherwise! More important still, hoth he and his elder brother, Ernest, are sons of the late Josiah Morris, verger and tower keeper of St. Margaret's, Leicester, for many years. Josiah was blessed with an innate sense of rhythm, so essential for good ringing, and he insisted that his sons should remember that good striking is the only thing that matters. George himself has always tried to prove this by his own teaching and example. At Lyme Regis, where he moved from Leicester in 1946. he is particularly proud of the reputation of his local band for method ringing and quality striking, especially for service ringing. The several broadcasts have been models of what broadcast ringing should be like, and they have received congratulations from all parts of the country. The fact that Lyme Regis has the most advanced local band in the West of England is mainly due to his efforts, coupled with those of the Rev. Canon Carew Cox, who was Vicar there for 26 years up to 1953 and who laid the foundations.

George was born at Leicester on December 20th, 1907, educated at St. Margaret's School and taught to ring by his father, aided and abetted by brother Ernest. During this time the old ten at St. Margaret's became unsafe and were awaiting recasting into a ring of 12. so he learnt to ring handbells before tower bells. His first peal was Grandsire Doubles on handbells on his 12 th birthday, December 20th, 1919, in which his father and brother Ernest (conductor) took part. At the time he was the youngest Leicester ringer to score a peal. His first tower bell peal was unusual. It was Grandsire Triples at Thurcaston in 1922, again conducted by Ernest, in which four pairs of brothers took part, the others being Messrs. Ballard, Cattell and Whitehead. George's present total of peals is around 450 , of which he has conducted about 150, in a great variety of methods and on all numbers from Doubles to Maximus. His handbell peals number about 100, ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Bob Maximus, and he has rung every pair of bells many times to Stedman Caters and Cinques. One handbell peal of unusual interest was rung in 1924. It was Stedman Caters, conducted by Walter P. Whitehead, and was the first peal rung on ancient 'cup' handbells, taken from a set of 21 presented to the Leicester scholars in 1777 . They had boxwood clappers, and the band stuffed their ears with cottonwool!

While still in his teens George took part in a number of interesting performances. In 1924, aged 16, he rang 9,120 Spliced Treble Bob at the Loughborough Bell Foundry, the first peal of Leicester Surprise Royal, rung on the old ten at St. Martin's Cathedral (then a parish church), conducted by the late Harold Poole, and the first peal of Bristol in Derby at St. Alkmund's. In 1923 he composedr and conducted his 50th peal, Bob Major, and in 1925, aged 17, he was at that time the youngest ever to reach a century.

It must be remembered that in those days young ringers only 'got on' by proving their ability, and to be asked to stand in a peal of some importance by a prominent ringer was an honour of which to be proud. For this reason George is naturally proud of being the youngest, at the time, to ring a peal of Cambridge Maximus. This was in 1925 at St. Margaret s. Leicester, and was conducted by the great William Pye. Obviously he had impressed William Pye because he was invited to stand in, for the same method, at St. Mary-le-Bow in 1926, when still only aged 18. Again, in 1925, he was one of the company which rang two peals of Surprise Royal in a day, the first time this was accomplished. He was also in the first peal of Yorkshire Maximus for the old M.C.A. in 1926. When the Leicester Diocesan Guild was formed in 1946, out of the old M.C.A., he rang in many of their early peals, and he has rung peals on all the 13 bells in St. Margaret's, Leicester, as well as 'circling' the Bell Foundry, which he did with brother Ernest in the sme peal in 1925. In 1949 he took part in a memorable tour of Southern Ireland, led by the late Harold Poole. during which they rang the first peal of Yorkshire Maximus at St. Patríck's Cathedral, Dublin, and peals at Arklow, Kitkenny, Limerick and Waterford.

In later 1946 he moved to Lyme Regis, with his wife and small daughter, Barbara, to partner the well-known Dorset ringer Cuthbert Powell in the printing and stationery business. It is now a limited company-Messrs. Powell and Morris Lid.-and they have been entrusted with various ringing Guilds' annual reports and other work. Their neat layout is a tribute to their interest and workmanship. The local band have scored peals of Kent, Double Norwich. Stedman. New Cambridge. Yorkshire, Superlative, Rutland and London, and George is particularly proud of the first peal ever of Lyme Surprise, conducted by Canon Carew Cox and rung by the Sunday service band. He is captain of this band and Ringing Master of the West Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, and also one of their Central Council members. He has helped a good number of West Country ringers to score their 'firsts' in many methods, from Bob Minor to London Major.

## DEDICATION

## BODIAM, SUSSEX

On Sunday, April 30th, the little Church of St. Giles, Bodiam, Sussex, was filled to capacity for a service of thanksgiving and the dedication of the six bells by the Bishop of Chichester, the Rt. Rev. R. P. Wilson.
Originally there were five bells in this tower, cast at the Whitechapel Foundry in 1761 by Lester and Pack. In 1854 the third was recast by Charles and George Mears, and in 1924 the ring was rehung with new fittings.

The five bells were recast on February 15th, 1961, by the Whitechapel Foundry, and a new treble to complete a ring of six was presented by Messrs. Guinness Hop Farms. The names and weights of the bells are:-

Treble.-The Guinness Bell, 3 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb . Second.-Unnamed, 3-3-9.
Third.-The Cottam Bell, 4-1-26.
Fourth.-The St. Giles Bell, 4-2-24.
Fitth.-The All Souls' College, Oxford, Bell, 5-3-14.
Tenor.-H.M. Haile Selassie I. Emperor of Ethiopia, Bell, 7-1-5.

The service was conducted by the Rector. Major-General the Rev. A. E. Cottam, assisted by the Rural Dean, the Rev. A. N. H. Roscamp. In his address the Bishop referred to the ruins of Bodiam Castle, while the church, built about the same time, remained in firstclass order, to serve and bear witness for many years to come.

Before and immediately after the service callchanges were rung by the local band, who then handed the bells over to the visitors. Two 120 's of Grandsire Doubles were rung and the bells lowered in peal. The ringers were L. Giles (Ringing Master, Eastern Division, Sussex County Association), W. Hughes and H. Parkes, representing the bellfounders, C. J. Burgess (local captain) and Mr. and Mrs. Bassett, of Wadhurst.

## 50 Years Ago

## 'R.W.' June 9th, 1911 -

CENTRAL COUNCIL AT LEICESTER
In the absence of Mr. J. Parker (Royad Cumberland Youths), Mr. Trallope moved, and Mr. Dawe seconded: "That the Central Council give to "The Ringing World "recognition equal to that aocorded to "The Bell News" for the publication of official reports and communications, and that any peals "publisthed exclusively in "The Ringing World " shałd be counted in the Central Council's analysis.'
After a lengthy discussion, in the course of which opposition was actively led by the president, the 'previous question' was carried by about 12 votes to six, in the meeting of 60 represcntatives, and the matter was therefore shelved.

His daughter, Barbara, rang at Lyme Regis until leaving school to take up nursing. Now married and living at Tisbury, near Salisbury, she has a 12 -month-old son, making him a proud grandfather!

He has added several notable peals to his collection since diving in the West: Cambridge Twelve and two peals of Stedman Cinques at Exeter, Cambridge Maximus and Stedman Cinques at Buckfast Abbey, the latter rung for the A.S.C.Y.. for whom he also called two peals of Stedman Caters at Yeovil. He has also rung Cambridge and London at Sherborne.

He and his wife greatly enjoy entertaining visiting ringing friends and families in the summer, and their small cottage is often filled to capacity, to enable them to sample the delights of Lyme Regis, with a little ringing on the side!

George is a man of rare quality. He is a really first-class ringer on all numbers of beils in any method, and at either end of the circle (or in the middle!), who has taken his place with the best. In addition, he helps to maintain a good Sunday service band who can hold its own with any, and he is always willing to help beginners along in the simpler methods. In an area where advanced ringing is difficult to maintain, he can well be proud of his efforts to this worthy cause.

APACE.

## CHESTER GUULD ANNUAL AT MACCLESFIELD

THE annual meeting of the Chester Guild was held at Macclesfield on May 13th, and preceded by a fortnight the celebrations which the town has arranged for the 700th anniversary of the granting of the charter to Macclesfield.
The customary service was held in the Parish Church and was conducted by the Vicar, the Ven. T. Clarke. Archdeacon of Macclesfield. who also gave a very interesting address. He referred to the local celebrations and the long connection of the town with the Parish Church. He said that a church had existed since 1278. and part of the old building was contained in the Savage Chapel, which was built by a former vicar who later became Archbishop of York The first Bishop of Liverpool, Bishop Ryle, was also a Macclesfield man


## MACCLESFIELD PARISH CHURCH.

He posed the question 'Why do we belong to the Church of England?: We all should be able to give some answer. It is the ancient Church of the nation and contributed to making England one nation. The same Church had continued throughout the centuries. It is a scriptural Church in which it is ordered that the Bible must be read to the people. It is catholic and protestant both at the same time. The Reformation swept away many abuses and restored orderly worship which is intelligible
He then referred to the part that ringers play in the ministry of the Church in letting those who are unable to attend, e.g., because of sick ness, know that a service is in progress and that they can feel one with the worshipping company by taking part in their own homes with the prayer book. He also spoke of the part the laity had to play in the work of the Church.

After the service tea was served in the Stanley Hall. The Archdeacon then had to leave. but before he did so he was heartily thanked by the Master. Mr. J. W. Clarke, for his assistance.

The business meeting followed, at which the officers were all re-elected and thanked for their services. Because of alterations necessitated by the increased cost of printing, the annual report was not available, and a précis had to be given by the report secretary, Mr. C. K Lewis. This disclosed that the Guild was in a healthy state both as regards membership and finance. Reference was made to the continued value of social activities in furthering the interests of the Guild.

After hearing the report of a committee set up to advise on the possibility of changing the nature of the annual dinner, it was decided that it be continued this year in the usual form but with more opportunity for fraternisation after-
wards, and that it be held on October 14 th . The annual festival for 1962 will be held in the Grappenhall Branch on May 12 th.
The meeting concluded with a very warm vote of thanks to the Archdeacon, the churchwardens, the organist and the local Branch for all they had done individually and collectively for the welfare of the Guild on this occasion.
Ringing was enjoyed during the afternoon and evening at St. Michael's, Christ Church. St. Peter's and Sutton.
C. K. L.

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## HIS 1,000th TOWER

On May 21 st a small party of ringers from Somerset drove up into Cotswold country to celebrate the 1,000 th tower for Mr. M. J. Horseman, of Portbury.

Both the weath and the countryside were at their best, and shortdy after 3 p.m. the party arrived at their goal, the church of Coln St Aldwyn. Glos. where the milestone was cele brated with a quarter peal of Plain Bob Triples. By coincidence, three other members of the band were able to achieve moderate records: as shown: G. Skelly (first on eight) 1. Monica Horseman 2, Mary Powell (350th tower) 3. Audrey M. Short 4, J. Brain (500th tower) 5, R. D. Short 6. M. J. Horseman (cond.) 7, B. Govdliffe (first on eight, 50 th tower) 8 .
The bells are seldom rung, as soon became apparent from the 'go' and the tenor man's movements were severely hampered by the clock case, which encloses all but a foot of rope above the sally.
The quarter was followed by a very welcome tea at Bibury. Much refreshed, the party were welcomed by the Rector and members of the local band at Leachlade (a very fine six. 17 cwt.). Some goad ringing took place, including a course of London, and this met with the approval of all except the youngest member. Mark Horseman ( 3 months).
We lefit rogretfuly for the famous wool church of Fairford, with its priceless stained glass. Ringing takes place in the crossing, in full view of the congregation, and younger members of the party gained valuable experience in handling ropes of long draught. The day ended at Meyseyhampton, on an ofd Gillett six.
Our thanks to Michael for a grand afternoon's ringing, tand to all tower captains and incumbents for making us so welcome to Cotswold country.
J. B.

RAVING RINGERS' WEDDING


THERE are not many brides who manage to ring at their own weddings. Miss Christine Pullin, of St. Peter's Church, St. Albans, did. however, by taking part in a course of Minor during the reception following her marriage to Mr. Dennis Bowen, of Edmonton, on Whit Saturday.

Christine and Dennis are both members of the Society of Raving Ringers, and many ringers, both from St. Peter's Society and the Ravers, gathered to ring the bells of St. Peter's to welcome the bride. The bells again pealed out as the newly-weds left the church for the hotel where the reception was held. To the delight of the guests, ringers and non-ringers alike. Christine took part in a short course of Minor on handbells.

Christine and Dennis first met on the Ravers tour of South Wales in 1959, and became engaged before Easter this year. They are now living in Palmers Green. Christine, who is on the staff of a London hotel, has been ringing for many years at St. Peter's and is known with affection in local ringing circles. Dennis, who was also a native of Hertfordshire at one time. is now working at Edmonton Hospital.
As the couple left for their honeymoon in Paris the Ravers 'rang them out' with ricefilled handbells. Earlier in the day a peal of 7 -Spliced Minor was rung at Redbourne to honour the occasion.
Our picture, from left to right, is of Tony Mann 1-2, Terry Collins 3-4 and Mrs. Christine Bowen 5-6.
[Photo: R. C. Pullen.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD <br> Sonning Deanery Branch

The second annual striking competition of the Sonning Deanery Branch was held at All Saints', Binfield, on May 27th. The bells, a melodious and easy-going ring of six (tenor 10 $\mathrm{cwi)}$. , are rung from the ground floor, and were admirably suited for the event. Seven teams had originally entered, but as time drew near three - Arborfield, Binfield and Sandhurst found that they were not able to raise a team. which left Easthampstead, Hurst, Sonning and Twyford to compete.
The judges were the same as last year-Mr. E. J. Bragg, of Aldershot, and Mr. C. W. Denyer, of Farnham. Ali the teams rang Grandsire Doubles, the test ringing having to last not less than ten minutes. The Branch Ringing Master, Mr. H. Smith, was in charge.
The ringing over, all adjourned to the nearbv school for tea, arranged by Mrs. Tomlinson and the local ringers, who were suitably thanked by the Ringing Master.

In his report Mr. Denyer stated that there had been a great improvement on last year's ringing and that all teams rang exceedingly well, making it much more difficult to assess the faults. In order of ringing, the results were Sonning 25 faults, Easthampstead 40, Twyford 35 and Hurst 19. Hurst were therefore the winning team for 1961, and with last year's winners, Sonning, will receive a certificate at the Branch annual meeting.

Mr. E. J. Bragg in his remarks said that if the Sunday service ringing at the competitors' towers was as good as what he had just heard they certainly had reason to be satisfied with their efforts.
The usual monthly combined practice followed, when methods up to Cambridge Minor were rung.
B. C.C.

## COACH ABLAZE

Baldock ringers' annual outing ended with sufficient excitement to satisfy the young members of the party. The day had been a typical ringers' outing on the Oxfordshire-Berkshiie horder. There had been before lunch ringing at Watlington and St. Mary-le-More, Later came East Hagbourne and Harwell, with tea and a ring at Wallingford.

