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CENTRAL COUNCIL AGENDA

TO some of our readers, the agenda of the Central Council meeting is uninteresting reading; indeed, anything to do with the Central Council is of no concern to them. To others the agenda has elements of excitement, as the meeting at Great Yarmouth is the first session of the 25th Council, and in consequence officers and committees have to be elected.

Generally speaking, the Council does not go in for radical or revolutionary changes. Where officers and committee men are doing good work they are undisturbed, the general rule being never to impede a willing horse. Thus we find that practically all the conveners have a long record of service, and they do not lightly accept their responsibilities. Invariably their reports contain indications of useful work being accomplished, but at times there are signs of chafing at delay, particularly in regard to publications.

Significant, in an organisation which rather prides itself on continuity of service, is that the Council is promised an election for the two leading positions—the president and vice-president. The position in regard to the presidency perhaps needs explaining. When Mr. Frederick Sharpe was elected to this office six years ago, the view was expressed that it would be to the advantage of the Exercise if there was a change in the presidency after two Councils (six years). There is no rule to this effect—not even a gentlemen's agreement—but a feeling beneath the surface that such a course should be adopted.

It thus came about that the retiring president nominated as his successor the vice-president, Canon Gilbert Thurlow. The second nomination of asking Mr. Sharpe to continue in office for another three years was received just before the completion of the agenda. He was proposed by the hon. treasurer of the Oxford Diocesan Guild—Mr. Sharpe's mother Guild. The fact cannot be denied that he has found time from a very busy life to embellish the office of president. His services have not been confined to his own arduous committee, the Towers and Belfries, but he turns up most unexpectedly in such an outpost as the St. David's Guild to judge a striking competition, to lecture architects on bells at York, and to give handbell recitals in various churches and cathedrals, apart from the round of dinners and meetings.

Six years ago Canon Thurlow was elected to the vice-presidency, with the express purpose of one day taking the chair of the Council. He had qualities for the office—experience of conducting big meetings, a ready tongue, a nimble wit and a love of bells and ringing. The prospect of a contest is no reflection on his ability or the opinion

held at the time of his election to the vice-presidency that ultimately he would lead the Exercise.

Two popular men have been nominated for the vice-presidency—both are regarded as 'sound,' and when they speak at Council meetings they are followed with close attention. Mr. W. B. Cartwright has been for a number of years the hon. solicitor to the Council, and he keeps a watchful eye on new legislation as it might affect ringing generally. He is Master of the Worcestershire and Districts Association.

The other nominee is Mr. John Freeman, captain of Lincoln Cathedral band and hon. secretary to the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. His father, the late J. R. Freeman, was a revered member of the Council. The son is a more vigorous personality with ability to hold a national office with distinction.

There is another interesting item on the agenda in the amendment of rule proposed, whereby the convener of 'The Ringing World' Committee becomes an officer of the Council. The property, funds and assets of the Council are at present vested in the president, vice-president, hon. secretary and hon. librarian, and they have power to invest money and adopt such measures 'as seem to them necessary in the interest of the Council, subject to the approval of the Council.' This body is to be joined—if the amendment of rule is carried—by the convener of 'The Ringing World' Committee.

The amendment is a fair and just recognition of the work done by the convener of this committee. The sound financial position of the Council has been built up by the wise direction of 'The Ringing World.' Except for the Clement Glenn bequest, there has been no substantial contribution to the finances of the Council other than 'The Ringing World.' The committee of the journal feel that it is only right and proper that in the employment of the revenue so produced their convener should be placed on a parity with the hon. librarian and other officers, in the important decisions that have to be taken from time to time.

Every body of size has to have an inner Cabinet, and this is really the function of these officers. Below them is that important body the Standing Committee, who thrash out contentious matters before a Council meeting and generally speaking give the Council a lead.

From the Truro Diocesan Guild comes a motion which we feel will be welcomed by all Diocesan Guilds and Associations, that in the quinquennial surveys of consecrated buildings expert opinion is to be taken in matters outside the normal work of an architect, particularly in regard to bells and bell frames. Last Saturday week at the Archdeacon's visitation to the Archdeaconry of Surrey, two

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MIDDLESEX WANT TO PUBLISH SURPRISE MAJOR BOOK

THERE was a strong determination at the annual general meeting of the Middlesex County Association at St. Mary's, Hendon, on May 4th that a collection of Surprise Major methods of all those rung should be published. The collection was mainly the work of two members—Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and J. R. Mayne.

The subject was introduced by the honorary treasurer (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow), who said he had been approached in the last few weeks to print the collection, and it was thought that it could be done to the financial benefit of the Association. He had been to two printers and to print a book of the size of Corrigan's would cost £104 for 500 copies, and about £120 for 1,000. In addition, there would be the cost of advertising, envelopes and postage. This was higher than they expected, and it would necessitate realising most of their cash resources, and after meeting the cost of their report it would mean that they would be on the red line for the greater part of the year.

The president (the Rev. C. C. Taylor), who presided, said there were questions they should consider, such as how many copies they would sell quickly and would they get their money back in fairly quick time. There was a firm at Gloucester that undertook church publications and met the cost by local advertisements. Perhaps that might be considered?

Mr. T. W. White pointed out the advantages of a Central Council publication by utilising reprints from 'The Ringing World.' This had been done with a number of publications—such as 'Method Extension and originally with 'On Conducting.'

A NEED OF THE EXERCISE

The Master (Mr. J. R. Mayne) said both Mr. Blagrove and himself had thought for a long time that the Exercise was in need of a collection of known Surprise Major methods similar to Corrigan's. It could be done through the Records Committee, who could bring a proposal before the Central Council for its consideration in the same way as the book on 'Minor.' Mr. Blagrove had a collection of 200 methods. The number rung was now about 480. They wondered whether this could be done off their own bat, to the benefit of the Association.

The matter had been brought to a head by a letter in 'The Ringing World' from Mr. E. Chapman, who asked if anyone could be persuaded to publish the collection yet rung. He thought that an arrangement with 'The Ringing World' would be very attractive, and publication would be quicker than through the Council. He did not think, in view of the trend of the Association's finances, that it was advisable to take the risk.

Mr. Blagrove said that in the early 50's he published a collection giving the method and date of the performance. He had about 200 methods duplicated and it cost just over £10, and he still had some left. The trouble was advertising—it cost 4s. a time to advertise.

Mr. Maurice Hodgson thought it was a book more appropriate for the Central Council to publish. If, however, the Association wanted to publish its own collection members could loan the money, and he was prepared to put up £50 as an interest free loan.

The honorary secretary (Mr. T. J. Lock): If this is done through the Central Council could we take it that Mr. Blagrove would make his collection available?

Mr. Blagrove: Yes, as far as I know there is no copyright.

Mr. Lock commented that as a representative of the Central Council, he could request for the matter to be brought up at the Standing Committee and for immediate action by the Central Council. If that could not be done in a reasonable period that representative could report back to their Association and contact the editor of 'The Ringing World' to see if he could help.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Mr. Goodfellow, to test the opinion of the meeting, proposed that a committee be appointed to consider the publication of the collection.

Mr. John Hill seconded and said their War Stock investment had done them a very poor turn. It might be better to put the money to work and earn themselves a little profit.

The resolution was carried by 17 votes to five.

Mr. Goodfellow suggested that the sub-committee could report to a special meeting of the Central Committee.

Mr. Clive Simpson disagreed, and thought that a matter of this description should go before a special meeting of members.

After further discussion it was resolved that the special committee, consisting of Messrs. Blagrove, Mayne and Tom Lock, report to the Central Committee of the Association.

LOSSES BY DEATH

The proceedings opened with the company standing and remembering those members who had died during the year, i.e., T. A. Blow (Croydon), W. J. Bowden (Southgate), G. B. Cole (Lyme Regis), A. E. Coleman (North Walsham), H. E. Day (Hitchin), H. J. Eldred (Ealing), A. R. Glasscock (Southgate), H. E. C. Goodenough (St. Albans), Preb. F. W. Ferrars (Peplar), E. Morris (Leicester), F. J. Rumens (Chicago, U.S.A.), R. W. Stannard (Barking), Miss G. F. Townsend (Uxbridge).

The Master (Mr. John R. Mayne), in his report, said he thought the trend of things was very hopeful, and a lot of good work was being done. He saw no need for pessimism at all, but, on the other hand, there was no need for complacency. The greatest progress was being made in the South and West District.

Among the places he would like to see help given was Tottenham; there were neighbours who ought to be of great assistance to them. Heston and Harrow-on-the-Hill were fine examples of progress, and Edmonton had been doing good work for some time.

The honorary treasurer (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow), reporting on finances, said receipts for the Bell Restoration Fund had increased by £3. Both grants during the year were to places abroad (Kilifi and Melbourne Cathedral) and it was the first time that grants had been given to places outside the Association's area. The balance sheet showed a balance at bank of £143. Their War Stock was now valued at £43 6s. 10d. (nominal value £73).

The accounts were adopted.

With Mr. W. H. Coles in the chair, the secretary read his report and apologised that the printed report was not ready for distribution. The report, the 65th, stated that regular service ringing was taking place at a number of towers, though there was still much room for improvement, and ringing by arrangement was still too prevalent.

Steady progress had been made by the band at Harrow-on-the-Hill, who had set a fine example by their frequent presence and support of District meetings. Greater activity was reported from Feltham, Kingsbury, Staines and Uxbridge (St. Andrew's), whilst efforts were continuing to be made at Chiswick, East Bedford, Gospel Oak and Hounslow.

CLERKENWELL PROBLEM

By the resignation of Mr. William Prockson from leadership at Clerkenwell, the Association's officers were now seeking, with the co-operation of the newly appointed incumbent, the best ways and means of preventing these bells from becoming silent. The report expressed thanks to Mr. Prockson and his sister, Miss Mabel Prockson, for their devoted service to the church and bells at St. James', Clerkenwell.

Leonard Stilwell, Worthing, having completed more than 50 years' continuous membership, became an honorary life member, and they were pleased to accord this privilege to such a well-liked member of the Exercise.

Mention was made of the new ring of eight at St. Andrew's, Holborn, that the bells of Christ Church, Southgate, had been improved by the bell founders, that St. Mary's, Hendon, provided for the Central Office of Information a four-minute film about bellringing and that Hampton Grammar School had started off with an active and successful year's record.

18 FIRST PEALERS

Sixty-two peals had been rung in 56 towers and six 'in hand.' Eighteen members had rung their first peal. The 450th peal on the bells of St. Mary's, Willesden, was rung on December 27th, and the Boxing Day peal of Spliced Surprise Minor in 17 methods at Stanwell was a fine performance by youth, as three of the band were just 16, and the conductor, 21, rang two 'inside' bells. The peal of Stedman Doubles at Cranford completed the sequence of Doubles to Cinques in the method, for W. H. Coles, F. C. Price and J. B. Sansom. A significant revival in handbell ringing was noted by three peals of London Surprise Major, all conducted by J. R. Mayne. A. Cutler was the first person ever to ring peals in 200 different Surprise Major methods.

The chairman said it was an excellent report, and the Association could be proud of some of the things achieved.

Mr. Goodfellow reported that the Association's dinner would honour the life of Mr. C. T. Coles and would be held on Friday, October 4th, at the Century Hotel, Forty Avenue, Wembley Park. The president would take the chair and guests would include the Bishop of Willesden.

Officers re-elected were: President, Rev. G. C. Taylor; Master, J. R. Mayne; treasurer, F. W. Goodfellow; secretary, T. J. Lock; assistant secretary, Miss R. M. Foreman; librarian, G. A. Parsons; trustees, A. Cutler, F. W. Goodfellow and T. J. Lock; auditor, M. Hodgson; Central Council representatives, F. T. Blagrove, F. W. Goodfellow, T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne.

It was decided, subject to permission, to hold the next annual meeting at Sudbury.

A comprehensive vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. C. E. Welch (Vicar) for conducting the service, the president for his address, Miss Foreman and her mother and helpers for providing the tea and the incumbents of churches where ringing took place in the afternoon.

ARTS FESTIVAL 'RUNG IN' AT HILLINGDON

The first Uxbridge Festival of Arts is being held this year and a full and varied programme of events will occupy the whole of May. Hundreds of local people will be taking part and practically the whole range of artistic, musical and cultural tastes has been catered for. The Halle Orchestra, under Sir John Barbirolli, are among the many celebrities taking part.

The St. John's Guild, Hillingdon, was therefore delighted when the Guild of Arts suggested that it would be most appropriate if one of the local arts, practised in the ancient tower of St. John's, could 'ring in' the festival on its first day. And so it was arranged that while guests were assembling in Rutland House School, opposite the church, for the inaugural ceremony by the Mayor of Uxbridge, Alderman C. J. Gadsden, J.P., the following ringers rang 1,259 Grandsire Caters: T. G. Bannister 1, Mrs. H. G. Hart 2, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 3, Mrs. A. R. Turley 4, H. G. Hart 5, A. R. Turley 6, M. J. Palmer 7, A. R. G. Twinn 8, F. C. Price 9, W. H. Coles 10.

Afterwards some of the ringers attended the opening ceremony and enjoyed the wine and cheese provided. Their ringing was mentioned by the Mayor. The organisers' original idea was that the reception would be held in the grounds of the school, and that the guests could listen to the bells, but the weather put paid to that idea. It is encouraging to know that people think good ringing is worth listening to. The thought that the headmaster was throwing open his premises to enable people to listen to the bells was intriguing to local ringers as he hates bells. F. W. G.

WEST MEON, HANTS.—On May 5th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Maureen White 1, R. A. Stone 2, Mary White 3, D. J. White 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, K. G. Waller 6. For Matins.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

THE annual general meeting of the Lancashire Association took place at St. Saviour's Church, Bacup, on April 27th. Unfortunately, the weather was inclement, but in spite of this approximately 150 members were present. One of the most pleasing features of the meeting was the number of young people who attended. The usual ringing took place before and after the meeting, and many methods were rung.

The meeting was preceded by the annual service, held in St. Saviour's Church, at which the Vicar, the Rev. J. A. Slater, was the preacher. An excellent tea was served in the school room, after which the vice-president, Mr. C. Crossthwaite, opened the meeting.

The only matter arising out of the minutes was the Association's proposed library. Mr. D. Ogden reported that this was not yet operating, but he thought the organisation would be completed by the time the next committee meeting took place in September.

17 YEARS' SERVICE

The vice-president announced the re-election of the Rev. R. D. St. John Smith as president, and said that he was sorry Mr. Smith was not at the meeting to take the chair. There was only one nomination for the office of ringing secretary, namely, Mr. J. P. Partington, and the vice-president declared him elected. The vice-president said how sorry they were that the retiring ringing secretary, Mr. S. Ll. Parry, had decided to resign after 17 years, and thanked him for the services he had rendered to the Association during those years. Mr. Parry thanked the members for showing their appreciation.

The vice-president declared Mr. J. F. Wood re-elected to the office of treasurer, and announced the election of the following four members to the office of Central Council representatives: Messrs. James E. Burles, C. Crossthwaite, R. Leigh and D. Ogden. Mr. Crossthwaite said he regretted in some ways that there had been a 'clean sweep,' as he thought these things should change gradually, and it was probably very unusual for the Central Council to receive four new names at once.

The committee's and ringing secretary's reports were taken as read. The balance sheet and auditor's report, showing the worth of the Association to be just over £500, was presented by the treasurer (Mr. J. F. Wood).

STRIKING COMPETITIONS

Four resolutions were carried, the most controversial one being on the question of striking competitions. It was agreed finally that striking competitions shall be recognised as official activities of the Association, but no prizes shall be awarded at the competitions.

The Woodhouse ringing machine was demonstrated by Mr. Gordon Thwaites, who had completely rebuilt and remodelled the machine so that today it was probably one of the finest change ringing machines in existence. It was the result of some five years' work and the workmanship had to be seen to be believed, and it was certainly a piece of equipment that, in its field, would bear comparison with anything ever made. The machine will be demonstrated at Branch meetings, if any Branch so desires and can make arrangements for a suitable room to be available, and an authorised operator to be present. The grateful thanks of the members are extended to Mr. Thwaites for the production of this excellent example of a change ringing machine, also to Mrs. Thwaites and all those who had in any way assisted Mr. Thwaites.

The venue of the next annual general meeting will be in the Preston Branch. The vice-president gave thanks to all who had contributed to making the meeting a success.

STAFFORD'S SECRETARY MARRIED



Mr. Clive M. Smith, secretary for the Society of the Archdeaconry of Stafford, of Streetly, Staffs, ringing with his bride, Miss Lucy Allen, after their wedding on April 20th at St. Mary Magdalen's, Brampton. Ringing with the bride and bridegroom are the best man, the Rev. Peter N. Bond and Mr. Michael Fairey.

[Photo: F. Edwards, Huntingdon.]

QUARTER PEAL OUTING HONOURS BISHOP'S ENTHRONEMENT

A report of a quarter peal tour in 'The Ringing World' earlier this year inspired one of the younger members of the Lady St. Mary, Wareham, band to organise a similar outing of his own. This coincided with the consecration of the Bishop of Salisbury, which took place on April 27th. By 8.45 a.m. the band arrived at St. Mary's, Sturminster Marshall. The chosen method was Little Bob Minor, the theory being that this was more likely to be successful while the band was fresh. However, being so early in the morning the band was not quite 'with it' and, coupled with the fact that the bells were both heavy and difficult to ring, the attempt came to an abrupt halt after some 400 changes.

On then to Witchampton, where the bells were soon set going to Plain Bob Doubles, called by our youngest member. Afterwards compliments were received from some of the villagers, who were delighted to hear the usually silent bells being rung. Feeling more cheerful, the band drove on again along winding country lanes to Pimperne. Here the ropes of two of the five bells fell within 18 inches of one another, so ropes had to be kept tight. The only incident in the quarter of Grandsire rung occurred during the first six-score, when a wail of 'I'm lost,' was heard from the lady conductor's corner. On descending, we were greeted by the Rector, who was pleased to have had his bells rung.

A stop was made for lunch on Iwerne Hill, with its view over the lovely Blackmore Vale. A small gas cooker was quickly produced and in next to no time the smell of fried sausages and onions was wafted across the surrounding fields. Suitably refreshed, we continued on to Sturminster Newton, where we were joined by Colin Heawood and his young family. These heavy bells sounded beautiful and a good quarter of April Day was rung. At Shillingstone we were greeted by the Rev. P. Grubb, who said the Guild office with

us before ringing. Our organiser, Graham Elmes, called Plain Bob Minor after a last minute panic, during which he found that he had learnt his Wrongs right and his Rights wrong! The last tower visited was Dunveston, where much valuable time was wasted searching for the key, thus foiling the quarter attempt, but an enjoyable ring was had in the time left.

The final call was Tarrant Keynston, to the home of Judith and Ross Robertson for tea and a welcome rest. Thanks to all incumbents for allowing us the privilege of ringing, to Graham, for his organisation, and Mr. Charlie Bishop, of Wimborne, for joining us at short notice when work prevented other Wareham ringers from participating. Details:—

WITCHAMPTON—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Judith A. Robertson 1, C. E. Bishop 2, M. J. Young (first in the method as cond.) 3, R. W. Young 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6.

PIMPERNE—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. E. Bishop 1, M. J. Young 2, Judith A. Robertson (first in the method as cond.) 3, G. W. Elmes 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5.

STURMINSTER NEWTON—1,260 April Day Bob Doubles: Judith A. Robertson 1, C. E. Bishop 2, M. J. Young (cond.) 3, C. M. Heawood 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5, R. W. Young 6. First quarter in the variation by all.