Now let us hear the story in our correspondent's own words. 'We turned for home, and after the usual stop were running into Hitchin in good time, just before 11.30 p.m. At the Tilehouse Street Methodist Church the coach stopped suddenly. We looked out as the driver leapt out and hastened round the side.
'It seemed hazy-someone been having a green bonfire? As the driver got back there was smoke inside the coach, from somewhere in front and not through the open door.
'It turned black and thickened. "All out!" came the imperative call. We roused ourselves, gathered our belongings and prepared to get out without much enthusiasm.
"Again came another order: "Use the emergency door." We did and all were out in safety.
'One occupant had the presence of mind to rescue the driver's maps from the dashboard; another a camera.

- What was that glimmer behind the radiator grille? It flickered and fared-FIRE! Burning fragments fell on to the road. Extinguishers were brought into use but we were glad to see the A.F.S. and Hitchin Fire Brigades, and in a couple of minutes the Letchworth Brigade.
'The fire went out quickly, and the general opinion was that the coach would need some drastic attention before being fit for use again. We stood and shivered-it was a clear, frosty night.
"The "R.W." representative was thrilled, and almost reluctant to get in the other coach in case anything else happened. The last words, however. were those of Mr. J. S. Dear: it was "The biggest fire-up of "em all"."


## LEEDS \& DISTRICT SOCIETY

Upwards of 60 members attended the annual meeting of the Leeds and District Society held at Drighlington on April 29th, when a variety of methods were rung, ranging from Plain Bob to Surprise Major.
After tea the business meeting was held, tho president (Mr. Tom Strangeway) being in the chair. Arising from the minutes. Mr. L. Drake asked why the tradition had been broken by not holding the A.G.M. at Leeds Parish Church. The secretary (Mr. D. Thorp) replied by saying that the tower captain at Leeds Parish Church (Mr. R. Dove) had complained that toffee papers, etc., had been left in the belfry after last year's meeting and that he could not advocate the clergy granting permission again this year.
Two new members were elected, these being Mr. John Couperthwaite and Mr. Russell Reed, of Leeds University.
The secretary then presented his report and statement of accounts, which showed that attendances over the year had not been too good. The statement of accounts showed that subscriptions were not fully paid up to date. However, the Society was still in a very healthy position.
All the officials who were nominated at the March meeting were automatically elected, These were: President, Mr. Tom Strangeway; vice-presidents, Messrs. A. Smith. L. Drake and J. Gibson: secretary, Mr. D. Thorp: Ringing Master, Mr. I. Slack; auditors, Messrs. R. Lumley and I. North.

Mr. Irvin Slack announced that owing to domestic reasons he was compelled to resign from the position of Ringing Master. Mr. Leonard Drake was asked to undertake the position of 'caretaker' Ringing Master until the next nomination meeting in 1962 . Mr. Drake agreed to act in this office.
Mr. Strangeway thanked Mr. Slack for his past services. Mr. D. Thorp seconded the motion.
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The reoonsecration of Yarmouth Parish Church on May 8th, an historic event that worthity Plainly celebrated by a creditable peal of Plain Bob Major on the back eight of this already famous new twelve. This, the first peal, was unique. in that the band included not only the Ringing Master of the Branch and the Master and the secretary of the Parish Church ringers but also the Vicar (vice-president of the Central Council) and one of his assistant olergy. And for Billy Bird it was a perfect way of celebrating not only his birthday but the birth of a grandson.
From Hastings we hear that the note of the tenor at All Saints' Church is in F and not F sharp.
Mr. V. Shepherd, of Cape Town, S.A.. writes to tell us that he is off on safari to South West Africa. Angola and Basutoland. - Once on the trek.' he writes. 'it will be lion, elephant, hippo, crocodile. giraffe and savages. all guaranteed truly wild.' He might even meet Dragon Major!
A lucky posting in the Royal Navy has Douglas Linington on H.M.S. 'Seahawk.' Culdrose. Helston. He has been welcomed as a regular ringer at Helston Parish Church, where his father is a member of the band.
The composition used in the peal of 5.280 Spliced Surprise Major in five methods, rung strictly silent and non-conducted by members of the Centrad Council at Silverdale on Whit Monday, was by Mr. Allbert J. Pitman.
Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Lawman. parents of two members of the Lincoln Cathedral band, celebrated their diamond wedding recently. The peal of Londinium Surprise Maximus on May 18 th was rung to mark this happy occasion.
The peal at Midsomer Norton, Somerset. was rung on the occasion of the coming of age of Mr. David J. Purnell. The band, with oiher ringers and friends, were hospitably entertained by David's father, Mr. John Purnell, at a nearby hotel. where a very pleasant evening went all to quickly.

## GOSSIP

 By ringing the tenor at Patrick Cannon, of Double Norwich Mr. A. of Dorking, has now 'turned erent tenors to peals; 62 of these have weighed between 26 and 46 cwt. He would like to thank all those many ringers who have helped him to achieve this. By a happy coincidence, Mr. Cecil W. Pipe rang the 7th. Pat has known him langer than any ringer, as they met frist in July, 1928, at St. Lawrence's, Ramsgate. Kent, where Pat was learning to handle a bell.Congratulations were extended at the Central Counc:1 meeting to Mr. E. H. Lewis on his approaching 80th birthday. The actual date is June 13 hh and ringers the world over will join in singing 'Happy birthday to you.'

Our Capetown correspondent informs us that at the Rector's request there will te no ringing on June 1st to mark the severance of the Crown and Commonwealth, in case it is misinterpreted.

We have received a copy of 'The Art of Handbell Ringing' by Nancy Poore Tufts (price 3 dollars, Abingdon Press, Nashville 2. Tennessee, U.S.A.). We hope to publish a review at an carly date.
In the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung at Darley Dale on April 13 th, the finger of the second bell was Peter D. Taylor, and the composition was Middleton's 5,056 . not 5.040 as reported. Apologies from sender to Mr. P. Taylor and Mr. M. Paulson, whose names were confused in the report.
Prior to the annual school service of the Folkstone Grammar School for Girls, held at the Church of SS. Mary and Eanswythe. Folkestone, on May 24th, the bells were rung by eight pupils of the school. The young ladies who showed their skill as ringers were Jane Black (Sellindge), Eleanor and Jane Hough (Felkestone). Patricia Mills (Cheriton), Pamela Morris (Lympne), Barbara Nicholls. Caroline Selley and Penelope Thomas (Lyminge). All the bells were rung steadily and the striking was good. Tenor $25 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt. We congratulate the girls on their success.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

## ESTABLISHED

CENTRAL COUNCIL-Continued from Page 367 DISSENTIENTS TO 'RINGING WORLD' REPORT

RINGING WORLD COMMITTEE
The report for 1960 , signed by Mr. J. F. Smallwood, stated: Owing to the inevitable accounting delays the report of your com mittee must, of necessity, be in two parts if it is to be in the hands of members for the annual meeting of the Council and when commencing this report the final figures are not a vailable.

Nevertheless. an equally important matter again to be brought to the attention of the Council is that of circulation. Copies sold in the issue of December 30th, 1960, were 5.488 , but the comparative figure for 1959 was 5.719. The Last analysis available at the time of preparing this report was for Apri! 7th 1961. giving a number of 5.503 against 5.605 for the same week in 1960. Your commitlee does not make any apologies for again urging all members of the Counil the importance of postal subscription and the additional net revenue from this sounce as compared with the amount received from sales through newsagents. Despite all the efforts of your committee over many years it is not encouraging to note that the percentage of direct copies is praotically static

For the issue of December 30th. 1960, postal copies represented 42.34 per cent. and on April 7 th. 1961 , the figure was 42.96 per cent. Comparative figures for copies through newsagents were 57.32 per cent and 56.69 per cent, giving a turnover to postal copies of .62 per cent. Although the ultimate aim of your committee remains the same-all copies by post-the response of the Exercise generally is. to say the least, apathetic.
We do most earnestly appeal to all Associations to make 'The Ringing World more widely known among members and especially young members. Dare we offer a suggestion to all towers to commence a custom of presentin to some of their members a year's subscription to "The Ringing World, for regular attendance and/or progress during the year?

The Ringing World' is the only paper published for the Exencise and we have all read of conditions fifty years ago when the paper was born. How could the Exercise survive. let alone progress. without means of intencommunicaion?

## THE ANSWER

The answer to a successful and progressive paper is in your hands. You are the owners of the paper. We have no paid reporters and depend on every ringer, young or old, expert or learner. to send us copy. Your committee will be pleased to increase the size of the paper if the Exercise will give its support by raising the circulation. If, as in times past. 6.000 copies a week could be sold, the present cinculation reflects little interest in the Exencise generally by the great majority of ringers. Suroly even the most parochial of ringers must find something to his taste in the paper's pages, and its present price is only the equivalent of three cigarettes a week.

The Exercise itself is hamstringing the efforts and aspirations of the committee and must realise that only by an increased circulation can the paper be entarged. Give us the tools and we will do the job. but who can make bricks without straw?

The annual acounts of 'The Ringing World have been circulated and members are urged not 10 read the profit for the year of £973 without further examination of the
figures and reference to the committee's report figures and reference to the committees report
for 1959 . The amount of $£ 973$ is firstly not the working profit. Donations, for which this committee on behalf of the Council give their warmest thanks. amounted to $£ 426$. reducing the profit to $£ 547$. Also the interest on inves:ments of $£ 182$ must be taken into consideration. bringing the balance down to $£ 365$ and this is the true working surplus for the year.

WAGE INCREASES
The comparative figure for 1959 was $£ 73$. but as pointed out in the 1959 report a further wages increase in the printing trade was inevitable and negotiations on this are now proceeding. Forecasts in the trade are that the in-
crease will be $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, and whilst in 1962 the full benefit of higher postal subscriptions will be fel: the Council must realise that the margin is very narrow and leaves little for expansion and development.

This report is of necessity lengthy, but cannot be closed without your committee once again apressing their thanks and appreciation to all who so wholeheartedly give their practical support to your paper. The editor and his staff, Mr. Jeater on the accounts, and Mr. H. L. Roper compiling the index. continue their work unstintingly, and to these and the many others too numerous to mention individually, we say most gratefully "Thank you.

Finally to this Council in particular and to ringers everywhere, please help us to help you by seeking new subscribers. for only in creased circulation can mean a larger and more comprehensive. Ringing Wonld.

Moving the adoption Mr. Smallwood said the report emphasised the need for more readers, which they felt was vitally necessary if they were to produce a better paper. The profit made looked spectacular. but it they ware to break it down they would see that the actual profit was not large and certainly did not justify launching out in any great scheme. The solution was to try and obtain more readers.
Mr. R. S. Anderson formally seconded the adoption.
Mr. W. F. Oatway: I notice that this report is only signed by the convener. Is it right that other members of the committee have not subscribed to the report?

## - A VERY GOOD JOB

Mr. Smallwood: One of our members is absent and I have not been able to get hold of him. Another member does approve of it. I did not write it and at the time of the preparation of the report I was very busy shifting house. I think he has made a very gaod job of it.

Mr. Wilafrid G. Wilson said when he received a copy of the report he thought it was sent for observation and he sent it back with his observations. When he received the report back it was too late for it to be circulated with the other committee reports He had had some correspondence over the report and he felt it was not a report of their activities.
Mr. T. J. Locke said he was under the impression that while it was desirable that some copies be sold to postal subscribers it was also agreed that copies should be sold through the newsagent. The point needed clarifying.
Mr. A. D. Barker: Will the committee give consideration to having life subscribers? They would get a lot of money in that way.
Mr. R. S. Anderson assured Mr. Wilson that his observations regarding the delay in publication of the report were not personal. The accountant must wait for Mr. Jeater before he could start his audit. He would like to draw attention to the profit of $£ 973$ and its breakdown in the third paragraph of the report.

You will see that we are still, and likely to be, dependent on the voluntary contributions," continued Mr. Anderson. "We are exceedingly grateful to all contributors; we are not refusing them. Our aim is to put "The Ringing World " on a sound basis without donations.

I would like to tell you what will happen in September. with the new printing wages. The basis for set:lement for the 10 printing trade unions was a $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent increase in 1959 and a reduction in the number of hours worked from 42 to 41 in September. 1961, and from 41 to 40 in 19 t2. With a little mental arithmetic you will see it is another 10 per cent increase in wages. That is what we are continually up against.

## TOO STEREOTYPED

Mr. Norman Chaddock complained that The Ringing World ' was too stereotyped in its news. He noticed in one issue that quarter peals were printed in a larger type and was disappointed when they went back to smaller type.

Mr. H. L. Roper congratulated the committee and Mr. White on producing the Jubilee issue and for their work. The paper was an absolute godsend on Fridays, and he hoped they would not pay 100 much attention to the jeremiahs.
The Rev. John Scolt said in the Jubilee issue the peal reports were put in the back of the issue, with the other advertisements: could that not be permanent and give the news in the front pages?
Mr. C. W. Denyer called attention to 'The Ringing World, Jubilee. They were looking forward to welcoming all ringers to the Guildford areat on June 17 th , when their celebrations would be held. There would be a pilgrimage to the grave of Mr. Goldsmith at Pyrford, which was near to the gardens of the Royal Horticultural Society. There would be conducted tours of the new Cathedral at Guildford by their own guides and they would take part in Evensong: afterwards a meal would be laid on at a restaurant. next to St. Nicolas Church. While in the Cathedral. visitors would be able to see the actual bell which was a memorial to A. H. Pulling. It was in the south ambulatory.
The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead said in regard to the Jubilee issue, he thought for one dreadful moment that there were no peals.
The editor addressed the meeting on various matters. When the report was presented there were six dissentients.
Mr. T. Dunwoody remarked that they were still waiting for the minority report.
Mr. Wilson: There is no minority report.

## THE ACCOUNTS <br> THE RINGING WORLD <br> BALANCE SHEET

Sundry creditars $£ 636$ 17s. 6d. ( $£ 602$ Last year); amounts received in advance. postal subscriptions and notices $£ 1.458$ 2s. 6d. ( $£ 2,086$ ): provision for income tax $£ 55165$. ( $\mathbf{~ 4 5}$ ): capital account $£ 5.8707 \mathrm{~s}$. 11d. ( $£ 5,097$ ). Total $£ 8.021 \mathrm{3s}$. 11d. ( $£ 7.830$ ).
Debtors $£ 1.0345 \mathrm{~s}$. 5 d . ( $\mathbf{~} 862$ ) ; investments $£ 4.800$ ( $£ 3.600$ ): cash at hankers $£ 2.016$ 13s. 6d. ( $£ 3.112$ ) : due from Central Council of Church Bell Ringers $£ 170$ 5s. ( $£ 54$ ). Total $£ 8.021 \mathrm{3s}$. 11 d . ( $£ 7.830$ ).