SHILLINGSTONE—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. W. Young (first of Minor) 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, C. M. Heawood (first of Minor) 3, C. E. Bishop 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5, G. W. Elmes (first of Minor as cond., 25th quarter) 6.

All quarter peals rung to celebrate the consecration of the Right Rev. Joseph Fison, 74th Bishop of Salisbury Diocese, at Southwark Cathedral on April 25th, 1963.

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Letters to the Editor

Welsh Ringers Disappointed

Dear Sir,—A party of 40 members of the St. David's Diocesan Guild journeyed 173 miles to Coventry to attend the 'Rally of Ringers' and we feel we must protest strongly about the poor organisation at the only two towers where we planned to ring.

Firstly, at St. Nicholas', Warwick. On attempting to enter the ringing chamber the door was slammed in our faces, and we were told (through the door), 'You can't come in!' We waited ten minutes or so on the staircase until the door was opened and we were allowed in.

We were horrified at the way people, including ourselves, were shouldered bodily out of the way by 'grabbers' after a rope, many of these grabbers being members of the so-called gentle sex. However, to crown it all, when one of our party succeeded in getting a rope (more by luck than anything else) he turned to take off his jacket, and before he could turn back again his rope was in the hands of a young lady and it was 'Trebble going, gone!' before he could protest. I'm afraid that finished us and we left as quickly as possible.

Secondly, Holy Trinity, Stratford-on-Avon. Here we met a gentleman locking the church door and telling us that there was no ringing because of a practice service for a B.B.C. outside broadcast. A quick glance at the 'R.W.' showed ringing from 7-8.30 p.m., the time was then 7.10 p.m. Very disappointed we started back towards our coach only to hear the bells start ringing. It seems that some stout hearts, including a few of our party, had literally talked their way into the ringing chamber, via another door.

It seems to us that the organisation between the Coventry Guild and each tower was left very much to chance. The Guild must have known that quite a number of people would be bound to try for a ring at the towers listed in the 'R.W.' and some idea of the numbers to be expected would surely have been of some help to the towers to cater for them.

In conclusion I must say that, other than the ringing disappointments, the trip was definitely worth while and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.—Yours faithfully,

A. F. WALTERS,

Note.— St. Mary's Church, Cardigan.

Parson's Augmentations

Dear Sir,—A recent item in Belfry Gossip caused me to look up an item that I contributed to Belfry Gossip just over three years ago.

In 'The Ringing World' January 15th, 1960, page 40: 'The Rev. E. H. Fenwick is leaving Benfieldside, Co. Durham, this month, after holding the living for 21 years. In 1957 he was instrumental with his ringers in having the bells rehung. At Lapworth the five bells there will present him with another challenge in that line. His daughter, Angela, has learned to ring and she will doubtless urge him on with the task. Ringers in Co. Durham wish him and his family well in their new home.'

Now we have 'Ringing World' April 19th, 1963, page 264: 'The five bells at Lapworth, Warwickshire, have been rehung and a treble added. The bells are to be dedicated on Sunday, April 28th, at 6 p.m. Evensong. There will be ringing after the service.'

I mentioned these items at our meeting recently at North Shields, and was asked to convey the congratulations of this Association to the Rev. E. H. Fenwick.—Yours sincerely,

DENIS A. BAYLES.

Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham.

Northants Towers

Dear Sir,—I was interested in Mr. Dove's letter regarding Farthinghoe and Thenford. In 1936, a party of us rang at six five-bell towers one afternoon, the last two being Farthinghoe and Thenford. I have no recollection of the former, but the condition of Thenford bells remains clearly in my mind, even after 27 years. We rang them halfway up, brought them hurriedly down and went upstairs to inspect them; after tightening the looser nuts we rang one 120 with our hearts in our mouths and departed.

Another recollection of that afternoon was a poignant inscription on a tombstone in Thenford churchyard:

For 20 years I was a maid,

For one I was a wife;

An hour I was a mother,

And then I lost my life.

—Yours faithfully,

L. J. MALINGS.

Porthkerry, Glam.

Another Who Rang

Dear Sir,—I was one of a small party who rang on the Northants rings of Farthinghoe and Thenford on August 8th, 1936. The condition of neither ring was good, and it is possible that these bells have not been rung since then.

I recall certain features of each tower. Farthinghoe bells are anti-clockwise, with the ropes falling to ground level around the uncased mechanism of the church clock, which was actually working from ground level! At Thenford we had to tighten up the bolts on one side of the third headstock to prevent the bell catching on the frame. These are the most tuneless apology for a ring of bells on which I have ever rung!

Other amendments which may be made to the latest 'Dove' are as follows: Swaffham Bulbeck, Cambs, which appeared on my visit a few weeks ago never to have been in ringable condition during the present century; Grandborough, Warwicks, which were condemned about the year 1900: Walsgrave-on-Sowe, last rung in 1928: Chadshunt, Warwicks, derelict since 1928, when the stonework of the tower was declared unsafe; Hillmorton, Rugby, which were in bad going order in 1934.—Yours, etc.,

WILLIAM A. STOTE.

Coundon, Coventry.

Old Founders

Dear Sir,—Can anyone give me any information on founders Edward Neale, of Burford, and J. Gardner, of Tetbury?

While ringing on the four bells at Cherington recently I obtained these inscriptions from the bells (tenor about 9 cwt.).

Treble.—EDWARD NEALE, OF BURFORD, MADE ME. 1672.

2nd.—EDWARD NEALE MADE ME FOR CHERINGTON. 1683.

3rd.—RECAST BY J. GARDNER, OF TETBURY. 1870.

Tenor.—EDWARD NEALE, OF BURFORD, MADE ME. 1644.

There were some interesting patterns round the crowns of the bells, and on the treble was a rather large crown, which was obviously the founder's emblem.—Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL J. UPHILL.

Putney

English of Yesteryear

Dear Sir,—Is not my old friend Bryan Woolley a little hard on our forefathers when he describes such terms as Bar, Tap Room, etc., as unimaginative?

These beautiful words, beloved of generations of Englishmen, are not only as sonorous as the rolling Latin of the Roman Catholic Church or the clear English of the Prayer Book, but in their very simplicity redolent of pleasures past, present and (I hope) to come.

The present day tendency in pubs to employ high sounding names for often very uncomfortable and exorbitantly expensive rooms seems to have been copied from estate agents who will persist in calling a lavatory or closet a 'toilet,' a kitchen, a 'breakfast room,' a scullery a 'kitchen,' etc., etc., culminating in that abomination of abominations 'indoor sanitation' for an upstairs lavatory. We also have 'rodent operative' for rat catcher, 'secondary modern' or 'comprehensive' schools for Council or Board Schools, where, in the old days, a multitude of very useful facts was drilled into us by liberal use of the cane.

A certain public house, near to here, for many years possessed a useful structure which, like the Windmill, never closed, but now all is gone and a very garish erection with a flaring sign 'Steak Bar' occupies the site. I never knew steak was pulled through a pipe!

In conclusion, it seems to be a regrettable fact that, in many pubs, although the house has been done up in true 'Homes and Gardens' style, the landlord has not and remains the old Adam.—Yours sincerely,

Harborne.

WILFRED E. BOX.

P.S.—You cannot even call your lawyer a stupid rascal today.—W. E. B.

'LOCKED' IN HAPPINESS

They've been 'Locked' together now for 25 years

And it doesn't take an expert to see That the key that was used was the key of happiness

And the storing of happy memory.

They are both well-known ringers, of known ability,

Their September tours are of the best.

She's a Past President, and he's an Hon. Sec., They don't just sit back and rest.

She plays the organ, and trains up her choir, The cups and the trophies increase. He rings in peals, far and wide he has travelled,

Any time left to stand at the 'crease'?

With two grown-up sons, what a credit those two are,

Their parents must surely be proud.

We wish them all well, with more years to come

Of happiness, and friends in a crowd.

MARG.

MR. A. A. HUGHES IN HOSPITAL

Mr. A. A. Hughes had an operation in the Royal Free Hospital, London, on May 7th to his hip in the hope of removing the lameness that has affected him in recent months. The latest report that we have received is that he is progressing as favourably as can be expected. His many friends in the Exercise will wish him a speedy recovery.

A 50th PEAL ANNIVERSARY

May 18th is the 50th anniversary of a peal of Grandsire Triples at Salle, Norfolk. It was Mr. George H. Cross' 50th peal and it was rung as a birthday compliment to Ben S. Thompson. From Pinney's Cottage, Chardstock, Axminster, Devon, Mr. Cross wishes Ben, who now resides at Lowestoft, many happy returns.

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ALFRISTON—VILLAGE OF ENDEARING CHARM

By T. A. BEVIS

SUSSEX is justifiably famed for a translucent grandeur, reflected from green slopes, hedgerows, multifarious trees and verdant pastures, and is loved for its endearing charm, enriched in proportionate quantities, nurtured in the appealing quietness of villages clinging to a history which easily stirs the hearts of Englishmen.

Visit Alfriston and take a step back to yesteryear!

Alfriston has a long and honoured pedigree, 100 per cent pure in the annals of a hundred decades, beginning at a time when inhabitants of long ago listened in disbelief to the ill-tidings borne by messengers that their warrior-king had fallen at Senlac Field—a few miles away—and that the militant and victorious Conqueror at last had possession of the domain.

Nowadays the village slumbers, graciously overcome by age, and seems contented to let the busy world pass by. It is a haven of peace and plenty. The clinking of cups and saucers from thatched cottages and from irresistible tea gardens are indicative of those alluring qualities forever beckoning those who love to wonder and savour that atmosphere which only England can give.

St. Andrew's Church is the immediate attraction. It is the glory of Alfriston, ascended from enduring foundations, well proportioned and spacious, a splendid tribute to the craftsmen who, in 1360, erected the fane all at one time without later additions. 115 feet long and 70 feet wide at the transepts, St. Andrew's is thought to have been the model for Poyning's Church. It stands upon a mound on part of the village green known as the Tye, and is built in the shape of a Greek cross with carefully selected and carefully knapped flints, and with greensand quoins and facings. The low central tower is capped with a shingled broach spire, which underwent repair in 1905.

The interior is extremely commodious and the dimensions and layout of the building are in complete harmony, a single outstanding feature being the beautiful arches supporting the tower piers, which are semi-octagonal and fluted.

RINGING BEFORE HIGH ALTAR

Owing to the short height of the tower, barely topping the high-pitched roof, it is necessary for the bells to be rung from the ground floor of the crossing. The ropes fall directly before the high altar, a feature which, when the bells are ringing, affords great delight to the congregation and not a little wonder and embarrassment (?) to visiting ringers. Those who are strange to this procedure may well experience a sensation similar to that of a juggler taking the stage for the first time!

Of the six bells—restored and rehung in a new frame in 1928—five are modern. The treble and third were cast by T. Mears, of London, in 1819 and 1811 respectively; a note in the church registers records: 'Be it remembered by all good men and let it suffice as an instance of generosity worthy of their imitation; that Mr. John Ade. Yeoman, of Alfriston, did of his own free gift present to the said parish the first bell in the peal of that Church, the same having undergone a complete repair this 12th day of December, 1811.—Thomas Norris, Minister.'

The second and fourth bells (originally dated 1698, but recast in 1928) were the handiwork of John Wood, a well known 17th century bell founder, who had his business at Alfriston. Number two is, in actual fact, a 'lodger,' having been made for Berwick Church and sold to Alfriston in 1811, circumstances of which gave rise to the couplet:

'The parson was poor, and so were the people,
So they sold their bell to mend the steeple.'

The old fifth of the ring (1587), cracked in the crown, is preserved in the church and may be seen at the west end of the nave.

Although light in weight, the tenor is 'heavy' with age. She was cast in the 14th century and it is conjectured that her founder was William Woodward.



An agreement for the recasting of a bell in 1698 is still preserved at Berwick. In addition to the recasting of a bell, the founder had also to make new 'brasses' or sockets in which the bells turn for all four bells in the steeple, at a cost of £5 10s. The agreement stipulated that the churchwarden provide fuel for the parish church of Alfriston, for convenience sake, as John Wood had already a furnace at that village.

The Commission on the State of Churches in 1686 recorded that at Alfriston one bell was cracked and another required a clapper. These two bells may have been those recast by John Wood.

Two wills of 1543 outline bequests for the repair of bells: In one, William Osborne mentions, 'To ye castyng of ye brokyn bell, I will vis. viiid.' and the other by Myllys Batman, 'I bequeath towards the castyng of the third bell iis.'

PRESENT RING

Weights and inscriptions of the present ring of six are:

Treble (3-2-0, F sharp).—T. Mears, of London. Fecit 1819.

2nd (4-0-25, E).—Deo Quemadmodum, 1698. Recast 1928.

3rd (5-0-3, D).—Thomas Mears Fecit 1811. Refusit 1908.

4th (5-2-5, C sharp).—Soli : Deo : Gloria : Pax : Homenebus In Ioh. Ion W. 1698. C.W. (Many characters are reversed.)

5th (6-2-0, B).—Semper Ad Coelestra. Marchant Pearson, Vicar, Edwards Chenevix Austin-Leigh, C.W. Hugh John Woodhams, C.W. Harry Wood, Captain of Ringers, Ex-Churchwarden. Recast A.D. 1928.

Tenor (8-2-10, A).—+ Wox : Augustini : Sonat : In Avro : Dei.

St. Andrew's Church has an honoured friend for company. A few hundred yards away, almost hidden in the trees, the oldest

priest's house in the country gravely contemplates its former venerable status. Church and house are silent witnesses of the events of six hundred years. The oldest inseparable companion of equal age—William Woodward's tenor bell—continues loudly to proclaim the undying faith to the people of Alfriston.

HOGHTON LADIES' FINE RECORD

In the dark days of the First World War (1914-1918) ringing continued in most towers, but only under difficulties, due to so many ringers being away from home in the forces. To fill the gaps in the ranks at home, many ladies came forward to learn to ring, and it was at this time Miss Mary Clayton and Miss Jane Wadsworth, amongst others, took up ringing at the Lancashire village of Houghton, on the Preston-Blackburn old road.

Over the years, and until a few months ago, these two ladies have continued to give loyal service. Between the wars, at a time when travelling in rural parts was not so easy as nowadays, and peals not so easily come by, Miss Clayton (now Mrs. Windle) took part in over forty peals.

Now, not so young as they were, and the tower steps proving rather too much for them, they have retired from ringing. It was intended to arrange a little social evening to mark their retiring, but with the prolonged severe weather, and the indisposition of Mrs. Windle, this was dispensed with, and instead, the Vicar of Houghton (Rev. W. F. W. Richmond) and a band of ringers visited the two ladies in their homes for a chat, and to present each of them, on behalf of the parishioners, with an attractive table lamp.

Later in the evening a well struck and musical quarter peal was rung, and as the church lies across the fields from their homes, they were able to listen.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

THE attendance at the 17th annual meeting of the Southwell Diocesan Guild, held at the Minster, Southwell, on April 27th, was the largest recorded in the short history of the Guild, there being over 120 ringers and friends at the business meeting.

Ringling took place during the afternoon and evening at various towers, and on the new 12 (including a flat 6th) at the Minster, so generously donated by Sir Stuart C. Goodwin.

Evensong, conducted by Canon R. Leeper, a vice-president of the Guild, was well attended, and a special prayer was said in memory of the late chairman, Canon R. F. Wilkinson.

The business meeting, following a most enjoyable tea, was presided over by the vice-chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter.

A minute's silence was observed for three members who had passed away during the past year, namely Messrs. J. E. Hobbs (Nuthall), A. V. Dent (East Bridgford) and J. W. Horspool (Ruddington), coupled with the name of our late chairman, Canon R. F. Wilkinson (West Bridgford), who died on April 10th.

Four new members were elected, namely the Rev. M. C. C. Melville (Clifton), B. Crooke and Miss B. Cooke (Greasley) and Miss M. Deveraux (Newark).

The annual report having been in circulation for almost a month, it was resolved to take all the reports as read, and they were confirmed without comment.

The Peal Committee reported that 46 peals had been rung during the year, a decrease of eight; conductors numbered 20, a decrease of two, R. Baldwin heading the list with ten. First pealers numbered 15, as again 16 the previous year, which together augurs well for the future.

11 FIRSTS FOR GUILD

A record year of first performances for the Guild, with 11 firsts for the Guild and one first by a resident band of Bristol S. Major were reported. The other firsts were Cambridge S. Maximus, Yorkshire S. Maximus and Stedman Cinques, all on the new 12 at Southwell, Yorkshire Surprise Royal, Spliced Surprise Major in three methods, Hatfield, Erdington and Overseal Surprise Major, two Minor methods 'in hand', 15 and 19 Doubles methods. The 15 and 19 Doubles methods deserve a special mention, as they were rung by the local Sunday service band from Kirkby-in-Ashfield.

The honorary general secretary (Mr. W. L. Exton), in his report, welcomed several new towers, and reported on the success of the formation of the Bingham District, thus bringing the Guild membership up to 468, an increase of 26.

Perhaps the most important event of the past year had been the dedication on Whit Saturday of the new ring of 12 bells at the Minster, Southwell, by the president of the Guild, the Lord Bishop of Southwell. Grateful thanks were expressed to Sir Stuart C. Goodwin, the donor of the bells. Advent Sunday saw the dedication by Bishop Mark Way of the two additional trebles to complete a very fine octave at Balderton.

The report finished with an appeal to all Districts to visit their lesser known towers and to try to establish contact with and encourage the ringers known to exist at these towers.

The honorary treasurer's report and accounts revealed a small loss of £3 19s. 10d. on the year's working, which was almost entirely due to several non-recurring expenses. The Bell Repair Fund stood at £97 ls. 11d., from which the chairman announced that the committee had just recommended a donation of £20 towards the cost of the recent rehanging of East Bridgford bells.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN

Mr. F. W. Midwinter was elected to fill the vacant position of chairman. In thanking members for their confidence, he paid tribute to his predecessor, the late Canon R. F. Wilkinson, who had held the post of Guild chairman since the Guild was formed in 1946.

The honorary secretary welcomed to the diocese the Rev. M. C. C. Melville, who had recently moved to Clifton, and nominated him for vice-chairman; this was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

The remaining officers were re-elected en bloc, with the exception of the Peal Committee, where Mr. H. Poyner was elected to fill the vacancy due to Mr. D. H. Rooke not wishing to stand again. Will all conductors please note that all peal compositions should be forwarded to Mr. H. Poyner, 80, Ollerton Road, Ordsall, Relford, and not to Mr. D. H. Rooke as previously.

Under the heading 'Any Other Business,' Mr. Bennett raised the validity of a team entering the Crawford Cup competition under the name of a tower at which they did not ring on Sundays. This was debated at length, it being finally resolved to leave the matter to be decided between the District Committee and the judges.

A proposition by Mr. Poppleston on behalf of the Wollaton tower that the Crawford Cup Rule 12 be amended to read, 'The length of the Test Piece to be 360 changes of Doubles or Minor, or not less than 336 changes of Triples or Major in any method,' was carried.

It was finally proposed that the committee be asked to reconsider the rules at their next committee meeting and report back to the next annual meeting.

The chairman suggested that in view of the success of the present annual meeting, perhaps the meeting would like to consider holding the annual meeting at Southwell again next year, this was carried, there being 13 votes against. Mr. H. T. Rooke asked if the meeting could be fixed for the Saturday following Easter; this was agreed, subject to the bells being available. (Please note, next A.G.M. April 4th, 1964.)