## THE RINGING WORLD <br> PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT <br> \section*{Expenditure}

Woodbridge Press printing $£ 4.543$ 5s. $6 d$. ( $£ 3.952$ ): blocks $£ 1619 \mathrm{~s}$. ( $£ 37$ ).
Editorial office expenses-editor's fees and expenses $£ 50813 \mathrm{~s}$. 9d. ( $£ 400$ ): clerical assistance $£ 165(£ 158)$; postage and sundries $£ 23$ 19 s .11 d , (£24).
Postal subscribers-despatch of copies $£ 921$ 9s. 5 d . ( $£ 223$ ); addressing and wrapping $£ 283$ 1s. 6 d .
Aocounts department-clerical assistance £182 (£156) ; postage £20 7s. 3d. ( $£ 25$ ) ; tationery and sundries $£ 3010 \mathrm{~s}$ s. 10 d .
Misccllaneous expences $£ 31 \mathrm{15s}$. 11d. ( $£ 33$ ); Misccllaneous expenses $£ 31$ 15s. 11d. ( $£ 33$ );
udit and accounting fees $£ 36$ 15s. ( $£ 47$ ); audit and accounting fees
income tax $£ 7018$ s. 3d. ( $£ 63$ ).
Profit for year $£ 9737 \mathrm{~s} .9 \mathrm{~d}$. ( $£ 575$ ).
Total $£ 7,95214 \mathrm{~s}$. 1d. ( $£ 6.568$ ).
Income
Rolls House $£ 2.9967 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. ( $£ 2,251$ ); post, 31 subscribers $£ 3.198 \quad 13 \mathrm{~s}$. 7d.; donations $£ 426$ 2 s . 1d. ( $£ 357$ ): advertisements $£ 522$ Os. 9 d . ( $£ 225$ ): notices and peal reports $£ 588$ 18s. 11d. (£546): sundry receipts $£ 38$ 15s. 6d. (£38); interest on investments $£ 181 \mathrm{15s}$. 7d. ( $£ 157$ ). Total $£ 7.95214 \mathrm{~s}$. 11 d . ( $£ 6.568$ ).
The honorary secretary said the expenditure had risen by $£ 750$ and there had been $a$ substantial increase under most headings. There had also been a considerable increase in income, because of the increased price, but the full increase was not reflected because postal subscribers, who paid before the end of the year got their copies at the $6 d$. rate instead of 8 d
On the revenue side there was a 20 per cent increase in advertisements and donations should a fairly similar increase.

Turning the balance sheet. Mr. Barnett said they had writien off $£ 200$ for goodwill and blocks which they would remember was paid by the Council for the purchase of "The Ringing World.' After 16 or 17 years that had ceased to have much meaning. They were able to invest another $\pm 1.200$ in Defence Bonds. The finances of the paper were in a fairly healihy state. He did not feel that there was any need for them to feel pessimistic. When they started making a loss that was the time for them to be worried. He moved the adoption of the report.

Mr. R. S. Anderson seconded.
Mr. A. V. Davis said in the Jubilee jssue they read of the great struggles in the past to maintain the journal. He thought the committee should get together to back the amount of enthusiastic work done by the editor and back the great efforts being made to perpetuite their 'Ringing World.' They could all help by selling the additional odd copy.
The Rev. John Scott: Can we have peals at the end of the 'R.W.'?
The president: That is a domestic matter for the committee.

The accounts were then adopted.

## THE COUNCIL'S ACCOUNTS

## THE BALANCE SHEET

As at December 31st. 1960: Library $£ 10$ : office and library equipment $£ 2615 \mathrm{~s}$. I1d.: siock of publications $£ 419$ 18s. 4d.: stock of gramophone records $£ 245 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. : debtors and payments in advance $£ 1.03560$. Sd.; investments at cost $£ 5.562$ 18s. 4d.: cash at bank and in hand $£ 2.440 \mathrm{18s}$. 6d.; making at total of $£ 9.5202 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 d . The Clement Glenn bequest stood at $£ 830$ 2s. 4d. (interest $£ \geq 3$ 2s. 2d.).

## THE GENERAL FUND

To expenses: Biography Committee £26 15 s .: Sunday Service Committee $£ 1416 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d .; honorary secretary $£ 10$; siationery and printing $£ 23$ 19s. 7d.; postage $£ 10$ 16s. 7d.; telephone $\ddagger 22 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$; office and library equipment written off $£ 6$; insurances $£ 116 s$. A. H. Pulling Memorial Fund $£ 55 \mathrm{~s}$.; typing £2 2 s ; cheque book 8s. Ad.; sundry expenses 2s. 6d. ; excess of income over expenditure £9 12s. 4 d .
By affiliation fees £78 10s.; balance publications account $£ 33 \mathrm{9s}$.; balance gramophone account $£ 1$ 3s. 8d.
The accounts were presented by Mr. E. A. Barnett. who moved their adoption. The publication account (profit $£ 33$ 9s. against $\pm 4$ in 1959). he sarid. showed a much larger profit. largely due to the second 5.000 copies of the Beginners Handbook' being a reprint with the type standing. therefore cheaper. All the records had now been sold.
Regarding General Fund income and expenditure account the large expenses of the Biographies Committee were not likely to recur. Mr. F. E. Dukes seconded and the accounts were adopled after Mr. P. A. Corby had been assured that the item "syuares " in the gramophone aocount had nothing to do with rock in roll. but related to the squares of rack $n$ roll. but related to the squas
cardboard used for packing the records.

## PEAL BOARDS COMMITTEE

Mr. J. W. Clarke (Convener) reports: A very considerable number of 19 h century peal boards, obtained mainly from copies of - Church Bells." has now been collected, but the list is unlikely to be in any way complete. It will help considerably if members of the Exercise will forward details of boards which exist in their own towers as well as thase encountered when visiting. The exact layout of the board, together with a note on any decoration, should be given if possible.

The report was proposed by Mr. J. W. Clarke and accepted.

## CHRISTMAS BROADCAST MUCH BETTER

BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE
It is with considerable satisfaction that we can at last report co-operation with the B.B.C. throughout the Regions. particularly in connection with the Christmas broadcast.

The new arrangement of pre-recording the various bells has made it possible to obtain very much better results; in fact, near perfection may well be achieved during the coming years.

There are, of course, several problems still to be rectified. the most important of these being the placing of the microphones when the recordings are made. The broadcast from Sheffield Cathedral was completely spoilt due to the poor position of the microphone, and a recent service broadcast from St. Mary's, Southampton. suffered in the same way. We also feel that a responsible ringer, with good judgment, should vet the recordings from each tower and select the most suitable portion for final broadcasting. If possible, the committee member for each region will endeavour to do this at the coming Christmas. We also feel that whilst we should have ample time to niake our selections of towers, the actual recordings should be made as near Christmas as is practicable. It will also be our endeavour in the future to include ringing on all numbers from six to 12 , and so satisfy all tastes.

Pre-service ringing has been heard on numerous occasions on B.B.C. programmes and in a few instances on I.T.V. Bells have also featured in other programmes, including the series
"The A.B.C. of the Church, by John Betjeman, and in "Town and Around." when three veterans of the tower took part in the ringing from Hurstpierpoint.

## IN IRELAND

During the year the bells of some of the Northern Ireland towers were also broadcast prior to services, and although strong representations have been made to the B.B.C., with consequential promises of improvement, there is still cause for concern that the time given to the bells on the air is so short, sometimes only a few seconds as a background to the announcement. St. Donard's, Belfast, broke new ground in that they were heard on the B.B.C. Television (N.I.) when the service was televised from the church
In Southern Ireland several bell broadcasts have been heard, particularly on New Year's Eve, and efforts are being made to get the bells on the air prior to broadcast services.
The Christmas Broadcast was generally very well received, and we feel was a considerable improvement on previous years. To a great extent. the fact that the bells were pre-recorded. and our opportunity to select towers where a fair standard could be expected. made this possible. If we are able to cover the points made in our general remarks we feel confident of further improvement.
The sudden death of Preb. Martin Willson was a great loss to us in the West. Mr. Willson had always been extremely helpftul to the Committee and had provided a valuable liaison between us and the B.B.C. in general. We are happy to say that our relationship with those responsible for religious broadcasting in the West still continues to be a very happy one. and for this we are most grateful.
This report would not be complete without the inclusion of our sincere thanks to all those who have assisted us during the year, and to
the B.B.C. our appreciation of the opportunities given us to co-operate with them. particularly with regard to the Christmas Broadcast

## Signed by H. J. SANGER (Convener), A. G. G. THURLOW, <br> H. N. PITSTOW. <br> N. CHADDOCK. <br> G. E. FEARN, <br> J. T. DUNWOODY

Mr. H. Sanger, in moving the adoption of the report, said he had additional information of an American broadcast by the Launton Handbell Ringers, when a description was also given of the bells.
Mr. H. N. Pitstow seconded.
The Hon. Secretary: The Standing Committee recommended that Mr. R. S. Wilson, of the Scottish Association, who had rendered a great deal of assistance, should be added to the Committee.
Mr. Sanger said he would be very willing for Mr. Wilson to be co-opted to the Committee.

DESIRE FOR LIVE BROADCASTS
Dr. Layton said he noticed that the Christmas broadcast of bells was a recording. He thought it was deplorable. If they were to broadcast Christmas ringing it should be live ringing.
Mr. A. V. Davis supported this view.
Mr. Edge said 20 minutes past nine was not the general time for ringing and there was a tendency then to go to pieces. He could not help feeling that the ringing would be better in a recording.
Mr. E. K. Lewis commented that the idea of ringing on Christmas morning was an act of worship, and as such one could not do it by a recording. If the ringing was not up to standard because the band had got nervous that could not be helped. He thought they were doing a lot by removing the personal element.
The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow felt they had to be sympathetic with the B.B.C. with all their technical difficulties. He thought it was best to leave it to the B.B.C.
Replying to the debate, Mr. Harry Sanger said when they had a live broadcast they had a big crop of letters: when they were recording they were using bells which would be used on Christmas Day. Personally, his sympathies were with those who attempted live broadcasts whether they were good or not. At Christmas time, because of the heavy demand, the B.B.C. had difficulty in finding all the necessary equipment. The spirit of Christmas was not entirely absent from the recordings

The report was then adopted.

## REWORDING OF RULES

The honorary secretary said arising from the report of the Peal Analysis Committee last year over the question of a peal of Minor being rung. in which two ringer's changed over. Mr. Cartwright was asked to consider rewording the rule. He submitted to the Sianding Committee the following

Each bell shall be rung throughout by the sume person and there shall be no exchange of bells by any of the ringers during the ringing of a peal. provided. however. that this shall not prohibit the ringing of any bell throughout the peal by two persons at the same time. where the weight or go make this essential.

The honorary secretary said he gave formal notice that this alteration to the rules would be proposed next year.

## COMPLANT TO PRESS

## LITERATURE AND PRESS COMMITTEE

## FOR 1960

Messrs. Edgar C. Shepherd and F. E. Dukes repont: The year has brought forth a more than asually interesting number of full scale articles. Certain trade periodicals are encouraging essays on hobbies and spare-time occupations, and two notable specimens have come our way. In * Timkin: Patrick Chapman has given a clear exposition of the broad aspect of change ringing with reference to bell ringing employees of the firm. In 'The Computer's Journal for April we have 'Computers and Change Ringing' D. G. Papworth This deals with the proof and composition of Plain Bob by use of a Pegasus.
The magazine of the Crabtree Electrical Company published an article on electrical installations for bells and "The Belfast Telegraph,' in an article in May, forecast a great growth in electronic devices for producing bell effects. The first of these essays has an advertising rather than altruistic motive, and the latter qualifies its viows by quoting the number of young people now being attracted to ringing. 'Wills Magazine' printed an article by Michael Horseman expounding out art and adding the more unusual feature of notes on the organisation of the Exercise.
In the non-technical Press, Loughborough and its bells had two important recognitions"Making the Mouths of Bawling Brass" by Geoffrey Moorhouse in 'The Guardian' and a scholarly article by C. V. Hancock in "The Birmingham Post and Grazette.' The latter hrad a fine photograph of the carillon tower. Two articles that are of outstanding interest for the layman attract notice: "Ringing the Changes appeared in 'Home Words' for January
Here Michael Stevenson dealt with bell customs and uses. A photograph of Ernest Morris supplemented the text. On a similar theme 'St. Cuthbert's Church. Darlington,' by Robert Scarr, appeared in . The Darlington and Stockton Times. Together with these we find. for the young. the very fascinating 'Ring in the New,' published in 'Eagle' of January 2nd. Here Ernest Morris writes of boy ringers: and his attractive approach, together with the seven illustrations, have the aim of interesting young folk
An outstanding piece of work is Anthony Upton's 'The Bells of the Borough., where the five rings of bells in the borough of Solihull are fully dealt with in an essay that succeeds in being factual without falling into the dullness of a catalogue.

## FEATURE ARTICLES

Feature articles have, as usual, occupied parts of newspapers during the year, and the following may be mentioned as showing contrast in approach. 'Lancashire Life ' (January) reported Victor Zorian visiting Hawkshead to meet the ringers. There is the usual type of reporting. but with it we have some good photographs of bell handling. of young girl ringers, and of single handed handbell practice. 'A piece of Bob Minor.' J. L. Jones. in 'The Fanmers' Weekly takes us to Chewton Mendip. This report is well illustrated and gives a description of a bell being pulled up. An unusual feature is the representation of the five tones of a bell in music notation. A defence of the art of ringing comes from The Braintree and Witham Times." where the gossip writer states that he likes the ringing
of bells 'so long as there is some method in it an bells 'so long as there is some method in it" and so long as they do not ring too long. voiced in the General Notes and News of the 'North London Press' of March 11th, in especially for the young.
Young ringers continue to attract the notice of the Press and this year there have been
numerous photographs of juvenile bands.

## COUNCIL CONSIDERED

Among these we have found the young ringers at Westhoughton in 'Tillotson's Newspapers,' the band at Swynnerton in 'Stone Guardian,' the very young people at Knowle, Warwickshire, and the boys of Tudor Grange Grammar School, Solihull, ringing for their own school service. This widespread recognition of youthful ringers should help to counteract the erroneous belief in some quarters that ringing is a dying art. a fallacy that still serves to fill up odd spaces in newspapers, and which was once again attacked during the year in Mr. York-Bramble's letter to the B.B.C.

One of the most important notices of the year was undoubtedly the report of the bell ringing festival at Carlisle. The news cutting that reached us has no date or name, but it presents a very full account of the festival and displays it prominently. The Dean of Carlisle, at Evensong in the Cathedral, spoke of the skill and devotion of bell ringers and emphasised the impontance of their work in the Church.

## UNWELCOME PUBLICITY

Against this welcome and valuable publicity we would draw attention to the distasceful report of a disagreement between incumbent and ringers at Walberton. Sussex, in October. The blatant heading and vulgar writing in connection with this delicate matter bring no credit to the 'Sunday Despatch' and provide us with an example of publicity we can well do without
References to ringers and ringing affairs of past always attract a good Press and two examples of this may be quoted from the past year. In November. The Coleshill Chronicle; published a photograph of the local ringers of 1903. a band that included the well known Fred Clayton. The journal took great trouble to search for and publish panticulars of the men and the photographer. A more notable relic still is the diary (1851-1857) of Alfred Arney, the Bristol ringer. This valuable document was recently rescued and published in the Bristol 'Evening Post' by Mr. F. C. Jones. leoturer in Bristol history for the W.E.A. Mr. Jones has hopes of finding further notices and recordings by Arney

All ringers will welcome the tribute to the president of the Central Council. appearing in The Church Times' during August. The sincerity of the writer of the pen pioture is emphasised by this fine reference to Mr . Sharpe and his work: "To this work Mr. Sharpe brings the balanced judgment of an historian the practical approach of a craftsman and an acule ear for music.' We feel that these measured words, coming from the lay world. are of great value and must not lay world, are of great value

## VALUED PROPAGANDA

A further reminder of our work and its links with (and scrutiny by) the ecclesiastical world is shown in the 14th report of the Central Council for the Preservation of Churches.. where the importance of ringers is stressed and some severe semarks on "Gramophone Bells are undoubtedly timely

Lastly we have a valuable piece of propaganda in the North Oxfordshire edition of The Country Churchman for November. In his article "In the Belfry." Mr. E. A. Barnett discusses recruiting for the belfry and poses pertinent questions on the responsibilities of both ringers and clergy in the securing of competent instruction.