Mr. Shonfeld suggested that perhaps more local information could be inserted in the annual report, possibly on the lines of the Leicester Diocesan Guild report.

A comprehensive vote of thanks to the Provost for the use of the bells, Canon R. Leeper for the service, the ladies for an excellent tea and the executive officers of the Guild for their work during the past year was proposed by Mr. S. W. Fossey and carried unanimously. W. L. E.

HINCKLEY DISTRICT STRIKING CONTEST

The annual striking competition of the Hinckley District bellringers of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, was held at Stoney Stanton on May 4th. Five Sunday service bands took part. First to ring was the young Thurlaston band. In their Plain Bob Minor there were 85 faults. Next came Burbage (Grandsire Doubles) 79 faults; Sapcote (Spliced Surprise Minor in five methods), 49 faults; Higham-on-the-Hill (call changes), 90 faults; Stoney Stanton (Cambridge Surprise Minor), 47 faults.

Stoney Stanton, the winners, were presented with the District shield by Mr. John E. Cook, who, with Messrs. John Bramley and John M. Jelly, judged the competition.

Central Council Agenda

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questions relating to bells were addressed to churchwardens, viz.: the number of bells and when were they last inspected. In his address the Archdeacon did not draw any special deduction from the answers. Probably this is a fore-runner towards an ultimate expert survey. We know that the Archdeacon in question has a copy of the Council's publication 'Preservation and Repair of Bells, etc.'—a book which should be on every archdeacon's bookshelf and in possession of churchwardens where a ring of bells is in their church.

Apart from what is contained in the committee reports, the Great Yarmouth Council meeting gives every indication of providing material for discussion afterwards, and representatives when they go back to their Guilds will be able to tell the Exercise that there is vitality at the fountain head.

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION HAVE A NEW TITLE

AT the annual general meeting of the Derbyshire Association, held in Derby on April 20th, the attendance of over 80 included a large contingent from the Chesterfield District and was the largest for several years. Prior to the annual service in St. Peter's, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. C. A. Shaw), ringing in a wide variety of methods was enjoyed at Belper and Darley Dale in addition to St. Peter's, St. Alkmund's and the Cathedral in Derby.

After an excellent tea in the Church Hall the business meeting followed, with the president of the Association, the Provost of Derby (the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes), in the chair. In his opening remarks, the Provost congratulated the Association on another year of progress, and also made special mention of the large number of young people present, which augured well for the future of the Association.

The general secretary (Mr. B. P. Morris) reported a record membership of 367 ringing and 15 honorary members, and also the welcome addition of seven more towers into union with the Association. Losses through death included the following members: A. E. Parsons and W. Dickinson (Staveley), S. Boundy (Fairfield), F. Hill (Ripley) and E. Morris (Leicester). An apology for absence was also received from the Bishop of Derby, the Right Rev. G. F. Allen, who is the patron of the Association.

The report of the peal secretary (Mr. D. R. Carlisle) showed the total of 45 peals in 1962 to be the lowest since 1953. Langley Surprise Major and Spliced Cambridge and Yorkshire Royal had been rung for the first time, in addition to which eight members had rung their first peal and one member had conducted a peal for the first time.

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The accounts, as presented by the general treasurer (Mr. J. C. Woolley), showed an excess of expenditure over income of £15. This was due in part to subscription arrears, and also to such items as new stocks of stationery and receipt books, which would not occur again for some time. The report on the Bell Repair Fund by Mr. G. Halls showed the finances to be in a very healthy state, with a balance of over £132. Almost 60 Church Councils were now supporting the fund and grants had been paid to Pleasley (£10), Scarscliffe (£10), Sawley (£2) and Duffield (£3 10s.).

Under the list of proposed alterations to rules, the two most controversial were that the title should be changed to the Derby Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers and that each member should pay an annual subscription of an amount that they thought their membership was worth—subject to a minimum of four shillings. Considerable discussion ensued, during which arguments both for and against the alterations were heard, but on putting the alterations to the vote they were both accepted by overwhelming majorities.

With the addition of Mr. M. Phipps to the Central Council representatives, all the officers were re-elected as follows: President, the Provost of Derby; treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley; secretary, Mr. B. P. Morris, Gable End, 14, Greenway, Ashbourne; trustees, Messrs. F. R. Lowe and H. Taylor; peal secretary, Mr. D. R. Carlisle; Bell Repair Fund, secretary Mr. G. Halls, treasurer Mr. J. Stennitt; Central Council representatives, Messrs. A. Mould, G. Halls and M. Phipps.

Glossop was chosen for the next quarterly meeting on July 6th, with Derby again as the venue for the 1964 A.G.M. Messrs. J. F. Smallwood and G. Paulson, of Darley Dale, together with Miss M. Wickman, of St. Peter's, Derby, were elected honorary life members. A collection for the Bell Repair Fund realised over £4, before a comprehensive vote of thanks by Mr. F. Adams brought a very successful meeting to a close. M. P. P.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—On April 21st, 1,280 Spliced Yorkshire and Cambridge Surprise Major: J. F. Bowler 1, Jennifer Sceney 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3, D. P. Hilling 4, H. Oglesby 5, E. S. T. Farr 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8. For the St. George's Day parade service.

GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

A visit to Lifton by the S. W. Branch takes place every two or three years, and is an occasion which is always looked forward to with great pleasure. It is a foregone conclusion that the event will be a great success, as the ready permission is backed by a hearty welcome from the Rector and the local ringers, headed by Messrs. Brimmacombe and Benoy. April 27th proved no exception, except that the Rector, the Rev. M. E. Thornewill, who had come to Lifton since the last visit in 1961, was unable to be present. The Branch was welcomed by the assistant priest (the Rev. Mr. Wright).

This lovely village, which is three miles from the Cornish border, lies between Launceston and Okehampton. The little gardens, with their array of flowers, are very beautiful. The well known firm of Ambrosia is at Lifton, and it was here that the Rector worked as an ordinary workman for two or three months before his induction; in his own words, to get to know the people amongst whom he would be ministering.

Ringings before the service included Grandshire Triples, Siedman Triples, Plain Bob Major, Kent and Cambridge, and was supervised by Mr. H. H. Thomas. Between 60 and 70 ringers took part, and came from as far afield as Sidmouth in S. Devon to Coombe Martin in N. Devon.

The ringers' service was conducted by the assistant priest, and the address was given by the Rev. Mr. Matthews, who became the Vicar of Brentor recently.

Mr. H. H. Thomas presided at the business meeting, when Master Robert Stead, of Emmanuel Church, was elected a member, and a tower election of Mr. Read, of Galmpton, was confirmed. Welcoming the new members, the chairman said that Robert had been a member of Emmanuel choir for three or four years, and for at least a year before it was decided he could start his tuition as a ringer he came into the belfry to watch the ringing before service. Guild certificates were presented to Messrs. L. Cundy, G. Frise, C. Burden and E. G. Glover, all from the Lifton area.

Mr. Matthews announced that the five bells at the little church at the top of Brent Tor were to be rehung. This church is a landmark for miles around, and a very interesting article by the Rev. John Scott appeared in 'The Ringing World' a few weeks ago.

The comprehensive vote of thanks included the ladies responsible for tea, all of whom, with one exception, are wives or closely connected with Guild members. H. H. T.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Bedfordshire Association was held at Biggleswade on May 4th, and attracted a large attendance.

Several towers in the area were at the disposal of members during the morning and afternoon, and very good use was made of them. Some 80 members enjoyed an excellent tea, which was followed by the business meeting.

The most important item in a fairly heavy agenda was the election of a general secretary to succeed Mr. Stephen Ivin, and Mr. Alan Smith accepted the office.

Miss E. Steel expressed the thanks of all to the incumbents of Biggleswade and other parishes for so kindly allowing the use of their bells, and also to the president of the Association for presiding at the meeting.

Thanks were accorded to Mr. G. Dodds, for the excellent work he has done in training and helping the young ringers of Studham, and also for the great interest he has taken in Coddington bells, which, it is confidently hoped, will soon be heard again, after a silence of many years. A. E. R.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

At the annual general meeting of the Society on April 30th, the following officers were elected for the 1963/64 session: Master, Derek M. Sawyer; secretary, Janet D. Phillips; treasurer, Maria E. Kirby; tower secretary, C. Martin Foster.

FORMER RINGING MASTER MARRIED



MR. ROBERT PRESTON, well known ringer of Wollaton, Nottingham, and Miss Mary Helena Whitehead, of Plumtree, near Nottingham, were married on April 27th at St. Leonard's Church, Wollaton.

The bride was given away by her father, and wore a white Swiss embroidered organza dress and a headdress of three white satin roses held in place with a shoulder length veil. Her bouquet was of lilies of the valley.

Mr. Preston was until recently Ringing Master at Wollaton, and was Ringing Master

of the Nottingham District of the Southwell Guild during 1962-3, until he took up new employment near Torquay, where the couple will now live.

The tower bells were rung before and after the service, and the couple were attended by handbell ringers as they left the churchyard.

Shown in the photograph, left to right: M. Poppleston, P. J. Hawcock, P. R. Humphrey, the bridegroom and bride, P. W. Hawcock, Miss Susanna Poppleston and J. Shonfeld.

[Photograph by R. Taylor.]

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

N.E. District Striking Contest

A District meeting was held at Thorington on May 4th for the purpose of running off the striking competition. Six teams had entered, viz., two from Kirby-le-Soken, and one each from Harwich, Mistley, Ardleigh and St. Leonard's, Colchester, but the last named team scratched, having to ring for a wedding.

Four teams rang Bob Minor and one Bob Doubles. All five teams contained a happy mixture of youth and age: the Mistley team had three generations of the Honeywood family. With Mr. Harry Millatt as M.C., the proceedings went without a hitch, so that there was about half-hour of ringing time available for the non-participants before the service.

The Rector (Rev. D. B. Griffith) conducted the service, and Mr. Frank Lufkin, the District Master, read the lesson. The choir seemed to consist mostly of the local ringers, and it was obvious that at Thorington the backbone of the church consists of the ringers, as in so many country villages.

After tea the judges, Messrs. E. P. Duffield, Walter Arnold and Frank Claydon, gave their verdict. Mr. Duffield said they had had an enjoyable and novel experience. The striking, while not being of that perfection expected of selected bands, was acceptable for the standard of local bands. Some teams lost points when a ringer failed to give open handstroke leads.

The results were: 1, Kirby 'A' team, 37 faults; 2, Ardleigh, 39; 3, Kirby 'B' team, 45; equal 4, Harwich and Mistley, 58. The first two teams will go to Stebbing on July 6th for the final.

Mr. Donald Munro, the organist, had made a tape recording of the competition ringing, and this was played back after the meeting. Further ringing followed.

OBITUARY

MR. FREDERICK JOSEPH WOOD

The Church of St. Nicholas, Ingrave, has lost a faithful servant with the passing of Mr. Frederick Joseph Wood. He rang and played the organ for Evensong on April 28th, was taken ill on his way home and died later that night, at the early age of 55 years.

Fred learned to ring at Brentwood, under the late George Miles in 1926, later moving to South Weald, where he was the tower secretary for several years. About 10 years ago he came to Ingrave, where the bells had been silent for many years, and formed and taught a completely new band.

Not a great peal ringer, Fred was one of those upon whom the Exercise depends so much: those who find and teach new ringers, and whose main object is to keep their bells ringing for Sunday services.

The choral funeral service on May 3rd was preceded by half-muffled ringing by members of the Essex Association. In his address, the Rector (Rev. G. E. Porter) paid tribute to his work in the belfry, in the choir, as deputy organist, and as a church councillor. His quiet and unassuming manner did not hide his sterling qualities to those who knew him, said the Rector. He was genuine: like hall-marked silver, no base metal, but sterling worth, he rang true.

To those of us who knew him this was a true description of Fred Wood. He will long be remembered in the church he loved.

H. T.

GEDLING. NOTTS.—On April 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. Blackshaw 1, S. Humphrey 2, G. A. Dawson (first quarter) 3, J. Shonfeld 4, M. W. Harrison 5, W. L. Exton (cond.) 6. First quarter on the bells. Rung in memoriam Canon R. F. Wilkinson.

Royal Wedding Quarter Peals

Rung on April 24th for the wedding of Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.—1,260 Doubles (five methods): Rosemary A. Woodward 1, J. H. Hayne 2, N. J. Hayne 3, W. G. Trevel 4, H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, D. J. Wood 6.

BRAY, BERKS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles (1, 2 leading): Janice Penning 1, C. J. Burrigge 2, Juliet R. Hall (first quarter) 3, Sylvia Woods 4, B. May 5, L. A. Blewitt 6, Doreen Hague (cond.) 7, J. E. Horsworthy 8.

BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX.—1,440 Doubles (Stedman, Simon's, Plain Bob): M. J. Uphill (cond.) 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, Judith Geiringer 4, Margaret Fort 5, J. H. Gaze (aged 15, first attempt) 6, First of Doubles 2, 3 and 4. Also 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Judith Geiringer 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Margaret Fort 3, Vanessa Rodrigues 4, M. J. Uphill (most methods as cond.) 5, J. H. Gaze 6. First of five Doubles methods for all.

BURGHCLERE, HANTS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. S. Boyles 1, M. Goss 2, Miss M. Gosling (first attempt 'inside') 3, D. G. Papworth (cond.) 4, F. Gosling 5, P. Watts (16) 6.

BURSTOW, SURREY.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Yvonne Turrell 1, L. Penfold 2, D. Wilson 3, T. Ashbury 4, A. J. Bull (cond.) 5, G. Sweet 6.

CAERLEON, MON.—1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. J. King 1, D. Pike 2, Mrs. L. Bainham 3, J. Pryor 4, T. Yeoman 5, J. J. James 6, D. J. King (cond.) 7, D. J. Hughes 8.

CANNOCK, STAFFS.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Baker 1, Lynda Roberts 2, Susan J. Devey (first of Triples) 3, Shelagh C. Guthrie 4, A. Margaret Guthrie 5, G. Bradbury 6, P. J. Baker (cond.) 7, J. P. Darrall (first of Triples) 8.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.—1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): C. Harvey 1, Mrs. A. J. Smith 2, R. W. Treasure 3, C. Allward 4, F. C. Gifford (cond.) 5, L. B. Coles 6.

DEVIZES, WILTS.—At St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Hillier 1, Mrs. P. Osborne 2, Weeks 3, D. Bailey (cond.) 4, B. Osborne 5, P. Hale 6.

DRAYTON, BERKS.—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Valerie Bailey (first quarter) 1, D. Pimm 2, G. Mason (first as cond.) 3, Mrs. Wiggins 4, J. Seymour 5, C. Clark 6.

ELSTOW, BEDS.—1,368 Minor (720 Oxford T.B. d. 648 Cambridge S.): R. H. French (cond.) 1, M. Pettitt 2, Miss M. Clarke 3, Miss S. Law 4, Huckle 5, R. F. Law 6. First in the method by the band.

ELTHAM, KENT.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Lawrence (first in the method) 1, Miss C. Lawrence 2, J. Lewis 3, P. Clarke 4, E. J. Coope 5, B. Crowder (cond.) 6, P. Clarke 7, F. J. Hurrell 8.

LINCOLN.—At St. Peter-at-Gowis, 1,260 Minor (20 Kent, 540 Plain Bob): H. Broxholme 1, F. Dixon 2, H. Hurst (82) 3, V. Briggs 4, A. Drewry 5, P. C. Birchford (first as cond.) 6. Also to commemorate the completion of 60 years' ringing at this church by H. Hurst.

LONDON.—At Westminster Abbey, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. W. Cecil 1, R. B. Meadows 2, W. J. Wilkins 3, H. N. Piusow (cond.) 4, M. P. Breton 5, J. Phillips 6, J. H. Crampin 7, J. A. Smith 8.

LOUGHTON, ESSEX.—1,344 Plain Bob Major: Corney 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, K. Gardner 3, Hawkins 4, F. W. Tomlin 5, M. C. Austin 6, D. Ley 7, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 8.

LYMPNE, KENT.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. C. Uden 1, Ms. Y. Watts 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Harman 6.

MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.—At All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Sheldrake (first quarter) 1, Miss K. North 2, E. Gosling 3, Miss D. Seal 4, Mrs. P. Gibson 5, S. Gibson 6, J. Blackwood (first as cond.) 7, D. Young 8.

MALMESBURY, WILTS.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Paginton 1, J. E. Billings 2, H. G. Blanchard 3, E. Norris 4, E. C. Shephard 5, L. K. Grey 6, N. F. Knee (cond.) 7, H. E. Blacker 8. First of Triples 1, 2 and 6, First quarter of Triples on the bells.

NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—1,277 Grandsire Caters: Valerie J. Wilson (first of Caters) 1, A. E. Chilton 2, F. G. Hooper 3, Margaret E. Chilton 4, Beryl N. Reid 5, C. F. Briggs 6, H. Stevenson 7, C. W. Reed (first as cond.) 8, J. W. Rathby 9, D. Simpson 10.

RAINFORD, LANCs.—1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. F. Green 1, T. D. Roughley 2, T. W. Eason 3, C. Blackburn 4, J. Dilworth 5, E. Roughley (first as cond.) 6, J. Ellison 7, H. Robinson 8. First in method 2 and 3.

SALTER STREET, WARWICKS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Beryl E. Jessop (first quarter attempt) 1, R. H. Hicken 2, J. H. Upton (first quarter attempt) 3, J. D. Atkinson (first of Grandsire Doubles) 4, A. J. Collins (cond.) 5.

SILEBY, LEICS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Preston 1, L. Lovett (cond.) 2, W. Swan 3, M. White 4, W. Draper 5, T. Dexter 6.

STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Pat Sankey (first attempt) 1, Jean Harrison (first attempt 'inside') 2, J. Harrison 3, D. Debenham 4, A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 5, J. Stacey 6.

STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marcus Davies (first quarter of Bob Minor) 1, Sheila Shackle 2, C. Longhurst 3, Jean Horton 4, B. Farhall 5, R. Verrall (cond.) 6.

THORINGTON, ESSEX.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. D. Andrews 1, Karen Miller (first quarter) 2, Mrs. R. Orman 3, Jennifer Andrews 4, G. N. Orman (cond.) 5, R. A. Andrews 6.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.—1,260 Doubles (11 methods): J. Linford 1, Margaret A. Wilson 2, C. E. Truman (cond.) 3, J. Linnell 4, D. Burbridge 5.

YORKTOWN, SURREY.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gloria Lias 1, Gwendolen Marshall 2, M. Church (first as joint cond.) 3, R. Bath 4, F. Farr (cover) 5, R. Clift (first as joint cond.) 6, E. Hunt (cover) 8.

EASTER DAY QUARTER PEALS

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Chadwick (first quarter) 1, E. Pimlott (cond.) 2, R. Barratt 3, H. Callwood 4, G. Forrester 5, R. Forrester 6.

CHELSEA, KENT.—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Payne (first quarter) 1, Jillian Outhwaite 2, D. L. Parker 3, Hilary Martin 4, J. C. Parker 5, D. C. Manger (cond.) 6.

CHOBHAM, SURREY.—1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. J. Hudson 1, C. Hill 2, D. G. Blows 3, J. W. Priest 4, Roy Collins (cond.) 5, Ron Collins 6.

OLD MARSTON, OXON.—1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. Porter 1, L. Maund 2, I. Porter 3, N. Deam 4, R. Jones (cond.) 5.