The following publications and periodicals appeared during the year: 'The Irish Bell News.' 'The Ringing Towers.' 'The Ringers' Magazine.' "The Belfry,' 'The Bellingers' Diary.

Many ringers will have read, with interest, John Betjeman's 'Summoned by Bells,' which ran for three Sundays in "The Sunday Times and appeared in book form. John Betjeman at one times rang at Offington and Farnborough, and his collected poems contain many references to bells.

The Steeple Bells and Clocks of Shankhill Parish Church,' by John Irwin, gave, in a small booklet, a very comprehensive treatment of its subject, and 'St. Mary's Church, Southampton,' edited by Kenneth Croft, dealt with the destruotion and restoration of the bells and included among its charming illustrations a line drawing of the bells in the raised position.

## GOOD REPORTING

The impressions we get of the year's work are, first of some good reporting by lay writers and second, some first rate contributions by fingers themselves in the explanation of their art and its place in Church life.
Moving the adoption of the report Mr. E. C. Shepherd said they were impressed by the excellent works written by ringers.
Mr. F. E. Dukes, in seconding, said the unseemly publication of disputes in belfries was no credit to the Exercise. They should do their best to avoid these disputes getting into the public Press.
Mr. R. G. Blackiman said he noticed a reference to Walberton. This matter got into the papers before it was known by the ingers. Unfortunately the information was obtained from someone who hardly ever went into the belfry
Mr. H. L. Roper asked what happened to the valuable collection of cuttings? Were they kept by the committee?
Mr. Shepherd replied that he retained some of them.
Mr. J. R. Mayne asked if the Council proposed to take any action concerning the photographs that appeared in "The Sunday Pietorial'? They should consider what action should be taken
The president replied that it would come up automatically in next year's report
Mr. E. K. Lewis suggested that it should be reported to the Press Council.

NOT BY INVITATION
Mr. G. McKay, of the Cumberland and Westmorland Association, said the incident, unfortunately, took place in a fringe tower. He could assure the Council that the conduct of the ringers in this tower was normally quite in order. There was a rather strange article that appeared in a newspaper, when, after a practice, a resident tried to spear a day Pictorial "and it was nas in "The Sunday Pictorial and it was not done at the by the incumbent. The incumbent was under the impression that a very different report would appear. Their own Association president was taking the matter up with the local paper and the local tower.
Mr. Phitip Gray called attention to the excellence of the article that appeared in The Observer.
Mrs. P. J. Staniforth said what appeared in The Sunday Pictorial involved the Ladies Guild. The General Committee of the Ladies Guild had considered the matter and were of opinion that it should be treated with contempt.
Mr. John R. Mayne commented that it was inconceivable that those in the belfry did not know that the pictures were being taken.
Mr. T. W. White urged that if the Council considered appraiching the Press Council it should be done at once. It was no use making a complaint when the report was received in 62.

The report was then adopted. The question of taking any action gnd notifying the Press Council was left to the committee.

## MINIMUS PERFORMANCES ARE PEALS

PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE
In presenting the report for 1960 the Committee (Mr. W. R. Ayre, Rev. K. W. H. Fel stead, Mr, H. Miles and Mr. H. L. Roper) are pleased to report an increase of 427 peals over the 1959 total.
The grand total of peals accepted to date is 2,837 , against 2,410 in 1959 , with 2,750 on tower bells $(2,283)$ and 87 on handbells (127)a great gain on tower bells (due mainly, we suggest, to the two royal occasions) but a sad drop on handbells, and we wonder why?

Here is the analysis broken down

| Tower Bells |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1960 | 1959 |
| Maximus | 52 | 33 |
| Cinques | 31 | 26 |
| Royal | 174 | 125 |
| Caters | 83 | 77 |
| Major | 1.077 | 930 |
| Triples | 197 | 192 |
| Minor | 870 | 717 |
| Doubles | 266 | 183 |
|  | 2,750 | 2.283 |
| Handerles |  |  |
|  | 1960 | $19 \$ 9$ |
| Maximus |  | 2 |
| Cinques | 1 |  |
| Royal | 2 | 14 |
| Caters | 8 | 3 |
| Major | 18 | 49 |
| Triples | 3 | 4 |
| Minor | 34 | 38 |
| Doubles | 21 | 17 |
|  | 87 | 127 |

In addition, there were six performances of Minimus-two on tower and four "in hand.' There was a general rise in the number of peals rung on all numbers, but Royal and Majon slumped badly on handbells.

## 626 FIRST PEALERS

An amazing number of first pealers was shown in "The Ringing World'-626-a most gratifying sign, with 70 attaining first as conductor
The Lincoln Guild somewhat closed the gap between it and the Leicester Guild, which still holds the premier position. The Chester Guild has moved up, but the Lancashire Association. while ringing more peals than last year, has dropped down. The first seven places are as follows:-

Leicester D.G. 180, Lincoln D.G. 157. Chester Guild 155, Yorkshire Assn. 146
Kent C. 140, Oxford D. 138, Essex Assn. 123.
What has happened to the Ladies' Guild? no peals in 1960! Were the Police too busy with other things, as they too are missing? The Scottish Association also failed to score. A 'peal ' of Nightingale Treble Place Major is not included as two types of call were used. as reported by the composer. This was for the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.

The Committee ask for guidance regarding the 'peal' of 'The Dragon Major,' rung by the Oxford Guild, in which six blows are made in 4 ths place at a bob.

A peal of Bob Minor for the Bedfordshire Association, rung December 16th. 1959, and published in 'The Ringing World,' page 228 in the issue of April 1st, 1960, has not been included in either 1959 or 1960 records-a pity. as there were three first pealers.

## OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES

22.400 Plain Bob Major by Essex Association 113 methods of Doubles by Oxford Guild.
Peals in 98.74 and 47 methods of Minor on tower bells and 87 and 77 methods of Minor on handbells.

Methods of which ten or more peals were rung are as follows:-

Maximus.-Cambridge 23, Yorkshire 16.
Cinques.-Stedman 27
Royal. Cambridge 47, London 17, Yorkshire 16, Plain B. 38

Caters.-Grandsire 46, Stedman 31
Major.-Spliced S.: ${ }^{5-12}$ methods 22, 4 methods 24, 2-3 methods 11, Bristol 47. Cambridge 122, Lincolnshire 41, London 65, Pud-
sey 13. Rutland 23, Superlative 26, Yorkshire 128, Kent T.B. 44, D. Norwich 76, Plain B. 253, Little B. 13.
Triples.-Grandsire 103, Stedman 63, Plain B. 20 .

Minor.-21 methods and over 18, 14-20 methods $16,7-13$ methods 238,6 methods 17 , 5 methods 44, 4 methods 80,3 methods 77, 2 methods 43, 1 method 343.

Doubles.- 15 methods and over 13, 7-14 methods 29, 5 methods 25,4 methods 20,3 methods 24, 2 methods 40,1 method 133.

A slightly more varied list than for 1959.
Again we ask peal ringers to ensure that the account sent in to the 'R.W.' is accurate and fully descriptive. Doubles conductors please. please specify the mumber of methods previous to the enumerated list-or state the number of variations. This will help us a great deal. We note with pleasure that our request for peals to be sent in promptly has received attention, Thank you.

Mr. W. Ayre in moving the report said it was the Convener's report with the full approval of members of the Committee. Everything had been approved by them. They would note that in addition to the peal total there were six performances of Minimus, 'and on my own hody I am going to keep it as such.

## AWKWARD POSITION

The Rev. K. H. W. Felstead: I have been put in an awkward position by the Convener. I was prepared to second the report if the suggestion of the Standing Committee was accepted to change performances of Minimus to peals of Minimus.

Mr. H. L. Roper: If the Rev. Felstead has any qualms of conscience, I have not. I don't mind if you call it a peal or a performance. l'll second the report.

The Hon. Secretary: The Standing Committee recommended the adoption of the report with the substitution of the word peal for performance for peals of Minimus. They also recommended that the peal of Nightingale Place Treble Major be not accepted.

Mr. F. T. Blagrove asked the Convener of the Peals Analysis Committee why the peal of Nightingale was excluded as it conformed in every way with the rules. It was not rung as a gag, it was rung to commemorate the opening of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Chapel. It was rung for a thoroughly good reason.

Mr. Walter Ayre: I am no expert. I feel very sorry about excluding it, but previously we have excluded such peals. It was pointed out to him that what he ought to have done was to refer it to the Methods Committee.

Mr. Blagrove: The peals that were excluded were before this thing was added to Decisions (d). The things excluded were before it was added to second (d)-the Liversedge variation of Kent Treble Bob with two types of bobs. Peals of Treble Bob with two types of singles were excluded.
He would go further: Stedman used two types of bob, one at thirds and the other at ninth. He moved that the Council include this peal as it conformed to condition (d).

Mr. W. Ayre: The implication of Mr. Blagrove is that I should know all the compositions. It was only when the composition was put in 'The Ringing World' that I knew it

Mr. C. K. Lewis, said the Committee was expected to compile an analysis, and if necessary it should have expert advice
Mr. Wilson seconded the amendment.

## TO METHODS COMMITTEE

Mr. N. Chaddock said Mr. Lewis had not told them of the recommendation of the Methods Committee.
Mr. Lewis: The Methods Committee had not discussed it. If we did it might lead to a fight. In the past peals had been accepted which did not conform to the decisions of the Council, and I think this is a case where we might accept the amendment.

After further discussion the matter was referred to the Methods Committee.
The Minimus question was then discussed and Mr. D. Beresford suggested that the Council should be consistent with the decisions taken at the last meeting. Words were put
into the mouth of the Convener which he did not use.

Mr. J. Freeman: It seems to me that we have the Council's decision on the compilation of the peals analyses and we have heard a great deal of case law from Mr. Justice Ayre [laughter]. In my opinion these 4 -bell peals should be included.

A member, in supporting Mr. Freeman, thought peals of Minimus should only be rung in 4-bell towers.

The Council then agreed that these peals of Minimus count as peals.

## DRAGON MAJOR

Dragon Major then came under discussion and Mr Lewis said the Committee had recognised in the past peals of Grandsire Royal and Grandsire Major as even-bell methods which had six blows. He moved they accept it.

Mr. F. W. Perrens seconded and the Council -greed to accept it

Mr. G. Dodds deplored a peal of Grandsire Doubles with only two callings.
Mr. F. W. Perrens: The peal obviously conforms to the rules and we should not waste time debating it.

The report as amended was then accepted.

## BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE

The report, signed by Mr. A. C. Hazelden covers a period from June, 1960, to May, 1961. Of the total of those who, in the seventy years of the Council's existence, have been elacted to membership at the time of the preparation of this report, 450 are known, or for good reason are believed to be, deceased The records of well over 300 of these will be found in our albums. Others' records are in various stages of completion.
It will be noted that some records are without photographs-a fact which we deplore. It is pleasing to report that, as a result of our enquiry for photographs in our 1960 report, good photographs have been obtained of the late F. E. Dawes, Arthur Craven and A. Coppock. the last named by the kind assistance of the Town Clerk of Nottingham. For the completion of their records we need only photographs of the following: C. E. D. Boutflower, John Clark (Ross), A. E. Coles Henry Dow, Rev. C. W. H. Griffiths (Bath and Wells), R. G. Knowles, G. Londen, W. Walmsley. All these photographs are believed to exist.

A list of deaths since the last meeting and remembered earlier in the proceedings was included in the report.
A rather complicated arrangement, which began at Folkestone and in which Messrs. Ralph Edwards and G. E. Fearn took part, resulted in a good photograph of the late F. E. Dawe, taken from a book, formerly owned by the late J. George. This end of a long quest is eminently satisfactory, because F. E. Dawe was, in 1891 , the first secretary of the Central Council. Mr. L. W. G. Morris and Mr. W. Barton co-operated successfully in the completion of our record of the late Arthur Craven, who died five years before our committee was first set up. Mr. B. C. Ashford provided all we needed regarding the Late C. H. Woodberry and Mr. G. I. Lewis searched for us through the records of two extinct Welsh Guilds for the peals record of the late C. H. Hawkins.
Mr. W. Viggers, in presenting the report which was adopted, said they had completed 50 new biographies during the year.

## MEMENTOS OF VISIT

After the luncheon interval a pleasing ceremony took place. Mr. E. H. Edge. honorary secretary of the North Staffordshire Association. said the director of his company (William Adams and Sons Ltd.) had been very interested in the conference and they had prepared a small memento of the occasion in the form of an ash tray. suitably engraved. The tenor bell was that of Stone. cast by Abraham Rudhall in 1710 and the inscription 'When you mee ring ble sweetly sing' was on the bell. A memento was presented to each member.
The president. in expressing his thanks to Mr. Edge, asked him to convey to the directors of William Adams and Sons Lid. the Council's thanks for such a delightfut gift. They were a firm of distinction and claimed to be the oldest family business by direct descent in the county, dating back to 1480.

## New Name For Sunday Service Ringing Committee

## THE REPORT

The year 1960 has been a quiet one for this Committee, giving time for the inspiration of previous years to filter through the Exercise generally. One factor contributing to our relaive inactivity is that the Convener has been undergoing a one-year full-time course of professional study.
However, we are able to report that the booklet 'Ringing for Service' is now available. and there are already signs that this attractive and useful guide to the efficient organisation of the Sunday Service band will meet a long-felt need.

Guilds and Associations can contribute to the work of the Central Council by ordering a stock of this booklet for resale or issue to any lower in their area in need of guidance. Tower leaders can help by ensuring that a copy is made available their incumbent. We also recommend that copies be issued to the theological colleges and that it be advertised in the ecclesiastical press.

The process of encouraging the growth of courses in bellringing by evolution has continued during the year, and we have been instrumental in bringing about another successful course at Grantley Hall, Yorkshire, and assisting the Peterborough Diocesan Guild with a course to be held at Knuston Hall, Northamptonshire, in June. Negotiations for other courses are in hand, and we shall be pleased to share the knowledge and experience we have gained with any Association which might seek advice or guidance in organising a course.

## EVENING SCHOOL COURSE

In addition to week-end residential courses we have had several enquiries regarding evening school classes and have supplied material for syllabuses. In three cases we have been able to help the establishment of evening school courses by finding suitable tutors. The success of week-end courses run by the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and the announcement of further courses in these areas this year, indicates that this development is meeting a real need

Successful expansion in this field will do much to strengthen the position of the art and science of bellringing amongst other recognised cultural and educational activities.

A noticeable feature of recent courses has heen the tremendous interest in various aspects of ringing shown by non-ringing students of all ages attending the colleges on other parallel courses.

It is regretted that this year we are unable to report any progress with regard to theological colleges, but it is hoped that progress in this direction may be made in the future.

One thing we would like to do is to ensure that all theological college libraries contain suitahle hooks on hellringing and church bells. A visit to one college by a member of this Committee revealed that the library did not contain a single book about bells or bellringing.

Perhaps with the help of the Librarian we might be enabled to do something to rectify this position during the coming year.

We shall be pleased to receive from Association officials suggestions as to any other possible lines of action to enhance the value of the work of this Committee, and we record our thanks to those who have assisted us in any way.

The report was signed by

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& \text { N. CHADDOCK (Convener). } \\
& \text { W. J. MORETON, } \\
& \text { F. B. LUFKIN. } \\
& \text { G. THURLOW. } \\
& \text { D. N. LAYTON. }
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Moving the adoption of the report, Mr Chaddock suggested that the booklet Ringing for Service 'should be advertised in the ecclesiastical press. In regard to residential courses every course should be a success. If any course was a failure it prejudiced other college courses: because they passed the information on. He felt that ringing literature should be in theological colleges. A colleague of his had been in one college where there was not a single book on ringing.
Mr. F. B. Lufkin seconded

The Hon. Secretary: The Standing Committee recommended the adoption of the report and recommended that the title of this Committee be changed to Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committec.
Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd: There is a clumsiness about the title, particularly at the end.
Mr. E. K. Lewis said the point was that this Committee had to contact local authorities and they wanted to create a feeling that they were an education committee

Mr. N. Chaddock agreed to the change of title and the report was adopted.

## METHODS COMMITTEE

The report, signed by the Rev. K. W. H. Felstead, Messrs. F. T. Blagrove. C. K. Lewis and J. R. Mayne stated that during the year the Minor book was, at long last, completed and was sent to the printers in January. Work on the Triples book has proceeded, the chief difficulty being the production of peals for some of the methods. Most of these problems have now been solved.

The Secretary of the Council wrote to the Secretary of the Stafford Archdeaconry Society concerning the peal of Gainsborough Surprise Royal, which was the subject of controversy last year. Although the latter said that the conductor of the peal would write 10 the Methods Committee about it, no such letter has been received.

The Rev. K. W. H. Felstead. in moving the adoption of the report, said they received about ten days ago the proof of the first half of the Minor book. In regard to Gainsborough Surprise Royal, a letter was received from the conductor of the peal. The Committee had had a few moments to consider that peal and would like to recommend to the Council that
they were in favour of not recognising that peal because it would open the way to very many similar situations and it was not according to the rules.

Finally, he would like to echo what Mr. Lewis had said. that any committee of the Council that hatd problems or difficulties should come and ask the advice of the Methods Committee. There was a rule of the Council that when the Methods Committee was asked for a decision a unanimous recommendation should be published immediately in . The Ringing World ' and come before the Council for ratification. There were two Committees - the Peals Analysis and the Records-where advantage of this could have been taken.

Mr. C. K. Lewls endorsed the views of the Rev. K. W. H. Feistead, and said he hoped the conductor of Gainsborough Royal would agree to change the name. It was not a correct extension in their point of view.

## PEALS COLLECTION COMMITTEE

The Convener (Mr. W. E. Critchley) reported that by the time the Council met the Collection of Stedman Caters and Cinques should be in readiness for the printer.

The chief consumer of time had been the proving of all the peals in the collection. whether or not they had appeared previously in other Stedman books. The Committee wished to place on record their grateful thanks to Mr . W. Barton, who so willingly shared the proving with Mr. Pitman: also to all the contributors, far too numerous to mention individually.
Mr. John Freeman seconded.
The Hon. Secretary said the Standing Committee recommended that the report be adopted and the Committee asked to prepare a new coliection of well-known Major methods to replace the present collection which would shortly be out of print.

## THE RECORDS COMMITTEE

Mrs. E. K. Fletcher. Mrs. L. K. Marshall. Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and J. R. Mayne report the following new methods and progressive length for the year ending December 31 st
Jan. 7, 5,056 Foxearth S.M., Middlesex:
9. 5.088 Bicester S.M.: Oxford Dio.

9, 5.088 Birmingham S.M.. St. Martin's ; 5.152 Repion S.M.. Derbyshire ; 5.024 Kelshall S.M.. Hertford: 18. 5.040 Coalville SR.. Leicester
23. 5.024 Gresford S.M.. Lincoln:
25. 5.040 Morecombelake S.R.. Leicester:
30. 5.088 Evesham S.M.. Worcestershire ;

Feb. 4, 5.056 Shoreditch S.M.. Middlesex ;
6. 5.056 Tilstook Imp. M., Shropshire ;
5.120 Uitoxeter S.M., Stafiord:
5.056 Aspenden S.M., Middlesex ;
5. 5.024 Swansea S.M.. Middlesex

27, 5.040 Hillingdon S.R., Middlesex;
Mar. 5, 5.056 Hokland Bob M.. Essex:
S.152 Unstone S.M.. Derbyshire: 5.152 Dronfield S.M.. Derbyshire; 2. 5.024 Halstead S.M.. Essex:

Apr. 9. 5.040 Grundisburgh S.R.. Suffalk: 5.056 Grundisburgh S.M.. Suffolk: 5.152 Northolt S.M.. Middlesex
23. 5.088 Harthill S.M.. Yorkshire
30. 5.184 Derwent S.M.. Leicester:

May 7. 5.040 Narborough S.R.. Leicester:
5.040 Hampstead S.R., Middlesex : 5.152 Windsor Delight M.. Leicester : 5.280 Lyddington S. Max.. Lincoln: 9. 5.040 Osgathorpe S.R... Leicester: 12. 5.120 Brondesbury S.M. Middlesex : . 5.088 Codicote S.M... Hertford ; 5.088 Tolleshunt D Ärcy Coll. Bob M.. Essex :
2. 5.024 Esher S.M.. Middlesex
4. 5.120 Woburn S.M.. Bedfordshire ;
4. 5.120 Nebson Bob M.. Lancashire
5.040 Queniborough S.R.. Leicester :
30. 5.184 Jarnow S.M.. Middlesex:

July
8. 5.152 Osgathorpe S.M.. Leicester :
11. 5.040 Primethorpe S.R.. Leicester
14. 5.056 Islington S.M.. Middlesex:
18. 5.040 Xaymaca S.R., Leicester:

Aug. 4. 5.056 Uckfield S.M.. Middlesex:
Sept. 1. 5.024 Queensferry S.M.. Middlesex
3, 5,040 Bilsborrow Imp. Bob M.,
17. 5.020 Shifnal Alliance $M$

Shropshire
24. 5.056 Bottesford S.M.. Leicester:

29, 5.088 Hammersmith S.M., Middlesex:
Oct. 3. 5.040 Ravenstone S.R., Leicester;
8. 5.040 Tamworth S.R.. Stafford;
8. 5.184 Sawley S.M.. Derbyshire:
17. 5.040 Shackerstone S.R.. Leicester;
27. 5.184 Zeals S.M.. Middlesex;
29. 5.160 Spliced Plain M. ( 29 methods).

Lancashire:
Nov. 5, 5.040 St. Leonard's Bob M.. Oxford Dio.
7, 5.040 Thrussington S.R.. Leicester:
10. 5.280 Verwood S.M., Middlesex ;
19. 5.056 Zelah S.M., Leicester:
21. 5.040 Verdon S.R.. Leicester;
26. 5.088 Heywood S.M.. Lancashire ;

Dec. 2. 5.056 The Dragon Major,
3. 5.040 Isleworth Litt. Bob R.. Dio.:

London County :
8. 5.120 Southampion S.M.. Middlesex:
10. 5.040 Derbyshire S R.. Derbyshire:
10. 5.152 Tyrone S.M.. Stafford:
12. 5.040 Wellsborough S.R., Leicester:
. 5.024 Trumpington S.M... Ely
17. 5.056 Nailsea S.M. Leicester:
26. 5.040 Luton S.R.. Bedfordshire ;
26. 5.088 Nettleham S.M.. Lincoln:

29, 5.184 Clevedon S.M.. Middlesex.

## PROGRESSIVE LENGTH

Apr. 9, 22.400 Plain Boh Maj., Essex.
Mr. F. T. Blagrove, in moving the adoption of the report. said the committee would like to draw attention to a decision of the Council that Societies should send records of all first performances to the committee. There were several Societies who did not send in these returns and involved the committee in a great deal of time in tracing the compositions.

Mr. John R. Mayne seconded.
Mr. Brian G. Warwick: Do I take it that every time a first performance or record is rung it has to be sent to the committee?
Mr. Blagrove: It is printed that every Society should send it to the committee. Society should send it to the c
The report was then adopled.

The first motion before the Council, which was in the name of Mr. P. A. Corby, seconded by Mr. J. R. Cooper, read:-

- That the conditions required for peals as laid down on page 19 of the Council's handbook be amended by the addition of the following :-
"A peal shall be rung with five or more changing bells
Mr. Corby said he was moving the motion as a private member and not on behalf of his Association. The purpose of bringing the motion was to give the Council an opportunity of expressing opinion, since most people left the meeting at Folkestone feeling that they had been rather taken by storm, and they had now heard the minutes of that meeting challenged.

The suggestion that the Council should not recognise peals of Minimus was made on two grounds. One was that it was quite unnecessary and he had yet to learn of any 4-bell tower where there had not been plenty of opportunities to go elsewhere. Similarly, if people felt. that they must ring peals of Minimus it would be logical to ring Stedman on three bells, quick and slow alternately.

His main objection was that it was an extremely difficult task to guarantee that one had in effect rung the requisite number of extents to a peal. He had the greatest difficulty in counting up to sevenths and back again. To count 210 or something beyond that without aid-such as putting raisins in one pocket and transferring them to another-was extremely difficult.

Mr. J. R. Cooper, seconding, said the main reason of the motion was to clarify the position.

Mr. W. B. Kynaston said he did not think the extents mounted up to 210 in each case. If Mr. Corby rang Kent. Treble Bob Minimus the number would be 105 .

DESIRE FOR LOCAL EVENTS
Mr. A. E. Rushton pointed out that 4-bell ringers, if they wanted to celebrate a birthday or a local event, would desire to ring in their own tower. He asked Mr. Corby that if he desired to celebrate his birthday he would not go next door. In this country there were some very good rings of four.

Mr. W. E. Critchley: I think peals of Minimus are just rubbish and I also think we can find plenty of rubbish in higher numbers.

Mr. J. P. Fidler: I think I can say that I have visited more 4 -bell towers than anyone. Never have I found in a 4-bell tower a band capable of ringing changes. When peals were rung in 4 -bell towers they were rung by tower snatchers.

Mr. John Freeman: In 4-bell towers Mr. Corby will be regarded as a squire [laughter]. I can see little merit in ringing peals on four bells, but there may be occasions when to maintain interest a peal should be rung there. I do not think we should legislate for something that is "a flash in the pan. I would like to move 'the next business.

The Rev. J. G. M. Scott seconded and said he thought that people who rang these 4-bell peals should he seen by a psychologist

Mr. F. E. Haynes: I should like to object to a motion being put on the paper and not debated properly.

A vote to pass on to the next business was heavily defeated.

Mr. J. H. Crampion: We don't wanti to stop them ringing-in fact we can't. The point is that we should recognise them.

Mr. F. B. Lufkin: In the Essex Association we started off by deploring these peals, and I was one who deplored them. In the discussion that ensued the majority of members were in favour of encouraging 4 -hell ringing. I think the main thing is to encourage Sunday service ringing. If a person rang a 4-bell peal I would be unhappy if it was not recognised. I would like to move an amendment that 4 -hell peals be permitted if rung in 4 -bell towers only.

Miss Boyle seconded.
Mr. W. G. Wilson supported the amendment for the simple reason that their job was to en-

## ON MINIMUS

courage ringing, and to pass a motion that it should not be recognised would not.

Mr. W. F. Oatway commented that if the amendment was accepted the next step wou!d be only 10 -bell peals in 10 -bell towers, 8 -bell peals in 8 -bell towers and six in 6-bell towers.

## LOWERING THE STANDARD

Mr. John R. Mayne: This raises a far deeper issue. It is a question as to what extent we should attempt to legislate on the activities of the Exercise. There has been a movement to legislate much less and the effect was that quite a lot of sound ringing has ceased. If we accept 4 -bell peals, what about 3 -bell and 2 -bel peals? We have another complication. "The Ringing World ' is the official organ. If we accept, then they will have to be published in 'The Ringing World.' Do we want our 'Ring ing World full of peals of Minimus? Personally, I think we are lowering our standards and I am afraid a lot of people think the same Personally, I shall vote for the resolution.

Mr. B. D. Threlfall: The more years the Council go on talking about peals of Minimus the more people will go on ringing them.
Mr. F., E. Dukes: If you legislate not to accept Minimus then the Associations may lose 4 -bell towers.

Mr. A. P. Cannon: If we don't accept Mr Corby's resolution it is a retrograde step. happen to know the perpetrators. They will be ringing Minimus on rings of five with the tenor behind. There were two such quarter peals of Minimus, and on one occasion the tenor was rung by two people. I am for helping anybody, but not to Minimus.

Mr. C. K. Lewis said he was in favour of Minimus. The first peal of Minimus was rung by two of his pupils in 1938. In the Chester Guild they had one 4 -bell tower with ten members, and when they got going they would press for augmentation. If the Council discouraged Minimus they would get 4 -bell towers being abandoned and becoming derelict.

Mr. Lewis pointed out that he could ring a peal of Minimus with five or more changing bells. How many rings of 12 have only five or six bells rung on a Sunday? Anyone interested in ringing would move from four or five bells upwards. If any of them had tried ringing Minimus they would find it was darned hard work.
Mr. Philip Gray said that the most important decision reached that day was to accept the Devon Association as members. It was the first time they had accepted a non-change-ring ing Society as members. By accepting them they should also accept Minimus.

Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward: If the effect is to encourage 4 -bell ringers I am all against the motion.

## BENEFIT OF STUNTERS

Mr. R. G. Blackman: We have our rules as to what shall he a peal. By altering those rules we are going to take a degrading step for the benefit of those who try to ring stunts.

Mr. P. A. Corby: Would the opposers of the motion consider the practical difficulties? As an experienced ringer I find itl difficult to count 210.

Mr. Rushton: I can give Mr. Corby the name of a 4 -bell tower where they ring the four bells regularly to changes. We might deplore 4-beil ringing but it is not necessarily a stunt.

Mr . G. Dodd: How many 4-bell methods
are there?
Mr. F. Blagrove: There are 11 plain methods
The President: I think if you go into it that there are nearly 40
Mr. A. D. Barker: If we allow this we will he encouraging stunt ringing.

Various attempts were then made to produce an appropriate amendment. Eventually one proposed by Mrs. Staniforth and approved by Mr . Cartwright was presented to the meeting: Peals of Minimus on tower hells may be recognised in towers that contain four bells only. Peals on four handbells or less shall not be recognised.'

Miss M. Cross seconded this and it was carried by 78 votes to 57.

MODERN ARCHITECTURE AND TOWERS
Mr. R. S. Anderson submitted to the Council the following motion: "That this Council takes note of the present trend of ecclesiastical architecture in that no tower capable of containing a ring of bells to be rung traditionally is incorporated in new churches nor is any provision made for the addition of a tower, and urges the Royal Institute of British Architects and all diocesan authorities to be mindful of the essentially. English art of bellringing and ensure in their design for new churches that the voice of the Church through the bells is not lost to future generations. That the Towers and Belfries Committee keep this matter before them.'