QUARTER PEALS

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.—At St. Peter's Church, on May 5th, 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Audrey M. Evans 1, Jean M. Warner 2, A. W. Bond (cond.) 3, Angela Wright 4, B. J. Stone 5, Angela Grainger 6, R. I. Vaughan (first of Caters 'inside') 7, J. A. Bennett 8, B. G. North 9, C. W. T. Riddleston 10. For Evensong.

BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral, on April 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Green 1, Mary Prior 2, M. Foster 3, B. Shackleton (cond.) 4, S. Riches 5, R. Hooper 6, E. Hitchins 7, F. Hancock 8. First of Stedman Triples 2 and 3.

BRISTOL.—At St. Ambrose's, on April 30th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: H. Taysom 1, Gillian Hussey 2, R. Hooper 3, M. Hobbs 4, D. Exell 5, J. Hunt 6, P. Gray 7, B. Shackleton (cond.) 8. First of London Surprise Major 1, 2 and 4.

CAMBRIDGE.—On May 5th, at St. Andrew the Great, 1,280 Rutland Surprise Major: Miss C. Dillamore 1, P. J. Bryan 2, C. H. Rogers 3, R. M. Damerell 4, J. M. H. Hunter 5, D. J. Mundy 6, A. S. Hudson 7, S. C. Walters (cond.) 8. By Cambridge University Guild.

CLAPHAM COMMON, S.W.—On April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. Brand (first of Triples) 1, C. F. Mew (cond.) 2, J. Rea 3, B. J. Bull 4, M. J. Uphill 5, C. S. Rew 6, D. C. Brookes 7, T. J. Farmer 8. For the 25th wedding anniversary of T. J. Farmer.

DEAN PRIOR, DEVON.—On May 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. E. Fursdon 1, J. L. Bagg (first in method since 1924) 2, A. L. Bennett 3, Rev. W. P. Dowling 4, Rev. D. P. Angold 5, W. G. Lavers (cond.) 6.

DRONFIELD, DERBYS.—1,344 Plain Bob Major: I. M. Holland 1, Eileen J. Osborne 2, J. S. Chettleburgh 3, L. Goodall 4, D. Peers 5, G. N. Goodall 6, M. P. Phipps 7, J. J. L. Gilbert (cond.) 8. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar of Dronfield, the Rev. R. K. Hedge.

EAST MEON, HANTS.—On May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covers): C. J. Deadman (first quarter) 1, J. H. Payton 2, J. F. Payne 3, R. E. Walker 4, K. G. Waller (cond.) 5, R. A. Stone 6, N. J. Lambert 7, M. D. Fuller (first quarter) 8.

EDMONTON, MIDDLESEX.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Christine Bowen 1, Sheila Moore (first 'inside') 14) 2, D. Langdon 3, D. Bowen 4, T. Hawkins 5, M. G. Coleman 6. For Evensong.

FELPHAM, SUSSEX.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Bristow (first quarter Minor) 1, Miss F. Pocock 2, M. Wake 3, P. Stevens 4, D. Boniface 5, R. Wake (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

GROTON, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.—At Groton School, on April 6th: Thurston B. Clarke 1, Joseph E. Potter 2, Nason P. Hamlin 3, Oliver Edwards VI 4, Ian H. Gardiner 5, David H. Taylor Jr. 6. In honour of 'Zach' Taylor's birthday. Also on April 21st, T. B. Clarke 1, N. P. Hamlin 2, S. C. Pease 3, O. Edwards VI 4, I. H. Gardiner 5, Wilton S. Pyle 6. Also on May 5th: T. B. Clarke 1, J. E. Potter 2, N. P. Hamlin 3, O. Edwards VI 4, I. H. Gardiner 5, J. R. Chandler 6. Half-muffled in memory of three founders of Groton School. All Stedman Doubles.

HALESOWEN, WORCS.—On May 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. Lashford (first quarter) 1, I. W. Clisset 2, B. A. Ellsmore 3, Irene Ellsmore (first of Stedman) 4, B. E. Woodall 5, T. Greenhall 6, H. Shilcock (cond.) 7, I. Shilcock 8. By the Sunday service band for Evensong.

HARDINGTON, MANDEVILLE, SOMERSET.—On April 27th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. P. Selway 1, G. W. Rendell 2, Mrs. M. M. Godley 3, C. J. Stevens 4, S. W. White 5, W. E. Turpin (cond.) 6. Rung for the royal wedding.

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QUARTER PEALS

HASTINGS, SUSSEX.—On April 27th, at Christ Church, Blacklands, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. A. Downing 1, Miss J. M. Downing 2, Miss A. Harris 3, R. I. Vaughan 4, J. A. Downing 5, A. Jackson (first of Triples as cond.) 6, E. F. P. Bryant 7, G. Standon 8. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter, Alison Joy, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Downing, also the birth of a daughter, Debora Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. B. Skinner. All former ringers at this tower.

HUNTON CLYST, DEVON.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Christie 1, Mrs. G. E. Retter 2, Mrs. R. C. Woodley (first quarter 'inside') 3, R. C. Woodley (cond.) 4, E. E. Retter 5, A. J. Holway 6, G. E. Retter 7, R. Retter 8.

HORSELL, SURREY.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss D. Colcombe 1, Miss P. Drury 2, C. Webb 3, H. Colcombe 4, B. White 5, J. Martin (cond.) 6. For afternoon service, and a birthday compliment to Mr. G. Oliver.

HUISH EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.—On April 30th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: W. H. Tarr 1, J. W. Brewer 2, G. Sparkes 3, E. H. Langley 4, N. J. Maggs 5, W. A. J. King 6, A. H. Reed (cond.) 7, H. V. Young 8. In memoriam W. J. Brooks, of Wokingham, Berks, who taught the ringer of the 4th.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.—At St. Clement's Church, on May 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Faith Cleverdon (first quarter) 1, R. L. K. Whittell 2, A. Munnings 3, N. F. Whittell 4, J. B. Morley (cond.) 5, R. W. Steward 6. For Matins.

ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX.—On April 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob): A. Monks 1, E. Fosberry 2, Miss D. Mullins 3, J. Nelson 4, G. Francis (cond.) 5. For the wedding of Miss S. A. Richardson to B. B. Dibben, two local ringers. Also on April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Mullins 1, B. Elliott 2, C. Godfrey 3, G. Rix 4, J. Nelson (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled in memoriam George Tickner (83), buried this day, former ringer of this belfry.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.—On May 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. G. Mitchell (first quarter) 1, Miss S. R. Collins (cond.) 2, J. Mitchell 3, W. Lawrence 4, R. F. Turner 5, D. Witchell (first quarter) 6.

KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTINGHAM.—On March 31st, 1,272 Minimus (six methods): Maureen P. Green 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, M. J. Kirk 3, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 4. For Evensong. Also on April 6th, 1,260 Doubles (10 methods): N. D. Kirk 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 3, D. A. Kirk 4, J. A. Harrison 5. For the christening of Adrian Philip David Kirk, son of the ringer of fourth, nephew of treble ringer and conductor.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On April 21st, 1,264 Bob Major: S. H. Symonds (cond.) 1, M. T. Symonds 2, S. Smith 3, C. Poulton (first of Major) 4, F. Boreham 5, A. Knight 6, F. F. Mortlock 7, L. Pryke 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to H.M. Queen Elizabeth, also to the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 5th and 7th, and John Euston of Tooting, S.W.

LEICESTER.—At All Saints', on April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: N. R. May 1, B. G. Warwick 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 6, M. G. Wood 7, N. W. Grassby 8. Rung prior to the induction of the Ven. Dr. H. Lockley (Archdeacon of Loughborough) as Vicar.

LEYLAND, LANCs.—At St. James', Moss Side, 1,272 Cambridge Surprise, Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, D. Marsden 2, L. Walmsley 3, G. Mee 4, R. Crowe 5, J. Sumner 6. Rung to celebrate the completion of the new vicarage.

MISTLEY, ESSEX.—On April 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Honeywood 1, J. Honeywood (first 'inside') 2, N. Foakes 3, G. Waterman 4, Miss G. Brown (cond.) 5, U. Wildney 6. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At St. George's, Jesmond, on April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. A. Yeates 1, Miss W. Phillips 2, Miss S. Scott 3, R. A. Yeates 4, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 5, P. R. Martin 6. Rung by the St. George's Guild for Confirmation service.

OSWESTRY, SALOP.—On April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Watkin 1, R. W. Powell 2, R. B. Morris (cond.) 3, H. T. Hughes 4, F. Dickinson 5, D. B. Williams 6, M. R. Wycherley 7, D. J. H. Jones 8. Half-muffled for the service at the Sixth Hour, conducted by the Bishop of Lichfield.

OXFORD.—On April 17th, at St. Thomas', 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Porter 1, L. Porter 2, Janet Woodman 3, A. Gammon (cond.) 4, R. Jones 5, N. Deam 6. A 21st birthday compliment to John S. Walker. Also at St. Thomas' Church on May 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. O. Atfield (cond.) 1, Marion J. Phillips 2, D. Newman 3, R. Ashmore 4, R. Maudaunt 5, H. Nicholas.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—At St. Mary's, on April 28th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss P. Ridley 1, G. Davis 2, A. Waller 3, B. Branson 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5, G. Cowlin 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam William Rose, for many years a ringer in Peterborough. Also on May 5th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Miss W. Hollowell 1, G. Davis 2, G. Cowlin 3, B. Branson 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5, R. Daw 6. For Matins, and a birthday compliment to the conductor's wife.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—At St. John's Church, on April 28th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. J. W. Haw 1, H. Goakes 2, Wendy Hollowell 3, W. Barker 4, R. Daw 5, F. Boyall 6, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 7, G. Bush 8. For morning service, and in memory of William Rose, ringer at this church for a number of years.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On May 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. A. Stone 1, Susan Smith 2, A. R. Cope 3, K. G. Waller 4, B. R. Walton 5, K. A. Tipper 6, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 7, B. C. Kercher 8. First of Bob Triples by all.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On May 5th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,299 Stedman Caters: H. W. Milford 1, Mrs. D. R. Bould 2, A. W. Coles (North Mimms) 3, J. W. Perkins 4, D. R. Bould 5, W. G. Lavers 6, F. E. Day 7, H. F. Myers 8, T. G. Myers (cond.) 9, W. H. Marks 10. For Evensong.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On May 5th, 1,280 Kent T. B. Major: B. H. Coatsworth 1, D. C. Brookes 2, Alison M. Mann 3, L. W. Allen 4, Margaret E. Fort 5, B. J. Bull 6, M. J. Uphill 7, C. F. Mew (first of Kent as cond.) 8. First of Kent Major for all except 2 and 8.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On March 28th, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: M. Sinden 1, P. Bedford 2, Miss S. Hayward 3, F. May 4, R. Temlin 5, G. Sandwell 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House 8. For Evensong.

RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Collins (first quarter) 1, Ann Chettle 2, R. Coley (first quarter) 3, J. Clifton 4, A. Gibbs 5, L. Priestley 6, S. Hodgkins 7, B. Whitworth 8.

RUSHMERE ST. ANDREW, SUFFOLK.—On April 28th, 1,272 Minor (Oxford and Kent T.B.): K. Nunn 1, F. E. Wiseman 2, D. Buxton 3, C. Woodard 4, J. Girt 5, J. Crapnell (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and a birthday compliment to conductor.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At St. Peter's Church, on April 28th, 1,256 Little Bob Royal: C. Forster 1, Ann Carden 2, Joyce Dodds 3, F. J. Spicer 4, Shirley Slade 5, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 6, S. P. Darvill 7, C. E. Slade 8, R. W. Darvill 9, G. W. Debenham 10. First in method 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Rung to mark the start of a Stewardship Campaign at the church, and the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Johnson.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At St. Stephen's Church, on April 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Ann Woodhouse (first quarter) 1, Verna Rix 2, Audrey Alexander 3, A. Mayes 4, D. Sanderson (cond.) 5. For the pilgrimage to St. Albans Cathedral.

SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On May 5th, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (six methods): Dorothy Stratford 1, Rita M. Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, B. L. Burrows 4, J. Watkins 5, M. E. Brown (cond., rang blind-folded) 6. For Matins.

SAWLEY, DERBYS.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. W. Simpson 1, Miss C. Webb 2, Miss D. Hopkins 3, R. Marchbank (first of Triples) 4, W. Simpson 5, J. Harvey 6, D. Marshall (cond.) 7, R. Newsum 8.

SEDLSCOMBE, SUSSEX.—On March 28th, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: E. F. P. Bryant 1, Ann Harris (first 'inside' and of Minor) 2, Valerie Nepham 3, J. Hobden 4, I. V. J. Smith 5, A. Jackson (first of Minor as cond.) 6.

STREATHAM, LONDON.—At St. Leonard's, on March 24th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. Chapman 1, E. Talbot 2, R. Talbot 3, J. Euston (cond.) 4, B. Burroughs 5, J. Rank 6, B. Matthews 7, L. Weller 8. For Evensong. Also on April 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Chapman 1, J. Rea 2, M. Uphill 3, A. Milledge 4, B. Bull 5, P. Atkinson 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7, J. Price 8. Rung prior to Confirmation service.

WALTON-LE-DALE, LANCs.—On April 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Pain Bob): Pauline Turner 1, T. Turner 2, K. Stainton 3, B. Moss (cond.) 4, F. Stead 5. First of Doubles 1, 2, 4 and 5. Rung to welcome the new Vicar, Rev. W. Brandwood.

WELTON, LINCs.—On May 1st, 1,260 Minor (Double Oxford, Oxford Bob): M. Black 1, P. Coddington 2, T. R. Smith 3, W. R. Parker 4, W. S. Smith (cond.) 5, C. V. Cade 6. For Confirmation service.

WEST LYDFORD, SOMERSET.—On April 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Yeoman (first quarter) 1, Miss I. E. Down 2, W. Hodges 3, D. M. C. Hill (cond.) 4, H. F. Creed 5, H. C. Hill 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. R. W. Clayton, Rector.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On April 7th, 576 Cambridge Surprise Minor, 720 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Skinner 1, Miss R. Rawlings 2, Miss J. Geiringer 3, R. Mayes 4, A. Bishop 5, A. Bagworth (cond.) 6.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On May 5th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Rosamund Rawlings 1, Vanessa Rodrigues (first in method) 2, A. Bagworth 3, Judith Geiringer 4, A. Bishop 5, Susan Rawlings 6, K. Newman (cond.) 7, G. Reynolds 8.

WITNEY, OXON.—On April 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Clarke 1, B. W. Hall 2, T. W. Timms 3, I. T. Oliffe 4, P. Pearce 5, B. J. Coggins 6, D. J. Smith (first as cond.) 7, B. D. Costar 8. Rung half-muffled for the funeral that day of Sidney Smith, a vice-president of the Witney Ringing Society and father of the conductor.

WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKs.—On April 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. L. Morrisson 1, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 2, A. Morrisson (first 'inside') 3, D. Baker 4, J. J. Green 5, J. Stockley 6.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Collier 1, Miss K. Avenall 2, F. Cherryman 3, Susan Rawlings 4, J. Avenall 5, R. Tickner 6, K. Newman (cond.) 7, R. Jordan 8. Rung as a compliment to Mr. S. Petter, tower captain, for his 86th birthday.



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SIMPLE HANDBELL PEALS

By G. DODDS

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MAJOR (Continued)

5,184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By G. Dodds

23456	W	B	M	H	W	B	M	H
23564	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—
56234	—	—	—	—	32654	65324	65324	63254
56342	—	1	—	—	—	43652	—	46532
56423	—	1	—	—	—	24653	—	26543
34625	—	—	—	—	—	26435	—	24365
43256	3	1	—	S	24365	52436	—	53426
24356	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	54236

Repeated three times, with SS at (*) in 1st and 3rd parts.
Each part can be divided into four types of work on 5-6.

- From the plain course, put 5-6 after tenors with one call (Before) and work round 3M on the light bells.
- 5/4ths on 5-6 (by H-W) and call B on 5-6 and tenors alternately until 2nd in 6ths place after a Home.
- 5/4ths on 5-6 (by M-H) and work round 3W on the light bells.
- 5-6 at home with one call (Before) and SH, H to bring up the part end with 34 or 43 at home.

For 1,296 changes, call Bob for Single in for one part.
For 5,056 (by R. Baldwin) call the last two courses of each part:

(34625)	W	H	W	H
63425	(3)	—	(24365)	23645
42365	S	—	63245	62435

Repeated 3 times, with Singles for Bobs half-way and end.
(No singles in 4th course.)

One of the easiest of the 'tower bell' compositions is J. E. Burton's, where most of the Wrongs are called after 5-6 return to coursing at the end of a block of Homes, the remaining Wrong in each part being used to put 5-6 at home.

5,056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By J. E. Burton

23456	W	B	M	H	W	B	M	H
23645	—	2	—	—	—	46532	46325	43265
42635	—	—	3	—	32465	—	—	32465
34625	—	—	3	—	24365	—	—	24365
36245	—	—	2	—	43265	—	—	46325
32465	—	—	2	—	63425	—	—	62435

Repeated 3 times, with Singles for Bobs half-way and end.

A rearrangement of this is C. H. Martin's peal.

The Central Council booklet includes Pritchard's, before moving on to Double Norwich, etc., but, as Mr. Hudson pointed out, Little Bob and Gainsborough Little Bob make useful intermediate methods.

5,040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

By G. Dodds

23456	W	M	W	M
52436	—*	3	32546	32546
65324	—	2	25346	25634
36452	—	—	56234	56342
46235	S	—	36542	36425
34265	—	—	64325	—

Repeated 10 times, with Singles at (*) in 1st and 7th parts, then call

42365	W	M	H	W	M	H
35426	—	—	S	24635	24356	25346
23456	—	—	—	53246	—	—

W-M is only one short lead in this method and 5-6 course for just half the peal. As in E. M. Atkins' peal of Bob Major, the last part is shortened to keep the number of changes down. The composition and variations were previously published in 'R.W.' 1959, page 335.

The following is a very popular peal both on tower- and handbells, but 2-3 are the part bells instead of 5-6.

5,040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

By S. H. Wood

23456	W	M	H
42635	—	—	3
34625	—	—	3
63542	—	—	3
53246	—	—	3
23645	—	—	3

Repeated 5 times, Singles for Bobs half-way and end.

Gainsborough is certainly a little harder than Little Bob, as many a dodge can be missed above the treble in 6ths, producing a crunch for the unwary. The following is an easily remembered peal, in which 5-6 course nearly half the peal and are at home for one course in each part.

5,040 GAINSBOROUGH LITTLE BOB MAJOR

By G. Dodds

23456	M	W	M	W
53426	—	S	—	23546
26534	2	—	23654	36254
34265	2	—	36425	64325

Repeated 11 times, Bobs for Singles half a peal apart.

Another composition, variously ascribed to J. Reeves and W. E. Critchley, is easily remembered, being standard 10- course blocks of Wrongs and Homes, joined by Middles on 2-3-4. This is both musical and simple, but as with S. H. Wood's peal of Little Bob, 2-3 are part bells instead of 5-6.

5,040 GAINSBOROUGH LITTLE BOB MAJOR

23456 W M H

52436	—	—	3
46325	—	—	2
24365	—	—	3
23645	—	—	2

Repeated 5 times, Singles half-way and end.

When enough of the team have mastered the curious 'loose-jointed' shuffle produced by Kent places on a coursing pair and the conductor can see his way through the first three courses, providing little real trouble occurs, they may wish to try this simple peal for handbells.