Mr. Anderson said new parishes were being created throughout the length and breadth of the land. They were being built in a new style and very few of them had a tower capable of taking a ring of hells. The usual reply to any criticism was that they could not afford a tower There were churches being put out of use and in some of those churches there were bells. He felt that those bells should be transferred to new churches. He was told that the cost of a light ring of five or six with a 2 cwt . tenor was a little over $£ 1.000$. He was not suggesting that bellringing would go out during the next decade, but churches were being built without towers and being provided with electronic equipment which was utterly false. The Central Council for the Care of Churches was also concerned.
Mr. E. H. Edge, seconding, said they felt very strongly about this in North Staffordshire. and they felt that British architects had a big responsibility for this state of affairs. If economies had to be made it was invariably the church lower that came first.
The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow suggested that the motion should be amended to deplores the present trend of church planning, for 'trend of ecclesiastical architecture.
This was agreed to, and the motion was carried.

## THE NEXT COUNCL

The Hon. Secretary said the Council had received three invitations for next year. The Norwich Diocesan Association had invited the Council to Great Yarmouth, the Salisbury Diocesan Guild to Salisbury in 1962 or the follow. ing year, and the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association to Cardiff in 1962. The Council was last at Norwich in 1946, in Salisbury in 1923 and intended to visit Cardiff in 1940 but could not because of the war

Mr. F. E. Haynes moved that the Council meet in London. It was high time they went to London.
The Council deçided by a very substantial majority to visit Cardiff.

## HIS 80th BITHDAY

Mr. R. S. Anderson said before the Council met at Cardiff Mr. E. H. Lewis would have celebrated his 80th birthday. He moved that the Council extended to him heartiest congratulations and best wishes for that 80th anniversary.
Mr. E. H. Lewis: I can only say thank you very much. It is 53 years since I was first elected. I was not able to get to all the meetings during the first World War. I thank you for your good wishes and the triendliness you have always shown to me.
Mr. Anderson then asked the Council to show its appreciation to the Chairman in the usual way. Hearty applause for Mr. Sharpe followed.

## ARCHBISHOP'S PRFSENTATION

Dr. Layton said a short time ago the secretary of his Society received a letter asking for contributions to the fund for a presentation to the Archbishop of Canterbury. At the annual meeting of the London University Society it was decided to contribute to the Fund. He asked where contributions should be sent.
Mr. Barnett replied that secretaries should send their contributions to him and he would send them in one lump sum.

## TOWERS \& BELFRIES COMMITTEE

During 1960 the work of the Towers and Belfries Committee again increased. Advice on bell restoration was given in 67 towers, nine more than last year. They may be analysed geographically thus:-

Berkshire 4, Buckinghamshire 12, Breconshire 1, Cardiganshire 3, Cheshire 5, Cornwall 2, Essex 2, Gloucestershire 2, Hampshire 2, Herefordshire 1, Huntingdonshire 1, Lin-
ring or hung as single bells. If such a bell, though sound, is of poor tone or is cracked advice should be sought from the Central Council for the Care of Churches as to whether it is of sufficient interest to justify its retention in the church or in a museum as a complete bell, or whether it is enough to preserve the crown, canons and inscription band, and recast the remainder. Permission to recast cracked bells should only be sought if adequate proposals are adopted for mount-

## PRESENTATION TO MRS. SHARPE

Mr. G. W. Biddulph, chairman of the North Staffs Association, said this was the first time the Council had been in their district, and they need only to be there for a short time to realise that they had a wonderful industry and Stoke was the world centre of the pottery industry. Members had received a souvenir ashtray, and they would have liked to give the Council a further token of their industry but unfortunately the Central Council had no permanent headquarters. They had therefore decided to make a presentation of a Doulton figure to


At the opening of the Central Council mee ting at Stoke. From left to right: The Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow (vice-president), Mr. G. W. Biddulph (chairman of the Norh Staffordshire Association), Mr. Frederick Sharpe (president of the Central Council), the Lord Mayor (Ald. G. Dale), the Bishop of Lichfield (the Rt. Rev. A. S. Reeve), the Archdeacon of Stoke (Ven. G. Youell, president of the North Staffordshire Association).
[Phoho: by courtesy of 'The Evening Sentient,' Stoke-upon-Trent.
colnshire 5. Northamptonshire 11. Oxfordshire 5, Pembrokeshire 1, Somerset 7, Surrey 2, Wiltshire 1, Yorkshire 1. To these may be added one enquiry from Scotland, where advice was given on the recasting of a turret bell.
In seven towers advice was given on recasting, in one tower the installation of a new bell. Thirty towers sought advice on rehanging, 28 on the repair of existing gear and 12 on sound control and improvement.

No outstanding or unusual problems were reported hy members of the Committec. Mr. Clarke advised on the sale of the bells of St. Michael's. Chester. details of which have been reported in 'The Ringing World.' Mr. Austin was disturbed to find in one tower that 'restoration' had been carried out by, enthusiastic amateurs without professional advice. Many of the requests for advice came as the direct result of quinquennial surveys by architects, and we foresee much bell restoration in the near future. We find many towers in a neglected state, with little or no routine maintenance work being carried out. and urge all Guilds and Associations to emphasise to their members the need for regular inspection, adjustment and lubrication of bell gear.

The Council's handbook on the Preservation and Repair of Bells, Bellframes and Gear will soon need reprinting. We recommend that a new edition be printed incorpolating such revision as the Committee may decide, and that the text of the joint statement issued by the Central Council for the Care of Churches and our Council clauses (b) to (h) as approved at our meeting last year be incorporated in the new edition. After further discussion between representatives of both Councils, clause (a) has been amended as follows:-
'(a) Bells cast hefore 1600 , if sound, should not (as a general rule) be recast. As such bells are of archasological importance, they should be preserved intact, incorporated in a
ing and display of the crown, canons and inscription band in the church.'
We recommend that this clause be incorporated in the new edition of the handbook.
(Signed) FREDERICK SHARPE
(Convener),
B. AUSTIN.
J. W. CLARKE,
F. E. COLLINS,
J. FREEMAN.
E. H. LEWIS.
W. A. OSBORN.
J. G. M. SCOTT,
B. THRELFALL

The President in moving the adcption said that since the report had been typed they had given advice in regard to a Devon tower. Mr. Scott said the incumbent took not the slightest notice. As well as members of the Committee there were others who gave advice, such as Mr. Ernest Morris. They did not deprecate the work of others.
Mr, F. E. Collins, seconding, said the matter of bell restorations was still very brisk in the South of England. Another matter was sound control, and they were getting nearly as many enquiries for this as for restorations. Sound control had to be gone into carefully because sound modification could be only a short step to a distorted musical effect outside. He had received the following letter:-
'Our bells are rather noisy outside. We want to do something to deaden them down. We have some sheets of galvanised ironwould that be suitable?'
Mr. E. H. Lewis, speaking on 'firing' of bells, said that if all the bells were roped to one side they would get the maximum force. "Firing' took place slowly, and because of that they were not likely to get the tower down. Each case should be considered on its merits.

The report was adopted and authority given to the Committee to reprint the Council's handbook on the 'Preservation of Bells.'

Mrs. Sharpe, and asked the President to accept it on her behalf.

Thanking Mr. Biddulph, the President said this was a delightful surprise and he knew Mrs. Sharpe would like to have permanent possession of it.

## AN AUSTRALIAN REVIEW

Mr. G. W. Pipe, who is back on furlough from Melbourne, was asked to give a résume of ringing in Australia. He said Australians were very interested in what the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers were doing. He remembered in 1958 going to Sydney, when a young ringer came up to him and asked if George Fearn was a professional. [Laughter|
Over in the West they had Perth, where in the Great Adventure in 1934 the visitors could not ring. Until last year the tower was recognised as unsafe. but round about Christmas an architect and civil engineer considered that the bells could be swung again. Perth was 2.100 miles from Melbourne.
The next centre was Adelaide. 800 miles to the east of Perth, where there was a fine ring of eight at St. Peter's Cathedral, with a tenor 41 cwt. in C. He would like to pay tribute to the work of Enid Lloyd Roberts, who for two years travelled 70 miles each Sunday for Bob Doubles. The band were now ringing Stedman Triples and man for man were the best band in Australia

St. Paul's Cathedral. Melbourne. his tower, had the only 12 outside the United Kingdom, and they could say that ringing there at the end of last year was at its peak. At Melbourne they could ring Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal. There was an octave at St. Patrick's (R.C.) Cathedral which was cast by Murphy, of Dublin. They rang there on the first Sunday in each month.

The next centre of importance was Sydney. 6(K) miles away, where there were nine or ten rings of bells. Unfortunately they did not do as much as they could. They also had two cights at Hohart and other rings at Yass, Ballarat and Maryhorough.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## THE DEVON ASSOCIATION OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Dear Sir,-I would like, if you please. to express through your columns my appreciation of the warmth of welcome which was extended $t 0$ me. both as representative of the Devon Association and personally. by all who attended the recent meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers at Stoke-uponTrent. At no time did I have the feeting of being 'a stranger in a strange land,' and this impression of welcome and oneness with you all. in a common imerest. whatever the "persuasion.' will akways remain with me. Names came to life as persons and impersonalities at once became personatities in a most heartening manner.

More than ever it was realijed that we yourselves as change ringers, or "scientific " as we like to think of you, and ourselves as call change ringers, hive much to offer each other, which in this new fellowship can only serve to bring us even closer logether for the benefit of the Church. which we are all privileged to serve.-Yours faithfully.

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## CAN A METHOD BE RENAMED?

Dear Sir.-I do not wish in any way to detract from the merit of the performance of Mr. Ogden and his band in the ringing of 53 methods in a peal of Spliced Major, and indeed would like to offer my congratulations to the band, but if the records I have kept are correct methods Nos. 261 and 263 have already been rung io full peals and have been ramed Warminster and Holland Bob Major, respectively.
It would. therefore, seem that confusion is likely to arise if fresh names are given, when methods are rung again either in full peals or in peak of splred methods
I should like fo know if there is any ruling on this poim. also what is the pasition in regard 10 methods which have not been rung 10 a full peal, but have formed part of a spliced peal. Would a bund ringing a full peal in the method be entitled to give it a name of their own choice. or should the name already given to it have to stand?Yours faithfully.

Upion-by-Clester

## WHICH IS THE CORRECT ST. DUNSTAN'S?

Dear Sir-Reading a few weeks ago the account from Australia of a peal containing St. Dunstan's Doubles brought to mind an old controversy, especially. St. Dunstan's Day (May 19th) being close at hand. The question was asked in this District: Which is the correct St. Dunstan's?- the one printed in 1766 in 'Campanalogia Improved.' which has Grandsire bob work for its plain lead, with a Chace Bob (or Grandsire extreme as some call it) for a Bob and a St. Blaise call for the single. or the same plain lead and bob with an ordinary Grandsire single or that published in the 1939 Central Council book on Doubles and Minor, which has no singles and the bob a fourths place bob?

We decided that. if the Central Council stick to their own rules. that is "that once a method has been named no one shall alter it.' the 1766 version is the correct St. Dunstan's. and not that published in their 1939 collection. or the one rung with ondinary Grandsire singles. Here is the 1766 version for the henefit of those who don't know it:

| Lhose who dont know it: |  |  |  |
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| 51423 | 13254 | 15234 | 41253 |
| 15432 | 13245 | 51243 | 42135 |
| 14523 | 31425 | 52134 | 24315 |

ralling; twice more repeated for 120.
Yours sincerely.
Weston Favell.
P. AMOS

## NEW BELL RECORDINGS

Dear Sir,-I would like to bring to your notice what appears to be a new series of gramophone records of bell ringing. Marketed by H.M.V., they consist at present of one L.P.. one E.P. and one standard 45 r.p.m.

The L.P. contains Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles, and Cambridge Surprise Major; the E.P.. Stedman Caters, and the 45 r.p.m., call changes.
One wonders. however, if these recordings are intended for churches with synthetic bells.-Yours faithfully. D. BROOKES.
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## SHIRLEY BURTON IN NEW ZEALAND

Dear Sir.-It was a great pleasure for the ringers of Christchurch. N.Z., to welcome to the Cathedral tower Mr. Shirley Burton, of Leicester
We regret that, owing to repairs being made to the tower. We were unable to arrange a peal attempt. However, during his stay of two weeks vith us, we were able to ring a dittle Grandsire and Siedman Doubles and touches of Grandsire Triples and, with the learners in. rounds and call changes on the full ring of ten bells. This may seem very little to experienced ringers. but to us the experience gained was valuable. To ring with and discuss thing with Mr. Burton has encouraged all to aim for a higher standard of ringing.
We thank Mr. Burton for his visit and hope that Mrs. Burton and himself have enjoyed their stay in New Zealand, and, on behalf of the members of our Society, I wish them a safe and pleasant voyage home.-Yours sincerely, G. NELSON SLOAN,

Secretary. Christchurch Cathedral
Sociely of Bell Ringers.
A MORAL FROM IMAGINATION
Dear Sir.-The account in The Ringing Work' of May 191 h of the achievement of a band of ringers who rang on 32 towers in one day put me in mind of a not dissimilar performance of which 1 was a witness some few years ago.
The late P. J. Forbes-Smythe, who was a contemporary of mine at Cambridge, and the winner of the 1956 Jesus College 'Pint-to-Pint' race. once conceived the idea of attempting to drink half a pint of beer in each one of Cambridge's public houses in one day. Unaware of the magnitude of the task. several of us volunteered to accompany him. whide not necessarily trying to emulate him. We set off in fine style promptly at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on the morning of May 31st. 1956. and by a quarter to lwo we were just about to enter the forty-first inn when poor old J.P. collapsed on the pavement. An ambulance was summoned and Forbes-Smythe was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital. where he seemed to be in a fair way to recovering, when the news was broken to him that he had, in fact. covered less than a quarter of all Cambride's public houses! This piece of intelligence so upset the poor fellow that he suffered a relapse and died on June 5th.
The funeral. which was simple and dignified. was attended by a large number of his friends. who afterwards laid a wreath of hopbines on the grave. Afterwards. when we assembled in the 'Volunteer". we agreed that each year. on May 31 st. wherever we might be. we would raise our glasses and drink to the memory of 'A Gallant Feblow: 1. for my part. have never failed to pay this tribute to one of our greatest men. cut off so tragically in the flower of youth.-Yours faithfully.

## Wimbledon

## A PREVIOLS OCCASION

Dear Sir.-I see that correspondence on The Sunday Pictorial photo is still kept going. Not nearly so much fuss was made last lime it happened. I remember the Press publishing a picture of the young ladies of Burnham demonstrating hell ringing Thev were swinging away up near the ceiling. well above the head of their instructor, the late George Gilbert - Yours. otc.
Hastings.
Hastings.
C. A. LEVETT

## 32 TOWERS IN A DAY

Dear Sir,-Re the 32 towers in a day, I work the time spent on this tour (?) as follows: $\ddagger$ hour at each tower $=8$ hours; 10 minutes between each tower $=5$ hours 20 minules. Total 13 hours 20 minutes.

This prompts the folbowing points:-
1 Were the bells raised and lowered in peal?
2 What was the standard of the ringing like?
3 Did ringing go on until after 9 p.m.? band offered a ring?
5 Was it an enjoyable experience, apart from having rushed more towers into a day than anyone else?
Once, and for the last time, I was on a tour of 17 towers in a day, and even though we had a good land the ringing suffered through the ringers becoming tired, and dare I say it. fed up with pulling bells up.-Yours sincerely,
Branston, Lincs.
JOHN E. COOK.
P.S.-I think that 6 towers a day, with adequate breaks for meals is ideal.-J. E. C.

## COUNTING PLACES

Dear Sir,-The Rabbits' Guild, keenly interested in teaching. of course, insists on the counting of places by the 3-4-5-6-6-5-6 method only, and for an excellent reason. The alternative system of counting all the bells encourages that chattering motion of the lower jaw. which commondy marks the expert, present or future, thus leading to painful misunderslandings. It is not good for learners, especially rabbits. to appeat to ape the tigers. Yours, etc.,
B. M W. D.

Birmingham.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL-Cont.

He made an appeal to the British bellfounders to send a representative to Australia as he was certain there was plenty of business. The Dutch Consul had approached him on behalf of Dutch bellfounders.
The second point was the possibility of a Great Adventure the Second. It would be a very nice outing and do a welter of good to the ringers of Australia. All the change-ringers in Australia take 'The Ringing World, and they long for the day of Great Adventure 11.
Mrs. Richardson, as the only one of the Great Adventure party now living. said every. where they rang they were received with great kindness.

## THE ATTENDANCE

The Hon. Secretary reported that there was a record attendance of 147, against 144 last year. Details :-

| 34 fully represented | Present 83 | Absent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 partly represented | 45 | 29 |
| 5 not represented |  | 5 |
| Life members | 7 | 2 |
| Honorary members | 12 | 6 |
|  | 147 | 42 |

## VOTE OF THANKS

The President proposed a vote of thanks to all who had made the meeting such a success. He especially mentioned the Lord Mayor. Dr. Reeve, the Bishop of Lichfield. the Archdeacon of Stoke. the Rector of Stoke (who entertained the Council to breakfast). Mr. G. W. Biddulph. Mr. R. S. Anderson, and Mr. E. H. Edge for the local arrangements, and also incumbents and lower keepers.

## CIVIC RECEPTION

The neecing was followed by a civic reception and tea. at which the guests were received by the Lord Mayor
A social evening was afterwards held at the Grand Hotel

## DEATH OF PREBENDARY E. V. COX

The Guild of Devonshire Ringers has lost its beloved president by the death in Exeter City Hospital on May 30th, of Preb. Ernest Vyvyan Cox, of Hunthay Close, Axminster, at the age of 79 years.
Preb. Cox, who retired in 1947, spent most of his adult life in Devon parishes. For 28 years he was president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, and was an acknowledged authority on church bells. His advice on bells was sought by many bodies, among them being the Dean and Chapter of Exeter Cathedral, the Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches and various parochial church councits.
It was while at Keble College, Oxford, that he had his first ringing appointment, that of secretary of the Oxford University Society, 1902-3. After graduating he went to Ely Theological College and was ordained a deacon in 1904 and a priest in 1906. While holding curacies in the Midlands he was clerical secretary and treasurer to the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford (1910-15). In 1917 he became Vicar of Bampton, Devon, and was secretary of the N.E. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers from 1920-22; during 1924 he was general secretary and in 1933 he succeeded the late Rev. E. S. Powell as president.
He left Bamplon in 1923 to become Vicar of Littleham with Exmouth; in 1931 he was Vicar of Bramford Speke and from 1939 to 1947 Vicar of Tedburn St. Mary. In each of the last three places he left the bells in perfeci order and they are still a pleasure to ring. Preb. Cox became a non-resident prebendary of Exeter Cathedral in 1940 and was Rural Dean of Kenn from 1943 to 1946.

He served the Devon Guild with great faithfulness and will be missed, especially at branch meetings, which he always made a point of attending, if possible, although it might mean 120 miles of motoring from one end of Devon to the other. He also devoted many evenings to teaching learners in his own district. At the Guild's annual meeting, in 1958. a presentation, subscribed to by most of the members, was made to him by the late Mr. F. C. Smale to celebrate his 25 years in office.
Preb. Cox had been a reader of "The Ringing World' from its first issue. His 144 peals included ane silent, Holt's Original.
A report of the funeral service at Axminster will appear in our next issue.

## FOUNDER OF CLERICAL GUILD

J. H. B. A. writes :-

In the only peal of clerical Caters yot rung. Stedman Caters at St. Mary's, Warwick. on October 11th, 1910, the 4th was rung by the Rev. C. Carew Cox, the 5th by the Rev. E. V. Cox. This assoojation in clerical ringing continued until the Clenical Guild tour of April last, when the ane was re-elected president, the other vice-president, of the Cderical

## ST. LAURENCE'S, READING

On Whit Monday the St. Laurence's, Reading, ringers had their annual outing, and reinforced by Frank Whire, of Appleton, and George Bishop and Jack Napper, of Haghourne, a very happy day was spent ringing at villages on the Berkshire downs; A grand lunch was enjoyed at "The Plough, at Appleton, where, of course, it was a job to get the foreman on the move again. For an outing the ringing was quite good and everyone was amazed we rang Appleton bells so well to Grandsire and Siedman Caters.
After ringing at Blewhury, Hagbourne, Buckland. Appleton. Harwell and Drayton, our last port of call was Ilsley and beside Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major, we had the termerity to bring home a course of Double Norwich. Again it was a job to get the foreman away, but eventually we arrived back at Reading at 11 p.m., after a very; very happy day, with memories of a beautiful tea (prepared hy our Mrs. Catterall) on the Ridgeway.

Guild. 'E. V.' rang in three of the four other clerical peals on tower bells before the formation of the Guild, and in the first Guild peal. at Knebworth, on Apruil 29th, 1938. This was his last clerical peal.
The Guild of Clerical Ringers may be said to be his creation. He was in the chair on April 8th, 1937, when twelve clergy taking part in a 'ringing week' at Evesham, resolved to form themselves into a Guild and to invite Canon G. F. Coleridge to be their president. 'E. V.' was the natural and obvious choice as honorary secretary and treasurer, for his onthusiasm, his attention to detail and his humanity ensured the success of anything he organised. He continued as secretary until 1953. and he attended every subsequent "week." including this year's at Southampton, when, although obviously far from well, to his delight no less than to that of the rest of the party, he was able to join in most of the ringing.
When the Clerical Guild was televised in action in the tower of Canterbury Cathedral in 1959, it was upon 'E.V.' that the camera raturally lingered. He had come to look, perhaps, a little older than his years, but it was also the whole alert, intent figure that caught the eye. In the ringing chamber he was one of the steadiest and most helpful of ringens. But ringing tours are not spent wholly in the belfry, and members will sorely miss a true friend and a loved companion. He is the thind of the original twelve of 1937 to be called to his rest.

## ST. CUTHBERT'S, DARLINGTON

Ringers of St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, and their friends had their annual outing on May 27th, and had the best weather of the year for a trip to the East Coast. From Darling ton they went to Guisborough and then along the lovely coast road, which loops and twists and climbs over the moors to Robin Hood's Bay.
Here, at Fylingdales' chunch, there was a stay of about an hour. and on the musical eight (tenor $11 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{gr} .15 \mathrm{1b}$. ), touches of Plain Bob. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Double Norwich were rung. A visitor to Robin Hood's Bay from Wimbledon joined in the ringing.

Over the moors again, the purty went on to Scarborough for tea. Those of the ringers who did not fall for the attractions of the resort, went up to All Saints' Church, under the shadow of the castle, and rang Plain Bob and Stedman again, but the younger ringers having sought other entertainment, ended up with touches of Cambridge and London Minor Mr. Bert Sutton, of the All Saints' band, made the arrangements and joined in the ringing.
The eight at All Saints' (tenor 20 owt. 1 qr .23 lb .). have a claim to distinction recorded on a tablet in the tower. The troble and tenor were sent by the founders (Taylors) to the great exhibition of 1851 , and obtained first prize; viz., 'a prize medal and the special approbation of the jurors.'
E. P.

## 130 METHODS TO A PEAL

After eight years of progressive ringing, Messrs. W. F. Moreton, Howard Scott and W. Eric Critchley have rung a handbell peal of Minor in 130 methods, which we publish in this issue. The Exercise will extend to them their warmest congratulations.

Mr. Moreton informs us that it is not possible, at the moment, to include more than 130 methods in seven extents of Minor, unless methods with places made at once are included, and the band object on principle to doing this.
The names 'Cripplegate' and 'Cornhill' are used for two new Little methods ; as in 'Clavis, there are three Little methods, Cripplegate, St. Sepulchre's (sic) and St. Lawrence, with the same work for the treble as in our new ones. Both the old Cripplegate and the old St. Lawrence are irregular, while St. Sepulchre's is regular. The name St. Lawrence has already been used for a Little Minor method. but Cripplegate was still available and Cornhill was chosen to match.
Extents 1 and 3 are on page 356 of 'The Ringing World' for July 25th, 1947, both by A. G. Driver.

Extent 4 on page 168, March 4th, 1960. By H. Chant.

Extent 5 on page 239, April 10th, 1959. By H. Chant.

Extent 7 on page 727, October 28th, 1960 By C. K. Lewis and H. Chant.

Extent 6 on page 730, November 18th, 1955. By C. K. Lewis.
Extent 2, by H. Chant, is rung in a peal for the first time.

720 IN 25 METHODS BY H. CHANT
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- 63452 Bastow Little Court

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62453 Candlesby Alliance

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54263 Adwick Alliance
32654 Poynton Alliance
S 46352 Ellacombe Alliance
23546 College

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- 65342 Bastow Little Court

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NEW METHODS IN H. CHANT'S
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Cornhil!
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Little Bob } & 34 & 36 & 14 & 34 & 12\end{array}$
The first time these types of method have
been rung in a peal.

# NOTICES <br> <br> Scale of Charges <br> <br> Scale of Charges <br> Meetings: $\mathbf{3 / 6}$ (minimum) for 30 words, afterwards 1 ld . a word. Each additional insertion half charge. <br> Other Notices: $4 /-$ (minimum) for 36 vords, afterwards 1 ld , a word. <br> Displayed: $7 / 6$ per single column inch. <br> No guarantee of insertion after Monday, first post. <br> <br> BIRTH 

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BORDER.-On June 2nd. 1961, at 18. Frohisher Road. Sty vechale. Coventry, to Ruth (née Jackson) and Peter Border, a daughter (Helen Ruth).

## MARRIAGE

WHITE-MASKELL-On June 3rd. 1961, at St. Michael and All Angels'. Aston Clinton, Ayleshury. Bucks. Arthur John White to Innes Felicia Maskell, hoth of Aston Clinton. Future address: 98, London Road, Aston Clinton.

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## DEATH

COX. On May 30th. 1961, at the City Hospital, Exeter. Ernest Vyvyan Cox, M.A. (Oxon). of Hunthay Close, Axminster, aged 79 years. Prebendary of the Cathedral Chunch of St. Peter's, in Exeter. Funeral at Axminster Parish Church. Friday, June 2nd. 1961, at 3 p.m. No mourning or flowers. Donations to the Chunch Army. 55, Bryanston Street, W.1. 8346

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

On and after June 20th. 1961. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrid Wright's new address will be The Ohequers Hotel. Market Place, Grantham, Lincs. All ringing friends welcome. 8371

## PERSONAL

But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.' (Rom. viii, 25.)

MARRIAGE THRO' SOCIAL INTRODUC-TION.-The anly social service of its kind enjoying the warm approval of both Clengy and Press. It is completely confidential and operates throughout Great Britain. Interesting free brochure under plain scaled cover from The Bournemouth Bureau, 176, Old Christchurch Road, Bournemeuth.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

ST. NICHOLAS' PARISH CHURCH. GREAT YARMOUTH. - Now that the church has been reconsecrated will all intending visitors please note they will be most welcome to ring with us at the following times: Sundays $10.30-11 \mathrm{a} \mathrm{m}$. and $5.45-6.30$ p.m. also on practice nights. which. on and from June 14th, will be Wednesdays $7-9$ p.m.-A. G
Wigmore. Master.
Wigmore. Master. HILL ST. ANN.-Practice night has recommenced at this tower, on Wednesday evenings. 7.30-9 p.m. Visitors not only welcome, but essential.-Michael Rowe. tower captain.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETYSummer tour. Wrexham. August 12th-19th. Will any member who has not received a circular and would like one. contact A. R. Agg. 76. Wvmondley Road, Hitchin. Herts, or Gay Williams. College Hall, Maket Street.
W.C.1.

SURPRISE MINOR PRACTICE-Ash, Monday, June 26th. Methods: Canterbury, Carlisle. Cunecastre. Durham, Flamstead,
London. Sedliscombe. Surprise Major at Holy Trinity, Guildford. Thursday, June 15th. Methods: Bristol. London, Superlative. Yorkshire. FLEXA MOWER for 8373 THE FLEXA MOWER for long and cough
grass cutting on uneven ground. will also mow grass cutting on uneven gnound, will also mow yand: "It used to be scythed twice a year as it was thought impossible to mow it. It can now be mowed with perfeat ease with your machine-I will gladly recommend the Flexa to any Incumbent who has trouble with his chunchyand.' Prices from $£ 99 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$. Illustrated leaflet and prices sent on request.-Sulby Services. East Street, Chard. Somerset; or 92. Harlington Road. Hitlingdon. Middlesex.

## MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Biggleswade District) and ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Huntingdon District). Joint meeting, Eaton Socon, Saturday. June 10th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Yorkshire and Stedman. Everyone welcome.-A. Smith and M. Dyer. Dis. Secs.

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EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-Saturday. June 10 th. meoting at Newick. Tea in Village Room. Possibly Chailey in evening. Names to me.-C. A. Bassett, 3, Pendrill Place.
Wadhurst, Sussex. ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Cambridge District.-Meeting at Meldreth, on Saturday, June 10 th. Bells (6) 3 pm . Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.-E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 8310 ESSEX ASSOCIATION-S.W. District.Meeting. June 10 th. Great Wakering. Bells (6) $3 \mathrm{p.m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea please, to Mr. G. Kirby, 181, High Street, Great Wakering. Buses 4 and 4 A from Victoria Circus, Southend, at 15 and 45
minutes past the hour.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Bishop's Stortford Group.-Meeting at Little Hadham. June 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing. Much Hadham. Names for tea to A. Kent, Clapgate, Albury near Much Hadham.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION Western District.-Meeting, June 10th, Flamstead. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Smith. Rose Cottage, Flamstead. Definitely, no name no tea.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION - Maidstone District.-By-meeting on June 10 th. Ringing. Nettlestead (5 bells) $3-5$ p.m. Tea 5. Yalding (6) after tea. Service 6.30 p.m. 8274
R. L. Sills. Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-West Midland District and Midland District.-Joint quarterly meeting Saturday, June 10th, at All Saints'. Chilvers Coton. Nuneaton. Warwicks. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30-5. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringing from $6-8$ p.m. Notifications for tea to Mrs. D. E. Beamish, 21. Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton,

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LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Meeting, Saturday, June 10th, St. Mary's, R.C. Clapham Common. 2.30 pm . Tea, handbeli ringing and business 4 p.m., at 56, Narbonne Avenue. S.W.4. Evening ringing at'St. Mary's, Battersea. 6-7.30 p.m. Names for tea please to Miss M. Powell, above address or phone Tulse Hill 8190.
MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.-N. and E. District-Meeting. Saturday, June 10 hh , at St. John the Baptist. Pinner. Ringing 3 p.m. Tea 4.45, following by business meeting. Evensong 6. followed by evening ringing until 8.30. Names for tea please to D. E. R. Knights. 11. Draycott Avenue. Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex.
MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD - First ringing meeting, Stretton-cum-Wetmore, Saturday. June 10 hh . New ring of six bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. AH ringers welcome.-J. Cotton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD-Oxford City Branch.-Half yearly meeting, Saturday, June 10th, at Garsington. Bells (6) 2.30 pm . Service 4. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea to Mr. A. J. Adams, 35, Church Hill Road. Cowley. Oxford.