5,088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

By W. Hudson

23456	M	B	H	M	B	H
35642	2	—	—	53624	45362	—
54326	—	—	—	—	24536	—
25463	—	2	—	—	62453	65243
56234	—	—	—	—	36524	—
63542	—	—	—	—	43652	—
34625	—	—	—	—	24365	—
42356	—	—	—	—	52436	—

Repeated twice.

For Double Norwich and higher methods, the C.C. booklet provides an admirable path.

CATERS

There is an obvious advantage over Triples in that one can keep the back bells fixed for long periods. For a 'beginners' peal, titmums throughout should keep 7-8-9 safe, bringing them home in the last course.

GRANDSIRE CATERS

The following is a well known peal with long courses to allow the coursing order to be watched.

5,021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

By H. W. Haley

23456789

23456978	1, 4, 5	Front bells home again.
34256	78	A
42356	78	
32654	89	
62453	89	
24653	78	
46253	78	
26354	89	
36452	89	
64352	78	
43652	78	
63254	89	6 in hunt, 4 before 7-8.
43256	89S	A
63452	—	
25463	2, 3,	A S 2 in hunt with a Single, 3 before 7-8

45362	89	A
35264	89	
52364	78	
23564	78	
53462	89	
43265	89	
32465	78	
24365	78	
34562	89	
54263	89	
42563	78	4 in hunt, 3 before 7-8.
(32547698)	1-3	9th in next lead, out at 2.
N.B.—	2, 3	at start of 3rd part. Both 3-4 and 5-6 course while 8th in (7-8 parted).

Stedman Caters is not a 'beginner's method,' but I would be interested to see a good handbell composition.

ROYAL

By the time a team has reached this stage, there should be a good pair of ringers, able to ring 7-8 and 9-10 solidly to plain courses.

PLAIN BOB ROYAL

The simplest handbell composition would have a safe anchor on 7-8, 9-10, giving a steady 10-bell rhythm, a coursing pair, say 5-6 (for the conductor) and, if possible, 2-3-4 grouped together for long periods. The sheer boredom of the following peal could well be offset by the errors the team could introduce due to inexperience.

SIMPLE HANDBELL PEALS—Continued

5.040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL						
23456	W	M	H	W	M	H
43652	—	—	—	—	—	—
24635	—	S	—	34562	34265	—
64532	6	—	—	34265	34652	—
24536	—	S	—	—	34256	—
65423	5	—	—	24356	24563	25643
26453	—	6	—	56243	56243	—
56423	S	—	—	26543	—	—
35462	—	5	—	65243	65342	—
45236	S	—	—	35642	35426	—
23456	—	—	—	54326	—	53246
6	—	—	S	—	—	S
5	—	—	S	—	—	S

I do not think there could be a simpler handbell peal of Royal. However, for those who prefer a parts-composition, here is a simple 4-part, based on the last one.

5.040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL						
23456	W	M	H	W	M	H
43652	—	—	—	—	—	—
24635	—*	S	—	34562	34265	—
56432	3	—	—	34265	34652	36542
46235	—	—	—	—	36425	—
23465	—	—	—	64325	—	63245

Repeated 3 times, Singles at (*) in 1st and 3rd parts.

While we are on 4-part peals, this well known one is also suitable, being to Royal as Burton's is to Major.

5.040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

By H. J. Tucker

2	3	4	5	6	W	M	H
6	4	2	3	5	—	—	—
3	6	2	4	5	—	—	3
4	3	2	6	5	—	—	3

Repeated 3 times, Singles for Bobs half-way and end.

Little Bob is useful in higher numbers, where the short recurring work on the back bells is in the same relative positions above 4ths place.

5.040 LITTLE BOB ROYAL

By G. Dodds

23456	W	M	W	M
52436	—*	3	32546	32546
65423	—	S	25346	25643
42365	2	—	62543	62435

Repeated 4 times, Singles at (*) in 1st and 4th parts.

34265	—	—	—	—
53642	—	2	43625	43562
65234	—	—	35462	35624
23465	2	—	63524	63245

All repeated once.

TWELVE BELL PEALS

Few teams are strong enough to aspire to these heights, except for the very occasional choppy course of Grandsire Cinques or Bob Maximus. When teams can do this successfully and smoothly, they can choose from many suitable standard compositions, but there are other methods worth trying. Erin Cinques offers possibilities, when Bobs at 1, 2 and 11 bring all the back bells coursing in titlums. However, following on Little Bob Royal, the only twelve bell peal, I will give you one of Little Bob, in which the first nine parts are based on B. Annable's (as in 6th and 12th parts of the Royal, above), and the last three are E. M. Atkins' compositions.

5.016 LITTLE BOB MAXIMUS

23456	W	M	H	W	M	H
42635	—*	—	—	32546	32465	—
62534	—	—	—	—	32654	—
56423	—	—	—	26354	26543	—
25463	—†	—	—	65243	—	—
42356	—	—	—	52643	52436	—

32456 Repeat 8 times.

42635	—*	—	—	32546	32465	—
56234	—	—	—	—	32654	36524
25463	—	—	—	65324	65243	—
42356	—	—	—	52643	52436	—

23456 Repeat twice.

Singles for Bobs at (*) in 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th parts; and at (†) in 1st and 7th parts.
(Concluded)

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The Bishop of Kensington, when he went on May 5th to St. Martin's Church, Ruislip, to conduct a Confirmation service, stepped up into the ringing chamber and, after shaking hands with the ringers, took a rope with them for three or four minutes. As this is a ground floor ringing chamber and in full view of the congregation, everyone was greatly surprised and delighted.

The tenor bell at D'ss was dismantled on May 9th and will be out of action for about a fortnight.

Here is a coincidence. The peal in 111 methods at Hatherop on May 4th was Mr. Geoffrey R. Drew's 111th tower for a peal.

When a Sapeote, Leics, ringer questioned a new resident living within 200 yards of the church if the bells disturbed him, the reply he received was, 'No, because you ring with such good rhythm.'

The consecration of the Rt. Rev. Joseph Fison as 74th Bishop of Salisbury Diocese at Southwark Cathedral on April 27th was heralded by a quarter peal tour by Wareham ringers in Dorset villages. Four out of five attempts were successful.

St. George's Guild of bellringers, Jesmond, Newcastle, raised £11 4s. 6d. for the local hospital's Kidney Research Fund by a coffee morning on April 27th. 'Two nights were spent by the females of the band (writes Miss S. Scott) making cakes, sweets and toffee apples, all of which sell well. No casualties have yet been reported.' The average age of this band is 15 years.

Mr. Neil Carter, who left Ottershaw some five years ago, sends greetings to all his friends in the Guildford Guild. Since going to Canada he has worked for the Ontario Department of Highways, and has now moved to Connecticut, U.S.A. He has married a Canadian girl from Cobourg, and has a daughter. A regular reader of the 'R.W.', he hopes to visit England from June 29th to July 21st, and do some ringing, which he misses more than anything.

BELFRY GOSSIP

At the annual general meeting of the Derbyshire Association, the adoption of the change of name to the Derby Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers was adopted. For the benefit of any touring bands, peal fees and names and addresses of members elected in a belfry prior to a peal should be sent to the treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley, Selworthy Lodge, Burley Lane, Quarndon, Derby.

The peal rung at Parbold, Lancs. on April 20th was a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Ridyard, of Southport.

The attempt for a peal for the royal wedding at Leeds Parish Church was lost after almost two hours' ringing, through a broken rope. Amends were made by a peal of St. Clement's College Bob Major on May 2nd.

Mr. C. J. Groome brings to our notice another Yorkshire four, at Stockton-on-Forest. The bells were cast in 1896 by Taylors, with a tenor of 5½ cwt. They are in their original iron frame and 'go' very well.

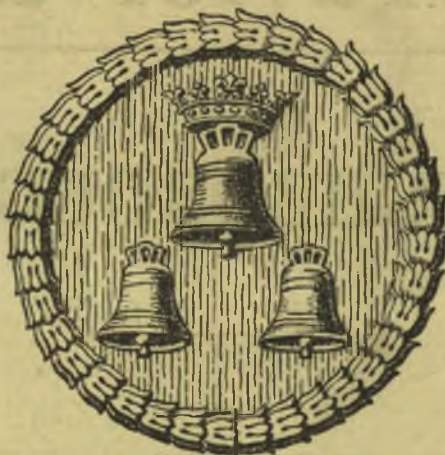
Mr. Ernest R. Warner has collected from the staff of Woking Railway Station and friends £15 for Guildford Cathedral bells. His list contained 109 names and many of them were not church people.

Teenagers from Harwich, Kirby-le-Soken and Ardleigh, Essex, cycled during the Easter holidays to Tendring (6) and enjoyed their ringing, which ranged from call changes to Treble Bob. Ringing on the eight bells at Great Bentley followed in this useful get-together.

One hundred years ago, according to 'The Western Gazette,' it was proposed at St. John's vestry meeting, Yeovil, that as church bells were a continual expense, a charge should be made to the ringers for ringing, and the money applied to keeping the bells in repair. It was agreed that a sum not exceeding 10s. be paid to the churchwardens for ringing the bells on private occasions, and before permission be given for ringing such money to be applied to the repair of the bells.

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TWELVE BELL PEALS**WORCESTER.****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 4 Hours and 10 Minutes,***AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST AND THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 49 cwt. 2 qr. in B.

FRANK E. HAYNES Treble	TREVOR N. BAILEY 7
MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT 2	JOHN A. ANDERSON 8
TUDOR P. EDWARDS 3	RALPH G. EDWARDS 9
ANDREW N. STUBBS 4	BRIAN HARRIS 10
ALAN F. THIRST 5	PETER BORDER 11
JOHN D. ROCK 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor
	WILLIAM A. THEOBALD

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

Rung in honour of the marriage of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

LEICESTER.**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Mon., April 29, 1963, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,***AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,****A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

*MRS. H. B. BOWLEY .. Treble	§JOHN A. ACRES 7
PETER J. STANFORTH 2	HERRICK B. BOWLEY 8
†MRS. D. HUNTING 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY 9
ALFRED BALLARD 4	E. ALAN JACQUES 10
JACK P. KESTERTON 5	JOHN M. JELLEY 11
‡DEREK J. TRANTER 6	WILLIAM J. ROOT Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

* First peal of Maximus. † 50th for the Guild. ‡ First of Maximus in the method. § 25th of Yorkshire Maximus on tower bells.

Rung with the best wishes of the band as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bowley.

BIRMINGHAM.**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.***On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,***AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,****A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	FRANK E. HAYNES 7
SUSAN FUNNELL 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY 8
MURIEL REAY 3	CHARLES A. S. WEBB 9
*ANN E. FELLOWS 4	GEORGE E. FEARN 10
PETER S. BENNETT 5	FREDERICK ROSS 11
RODERICK W. PIPE 6	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

* First peal on 12 bells.

TEN BELL PEALS**BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,****A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 21 cwt.

GEOFFREY E. WATSON .. Treble	ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT .. 6
JOHN E. ALLEN 2	RONALD C. NOON 7
SHELAGH R. COLLINS 3	ARTHUR GIBBS 8
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN 4	CYRIL R. BURRELL 9
GEORGE W. MASSEY 5	BRIAN HARRIS Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.**THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,****A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in D.

*DENNIS J. MURFIN .. Treble	JOHN F. MURFIN 6
GEORGE L. ROOBOTTOM .. 2	DAVID W. PARKIN 7
CYRIL HAYNES 3	GORDON A. HALLS 8
DEREK G. ASTRIDGE 4	BRIAN DAWSON 9
JOHN K. SMITH 5	†JOHN SCATTERGOOD Tenor

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

Conducted by JOHN F. MURFIN.

* First peal on ten bells. † First peal. Brian Dawson has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

BATH, SOMERSET.**THE ANTIEN ORDER OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND.****THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,***AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5053 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 33 cwt. 25 lb. in C.

BRO. WILLIAM HIBBERT, M.M., Victoria 2671 Treble	
BRO. ALBERT M. TYLER, M.M., Burnett 6789 2	
BRO. S. ARTHUR READ, M.M., Elizabethan 7296 3	
BRO. RICHARD C. INGRAM, S.W., Orion 4993 4	
BRO. HERBERT C. SPENCER, M.M., Northcote 2659 5	
BRO. WILLIAM F. J. COPE, M.M., Elizabethan 7296 6	
BRO. WILLIAM H. COLES, M.M., Hillingdon 3174 7	
W. BRO. ERIC NAYLOR, W.M., Elizabethan 7296 8	
BRO. W. BERTRAM KYNASTON, M.M., Royal Sussex 355 9	
BRO. THOMAS SETTER, M.M., Progressive Science 5007 Tenor	

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by W. BRO. ERIC NAYLOR.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

Rung to celebrate the conductor's year as master of the Elizabethan Lodge.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,****A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 25½ cwt. in D flat.

HERBERT W. WOOLEN .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 6
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
ALBERT W. BOND 3	JOHN A. HOWARD 8
ROBERT T. LAMBERT 4	RAYMOND P. WOOD 9
CYRIL S. JARRETT 5	MARTIN L. HOWE Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY. Conducted by W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON.

Rung to the respected memory of Ernest Morris.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,***AT CHRIST CHURCH,****A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY Treble	JOHN WORTH 6
†NORMAN SHERRATT 2	BARRY CORBISHLEY 7
MICHAEL WILSHAW 3	CHARLES A. S. WEBB 8
F. HECTOR BENNETT 4	ROY WORRALL 9
†WALTER SHERRATT 5	IVOR R. NICHOLS Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal of Royal. † First on ten bells. Fastest peal of Royal on the bells.

KENSINGTON, LONDON.**LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOTT,****A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 32 cwt.

*KATHLEEN M. BAKER .. Treble	JOHN H. LOTT 6
CHARLES W. OTTLEY 2	WILFRID G. WILSON 7
VERONICA E. DUPRE 3	C. MONTAGU MEYER 8
JOHN PHILLIPS 4	A. FRANK UDALL 9
ROGER F. OVERINGTON .. 5	HAROLD W. ROGERS Tenor

Composed by YORKE GREEN.

Conducted by WILFRID G. WILSON.

* First peal.

Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra to the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

LEICESTER.**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,***AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,****A PEAL OF 5040 LEICESTER SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

ROBERT E. HARDY .. Treble	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 6
ALAN E. HARTLEY 2	A. JAMES POYNOR 7
JOHN M. JELLEY 3	E. ALAN JACQUES 8
ALFRED BALLARD 4	RUSSELL S. MORRIS 9
W. ERNEST RAWSON 5	WILLIAM J. ROOT Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy; also for the Sunday School teachers' annual festival service.

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version. Tenor 3½ cwt.

LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. Treble	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 6
*BERYL E. CAWSE .. 2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. 7
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 8
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 9
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. 5	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

* 50th peal. First in the method on the bells.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F sharp.

HOWARD HOWELL .. Treble	GEORGE W. HUGHES .. 6
WILLIAM DAVIES .. 2	ARTHUR S. WILLIAMS .. 7
W. GEORGE PAGE .. 3	*JOHN MOORE .. 8
FREDERICK G. HANDLEY .. 4	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. 9
FRANCIS BROTHERTON .. 5	†JACK CRANMER .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra of Kent and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy; also a compliment to Mr. Roland Baker, for over 60 years a chorister at St. Giles', and to Mr. Edward G. Bowyer in achieving 50 years' faithful service as a ringer at Penn (St. Bartholomew's). An 80th birthday compliment to Mrs. M. H. Davies, mother of the ringer of the second.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF 5040 ALBANIAN SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

*FREDERICK PEARSON .. Treble	*ERIC J. F. WALL .. 6
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITTE .. 2	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7
*TERENCE M. FITZGERALD .. 3	JOHN ROBINSON .. 8
*RICHARD J. PARKER .. 4	WALTER E. WILKINSON .. 9
†DEREK A. ASHTON .. 5	NEIL BENNETT .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY (Circuit B.S.).

Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

* First peal of Royal. † First on ten bells, at first attempt. First in the method on the bells, by all the band, and for the Association.

Rung as a 17th birthday compliment to Eric J. F. Wall; also to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Mr. Edward Jenkins' first peal, which took place on April 26th, 1913.

SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 1, 1963, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE COLLEGIATE AND PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

FREDERICK G. BEDDOW .. Treble	MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY .. 6
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS .. 2	FREDERICK A. H. CATTELL .. 7
CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 8
FREDERICK LEECH .. 4	REGINALD H. NEWTON .. 9
PHILIP J. EVANS .. 5	ROBERT NICHOLS .. Tenor

Composed by B. JEALOUS. Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

Rung immediately following Evensong in the presence of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in celebration of the 1,000th anniversary of the granting of a charter to this church by King Edgar.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

HEYDOUR, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., April 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 86 lb. in F sharp.

JOHN E. ANDERSON .. Treble	NORMAN ERRINGTON .. 5
*MRS. K. LAWSON .. 2	MICHAEL ARMSTRONG .. 6
KENNETH LAWSON .. 3	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 7
ROBIN G. TURNER .. 4	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by LESLIE BOUMPHREY.

* First peal in the method.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., April 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5184 FORDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

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

FREDA CLAYTON .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. 6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3	DAVID J. TAYLOR .. 7
H. GEORGE HART .. 4	WILLIAM S. DEASON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the seventh.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb. in G.

RODNEY A. YEATES .. Treble	ROBIN G. TURNER .. 5
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 2	NORMAN ERRINGTON .. 6
*M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. 3	ERIC N. HARRISON .. 7
MICHAEL ARMSTRONG .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

* First peal in the method.

FENHAM, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. JAMES AND BASIL,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 10 lb. in F.

IRIS THOMSON .. Treble	ROBIN G. TURNER .. 5
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 2	FREDERICK ROSS .. 6
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. 3	GEORGE S. DEAS .. 7
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. 4	ERIC N. HARRISON .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Rung as a compliment to Madeline Wright (ringer at this church) and A. Iain B. Moffat, who were married here earlier in the day.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in F.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS .. 5
JOYCE I. BARTON .. 2	PHILIP H. D. JONES .. 6
SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. 3	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. 7
DAVID J. TAYLOR .. 4	J. KEITH WARD .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Syd Bailey.

KIDSGROVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 4 lb. in G.

GEOFFREY DAVIES .. Treble	*WALTER SHERRATT .. 5
*NORMAN SHERRATT .. 2	MICHAEL WILSHAW .. 6
*DENNIS LATHAM .. 3	FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 7
*ROY WORRALL .. 4	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

* First peal of London Surprise Major. First of Surprise Major on the bells.

LANCASTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE R.C. CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. in E.

WILFRED BOLTON .. Treble	*ERIC PEPPER .. 5
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 2	ALAN CAPSTICK .. 6
JAMES BLACKBURN .. 3	*NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. .. 7
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. 4	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

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

LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5088 NAILSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

COLIN JOHNSON .. Treble	DONALD F. MURFET .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 6
PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 3	GEOFFREY A. LUCAS .. 7
ALAN M. BARBER .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Composed by HARRY POYNER.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

A birthday compliment to Stedman H. Symonds, of Lavenham.

NORTH BRADLEY, WILTSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 13 cwt.

*DAVID J. KNIGHT .. Treble	*ARCHIBALD T. KNIGHT .. 5
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD .. 2	NORMAN G. N. KNEE .. 6
PERCIVAL W. J. HARDING .. 3	FREDERICK S. SLATFORD .. 7
GILBERT H. HARDING .. 4	*JAMES CASE .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK S. SLATFORD.

* First peal of Stedman Triples.

Rung to commemorate 41 years' service as a ringer at this church by Mr. P. W. J. Harding.

PENSHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5056 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in F.

*ANN JENNER Treble	JOHN R. COOPER 5
*DORIS E. COLGATE 2	IAN H. ORAM 6
*RALPH BIRD 3	*STANLEY JENNER 7
*ARTHUR S. RICHARDS 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.
* First peal in the method.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, being 896 Lincolnshire, 672 Gainsborough, 672 Nailstone, 672 Johannesburg, 672 Amsterdam, 448 Fordcombe, 448 Zurich and 576 Vancouver: with 19 changes of method, and all the work of every method for every bell.

Tenor 29 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in D flat.

PAULINE FENNEL Treble	*ANTHONY G. OSBORNE 5
MARY S. TAYLOR 2	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES 6
MIKAELA ERIK 3	JOHN C. EISEL 7
*MARCUS P. BARTON 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

Arranged and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal of Spliced S. Major. First of 8-Spliced on the bells, for the Society, and by all the band except the conductor.

Johannesburg, Amsterdam, Zurich and Vancouver Surprise Major are now rung in a peal for the first time.

SHIPLAKE, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

*DAVID C. EVERETT Treble	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE 5
BARRY J. DAVIES 2	*DONALD H. A. DRAYTON 6
JENNIFER SCENEY 3	HOWARD OGLESBY 7
*NOEL R. WAITE 4	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by MICHAEL W. COLEMAN.

* First peal attempt. † 25th peal.

Rung as a farewell to Mr. Ronald K. Russ and family, who are now on their way to Australia.

SHREWSBURY, SALOP.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's variation. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F sharp.

REGINALD H. NEWTON .. Treble	MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY .. 5
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 6
CLIFFORD H. BARRON 3	BARNABAS G. KEY 7
*PHILLIP J. EVANS 4	FREDERICK G. BEDDOW Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal using the recently-added 'sharp' second bell.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUNNYMEDE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

COLIN JOHNSON Treble	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 5
DONALD F. MURFET 2	GEORGE E. THODAY 6
GEOFFREY A. LUCAS 3	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 7
ALAN M. BARBER 4	*JOE E. G. ROAST Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

* 300th peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

JOHANNESBURG SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 14 x 1258 x 1236 x 78

L.H.=12-5738264. F.c.e. 24365.

AMSTERDAM SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 14 x 1258 x 36.12.78

L.H.=12-5738264. F.c.e. 24365, 42563, 26543, 36245.

ZÜRICH SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 14 x 58.12.36 x 78

L.H.=12-5738264. F.c.e. 24365, 42563, 26543, 36245.

VANCOUVER SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 14 x 58 x 36.12.78

L.H.=12-5738264. F.c.e. 24365, 42563, 26543, 36245.

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. in D.

ARTHUR J. SCOTT Treble	HENRY G. KEELEY 5
G. STEDMAN MORRIS 2	HARRY J. GAYLARD 6
MRS. C. W. POWELL 3	*FRANK KNIGHT 7
JOSEPH T. BARRETT 4	CUTHBERT W. POWELL Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by G. STEDMAN MORRIS.

* First peal of Major 'inside.'

Rung in memoriam Ernest Morris, composer of this peal and brother of the conductor, on the nearest possible date to the first anniversary of his death.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5056 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

*PAMELA M. TURNER .. Treble	PETER S. BENNETT 5
LINDA M. HUGHES 2	V. DAVID JENNER 6
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 3	JOHN K. FOOT 7
*†MAURICE C. HUGHES .. 4	IAN C. MAYCOCK Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

* 25th peal together. † 50th peal, and 'circled the tower.' First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

Rung to mark the Coventry Cathedral Festival.

BLEWBURY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	SYDNEY M. BAILEY 5
KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS .. 2	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 6
GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH .. 3	J. KEITH WARD 7
ANTHONY G. TYERS 4	FRANK C. PRICE Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 8 lb. in E.

NORMAN SMITH Treble	*DEREK ASHTON 5
*PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	NEIL BENNETT 6
*RICHARD J. PARKER 3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7
*MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 4	*ERIC J. F. WALL Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

Rung for the wedding of David Gilbert, a former local ringer, on April 13th: also the dedication of St. Mark's Church, Burnley, by the Lord Bishop of Burnley, held the same day.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5024 EDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

CYRIL R. BURRELL Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY 5
JOHN E. ALLEN 2	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN 6
RAYMOND DAW 3	RONALD C. NOON 7
ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

Tenor 16 cwt.

GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. Treble	*FREDERICK ROSS 5
*IRIS THOMSON 2	*ERIC N. HARRISON 6
JOHN E. ANDERSON 3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH 7
NORMAN ERRINGTON 4	GEORGE S. DEAS Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' † 50th peal together.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 OSPRINGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.

LEONARD STILWELL Treble	RONALD F. DISERENS 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON 2	GEORGE FRANCIS 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY 3	W. LESLIE WELLER 7
STANLEY G. PONTING 4	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

The conductor's 750th peal.

EDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 1458 x 56 x 16 x 14 x 38 x 56 x 78

Group D. F.C.E.'s B.D.

**BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Luke,

A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

SHEILA COPPING Treble	R. THOMAS NEWMAN .. 5
PERCY J. SPICE 2	*RICHARD C. STEVENS .. 6
F. J. HILDA OAKSHETT .. 3	MAXWELL F. OAKSHETT .. 7
D. PAUL SMITH 4	JOHN W. SMITH Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by JOHN W. SMITH.

* First peal of Major.
Rung on the occasion of the royal wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

CRADLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. E. Groves' variation of J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 10 cwt. 11 lb. in G.

MRS. J. HAROLD WHITE .. Treble	GEOFFREY WESTWOOD .. 5
ALBERT G. HALL 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 6
J. HAROLD WHITE 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 7
HAROLD J. SHUCK 4	ARTHUR D. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.

Rung for the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra of Kent to the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

EDWARD HOWES Treble	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 5
HENRY TOOKE 2	GEORGE SAYER 6
CLIFFORD BIRD 3	BERT GOGLE 7
GEORGE P. ADAMS 4	NOLAN GOLDEN Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

First peal of Major on the bells.
Rung in honour of the marriage of Princess Alexandra of Kent and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

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

On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in B.

MURIEL REAY Treble	SUSAN FUNNELL 5
ANN E. FELLOWS 2	JOHN PINFOLD 6
RODERICK W. PIPE 3	ANTHONY AGER 7
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra to the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5056 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

MARTIN L. HOWE Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS 5
MARGARET M. LADD 2	CYRIL S. JARRETT 6
REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 3	ERNEST J. LADD 7
THOMAS E. SONE 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ERNEST J. LADD.

First peal in the method for all the band except the conductor. First in the method, as conductor, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung for the royal wedding of Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

ALMA M. GREAVES Treble	*JOHN H. INSLEY 5
SUSAN FUNNELL 2	RODERICK W. PIPE 6
*ANN E. FELLOWS 3	GEORGE E. FEARN 9
MURIEL REAY 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

* First peal in the method.

BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5024 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

*E. MARION KEY Treble	*RICHARD E. MORRIS .. 5
*PETER MORRIS 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 6
*ROGER HAWKSWORTH .. 3	*REGINALD H. NEWTON .. 7
*PHILLIP J. EVANS 4	BARNABAS G. KEY Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

* First peal of Major in the method. † 25th peal. ‡ 50th peal.
A compliment to Phyllis Timmis on the occasion of her marriage to Eric J. Boffey at this church. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

GORING, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Cathedral of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 21 lb. in A.

GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH .. Treble	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 5
FRANK C. PRICE 2	DAVID P. HILLING 6
JENNIFER SCEENY 3	SYDNEY M. BAILEY 7
JENNIFER SCEENY 4	FREDERICK R. SCOTT Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

TWICKENHAM, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

LEONARD STILWELL Treble	FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW .. 5
EDWIN A. BARNETT 2	THOMAS J. LOCK 6
ALICK CUTLER 3	C. EDWARD JEFFRIES 7
PETER J. COLES 4	PHILIP A. CORBY Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS (No. 151).

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lock (April 23rd, 1963) and Mr. and Mrs. H. Turner (April 26th, 1963); both marriages were at this church.

DORCHESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

A PEAL OF 5088 APSLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

MICHAEL B. TYERS Treble	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 5
GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH .. 2	SYDNEY M. BAILEY 6
ANTHONY G. TYERS 3	FREDERICK R. SCOTT 7
DAVID P. HILLING 4	FRANK C. PRICE Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

CYRIL S. JARRETT Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 2	†CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 6
*DAVID S. OSENTON 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
THOMAS E. SONE 4	JOHN W. COLEMAN Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS (C.C.C. 12).

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

* First peal on eight. † First in the method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower' twice to peals.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret-of-Antioch,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb.

*FREDERICK E. JONES .. Treble	†GEOFFREY R. DREW 5
*THELMA P. JOHNSON .. 2	§VICTOR GRIFFIN 6
†E. WILLIAM FORD 3	†ANTHONY R. PEAKE 7
SHIRLEY M. DREW 4	BRIAN BLADON Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* First peal. † First of Triples. ‡ 25th peal together. § First of Triples in the method. First of Triples in the method as conductor.

BATLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

SHIRLEY A. MUDD Treble	*WALTER PYGOTT 5
IRIS LEMARE 2	*ROBERT PYGOTT 6
ANGELA M. SKIDMORE .. 3	B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 7
PETER A. KIRKBY 4	RODERICK W. PIPE Tenor

Arranged by RODERICK W. PIPE.

Conducted by B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD.

* First peal.

Rung to celebrate the engagement of Miss Angela Skidmore and Mr. Walter Pygott.

BEDWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 14 cwt. 18 lb. in G.

KEITH F. GARDNER Treble	IAN C. MAYCOCK 5
*JENNIFER M. COOK 2	DAVID J. ALLEN 6
†LINDA M. HUGHES 3	PETER S. BENNETT 7
†ANN E. FELLOWS 4	MAURICE C. HUGHES Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER.

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

* First peal of Grandsire, and of Triples. † 25th peal.
 Rung as a compliment to John K. Foot and Linda M. Hughes on their engagement.

DODDERHILL, DROITWICH SPA, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Sir Arthur P. Heywood's transposition. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in E.

SIDNEY T. HOLT Treble	R. GEORGE MORRIS 5
*WALTER H. RAXTER 2	JOHN LLOYD 6
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS 7
C. FREDERICK JUKES 4	THOMAS W. LEWIS Tenor

Composed by THOMAS THURSTANS.

Conducted by CLIFFORD SKIDMORE.

* First peal of Stedman Triples.

DORCHESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

ROGER HEYWORTH Treble	STEPHEN FRANKLIN 5
*PHILIPPA J. P. DIXON 2	P. GERALD McILHONNE 6
ANGELA M. AYRES 3	†ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE 7
†BARBARA BUTLER 4	GERALD G. TINSON Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE.

* First peal 'inside.' † First of Bob Triples 'inside.' ‡ First of Bob Triples.

This and peals at Brightwell and Berrick Salome were rung by combined bands from Wallingford Grammar School and the School of SS. Helen and Katharine, Abingdon.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*LEONARD STILWELL Treble	GILES B. THOMPSON 5
JOYCE DODDS 2	VERNON GREEN 6
RUTH M. FOREMAN 3	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 7
MICHAEL HATCHETT 4	*ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* 100th peal together.

Rung to mark the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lock (April 23rd, 1963).

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

JOHN MARJORAM Treble	ALAN R. BRIDGES 5
FREDERICK F. MORTLOCK 2	ALAN R. KNIGHT 6
ALAN PILGRIM 3	ALAN R. ANDREWS 7
RICHARD CHAMBERS 4	EDWARD E. DAVEY Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.

LYDD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

RICHARD CASTLEDINE Treble	FREDERICK J. CULLUM 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY 2	GEORGE J. BUTCHER 6
ARTHUR G. MASON 3	JACK S. DEAR 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by FREDERICK E. COLLINS.

EARDISLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sun., April 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

LESLIE EVANS Treble	TUDOR P. EDWARDS 5
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD 2	PETER BORDER 6
DAVID J. LIFEWELLYN 3	TREVOR N. BAILEY 7
ERIC J. HITCHINS 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

HEYWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., April 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE 5
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD 6
JOHN P. PARTINGTON 3	ROGER J. LUMLEY 7
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD 4	*IVAN KAY Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 14).

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

* First peal in the method. Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. in D.

LONDON, E.C.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Mon., April 29, 1963, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE.

A PEAL OF 5088 BISHOPSGATE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. Treble	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE 5
E. JANE SIBSON 2	DEREK E. SIBSON 6
JOHN C. EISEL 3	JOHN R. MAYNE 7
ALAN J. FROST 4	PHILIP MEHEW Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method.

Rung to mark the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE.

A PEAL OF 5344 MELBOURNE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F sharp.

KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
ELSIE K. HART 2	ROGER BALDWIN 6
VERNON GREEN 3	ANTHONY R. MANN 7
H. GEORGE HART 4	GEOFFREY W. SEAMAN .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

First peal in the method for all the band, and for the Association.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Washbrook's variation. Tenor 15½ cwt.

PETER D. TAYLOR .. Treble	GEORGE H. PAULSON 5
GEORGE ROOBOTTOM 2	RONALD H. BULLEN 6
MICHAEL H. PAULSON 3	BURLEY P. MORRIS 7
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD 4	ERNEST PAULSON Tenor

Conducted by BURLEY P. MORRIS.

First peal in the method as conductor.

A farewell peal to the Rector, the Rev. R. J. Stanford; also a birthday peal for Mrs. Phyllis Clarke (née Smallwood) and the conductor.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

*STUART J. CORSON .. Treble	RONALD H. DOVE 5
*ANTHONY E. STAMP 2	*JOHN POTTS 6
*ALLAN SHEPPARD 3	*JOHN WEAVER 7
*C. BARRIE DOVE 4	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by KENNETH B. SISSONS.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., May 3, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

D. PAUL SMITH .. Treble	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 5
ARTHUR G. MASON 2	MARTIN L. HOWE 6
ANDREW M. MACVE 3	GEORGE J. BUTCHER 7
TREVOR H. CROSS 4	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 20).

Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM.

The conductor's 750th peal.

A birthday compliment to Nicola Le Saux.

BALDERTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb. in G sharp.

FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. Treble	†DAVID H. PRITCHETT 5
*BERYL N. REED 2	†CYRIL H. PRITCHETT 6
*MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 3	COLIN W. REED 7
WILLIAM L. EYTON 4	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Tenor

Conducted by COLIN W. REED.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. † First peal. First in the method as conductor. First of Triples on the bells.

BISHOPSGATE SURPRISE MAJOR

56 x 56.14 x 58 x 36 x 14 x 38 x 14 x 38. L.e. 12. 15738264.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., April 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 8½ cwt.
MRS. T. G. FORRESTER .. Treble | HARRY COLLWOOD .. 4
ERNEST PIMLOTT .. 2 | †DAVID HARRADINE .. 5
*ROBERT BARRATT .. 3 | GEORGE BARBER .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST PIMLOTT.

* 25th peal on the bells. † First 'inside.'
Rung as a compliment to Brian Harradine, son of the fifth ringer,
on the occasion of being made a Queen's Scout.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., April 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 6 cwt. 93 lb. in B flat.
NORMAN ERRINGTON .. Treble | MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 4
FREDERICK ROSS .. 2 | ROBIN G. TURNER .. 5
MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 3 | ERIC N. HARRISON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN G. TURNER.

BRIGHTWELL, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AGATHA.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.
*ROGER HEYWORTH .. Treble | ANGELA AYRES .. 4
BARBARA BUTLER .. 2 | GERALD McILHONE .. 5
GERALD TINSON .. 3 | ROBERT PARTRIDGE .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT PARTRIDGE.

* First peal of Minor.

COLMWORTH, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Comprising six 120's each of Grandsire and April Day, and 15 120's each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 10 cwt. 24 lb. in A flat.
ROGER W. SMITH .. Treble | PERCY AMOS .. 3
RONALD RUSSELL .. 2 | GRAHAM C. PAUL .. 4
ALAN A. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

First peal on the bells for 24 years.

Rung for the Easter Festival.

HEMPSTEAD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.
ROBERT C. HEAZEL .. Treble | ALAN SYDER .. 4
JENNIFER DYE .. 2 | PETER WOOD .. 5
FRANK ROPER .. 3 | RONALD SUCKLING .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD SUCKLING.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

HORNCASTLE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods: (1) Cambridge S., (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Kent T.B., (4) Single Court, (5) Oxford Bob, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt. 12 lb.
G. ANGUS DIXON .. Treble | JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 4
PAUL CODDINGTON .. 2 | CHARLES V. CADE .. 5
AMOS INGALL .. 3 | RONALD APPLEWHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

KELVEDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being two extents Plain Bob, two Kent and three Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 21 cwt. in E.
JOSEPH PAPWORTH .. Treble | †EDWARD COULSDON .. 4
WINIFRED ELLIOTT .. 2 | CHARLES BURTON .. 5
*ARTHUR HUNWICK .. 3 | ALAN R. ELLIOTT .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. ELLIOTT.

* First peal. † First 'inside.' First as conductor.
Rung as a 71st birthday compliment to Joseph Elliott (tower captain): also a welcome home to E. Coulsdon, on completion of his service with the R.N.

NORTHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Consisting of seven different 720's. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in F sharp.
*VALERIE J. HOLLINGSWORTH Treble | WILLIAM BUTTON .. 4
M. PETER HOWARD .. 2 | JOHN A. HOWARD .. 5
DEREK SLATER .. 3 | FRANK H. HICKS .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

* First peal attempt.

Rung for the silver wedding anniversary (April 23rd) of Mr. and Mrs. William Button; also a 21st birthday compliment (April 21st) to the treble ringer.

PORCHKERRY, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CURIG.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.
ROGER G. HAVARD .. Treble | BRYN A. TAYLOR .. 4
MARY E. PRYOR .. 2 | NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 5
JOHN OWEN .. 3 | DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.

First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells, and by all the band except the conductor.

MILDENHALL, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of the following 11 methods in seven extents, viz.: Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise, St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Single Oxford and Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 26 lb. in B flat.
MAURICE A. NEW .. Treble | *MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. 4
SHIRLEY M. DREW .. 2 | ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 5
BRIAN BLADON .. 3 | GEOFFREY R. DREW .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* First peal in 11 methods.

Rung for the Easter Festival.

BERRICK SALOME, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED PLAIN MINOR

Being in seven methods, viz.: Thelwall, Childwall, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Fulbeck, Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. in B flat.
STEPHEN FRANKLIN .. Treble | ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. 4
BARBARA BUTLER .. 2 | P. GERALD McILHONE .. 5
ANGELA AYRES .. 3 | CHARLES J. ADAM .. Tenor

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONE.

First peal in more than one Minor method for all the band.

IRON ACTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-LESS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 13 cwt. 23 lb. in F.
*JOHN H. TAYLOR .. Treble | IAN G. SMITH .. 4
HUGH N. EVANS .. 2 | ANTHONY W. GIBBS .. 5
MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 3 | HENRY TAYSON .. Tenor

Conducted by HUGH N. EVANS.

* First peal. First of Plain Bob Doubles for all except the fifth ringer.

PERRAN-AR-WORTHAL, CORNWALL.
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PIRAN.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 78 lb. in G.
*FRANCES M. RICKARD .. Treble | ANTHONY LOCKE .. 4
ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. 2 | MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 5
DOUGLAS R. BURNETT .. 3 | ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung to welcome Jane Carveth, daughter of Alan and Mary Carveth, of Truro; also as a birthday compliment to Michael J. Thomas.

SOUTHILL, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., April 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, two of Single Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.
*VERNA RIX .. Treble | ANTHONY H. SMITH .. 4
GEOFFREY W. MAYES .. 2 | ALAN S. SMITH .. 5
†AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. 3 | MARTIN MAJOR .. Tenor

Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.

* First peal in four methods. † First 'inside.'

Rung as an advance wedding compliment to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy; also as birthday compliments to Anthony H. Smith and Raymond J. Fuller.

APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Lightfoot, Bourne, Beverley, London, Norwich, York and Cambridge. Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWIN J. UPTON	<i>Treble</i>	GERALD PENNEY	4
*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN	2	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD	5
WALTER AYRE	3	WILLIAM J. PUDDIFOOT	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

* 125th peal of Minor Rung in honour of the marriage of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

BRISTOL.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-ON-THE-MOUNT, WITHOUT,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).		Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.
JUDITH M. ATKINSON	<i>Treble</i>	MARTIN FOSTER 4
*JANE B. TUFFIN	2	PATRICK J. BIRD 5
ANTONY R. KENCH	3	†BRIAN BAVERSTOCK <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.

* First peal in the method. † First peal. First of Stedman Doubles as conductor. First of Stedman Doubles for the Society, and by all the band except the conductor.

Rung in honour of the wedding this day of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra of Kent and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

GREAT WILBRAHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

A FEW OF 5040 DOUBLES			
In ten methods, being six extents Stedman and four each New Bob, Huntspill, Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas' and Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt. in G.			
ALAN M. BARBER	Treble	COLIN JOHNSON	3
JOHN IVINGS	2	ROGER J. PALMER	4

JOHN E. GOODWIN *Tenor*

Conducted by ROGER J. PALMER.

Rung for the wedding of Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

ISHAM, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR			
Being seven extents, each called differently.		Tenor 9½ cwt.	
*JOHN G. MITCHELL	Treble	SHELAGH R. COLLINS	4
JAMES MITCHELL	2	IAN W. HALL	5
BRENDA COLLINS	3	ARTHUR H. IDLE	Tenor

Conducted by SHELAGH R. COLLINS.

* First attempt for a peal.
 Rung by members of the SS. Peter and Paul, Kettering, band for the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

LUPPITT, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Wed., April 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being two 360's, eight 240's and 20 extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

FREDERICK J. SAGE	<i>Treble</i>	LEONARD MARKER	4
*MARY SAGE	2	†EDRIC W. BROOM	5
†JOHN SAGE	3	*ARTHUR W. SAGE	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FREDERICK J. SAGE.

* First peal. * First 'inside'.
 Rung for the wedding of Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, SHRUB END,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR			
Being seven extents, viz.: (1) Ipswich Surprise, (2) Double Court, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Single Oxford, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.			
Tenor 4½ cwt. (approx.).			
NEIL AVIS	<i>Treble</i>	JAMES L. TOWLER	4
DOREEN FAIRHEAD	2	BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD	5
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD	3	HARRY J. MILLATT	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by HARRY J. MILLATT.

First peal on the bells.
 Rung in honour of the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra of Kent and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

SOMERBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR			
Rev. E. Bankes James' arrangement.		Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in G.	
R. CYRIL TYLER.. ..	Treble	*ARTHUR J. STIMSON.. ..	4
BRIAN L. BURROWS	2	*MICHAEL T. STIMSON	5
LAWRENCE WATKINS	3	MICHAEL E. BROWN.. ..	Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

* First peal of Surprise Minor. First of Surprise on the bells. R. C. Tyler has now 'circled' this his home tower to peals, being first to do so. Rung for the royal wedding.

BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., April 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in three methods, viz.: Three each of Plain Bob and Single Oxford, and one of Single Court. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.			
JOHN F. PEARSON	<i>Treble</i>	PHILLIP C. PITCHFORD	4
*VAUGHAN P. EVANS	2	RONALD APPLEWHITE	5
AMOS INGALL	3	LOUIS WILLDERS	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by LOUIS WILLDERS.

* First peal on an 'inside' bell.
 Rung for the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

CHEVERELL MAGNA, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARCHIBALD I. KNIGHT	<i>Treble</i>	WALTER BEAVEN	4
*DENNIS A. POWNEY	2	TA. GEORGE HEATH	
NORMAN G. N. KNEE	3	FREDERICK S. SLATFORD	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FREDERICK S. SLATFORD.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal and first attempt. First on the bells.

GREAT WITCOMBE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

Consisting of 100 methods in the following seven Spliced extents: (1) Mendlesham and Tonbridge Alliance, Belvedere Little Bob, St. Clement's, Childwall, Thelwall, London Bob, Lytham, College, Wavertree, Horsmonden, Killarney, Cumberland, Ennerdale, Frodsham, Windermere, Fulbeck, Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, Wath, Carisbrooke, Donottar and Pontefract Delight; (2) Ellacombe and Finchley Alliance, Benington, Freiston, Frampton, Butterwick, Langton, Candlesby, Alford, Tattershall, Chelford, Sutton, Poynton and Denton Special Alliance, Darrington, Thrybergh and Adwick New Alliance, Cornhill and Cripplegate Special Little, Bastow L.C., Double Oxford, Double Court, Wavertree, College and London Bob; (3) Morland, Bodenham, Kirkthorpe, Kippax, Felkirk, Crofton, Pencombe and Eardisley Special Alliance, Wavertree and Berwyn Treble Bob, Barham, Oswald, Berkeley, Kentish, Pembroke and Edinburgh Delight, Bastow Little Court; (4) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (5) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Carisbrooke, Hitcham, Donottar and Pontefract Delight; (6) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Bourne and Primrose Surprise; (7) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, Durham and York Surprise; with 205 changes of method, and a plain lead of each method included.

PETER T. HURCOMBE	<i>Treble</i>	CYRIL A. WRATTEN	4
SHIRLEY M. DREW	2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE	5
GEOFFREY R. DREW	3	BRIAN BLADON	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

The greatest number of Minor methods to a peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. in A flat.

*MICHAEL C. DANIELS	<i>Treble</i>	ERNEST G. PEARCE	4
CECIL W. PIPE	2	ROBERT F. DOWNING	5
MRS. BRENDA E. DOWNING	3	JOHN W. BLYTHE	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.

* First peal.
 Rung in honour of the marriage this day of Miss Elizabeth Block, of Hasketon, and Mr. Rufus St. John Scott Plummer.

HUTTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In seven methods: three extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Simon's, St. Martin's and April Day, seven of Grandsire, 11 of All Saints and 12 of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

*PETER FRIEND	<i>Treble</i>	*JOHN WALLETT	3
CHARLES E. HILL	2	WILLIAM T. HILL	4
RAYMOND G. JONES	3	<i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by JOHN WALLETT.

* First peal in seven methods. First as conductor.
 For the wedding of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

MAPLEDURHAM, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt.
*JENNIFER M. DAVIES .. Treble *FELICITY WEBBER .. 4
*HELEN M. DISERENS .. 2 PETER M. WILKINSON .. 5
JANE FOSTER .. 3 FRANK W. LEWIS .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER M. WILKINSON.
* First peal of Cambridge Minor. † First of Minor, and completes Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in live methods: one each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and two of Single Oxford and Plain.
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

*STEPHEN HALL .. Treble FRANK CHAMBERS .. 4
RICHARD CLIFTON .. 2 JIM BOWLEY .. 5
C. WILLIAM HALL .. 3 TOM HARRIS .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM HARRIS.
* First peal, aged 11 years.

SANDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents: (1 and 2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Kent T.B., (4) St. Clement's, (5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in G.
MICHAEL EDWARDS .. Treble IAN R. PANTON .. 4
P. ANNE EDWARDS .. 2 RICHARD HARRISON .. 5
FRANK V. GANT .. 3 PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. A. Newbury, instituted as Rector this day.

SHELLEY, HUDDERSFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF EMMANUEL.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In seven methods with different back works: Morning Star, College Exercise, Braintree, Wragby, Snowdrop, Sandal, Oxford. Tenor 11½ cwt.
FRED BROOK .. Treble ELIZABETH PEACE .. 4
*CHRISTINE M. SAVILLE .. 2 TREVOR TARBATT .. 5
SUSAN PRICE .. 3 NOEL F. MOXON .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

* First peal 'inside'.
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. Crow, who is leaving Shelley.

SOUTH MARSTON, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt.
RICHARD LOVELOCK .. Treble FREDERICK W. BOX .. 4
DAVID L. NIBBS .. 2 ROBERT J. DREWETT .. 5
PHILIP S. GAISFORD .. 3 ROBERT J. PURNELL .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT J. PURNELL.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung to commemorate the marriage on the previous Wednesday of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra to the Hon. Angus Ogilvy.

STOKE-ON-TERN, SALOP.
THE ST. OSWALD SOCIETY
AND
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being three extents of St. Vedast, New, Huntspill, St. Hillary, Westminster II, Blackburn, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Remigius, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Osmund, St. Simon's, St. Martin's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. Treble ROGER W. POWELL .. 4
*MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY .. 2 IAN FRIEND .. 5
PETER MORRIS .. 3 IAN H. BANNER .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK B. WILLIAMS.
* First peal of Doubles. † First peal. First as conductor. First in 14 methods by all the band, whose average age is 17 years 5 months.
Greatest number of methods rung to a peal by the Society and the Association.

Rung as a wedding compliment to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and the Hon. Angus Ogilvy; also as a 19th birthday compliment to Roger W. Powell.

THEALE, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES

In two methods. Tenor 11½ cwt.
*TERRENCE E. J. ADAMS .. Treble DAVID L. WILCOX .. 4
ROGER B. PIKE .. 2 †JAMES E. HARMSWORTH .. 5
TONY PRICE .. 3 JAMES M. ALLEN .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID L. WILCOX.
* First peal. † First 'inside'. Believed to be the first peal on the bells for 25 years.

Rung to welcome the new Rector, Rev. E. L. King.

TIRLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5640 SPLICED MINOR

Consisting of 105 methods in the following seven extents: (1) Stonehouse, Ringstead, Hayes, Sharnbrook, Blaxhall, Mitcham, Stanhoe and Stratton Alliance, Crayford Little Court and Little Bob; (2) Mendlesham and Tonbridge Alliance, Belvedere Little Bob, St. Clement's, Childwall, Thelwall, London Bob, Lytham, College, Wavertree, Horsmonden, Killarney, Cumberland, Ennerdale, Frodsham, Windermere, Fulbeck, Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Canterbury and Plain Bob, Wath, Carisbrooke, Donottar and Pontefract Delight; (3) Ellacombe and Finchley Alliance, Benington, Freiston, Frampton, Butterwick, Langton, Candlesby, Alford, Tattershall, Chelford, Sutton, Denton and Poynton Special Alliance, Darrington, Thrybergh and Adwick New Alliance, Cornhill and Cripplegate Special Little, Bastow Little Court, Double Oxford, Double Court, Wavertree, College and London Bob; (4) Morland, Bodenham, Kirkthorpe, Kippax, Felkirk, Crofton, Pencombe and Eardisley Special Alliance, Waterford and Berwyn Treble Bob, Barham, Oswald, Berkeley, Kentish, Pembroke and Edinburgh Delight, Bastow Little Court; (5) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Ncasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (6) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Carisbrooke, Hitcham, Donottar, Pontefract and Alderbourne Delight; (7) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, Durham and York Surprise; with 208 changes of method, and a plain lead of each method included.

Tenor 12 cwt.
PETER T. HURCOMBE .. Treble *CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. 4
*SHIRLEY M. DREW .. 2 ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 5
GEOFFREY R. DREW .. 3 BRIAN BLADON .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.
* 100th peal together. The greatest number of methods to a peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., April 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb. in B.
*FRANK R. MORTON .. Treble J. DEREK SMITH .. 4
†R. ANTHONY TRICKETT .. 2 *YVONNE M. HUGHES .. 5
JOHN E. BROUGH .. 3 *FREDERICK S. SUTTON .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. BROUGH.
* First peal in the method. † First 'inside' in the method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower' twice.

MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., April 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST, MILES PLATTING.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lb. in G.

MARGARET WRIGHT .. Treble DEREK A. ASHTON .. 4
JOHN F. BARLOW .. 2 JEFFREY BRANNON .. 5
DARRYL GILLESPIE .. 3 JOHN ROBINSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ROBINSON.
First peal in more than one method for all the band except the conductor.

DESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 26 methods, viz.: (1) Canterbury and Morneth, (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick and Newcastle; (3) Netherseale, Lightfoot and Wearmouth; (4) Westminster and Allendale; (5) London, Wells and Cuneastre; (6) Beverley, Berwick, Durham, York, Hexham and Surfleet; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; with 112 changes of method. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in G sharp.

RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. Treble JOHN WATKINS .. 4
LAWRENCE WATKINS .. 2 BRIAN L. BURROWS .. 5
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. 3 MICHAEL E. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.
First peal of Spliced on the bells.

HINSTOCK, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., May 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being three extents of Oxford T.B. and four of Kent T.B., different callings. Tenor 7 cwt. in A.

E. MARION KEY Treble	*WILLIAM H. TALBOT 4
PETER MORRIS 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS 5
EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

* First peal in two T.B. methods.

GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., May 3, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in A.

GRACE BURCHNALL Treble	*HAROLD DENMAN 4
KATHERINE BURCHNALL .. 2	A. HARRY HAWCROFT 5
JOHN COATES 3	ERNEST PRESTON Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST PRESTON.

* 200th peal for the Guild.
 Rung half-muffled in memory of Canon R. F. Wilkinson.

BABWORTH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 2,160 of Kent and two extents of Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A.

GEORGE CHALLANS Treble	JOHN COATES 4
*MARTIN J. KIRK 2	JOHN A. HARRISON 5
†DAVID A. WHEATTON .. 3	HAROLD DENMAN Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD DENMAN.

* First peal of Minor 'inside.' † First peal. ‡ First of Minor.
 300th peal by conductor.

EASTNOR, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods/variations, being three extents each of the following: Old, Dedworth, Seighford, Little Aston, St. Columb, Southrepps, Cliford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, April Day, Plain Bob, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt.

*DIANE P. DAVIES Treble	†JAMES WARD 4
PHILIP G. MORGAN 2	†E. CHARLES BIGGS 5
†LEONARD J. WALTERS .. 3	†GEORGE GWYNNE Tenor

Conducted by JAMES WARD.

* First peal. † First in 14 methods/variations 'inside.' ‡ First in 14 methods/variations. First as conductor.

EXHALL-BY-COVENTRY.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in B flat.

WILLIAM A. STOTE Treble	GEORGE P. HAMMOND 4
KEITH F. GARDNER 2	JOSEPH W. COTTON 5
DAVID J. ALLEN 3	GEOFFREY PRATT Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY PRATT.

The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower' to peals.
 Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Jennifer Wall, of the local band, to Mr. David Ormerod: also a compliment to the ringer of the second on the eve of his 19th birthday.

GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 ST. PHILIP'S DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores, three variations of calling. Tenor 7½ cwt.

*†ALAN A. PAUL Treble	PERCY AMOS 3
RONALD RUSSELL 2	*†ROGER W. SMITH 4
††GRAHAM C. PAUL Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN A. PAUL.

* 25th peal. † 25th together. ‡ 25th together. First in the method.
 Rung for the Festival of SS. Philip and James (May 1st).

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sat., May 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 ST. REMIGIUS BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 3 cwt. 93 lb. in D.

*JOHN H. TAYLOR Treble	†EDWARD D. ELDERKIN .. 3
†ALAN S. HARRISON 2	*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 4
HUGH N. EVANS Tenor	

Conducted by HUGH N. EVANS.

* First peal on five bells. † First of Doubles. First in the method by all the hand, on the bells, and for the Guild. First of Doubles for the Guild.

HANDBELL PEALS

LONDON, W.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sun., March 10, 1963, in 1 Hour and 44 Minutes,
AT 27, BOWFELL ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

*MARY S. TAYLOR 1—2	JOHN C. EISEL 3—4
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE 5—6	

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal of Minor on handbells.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., April 10, 1963, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT 3, SALTERS ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

ROBIN G. TURNER 1—2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 5—6
ERIC N. HARRISON 3—4	RODNEY A. YEATES 7—8

Composed by G. DODDS. Conducted by MARTYN L. J. JORDAN.
 First peal of Major 'in hand' as conductor.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., April 14, 1963, in 1 Hour and 44 Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

*DAVID W. STRUCKETT .. 1—2	†ANTHONY G. TYERS .. 3—4
‡MICHAEL B. TYERS 5—6	

Conducted by ANTHONY G. TYERS.

* First peal of Minor 'in hand.' † First 'in hand.' ‡ First of Minor.
 Rung to the glory of God on Easter Day.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., April 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT 33, BRIDGE END ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of four extents of Netherseale Surprise and three of Old Oxford Delight. Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND 1—2	BRIAN BLADON 3—4
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ANTHONY R. PEAKE 5—6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 1 Hour and 26 Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 ST. MARTIN'S BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

MALCOLM D. BARSBY 1—2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE 3—4
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MICHAEL WHITE 5—6

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

First peal in the method by all.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
AT THE AMERICAN SCHOOL, BUSHEY HALL.

A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

MARGARET D. WOOLLEY .. 1—2	ANTHONY R. MANN 5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3—4	*ROBIN A. HODGSON 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.

* First peal in the method on handbells.

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 1 Hour and 42 Minutes,
AT 128, LEICESTER ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor size 12 in F.

JOHN A. ACRES 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY 3—4
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ALFRED BALLARD 5—6

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., April 21, 1963, in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes,
AT LLYS ESGOB.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Tenor size 12 in F.

DAVID S. BISHOP 1—2	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 3—4
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WILLIAM J. GOODFELLOW .. 5—6

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

BARROW-ON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., April 25, 1963, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes,
AT THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

*RUPERT A. CLARKE 1—2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE 5—6
DAVID F. MOORE 3—4	BRIAN G. WARWICK 7—8

Composed by E. MAURICE ATKINS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.
 * First peal of Major 'in hand'
 Rung on the Feast of St. Mark.

NOTICES

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BIRTH

ROAST.—On April 28th, 1963, at St. Peter's Hospital, Maldon, to Mary and Joe, a son (Paul Antony)—a brother for David. 2514

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

The marriage of Chris Hayter and Jennifer Wallace will take place at all Saints', Hertford, on June 8th, 1963, at 12 noon. All ringing friends welcome at the church. 2476

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Maggs, is now 15, Whitmore Road, Taunton, Somerset. 2499

PERSONAL

'Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto ye.' (Job xx. 21.)