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SUFFOLK GUILD.-North-West District. Practice meeting at Euston (5). Saturday, June 10th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.-A. F. Ballam. 8317 Western Division.- Practice meeting at Felpham (6) on Saturday, June 10th, at 3 pm . Names for tea to E. W. Keys. 'Greystones.' Salthill Road. Fishbourne, Chichester. 8318

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. Southern Branch. - Meeting at Church Lench (6), on Saturday, June 10 th . Ringing $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Service 4.30 p.m.. followed by tea and business. Names for tea to C. B. Longmore, 65A Port Street. Evesham.

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery.-Practice meeting at Portbury (6). on Saturday. June 17 h . Beils available 5 p.m.-D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Luton District.-Quarterly meeting, Touternhoe, Saturday, June 17 th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 4.30, follawed by business. Service $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for tea must be sent by 15 th, to Mr. R.J. Scolt, Old Fanm Inn. Totternhoe, Dunstable, Beds.

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUMD.-Crewe Branch.-Barthomley, June 17 th . Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 142h. No name no tea.-W. Kerr, 107. Moreton Road, Crewe.

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COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. Northern District. Meeting at Bulkington, on Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. J. Hinde. 15, Church Street, Bulkington.

DEVON GUILD.-Annual festival, Exeter, June 17th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m. Preacher, the Doan of Exeter. Tea and meeting in St. Mark's Parish Hall. Numbers for tea to Rev. C. G. Poulton, 36, Polsloe Road, Exeter. Ringing: Cathedral $1.30-3$ and $6-8$, Heavitree $1.30-3$, St. Mark's 3-4, St. Thomas' $7-8 \mathrm{p.m}$

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DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Meeting, Saturday, June 17th, Benfieldside, Si. Cuthbert's, 2.30 p.m. Names to Miss E. Warburton, 25, Elm Park Terrace, Elm Park. Shatley Bridge.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION-Hunts District.-Meeting, at Somersham. June 17th. Belks (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wis bech Branch.-Meeting. Northwold. Saturday, June 17th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 15th.-J. Fox.
Walpole Marsh, Wisbech.

## THE RINGING WORLD JUBILEE 1911-1961

To commemorate 50 years of service to the Exercise, all ringers are invited In visit Guildford and District on Saturday, June 17th

Towers will be available for ringing in and around the area.

A PILGRIMAGE to Pyrford. to the grave of John S. Goldsmith. will take place at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Handhcl singing.

EVENSONG, GULLDFORD NEW CATHEDRAL, 5.30 p.m.

EVENING MEAL. Ayers' Restaurant, opposite St. Nicolas' Church, 6.45 for 7 p.m. Names with remitance. 10 s., to C W. Denyer, 15, Crondail Lane,

## Farnham.

RINGING ARRANGEMENTS:Aldershot (8) 10.30 a.m. -12 noon. $2-4$ p.m.: Cherisey (8) $10-11.15$ a.m. Mernow (6) 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Esher (8) $10.30-11.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. : Horseh (6) 11.30 a.m. -12.45 p.m.; Oatlands Park (8) 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.: Guildford. S. Nicolas (10) 11 a.m. -12.15 p.m.. Sioke (6) 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Holy Trinity (8) $1.30-2.45$ p.m.. St. Mary's (6) 2-4.30 : Send (6) 1.30-2.45: Old Waking (8) 1.30-2.45: Shalford (8) $2-4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Additional times will be given in belfries.

CARS.-To enable people without cars to get to Pyrford. will those with vacant seats please write to $\mathrm{Mr}, \mathrm{C}$. W. Denyer

GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Wotton Branch.-Meeting at Cromhall (6). Saturday, June 17th. Bells 3 p.m.. service and tea. Names to O. Mills. Church Strect, Wotion.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION St. Albans District.-Sandridge (6). June 17th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names please to M. T. Hawkins, 23. Blenheim Road. St. Albans.-M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 8347

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District.-By-meoting. Lynsted, on Saturday, June 17 th. Bells 2.30 pm . Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in School Hall at 2s. per person. Names together with cash please, by June 14 th. -Mr. G. C. Ivory, Cambridge Coutage, Teynham. near Sittingbourne.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,-Canterbury District-By-meeting. Lynsted, on Saturday, June 17 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in School Hall at 2 s . per person. 14 Nith.-Mr. G. C. Ivory, Camblease, by June Teynham, near Sittingbourne.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.-Meeting at Helmshore. on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m.-J. Porter. Branch Sec. 8374 LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK. - The 150 th ringing anniversary. Saturday, June 17th. Bells Everyone welcome.-F. S. Mortlock.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Loughborough District-Salurday, June 174h, Oaks-in-Charnwood (6). Ringing 2.30 pm . Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Hall,-C. W. Hall. 8336
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Elloe Deaneries Branch,-Quarterly meeting 2 at
Crowland, Saturday, June 17th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 pm . Names for tea by Wednesday, June 14 th , to Mir. R. Strick-
land, 5 , South Street, Crowland.
8289
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. South and Wes! District.-Practice on June 17th, at Brentford, 6 to 8 p.m. Tower representatives to collect reports.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.-Sonning Deanery Branoh.-The summer meeting will be held at Waltham St. Lawrence, on June 17th. Ringing from $3 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 5 . Tea 5.30 pm . Notify for tea to Mr. W. J. Botter, 10. Downfield Road. Waltham St. Lawrence. Twyford. Reading. by June 12th.-B. C. Castle. 8348 SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marl bonough Branch.-Meeting. Chisledon. Saturday, June 17th. Names for tea essential to T. A. Palmer, 16. Oxford Street, Aldbourne,
Marlborough, Withs. SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Monthly meeting, Hemingbrough, Saturday, June 17th. Bells (6) 2.30 pm . Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food. Cups of te:1 only available.-L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec.
SURREY ASSOCIATION - Southern Sec-tion.-Quarterly meeting. Redhill (8). June 17 h . Bells $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Scrvice $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names for teal to Mr. Comber, 2. Woodlands Avenue, Redhill. by Thursday, 15th.-G. A. West. Hon. Sec.
SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.-Southern Divi-sion.-Quarterly meeting. Henfield (8). Saturday, June 17th. Bells 2.30 pm . Service 4.15 . Tea 5 pm . Please notify numbers by Tuesday, June 13th.-Geo. North. 11, Richmond Terrace. Brighton. Now. AND PORTSMOUTH WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Akon and Petersfield District--
Practice meeting. June 17th, Bentworth (5). 6-9 p.m.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. - Southampton District. - Quarterly meeting. Lockenley.June 17th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 . Service at East Tytherley 6 pm . Belis after. Names for tea by 14 th please. to Mrs. J. Kippin. 120, Wilton Road. Sorthampton.
WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. 8363 Northern Branoh - Meeting at Oldswinford. Saturday. June 17th. 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m.. followed by tea and business. Names Oldswinford. Stourbridge. by Thursday, 15th, please.-Bernard C. Ashford, Sec.. 17, Ham Lane. Pedmore, Stourbridge. Phone 3470.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Western District.-Annual meeting. June 17th. at Skipton. Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m.. by June 14th. to Mr. C. S. Scout. 2. Prospect by June 14 th. to Mr. C. S. Scout. 2. Prospect
Place. Skipton.-A. E. Marsh. Hon. Dis. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION-Northern District.-Meeting. Junc 17th. Hovingham (6). Bells from 2 p.m. Tea 4.30 . Business meeting after tea. Service $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Names to Mr, Fred Bishop. High Street. Hovingham. by June 15th.-Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 8370

ATHERSTONE, WARWICKSHIRE-Dedication of the new peal of eight bells at Atherstone Parish Church, will take place on Saturday. June 24 th next, at 3.30 pm . The Vicar, the Rev. A. W. Dodds, extends an invitation to the following Guilds to attend the service of dedication: The St. Martin's Guild, the South Stafis. the Midland Counties, the Leicester Guild and the Coventry Diocesan Guild, with any other ringers who would care to attend the serwice. The bells will be available for ringing after tea until 9 p.m. Numbers for tea would be appreciated and should be sent to J. L. Garner-Hayward, 8, Orchard Crescent, Coventry.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - Quarterly meeting, Saturday. June 24th, at the beautiful old Church of Ault Hucknall (near Hardwick Hall), also eve of the ohurch's patronal festival. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special request. names for tea by Saturday. ${ }^{17 \mathrm{~h} \text {. please, to J. J. }}$ Cooper. 'Highfiekds. Hardstoft. Pilssley Chesterfield. -B. A. Sollis, Hon. Sec. 8361

## APPEAL <br> CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS RENOVATION FUND

An appeal is extended to all readers to help us meet the coming bill for renovating the ring of 8 and in restoring the unique campanile. We approach, particularly, the many who have over the years rung here; quite soon we shall be ready to welcome friends again. Over $£ 2,000$ will be required to cover the cost
Contributions may be addressed to:
The Chichester Cathedral Bells Fund ('Ringing World' Appeal), The Deanery, Chichester.

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting and prize contest. Penistone, June 24th. Entrance fee 10 s . per team, to Arthur Farrand. 12. Greenhill. Mossley. Manchester. by June 17th. please. For teas please notify Arthur Champion. 28. Lees Avenue. Penistone. by June 23rd. No names no tea.-A. Farrand. HOPE FLINTSHIRE-Open day Saturday June 24:h. all ringers welcome. Bells 2 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea afterwards. Names for tea to Dr. Woodcock. The Meadows, Higher Kinnerton. Chester. by June 21 st.

8338 SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual festival at Brecan, on Saturday. June 24 ih . St. Mary's (8) available from 2-3.30 p.m. and after meeting. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m. Address by Rev. W. C. C. Williams. Tea and meeting at the Bishops Meadows Cafe. 5.30 p.m.--J. A. Hoare. Hon. Gen. Sec., 6. Gendros Crescent, Fforestfach. Swansea

8337
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Axbridge Deanery, Corporate Communion. Axbridge. Sunday, June 25 th. Bells (6) 7 for 8 a.m. Communion. Names for breakfast before June 17th. to A. J. Peters. Salisbury House. West Street, Axbridge. 8341

[^0]5 p.m. Names for tea by June 28 th, to Miss Bedford. Bells available: Kempston (8) 10.30 11.30 a.m., Bromham (8) 11 a.m.-12 noon. Biddenham (6) 11.30 a.m. -12.30 pm. ., Goldington (6) $2.30-3.15$, Bedford (St. Peter's) (8) 2.30-4.30. Bedford (St. Paul's) (10) 7-8.30. Elstow (6) 7.45-9 p.m.

8369
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual festival will be held at Oxford. on Saturday, July 1st, 9.45 a.m. Holy Communion in St. Aldate's ; 11 a.m. Thanksgiving service at Christ Ohurch: 12 noon, business meeting in the Chapter House; 1 p.m. lunch in the dining hall of Christ Church. Application for tickets for lunch (6s. 6d.) must be made to Mr. A. D. Barker, 'Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks, by Tuesday, June 27th. Ali applications must be accompanied by remittance. Towers available for ringing as on agenda for business meet-ing.-M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 8316 WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.-Annual general meeting, Newport Isle of Wight. Saturday, July 1st. General meeting in Churoh Hall 2.30 p.m. Service in St. Thomas Church. $4.30 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Churoh Hall, 5.15 p.m. Numbers for tea must reach me by Saturday. June 24th. Accommodation for tea is limited so notification is essential. Bells available: Arreton (6) and Ryde (8) 10.30-11.30 a.m.. Brading (8) 11 a.m.-12 noon. Godshill (6) and Freshwater (6) 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.. Newport (8) $12.30-2$ and $6.30-7.30$ Carisbrook (8) 6.30-8 p.m.-R. Roger Savory 32. Thornbury Avenue. Southampton.

## OUTINGS

## SOUTH LINCS TOWERS

Ringers from Donington. Bioker. Swineshead. Silk Willoughby and Caythorpe joined together for an afternoon and evening outing on May 13th. Towers visited were Caythorpe (8) Barnly in the Willows (6), Balderton (6), Swinderly (5), Eagle (6) and Harmston (8).
A good variety of methods was rung, from Doubles to Cambridge Minor, at the six bel towers and from Grandsire Triples to Double Norwich and Cambridge Major on octaves A warm vote of thanks was passed to Mr. J. Edward Brown for arranging the outing and to incumbents.

## BARKING (SUFFOLK) \& DISTRICT

The St. Neols and Huntingdon area was visited by ringers of St. Mary's. Barking, and the surrounding district, on the occasion of the annual outing on May 13th.
With perfect weather and the countryside at is best, ringing in various methods took place at Eynesbury. Eaton Socon. Great Staughton Spaldwick. All Saints'. Huntingdon, Hemingford Abbots and Hemingford Grey
Our sincere thanks to all incumbents. local ringers and Mr . H. Peacock in particular for his great help with arrangements and the ladies for providing an excellent tea.

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    give the address. Tea will follow at
    5.15 give the address. Tea will follow at 5.15
    p.m. We hope to have the following towers open during the afternoon and evening: Bedworth, Bulkington. Nuneaton and Atherstone. in addition to Chilvers Coton. Numbers for tea is very mportant and should be sent as early as possible to me. Full details will be published later. All towers in the Diocese will be notified by letter.-J. L. Garner-Hayward. 8. Orchard Crescent, Coventry. 8298 ESSEX ASSOCIATION - SE. DivisionMeeting at Burnham. Saturday, July 1st. Bells
    (6) $2.30-3$ and $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. onwards. Service 4.30 (6) $2.30-3$ and $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. onwards. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea 10 F. W. Saltmarsh LADIES GUILD - Annual general meeting. Bedford. Suturday. July 1st. Committee meeting 1.30 p.m. St. Peter's Hall. Committee Room. Service 4.30. St. Peter's Church. Tea London with packed lunches eaten at the Tower of London. followed by a visit to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, where Mr. Hughes explained the principles of bell-founding. On the journey to London. stops for ringing were made at Tonbridge (8) and Eltham (8).
    After tea at Lewisham, there was more ringing at St. Mary the Virgin Church and finally at Bromley (8). This first full day outing was made quite unforgetable by the coach breaking down outside Lamberhurst. The journey was conoluded in another coach. home being reached at midnight. Our thanks are extended to incumbents and tower captains for their hospitality and kindness.
    N. W.

    ## LATE NOTICE

    LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Liverpool Branch.-Meeting at All Saints. Childwall June 10th. Bells (6) 3 pm . Service 4.30 , followed hy tea and business meeting at 5.15 p.m.