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

DORSET (WAREHAM).—18 ft. 4-berth caravan. Flush toilets, showers, shop. Central for Swanage, Bournemouth, Weymouth.—R. Vacher, 24, Grove Road, Wimborne, Dorset. 2486

GOODRINGTON SANDS, DEVON.—Popular holiday centre. Holiday caravans. Electric cooker, lighting. Ideal site, shop, laundry, showers. Vacancies June 29th-July 13th, August 17th-24th. Also bed and breakfast in Plymouth.—Thomas, 15, East Park Avenue, Plymouth. 2504

LILLIPUT, POOLE.—Bed and breakfast, evening meal if required. Close to golf course. On bus route to Bournemouth. Sandbanks and Chinese beaches.—Mrs. I. Davis, 22, Brownsea View Avenue, Lilliput, Poole. Telephone No. Canford Cliffs 78755. 2435

HANDBELLS FOR SALE

SET of 12 No. 15 'C' handbells, by John Taylor, good condition. Best offer over £30.—Wiblin, 4, South Drive, Harwell, Berks. 2482

SET of 10 handbells by J. Shaw, tenor size 18 G. All refitted throughout and refurbished. Nice tone and in brand new condition. Price £33 or nearest offer.—Frank R. Barnett, 22, Grove Crescent, Bromyard Road, Worcester. Phone Worcester 23628. 2498

MISCELLANEOUS

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Annual tour, Cornwall, August 24th-31st. Any member wishing to come on this tour who has not received a circular should write as soon as possible to W. T. Cook, 2, Sandford Road, Bromley, Kent. 2471

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.—Tour of Shropshire, July 28th-August 4th. Any member who has not received details, and would like to do so, is invited to write to John Croxton, St. Patrick's Hall, Northcourt Avenue, Reading. 2473

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—Practices, Saturday, May 18th, from 6-7.30 p.m. and Saturday, June 15th, from 7-8.30 p.m. All welcome. 2472

ST. NICHOLAS' CHURCH, ABBOTSBURY.—Practice night at above church is postponed until September.—H. J. Ford. 2485

SOCIETY OF ROVING RINGERS.—New members welcome on cycling tour of Cornwall, July 27th to August 5th. Qualifications: Bike, Y.H.A. membership, interest in ringing.—Details from Miss Marilyn Gibbs, 17, Stonny Croft, Ashted, Surrey. 2495

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Monthly evening practice meeting at Brewod (8). Saturday, May 25th, 6.30-8.30 p.m. Please look up Double Norwich and Yorkshire Sur.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 2502

MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Branch.—Monthly practice, Hinton St. George, Saturday, May 18th, 7 p.m.—J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec. 2511

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting at Bakewell (8) on Saturday, May 18th. Own tea arrangements.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 2456

EAST DERBYS AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Monthly meeting, South Normanton on May 18th. No afternoon ringing owing to weddings. Light refreshments only at 4.30 p.m. Meeting and ringing to follow till 8.30 p.m. All welcome.—M. J. Kirk, Hon. Sec. 2489

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at Gamlingay, Saturday, May 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. M. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 2497

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Elm, Saturday, May 18th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 2464

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Annual meeting at Stow-on-the-Wold on Saturday, May 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea by own arrangement. Meeting 5.30. Bells 6-7 p.m. 2500

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Egham on Saturday, May 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea to Miss I. Knowles, 46, Simon's Walk, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey. 2463

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Corringham, Saturday, May 18th. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me. Special methods: Sandal and Double Court.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel.: 2623. 2433

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Practice on May 18th. Ringing at Harlington, 3.15 to 4.45 p.m., followed by tea and business.—Evening ringing at Harmondsworth.—F. T. B. 2451

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Saturday, May 18th, meeting at Daybrook, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. N. Pailing, 6, Charles Street, Arnold.—P. Nix. 2450

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 18th, South Collingham. Prayers in church 2.20 p.m. Bells 2.30-4.30. Crawford Cup contest, North Collingham, 6 p.m. Regret cups of tea only, for limited number in South Collingham Rectory. 2440

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Stratford St. Mary and Higham, Saturday, May 18th. Stratford St. Mary (6) bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Higham (6) bells after tea and business meeting until 9 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. W. D. Bailey, Squirrels Hall Cottage, Stratford St. Mary, Colchester. 2393

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Ringmer (8). Saturday, May 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: St. Clement's Bob Major. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hursley, Basingstoke. 2458

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Storrington (6) on Saturday, May 18th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, 'Greystones', Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester. 2449

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Annual meeting, Tickhill, May 18th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Cannings, 15, Northgate, Tickhill, Doncaster. Bells also available at Bawtry (6) 3-4.30 p.m. and Harworth (6) 7.30-9 p.m. Subscriptions are now due, and new reports will be available.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 2484

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Evening meeting, Houghton Regis, Saturday, May 25th. Bells (6) from 5 p.m.—K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec. 2493

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Horsley Cup ringing contest at Horsley, May 25th. 2 p.m. Judge: Denis A. Frith. Non-competitors requiring tea send names to D. J. Marshall, 52, Wyvern Avenue, Long Eaton, Nottingham. 2484

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting, Rawmarsh, Saturday, May 25th, at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. G. R. Hiner, 44, Spalton Road, Parkgate, Rotherham. —R. Stephenson, Hon. Sec. 2509

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Barnard Castle, Saturday, May 25th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m., also available Cotherstone belfry. Names for tea to E. Thompson, 14, Twinsburn Road, Heighington, not later than Thursday, May 23rd. Tel.: No. Aycliffe 2240. 2492

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District.—Meeting at Great Totham, Saturday, May 25th. Ringing competition 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. General ringing after tea. Names to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 2367

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hempstead on Saturday, May 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to Mrs. Rycart, The Vicarage, Hempstead, Saffron Walden. 2503

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Alveston (6), Saturday, May 25th. Bells available 6 p.m. 2503

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Puttenham (6) on May 25th from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 2505

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting, Lugwardine, May 25th. Bells (8) from 3 to 8.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, May 21st.—R. G. Powell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford. 2508

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Walkden, Saturday, May 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Free meal, but names essential by previous Wednesday to Peter Lomax, 69, Manchester Road, Walkden. —Thornley, Sec. 2508

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Batley, May 25th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify Miss S. Mudd, 129, Healey Lane, Batley, by previous Wednesday.—I. North, Hon. Sec. 2508

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Evening meeting at Kirby Bellars, May 25th. Ringing 6-9 p.m. 2496

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (North Lindsey Branch) and LADIES' GUILD (Lincolnshire Branch).—Joint meeting, May 25th at Bigby. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to the Rev. Canon H. Thackray, Bigby Rectory, Burnthorpe, Lincs.—C. A. H. 2453

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Meeting at North Creake, Saturday, May 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea to T. Owen, The Flat, Slys Farm, North Creake, Fakenham. 2467

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Practice meeting at Garboldisham, Saturday, May 25th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Phillippo, Hon. Sec. 2460

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—A.M., Hook Norton (8), Saturday, May 25th. Bells 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Names for tea by 21st latest.—J. Keyte, Freeland, Oxford. 2460

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Berks Branch.—Annual meeting, Wallingford, May 25th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea, 3s. 6d. per head, Hartwells, High Street, 4.30. Meeting in church 5.30 p.m. Names for tea not later than 20th, most essential.—C. Corderoy, West Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot. 2437

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, May 25th, at Olney. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 22nd, to Mr. M. Cook, 45, Newton Road, Olney.—R. W. Sear, Hon. Sec. 2501

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, May 25th. Langleys. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by 21st, please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 2479

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, Durrington, May 25th, 6-9 p.m.—Y. L. Eloie, Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
Saturday, May 25th, 1963, at
Wellingtonborough.

Committee Meeting 3. Service 4 p.m.
Transport will be provided from the church to St. Andrew's Hall, Berrymoor Road, for tea at 5.15 p.m., followed by meeting. Tea tickets, at 3s. 6d., each, obtainable from Mr. A. R. Elliott, 29, St. Crispin Avenue, Wellingtonborough, before Tuesday, May 21st. Please send C.W.O. and S.A.E.

BELLS AVAILABLE

Wellingtonborough (8). 3.15-4. 7-9 p.m.; Ecton (6). 1-2.30. 7.30-9; Mears Ashby (6). 1.30-2.30. 7.30-8.30; Doddington (5). 2-3.30. 7-8; Wilby (6). 2-3.30. 7.15-8.15; Yardley Hastings (6). 1-2. 7.30-9; Castle Ashby (5). 2-3. 7.30-8.30; Bozeat (5). 1.30-2.30. 7.30-8.30; Wollaston (6). 2-3. 7.15-8.15; Irthlingborough (8). 1.30-3. 7.30-8.30; Stanwick (6). 1-3.30. 7.30-9; Higham Ferrers (8). 2-3.15. 7.30-9; Rushden (8). 2.15-3.15. 7.15-8.30; Irchester (8). 2-3.15. 7.15-8.15 p.m.

—E. Billings, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting. Ramsbury, Saturday, May 25th. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer, 16, Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough, Wilts. 2491

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Evening meeting at Bicton, near Shrewsbury, May 25th. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Mansfield District.—Cup contest, Saturday, May 25th, **Hucknall** (8). Tea and business meeting 5.15 p.m. Contest 6.15 p.m. Handbells available for visitors. Please note: Afternoon ringing, Greasley (8) only, 2.30 to 5 p.m. Service bus from Greasley to Hucknall, 4.50 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 22nd, to H. Lewin, 44, Nottingham Road, Hucknall. —D. J. Beach, Hon. Dis. Sec. 2488

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Striking competition, May 25th at Ashted. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entry forms from me. All Sunday service bands in the county eligible. Tea after last team has competed. Names (other than competing bands) to Mr. J. T. Symonds, 44, West Farm Avenue, Ashted, by previous Wednesday. Ringing after.—W. Parrott, 19, Eastdean Avenue, Epsom. 2391

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Rotherfield (8) on May 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to I. Smith (Sec.), 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle, Sussex. 2510

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ringing competition at Rhydythyn, on Saturday, May 25th. Judging to commence at 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. approx.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Sec. 2475

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS (Western Branch) and GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL (Tewkesbury Branch).—Joint meeting, May 25th, St. John's, Worcester. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Parish Hall, Blakefield Road. Names for tea to A. A. Jopp, Church Road, Stoulton, Worcester, by Tuesday, 21st. St. Swithun's (6) from 7-8.30 p.m. 2459

DEVON GUILD.—Aylesbeare Branch.—Meeting Aylesbeare, Saturday, June 1st. Bells 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. No tea.—R. T. Perry, Hon. Sec. 2480

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, June 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to W. H. Debbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Cup contest meeting at Wentworth, Whit Saturday, June 1st. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. H. N. Ward, George and Dragon Inn, Wentworth, Rotherham. Tel.: Hoyland 3280. —J. Seager, Sec. 2507

SOUTH WALES NOMADS.—Annual general meeting at Marshfield, near Cardiff, on Saturday, June 1st, 2.30-6.30 p.m. Will members please make a special effort to attend. Visitors always welcome.—S. Williams, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Whit Monday, June 3rd, 1963, at Chelmsford. Service in Cathedral at 11 a.m. Address by Bishop of Colchester. Meeting to follow service. Tea and coffee available from 10.15 to 10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m. Cathedral Hall (tickets 3s. 6d.). Tea, as a running buffet, from 5-6.15 p.m. (tickets 2s. 6d.). Bells available: Cathedral, 9.30-10.45 a.m. and then service touch, and from 4 p.m. From 3-6 p.m. Great Baddow, Writtle, Widford, Sandon, Danbury; and from 6-9 p.m. Great Waltham, Galleywood, Broomfield, Little Waltham. Lunch and tea tickets from General Secretary, 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch. S.A.E., please. —F. V. Gant. 2474

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual festival, Much Wenlock, Whit Monday, June 3rd. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Towers available: Madeley (8), Coalbrookdale (10), Broseley (8), St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth (8). 11 a.m. till 1 p.m. only. Willey (5). Notifications for tea must reach me by first post Wednesday, May 29th.—H. G. Thomas, 104, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth. 2477

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.—Great ringing day will be held on Saturday, June 29th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. Lunch and tea arranged. Twelve-bell ringing guaranteed.—L. E. Pitstow, 4, Highfields, Phone 2074. 2490

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At the height of the recent destructive flood in the Western States of America, a wooden church surmounted by a tower was seen, partly submerged, racing down the Ohio river, pitching and tossing like an ocean vessel in a gale. Sailing by cities and towns, its career was finally arrested on the higher part of Blennerhasset Island, two miles from Parkersburg, West Virginia, where it was found stranded upon the subsidence of the waters. This island was bought by Blennerhasset, the gifted Irish lawyer, in 1798, and became the rendezvous for the gathering of arms and the training of volunteers in the conspiracy of 1805.

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QUARTER PEALS

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On April 28th, 1,260 Minor Single Oxford and Plain Bob: Carol Cousins 1, J. C. Perrin 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, P. J. Milton 4, A. M. Maevie (cond.) 5, C. H. Maevie 6. First in two methods 1 and 3.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On May 5th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: S. Bonnett 1, A. Buck 2, M. Hopkins 3, L. Scoot 4, D. Salisbury 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, E. Buck (cond.) 7, C. Harwood 8. For Evensong.

BILLESDON, LEICS.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Faulkner 1, J. G. Geary (cond.) 2, H. Faulkner 3, A. N. Geary 4, J. Wadkin 5, G. Lee 6. Rung half-muffled after the funeral in memory of Joseph Norton, a ringer at Billesdon for over 60 years.

CASTOR, PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On Easter Monday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Oliver 1, Margaret Hill 2, A. Walker 3, G. Davis 4, F. Sismey (cond.) 5, R. Spencer 6. First quarter 1 and 2.

CHELSEA, LONDON.—On April 7th, at St. Luke's Church, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Gillian Sims (first in method) 1, Kathleen Baker (first in method) 2, J. Phillips 3, W. Theobald 4, D. Bennett 5, T. J. Setter 6, R. F. Overington (cond.) 7, J. Laver (first quarter) 8.

DEDDINGTON, OXON.—On May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. K. Pratley 1, E. E. Pearson (cond.) 2, H. N. Pratley (first 'inside') 3, C. C. Clarke 4, W. Ivings 5, R. M. Gardner 6. A compliment to Roger and Susan Gardner on the birth of a son (Robert Charles).

EALING, MIDDLEX.—At St. Mary's Church, on April 28th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. Felton 1, M. Sprackling 2, A. M. Stacey 3, S. Croft 4, F. Ranson 5, A. Fulwell 6, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, N. F. Felton 8. For Matins.

EDGMOND, SALOP.—On May 1st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Marian Cotton (cond.) 1, H. Toogood 2, Margaret Roden 3, E. Morrall 4, G. Morrall (first quarter) 5, F. Morrall 6. In honour of the Queen Mother's visit to Edgmond.

FAREHAM, HANTS.—On April 21st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Gillian Boyd 1, Renee Sturgess 2, Jennifer M. Tyack 3, Cmdr. J. Merritt, R.N., 4, Susan E. Smith 5, Anthony R. Cope 6, J. A. G. Ball 7, W. F. J. Cope 8, A. H. Sturgess (cond.) 9, J. W. Stevenson 10. To mark the birth of Her Majesty the Queen.

FOOT'S CRAY, KENT.—On May 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Katharine M. Guy 1, M. G. Foster (cond.) 2, R. A. Long (first quarter) 3, P. J. Long (first quarter) 4, T. Lewis (first 'inside') 5.

HAMMERWOOD, SUSSEX.—On April 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Evelyn M. Hicks 1, Valerie J. Hollingsworth (first 'inside') 2, D. Slater 3, M. P. Howard 4, J. A. Howard (cond.) 5. A 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

LEIGHTON BRUMSWOLD, HUNTS.—On March 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Maureen Allen 1, L. Witten 2, E. J. Whiting 3, R. Chapman 4, R. F. Baker (cond.) 5. For the marriage of Kenneth George Brunsell and Joan Alice Lucas.

MIDDLETON STONEY, OXON.—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and St. Clement's) Bob: B. J. Davies 1, L. A. Busby 2, C. H. Kinch 3, E. G. Jones 4, C. C. Clarke 5, M. W. Coleman (cond.) 6.

OCKHAM, SURREY.—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles Miss P. Drury 1, J. Martin 2, Miss G. Mooring (first as cond.) 3, C. Webb 4, H. Colcombe 5. For morning service.

PRESTON, RUTLAND.—On May 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. MacDonald 1, A. Naylor 2, F. D. Mitchell 3, H. N. Beedham 4, J. C. Hudson (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled after the interment of Mr. W. M. Codrington, Lord Lieutenant of Rutland.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.—On April 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. Comer (first quarter) 1, Hazel Young 2, R. Swift 3, F. Savidge 4, J. Holbrook (cond.) 5, C. Brown 6. Rung as the marriage was taking place at Goffs Oak, Herts, of David Hoare and Madeline Prentice.

SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—On April 28th, at the Cathedral, 1,360 Kent Treble Bob Royal: R. Birch 1, F. Ward 2, J. Kershaw 3, R. S. Long 4, J. S. Seager 5, B. Balderson 6, M. Meadows 7, B. Holland (cond.) 8, H. O. Chaddock 9, G. K. Chaddock 10. Rung to mark the engagement of Mr. G. K. Chaddock and Miss L. Thompson.

WALLINGTON, HERTS.—On April 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Pine 1, Miss A. Roden 2, Miss A. Saunderson 3, T. Hatchett (cond.) 4, L. Hatchett 5, E. Ward (first quarter after 42 years' as a local ringer) 6. Rung before Evensong to celebrate the birthday of H.M. the Queen.

LATE NOTICE

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Radnor District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, May 25th, at 5 p.m. at Llanfihangel Rhydieithon (6 bells). 2516

QUARTER PEALS

ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.—On Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia F. Leslie 1, Mary Bougourd 2, C. Philpott 3, R. C. Beal 4, H. A. Nobes (cond.) 5, F. G. Barron 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ven. Windsor Roberts, formerly Rector of Alverstokey.

BATTLE, SUSSEX.—On April 4th, 1,260 Spliced Triples (Grandsire, Oxford Bob): J. Hobden 1, I. V. J. Smith 2, A. R. Baldock 3, Ann Harris (first on eight bells) 4, Valerie Mepham 5, A. Jackson 6, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 7, I. Holland 8. First of Spliced Triples by all the band.

CAMBRIDGE.—On April 21st, at the Church of Great St. Mary. 1,320 Bob Maximus: P. H. Pigg 1, J. W. R. Quinney 2, H. Muncey 3, H. Hunter 4, C. Rogers 5, M. Daniell 6, J. W. Ward 7, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 8, T. R. Dennis 9, H. Foster 10, P. J. Bergdahl 11, H. F. Brown 12. For the Easter carol service, and in honour of the birthday of H.M. the Queen, also a farewell to the Vicar (Canon J. E. Fison), on appointment as Bishop of Salisbury.

DORCHESTER, OXON.—On April 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Howes 1—2, A. Howes 3—4, G. McIlhone (cond.) 5—6.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. Osbon (first quarter) 1, Elisabeth M. Harris 2, Diana J. Butcher 3, R. Jean Osbon 4, C. Jane Smart 5, D. Slater 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7, C. A. Osbon 8. For Evensong.

FRESHFORD, SOMERSET.—On April 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. G. Beck 1, D. A. Burt 2, L. J. Cox 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, D. J. Barnett 5. Wedding compliments to: Anthony Bennett and Susan Axford at Freshford; Cedric Hobbs and Barbara Jewell at Corston.

HAZELBEECH, NORTHANTS.—On April 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Margaret A. Wilson 1, C. E. Truman 2, W. J. Chester 3, G. W. Holland 4, J. Linnell 5, D. Burbidge 6, G. E. Green (cond.) 7, R. H. Rogers 8.

HORBURY, YORKS.—On April 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Delwyn Tidball 1, Mavis Shires 2, J. E. Dews 3, E. Atkinson 4, M. Hunt 5, D. S. Lockwood 6, M. L. Lockwood 7, I. Slack (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Herbert Rowley, for over 70 years a ringer at this church.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.—On April 12th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): R. H. Rogers 1, G. Linnell 2, J. Linford 3, J. Linnell 4, D. Burbidge (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled before evening service on Good Friday.

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